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Sports program made a difference

(Editor's note: The following letter, submitted by the Heppner High School Booster Club, was sent to them by an HHS alumnus.)

Dear Booster Club,

Thank you for sending me an invitation to take part in your annual auction. As I now live in Wenatchee, Washington, about four hours drive away, I will not be able to attend. I am, however, glad that I have somehow made it onto your mailing list, as I am greatly in debt to the Heppner High School sports program, and would like to provide some support to it now and in the future.

As a freshman at HHS, I was your classic doofus, and may have set some sort of record for low grade point average for the year. I remember it was something like a 0.9... a GPA hard to get, even in this day and age.

The turning point came on the day that Doug McClure, the track and cross country coach, noticed that even though I couldn't think, I could run. He took a chance and asked me to go out for cross country, if I thought I could get my grades up. I got my grades up, then ran for three years at HHS and four years in college. I was never off the honor roll or the dean's list for the rest of high school and eight years of college.

I like to think there are others who have benefitted, and will benefit just as much as I have from sports at HHS.

Please accept the enclosed donation, throw it into the general sports funds, and send yearly reminders for more.

(s) Your fellow Mustang,
Timothy J. Smith (Class of 1967)
1110 Cedar Lane
East Wenatchee, WA 98802

Vote yes on Measure 51

To the Editor:
Will the people of Oregon stand up this time around on the physician-assisted suicide measure and vote yes to repeal it?

Ethical doctors do not want the responsibility to assist in destroying life. There is no place in the medical profession or society for laws that authorize them to kill. Their healing role is compromised by such laws.

Consider Biblical values. We are created to overcome any attitudes or circumstances that try to take away our gift of life, including depression, disablement, tragedy. We are stronger and very ca-

pable of enjoying life in the worst of circumstances because we are created with a divine purpose and a destiny. Even if we can't see or understand how our existence has any purpose in it, God does see and does work out his plans and purposes. For us to end our life or someone else's based on our views of their quality of life makes us God, as if we know what is best for any living human being. Vote yes on Measure 51.

(s) Alex and Rebecca
Johnson
Warrenton, OR
97146

Garden Club gives to pool



Dorothy Jackson, on behalf of the Heppner Garden Club, presents a \$700 check to Kay Proctor, representing People for the Pool, the swimming pool fund raising group. Proctor says that People for the Pool has raised \$10,000 and are seeking to raise an additional \$10,000 to help pay for the pool's durable gunnite finish, a wheelchair lift for the indoor multi-use pool and additional unanticipated costs for the building.

Ione Topic Club sets fund raiser

The Ione Topic Club invites everyone to its fall brunch fundraiser for the Ione Public Library Sunday, October 26, from 9 to 11 am in the Ione Legion Hall.

Event Leaders Kathy Morter, Kerry Rietmann and Alice Harper say they hope the brunch schedule will allow people to attend church services and begin the day with a hearty brunch that benefits

the library. Brunch prices are: \$6 per person; \$15 per family, \$3.5 for children kindergarten - sixth grade and \$1 for preschool and younger.

The Ione Public Library is open Monday and Wednesday from 3-5 p.m. In addition, the library sponsors the summer reading program for children following school's completion. Edith Mathews is the Ione Librarian.

Street logo may have to be replaced



Cement Heppner logo at intersection of Main and Willow streets.

The cement Heppner logo at the intersection of Main and Willow streets in Heppner may have to be replaced, according to Tony George, Oregon Department of Transportation project manager for the Heppner Main Street Project.

George, who is based in Hermiston, says that tests conducted at an ODOT lab on the strength of the concrete on the west side of the street indicate that the concrete does not meet strength standards. He says that preliminary tests on the east side of the concrete logo indicate that it also is substandard.

George says that cylinders and core testing have confirmed that the west side has only 85 percent of its intended strength.

He added that the 'real' test of the east side cement will be conducted at 28 days after pouring the cement, but early cylinder tests indicate that it is also "coming up low" in strength.

George said that the concrete sub-contractor, Pendleton Ready Mix, has two options—one to leave the concrete in place for no pay and guarantee a minimum of two years without spalling (particles popping out on a flat

surface and creating pits) or cracking; or tear up the concrete and replace it at the sub-contractor's own expense.

George says that problems in concrete can arise when

something is wrong in the batching of the concrete mix—when proportions of water, cement and aggregate are not just right. This results in concrete that is not as durable.

30 HHS, IHS students in work experience program



Photo by Nova Rietmann
Mindy Binschus, Heppner High School work experience student at Gardner's Men's Wear in Heppner shows off hat and sweatshirt at Gardner's. Mindy's duties include sales and merchandising of Heppner High School products available at Gardner's. "It's a good opportunity to learn merchandising and, at the same time, it helps the Mustang program," said Roe Gardner, Gardner's Men's Wear owner.

Thirty students are participating in this year's "school to careers placements" coordinated through Heppner and Ione High Schools. In the program, directed by Heppner High School teacher Greg Grant, students have been placed in 20 local businesses, schools or other organizations for work experience.

This year the following students and businesses are participating:

Coast to Coast—Chris Anthony; Pepper Farens—Bobbi Rankin; Green Feed and Seed—Josie Proctor;

Heppner Day Care—Melissa Cutsforth; Heppner Elementary School—Mathew Baker, Danny Coiner and Judy Peck; Heppner Gazette-Times—Nova Rietmann and Andy Sykes; Heppner High School—Corey Breeding, Miff Devin, Lexi Matteson, Josh Roy

and Jeff Sneddon; Heppner High School/Eckman Construction—Darrin Ployhar;

Lexington Auto Body—Tony Greenup; Lexington Polaris—Treve Palmateer;

Mark Bruno Construction—Jimmy Sullivan; Mid Columbia Bus Company—Chris Peck; Morrow County Behavioral Health—Katie Kenny; Morrow County Fair Board—Clint Bellamy; Morrow County Grain Growers—Dusty Rollis; Morrow County Road Department—Miles Hill; Morrow County School District Office—Angela Munkers; Pioneer Memorial Hospital—Maci Childers, Jaylene Papineau, Linsey Ropp; U.S. Forest Service—Adam Doherty and Katie Nichols; and Willow Creek Country Club—Royal Robinson.

Men's breakfast

The First Christian Church, the Church of the Nazarene, and the Christian Life Center invite all men to this month's community men's breakfast Sunday, October 19, at 8 a.m. at Christian Life Center, located 535 W. Morgan St.

This is a time for food, fellowship and inspiration from God's word," said a spokesperson.

All men are welcome to attend.

Sorority plans Halloween party

The Zeta Nu Sorority Halloween party for children fifth grade and under has been planned for October 31 at Sam Boardman Elementary School in Boardman from 6-8 p.m.

Admission is free. Each child fifth grade and under will be served a hot dog and chips.

The party will be funded by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District and other businesses.

Obituary

Darlene Wise Arrington

Darlene Wise Arrington, 65, of Heppner, died Friday, Oct. 10, 1997, at Good Samaritan Center in Hermiston.

Graveside services were Wednesday, Oct. 15, at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland.

A memorial service will be held at St. Patrick Senior Center in Heppner at 4 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 17.

Darlene Wise was born Sept. 17, 1932, at Heppner, to Clarence and Blanche Howell Wise. She grew up in Heppner and attended local schools, graduating from Heppner High School in 1950.

In 1955, she married Fonzy E. Arrington at Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. Mr. Arrington died in an airplane accident while serving with the U.S. Air Force in 1964. That same year, Mrs. Arrington returned to Heppner with her three daughters.

She was an enthusiastic writer of poetry and enjoyed entertaining her family and friends with her recollections of Heppner and Morrow County.

Survivors include daughters, Kathy Hedman, of Danville, Va., Dale Arrington of Hermiston and Bonnie Allison of Vancouver, Wa; mother and stepfather, Blanche and Paul Jones of Heppner; stepbrothers, Ray Jones of Hermiston and Gary Jones of Hood River; stepsister, Sandra Blake, of Renton, Wa; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild. She was also preceded in death by her father, C.V. "Cod" Wise, in 1970.

Memorial contributions may be made to Good Samaritan Center Van Fund, 970 W. Juniper, Hermiston, Or 97838.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

When you turn
88
It's time to celebrate
Happy Birthday Elmer!
your family

W.C.C.C. Golf

Ladies' Play, Oct. 7

Low gross of the field: Pat Edmundson.

Flight A: low gross—Karen Wildman, low net—Luvilla Sonstegard, least putts—Susan Atkins.

Flight B: low gross—Joyce Dinkins, low net—Betty Carlson, least putts—Bernice Lott.

Flight C: low gross—Floss Watkins, low net—Norma French, least putts—Doll Campbell, Dorris Graves, Jean Ball, Cam Wishart.

Long drive: Pat Edmundson, Bernice Lott, Jackie Allstott.

Long putt: Susan Atkins.

Chip in: Pat Edmundson.

Birdie: Pat Edmundson.

Seminar planned at Christian Life Center

The Institute In Basic Life Principles will conduct a basic seminar at Christian Life Center, 535 W. Morgan St., Monday through Friday from 7-10 p.m. and Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m., according to Pastor Tim Van Cleave.

The IBLP offers a series of further educational information and character development opportunities to help children avoid the destructive pressures of our day and be a part of giving the world a "new approach to life" said an institute news release.

The seminar is also "designed to equip professionals to resolve conflicts, stay on task, build effective relationships, promote self-acceptance, set and achieve goals, break destructive habits and discover purpose in life," continued the release.

The seminar also provides an opportunity for teachers to obtain two semester units of continuing education credit.

The cost is \$60 for a first time individual; \$95 for a married couple; \$35 for a family member of an alumnus. The price includes a hardcover textbook and a workbook.

For more information call Tim Van Cleave, 676-5448

As a teenager, Bill Gothard creator of IBLP, was concerned about the wrong choices which many of his classmates were making for their lives. He began to present Biblical principles to them through weekly meetings in his home, radio broadcasts, retreats and other projects.

In 1961 he was ordained and commissioned by his church to enlarge his youth work to inner-city gangs, school groups and church youth groups. Four years later he was invited by the college from which he graduated to teach a course in "Basic Youth Conflicts".

His first class consisted of 45 pastors, youth leaders and college students. He taught them the Biblical principles he had learned during 15 years of youth work.

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