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Obituaries

Beulah "Boots" Way

A memorial service for Sandy resident, Beulah "Boots" Way was held on Thursday, June 15, 2000, at the chapel of Sandy Funeral Home.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, June 17, 2000, at the Lexington Cemetery.

Mrs. Way died at her home on Monday, June 12, 2000. She was 60.

She was born Beulah Faye Davis on December 13, 1939, in Prosser, Washington, to Jack and Alta (Baker) Davis. She was raised in Heppner on the Upper Rhea Creek and received her elementary and high school education there.

Shortly after graduating from Heppner High School, she began her career in the banking industry. She was employed at the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Heppner until 1961 when she moved to Portland. She was employed with various banks in the Portland area.

On June 1, 1962, she was united in marriage to Asa Way in Lewiston, Idaho. Prior to making their home in Sandy in 1976, they resided in Beaverton for a short time. She was employed at Clackamas County Bank for many years until retiring in 1996 as her health was declining.

Survivors include her husband Asa of Sandy; son Kevin Way of Sandy; daughter Diana Salathe of Portland; and four grandchildren Kelsey, Tyler, Taylor and Megan.

The family suggests that memorial contributions be made to Mt. Hood Hospice.

Edyth M. Lee

Edyth Gibbs Lee, 93, of Pendleton, died on June 6, 2000 at Pendleton.

A graveside memorial service will be held on Monday, June 26, 2000, at 1 p.m. at Mt. Union Cemetery in Philomath. Disposition was by cremation.

Mrs. Lee was born in Montgomery, Minnesota, on April 2, 1906. In 1919 she moved with her family to Philomath and lived there and in Corvallis during her school years. She attended schools in Philomath.

On October 27, 1927, she married a young pharmacist named Ray Lee, who was a graduate of Oregon State University in Corvallis. On May 1, 1930, their son, Paul Gibbs Lee, was born in Marshfield, where they lived for a short period of time.

From there, the family moved to Longview, Washington, where Ray was employed as a pharmacist. After six years in Longview, they moved on to Salt Lake City, Utah where Ray was employed as a pharmaceutical salesman. The family lived there until 1942 when Long Beach, California, became their home.

In 1948 their son, an accomplished pianist and talented musician, graduated with honors from Woodrow Wilson High School in Long Beach.

The Lees moved to Pendleton in the early 1950s. They owned Pendleton Drug Company on Main Street in Pendleton, later establishing the Medical Center Pharmacy in the Southgate area of Pendleton, which they operated until Ray's retirement.

Survivors include three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren living in Southern California. Their son Paul died in 1984; grandson Ray Marsh Lee died in 1969 and grandson

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. The G-T is not responsible for accuracy of statements made in letters.

School survey expensive, meaningless

To the Editor:

At a cost of just a few dollars short of \$20,000, the Morrow County School Board has gifted county residents with weighted and meaningless survey figures. Just 357 people were phoned - not a large number for such an important decision. In the past, it has been possible to secure a broad, written survey of all the county residents from Eastern Oregon University for one-fourth this cost. Their questions were clear and direct, while the board's were not. And the University survey gave concrete numbers (not percent of respondents), whether or not the total number responding was significant.

Voters have the right to know the conditions under which the survey was conducted. Most phone surveys occur 8 a.m.-5 p.m., and this does not reach working families.

How many in each community were contacted? Two communities listed in the "Executive Summary Nelson Report" are Hardman and Ione/Gilliam County. Does 75

percent in Hardman carry the same weight as 75 percent in more populated areas? And how many Gilliam County residents were phoned?

The survey had different and confusing sections. One such section was "If you knew the proposed construction projects provided by the bond measure would provide a more balanced teacher/student ratio throughout the district would you favor or oppose the bond measure?" What should this statistic mean? When we don't have enough money now for sufficient teachers, how can constructing separate school buildings possibly solve the student/teacher ratio? Yet 59 percent are listed as in favor.

If this survey was meant to promote trust in the Morrow County School board, these contrived results should fail miserably with anyone who bothers to read the Nelson report of the 200 page full report.

The students deserve better.

(s) Meg Murray Ione

Thomas Lee died March 11, 1994. Her husband passed away August 27, 1989.

Mrs. Lee was an active member of the Presbyterian Church for many years. She and her husband enjoyed traveling, duplicate bridge, coin collecting, fishing, stamp collecting and listening to music.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Presbyterian Church through Burns Mortuary, P.O. Box 489, Pendleton, Oregon 97801.

Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of arrangements.

County court discusses impact fees

By Doris Brosnan

The Court discussed the question of meeting with other counties in the United States that are interested in pursuing impact fees because of the building of chemical weapons incinerators in their counties. A meeting will be held at the annual meeting of CSEPP in Arkansas in July. Of note, was that the previous person assigned to CSEPP for Oregon Emergency Management has been replaced. Another related item was the advising of the county's attorney, in the impact aid issue, of the recently released report of toxicity at the depot, provided by the Oregon State Health Division.

The Court approved the collective bargaining agreement for the road unit. They also discussed the compensation for the district attorney for the grant administration and decided to continue paying him based on twenty hours per month. Discussion of the museum web site resulted in determining that it should be restored to its previous layout. The Court also discussed with County Counsel Bill Hanlon the draft enterprise-zone agreement with the fertilizer plant. They also extended a contract with Oregon Health Science University and approved the "Babies First" work plan.

The Court heard from a property owner who wanted assurance that a dairy that will be locating on his ground will have year-round access to move the product. The Court resolved to allow movement of dairy products from Morter Canyon to Highway 74 year-round.

Guy Van Arsdale, Public Works Director, reported that work on Washington Street is nearly finished, and Columbia Street work is completed. The crew will fog seal the senior center parking lot before moving on to Wilson road. Anson Wright Park is getting five new full hook-up camping sites.

Seeks contributions for banners

To the Editor:

To Fellow Merchants and Neighbors,

We definitely agree with visitors who time and time again remark on how wonderful our Main Street looks. Few towns the size of Heppner can boast such a clean, spacious, inviting atmosphere.

Behind the beauty of our main street, we face a temporary "blip" on our community's economic heartbeat monitor. But we can actively market Heppner to people who can affect the health of our community. (In fact, the Port of Morrow, the Heppner Economic Development Corporation and the Heppner Chamber are three groups that are striving to attract industry and residents.)

Another small piece in the puzzle of Main Street's vitality is the tourist and the visitor who come for events or pass through and contribute to our retailers while here. We can advertise ourselves and help attract these people by putting out the welcome mat with colorful banners.

The fair and rodeo and the St. Patrick's celebration committees now hang banners on the lamp posts to offer advance advertisement and to contribute to our celebrations. We enjoy at least three other seasons for which banners could add a sense of community pride and a welcome to outsiders.

Did not note for Lexington budget

To the Editor:

To the people of the Town of Lexington:

I served on the committee for this budget. I did not vote for its

approval. I also believe it is not a legal budget document, the way it was approved and presented to you.

(s) John Edwards Lexington

Ukiah restaurant purchased

Mike Palmer, son of Leila Palmer, purchased the Landmark Restaurant in Ukiah.

Repeal death sentence, measure 11

To the Editor:

There are two very important ballot measures still needing signatures. One is to repeal the death sentence and the other is to repeal Measure 11 (the one strike and you're in prison).

For those worrying that to repeal Measure 11 will turn loose real criminals, need not worry. No one can be released without a second look at the crime they are charged with. As the law stands today under Measure 11, people (poor people especially) can be arrested on an accusation only and jailed. Then that law, because of mandatory sentencing, took power from judges (the referee in a court of law) and transferred it to prosecutors. Many ran with the ball and are denying people due process, threatening them

(especially poor people) with 20 years in prison if they insist on a trial.

So take the plea offer of five years.

But I'm not guilty, you shout. You cannot do this. I'm innocent until proven guilty.

Your choice, 20 years vs five. What else Measure 11 has done is line lawyers' pockets. We need to change this.

Time to qualify is short - July 7 is the deadline. Any registered voter wishing to sign these petitions, please call Wm. Connor, 503-494-2001; for the death sentence and for Measure 11, call Cathi Lawler, 503-491-0611; or me for both, 503-429-8400.

(s) Helen Solem
Secretary-Treasurer
Oregon Judicial Watch
Vernonia

St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

The new activity on St. Patrick's Senior Center calendar is a potluck dinner at 1:30 p.m. this Sunday, June 25, just to get together for a meal and visiting, followed with pinocle and/or games. It's all for free and fun. Everyone is invited.

A Umatilla-Morrow Counties Advocacy Training Workshop on Tuesday, June 27, from 9 a.m. to noon at the Red Lion in Pendleton offers seniors and the disabled help in making themselves heard by legislators, county commissioners and city councilmen. It will give us ways to better make our voices heard by congressmen as they make decisions on social security, Medicare and The Older Americans Act (this one determines senior center programs). We can also affect Oregon legislators' decisions on helping seniors to remain independent, healthy and living in their own homes. Call 1-800-442-4352 to reserve a place for this and 676-9030 for a carpool or our bus for a ride to this workshop. Let's make our voices heard.

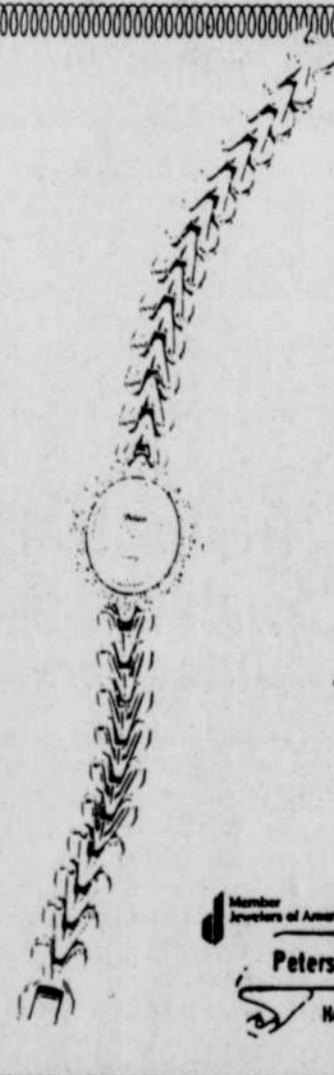
Garden lovers who want to go on our bus on a garden tour July 17-18 to the Oregon Garden in Silverton should call 676-9435 soon. Sponsored by Blue Mt. District of Garden Clubs, the tour also includes the Gardens of Enchantment (for the blind), The Leach Botanical Gardens and the Willamette National Cemetery in Portland. The cost for the motel and the ride is \$25. Riders pay for meals of their choice.

As for the workshops offered by the OSU Extension Service, the first will be "Along Came A Spider, - Developing Social Networks." It will encourage participants to think about the social networks in their lives, examine how social networks evolve and change, think about the consequence of losing a key person from a social network, and discuss ways to expand their individual social networks. The class will be offered in late July or in August. The exact date and time to be announced later. Call 676-9030 or 676-9435 if you think you would like to be a participant.

Last Wednesday, the meal was served to 81 with 13 take-outs. Light lunches are also served on Thursdays at noon. The menu for the birthday dinner next week will be chicken pot pie, vegetables-cheese plate, Waldorf salad, biscuits and spice cake.

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