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Letters to the Editor

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Senators' experience well known

To the Editor:

Oregon citizens are most fortunate to have two really knowledgeable senators to represent us as well as a very able Representative Bob Smith chairing the House Agriculture Committee.

Nationally, Senator Wyden's expertise in the health care field is well known. Without his stepping up with bipartisan Medicare reform plans, Oregon could have

suffered more blows from uneven and wasteful Medicare reimbursement rates.

People in rural areas particularly should thank Senator Wyden, as his efforts will help keep not only access to health care for Medicare patients in place, but also access for all.

Sincerely,
(s) Meg Murray
Ione

Proud of teens

To the Editor:

I want to use this means of saying something about our young teenagers of today.

When the media prints so little about the positive attitude of the young folks unless they excel in sports, people really don't hear the real story of most of them.

Last week, the Senior Bus with about 13 of our seniors (three in wheelchairs) stalled on the John Day River side of the mountain on one of the hottest days.

The first car to stop was four

teenagers to offer their help. They relayed messages, gave up their ice water and offered any assistance that we needed.

With teenagers like these, we don't need to worry about what our future leaders are going to do. They will do what needs to be done and our great country will continue to survive.

We really appreciate all the help Toni Kemp and her crew gave us.

Sincerely,
(s) Gerald Bergstrom
Heppner

What's wrong with the pool parking?

To the Editor:

This article is written in response, to questions or concerns that park district citizens have expressed.

"What is going on with the parking at the waterpark?"

The parking situation at the waterpark is a work in progress. Originally the park district made an agreement with the county that in exchange for the ability to site part of the swimming pool on the county property, the waterpark parking would not infringe on the museum project planned for the property. This will necessarily put the parking next to Riverside Avenue and only a sidewalk will connect across this property.

The park district intends to keep their part of this agreement. To complicate matters the city of

Heppner is working on getting sidewalk access down Riverside Avenue as far as the swimming pool. Although this area is inconvenient and dusty now, we hope to coordinate efforts with the county, museum committee and the city to at least get some temporary parking in this area. Please be patient with us as we work through this and try to park on graveled areas until further notice.

The Willow Creek Park District welcomes your questions, suggestions, concerns or comments. Please contact a board member or address your letters to WCPD, P.O. Box 153, Lexington, OR 97839.

Board members: Skip Mathews and Archie Padberg, Heppner; John Ripple, Lexington; and Dave and Patti McNary, Ione.

Behavioral Health awarded funds

Morrow County Behavioral Health (MCBH) has been selected by Northeast Oregon Area Health Education Consortium (NEOAHEC) to receive over \$1400 in training funds.

Gary Oberg, MCBH Director states, "We are elated to receive such a sum. These monies are for specialized training and will allow two of our staff to attend

educational seminars not otherwise possible without the help of NEOAHEC."

Oberg said that Kim Collins, a therapist who works out of both the Heppner and Boardman offices will travel to Las Vegas, Nevada, to attend a comprehensive workshop on dealing with aggressive youth. Tammy Osborn, who works in both Fossil and Heppner, will be attending a week-long intensive training in San Diego, where she will learn specialized counseling skills.

MCBH provides a full array of mental health, drug and alcohol, and developmental disability services to Morrow and Wheeler counties.

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Bridal Tables
Jennifer Hughes & David Jaca
Wedding August 30th; Shower July 26th
Nina Tucker & Truitt Greenup
Wedding August 16

Murray's Drug The Country Rose
217 North Main Heppner 676-9138

Queen
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Prineville. White there, she got to meet Miss Rodeo American, Miquel Holyoak and Miss Rodeo Oregon, Teah Jones of Lostine. Dawn didn't think the horse races were too bad either, especially since she won a little money.

Coming up for the 1997 queen and court are, of course, the Morrow County Fair August 13-17, the Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo August 15-15 and the Morrow County Rodeo August 17. Then they will travel to the Walla Walla Frontier Days on Labor Day weekend and finally to the Pendleton Round-Up Sept. 6-13.

At the local fair and rodeo, the court will be on hand for the pet show, style revue, 4-H awards, 4-H and FFA sale, pig races, cowboy breakfasts Saturday and Sunday, the three rodeos, the Saturday parade and the queen's luncheon. The luncheon will be really special this year, commemorating 75 years of Morrow County rodeo. Besides all past Morrow County royalty, the luncheon will also honor other visiting royalty, fair and rodeo officials, pennant bearers and the current court's families. The luncheon will be catered by the Ione American Legion Auxiliary.

Queen Dawn says that her many years of experience on the court have really boosted her self confidence. "When I first started, I didn't want to talk to anybody," said Dawn. "Now I'm really outgoing." So much so that she hopes to try out for Miss Rodeo Oregon a year or so down the road.

Dawn's immediate plans are to attend Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton this fall, majoring in dental assisting. After a break in her schooling, to work and try out for Miss Rodeo Oregon, Dawn wants to return to school to become a dental hygienist.

"I just want to thank the Fair Board, the Fair Committee and Rodeo Committee for all the support they have given the court this year and all of the work they have done on the fair and rodeo grounds to make this a very memorable year," says Dawn. "I've had a lot of fun working with the members. It's been a wonderful five years promoting the Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo."

BMCC beginner's golf course slated

A beginning golf class will be offered by Blue Mountain Community College (BMCC) at the Willow Creek Country Club (WCCC), Heppner, starting Thursday, Sept. 11. The class will run six consecutive Thursdays from 5-6:30 p.m. John Edmundson will be the instructor.

The class is intended for people with little or no prior golfing experience. It will cover the basics of the rules, play and etiquette of the game. The skills of putting, chipping, pitching, approaching, fairway shots and teeing-off will be covered. School students in grades five and above may enroll in the class with the instructor's permission on a space available basis and if an adult takes the class with them.

Tuition for the class is \$20 (\$10 for age 60 or over) plus a \$20 temporary membership to WCCC, which is required of all non-members. To register or request additional information, contact Anne Morter, Morrow County coordinator for BMCC, 422-7040.

Obituary

Barbara May Follett Emert

Funeral for Barbara May Follett Emert, 73, Echo, was Tuesday, Aug. 12, 1997, at the First Christian Church in Hermiston. Burial was at the Pleasant View Cemetery, Stanfield.

Mrs. Emert died Thursday, August 7, 1997 at her home in Echo.

Barbara May (Follett) Emert was born February 3, 1924, one of eight children of Daniel David and L. Faith Goodrich Follett at their home in Hermiston.

On June 15, 1942, she married Phill G. Emert at Lewiston, Idaho while he was waiting to enter the Air Force. They moved to Ione, farming and raising cattle. The couple had four children.

Mrs. Emert taught Sunday school at the Ione Community Church, drove the school bus and was an avid Garden Club member. She was a part-time runner, part-time babysitter, and full-time farm wife who participated in many school, community and church activities while raising their children. In 1968 the Emerts moved to Echo where they again took up farming, but on their own land. They farmed alfalfa, grains and cattle.

She was very active in the First Baptist Church in Hermiston and was a member of the Women's Mission and supplied flowers for every Sunday service for over 30 years. She often gave rides to church for those who needed it and was always a member of a Bible study group. She was the hub of the Emert family and all Thanksgivings and Christmases were spent at her house where the whole family would often gather at the piano and sing.

She enjoyed reading but her first love was flower gardening, nurtured from the time she was a child. Family members say she was a dedicated Christian, always giving, sharing and caring of others.

Mrs. Emert was preceded in death by her husband Phill in 1975. Survivors include: sons, Robert "Bob" Emert of Echo and Phil Emert of Pendleton; daughters, Delores Spor of Olathe, CO, and Connie McMillin of Prineville; brothers, Bruce Follett of Lebanon and Dan Follett of Hermiston; sisters, Doris Klein of Dayton, WA, and Bonnie Jean Hansen of Lakeview; nine grandchildren and two great-grandsons. She was also preceded in death by brothers Robert Follett and Melvin Follett; sister Frances Bense; and a grandchild, Chad McMillin.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Vange John Memorial Hospice, P.O. Box 306, Hermiston, OR 97838 or to a charity of choice.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston was in care of arrangements.

Marriage Licenses

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

June 26: Charles Steven Allen, 23, Boardman; and
Erinn Chalene Hunt, 18, Boardman.

July 1: Michael Lee King, 27, Irrigon; and
Brenda Lee McQuown, 28, Irrigon.

July 6: Eric Branson Eilers, 21, Kennewick; and
Crystal Leigh Minster, 22, Ione.

Heppner grad competes overseas

Chris Dickenson of Heppner recently returned from competing with other Graceland College baseball players in Belgium and Holland with the USA Athletes International Team.

Dickenson, a junior at Graceland College in Lamoni, Iowa, won a game as a starting pitcher.

The team traveled throughout Belgium and Holland for 13 days and came home with a 4-2 record. The USA team finished seventh of 10 teams in a tournament played at Appledorn, Belgium. Four teams were from the U.S. and six were from Europe.

Barratt inducted into OSU Hall of Fame

Heppner alumnus Jim Barratt has been inducted into the Oregon State University Sports Hall of Fame. The ceremony will be held on Oct. 10 at the Valley Football Center.

Barratt served as OSU athletic director, business manager, ticket manager, assistant alumni manager and Barometer editor from 1946-75.

During his administration, OSU expanded Parker Stadium, installed artificial turf and built Patrick Wayne Valley Field.

Barratt was named to the National Association of Collegiate Athletic Directors of America Hall of Fame in 1991.

Reservations are required for the induction ceremony. For more information or to purchase tickets, at \$35 each, contact the OSU Beaver Club, 541-737-2370.

Births

Brian Kevin Landeros-a son Brian Kevin was born to Fidelina and Huber Landeros of Boardman on July 25, 1997 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 8 lbs. 7 oz.

Alonso Isaac Cambero-a son Alonso Isaac was born to Maura Aguilar and Jose Alramirano of Boardman on July 26, 1997 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 8 lbs. 0 oz.

Kyle Matthew Benedict-a son Kyle Matthew was born to Jenni and Matt Benedict of Pendleton on July 28, 1997. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz.

His grandparents are Bruce and Sue Benedict of Milwaukie, and Alvin and Julie Ashbeck of Echo. Great-grandparents are Wendell and Elaine Benedict of Portland, Leo and Mary Ashbeck of Echo, and Earl and Dolores Ayres of The Dalles.

Kaylee Marie Aughinbaugh-a daughter Kaylee Marie was born to Paula Moore and Jessie Aughinbaugh of Irrigon on August 1, 1997 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 8 lbs. 2 oz.

Angela Marie Mendoza-a daughter Angela Marie was born to Maricela Muniz and Raul Carrion Mendoza of Irrigon on August 6, 1997 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 7 lbs. 6 oz.

Austin Michael Borup-a son Austin Michael was born to Shauna and Michael Borup of Irrigon on August 7, 1997 at Good Shepherd Community Hospital in Hermiston. The baby weighed 5 lbs. 8 oz.

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Weather Report

By the City of Heppner

For the month of July

	High	Low	Precip
7/1	69	52	T
7/2	74	45	.01
7/3	79	48	.00
7/4	87	52	.00
7/5	94	65	.00
7/6	87	52	.00
7/7	81	49	.00
7/8	84	54	.00
7/9	86	61	.14
7/10	68	46	.01
7/11	69	50	.05
7/12	75	47	.00
7/13	83	48	.00
7/14	88	59	.00
7/15	88	54	.00
7/16	87	49	.00
7/17	86	57	.00
7/18	85	55	.00
7/19	84	60	.00
7/20	90	58	.00
7/21	97	60	.00
7/22	89	50	.00
7/23	84	50	.00
7/24	86	51	.00
7/25	87	51	.00
7/26	83	49	.00
7/27	83	50	.00
7/28	90	51	T
7/29	95	64	.00
7/30	88	62	.02
7/31	89	55	.05

Justice Court Report

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

William Donald Greenup, 45, Lexington-Violation of the Basic Rule, 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$101 fine;

Stanley Allan McMillion, 30, Heppner-Assault IV, \$1120 fine and 180 days in jail, jail sentence and \$300 suspended with two years probation with no further violation of law. Complete Morrow County Behavioral Health alcohol education and anger management counseling;

Jacqueline McConnell, 25, Seaside-Maintaining a Dog as a Nuisance, \$91 fine;

Elizabeth Merriman, 27, Heppner-No Motorcycle Endorsement, Driving Uninsured, \$334 fine;

Joseph Reed Bartlett, 28, Walla Walla, WA-Careless Driving, \$287 fine;

Freddie Albert Breeding, 53, Heppner-Inoperative Low Air Warning Device, \$67 fine;

Juliana Mary Wanous, 27, The Dalles, Heppner-Violation of the Basic Rule, 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$67 fine;

Paul W. Gilbert, 29, Prineville-Violation of the Basic Rule, 83 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$192 fine;

Daniel Zion Sample, 20, Heppner-No Oregon Driver's License, Driving Uninsured, \$384 fine;

Kyle Donald Hill, 20, Pilot Rock-Open Container (beer), \$122 fine;

John Breidenbach, 50, Heppner-Maintaining a Dog as a Nuisance, \$43 fine;

Debra Jones, 42, Pendleton-Negotiating a Bad Check, 180 days in jail, \$620 plus restitution, jail sentence and \$200 suspended with no further violation of law, make restitution on or by July 1, 1997;

Andy Burt, 19, Heppner-Minor in Possession, \$297 fine.

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South Morrow County

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