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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. (Any letters expressing thanks will be placed in the classifieds under "Card of Thanks" at a cost of \$5.)

Dogs, trash mar beautiful little city

To the Editor:

Well, we moved here to Heppner on our 49th wedding anniversary, May 25, just one year ago. What a warm, friendly welcoming community we found. We really like it here with good people, good friends we've made, good water, good churches and we do like our home here.

We were amazed at what this little town has to offer besides the aforementioned things, like a wonderful museum and library, a nice swimming complex, lovely golf course (if only we knew how to play), stately courthouse, restaurants, grocery store, video rentals store, a hospital and nursing home, soon-to-be assisted living, and lots of fishing and camping nearby. We've seen lots of people walking, running, skateboarders, bikers and scooters just to mention a few of the activities going on here. And we've certainly used the "Twice Upon a Time Book Store". There are too many stores to mention them all.

Doing volunteer work (I call it fun) at the Heppner Senior Center has been a blessing as I've met residents and others coming in to the office. Most people in Heppner that we've met are so genuine and helpful and busy... Wow. We're impressed. We appreciate the citizens of Heppner for making us feel like we are welcome and a part of this community. We'll do our best to make you proud of us.

Do you realize what you have here? People are bustling with good

deeds and services to this community. Count your blessings. You can recognize our place-just across Willow Creek from the city park playground... with the covered wagon and stage coach that Paul handmade and a ton or two of concrete steps and terracing that Paul has poured over this year that we've been here.

I appreciate you letting us share our feelings with you.

(s) Paul and June Jones Heppner

P.S. Now I have to let you know the downside. We've never seen a community with so many dogs running loose and dogs that are let bark day and night. We have a small dog but we don't allow him to bark and annoy people. I take him for walks and take with me a bag to pick his droppings up.

As we walk I pick up trash that others carelessly throw down. I find litter even next to garbage cans that are provided by the city.

We are lucky to have such a fine park and children's playground and this facility is frequently used. People throw litter not only on the ground but in Willow Creek. We have taken all kinds of trash out of the creek. Last year there was even a grocery cart in it.

Come on people, from kids to grownups... be a good citizen and help keep our beautiful little city clean.

There, I said it, and got my gripes off my chest. But really the good things outweigh my gripes.

Arts & Crafts Club to meet

Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts will hold a meeting on Thursday, June 28, at 1 p.m. at GD's Restaurant banquet room.

Included on the agenda will be the fair theme; destination and date

for the yearly trip; and the next mural planning and sketch.

A large turnout of members is needed for their input, said a spokesperson. New members are welcome to attend.

Obituary

Elma E. Harshman

Elma E. Harshman, 85, of Heppner, died Thursday, June 14, 2001, at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner.

Funeral services were held Monday, June 18, 2001, at the First Christian Church in Heppner. Concluding service and burial followed at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

She was born September 5, 1915 in Hardman, to Kinard and Ima Allen McDaniel. She was raised at Hardman and Lonerock and attended schools there.

On May 27, 1933, she married Everett O. Harshman in Heppner. The couple lived most of their lives in Morrow County except for a time when they owned and operated a motel at Port Angeles, Washington. They sold the motel and returned to Heppner where they purchased Nora's Apparel in 1960. The shop then became Elma's Apparel. They also operated a dress shop in Condon for a time.

In 1967, they started a flower shop, selling the business and retiring in 1979.

The couple lived on a ranch on upper Willow Creek that they had purchased in 1962. They sold the ranch in 1989 and moved into Heppner.

Mrs. Harshman was a member of the Holly Rebekah Lodge.

Survivors include her husband, Everett O. Harshman of Heppner; son, Noel Harshman of Echo; daughters, Sandra Rill of Heppner and Teresa Harshman-Ward of LaPine; brother, Delvin McDaniel of Pendleton; 12 grandchildren; and 28 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Ramona Marshall; a brother, Dallas McDaniel; and a great-grand son, Adam Harshman.

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

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

W.C.C.C. Golf

**WCCC Ladies' Play
Tuesday, June 12**

Low gross of the field: Dana Reid and Betty Christman 41. Low net of the field: Carol Norris 28. Least putts of the field: Lorene Montgomery and Janice Paustian 14.

Flight A: low gross a tie between Luvilla Sonstegard and Pat Anderson 45.

Flight B: low gross Donna Morgan 47; low net Betty Rietmann 33; least putts Betty Carlson 18.

Flight C: low gross Barbara Gilbert 53; low net Jackie Allstott 40; least putts Dorris Graves 18.

Skills Challenge: first place Donna Morgan 6; second place a tie between Betty Christman and Dana Reid.

**WCCC Family Barbecue
Sunday, June 17**

First place: Stub Lewis, Jeff Hunt, Gary Hunt.

Second place: a tie between Les Paustian, Jan Paustian, Bob Montgomery, Lorene Montgomery and Del LaRue, Linda LaRue, Zach LaRue.

Most improved group: Miranda Hunt, Stephanie Holland, Barbara Holland.

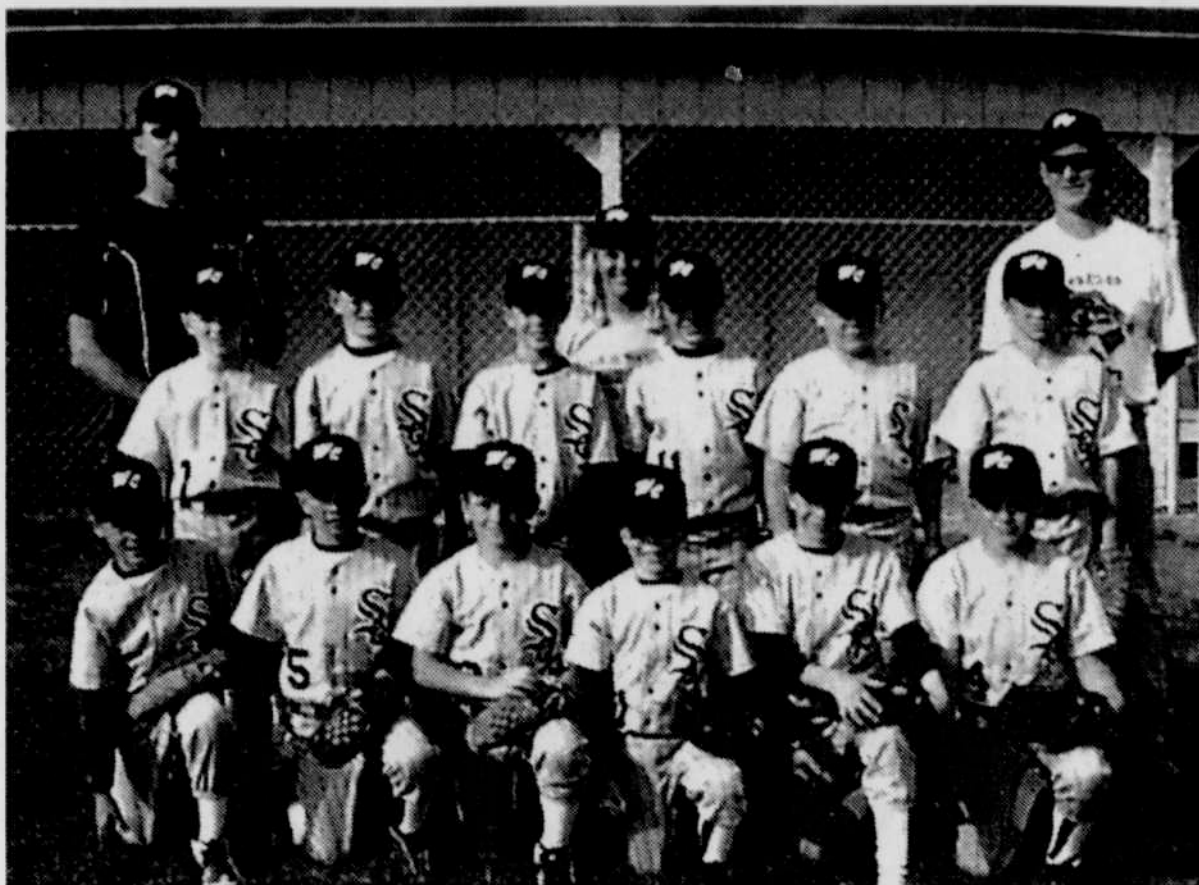
Best switch hitter: Thomas Holland.

Eagle chip in: Tyler Boyer.

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Willow Creek All Stars to compete at Redmond



The nine-10-year Old Willow Creek All Stars team will travel to Redmond this weekend for the All Star Tournament. Their first game will be against the Jefferson County Nationals this Friday at 1:30 p.m. If the Willow Creek All Stars win their first game, they will play at 10 a.m. Saturday. If they lose, they will play at 1:30 p.m. Saturday.

Pictured are (left to right): coaches Theresa Hams, Tony Clement and Jay Coil; back-Brent Eckman, Wacy Coil, Jared Huddleston, Luke Young, Bo Foster and Josh Shank; front-Joe Pranger, Dalton Wellman, Chance Day, Justin Key, Brian Holland and Matt Hams.

Chamber Chatter

By Claudia Hughes
Chamber Executive Director

Visitors from Belgium were in the Chamber office this week, inquiring about the Scenic Byway. Their first question was: "How do you get to Ookeya?" Having just come from there, I figured out they meant Ukiah. We had a good laugh and visit. They were wonderful folks who had flown into Salt Lake, rented a car, traveled to Bend, and chose to return to Salt Lake through remote areas. I only wish I could have run away from the office and invited them to spend a night in "Ookeya" on their way to Baker City. One has to admire their spirit of adventure, heading off into the mountains with businesses few and far between in a foreign country.

Chamber President Sharon Harrison and I attended the Umatilla-Morrow School to Careers Recognition Night in Pendleton at the Convention Center last week, honoring "Partners In Education." The Heppner Chamber was recognized for participation in the eighth grade school to careers day, displaying posters and having youth representatives on the board of directors. Also recognized was Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

Entertainment for the event was "Somebody Else". You guessed right if you thought they might be tied to "Absolutely Nobody". Two of them had very familiar faces and we're hoping to invite them to Town and Country. Lucky for us, Joe Lindsay is still sharing his talent with the world at-large.

Stop by Klamath First Federal to try out the leather recliner. Talk about rest for the weary, this recliner is the ultimate in stress relief. Proceeds from the drawing will assist the Heppner Chamber in funding the printing of new brochures and purchasing Christmas decorations and banners. It only takes one ticket to win.

Next week Janet Greenup of SWCD will be informing and updating the Chamber on SB 1010 and how it effects the Willow Creek Basin.

Thought for the week: "The nice thing about wearing a smile is that one size fits everybody."

**St. Patrick's Senior Center
BULLETIN BOARD**

By Liz Straley

Some kind soul brought buckets of pink peonies into the center for all the residents to enjoy on Monday morning.

Dorris Graves is back from her trip for family graduations, visits and sleepovers with relatives.

Tuesday was a welcomed all-day rain, with exercise class in the morning and one card table of players. Coffee and snacks were served. Sylvia McDaniel, back from her "Bookworms" meeting, was lucky to get the last cup of coffee while doing the puzzle. Velma Wight came back from the bus trip to Arlington Masonic Hall for the senior lunch with five other participants with good food and fun for all.

There were 99 diners and takeouts on Wednesday with capable help from the Heppner Christian Missionary Fellowship. Dale Bates played guitar and Irene Anhorn, the piano, with a nice selection of music for the fathers.

Note: there will be no meal at St. Patrick's Senior Center on Wednesday, July 4, but the meal will be served on Thursday, July 5, due to the holiday and family barbecues.

Also, change your date calendar as the shopping trip to Wal-Mart has been changed to Friday, July 13.

Exercise class was held Thursday morning. Lunch was three-bean soup with ham, salad, rolls, gingerbread with whipped cream and beverage. The afternoon movie, "Robin Hood, Prince of Thieves," with Kevin Costner was enjoyed. A meeting was held in the dining room with the volunteer drivers (RSVP) Judy Bushke, Carol Mitchell, Diana Ball and John Church. The outcome will be reported at a later date.

On Friday, there were two card tables of players with the usual coffee and cookies. The puzzle corner was busy and those participating enjoyed their snack. We welcome our new RSVP office volunteer, Verna Brinda, who is a good card player also. I hope she can help out for a long time.

Bud says, "Don't give up. Henry Ford went bankrupt three different times before building his first Model "T" in 1909." Bud also has an old account book from the late 1800s which he thinks came from a store in the vicinity of Gooseberry; he would appreciate some information about the area.

Don't forget to sign up for the bus trips at the senior office, or call it in.

The Wednesday, June 20, meal was barbecued chicken, mashed potatoes, fruit salad, green salad, muffins, rice crispy cookies and beverages.

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