

Letters to the Editor

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Litter clean up has positive effect

To the Editor:

A couple of weeks ago I observed a very positive and encouraging thing on Main Street, in our downtown.

What I observed was an employee of Murray's Drugs out in front of the store with a broom and dust pan sweeping up the litter from the street gutter.

This effort only took a few minutes and yet it helped improve the appearance of our town. Such efforts are augmented by the City's periodic street sweeping.

One of our main assets as a community is that

we have a very attractive and well-kept main street. This is an asset, which benefits us and makes Heppner a nice place to live. It is also beneficial to us for attracting friends, relatives and other visitors to come to Heppner.

So, I would like to encourage all of our downtown businesses to follow the example of Murray's Drugs and clean up any litter that accumulates in the street gutters in front of their stores.

A little effort by a lot of people gets a big job done.
(s) John Edmundson Heppner

Hold asbestos manufactures responsible, say no to bailout bill

To the Editor:

Re: R.R. Asbestos Bailout Bill -Arlen Specter

Asbestos Bailout Bill-S-852 is a trust fund put together by the 13 asbestos manufacturers (a group of the Fortune 500 companies). The Senate Judiciary Committee (who was advised by Goldman Sachs, an investment banking firm, that has substantial asbestos holdings) and the secretive lobbying arm of the Fortune 500 asbestos firms called "Asbestos Study Group." Now this should tell you right there who is going to benefit from this bill. Not the victims.

Asbestos is deadly and we feel that it should be banned totally and completely. The bill does not do this. What good is bailing out asbestos companies if people can continue to be exposed? There are several industries where asbestos is

not banned because their lobbyists convinced Congress that the alternatives were too costly. My question is, "What is more costly than a person's life?" There are 1700 commercial products out there containing asbestos, from baby products to feminine hygiene products. And we are just going to bail them out so they can continue to manufacture these products?

This bill doesn't cover all the work place victims, not to mention the bystanders on 9-11, or asbestos airborne because of natural disasters like Alabama and New Orleans. Asbestos when it is disturbed is carcinogenic. It is not selective. Call your U.S. Senators or your congressional Representatives and tell them, "NO!" We can make a difference.
(s) Dan James Pendleton

Sheriff's Report

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) reports handling the following business:

Sept. 20: Boardman PD cited Julio Pelayo for No Operator's License. The vehicle was released to the passenger who is the new owner.

-MCSO cited Pablo Lopez Espinoza, 59, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 75 mph in a 55 mph.

-MCSO received a report about a gun that was lost. The gun is a Ruger Security Six Stainless Steel .357.

-MCSO arrested Jimmy Campbell, 38, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving while Suspended.

-MCSO cited Walter Milton Clemons for Violation of Basic Rule, 78 mph in a 55 mph.

-MCSO received a report on an Unauthorized Entry of a Motor Vehicle. Someone stole the vehicle keys, spotlight and bible.

-MCSO cited Gary Bruce Kennedy, 50, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 82 mph in a 55 mph.

-MCSO received a report about a Digital Camera stolen from a vehicle.

-MCSO arrested three juveniles for Assault IIx2, Criminal Mischief II and Burglary II.

-MCSO arrested Daniel A Walling, 18, for Violation of Restraining Order.

-MCSO received a call regarding a suspicious vehicle at location. Possibly the vehicle matching the AmberAlert.

Sept. 21: Boardman PD cited James Vernon Buntun, 45, for Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device.

-Boardman PD cited Juan Pablo Peralta, 29, for Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device.

-MCSO cited Patricia Ortiz Mendoza for Violation of the Basic Rule, 77 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO received a report from Umatilla County Jail in Pendleton that Ronald Ivan Scheel, 24, was arrested on an Irrigon Justice Court for Failure to Pay Fine/No Angeling License. He was lodged at UCJ on USCO warrants, with a hold placed for Morrow County.

Sept. 22: MCSO received a report from Hermiston PD that Oscar M. Mejia, 19, was arrested on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Minor in Possession of Alcohol.

-MCSO received a report from Marion County Sheriff's Office that Theodor Herman Tank, 36, was arrested on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving while Suspended.

-MCSO received a report that Joel Ernesto Rodriguez, 50, was arrested on a MCSO warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving While Suspended. He was also arrested on Probable Cause charges of Burglary I, Assault 2 and Criminal Mischief II. Bail for the charges was set at \$131,000 and he was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO arrested Joel Ernesto Rodriguez, 19, on a MCSO warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving while Suspended.

-Boardman PD cited Lorne Lynn Brown, 42, for Failure to Obey Traffic Control Device.

Sept. 23: MCSO cited Eliseo Torres Garcia, 45, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 71 mph in a 55 mph zone in a commercial vehicle.

-MCSO cited Marcos Solis Solis, 31, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 79 mph in a 55 mph zone.

-MCSO received a report from Umatilla that Harlan Glen Sandbeck, 36, was arrested on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Driving while Suspended.

-Boardman PD arrested Jesus A. Garcia Cardenas, 26, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Failure to Appear.

-Boardman PD arrested Javier Pena Ramos, 20, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Depositing Burning Material on Highway.

-Boardman PD arrested Erica L. Freeman, 19, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Criminal Trespass.

Boardman PD arrested James Kenneth Ellison, 34, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/False Info to a Peace Officer.

-MCSO received a report from a caller in Irrigon that a subject choked the caller's friend and then left the location talking of suicide. Dustin Allen Shufeldt, 32, was arrested for Assault IV Domestic Felony and Chocking. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

Sept. 24: Boardman PD cited Fernando Valencia Albarran, 27, for Driving while Suspended violation and Driving Uninsured. The vehicle was impounded.

-MCSO cited Maria Chavez Herrera, 28, for No Seatbelt.

-MCSO arrested Richard L. Giffin, 20, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving while Suspended.

-MCSO cited William Raymond Gibson, 37, for Driving while Suspended-violation and No Insurance.

-MCSO received a report of a domestic disturbance in Irrigon. James Kelly Johannbroer, 43, was arrested for Assault IV Domestic Violence x2, Harassment x2, Menacing x2 and Strangulation. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail, with bail set at \$39,000.

Sept. 25: Boardman PD cited Carlos Montoya, 18, Driving Uninsured. The vehicle was impounded.

-MCSO cited Maria Calvillo, 44, for Driving while Suspended-violation and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance.

-MCSO cited Ignacio Gomez, 26, for Violation of the Basic Rule, 88 mph in a 55 mph zone, No Operator's License and Driving Uninsured. He was also cited for Passing in No Passing Zone and Failure to Signal Lane Change. The vehicle was impounded.

-MCSO arrested Jeanette Lynn Brantley, 22, for Driving while Suspended misdemeanor.

-MCSO cited Christian Raghoubert, 52, for Failure to Renew Registration.

-MCSO arrested Israel Martinez, 28, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay

Fine/Driving while Suspended.

-MCSO received a report from Hermiston PD that Shane Lee Roley, 25, was arrested on a Morrow County Circuit Court warrant for Probation Violation/Possession of a Controlled Substance, Unlawful Use of a Motor Vehicle and Forgery II. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

Fundraising workshops set for Eastern Oregon libraries, museums and nonprofits

Persons involved with area libraries, museums and nonprofits in eastern Oregon are invited to join board members and volunteers from Libraries of Eastern Oregon (LEO) for lively half-day workshops on fundraising strategies.

"Steps to Fund Raising Success" will be held in Hermiston and La Grande on Oct. 11 and 12 and Nov. 4 in Burns.

The workshops will be presented by the Portland-based Technical Assistance for Community Services (TACS) and The Oregon Community Foundation (OCF).

Kay Sohl, executive director of TACS and co-author of The Oregon Nonprofit Handbook and David Wescott, Vice President of Development for OCF will serve as lead presenters.

Funding for the workshops has been made available to the nonprofit LEO through the Ford Institute of The Ford Family Foundation. LEO has contracted with TACS for the sessions.

The board and volunteers of LEO are committed to helping community leaders throughout eastern Oregon learn how to raise funds to support important community programs and fund construction/rehabilitation of needed community facilities.

This training will prepare participants to teach others in their groups and communities how to have greater success in fund raising. Attendees will learn how to help boards and volunteers raise money for important community projects and to develop effective fundraising strategies.

Specific topics to be presented include how to raise more money for programs and capital needs, how to involve board members and community

-MCSO cited a male juvenile for Failure to Use Seatbelt Child, No Operator's License and Failure to Carry Proof of Insurance. A female juvenile was cited for Providing a Vehicle to an Unlicensed Driver.

Sept. 26: MCSO arrested Robert Wade Eastep, 45, on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Pay Fine/Driving while Suspended.

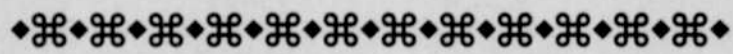
volunteers in fund raising campaigns, how to encourage bequests and explain basic planned giving approaches, how to develop and manage an endowment fund with help from the Oregon Community Foundation, how to build successful collaborations to seek funding jointly with other organizations, and how to work effectively with donors' reluctance to give to "government" by working with LEO for fiscal sponsorship.

Registration is \$20 per person, which includes a catered lunch and all handouts. Scholarships are available for representatives of public libraries.

Workshops will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at each location as follows: Tuesday, Oct. 11 at the downstairs meeting room in the Hermiston Public Library, 235 E Gladys Ave., sponsored by LEO and the Hermiston Public Library.

The workshop will be held again on Wednesday, Oct. 12 at the Best Western Rama Inn, I-84 at Island Ave Exit, La Grande, sponsored by LEO, the La Grande Public Library and The La Grande Community Library Foundation; and Friday, Nov. 4 at the Harney Co. Education Services District building, 25 Fairview Heights in Burns, sponsored by LEO and the Harney County Public Library.

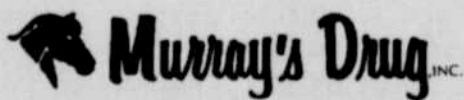
Registration will be taken at the door and also in advance by contacting Susan Brown, LEO finance director at (541) 442-5123 or gsbrown@saw.net.



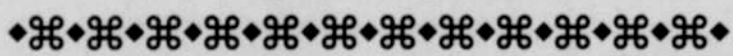
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Mollie Schneider and Ryan Halvorsen
Wedding - Saturday, October 8th



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Oyster Feed to be held

The annual Hardman Oyster Feed, Salmon Bake and Ham Dinner will be held on Saturday, Oct. 1 from 4:30-7:30 p.m., at the Hardman Community Center. Ticket prices are \$14 for adults, \$5 for children ages 5-12 and children under five eat free. Sides with the meal include salad, baked potatoes and dessert cupcakes.

Hunter's Bake Sale is Friday

A Hunter's Bake Sale, sponsored by the Lexington Fire Fund, will be held Friday, Sept. 30, at 7 a.m., in front of the Shell Station Convenience Store in Lexington. The sale will last until all the food is sold.

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