

### Letters to the Editor

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### Cemetery destruction a shame



To the Editor:  
I took these pictures in September when we visited this cemetery on Little Buttercreek on the Tom Currin Ranch. I have been gone for two or three years and couldn't believe the destruction to the stones. I understand the county mows the cemetery, so don't know when all these stones were pushed over. It would have taken great force on some as there were steel rods inside that were broken. Most of the stones are dated back in the 1800s and it is a shame to lose so much history. Our family always enjoyed reading the different markers and imagining the history.

### Vote no on 5

To the Editor:  
Vote no on Measure 5-the so-called instant check on guns purchased at gun shows. It does nothing to keep guns out of criminals hands. The way the measure is written, if you buy a gun at a gun show both the gun and you are registered for five years in the state police files. Several years ago California passed a law that all guns had to be registered. Then in couple of years they listed a whole bunch of these guns as illegal and started confiscating them. That is what can happen here in Oregon if Measure 5 is passed in spite of

Although the Wiglesworth stones were not damaged, probably because they are extra large, I would like to see if the other stones can be repaired or set back up again. I would be happy to donate to this cause if it is possible. Maybe a scout troop or someone could spearhead such an undertaking. Also it would be nice to have the name of the cemetery put up near the gate. I believe it was known as Pleasant Point. My father Walter Wiglesworth who is 90 years old and lives in Rose Harbor in Hermiston is a good source of information on this cemetery.

(s) Dorothy Graham  
Sun City, AZ

all the hype in papers and on TV that they are plugging a loophole. What happens if some anti-gun bureaucrat happens to be running the instant check while a gun show is being held. They can shut it down and you couldn't buy or sell a gun.

This is another ploy of the anti-gunners to take the guns away from law-abiding citizens. The criminals have two ways of getting guns. One is steal, the other is the black market.

All hunters and gun owners be sure and vote and vote no on Measure 5.

(s) Willard French  
Lone

### Seniors matter to Smith

To the Editor:  
I like positive campaigns. I vote for positive candidates. I'm voting for Greg Smith for Oregon State Representative, District 59.

I have known Greg Smith for many years. He has always been an advocate for our community. We have been working closely on the Willow Creek Valley Assisted Living Facility. With Greg's assistance, we are moving forward on the financing of equipment and furniture for this much-needed facility.

Senior matters are important to Greg Smith. As I stated earlier,

we have worked side-by-side on tackling these critical issues. While the legislature alone cannot ensure that I see my personal physician of choice, I am astute enough to understand that the Oregon House of Representatives plays a crucial role in insurance. That insurance is called Medicaid and the Oregon Health Plan, and the next State Representative for District 59 will be making decisions on the vitality of those services.

Vote Greg Smith.  
(s) Suzanne Jepsen  
Heppner

### Vote for Greg Smith

To the Editor:  
It seems like every two years, when the legislature conveys, you had better grab your wallet. Whether it's trying to raise the income tax, changing the way property is valued or the "little" fee increases we face, our hard earned money always seems to disappear.

Take Measure 5 for instance; this is just another way to tax an item. I am an advocate for the Second Amendment, but putting the freedom issue aside, the government is yet again requiring registration with a fee. I also believe that the kicker tax should be returned to the taxpayers. After attending a public debate for House District 59, I found that Greg Smith

believes as I do - let the citizens keep their hard earned dollars.

This November, I will be voicing my opinion by saying no to increased taxes through a vote for Greg Smith. Greg understands that a prosperous economy doesn't occur through government control and more taxes, but by allowing our free enterprise system to work. Greg has convinced me that he will work hard to reduce the tax burdens on working citizens and small business owners, so that they can once again be profitable. If you feel as I do, the choice is simple - vote Greg Smith for Oregon State Representative, District 59.

(s) Dale Stennett  
John Day

### Myren shows leadership

To the Editor:  
I am writing this letter in support of Steve Myren who is running for Morrow Co. Sheriff. I feel we need a change in some of the policies in our Sheriff's department. Steve has some new ideas and has said he is in favor of a more aggressive approach to drug enforcement and other problems in our area. I believe instead of waiting for some "big fish" maybe we can get rid of some of the smaller ones.

Steve wants to increase the amount of patrols in the county. By doing so, the department will

be able to respond not only to drug enforcement but also be available for other county residents' needs.

Steve has been with the county for a good number of years and has shown enthusiasm towards his job working with the kids and trying to improve the quality of life in working with the community. He shows leadership ability and good judgment in his decisions. I believe he will make a good Sheriff. That is why I am voting for Steve Myren.

(s) Barbara VanArsdale  
Heppner

### Friendly town

To the Editor:  
We were in Heppner elk and deer hunting last month. The pickup in which we were traveling lost its brakes. It had to be taken to Hermiston to be fixed. We had the travel trailer towed into Heppner. We stayed in Heppner for two weeks waiting for the pickup to be repaired.

We want the people of Heppner to know what a friendly town you have. We were treated wonderfully by everyone we met. Especially the owner and the managers of the Northwestern Motel and RV Park. They did everything they could to make our stay pleasant. Jim and Darla Wishart were so good to us. We would highly recommend the Motel and RV Park to anyone going to Heppner.

It's nice to know that there are still small towns in our country

that care about people. We live in a small town not much bigger than yours and we would hope that anyone breaking down in our town would be treated as well as we were.

(s) Bob and Rita Holbrook  
Quincy, CA.

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### Murrays' scarecrow wins People's Choice Award



People's Choice scarecrow enjoys a latte at Murrays with the scarecrow's creator, Pam Worden, employee at Murrays Drug.



Sharon Harrison presents prize to scarecrow contest winner Rita Bergstrom.

Murray Drugs was the people's choice winner of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce and Merchants Committee downtown scarecrow contest. The Murrays' scarecrow was posed enjoying a latte.

Central Market's scarecrow was second and Les Schwab's

scarecrow took honorable mention.

Rita Bergstrom identified all the downtown scarecrows correctly.

Residents also joined in the fun, with the Pars, Moore, Edmundson, Wishart and Wichman families displaying scarecrows.

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**November 2nd - Thursday**  
Ladies' Night: Jerri Sly and crew serving a Harvest Dinner - Baked Ham with all the fixings. Dinner served starting at 6 p.m.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
For more information about a listed event call the Chamber at 676-5536 or call 676-5886.						
5 Inland Northwest Musicians Concert	6 Garden Club HES PTA HES Site Council City Planning	7 Retailers Chamber Library Story X SWCD Masons ELECTION DAY	8 County Court Chamber Bd. Oddfellows Part of Morrow HHS Site Council. Elks Lodge	9 WV Serv. Club Poetry Evening WCVL BPOE	10 NO SCHOOL. W CL. Symphony Rehearsal 9 PM - 9:30 PM	11 NO SCHOOL. W CL. Symphony Rehearsal
12 STATE PD TRAINING 11:00	13 NO SCHOOL - PVT Cadets/Cadet City Council School Board GTCB/Fire Board	14 HCC / Chamber ARVAB Masons Masons Bookworms Child/Fam Comm	15 HEDC County Court Lions Elks Lodge	16 WV Serv. Club BPOE	17 NO SCHOOL. W CL. Symphony Rehearsal	18 ANTEFACTORY 2ND ROUND PD PLAYOFFS
19	20	21 Chamber Library Story X Masons Neighbor. Cent.	22 County Court Elks Lodge	23 NO SCHOOL Thanksgiving	24 NO SCHOOL	25
26	27 MC Medical Dist American Legion Hearing Auth.	28 HCC Chamber Library Story X Bookworms	29 Chamber Board Elks Lodge	30 WV Club Bd. MC Arts & Crafts LIGHT PARADE 10:00 AM BPOE DINNER		

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