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School students tour G-T

The Ione Elementary School third grade class toured the Heppner Gazette-Times on Monday, June 2, along with teacher Barbara Collin and parent, Kelly Griffith.

Students attending the tour were: Roshelle Hernandez, William Grubaugh, Ashly Grams, Matthew Engelman, Jennifer Griffith, Abby Key and Lynette McMillion.

Local blood drive set for June 26

While everyone looks forward to the spring's arrival, warmer weather and sunny sides can present problems for American Red Cross Blood Services. As the mercury climbs, blood donations fall. The need for blood, however, is constant. Nearly 800 pints of blood must be collected daily to maintain an adequate regional blood supply.

Healthy adults can help ensure blood is available for patients needing transfusions this spring by giving blood at St. Patrick's Senior Center, 182 N. Main in Heppner, on Thursday, June 26, from 2- 6pm. Donors must be 17 or older, weigh at least 105 pounds and be in good general health.

To schedule a donation appointment or for more information, call the American Red Cross, at 1(800) 868-9057.

Newspaper /recycling drops removed

A newspaper drop container, formerly located at the corner of May and Chase streets in Heppner, has been removed because of road construction, according to Finley Buttes Landfill Company, who placed the drop as a public service to the community.

A spokesperson at Finley Buttes said that the container probably won't be replaced until construction is completed. Finley Buttes suggested that people wishing to recycle their newspapers take them to a drop in Boardman or Hermiston.

Webber-Gray receives degree

Laurel Webber-Gray, Lexington, was among around 300 students to receive degrees at commencement ceremonies at Whitman College.

Webber-Gray, an English major, was a1993 graduate of Heppner Heppner High School. She is the daughter of Timothy Gray Cherry Webber, Lexington.

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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 and phone number on all letters for use by the G-T office. The G-T reserves the right to edit.

Congratulations to 1997 graduates

To the Editor:

Congratulations 1997 graduates!

You have reached a turning point in your life-your graduation from high school. I want to take this opportunity to congratulate you on this special occasion. As you well know, not everyone who starts high school successfully finishes as you have. You are to be commended for your achievement.

While you may be viewing upon graduation as an end to an important stage of your life, I strongly encourage you to consider this commencement a bright beginning to whatever comes next.

I wish the best for your future plans.

"We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future."- Franklin D. Roosevelt, speech given at University of Pennsylvania, Sept. 20, 1940.

Sincerely,
(s) Representative
Lynn Lundquist
District 59 (Baker, Crook, Gilliam, Grant, Sherman, Wheeler and portions of Morrow and Wasco counties)

Opportunity to dispel rumors

To the Editor:

It has come to my attention that there is a rumor circulating that while on call here I did not respond to an emergency for four hours.

I hate to dignify such gossip by repeating it, but at the same time, I cannot let such a serious accusation go by without comment.

I have invested seven years in medical training and 10 years in practice since. I take my job seriously and always strive to be conscientious, caring and thorough, some have even said compulsive, in taking care of my patients. I can't imagine being unavailable for four hours when on call (and, of course, this never happened).

This sort of talk slanders me, and moreover paints a negative picture of the care delivered at the hospital, which is not to anyone's advantage.

I don't know what other false rumors are circulating about me, but I would appreciate the opportunity to dispel them firsthand. If anyone really wants to know what has gone on or is going on with me, you are welcome to call me, either here (676-5896) or better, leave me a message at (503) 371-5835.

Sincerely,
(s) William Bitsas, MD

Free testing for canner gauges

Dial canner gauges should be tested for accuracy if the canner is heavily used, if the gauge has been dropped or if the canner stored for a long time, said Carol Michael, Extension Service.

Free testing is available at the following locations:

In Heppner on Friday, June 27 from 2-4 p.m. at the Heppner Elxtension Office, 420 Heppner-Lexington Highway.

In Irrigon on Monday, June 23, 2-4 p.m., Irrigon City Hall, 1095 N. Main (next to grade school).

In Hermiston onThursday, June 26, 1-4 p.m., Hermiston Ag Research and Experiment Center, Hinkle Road.

In Pendleton on Monday, June 30, 10 am.- noon ,Umatilla County Extension office, 721 S.E. Third, Suite 3.

Testing takes about 20 minutes. Only the lid is used. There is no need to bring the entire canner. Those who wish may leave the lid at the test site before the testing clinic, and pick it up at their convenience.

Lulich family awards scholarship

A Portland family awarded Heppner High School (HHS) senior Brandi Marshall a college scholarship for $1,000 plus additional amounts to pay for most or all the cost of books and materials during her college career, said a news release from the John W. Lulich family, grantors of the scholarship.

"The family was very impressed with Marshall's singing and acting talents, as well as her academic achievements, community service, but most of all her honesty and worm heart towards others," they said.

The total scholarship amount was extended to also award HHS senior Richard Worden a $500 amount towards his college goals. "He was recognized for his hard work, ethics and goals in agriculture," they said.

The scholarship was given out exactly two years later to the date and hour that John W. Lulich passed away. "He was a loving dad of 12 children whom loved to bring his family to the area for hunting and camping," said the release. "He always talked about giving something back to the community so the family thought a scholarship was fitting."

HHS Class of '47 50th reunion set

The Heppner High School Class of 1947 has planned their 50th class reunion on Saturday, June 21 and Sunday, June 22 at the Heppner Elks Lodge.

The class welcomes old friends from the community to join them for visiting after 8:30 p.m. on June 21.

DA's Report

Morrow County District Attorney William Hanlan has conducted the following case:

Rose Lorraine Rodriquez, 38, Boardman, was convicted of Assault 3 on June 4, and sentenced by Judge Jeffrey Wallace to 30 days in jail and 80 of community service work, both suspend on the condition that she pay $94 in assessment, $310 in attorney fees, $386.40 in restitution to Good Shepherd Hospital, $219 to Hermiston Head and Neck Clinic, $26.45 to Boardman Pharmacy, and $59 to county jail.

Rodriquez must also enroll in and successfully complete a domestic relations life skills course at the direction of a probation officer.

Kids' Crusade set at Christian Life Center

A kids' crusade with puppets will be held Sunday, June 15-Wednesday, June 18, will be held at the Christian Life Center in Heppner.

The Ulrich Family Ministries will bring "Hoby and all his puppet pals"each evening.

"After pastoring in Idaho and Oregon for over 12 years, the Ulrich Family has been traveling since 1985 all across America, ministering the gospel to thousands of kids through the use of puppets, illustrated stories, songs, object lessons, costumes, contests and more."

Christian Life Center Pastor Tim Van Cleave invites everyone for a "family time of fun, excitement and learning from the Bible each evening" at 7 p.m.

For information or transportation, call the church at 676-5581.

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June 12th
Ladies Night. Dinner at 6 p.m. FLAG DAY SERVICES with Scouts, American Legion Post #87, Methodist Church Choir and Elks Lodge at 8 p.m.
THE PUBLIC IS INVITED.

June 14th
Brosnan and Ingraham wedding reception-6:30 p.m.

June 15th
Family Potluck Picnic and Cutsforth Park starting at 10 a.m. Food, fun and games!

June 20th-21st-22nd
BMW Bikers (400). Breakfast Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and dinner Saturday night at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. Volunteers needed!

June 20th
Class of 1947 Reunion. Mills and Delaney wedding reception.

First Class Dining: Friday, Saturday nights at 6-9 p.m.

To all of you great fathers:
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