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California teachers receive info

To the Editor,
We are teachers from Washington Manor Middle School in San Leandro, California. The past two years we have assigned "Travel Projects" to our students as an attempt to teach them about the people and geography of our great

nation. Your generous readers have kindly sent wonderful information as well as interesting items.

Sincerely,
(s) John McLens
(s) Rob Paulukonis
(s) Susan Schulte
San Leandro, CA.

Seeks info on Oregon

To the Editor:
I am an eighth grade student from Washington Manor Middle School in San Leandro. I am currently doing a school project that entails planning vacation to your fine state of Oregon. I would greatly appreciate any information or memorabilia that your generous readers could

send me. I am interested in family activities, interesting historical sights and unique artifacts that make your state special. I appreciate your time and consideration.

(s) Daniel Yokomizo
c/o John McClens
1170 Fargo Avenue
San Leandro, Ca. 94579

Local pastors to be missionaries



Brent and Jennifer Waldrep
Brent and Jennifer Waldrep, the pastors of Willow Creek Baptist Church in Heppner, were recently appointed by the Southern Baptists Convention as missionaries to Brazil. They will be leaving Heppner at the end of March.
A special service to honor the

Waldreps will held at Christian Life Center on Sunday, March 18, at 6 p.m. During the service, Brent will share about their missions assignment to Brazil.
Afterwards a fairwell reception will be held to honor them. Everyone is invited to attend.

Obituaries

Walter S. Duran

Walter S. Duran, 66, of Weiser, Idaho, died Friday, March 9, 2001, at Weiser.

A memorial service will be held at Weiser, Idaho, on Thursday, March 15, 2001. His remains will be sent to Heppner to be buried in the family plot.

He was born in Heppner on November 11, 1934, the son of William A. and Eva Mae Osborne Duran. He grew up in Heppner and attended Heppner schools.

He had lived in Weiser for the past 16 years and worked as a welder.

Survivors include daughter, Eva M. Antognazzi of Cave Junction; brother, Al Duran of Wasilla, Alaska; and sisters, Marlene Barnett of Heppner, Delores McQuigg of California, Frances Myatt of Fiddletown, California, Viola Cable of Canton, North Carolina, Ami Caudell of Seymour, Indiana, and Kay Blackmon of Pensacola, Florida. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Charles Eldred Notson

Charles Eldred Notson, 92, a Heppner native, died Sunday, March 11, 2001.

Mr. Notson was born March 21, 1908, at Heppner and was raised in Heppner.

He met his wife, Ruth, at Asbury College in Wilmore, Kentucky. They were married on September 14, 1930.

After missionary training in Nyack, New York, the Notsons sailed for Asia where they ministered among the Chinese in northwest China, the Philippines and Taiwan. In addition, Mr. Notson taught at Simpson Bible College, served as an Army chaplain during World War II in Europe, had five pastorates in the United States and was assistant editor of the Alliance Weekly.

Survivors include his daughter, Mary Randal; grandchildren, Wendy Hunt and Scott Randal; and great-grandchildren, Hayley Hunt, Heather Hunt and Max Randal.

Evergreen-Washelli Funeral Home of Seattle, Washington, was in charge of arrangements.

Joy Ann Wells

Joy Ann Wells, 61, of Heppner, died Saturday, March 3, 2001, at Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home in Heppner.

Memorial Mass was held Monday, March 12, 2001, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner.

She was born July 17, 1939, in Green Bay, Wisconsin, to Donald and Alberta Detrie Uphill. She grew up in Green Bay and attended schools there, graduating from East High School in 1959.

She married Harold Delveaux, Jr., shortly after graduation. The couple later divorced.

She lived in California for a time and married Mr. Wells. They also divorced.

She moved to Heppner 14 years ago. She worked part-time at Cal's Restaurant and Lounge, then went to work for Doug Lowe at Bucknum's Tavern, until ill health forced her retirement.

Survivors include her mother, Alberta Johannes of Heppner; daughters, Sheryl Delveaux of Heppner, Dawn Blhom of Palmdale, California, and Jodi Loughtridge of Spring, Texas; sons, Tim Delveaux of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Terry Delveaux, Don

Delveaux and Jim Delveaux, all of Green Bay, Wisconsin; sister, Donna Cole of Sunland, California; and 19 grandchildren.

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

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner was in charge of arrangements.

Jack Healy

Jack Healy, 80, a lifelong resident of Heppner, died Friday, March 9, 2001, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

Recitation of the Rosary was held Monday, March 12, 2001, at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner. Funeral Mass was held Tuesday, March 13, 2001, at St. Patrick's, with concluding service and burial following at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Mr. Healy was born March 15, 1920, at Buttercreek, near Heppner, to John and Annie Kenny Healy. He attended school through the 11th grade at Pine City School, then graduated from Heppner High School in 1938.

Mr. Healy served with the Navy from 1942 to 1945 in the South Pacific on the USS Chester.

On April 10, 1948, he married Gwen Gaarsland in Portland.

His main interests had been his family and his grandchildren. Not only was he a great supporter of his grandchildren's sports activities, he was also a fan of all Heppner school activities.

Mr. Healy enjoyed the area of agriculture and other outdoor activities, including hunting.

He was a life member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church and the Heppner Elks. He was very proud of his Irish heritage.

Survivors include his wife, Gwen Healy of Heppner; daughters, Judy Eckman of Lexington and Jean Healy of Portland; sons, Jerry Healy, Jim Healy and John Healy, all of Heppner; sister, Rosetta Palmater of Heppner; and 10 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Tom Healy and Bill Healy; and sisters, Marie Walters, Cecilia Healy and Helen O'Donnell.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Heppner Booster Club, P.O. Box 917, Heppner, Oregon 97836, or to the donor's favorite charity of choice.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner was in charge of arrangements.

Irrigon teen chosen for pageant

Varonica Ann Abbott, 17, daughter of Theresa Morley, Irrigon, has been chosen as a state finalist for the Miss Oregon American Teen Pageant to be held July 20-21 at the Portland Airport Holiday Inn.

The pageant is held for girls ages 16-17. The winner of the pageant will receive a \$500 cash award, the official crown and banner, a bouquet of flowers and a travel allowance and sponsor fee to compete in the national pageant. Pageants are held to include girls three through 17 years old.

Cash awards, scholarships, trophies and prizes will be awarded during the state pageant weekend. According to pageant officials, since 1983, the American Coed Pageant System has awarded more than 11 million dollars.

Abbott enjoys running track, being with her friends, reading and writing poems

Off The Wall
By Merlyn Robinson

Perhaps you too have experienced the winter blahs. So it's no surprise that a few warm, sunny, shirt-sleeve days bring out all types of spring-fever behaviors. Golfers chase little white balls and joggers and walkers no longer sport ear-muffs. Like nest-building birds, gardeners are raking yards and gardening catalogs seem much more interesting. For those who suddenly dive into more ambitious activities like spring house cleaning, my advice is to take two aspirins and go see a head doctor; or take a walk and rethink any action you are proposing to undertake.

Okay, so I wasn't realistic concerning what my "jump-into-spring" painting episode would entail. For sure, it is a progressive procedure that involves some connected chores (not unlike that old song about the linkage between body bones--you know "the leg bone is connected to the thighbone" and so on.) Now these old bones fully realize that newly-painted ceilings and walls don't magically happen without related work, no matter that beforehand those changes seem as easy falling asleep in your recliner.

First it's necessary to take down and afterward clean all pictures and wall decorations where the cobwebs and dustbugs are hiding. Miles of masking tape are needed to protect woodwork and dusty curtains must be removed. Then the cumbersome, gut-busting furniture must be moved back and forth. It's a nimble, sure-footed painter (not me) who doesn't trip on the plastic sheets used to protect the carpets and furniture, or spill the paint or step into fresh globs of paint and track it elsewhere like a clumsy clod. Lo and behold there is dirt hidden in places one didn't even realize existed. It's amazing what paint will cover up, but alas, those freshly-painted walls make one aware of just how grungy the woodwork has become.

Once the painting is accomplished and woodwork is dutifully scrubbed, it would be sinful to not wash and iron all the curtains. A work-expanding spin-off is that your conscience won't allow the hanging of clean, crisp curtains over dirty windows. Then after all those holes in the walls have been covered with paint, its pure insanity to punch new holes to hang pictures and decorations. Furthermore, after those pictures are hung, I can always think of a better arrangement. If zealous hammering doesn't result in holes as big as craters in the sheetrock, left-over paint can disguise those minor mistakes. Never mind that the painting equipment has been cleaned. By that time, one is faced with the conclusion that the head bone is so thick your brain can't function or your neck bone feels like it is disconnected from your head bone. Those tense muscles supporting that bony neck often make it impossible to rotate the neck after long sessions of painting textured ceilings.

So I have concluded a perfect home would be one where the inside could be hosed down with sudsy water, like a car wash. The Indians had it right in the first place; they simply moved their teepee. Forget sheet rock and wall-to-wall carpeting. Builders should install stone floors and vinyl walls or similar water-resistant materials. Curtains should be drip-dry material and laws should be enforced about how many pictures or wall decorations will be hung. An added attraction (especially for my age group) would be a hot tub in the middle of the family room, with the television and a well-stocked refrigerator, loaded with snacks, within handy distance.

Yes, I dream on, while trying to get the paint out from under fingernails; all the while realizing that there is enough paint leftover from the kitchen, dining and living room areas to paint bedroom walls. Thanks heavens for some much needed rain on my parade or I'd probably be painting the outside of the house. There's no place like home, clean or otherwise. May there be more rainy nights and warm, sunny days, especially for the St. Patrick's weekend festivities. Hopefully by then, I shall have run out of off-white paint and I'm not stir-crazy enough to compete with nature's green paintbrush.

March 15th ~ Thursday
Ladies and Old Timers Night. Andrea Mortimore, Linda Kenny and crew will be serving Barbecue Chicken Dinner starting at 6 p.m. Lodge will begin at 8 p.m. Members will receive their year pins.

March 16th ~ Friday
St. Patrick's Weekend Celebration. Buffet Dinner with Barbecue Pork and more, starting at 6 p.m.

March 17th ~ Saturday
Brunch from 11:15 a.m.-1:15 p.m. with Egg Casserole, Ham, Hashbrowns and Fruit Salads. Corn Beef and Cabbage dinner starting at 6 p.m., with Live Music upstairs and downstairs starting at 9 p.m.

BINGO BACK ON WEDNESDAYS STARTING AT 7:00 p.m.

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676-9181 "Where Friends Meet" 142 North Main

The Morrow County Transfer Station
will be **CLOSED**
Saturday, March 17th
for St. Patrick's Day
and will be **OPEN**
Sunday, March 18th

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and **Robert Rose**
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Heppner, Oregon

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The Department of Environmental Quality has conducted a preliminary review of this application and is providing an opportunity for public comment. For a copy of the draft permit and a "Notice of Public Hearing" call Bonnie Hough at (541) 388-6146 extension 223 or call toll free in Oregon at 1-800-452-4011. For more information see the legal notice section of this newspaper.

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