

Graves celebrates birthday and receives 75 year pin



Dorris Graves (second from left), an active member of the Lexington Grange, celebrated her birthday on Jan. 1 and on Feb. 21 received her 75-year Grange pin. Helping Graves celebrate were many Grange friends including, (L-R): Robin Moran-Bailey, Virginia Peck, Edith Papineau and Zelma McDaniel.

Over the Tee Cup

The Willow Creek County Club Ladies' Playdays will start at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, April 5. The club officers will serve a hosted breakfast. After a short business meeting, scramble teams will be announced for the day's play.

All women golfers are welcome. Come out and join a day of fun, food, golf and prizes. The Playday season lasts through the last Tuesday of September.

Marriage Licenses

March 11: Joel Macias-Alcaraz, 42, Umatilla and Tawnya Francine Strickland, 38, Umatilla; Jason Ray Whitbeck, 32, Irrigon and Yvette Jean Pardue, 26, Irrigon.

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Engagement

Coe-Lorence



Jon Lorence and Tricia Coe

Jan Coe and Tim Coe and Dr. Robert and Judy Lorence wish to announce the engagement of their children Tricia Coe and Jon Lorence.

The bride-elect, of Heppner, is the daughter of Jan Coe of Heppner and Tim Coe of Fossil. She is a graduate of Heppner High

School and attended Western Oregon University in Monmouth and Eastern Oregon University in La Grande. She is currently employed by Western Investments Inc., of Hermiston.

The groom-elect, of Umatilla, is the son of Dr. Robert and Judy Lorence of Richland, WA. He is a graduate of Lynden High School in Lynden, WA and attended Western Washington University in Bellingham, WA. He is currently employed by Noland Door of Hermiston.

The couple plans a June 25, 2005 wedding at Ruggs Ranch in Heppner.

Local students awarded U of O degrees

University of Oregon has announced its degree candidates.

From Morrow County, candidates for UO degrees are:

Heppner- Allison Elizabeth Sykes, bachelor of arts, art-photography and Stephanie Ann Clough, bachelor of science, biology;

Lexington- Jaclynn Joy Hughes, bachelor of arts, history;

Boardman- Geoffrey Ellsworth Carnine, bachelor of science, sociology.

No commencement ceremonies will be held. However, several schools, colleges and departments will host informal receptions to honor graduates and their families. Diplomas will be mailed to all who complete graduation requirements by the end of the term on March 18.

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A Wee Bit O'

By Claudia Hughes

Hail, rain, snow. It's after all March in Heppner. Could be we should have had people enter a weather raffle. The one closest to predicting what Heppner weather was going to do every hour on the hour during the Wee Bit O' Ireland weekend would have won the pot. No complaints about the moisture. All would agree it's much needed so that these rolling hills turn green.

There was a mug of candy left upon my desk sometime this weekend. It said, "I survived St. Pat's Day in Heppner." I appreciate the mystery person who left it. How nice it would be if a mug could be at the door of every wonderful volunteer who worked so hard in so many different places all over town to make the weekend a success. People met themselves coming and going as they cooked, served, folded script, orchestrated parades, provided entertainment, prepared for the many events, etc. All of you who worked so very hard and take pride in this community prove the saying that, "Together we make a difference."

Appreciation goes to Josh Lankford who came through for the teen dance at the last minute and to the teens for being understanding. Glitches happen in spite of the best-laid plans and anyone who has ever chaired an event knows this. It took many, many chairpersons to make the weekend happen.

Notes, emails and phone calls continue to come in asking that the Heppner community be commended for putting on such a fun weekend for everyone. People come back year after year and new friendships are made.

And the deadline for the Heppner Gazette is in five minutes. Give yourselves a great big Irish hug knowing that you created great memories for hundreds of visitors.

Heppner Booster Club news

The Heppner Booster Club met on Wednesday, March 9 at the high school with seven members present. The meeting was called to order and the minutes were accepted as corrected and the treasurer's report was given.

Club business included:

- receiving a bill for baseball and football medals and patches purchased. There was discussion about whether this was an approved purchase, but it was pointed out that a past booster board had approved purchase of those items when teams made it to playoffs and it was supposed to be policy. The club decided to put this in the policy for future reference. The club voted to pay for the medals and patches.

- receiving a band shirt bill. Wade Smith said he would find out how many of the shirts were purchased by kids and the club will pay for the remaining shirts.

- discussing a baseball/softball trip to the coast on April 2. The teams had requested rooms but since it is not a playoff or league game that is against policy. It was stated that the club will probably chip in funds for food. Gayle Gutierrez will discuss this with the coaches.

- receiving a request for money for sashes and pins for the National Honor Society students. It was agreed to purchase these for the NHS.

- receiving a request for funds from the Yearbook committee to help with publication of the 2005 yearbook. The publications class was willing to work some concessions but it was noted that there are no more concessions this year to work. It was approved to donate \$1000 to the yearbook this year.

- receiving a request for funds from the track coach for covers for the high jump pads. They are using borrowed ones until the pads can be recovered. The team is willing to pay back a loan but the booster club decided to just give them the needed funds.

- receiving a request for \$1,500 in funds for the Sports Academy. There was discussion of where the various camps will be held. The club elected to give the funds.

In old business, club members:

- were given a draft copy of the by-laws and tax ID to be reviewed. It was noted that there would be a state fee for filing the tax ID.

- heard that the Sports Dinner has been tentatively scheduled for May 19 at 7 p.m. at the Elks. It was noted that the dinner would be just for varsity players. The program will include two to three minutes of video highlights for each season and recognitions for lettering and participation. The meal will be lasagna, bread, salad and ice cream. Invitations will be limited to parents and possibly grandparents, with no siblings invited, as there is a maximum capacity of 200 people at the Elks. There was discussion about having an alternative night for JV and C teams or having coaches do something on their own.

- received a note of appreciation from the girls' basketball team for funds donated for the state Sub tournament.

In new business, club members:

- heard that the scholarship committee had been chosen. Members this year are Karen Smith-Griffith, Cindi Doherty, Renee Yocom, Judy Eckman and Ron Bowman. The application deadline is April 30. The forms will be picked up from Mark Dowdy, the school counselor. The committee's forms must be used for applicants to qualify.

- learned that the track asphalt will be done in April when the weather heats up. They also learned that the track team will be doing fund raisers for better equipment.

The next meeting will be held April 13 in the Home Ec Room at the high school.

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