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## Allens to reign over Ione Fourth

If there's a fund raiser or community event in Ione, chances are either Dick or Jannie Allen-or both-will be there pitching in. Both of the Allens will definitely show up for the Ione Fourth of July Parade this year--they have been selected as parade grand marshals.

The Allens have been active members of the Ione community since they moved there 15 years ago, when Dick was hired as principal of the Ione Schools.

Dick, 50, is originally from the town of Kinzua and graduated from Wheeler High School in 1968. He attended Eastern Oregon University for two years before transferring to the Oregon College of Education, now Western Oregon University, at Monmouth.

While Dick and Jannie knew each other in high school, they didn't start dating until he was in college and she had graduated from high school. He graduated from OCE with a degree in education in 1972 and they married in August of that year.

Jannie, 48, originally from Fossil, also graduated from Wheeler High School. After graduation in 1970, she also enrolled at OCE.

Dick worked for two years at Faye Wright Elementary School in Salem until Jannie received her degree in elementary education in 1974.

The Allens then moved back to Eastern Oregon to live in Fossil. Dick taught five years there and Jannie taught full-time for four years.

Dick was then hired as superintendent-principal at Spray and worked there for six years.



Dick and Jannie Allen

Jannie substituted at Spray in 1978, before their son, Steve, arrived in September of that year.

Daughter Elizabeth came along in 1981. Jannie stayed home with the kids until they were both in school.

Dick was hired as principal of Ione Schools in 1985. The year that Elizabeth entered first grade, Jannie got a job at Heppner Elementary teaching language arts part-time. She then moved to full-time and has now taught at HES for 11 years.

While the Allens plan to remain in Ione (they love their home and garden and have a special relationship with a little boy in their neighborhood), Dick will join his wife in commuting to Heppner this year, as he has accepted the position of principal at Heppner High School.

Both the Allens have been named Heppner Chamber of Commerce citizen-educators of the year--he in 1993 and she in 1996. The Allens have also been involved in the Ione Fourth of July celebration and are active members of the Ione United Church of Christ.

Jannie is on the IUCC Capital Funds Committee and is in charge of selling bricks to raise funds to build a new church after it was destroyed in a fire. She also puts out the church monthly newsletter, is the church's assistant moderator and is also in charge of the annual IUCC auction. Since the tragic death of Jason Halvorsen, a teenage friend of the family, in an automobile accident, Jannie has organized the annual "Fall Into Winter Bazaar". Funds raised from the

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## Patriotic Pops to be part of Ione's celebration on July 2



The caption for the photo, entitled "Patriotic Pops to be part of Ione's July 4 Celebration," in the June 21 Gazette-Times was incorrect. The Inland Northwest Musicians, "Patriotic Pops," featuring numerous local musicians, will be in concert at the Ione Amphitheatre Sunday, July 2, not Saturday, July 1, as part of this year's Ione Fourth of July Celebration. The concert starts at the Amphitheatre at 3:15 p.m. Sunday and organizer Shelly Rietmann invites everyone to "hear some wonderful music and bring their picnic baskets with everything from fried chicken and lemonade to caviar and Chardonnay."

## Young Heppner couple lose everything in fire



Early morning fire gutted this home on Gale street in Heppner last Friday.

photo by Camille Sykes

A young Heppner couple are homeless after an early morning fire destroyed their home.

The Heppner Fire Department received a report of a fire at the home of Brad and Jamie Hardie, 375 Gale, at 3:04 a.m. on Friday, June 23.

The Hardies' neighbors, the Keith and Angie Hanson family, were awakened by the fire when they heard the windows of the house blow out and then called 911.

Twelve fire fighters with three engines arrived at the scene to find the house fully involved, said Heppner Fire Chief Rusty Estes. Estes said they knew that Jamie Hardie was out of town at the time, but weren't at first sure if Brad Hardie was still in the house. Fortunately, he was not.

According to Estes, Hardie left Heppner at 2:45 a.m. for his job at the Wal-Mart distribution center in Hermiston and had just arrived at work when his bosses told him of the fire. They then "put him in a rig" and drove him home to Heppner, said Estes. Hardie also works at Central Market.

## Community Calendar now posted on Internet

A new feature has been added to the Heppner Home Page web site at [www.heppner.net](http://www.heppner.net).

A monthly calendar of events (the same one that appears the first week of every month in the Gazette-Times) will now be posted on the Internet. The calendar will remain there for the entire month.

The calendar which lists important events and dates, is compliments of Doris Brosnan at Twice Upon a Time in Heppner.

## County to honor retirees

Nine people will be retiring from Morrow County at the end of the month. Retirees include Shirley McCarl at the clerk's office; Angie Pedro at the Irrigon Justice Court; Sharon Timms at the Morrow County Planning Department, Irrigon; Pauline Winter at the Sheriff's Department; Guy Van Arsdale, Sam Schmidt, Cap Gentry and Ray O'Neil, all with the Public Works Department; and Ed Struthers, the county's information technologist.

An open house is planned at the Morrow County Sheriff's Office for Winter on Thursday, June 29, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

An open house for the county employees is also scheduled at the courthouse that day from 3-5 p.m.

An open house was held Wednesday for Pedro and Timms at the Morrow County Annex in Irrigon.

According to Estes, the young couple lost all of their belongings and the house is a total loss. The family is also struggling with an illness in the family. Jamie had been staying with her father in Yakima who is gravely ill, Estes said.

## Golf tourney set July 3

The Ione Fourth of July Celebration Best Ball Golf Tournament has been planned for Monday, July 3, from 10 a.m. to approximately 3 p.m. at the Willow Creek Country Club in Heppner.

Those participating are asked to be on the course by 9:30 a.m.

Cost of the tournament is \$30 per person for 18 holes of golf. Lunch and beverages will be

provided. Brad Hardie is the nephew of Georgia VanWinkle, Heppner.

An account for the Hardie family has been set up at the Bank of Eastern Oregon. Donations may be made directly at the bank or at Central Red Apple Market.

proceeds.

Proceeds will go toward the Jason Halvorsen Memorial Scholarship.

Register at Wheatland Insurance in Ione or call 422-7410. Those who plan to register are asked to do so by June 28 so that teams can be put together.

If room is available, golfers may register at the course on the day of the tournament.

## HHS alumni tournament slated

The fourth annual Heppner High School Alumni Golf Tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday July 8 and 9, at Willow Creek Country Club in Heppner. Play begins at 9 a.m. both days with a shotgun start and will feature a scramble format.

Cost of the tournament is \$40 per person, which includes 18 holes of golf each day as well as a steak dinner at the clubhouse Saturday night.

Participants can golf with whomever they choose and can put together their own five-member teams if they like.

Tournament proceeds have helped many local youth related

causes, including sports programs, a Campus Life program, coach and referee training, the Heppner band program and others.

The winning team members will have their names and a photo placed on the tournament trophy, which is displayed in the trophy case at Heppner High School.

The tournament is open to all HHS alumni and their spouses as well as past and present HHS faculty.

Non-alumni interested in playing as well as alumni who did not receive an entry form may contact David and Patti Allstott at 676-5216 or John and Sonja McCabe at 676-5231 by Monday, July 3.

## Morrow County Court against non-stockpile incineration

Morrow County Commissioners have taken a stand against the incineration of non-stockpile materials and chemical munitions from outside the Army's Umatilla Chemical Depot, according to a news release from Morrow County Judge Terry Tallman.

According to the release, the position of the Morrow County Court stems from recent comments by Congressman Bob Riley, R-Ashland, Alabama. Although Riley opposes any effort by the Army to burn non-weapons at the incinerator in Anniston, Alabama, he did approve legislation (the Defense Authorization Act) that came out of the House Armed Services Committee on which he serves, allowing non-stockpile weapons to be burned and transported across state lines, said Tallman.

Tallman said Riley was reported in The Anniston Star saying he approved the legislation not for Anniston, but for incinerator communities like those in Tooele, Utah; Umatilla, Ore., and Pine Bluff, Ark., that are

interested in extending the lives of their incinerators to burn non-stockpile weapons.

"We are opposed to incineration of any non-stockpile materials that are not already okayed by the Department of Environmental Quality's permit," said Tallman.

"We know the Army is investigating bringing in non-stockpile materials from places like Alaska and we want to issue a statement to our citizens now that we're opposed to letting it happen," Tallman continued.

Morrow County Commissioners have entered into a dialogue with the Calhoun County Commission in Anniston, Alabama, about the incineration of non-stockpile materials and other related stockpile matters.

"We're involved on similar projects and deal with similar issues," stated Tallman. "It only makes sense to try and learn from each other."

## HARVEST HOURS

Starting July 5th: Weekdays, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Saturdays, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. • Closed Sundays

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