

Valby Lutheran plans services

An "exciting and stimulating" study of the life and ministry of Jesus Christ through the words of the evangelist/physician Luke takes place on Sunday mornings at 8:15 a.m. at Valby Lutheran Church, located on the lone/Gooseberry Road.

Worship service will follow the Bible study at 9 a.m. Pastor

Stan Hoobing will deliver the message entitled, "Compassion that Heals", based on Old Testament scripture reading of Deuteronomy 30:9-14.

"Visitors, friends and travelers are always welcome to participate in the life and ministry of the people of God-Lutheran branch," said the Reverend Stan Hoobing.

Off the Wall By Meryn Robinson

Maybe it's from a blow to the head resulting from a back flip off my horse or else time spent picking strawberries has let too much blood rush to the brain. Whatever the cause, it's difficult to go along with some current proposals.

Now they're talking about government regulations on television programming and forcing companies to put controls on sets that could lock out certain programs. Whatever happened to self-regulation? If people didn't watch or permit families to watch violent or lewd programs, they would soon lose their market share.

Remember when it was a hot topic about banning certain publications? Yet filth and pornography continue to exist because greedy publishers can still find a market. Like neighborhood crime watch cooperation, it takes the consensus of moral citizens to make this world better for everyone.

Some large cities are now imposing teenage curfews to cut down on street crimes. But if parents aren't home, can't those teenagers invoke just as much havoc from their homes? Parents unable to assume full-time responsibility lose control and society pays. Those street kids would be better off placed in a supervised work camp where a work ethic and schooling could be instilled. Let the billions of dollars spent by environmentalists work for them by cleaning up forests, restoring riparian zones or cleaning up creeks. Youthful energy could be diverted from vandalism and crime.

What's happening to the free enterprise system when it comes to this county's health care system? Unlike other professions, health care workers seem to feel they must be guaranteed a salary rather than a percentage of profit based on work. While we are blessed with great health care providers, as the numbers climb, how much can the taxpayers afford?

How did we ever exist before there were medical services in every town and first responders to take care of medical emergencies? No doubt some lives have been saved, but I don't remember growing up and worrying that someone might die because it was 60 miles to the nearest hospital.

Unlike those with guaranteed salaries, my heart goes out to producers who suffered major losses during the recent hail storm. That storm wasn't of the magnitude of the St. Helens 1980 disaster nor the heat-killing weather that has impacted the mid-west and south, but with the increasing production costs, the loss of a once-a-year income can be very devastating.

While we can't control nature's storms, we can make a difference in maintaining the social and moral fiber upon which this country was built. The July summer program for youngsters here in our own community is just one positive way to enrich young people's lives through organized supervision.

Crayons may be hazardous

Oregon Health Division has issued a health alert regarding lead contamination of crayons from China.

Ken Kauffman, environmental specialist at Health Division, says results from crayons tested in April and July show that standard sized crayons from a box of eight colors were found to contain dangerous amounts of lead. The box in which they were purchased is marked "Made in China" and has a prominent "NON-TOXIC" claim. The box does not carry the mandatory ASTM D-4236 assurance that the product complies with US art safety standards. Art products not carrying this assurance cannot be legally sold or used in schools.

Kauffman said the crayons contain sufficient lead to result in excessive exposure and illness if the crayons are chewed

or eaten, which makes them inappropriate for children. Parents and teachers should be sure that any crayons used by children have the required label notation "Complies with ATSM D-4236". Those that do not should be destroyed or return to the supplier.

Lead ingestion can cause injury to the brain and nervous systems of young children, even at fairly low levels. It is unlikely that persons using the contaminated crayons only for coloring or artwork are at risk for elevated lead. No cases of illness attributable to crayons have been identified in Oregon.

Parents concerned about childhood lead ingestion should contact their health care provider. The Health Division and US Centers for Disease Control recommend that all children under five years of age be tested for blood lead annually.

A.J. Tarnasky earns BEO scholarship

A.J. Tarnasky has been selected as the first recipient of the Bank of Eastern Oregon's Returning Student Agriculture/Business Scholarship, bank president George Koffler has announced.

Tarnasky, a 1992 graduate of Heppner High School, will begin his fourth year as a finance major at Oregon State University this fall and plans a career in investment banking. He is the son of Ed and Sheridan Tarnasky of Heppner.

Funds for the new award were raised at the bank's Customer Appreciation Golf Tournament for the Heppner and lone Branches last September.

The bank hosted the tournament to thank customers for their patronage, and they, in turn, made donations to the scholarship fund, Koffler explained.

The bank has awarded scholarships to graduating seniors in Morrow and Gilliam counties who plan to major in agriculture or business and felt a scholarship for returning students was also needed, Koffler said.

The contest was open to Heppner and lone High School graduates who will be second, third or fourth year college students in an agriculture or business program.

Laurel Webber-Gray earns honors

Laurel Webber-Gray, Lexington, has earned academic distinction at Whitman College for the 1995 spring semester, which concluded in May. Students receive the recognition by earning a grade point average of 3.5 or higher for the semester, completing a minimum of 12 credits and passing all credits attempted.

Webber-Gray, a junior English major, graduated from Heppner High School in 1993.

She is the daughter of Timothy Gray and Cheryl Webber of Lexington.

Whitman is a private, independent, academically selective liberal arts and sciences college of 1,250 students. It is cited as one of the nation's top liberal arts and sciences colleges by such publications as "U.S. News & World Report", "Peterson's Competitive Guide", and "Fiske's Guide", according to a Whitman news release.

St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board



Ninety-two people were present for the senior meal, July 19, and seven meals were home delivered. Members of the Lutheran Church served. Truman Messenger won the free meal ticket.

The menu for August 2 will be Wieners and sauerkraut, whipped potatoes, corn, apricots, rolls and cookies. Members of the Mormon Church will serve.

Four seniors played pinochle Friday afternoon, July 21. Nine seniors watched the movie, "Far From Home", Sunday evening, July 23.

The Senior Center board provided breakfast at the center dining room for the class reunion group. They were assisted by Carol Mitchell and Ruby Steers. Mary Ella Moyer made the cinnamon rolls.

The bus is full for the trip to the Tri Cities, Friday, July 28. However, anyone who would like to go might check at the office to see if there are any cancellations. The trip to Gonty's cabin was postponed last week and will not be rescheduled until after the Round-Up.

Dates to remember: Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. exercise; Wednesday, 10 a.m. hearing aid assistance, 11 a.m. blood pressure clinic, noon senior meal; Friday 2 p.m. cards; Sunday 7 p.m. movie.

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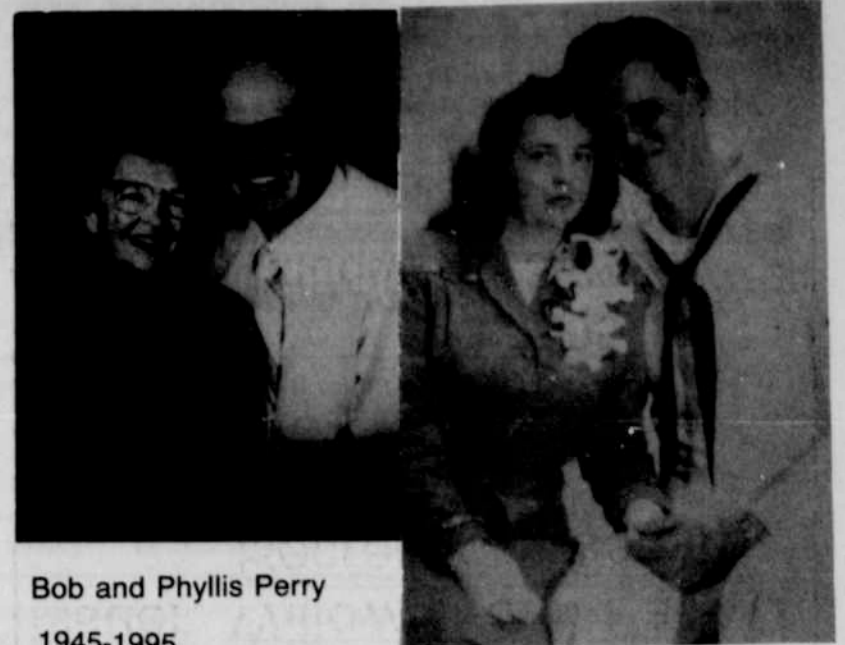
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Perrys to celebrate 50th anniversary



Bob and Phyllis Perry
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Bob and Phyllis Perry will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception from 1:30-4 p.m. Sunday, August 6, at the Legion Hall in lone.

Bob Perry and Phyllis Crowder were married August 5, 1945, in the First Methodist Church in Arlington. They lived in Portland for many years where Bob retired after 36 years with the phone company. Phyllis was a homemaker.

The Perrys have lived on their small farm near Morgan, OR, the last 12 years where they reside on the old Perry place.

The couple have three children, Robert Perry of Pendleton, Tim Perry of Rhododendron and Adelle Guidotti of Richland, WA., along with six grandchildren.

Friends and well-wishers are invited to the reception. The Perrys request no gifts.

Barley stripe rust sighted in Oregon

The first barley stripe rust sighting in Oregon has been reported to Pat Hayes, an Oregon State University Agricultural Experiment Station plant geneticist, and he is ready for the attack with some specially designed stripe rust-resistant barley.

Stripe rust 24, a wind-borne fungus that affects only barley, has been swirling toward Oregon from South America, where it arrived from Europe in 1975. Yield losses in commercial crops in South America ranged from 30-70 percent.

When it was reported in Texas in 1991, Colorado in 1992 and in California and Idaho in 1993, Hayes and others knew that it was only a matter of time before it landed on Oregon barley crops.

OSU crop scientist Chris Mundt has found barley infected with stripe rust in his experimental plots at Hyslop Farm, an OSU facility near Corvallis. He is growing wheat for his research, but intersperses barley plots to act as barriers against wheat diseases.

"Chris had a very limited number of barley plots there, about 50 plots of barley," said Hayes. "It was very obvious where the spores had fallen from the sky and landed on these plots."

The stripe rust, also known as yellow rust, looks like lines of yellow-orange spots along the length of a barley leaf. According to Hayes, the barley in Mundt's plots were young and lush, which is more vulnerable to the rust than old plants that have very little green tissue.

"It'll knock the socks off the crop, leading to smaller and lighter kernels," Hayes said in describing a severe stage of rust infection. "All you need is the right environment and variety

of plant for the disease to take off."

The varieties of spring barley grown commercially in the Pacific Northwest are all susceptible to stripe rust 24. The fungus thrives when the temperatures are cool and rainy. Hayes said that the present temperature range in Klamath Falls is a good example of ideal stripe rust weather.

Births

Juan Rodriguez, Jr.-a son Juan was born to Omayda and Juan Rodriguez of Irrigon on July 2, 1995 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 7 lbs, 14 oz.

Erika Michelle Brewer-a daughter Erika was born to Kathy and Kevin Brewer of Lexington on July 5, 1995 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 10 oz.

Teah Marie Luzader-a daughter Teah was born to Diann Shaffer and Michie Luzader of Boardman on July 7, 1995 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 6 lbs. 11 oz.

Michaela Alyssa Whalen-a daughter Michaela was born to Christy and Ronald Whalen of Heppner on July 12, 1995 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 5 lbs. 3 oz.

Lexington News

By Delpha Jones

--Lee and Wayne Miller of Hermiston and Earl Miller of Seaview, WA. were Lexington callers on Sunday, July 16.

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