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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.)

Not in the best interest

To the Editor:

Heppner has a beautiful Main Street with outstanding retailers that make up the business area. The proposed public, non-business building competing for Main Street parking is not in the best interest of the city of Heppner. The present property is not an eyesore and does provide parking for several cars. I have owned property in both blocks of Main Street and had retail business interest in at least four Main Street locations. There has to be a better location for the city hall and library. I am sure the present city hall could be good location.

(s) L.E. Dick
Heppner

Local girls named to presidents list

Bobbie and Tracy Rankin, Heppner, have received academic recognition for qualifying for the president's list at Blue Mountain Community College.

The girls are the daughters of Tim and Kathy Rankin, Heppner.

Hearing set on discharge into creek

A hearing on a proposed National Pollutant Discharge Eliminations System (NPDES) permit for the Port of Morrow and Frontier Energy LLC will be held on Thursday, September 6, at the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Heppner.

The Department of Environmental Quality proposes to issue a NPDES permit to discharge industrial wastewater to Willow Creek.

According to a DEQ notice, Willow Creek has been identified as "water quality limited

Air Life worthy investment

To the Editor:

After reading the July 25 issue of the Gazette-Times, I was inspired to write this letter regarding AirLife.

If you are not a member of AirLife, I strongly urge you to become one. Last summer while trailing cattle in the mountains my mother was involved in a horseback riding accident in which her pelvis was broken in three places. My family was several miles from the nearest road, let alone a hospital. AirLife was the only reasonable method of transporting her to avoid further injury and extreme pain.

Luckily, we were AirLife members. Had we not been members, the flight would have cost nearly \$14,000. A family AirLife membership is \$45 a year (for a business membership, it is only \$40). To me this is a very worthy investment to protect your family. To become a member, or for more information, call AirLife of Oregon at 1-800-522-2828.

(s) Lindsey Ward
Heppner

Obituaries

Madalyn V. Bibby

Madalyn V. Bibby, 83, of Heppner, died Friday, August 3, 2001, at her home.

Memorial service was held Tuesday, August 7, 2001, at the Heppner Elks Lodge.

Mrs. Bibby was born October 8, 1917, at Buhl, Idaho, to Curtis and Lula Swan Vaughn. She grew up in Idaho and attended school there.

While living in the Northwest, she was part-owner of a motel, worked for Boeing as a wirer and then as a secretary, was part-owner of a construction company and also operated some of the heavy equipment.

In 1978, she met Luke Bibby and on April 11, 1979, they were married at Vancouver, Washington. They made their home at Heppner.

Mr. Bibby died in 1992. Surviving is a daughter, Carolyn Willey of Heppner.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pioneer Memorial Home Health Care, P.O. Box 9, Heppner, Oregon 97836; to the Heppner Elks 358 Foundation, P.O. Box 494, Heppner, Oregon 97836; or to a local charity of choice.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Marilyn Jean Robertson

Marilyn Jean Robertson, 63, of Irrigon, died Friday, August 3, 2001, at her home.

Memorial service was Monday, August 6, 2001, in the chapel at Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Disposition was by cremation.

Mrs. Robertson was born September 14, 1937, at Antelope, Montana. She had been a resident of Irrigon the past two years.

Her husband, Robert C. Robertson, Sr., died in August 2000. Survivors include sons, Robert, Glen, David, Doug and Edward; a sister, Janet; and 12 grandchildren.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in charge of arrangements.

Joseph J. Hughes, Jr.

Joseph J. Hughes, Jr., 73, of Los Angeles, California, formerly of Heppner, died Wednesday, September 6, 2000, at Queen of Angels Hollywood Presbyterian Hospital in Los Angeles.

Graveside memorial service will be held Saturday, August 11, 2001, at noon at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

He was born January 1, 1927, at Heppner, to Joseph and Olive Bassett Hughes. He grew up at Heppner and attended Heppner schools, graduating from Heppner High School.

He served with the U.S. Army during World War II. Following military service, he moved to California where he was employed as a credit manager.

Surviving is a brother, Thomas J. Hughes of Fossil; and a sister, Ellen Marshall of Salem.

Memorial contributions may be made to the First Christian Church Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 158, Heppner, Oregon 97836, or to the donor's favorite charity of choice.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Weather Report

By the City of Heppner

For the month of July

	High	Low	Precip.
7/1	84	49	.00
7/2	86	52	.00
7/3	92	56	.00
7/4	93	62	.00
7/5	100	67	.00
7/6	86	52	.01
7/7	86	50	.00
7/8	94	51	.00
7/9	95	52	.00
7/10	98	59	.00
7/11	96	54	.00
7/12	92	58	.03
7/13	93	57	.03
7/14	90	53	.00
7/15	88	54	.00
7/16	76	54	.00
7/17	73	48	.00
7/18	73	49	.00
7/19	76	48	.00
7/20	81	55	.01
7/21	71	50	.17
7/22	80	52	.00
7/23	86	54	.00
7/24	89	56	.00
7/25	88	51	.00
7/26	87	54	.00
7/27	89	52	.00
7/28	88	55	T
7/29	78	46	.00
7/30	67	54	.16
7/31	---	---	---

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Rodeo princess

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Left to right: Morrow County Fair Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Princess Kelsey Greenup, with cousins Heather Davis and Katie Walton and friend Marissa McCabe, have fun on an elk hunting trip.

did a run-in on a race track, rode in the parade and attended a luncheon. In Arlington they got first place. Her favorite thing about representing Morrow County is meeting new people and traveling. "I like to travel and I like new experiences," said Kelsey. Her least favorite thing is "getting up early." She said that once this year they had to get up at 4:30 a.m. in order to arrive on time. The girls are still looking forward to the Pendleton Round-Up in September.

The court's work outfit this year is a burgundy, cream and blue checkered shirt with jeans. Grey boots and hat complement Princess Kelsey's outfit, while Queen Tammy's hat and boots are cream colored. The outfits are accented with Montana Silver and gold earrings, broach and buckle. The broach and buckle have a barrel racer on them and the buckle features a blue jewel. An alternate work shirt is a burgundy and blue polo shirt.

"We hope to see a lot of

DA's Report

Morrow County District Attorney David C. Allen has released the following report:

Darrin Leon Lattimer admitted a violation of probation for attempted manufacture of a controlled substance. His probation was revoked and then reinstated and he was sentenced to five days in jail and six months probation with credit for time served.

Roxann Turner admitted a violation of probation for first degree burglary. Her probation was revoked and she was sentenced to six months in jail, concurrent two other cases, and 12 months post-prison supervision with credit for time served.

Roberto Cervantes, Jr., admitted a violation of probation by failing to enroll in a batterer's intervention program, according to his judgment/sentence order. His probation was continued and extended six months from the original expiration date.

Commission plans meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Morrow County Commission on Children and Families will be held Tuesday, Aug. 14, in the conference room of the Family Services Building, which is located above Heppner Hardware in Heppner, from 7-9 p.m. Agenda items will include discussion of Phase II and budget allocations.

The public is invited to attend and participate in the discussions. For further information or for special accommodations call 676-9675.

people at the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo this year," says Princess Kelsey. "Come out and enjoy the fun and be sure to buy our raffle tickets for the three-

minute, \$300 limit shopping spree at Central Red Apple Market. Tickets are \$5 each or five for \$20 from the court or pennant bearers."

Puzzle piece finally dropped into place



Fountain across from rodeo grounds

After 14 years of debate and intensive research, it has been confirmed that Victor Alexander Groshens was the stone mason who built the fountain located on Highway 74 across from the rodeo grounds.

Some hometown historians had earlier claimed that the Civil Conservation Corps (CCC) had built it when they were stationed at Heppner.

According to Louis Carlson, a member of the Morrow County Historical Society, during the Morrow County Historical Society's meeting on December 28, 1987, a letter was read from Victor Groshens's sister. The letter told about the work Victor had done in preparation for the building of the fountain and also remembering the completed fountain.

On February 22, 2000, Vic Groshens of Baker City, grandson of Victor Alexander, wrote a letter, confirming the above information, said Carlson. In that letter Vic Groshens said that his grandfather had emigrated from France, was a stone mason by trade, had helped construct the courthouse in Heppner and had built the aforementioned stone

fountain.

Vic's aunt Clementine Groshens Helgeland, age 88, who now lives in Portland, also confirmed this information and stated that she remembered her father Victor building the fountain when she was in the eighth grade.

Seventy seven years after Victor Alexander built the stone fountain, the Morrow County Historical Society has decided to commemorate this historical landmark by dedicating the work done by Groshens. A plaque has been placed on the fountain with appropriate inscriptions and will be unveiled at the stone fountain on Thursday, Aug. 16, at 11 a.m. On hand will be members of the historical society as well as friends and relatives of Victor Alexander Groshens.

The Heppner Garden Club has landscaped and maintained the area around the fountain.

"August 16 is also Senior Day at the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo, so mark your calendar for this commemorative day, and plan to attend the unveiling and then attend the fair," said Carlson.

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