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DA's Report

The Morrow County District Attorney's office at the courthouse in Heppner reports handling the following cases during the past several weeks:

June 21: Timothy Sherwood, 39, Heppner was convicted of two counts of possession of a controlled substance (methamphetamine) in two separate indictments, conspiracy to deliver a controlled substance (methamphetamine) and delivery of a controlled substance. Sherwood was ordered to serve 100 days in jail, to be evaluated and successfully complete a drug and alcohol program, refrain from contacting other drug users, abide by other conditions of probation, and pay fines and fees totalling \$1,500.

July 11: Bruce Stanley Mitchell, 52, Lonerock, was convicted of the felony crime of coercion. Mitchell received 18 months' probation, 30 days in jail, suspended on the condition that he maintain in Alcoholics Anonymous, participate in the 12-Step Program, and not have any contact with the victims, write a letter of apology to the victims and pay a \$250 fine.

Timothy Dale Whitaker, 35, Irrigon, was convicted of Driving While Suspended. Whitaker received 90 days in jail, suspended was ordered to pay \$880 plus assessment and attorney's fees, complete 40 hours of community service and obtain an Oregon driver's license by the end of his probation.

Dean C. Polston, 27, Ione, was convicted of Driving While Suspended. Polston was sentenced to six months in the county jail, suspended, with one year bench probation, ordered to obtain an Oregon driver's license by the end of his probation and fined \$125 with fees and assessments.

Donald Gene Hadley, 66, Irrigon, who was convicted of three separate counts of sodomy I, was sentenced to 29 years, four months in the Oregon State Penitentiary. Hadley was sentenced following the convictions for sodomizing a seven-year old boy;

Tyson Lynn Doolin, 18, Chehalis, WA, was sentenced to 18 years in the Oregon State Penitentiary following conviction for armed robbery and kidnap;

Aaron Alexander Anello, 18, Chehalis, WA, convicted of armed robbery and kidnap, was sentenced to 17 years, eight months in the Oregon State Penitentiary for his involvement in the same crimes committed by Doolin. The convictions stem from an incident that occurred on March 19, where Anello and Doolin abducted a man and forced him to drive from Boardman, westbound on Interstate 84. During the incident, they held a gun to the mom's head and robbed him of \$200.

Market Report
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Tuesday Soft White	
July	\$5.07
Aug.	\$5.07
Sept.	\$5.09/5.12
Oct.	\$5.15/5.18
Nov.	\$5.21/5.24
Dec.	\$5.27/5.30
Jan.	\$5.32/5.34
Barley	
July	\$145
Aug.	\$144
Sept.	\$142

In the Service

Army Spec. Alfred C. Burt has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal.

The medal is awarded to soldiers for meritorious service, acts of courage of other outstanding accomplishments.

Burt is a power generator repairer with the 6th Field Artillery at Warner Barracks Bamberg, Germany.

The son of Al and Jo Burt of Heppner, he is a 1991 graduate of Heppner High School.

Fair & Rodeo tab deadline July 26

The deadline for news and advertising for the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo supplement in the Gazette-Times is Friday, July 26 at 5 p.m.

Letters to the Editor

Editor's note: Letters to the editor must be signed. The Gazette-Times will not publish unsigned letters. Please include your address

Easy road robs students of music

To the editor,
My name and the subject of music education has been in the local papers recently. I have been a music instructor in South Morrow County for 11 plus years and a substitute teacher before that. My view is unique in that no one, administrators or community, have had quite my perspective. I have seen some changes and I would like to give my input.

Our present music situation did not happen overnight, nor can we put the blame entirely on the present superintendent and board. A promise was made to restore in our system what was taken away first (music and art). The situation now is indeed disappointing. The arts should be a vital part of every child's education. However, those decisions, through time, given economics and personnel, were logical, for the most part. Whether you realized it or not, part of their decisions came from input from you.

When Bob Isted, the previous band director, was here, we constantly battled the drop-out problem. It is true that some of our best students had scheduling problems. But most, and

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remember, I was there, dropped out because it was the easy thing to do. They didn't want to practice and you, parents, let them. Where was your support when we asked them to play in pep bands or at parades? Most of them just watched. You let them. The numbers were low before any of the programs were cut. We needed and need musicians to sign up for classes to justify a teacher.

I have worked with the young people here. There is no lack of intelligence or talent.

I often tell my students, "A goal is more than a dream, it's a dream being acted on." I believe the common goal here is the best possible education for our children. What I see here is a lack of action from both parties.

So many lessons: self-expression, self-confidence, self discipline, history, culture, working in a group and many more. I guarantee most cannot be learned from a computer. Why would we rob our students of these valuable lessons? Yet when we take the easy road, for their sakes or ours, we do so.

(s) Geneva Mathews

North, south work together

To The editor:

In this time of difficulty between the North and South ends of the county, it is reassuring to experience teamwork in the emergency services of our county. The South Morrow County EMT association was the beneficiary of this goodwill on Saturday, July 6. On this date EMS services of the South End were pushed to their very maximum and the Boardman ambulance very graciously and unselfishly stepped in to assist us in our time of great need.

On the aforementioned day, there was one team and one of our two ambulances dispatched to take a critically ill nursing home resident to Walla Walla. In the interim the back-up crew was called to a remote location to respond to a serious accident. This would have left the Heppner area without an ambulance or a crew to respond to

emergencies. However the Boardman ambulance service graciously came to our aid by bringing an ambulance and a crew to Heppner to cover the area until our crew could return. But their generosity did not end there. The crew volunteered to take a critical patient onto Walla Walla in their ambulance. This prevented further strain to our EMS services.

The South Morrow County EMT Association would like to extend our gratitude to the entire Boardman ambulance services especially to EMT Roy Harrell, JR., and ambulance driver Evelene Finley. These volunteers went above and beyond the call of duty and we are deeply grateful.

Sincerely
The South Morrow County EMT Assoc.

(s) Mark E. Johnson,
President, S.M.C.EMT Assoc.

4-H News

North Lex Sheep Club
By Nicole Wilson, reporter

The North Lex Sheep Club is going to have a can drive. Sat, July 20. Club members will meet at the city park at 10 a.m. Drop off donations will be accepted at the Heppner city park Saturday or call 989-8230 for pick-up before Saturday. The money will be used for items for the Club.

Marriage Licenses

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

July 9: Manuel Carrillo Rodelo, 24, Boardman; and Marisela Mendiola, 20, Boardman.

July 11: James Patrick Suter, 50, Boardman; and Leslie Lee Suter, 45, Boardman.

Rodeo committee plans work day

A rodeo committee workday will be held Tuesday, July 23 at the Morrow County Fairgrounds from 6-7 p.m.

The committee appreciates community support and asks those wanting to help out to bring hammers, shovels and rakes.

Senior Center Bulletin

There were 68 people present for the senior dinner July 10. Three meals were home delivered and one was taken out. Dot Halvorsen won the meal ticket. Members of the Catholic Church served. Julie and Josie Proctor and Sara Eckman helped the adult servers by taking desserts to the tables and by carrying bowls of soup for many of the seniors. They also cleared the tables. The men who help clear and wash tables after the meals are Bob Taylor, Paul Werner and George Jefferies. They were inadvertently left out last week. Rose Marie Buschke was back at the sign-up table. She recently had back surgery at Bend and returned to Bend this week. The Senior Center Board met following the meal.

Eleven seniors went by bus to the meal site at Milton-Freewater Friday July 12. One table of cards was in play Friday afternoon.

A group of tenants gathered in the sitting room Sunday evening to eat sandwiches and salad for supper. Seven people watched the movie, "Bushwacked" afterwards.

The families of Darlene Arrington and Rachel Harnett have been busy cleaning out their apartments. Darlene is at Hermiston Good Samaritan Center. She is doing well but misses her friends. Rachel is in a nursing home in Walla Walla and there is no address as of yet.

There will be a meeting of the Oregon Economic Development Division in the Senior Center dining room Tuesday July 23.

The senior bus will leave for the Condon Meal Site at 10:30 a.m. July 25. Seats are still available. Those interested should sign up at the senior center office.

Other dates to remember are: Tuesday and Thursday exercise, 10 a.m.; Wed., blood pressure clinic, 11 a.m., senior meal, noon; Friday, cards, 2 p.m. Sun., movie 7 p.m.

Creative Arts & Crafts to meet

Members and guests of Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts Club will meet at Kates Pizza on Wednesday July 24 at 1 p.m. for lunch and a meeting. Plans will be finalized for the fair booth. Future workshops

and activities will also be discussed.

"Anyone interested in arts, crafts and good company is welcome to attend," said a club spokesperson.

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