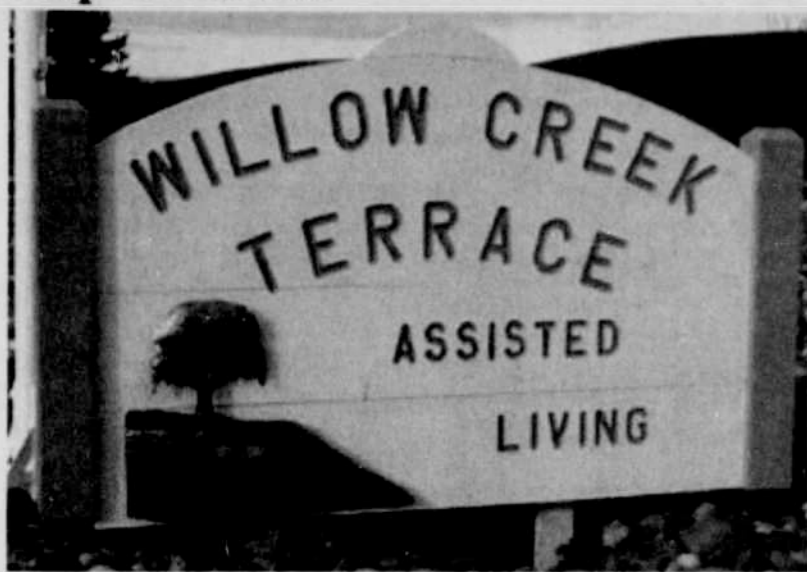


Willow Creek Terrace receives improvements



New greeting sign with copper sculpture constructed by Bob DeSpain

Two recently installed features at Willow Creek Terrace have provided important complementary touches to the approach of the assisted living facility.

The American Flag now flies 24 hours, thanks to Archie and Diana Ball. The couple gifted Willow Creek Terrace with the flag and the pole, and Archie installed the light that illuminates the flag from sunset to sunrise.

Near the flagpole now stands the sign that identifies Willow Creek Terrace. Bob DeSpain constructed the sign, which was paid for with a grant from the Meier Memorial Trust, and painted it to match the building. A copper sculpture by local artist Mark Bruno completes the sign. This attached artwork, gifted by Joe and JoAnne Burslen in memory of their daughter Lillajo, features a willow and stream.

IHS awards certificate of appreciation



Ione Athletic Director Dean Robinson (right) awards a certificate of appreciation to Bank of Eastern Oregon representatives Sharon Rietmann and Fran Barnett (left to right) at a recent Ione home basketball game. Among other contributions, the Bank of Eastern Oregon donated \$2500 last spring toward improving the track practice area in Ione.

Aglow to hold seminar in Pendleton

Eastern Oregon Women's AGLOW will hold a mini-seminar, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 7-8, at Shari's Restaurant in Pendleton. A no-host dinner begins at 6 p.m., and a no-host breakfast on Saturday morning will begin at 8 a.m.

The theme is "Revealing Hidden Treasures" featuring the Fruit of the Vine.

All women interested in AGLOW and ministering to other women are invited to attend these meetings. For more information, contact Arlene Kinsey, (541) 523-4791, or Jan Wheelhouse (541) 567-3949.

AGLOW International is active in over 140 countries as an international Christian women's organization reaching women and their families for Christ and helping them to realize their potential of Christian service.

Social Club to hold meeting

The Rhea Creek Social Club will be holding a meeting Wednesday, Feb. 12, at 10 a.m., at GD's Restaurant. Beverly Howe, who owns the new ceramic shop next to City Hall, will talk with the group about her services and what she has for sale.

Obituaries

Faith Ann Healy

Faith Ann Healy, 46, of Heppner, died Friday, Jan. 31, 2003 at her home.

Recitation of the Rosary was held Monday, Feb. 3, 2003 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner. A memorial funeral mass was held Tuesday, Feb. 4, 2003 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church.

She was born April 14, 1956, the daughter of Anton and Faye Osborn Seitz, at Flint, MI. She was raised and attended school in Michigan until the family moved to Oregon in 1972, where she finished her schooling.

In 1983, she married John Healy. They had one daughter, Megan Faye Healy.

Mrs. Healy worked at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner, where she was an X-ray technician and certified emergency medical technician.

She and her daughter moved to Custer, S.D., where she finished training as an ultrasound technician. They returned to Oregon in 1997 for health reasons.

She enjoyed the outdoors, her animals, singing, playing the guitar and teaching catechetical classes for St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Most of all, she enjoyed spending time with her daughter.

Survivors include her daughter, Megan Healy, of Pendleton; mother, Faye Seitz of Heppner; brother, Wayne Seitz of Lexington; and sisters, Shawna Wilson of Lexington and Melanie Seitz of Fairbanks, Alaska. Her father preceded her in death in 1985.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pioneer Memorial Home Health, P.O. Box 9, Heppner, OR 97836; or to the American Cancer Society, Oregon Division, 0330 SW Curry, Portland, OR 97201.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner was in charge of arrangements.

Darrel G. Ployhar

Darrel G. Ployhar, 68, of Lexington, died Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2003 at the home of Kent Ployhar and Jackie Robinson in Kennewick, WA.

A memorial service was held on Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2003 at the Elks Club in Heppner.

Ployhar was born on Aug. 7, 1934 to Rosalie Nult and John Ployhar in Geraldine, MT.

He joined the United States Army on June 2, 1954. He served in the Dominican Republic and then fought in the Vietnam War. He retired June 1, 1976. Ployhar received a bronze star with a V for Valor.

In October 1958 he married Alice Peterson and together they had four children, two sons and two daughters. The couple then divorced August 1977.

He later married Ava Sue Grant in Kenai, Alaska on Feb. 14, 1982. Ava passed away in October 1986.

Darrel is survived by children Susan Muskther and husband Tim; Marti Delimont and husband Steve; Jon Ployhar and wife Becky; and Kent Ployhar and Jackie Robinson; two sisters, Helen (Peg) Martin of Redmond and Joan (Jo) Hudson of Heppner; one brother, Jack Ployhar of Heppner; and nine grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to a hospice of the donor's choice.

Columbia Memorial Funeral Chapel in Tri-Cities, WA was in charge of funeral arrangements, with Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner in charge of local arrangements.

DA's Report

Matt Byron Phillips admitted to violation of probation allegations for Delivery of a Controlled Substance. Phillips was sentenced to 180 days in jail and 24 months probation.

IHS announces Students of the Week

The Ione High School has selected transfer students Jamie VandenBrink and Ashley Roberts as Students of the Week.

Jamie VandenBrink, the daughter of John and Janna VandenBrink, moved with her family of six from Chino, CA, her junior year of high school. She is active in OSSOM, Yearbook, National Honor Society, Drama Club, Bowling Club, and volleyball. VandenBrink's photography skills and hobby, scrapbooking, have come in handy when putting together creative Natural Resources field trip notebooks. She was a homecoming princess both her junior and senior years.



Ashley Roberts



Jamie VandenBrink

VandenBrink is a member of Ione Youth Group, where she recently received the Outstanding Service Award for her exceptional participation in the group. She worked last summer with a special needs student, which sparked an interest in eventually becoming a special education teacher.

Ashley Roberts, son of Kevin and Kari Roberts of South-hampton, England, came to the United States his junior year as an exchange student. He enjoyed his experience in Ione so much he returned this year, living with guardians Bink and LynnDee Ramos. Roberts was active in football, basketball and track last year. Although OSAA rules forbid him from playing this year, he participates by attending practices and games, and encouraging his teammates. Ashley was voted "Most Inspirational" by the football team last fall. Power lifting, his favorite hobby, has become more than a pastime, as he won a dead lift competition recently held in Boardman. He has been a PeeWee basketball coach and is active in Ione Youth Group.

Roberts has a 4.0 GPA and would like to stay in America and attend Eastern Oregon University next fall, majoring in Sports Education and participating in football and basketball.

Flood special this Thursday

Thursday, February 6, at 7:00 PM at the Catholic Parish Hall in Heppner is the premier performance of "The Flood: We Remember" This musical/multimedia presentation will tell the history of the Heppner Flood of 1903 - which was the greatest natural disaster in Morrow County and in Oregon history.

The program is being sponsored by the Flood Commemoration Committee and Shenanigans Fiddle group.

The show will use Power Point technology with pictures of the flood, narration, as well as performance of music of that era by Shenanigans. The show will open with the fiddle group "Mulligan Stew".

Admission is free. There is a fund raiser dessert at the end of the concert with proceeds going to a flood victim memorial. Also Shenanigans will be available to autograph copies of their newly released CD.

For more information contact Robin Krebs at 422-7108, Sharon Harrison at 676-9164, or Peg Willis at 276-0350.

Inland Northwest Musicians to hold competition

Inland Northwest Musicians has announced its third annual Young Artists Competition, to be held Sunday, March 9 at the Vert Club Room in Pendleton.

The competition is open to young musicians in four categories: Elementary Division (through fifth grade), Junior Division (grades 6-8), Senior Division (grades 9-12), and Young Adult Division (through age 25). Instrumentalists and singers will perform for a panel of adjudicators. All participants will receive critique sheets and winners will be chosen from each division.

All winners will receive \$100 cash prizes and some winners may be selected to perform with the Inland Northwest Orchestra during its October 2003 concert.

The entry fee for the competition is \$20. Deadline for application is Monday, Feb. 24. For more information and application materials, contact Alice Massey, Young Artists Competition Chairman, at (541) 276-7340.

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Local music student to play in All NW Orchestra

Amy Jepsen, a Heppner freshman, was recently selected to play harp in the All NW Orchestra. Oregon will host the event this year in Portland on Feb. 13-16. She will spend three days rehearsing with the orchestra and conductor Kevin Noe of the University of Texas in Austin. The band and orchestra will give their combined concert on Sunday, Feb. 16 at 4:30 p.m. at the Oregon Ballroom at the Oregon Convention Center.

Jepsen has been playing the harp for seven years and currently studies with Denise Fujikawa of Portland.

Every other year, the National Association for Music Education (MENC) selects musically talented high school students in the Northwest region

of the United States to perform at their NW Division Conference. Over 4,000 student musicians auditioned for the All-Northwest Honor Groups this year from the states of Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington and Wyoming. The All NW Honor Groups consist of a concert band, symphony orchestra, mixed choir, women's choir, jazz band, and jazz choir.

The MENC NW Division Conference will be attended by thousands of music educators including Heppner school music teacher Wendy Appleton. The conference includes workshop sessions, exhibits of music education products and services, and special concerts by well-known musicians and groups such as the Boston Brass.

PMH to offer grief management course

Are you experiencing grief due to some loss in your life? Starting Feb. 18, Pioneer Memorial Hospice is offering six-week course on Managing Loss. These Tuesday evening sessions will meet at the Pioneer Memorial Home Health-Hospice office in Heppner, from 7-8:30 p.m.

These sessions are open to the general public and will be led by Paul Smith, MSW, LCSW, and Carolyn M. Willey, Mdiv. Each session will include socializing, group participation, individual exercises and general education presentations. The participants will be offered tools of coping, processing, managing and reconciling loss.

It is recommended anyone experiencing grief due to the death of a loved one not participate in a group workshop unless it have been three months or more since the death. Registration will be closed after the initial meeting due to the classes being sequential. It is important participants plan to attend all six meetings.

Registration, or questions, may be taken during business hours at the Pioneer Memorial Home Health/Hospice office, (541) 676-2946. Cost is \$10 to help defray material expenses. A minimum of eight registered persons is required.

Ione businesses to sell Valentine's Day roses

Creative Care Preschool and Sunflower Junction in Ione are teaming up to make Valentine's Day a special event this year. Sunflower Junction will take orders for roses (by the single stem, doubles, triples, half dozen or full dozen), balloon bouquets, candy or a piece of vintage jewelry from "All That Glitters". Creative Care Preschool parents and volunteers will deliver the orders anywhere in South Morrow County for an additional \$3 delivery fee.

"Creative Care Preschool has always used Valentine's Day as a fundraising opportunity, but with a couple of large capital projects on the drawing board for this year we are really working on our

fundraising efforts", said CCP Treasurer Lisa Rietmann. "Shilo has offered us an opportunity to make more money with less effort than we have historically put into our Valentine's fundraiser," she said, referring to Shilo Svetich, proprietor of Sunflower Junction.

Roses are available from \$5 for a single stem to \$50 for a full dozen, and balloon bouquets range from \$5 to \$15. Buyers may also add gift certificates, candy or anything else in the store to a Valentine's order if desired. To place orders, call Sunflower Junction at 422-7786.

Orders can be delivered on Feb. 13 or 14. It is requested that all orders delivered outside of Ione to be placed in advance.

MORROW COUNTY GRAIN GROWERS WINTER GROWER MEETING

DATE: FRIDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2003
LOCATION: WILLOWS GRANGE HALL
TIME: 7:30 A.M. to 12:30 P.M.

MEETING AGENDA

- 7:00- 7:20 Coffee and Doughnuts
- 7:20- 8:05 Don Horneck, OSU Extension: Applications of Manure and Compost and their effects on Soil Carbon and Herbicide activity.
- 8:10- 8:50 Max Morenz, UAP Northwest: Adjuvant and Surfactant Updates. Their effect on Herbicide activity and the important rule they play in weed control.
- 8:55- 9:40 Don Horneck, OSU Extension: Weed Seed survival in Compost and other Agronomic questions.
- 9:45-10:00 BREAK
- 10:00-11:00 Joe Yennish, WSU Extension: Russian Thistle control in Dryland Wheat / Chemical Fallow -Applications-of Spartan Herbicide.
- 11:00-11:15 Jim Swanson, Wheatland Insurance: Insurance Updates and Acceptable Practices.
- 11:20-11:55 Karl Rhinart, OSU CBARC: Winter Malting Barley Heads Up
- 12:00-12:30 Dan Steiner, MCGG Grain Dept.: Marketing Updates and Production Issues.
- 12:30 LUNCH

Oregon Recertification Credits have been applied for.

Valentine's Day Dinner Special

You are invited to bring your sweetheart or special friend to the HHS Senior Class Candlelight Dinner at Heppner High School, Feb. 14, from 4:30-8:30 p.m., during the basketball games vs. Umatilla. Dinner will be barbecue chicken, baked potato, salad, garlic bread and dessert. Adults: \$10 / Children: \$6

What a pity... She's not 50...

THIS YEAR SHE'S 51!

Happy Birthday, Molly Bill!