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Letters to the Editor

Cut bowling alley operators some slack

To the Editor:
Can the city of Heppner afford to have even one business close at this time? The questions in regard to the motor home belonging to Walt and Ida Foster, which stays parked in back of the bowling alley. Not only is the RV a much preferred sight than the junk yard, weed patch, which was there before, but what will happen if these people just get fed-up with the harassment and leave?

We have no swimming pool, the library has no money to operate on, and if the bowling alley goes, not only will the kids of the area have a recreation problem, but many adults as well. If the Fosters get fed-up and close the alley, this leaves many of us two choices, go nowhere or hang out in the bars. The Fosters are only trying to make a go of it. Why not cut them some slack?
(s) Jim and Karen Gavin
Lexington

Wallace for district court judge

To the Editor:
I am writing to support Jeff Wallace's candidacy for Position 2, Umatilla-Morrow County District Court Judge. I have known Jeff Wallace since he was involved in Future Farmers of America at Umapine High School. I have always been impressed by Jeff's ability to deal with people. He is very ethical and straight forward. This has carried over to his approach to the law. He uses sound judgement in making decisions. He is both professional and fair.

A district court judge deals with a lot of people and many different types of legal situations. A judge needs to have a broad legal background. As Morrow County District Attorney, Jeff makes sound decisions on a daily basis. These are the kind of qualities we need in a judge. That's why I'm voting for Jeff Wallace for district court judge.

Sincerely,
(s) A.J. Beard
835 College St.
Milton-Freewater

Glenn an advocate for his community

To the Editor:
I have known Ed Glenn, candidate for Morrow County Commissioner, to be an energetic advocate for his community. And that applies to all of Morrow County. Ed will work for sound, economic development that will help us all, and make the county a better place to live. He is a member of the Regional Strategies Committee and has

proven his allegiance to Morrow County by backing projects that help farmers, workers and all taxpayers. I intend to vote for Ed Glenn because he is the best candidate to continue the 40-year tradition of having North-end representation on the Morrow County Court. I hope you will too.
(s) Dan Creamer,
Box 382
Irrigon, OR 97844

Market Report

Compliments of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Tuesday, April 21, 1992

Soft White	\$4.44
April	\$4.44/\$4.40
May	\$4.30/\$4.15
June	\$3.94/\$3.86
July	\$3.55
Aug	\$3.86/\$3.88
Sept.	
Barley	
April-May	\$108
June	\$106
July-Sept	\$108

Marriage Licenses

The Clerk's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports issuing the following marriage licenses during the past week:
April 14: Larry Anthony Shaw, 20, Little Butter Creek; and
Cheri Jo Wright, 19, Little Butter Creek.

Justice Court Report

The Justice Court office at the courthouse annex building in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:
Creston Tigh Black, 78, Heppner-Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants, \$1,807 fine, \$1,000 suspended, complete alcohol education program with Morrow County Mental Health; Katherine Maureen Britt, 31, Lexington-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 69 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$46 fine;
Richard Nathan Hoffman, 39, Hermiston-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 70 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$46 fine;
Ted Raymond Schwarz, 21, Heppner-Careless Driving \$180 fine;
Cary Scott Davis, 42, Heppner-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 72 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$46 fine;
Frank Leonard Setness, 47, Lexington-Driving While Suspended, \$285 fine;
Steve Clayton Rollis, 18, Heppner-Failure to Wear Safety Belt, \$11 fine;
Jennifer Michelle Tanner, 20, Heppner-Failure to Wear Safety Belt, \$11 fine;
Sherri Marie Satko, 21, Kennewick, WA.-Failure to Wear Safety Belt, \$11 fine;
Charles Henry Peck, 21, Bend-Failure to Wear Safety Belt, \$11 fine;
Robert Henry McConnell, 21, Heppner-Failure to Wear Safety Belt, \$11 fine.

Sheriff's Report

The Sheriff's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports dispatching the following business during the past week:
Morrow County deputy responded to an injured dog in Irrigon;
Morrow County deputy responded to an Irrigon residence for shots being fired. Investigation is continuing;
Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Arlington ambulance to the field on West First for a male with a head laceration. The person was transported to Mid Columbia Hospital;
Morrow County Sheriff's office responded to an Irrigon residence for an animal problem;
Morrow County Sheriff's office responded to a theft of two miniature Daschunds worth \$350 each taken from Fred Colmenero of Irrigon.
April 15: Morrow County deputy issued a citation to Maria Nunez of Irrigon for driving without a license;
Morrow County deputy responded to an Irrigon residence to investigate a report of someone being cruel to an animal.
April 16: Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance and Boardman Fire department to a motor vehicle accident on Pole Line Road south of Patterson Ferry. Four people were transported to Good Shepherd Hospital;
Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for a criminal mischief report regarding a window broken out of a shop;
Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for a neighborhood disturbance;
Morrow County deputy took a report of theft from VanArsdale Logging. Radio equipment and scales taken from two trucks valued at approximately \$1,000;
Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for an animal problem. A horse was shot with a pellet gun;
Morrow County deputy responded to a report of an assault in Irrigon. The suspect was gone upon deputy's arrival. Investigation is continuing.
April 17: Morrow County deputy made contact with a

suspicious truck headed south on Bombing Range Road. No action was taken;
Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Condon ambulance to the Condon Clinic for a transport to The Dalles;
Morrow County deputy responded to Columbia Junior High for a report of numerous miscellaneous items stolen from students. Amount of value is unknown, investigation is continuing;
Morrow County deputy responded to the Cappotto residence Rt. 2, Irrigon, for a report of a possible burglary. Investigation is continuing;
Morrow County deputy made contact with an Irrigon area resident regarding a complaint of a neighbor shooting a weapon;
Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Spray ambulance and Airlife to a one vehicle accident on Hwy. 19, mile post 75. One of the two victims was transported to Bend by ambulance;
Morrow County deputy cited and released Ron Meacham, 34, Boardman, for Assault IV.
April 18: Morrow County deputy made contact with a Boardman resident regarding an unknown complaint;
Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Condon fire department to a fire at Enland Chemical in Condon;
Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance to 295 E. Boardman Ave., for a female with a foot injury. Female refused transport and was transported by a private vehicle;
Morrow County deputy responded to Frontier Trailer Court to assist the Boardman Police department with a report of an assault;
Morrow County deputy contacted a Lexington resident on Main St. for a report of vandalism.
April 19: Morrow County deputy responded to assist the Boardman Police dept. in a report of a fight in progress in Boardman;
Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Arlington ambulance and Ione Rescue Unit to Hwy. 74 mile post 20 for a report of a female with head injuries. Female was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital and then on to St. Mary's Hospital in Walla Walla, WA.
April 20: Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance to a one vehicle rollover on I-84 mile post 163 east bound. Ambulance was cancelled there were no injuries;
Morrow County deputy responded to the Wilson Road Boardman area for a report of a vehicle in the irrigation canal. Call was unfounded;
Morrow County deputy contacted West Extension Irrigation for a report of trespassers doing vandalism;
Morrow County deputy contacted Darrell DeCuis of Rhea Creek, Heppner, for a report of theft of oil. Amount of value was unknown, investigation is continuing.

Charms In Peril



One of the charms of living in Morrow County is that it is not like Portland. On the face of it, Portland is like Portland because a million people live there. Seldom does one even get to know his neighbor.
But in Morrow County, whether it's in Irrigon or Lexington, a person gets acquainted pretty quickly and pretty well, with the neighbors next door, down the street and for that matter across the county. Many of us find that a comforting thing.
So what's all this we hear about economic development, more jobs, more people? Those factories may pollute our air, destroy our water and eventually attract enough new people that we'll be just like Portland. If we wanted to live in Portland we'd move there.
The answer, it seems, is larger than just another food processor with another flock of seasonal employees. Morrow County has what's called a resource based economy. We grow crops and livestock and harvest timber. All else stems from those resources. When we build a new onion plant, it means more than just a factory with employees. It means a new market for a new farm crop; a crop that may return a high profit to the farmer than the old round of crops he would otherwise grow.
It also means a little broader tax base. We remember all too well what happened last year when certain utility property was devalued about 10 percent our taxes went up. By adding new property to the tax base, our taxes will go down.
That is the kind of "industry" preferred by the Morrow/Umatilla Regional Strategy Committee value-added agriculture. There are those who would prefer tourism and while that too is an important kind of economic development, the Committee was limited to just one industry, and chose value-added agriculture because of its greater potential in this resource based economy.
But the term "economic development" is too narrow. Perhaps the goal should be "community development." Our parks, libraries, fire and police departments, roads, water and sewer systems, schools, medical services and dozens of other amenities of the good life are financed with tax money. Factories, employees' homes, the businesses they support all help to pay the bill.
So it would appear that a little growth is desirable. But it is not just jobs. One of every two new jobs created in Morrow County goes to a Umatilla County resident. It's not just new residents either. Generally a new family requires more in tax supported services than the tax they pay on their home.
The most desirable economic growth is that which adds more than it detracts: builds on our present resource based economy, adds good jobs so our sons and daughters might have the choice to remain here as they mature, and finally, adds more to the overall "community development" than it consumes.
The county should take a more pro-active role in community development, especially in light of Measure 5. For years, economic development has been turned over to the Port of Morrow. While the Port has done a commendable job in siting new factories, it is not their business to develop the rest of the "community."
Special districts are not the best answer either. Libraries in Boardman and Heppner have been kicked out of those two cities' budgets and propose to form a special library district. The cost will go from a combined \$45,000 spent by the two cities this year to \$140,000 next year if the new district is formed. The Willow Creek Park district is struggling to finance much needed overnight camping facilities and the Irrigon Park district desperately needs that kind of facility too. The Boardman Park district is seeking financing to replace a defective electrical system handed over to them by the Corps of Army Engineers. The city of Heppner has had to close its swimming pool.
All of these community development projects might best be aided and assisted by a pro-active county government, at a lower total cost, spread more broadly than the limited capacity of a special service district can do.
If we carefully pursue economic development with the bigger concept of community development in mind, we can have a little bigger slice of the good life without jeopardizing the big slice we already have.

AS I SEE IT
By Ed Glenn

By Anne Morter
Charlie and June O'Connor of Ione are currently residing at a convalescence home in Eugene. They would appreciate cards and letters from their friends at home.
Their address is: Valley West Convalescence Center, 2300 Warren Street, Eugene, OR 97405.

By Anne Morter
If you can't make it to a practice, want to play and haven't signed up please let Joyce klhw and you can still be on a team.

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Liliana Renteria Montes-a daughter Liliana Renteria was born to Hilde Montes and Jose Renteria of Irrigon on April 2, 1992 at Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 8 1/2 oz.

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Thursday, April 23
Fisherman's Night
Taco Dinner - 6 p.m.
Prizes Galore
Calcutta Pool Benefit

for
Jim Phegley

Sunday, April 26

Auction at noon

Barbecue Ribs

5:00 p.m.,

\$5.00 a plate

Families Welcome

Pool players sign up at the Elks, Cals, or Bucknoms



Heppner Elks 358

676-9181 "Where Friends Meet" 142 N. Main

Housewarming Party
for the
Schmeltzers
(at their home)
Saturday, April 25
5:00 p.m.
Potluck Barbecue

Court Street Market

111 N. Court Heppner 676-9643 Prices Good April 22nd through 28th

GROCERIES - MEATS - PRODUCE	
Oregon Grown Whole Fryers	72¢ lb.
New York Steak	\$4.99 lb.
Ribeye Steak	\$4.99 lb.
Bottom Round Roast	\$2.99 lb.
81% lean Ground Beef	\$1.99 lb.
Fletcher Ends and Pieces Bacon	79¢ lb.
Nestle Semisweet 12oz. Chocolate Chips	\$1.99 ea.
Welch Grape 32oz. Jelly	\$1.99
Western Family 39gal. Lawn & Leaf Bags	\$1.99 ea.
Western Family 20z. Pure Vanilla Extract	\$1.99 ea.
Western Family 2lb. Sandwich Cookies	\$1.59 ea.
Western Family 2lb. Brick mild-colby-mozzarella Cheese	\$3.99 ea.
Green Cabbage	29¢ lb.
Green Peppers	3 for 99¢
Choice Oranges	29¢ lb.
Red Delicious Apples	69¢ lb.

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