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**Letter to the Editor**

**Please slow down**

To the Editor:  
When we speak of making our streets safer for our children, what often comes to mind is ridding the streets of criminals, drug dealers and gang activities. Our community may not have a large presence of such activities, but our streets are in no way safe for our kids. Maybe we are taking our rural lifestyle for granted. Maybe we enjoy certain freedoms not readily apparent in larger cities. The grave reality is that someone, most likely a child, is going to be seriously injured, if not killed, by those of us who fail to take the speed limit in town seriously.

I live on Court Street between the courthouse and fairgrounds and have witnessed on many occasions people abusing the speed limit. This is obviously not a problem specific to Court Street, but is found on all streets in town. But what is extremely aggravating is the close proximity to the schools. If we fail to see the importance of slowing down near schools, then how will we see to slow down elsewhere?

The problem drivers are not only teenagers as one might expect, but almost everyone on occasion has entered the realm of recklessness in regards to speeding in town. Cars,

pickups, log trucks, farm trucks, and multiple vehicles such as pickups pulling horse trailers are all guilty. We must all stop and think how quickly accidents happen versus the time it takes to stop a loaded truck, car or pickup going 40 miles per hour on narrow streets. I've witnessed a close call involving a truck, a child and a tennis ball and hate to think about what could have been the outcome.

I think we should all accept the challenge of making our streets safe for our kids by teaching safe and responsible driving habits, as well as being safe and responsible drivers ourselves. Finally, I challenge the local police departments and city officials to take actions that will reduce the dangerous conditions on our streets. Isn't it easier to ask what can we do than to ask what should we have done? Please slow down.

Sincerely,  
(s) Craig Gutierrez

**Men's prayer breakfast slated**

The monthly men's prayer breakfast will be held at the Christian Life Center, Assembly of God Church, Sunday, May 21, at 8 a.m. Pastor Dale Zumwalt will be the speaker.

All men are welcome to attend.

**Sheriff's Report**

The Morrow County Sheriff's office in Heppner reports dispatching the following business during the past week:  
May 9: Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the boardman Fire Dept. to wash down a spill on Columbia Blvd.;

Morrow County deputy took a report of theft and vandalism at Western Empire Farms. Amount of value was unknown at press time. Investigation is continuing;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Condon ambulance for a transport from Summit Spring Estates to mid Columbia Medical Center in The Dalles;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Heppner ambulance to a residence on West Willow for a juvenile with an unknown illness. Transport was refused;

Morrow County deputy responded to Irrigon for a report of a suspicious vehicle;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Willow Creek Dam area for a report of a juvenile problem;

Morrow County Sheriff's office responded to a residence in Irrigon for a report of a burglary. A hand gun valued at \$395 and Sega game gear with cartridges were reported stolen.

May 10: Morrow County Sheriff's office arrested Brian L. Colson, 29, Pendleton, on a warrant for Failure to Appear/Traffic. He was transported and lodged at Umatilla County Jail;

Morrow County Sheriff's office took a report of theft from Billy Adams, Stingel Canyon Rd. Heppner. A saddle and bridle were reported stolen;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the lone EMTs and the Heppner ambulance to the lone High School for a female with an illness. No transport was made;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance to the Medical Clinic for a female with an illness. Patient was transported to Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston.

May 11: Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman Fire Dept. to a structure fire at the corner of Paul Smith Road and Wilson;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Condon ambulance to Burres State Park, Hwy 206 for a male with an unknown illness. Patient was transported to The Dalles;

Morrow County deputy responded to Irrigon to investigate a report of some stolen property which had been recovered. Investigation is continuing;

Morrow County deputy responded to Western Empire Farms for a report of theft. Amount of value was unknown at press time;

Morrow County deputy responded to Irrigon for a report of theft. Two Mitsubishi VCR's and an RCA Camcorder valued at \$800, and gold chains and a wedding band were reported stolen;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Heppner Fire Dept to a residence on Riverside for a report of debris lodged in the creek behind the residence and causing flooding. Debris was cleared.

May 12: Morrow County deputy responded to Homestead Road/Potlach Corp for a report of an alarm;

Morrow County deputy

responded to Summit Ln in Boardman for a traffic problem;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance and the Boardman Fire Dept. to Coyote Springs Co Gen Plant for a power outage that involved a road grater hitting a power pole. Power was knocked out over the entire county;

Morrow County deputy arrested Eugene Muniz, 22, Boardman, on an Assault IV domestic. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail;

Morrow County deputy responded to the corner of 10th and north Main, for a report of a disturbance;

Morrow County deputy responded to assist with the Irrigon ambulance at a residence in Irrigon.

May 13: Morrow County Sheriff's office arrested Karen Joyce Riddle, 50, Heppner, on a Umatilla County warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants and on local charges of Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants and Theft III;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for a report of a suspicious male. Deputy was unable to locate anyone;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Heppner ambulance to Linden Way. One male was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital with an illness;

Morrow County deputy responded to a neighborhood disturbance on Marshall Loop in Boardman;

Morrow County deputy responded to County Road, Irrigon for a report of a bull loose;

Morrow County deputy responded to the Irrigon area for a civil matter.

May 14: Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman ambulance and Fire Dept. for a report of a motor vehicle rollover on I-84, mile post 155½ in the median. There were no injuries or transports;

Morrow County deputy responded to a residence in Irrigon to assist with a civil problem.

May 15: Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Boardman Fire Dept. to the west bound rest area for a fuel spill. Call was cancelled en route, the highway responded instead;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched the Heppner ambulance to a residence on Gilmore St., for a female with an illness. Patient was transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital;

Morrow County deputy responded to a residence in Irrigon on Washington St. to investigate a report of suspicious circumstances;

Morrow County Sheriff's office dispatched a deputy to a domestic report in the Boardman area;

Morrow County deputy continued an investigation on a theft in the Irrigon area.

**Births**

**Roberto Navarro Hernandez-** a son Roberto Navarro was born to Ernestina Hernandez of Boardman on April 23, 1995 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz.

**Paola Cuevas-** a daughter Paola was born to Alicia and Jorge Cuevas of Boardman on April 26, 1995 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz.

**Justice Court Report**

The Justice Court office at the courthouse annex building in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:

Jennifer Dawn Marvin, 18, Heppner-No Operator's License, two counts, \$314 fine;

Charles Ray Brotherton, 45, Central Point-Driving While Suspended, \$475 fine.

**In the Service**

**Army Spec. Alfred C. Burt, Warner Barracks, Bamberg, Germany,** has been decorated with the Army Commendation Medal.

The medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Army.

Burt, a power generation repairer, is the son of Alfred and Jo Burt of Heppner, and is a 1991 graduate of Heppner High School.

**Marriage Licenses**

The Morrow County Clerk's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports issuing the following marriage licenses during the past week:

April 24: Michael Eugene Crismon, 43, Irrigon; and Elizabeth Alene Miller, 40, Irrigon.

April 28: Lyle Raymond Greene, 43, Pendleton; and Dona Jojean Stevens, 32, Pendleton.

May 11: Thomas Kevin Jones, 34, Boardman; and Carol Ann Hardie, 42, Boardman.

May 12: Jerald DeWayne Lancaster, 23, Hermiston; and Dora Jane Taylor, 21, Hermiston.

**Market Report**

Compliments of the Morrow County Grain Growers

Tuesday, May 16	
Soft White	
May	\$4.40
June	\$4.36/\$4.28
July	\$4.24/\$4.17
Aug.	\$4.15/\$4.16
Sept.	\$4.17/\$4.19
Barley	
May	\$118
July	\$105
Aug.	\$105

**Chamber Chatter**

By Claudia Hughes, Chamber Manager

There's a treat for all ages coming to Heppner this Sunday. At 2 p.m. at the Elementary School Gym, the Northwest Senior Theater will present "Thanks For The Memories," a USO show featuring music from the 40's. There's nothing like music to take you back in time and to give you an opportunity to share the past with your children and grandchildren. In conjunction with the musical presentation, be sure to stop by the Morrow County Museum to view the Smithsonian traveling exhibit: "Produce for Victory: Posters on the American Home Front, 1941-1945." Support this endeavor by the Morrow County Museum, an hour and a half of music for the bargain price of \$3. Many bemoan the fact that there is a shortage of culture in Heppner. When we support these opportunities, the need becomes obvious. Success stories result in more events coming to Heppner. See you there.

Speaking of events to attract people, the North Central Regional Strategies Tourism Planning Tour is occurring this week. The tour originated in The Dalles, and will cover attractions in Wasco, Sherman, Gilliam, Wheeler, Grant, and Morrow counties. The purpose is to develop a tourism plan for the region. Input is welcomed from each and everyone at the Heppner Ranger District, Wednesday, May 17, between 4-6 p.m.

Next week, the Chamber program will be Rick Minster discussing the Morrow County Unified Recreation District.

Thought for the week: "Life is mostly a matter of jumping in feet first, here I come, ready or not!"

**HCC to meet**

The Heppner Coordinating Council will hold its regularly scheduled meeting, Tuesday, May 23, at 7:30 a.m., at the GEODC office. Issues of interest to be discussed will include distribution of the GAP study, HCC/Heppner Economic Development Commission strategic plan, the medical district budget and economic development staff.

The public is invited to attend.

**Class of '70**

**plans reunion**

The Heppner High School class of 1970 will hold their 25th class reunion on Saturday, July 8, at the Morrow County fairgrounds in Heppner. They will be joining the class of 1975 for the event.

The class is still looking for some classmates: Edna Kerns, Larry Anderson and Bill Wolff. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of these people is asked to call Molly Rill, 676-5455.

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