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Willow Creek Terrace Board hosts "thank you" barbecue



The Willow Creek Valley Assisted Living Board hosted a patio "thank you" barbecue on Sept. 25 for approximately 68 people that included the facility staff and community members who volunteered time or contributed items such as game prizes, garden produce, or even money during the 2004-2005 year. This is the second year that this barbecue has been held.

During the year, Willow Creek Terrace has many weekly and occasional activities happening in its facility. Some examples of these activities include the weekly bingo games that are put on by the Nazarene Church pastor and members, the Mother's Day tea and Father's Day barbecues by the Lexington Rebekah and Odd Fellow lodges; the one Sunday a month old time

fiddle musicals by Bob Stevens, Al Riney, Bill West and Marilyn Allison; and transporting residents to the fair, church or for a sightseeing drive with ice cream before returning to the Terrace.

"Willow Creek Terrace is a non-profit facility, so the board of directors appreciates all the help that is received from the many thoughtful people in our community. There are too many to personally list, but we know who you are and we all appreciate you wholeheartedly. It gives the residents the best we have to offer while helping us to stay within our yearly budget. We hope that you will continue your support and that we will add many new volunteers and contributors to our list in 2005-2006," said a board spokesperson.

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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 \$10.)

May your actions haunt you

To the Editor:
To the residents of Lexington:

My appreciation to those of you who voted for John Edwards and myself in the recent recall election.

As you know, we were unsuccessful in overcoming the lies, gossip and accusations that were spread throughout the town

by five individuals (two men and two women). You know who they are.

To those individuals, I hope you are real proud of yourselves.

Just remember, what goes around, comes around. May your actions haunt you.

(s) Luella Taylor
Lexington

Mayor, sheriff's office respond to street cleanup

To the Editor:

From the time we moved to Heppner in March 1991 until the present, Jenkins Street has looked like someone's private dumping ground, with a large pile of used tires, abandoned vehicles, and other junk strewn about. In March of 2004 I brought this to the attention of a high ranking city official. His response was that the street was not being used (even though people residing on this street were using it every day). He also commented that if too many complaints were received he would close the street, as if this action would somehow cause the mess to disappear. Nothing was done to correct this clear violation of the city code.

On 24 September 2005 I contacted Mayor Tim Van Cleave, and Sheriff's Deputy Randy Rayburn. They agreed this street should be cleaned up. That same day I was contacted by Sheriff's Deputy Justin

Slinger. He said he was to attend a meeting concerning Jenkins Street in the p.m., and would keep me informed of any action to be taken. Deputy Slinger has gone out of his way to do just that. Mayor Van Cleave contacted me by telephone on 29 Sept. 2005 to inform me that my concerns were being looked into.

The process to clean up Jenkins Street began on 1 Oct. 2005 with the removal of one of the abandoned vehicles. This action was taken within a period of only 10 days. It is gratifying to see how quickly things can be accomplished if the right people are on the job, in our city government and law enforcement. If the northwest end of Heppner is finally cleaned up our long uphill battle will have been well worth the trouble. I appreciate the Mayor's, and the Morrow County Sheriff's Office's timely response.

(s) Gene
Sonstegard
Heppner

Shame on you, Lexington

To the Editor:
Shame on you Lexington.

The recall is over and the mayor and council member have been recalled. I appreciate all the citizens that supported Mayor (John) Edwards and Councilor (Luella) Taylor. They have worked hard in their efforts to do what they felt was in the best interest of all the people in the Town of

Lexington. They have spent a considerable amount of time on these efforts.

When the next council members are elected I hope they will perform their duties in a way that best suits the needs of all town members and don't pursue their own personal agendas.

Remember - You people that voted to recall - you reap what you sow.

(s) Shirley McCarl
Lexington

St. Patrick's Senior Center news

Volunteers from Willow Creek Baptist Church will host the Wednesday, Oct. 12, noon meal. The menu is New England broil dinner: ham, carrots and potatoes, pea salad, rolls and dessert.

On Friday, Oct. 7, at 9 a.m., the Senior Center Board of Directors will meet in special session for the purpose of writing a new mission statement, and to set goals. Both long and short term goals will be considered.

The Heppner Senior Center has been a part of Heppner's Main Street scene for nearly 20 years. What has it added to the character of the community? What other differences can it make in the future?

Members of the board invite comments and suggestions from the residents and constituents of the area the senior center serves - Ione, Lexington, Hardman - and all of Morrow County.

Morrow County Lewis and Clark Heritage Day set for October 16

The Morrow County Lewis & Clark Bicentennial observation will be held from 1-5 p.m. Sunday, October 16, at the Irrigon Marina Park. Individuals and families will have many opportunities for "hands-on" historical experiences at the site of the Lewis & Clark Corps of Discovery overnight camp on October 19.

The free event will offer Native American dancers and drummers; artifacts and presentations by Cayuse Chief Jesse Jones and Walla Walla Chief Carl Sampson. The Portland band, "Eldahow," will play early American music. The Oregon National Guard will share their "Lewis & Clark Discovery Box." Third graders from A.C. Houghton Elementary School in Irrigon will perform early American square dances. Visitors may bring pies for sharing at the social and for the pie judging contest. Pie judging contest awards will be given in three categories: Flakiest Crust; Prettiest Pie; and Best-Tasting Pie. Pies intended for the pie judging contest need to be delivered by 1:15 p.m. The "Gorge Winds Band" of Goldendale, WA, will provide a traditional Sunday band concert at 4 p.m.

A heritage quilt and art display will be at the A.C. Houghton School cafeteria. If you have a family heritage quilt or art would like to display, call Peggy Price at 541-567-3806.

Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Heritage activities are always free. A fund raising beef stew lunch will be available for \$1. Those planning to attend may bring a lawn chair or a blanket to the Irrigon Marina Park at 1 p.m. Sunday, October 16.

Directions to Irrigon Marina Park are as follows: from Highway 730, go north on 10th Street (by A.C. Houghton School) toward the Columbia River. Continue north on 10th Street approximately 1/4 mile to park entrance.

Advertising and entertainment for this seventh Annual Lewis & Clark Heritage Day is funded by Morrow County Unified Recreation District and Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Oregon with funds from Oregon Heritage Commission, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.

Heppner Elementary plans activities

Heppner Elementary School is having a canned food drive Oct. 3-6 to benefit the Neighborhood Center.

Weigh-in will be Thursday, October 6 at 1:30 p.m. and the assembly will follow at 2 p.m.

HES' book fair will be held October 6-11 and on Oct. 11, HES plans its open house.

The Adopt a Teacher foundation has agreed to pay Lance Eads, Heppner High School art teacher, to teach art for two hours a day at HES. "We have great plans for him," says HES Principal Jack Thompson. Classes began Oct. 3.

Fair board receives complaints

The Morrow County Fair Board has received complaints from people about the outdoor arena being used during football games, according to M.C. Fair Secretary Renee Yocom.

"They ask that the riders please be considerate of spectators and players, and not ride during games," said Yocom. "Spectators and players alike have complained about having trouble breathing and seeing."

Also, remember the Wilkinson Arena is on a token machine, says Yocom. The tokens may be purchased through the Fair Office for \$10. Each token will last one hour. The machine will run continuous if more than one token is put in.

Proof of liability insurance for all riders is also needed, she said.

Heppner Booster Club to meet

Heppner Jr/Sr High Booster Club will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, Oct. 12, at 7 p.m. in the high school home-ec room.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

C4 Excavation declares bankruptcy

C4 Excavation, a company formally located in Heppner, has filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy in Portland Bankruptcy Court. C4 currently lists its address as Molalla. William Green and Elizabeth Pierce are named as debtors of the company.

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**Heppner
Booster Club
Auction and
Steak Feed
Saturday, October 15th
Heppner Elks Lodge
Dinner starts at 6 p.m.
\$10.00 a plate
(includes steak,
baked potato, salad,
bread and dessert)**

**Live Auction at 8 p.m.
There will also be
a Silent Auction
and Raffle.
A few items to be
auctioned include
Jimmy Buffet tickets
a Black Hills Gold ring,
and rocking chairs.
A complete list of auction
and raffle items can be
found on www.heppner.net.**

**HAPPY 90th
BIRTHDAY
JEAN NELSON!**
Saturday, October 8th
Give her a call or drop a card at
Jean Nelson, c/o Providence Benedictine Nursing Center
540 S. Main Street; Mt. Angel, OR 97362. Cell # (541) 379-2808