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**Wedding
Lavender-Schiller**



Jason and Tina Lavender

Tina Kay Schiller, daughter of Tony and Verina Schiller of Pflugerville, Texas, and Jason Lee Lavender, son of Ron and Sandra Lavender of Austin, Texas, were married on August 18, 2000, at the Merrell Plantation in Round Rock, Texas, by the Reverend Patrick Moore with music by Zach McIntosh.

The bride is the granddaughter of Ray and Norma French of Heppner and Marilyn Schiller of Echo. The groom is the grandson of Wallace and Mamie Lavender of Hewitt, Texas, and Gladys Hall of Waco, Texas.

Maid of honor was Lindsey Ward, cousin of the bride, Heppner. Bridesmaids were Megan Wood, cousin of the bride, Tigard, Amanda Tucksen, Renee Armstrong and Meghan Pollick, all of Austin. Flower girl was Tiffany Schiller, sister of the bride.

Best man was Matt Seeker, USMC. Groomsmen were James Lavender, brother of the groom, Chris Tucksen, Nick Moore, and Mike Leach, all of Austin. Ring bearer was Evan Lavender, cousin of the groom, Temple, Texas. Ushers were Justin and Jared Schiller, brothers of the bride, and Jim Jenkins, Austin.

Escorted by her father, the bride wore a floor-length gown of white duchess satin with a beaded bodice of clear sequins and appliques of seed pearls, hug-the-shoulder sleeves and detachable cathedral train trimmed with scallop Battenburg lace. Her double-layered, fingertip veil of tulle was held by a crystal tiara. She carried a garden bouquet of lavender sweetheart roses and alstromeria lilies.

The bride's attendants wore floor-length princess style gowns of lavender taffeta and carried bouquets of freesia and lavender hydrangea blossoms.

A reception followed at Merrell Plantation.

Following a wedding trip to Hawaii, the couple will reside in Thorndale, Texas.

Obituaries

Rosella Lindsay

Rosella Lindsay, 90, of Lexington, died Tuesday, October 31, 2000 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

Recitation of the Rosary was held Thursday, November 2, 2000 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner. Funeral Mass was held Friday, November 3, 2000 at the church. A graveside service followed at Olney Cemetery in Pendleton.

She was born September 11, 1910, at Pendleton, to Bernard P. "Barney" and Catherine "Katie" Doherty. She attended St. Joseph Academy in Pendleton and attended and graduated from Heppner High School. She attended Monmouth Normal School and became a teacher. She taught in a one-room schoolhouse in the Alpine School District near Sandhollow.

On September 1, 1934, she married Alex Lindsay at Pendleton. The couple started farming near the North Lexington elevator site, then expanded to a ranch off Baseline Road. Following her husband's death in 1960, she continued to be active in the operation of the ranch.

Mrs. Lindsay was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church Parish and Altar Society. She had been a member of the Cowbells and the Oregon Wheat League.

Survivors include son, Larry Lindsay of Lexington; sister, Dorothy Doherty of Pendleton; seven grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren. Brothers, Barney Doherty, William J. Doherty, John E. Doherty and Lawrence P. Doherty, sisters, Mary Doherty, Frances Curran and Katherine Monagle, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild preceded her in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pioneer Memorial Home Health, P.O. Box 9, Heppner, Oregon 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner was in charge of arrangements.

Violet Louise Zimmerman

Violet Louise Zimmerman, 73, a long-time resident of Boardman, died Sunday, November 5, 2000, at Evergreen Health and Rehabilitation Center in Milton-Freewater.

Memorial graveside service was held Tuesday, November 7, 2000 at Riverview Cemetery in Boardman. Disposition was by cremation.

Mrs. Zimmerman was born at Eden, Wisconsin, on December 18, 1926, to Paul and Bernice Baumhardt Hoffman.

She came to Boardman in 1977 from Fossil.

Mrs. Zimmerman had been active at the Boardman Senior Center.

Survivors include sons, David of Athena, Robert D. of Prineville and Randy of Boardman; a brother, Paul Hoffman in Alabama; sisters, Dorothy Westover in Colorado, Shirley Atkins in Arizona, Betty Giese and Doris Wesenberg, both in Wisconsin, and Alice Hoffman in Utah; two grandchildren and one step-granddaughter. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Zimmerman, and son Ron.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston was in charge of arrangements.

Claude E. Way

Long-time Okanogan County resident Claude E. Way, 75, Okanogan, Washington, died October 29, 2000 at Central Washington Hospital, Wenatchee, Washington.

Graveside services were held

Friday, November 3, 2000 at the Riverside Cemetery, at Riverside, Washington.

He was born June 4, 1925, in Junction City to Daniel Joseph and Iva E. (Vinson) Way. He grew up in Lexington and attended high school in Lexington. He also served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He married Maxine Myers on May 4, 1946, in Auburn. They lived in Auburn and Dry Valley before moving to Riverside, Washington in 1952.

In 1960, they moved to Dry Valley, where they lived for a few years before moving back to Riverside. They moved to the Elmway area, then north of Okanogan, in 1964.

Mr. Way was an orchardist for many years. He also ran a small ranch in addition to working at Biles-Coleman Lumber Co.

He was a member of the Omak Elks, National Rifle Association, American Legion and the United States LST Association.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Steve and Colleen Way, Okanogan, Washington, and Don and Neta Reed, Cashmere, Washington; a daughter, Lori Wood, Okanogan, Washington; four brothers, Joseph Way of The Dalles, Kenneth Way of Hillsboro, Marvin Way of Wyoming, and Asa Way of Sandy; a sister, Zelma McDaniel of Heppner; 12 grandchildren, Tenea, Stasha, John, Gordon, Sarah, Tanner, Heather, Ross, Nathan, Bryson, Hollie and Paxton; a great-grandchild, Seth, and long-time friends Bain Crofoot and Donna Short.

His wife, Maxine, died on October 17, 1999. He was also preceded in death by brothers Stanley and Burtin, and sisters, June and Maxine.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Northwest Kidney Center, 700 Broadway, Seattle, Washington, 98122.

Barnes Elmway Chapel in Okanogan was in charge of arrangements.

School calendar

Heppner High School lists its November calendar of events:

Friday, Nov. 10-no school. Junior High boys' basketball at Athena/Weston, 3 p.m.;

Saturday, Nov. 11-Junior High boys' basketball vs. Stanfield at Heppner, 10 a.m. First round AA football playoffs, Heppner vs. Pine Eagle at 1 p.m.;

Monday, Nov. 13-Parent-Teacher Conferences, 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Morrow County School Board meeting at Ione High School, 7:30 p.m.;

Tuesday, Nov. 14-ASVAB for juniors in the HHS cafeteria, 7:55 a.m. Heppner High School Sports Dessert in the HHS cafeteria, 7 p.m.;

Friday, Nov. 17-no school. Junior High boys' basketball at Umattilla Middle School, 3 p.m.;

Saturday, Nov. 18-Junior High boys' basketball vs. Columbia Middle School at Heppner, 10 a.m. Second round AA football playoffs;

Wednesday, Nov. 22-early dismissal at 12:45 p.m. for Thanksgiving vacation;

Thursday-Friday, Nov. 23-24-closed for Thanksgiving vacation;

Tuesday, Nov. 28-JV boys' basketball vs. Pendleton freshmen at Heppner, 6:30 p.m.;

Thursday, Nov. 30-JV girls' and boys' basketball vs. Ukiah at Heppner, 5:30 p.m.

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Pastor accepts call

To the Editor:

I appreciate Heppner Gazette-Times affording me this opportunity to share some thoughts with the people of the Willow Creek Valley - Ione, Lexington and Heppner.

As some of you know, I have accepted a call from Zion Lutheran Church in Redmond to be their next pastor. Accordingly, I will be moving in November. It was a difficult decision for me to make, even though I will have "opportunities to do ministry" in that larger setting that I would not have here in our community. It was a difficult decision because of so many of you; because of the kindness and friendship shown to me by the "Valley".

It goes without saying that it has been my honor and privilege to serve the members of Hope/Valby Lutheran Parish and All Saints' Episcopal Parish. I am proud to have been a part of their ministry to each other and to the community at large. But in the course of my ministry here I have also had the opportunity to serve non-members in various

ways. I appreciate you allowing me to be with you at important and significant times in your lives.

The prayer St. Paul shared with the church at Ephesus in his letter to them is my prayer for all of you as well:

"I pray that, according to the riches of God's glory, He may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God." (Ephesians 3:16-19)

Take care and God Bless,
(s)Rev. R.G. "Dick" Metz
Pastor, Valby Lutheran Church
Hope Lutheran Church
All Saints' Episcopal Church
Heppner

**Shelby Krebs Wendy's
Heisman finalist**

Ione senior Shelby Krebs crossed the Heisman finish line, becoming one of 102 state finalists in the 2000 Wendy's High School Heisman Program, blazing by more than 12,000 students nationwide for a chance at the prestigious Wendy's High School Heisman Award.

Krebs was named the female State Winner in Oregon, accompanying Brennan Corbett of Broadbent who also received this award as the top male in the state. Krebs and Corbett are the only two students in the state of Oregon who will move to the national level of competition for the WSHS Award.

Wendy's International, the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) and the Downtown Athletic Club (DAC) of New York City, the home of the Heisman Memorial Trophy since 1935, join forces to recognize top scholars, athletes, and citizens.

According to a news release, Krebs advanced to the state winner level for the WSHS Award based on the following accomplishments: Academics: GPA 3.96/4.0, National Honor Society, National Junior Honor Society; Athletics: basketball, tennis, volleyball; Community Service: 4-H Club teen leader, Ione Youth Group.

"We congratulate Shelby on being named a state winner. Her outstanding dedication to school, community service and athletics is remarkable and should be recognized," said Dave Thomas, Wendy's founder and television spokesperson. "The goal of the Wendy's High School Heisman Program is to support young people who are dedicated to improving themselves and their communities, and Shelby is doing just that."

The WSHS Program, now in its seventh year, asks principals nationwide to nominate one male and one female student for the award based on academic achievement, athletic accomplishment and a commitment to community service. To be eligible, students must have completed their junior year of high school, maintained at least a B+ grade point average, participated in one of 31 sports officially sanctioned by the National Federation of State High Schools Association and demonstrated active involvement in community service projects.

"The thousands of nominations received for the Wendy's High School Heisman Award were impressive, and made it extremely difficult for the judges to determine the state winners," said Dr. Gerald Tirozzi, executive director of NASSP. "Shelby should feel proud to represent her state in the awards competition." Archie Griffin, program spokesperson, and the

only two-time Heisman Memorial Trophy winner, adds "It's great to see so many young people who are excelling in each area of their lives get rewarded for their efforts."

The WSHS Program has three judging levels proceeding the nomination phase -- state finalist, state winner and national finalist level. CTB/McGraw-Hill evaluates and narrows down approximately 12,000 nominee entries to determine 1,020 state finalists (20 from each state, including the District of Columbia).

Their 102 state winners (two from each state), 12 national finalists (six males and six females) and two national winners (one male and one female) are picked by past Heisman Memorial Trophy recipients, and education, business and community leaders.

State winners will receive a congratulatory letter from Wendy's, a silver medal and \$500 for their school. An additional \$1,000 will be awarded to the school of those who reach the National Finalist level along with a gold medal.

The two WSHS National Winners will receive a crystal trophy and an additional \$2,500 awarded to their school totaling \$4,000 in cash awards. Twelve national finalists will be invited to New York City to participate in the Heisman Memorial Trophy weekend festivities at the Downtown Athletic Club Dec. 7-10.

Thomas, Griffin and Terozzi will crown the two winners, during the WSHS awards presentation on Friday, Dec. 8. On Saturday, Dec. 9, the two national winners will be honored during the Heisman Memorial Trophy national live telecast on ESPN. ESPN 2 will air Friday's WSHS special prior to the collegiate Heisman ceremony. NASSP, the preeminent school leadership organization, serves as the national voice to more than 42,000 middle level and high school principals, assistant principals and aspiring school leaders.

**Eleanor Gonty
celebrates**

A birthday party was held for Eleanor Gonty on Sunday, Nov. 5.

Coming for the family reunion and birthday party were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gonty and daughter, Nichole from Woodbridge, VA; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gonty from Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Altshim from Beaverton; Mrs. Virginia Blevins, daughter Pam Arbogast and granddaughter Hailey.

Ray and his wife, June, were on their way to Mesa, AZ, for the winter. Eleanor accompanied them and will spend a few weeks in Mesa.

St. Patrick's Mini-Carnival!
Sunday, November 13
Noon - 1:30

HOT DOGS for LUNCH!
Games, Games, Games:
Bingo/ Fish Pond/ Cake Walk
Name-the-Saints / Many, Many, More! Many, Many Prizes!

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