

teen shooting

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other vital organs. He said that other teens at the residence called 911 and had attempted to apply pressure to the wound with a sock and a rag.

Ione EMTs and the Morrow County Sheriff's Department responded to the 911 call. McElligott was treated at the scene by the EMTs and Woods, who said that he has had extensive experience with gunshot wounds in the military, and then transported by ambulance to Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. A short time later McElligott was flown by helicopter to St. Charles Medical Center at Bend where he was listed in serious but stable condition Tuesday morning. He is expected to recover.

Woods said that it appeared that Crum and McElligott had been "horsing around" with the gun, when Crum, believing the pistol to be unloaded, allegedly pointed it at McElligott and pulled the trigger. Woods said that upon examination, the pistol was discovered to have three rounds in the magazine and one in the chamber.

Crum was taken into custody at the scene and charged with Assault I, Theft I and unauthorized possession of a shortened weapon. Crum is still under custody at the Umatilla County Juvenile Detention Center in Pendleton. A jurisdictional hearing has been scheduled for next week.

Woods said that the Jennings .22 caliber pistol had allegedly been stolen from the home of Monte Crum, Steve Crum's father, approximately two months earlier. The charge of possession of a shortened weapon stems from the discovery at the scene of a sawed off shotgun in a gun safe in the Crum boy's bedroom, Woods said.

Will McElligott, the step-son of Mike McElligott, Colorado Springs, had been living at the L.J. McElligott home in Ione, his step-grandparents, at the time of the shooting.

Heppner Garden Club plans meeting

By Merlyn Robinson
The monthly meeting of the Heppner Garden Club will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 2, at the St. Patrick's Senior Center.

Guest speaker will be Jim VanWinkle of the Heppner Ranger District, U.S. Forest Service.

Guests are welcome to attend these meetings that focus on gardening education, promoting conservation and the use of plant materials for decorating. Projects throughout the year have included civic beautification on Main Street and at the fairgrounds, welcome baskets for new teachers and clergymen, the Christmas Greens Workshop, table decorations for annual community events, public flower shows and other activities.

In February club members and guests were given a demonstration on proper tree pruning by Cecil Rill.

Stokes Landing Game night set

Stokes Landing Senior Center will host a dinner for the community on Friday, Feb. 27 from 5-7 p.m. The price is \$3. Games including Scrabble and card games for \$1 begin at 7 p.m. Proceeds from game night go towards maintenance of the building and grounds.

The center is located on Main at Opal Place in Irrigon.

Snoda Blake celebrates 100th MS Walk and Roll set



Snoda Blake at her 100 birthday party at Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home

Snoda Blake, long time resident of Heppner, turned 100 last Thursday, February 12. Staff and residents at Pioneer Memorial Hospital, where she lives, helped her celebrate with a party and birthday cake.

Snoda was born on February 12, 1898, in Lingo Missouri. She married Kenneth Blake in 1918, in Washington. Snoda moved to Heppner from Gresham 52 years ago.

Snoda worked as a cook, helping farmers with their work crews. She has three children, Bethal, Darrel, and Willard, eight granddaughters and one grandson.

Birdhouse sale to benefit tour fund



Ernie and Mary Jean McCabe with handmade birdhouses they plan to sell to help finance a trip for granddaughter Marissa McCabe (center).

Marissa McCabe, 15-year-old freshman at Heppner High School, has been selected to participate in a 16-day basketball team tour to the United Kingdom. Her grandparents, Ernie and Mary Jean wanted to do something to help Marissa raise the funds to be able to go on the tour, so Ernie has been busy as a bee for the past five weeks--making birdhouses, 27 in all. The McCabes will sell the birdhouses, which are decorated in a variety of themes, at different prices, ranging from \$10-\$10 each. Proceeds will go to Marissa's tour fund. The birdhouses will be available for sale at Heppner TV.

Marissa, the daughter of John and Sonja McCabe, Heppner, will attend a spring training session March 20-21 at Bellingham, WA. She then goes to another training camp June 20 before flying to Great Britain on July 2. Before her return on July 16, Marissa will have played with her tour teammates against other teams in England, Ireland and Wales. Marissa will join 29 other girls from Montana

Washington, Idaho, Alaska and Oregon on the tour.

Sonja says that 900 kids tried out for a spot on the tour teams.

Rebekah card party scheduled

The Rebekahs will hold a card party on Saturday, March 7, at the lodge at 7:30 p.m.

Prizes will be awarded and refreshments served.

MS Walk and Roll set

The 1998 MS Walk & Roll, Rain or Shine will take place on Saturday, April 18, in Heppner. Walkers will start at 9 a.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church.

"Last year, a group from Heppner walked in the MS Walk & Roll in Pendleton, and we had so much fun that we decided to organize a walk in Heppner," said Merilee McDowell, chairperson for the walk. "I encourage people from Heppner and the surrounding area to mark this date on their calendars, and bring their friends and participate in this worthwhile event."

The MS Walk & Roll, Rain or Shine, sponsored by the Oregon Chapter of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, will be held in 18 sites throughout the state of Oregon and Clark County, Washington. Funds raised in this event will be used to provide local services for the more than 5,200 people in Oregon and Clark County, Washington, who have multiple sclerosis, a disease of the central nervous system. In addition, a portion of the funds raised will support research aimed at finding the cause and cure for multiple sclerosis.

Walkers will start the 5K and 10K walks at All Saints Episcopal Church and finish in the same location. The 5K walk is wheel chair accessible. Rest stops will refreshments will be provided for walkers every few miles. Lunch at the end of the walk will be provided by community churches.

For information on how you can register or volunteer for the MS Walk & Roll, Rain or Shine contact Merilee McDowell at 676-5238, or the Oregon Chapter office at 1-800-FIGHT MS. Brochures with registration material may be picked up at grocery stores and other businesses in Heppner, Lexington and Ione.

Chamber survey results compiled

The Heppner Chamber of Commerce has concluded it January survey, according to Mike McGuire, chamber president.

Comments and suggestions were reviewed by the chamber board and used as input to the goal setting meeting January 30. McGuire said that action has been taken, or plans are in place to do so, in response to several of the suggestions. Some responses reflect differing opinions on a given subject and will need further review in the near future, he said.

Responses have been compiled and are available to read at city hall, the chamber office, the library and many of the downtown businesses. Personal copies are available at the chamber office for \$1 to cover copy cost.

Christian Life Center sponsors events

The Christian Life Center in Heppner is sponsoring several community events--a marriage seminar and a series of meetings on the topic of relationships.

The marriage seminar will be held at the St. Patrick's Senior Center Friday, Feb. 27, from 7-9:30 p.m. and Sat., Feb. 28, from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. with an hour for lunch.

The services on relationships start Sunday, March 1, at 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. and will continue Monday, March 2, through Wednesday, March 4, at 7 p.m. Joe and Ruth Meyers, former missionaries to West Africa, will cover topics of marriage.

After spending 10 years as Assembly of God missionaries to the Ivory Coast of West Africa (1979-1988) the Meyers felt God leading them to return as "missionaries to the North American Continent". They believe the Lord has lead them to be a catalyst for renewal in the church and a genuine spiritual awakening in the USA and Canada.

The Meyers minister on a broad range of topics, including: Biblical and Historical Principles For A Spiritual Awakening, Spiritual Warfare, The Healing of Broken Relationships, Spiritual Deception-and How To Discern Truth, Intercessory Prayer and Principles and Priorities for Spiritual Leadership. Their detailed study guides and recorded messages assist those who attend to further study the topics presented, said a news release.

Joe and Ruth Meyers have spent their youth and entire adult lives in Christian service. During their missionary career overseas, Joe was involved in the training of

African pastors and leaders through both Bible college and conference ministries. He served as the interim director and academic dean for the Bible school, as well as carrying a full teaching load in subjects related to theology, church history, philosophy and Christian education.

Ruth taught pastor's wives in such subjects as Bible, Christian education, health and nutrition, and reading (in French).

Joe and Ruth both grew up in Christian families and were always very involved in church activities. They both experienced a call to foreign missions in their youth. As a "boy preacher", Joe ministered during his teen years in camps and revival meetings throughout central California and the Hawaiian Islands. For many years Ruth was involved in Christian education, including conducting Kids Crusades and teaching in several Christian schools in California.

Joe and Ruth are both graduates of Bethany College, Santa Cruz, California. Joe later earned an M.A. degree with a double major from the Assemblies of God Theological Seminary in Springfield, Missouri.

The Meyers pastored three churches in Washington State before going to Africa as missionaries. They have been traveling as itinerant teachers and seminar speakers in the U.S. and Canada for the past six years. They are the parents of two grown children.

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