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Pecks attend U.S.S. Enterprise reunion



Lucile and Kenneth Peck board the U.S.S. Lexington

Lucile and Kenneth Peck of Lexington flew to Corpus Christi, Texas, in early October to attend the 2005 reunion of the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Enterprise. While in Corpus Christi they toured the carrier U.S.S.

Lexington, a sister ship to the Enterprise. The Lexington is now a Navy museum, permanently anchored in the Corpus Christi harbor.

Kenneth Peck served aboard the carrier U.S.S. Enterprise during World War II. About 250 people attended the 2005 reunion, including 70 officers, crew and airmen who had all served on the Enterprise in the War in the Pacific.

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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.)

Call out the law

To the Editor:

Okay, let's call out the law. It should be inhumane to keep beating that dead horse in Lexington. (s) Nate Otto Lexington

Focus on the real problem

To the editor:

I support the recall of Jean Brazell as I believe Lexington needs council members to act as a team, not as individuals administering their own agenda. According to state laws, "No council member has individual powers separate from the powers of the council." Time and time again, council member Jean Brazell acts alone while conducting town business. She prepares her own agenda and makes her own recommendations and conclusions based on information no other council member has received. She believes that Lexington needs more funding for her projects.

Every year for five years, Jean has been pushing to raise the local option tax, stating the town needs more revenue, when in fact, the past five years the town has carried over almost 1/3 of its budgeted amount. Several budget committee members have requested to make extra payments on our existing loans with the some

of the excess money. Jean has objected.

During council meetings, she has stated that the town needs a new well and reservoir; according to direction she had received from the state. However, the town has not been out of compliance nor have we been fined with our present water system. A recent engineer study has contradicted Jean Brazell. Jean is in favor of raising the water rates in order to qualify for funding for a new well and reservoir. A new well and reservoir could cost the town patrons as much as one million dollars.

In addition, Jean has no problem with causing town debt, as she instructed the town maintenance man to drain the airport reservoir without knowledge of the rest of the council or residences living in the area. Since there was plan to drain the reservoir, the maintenance man turned on the water value and left causing flooding onto the street, state highway and into a residence. A claim was processed against the city insurance to repair the damage. Furthermore, the street had to be rebuilt costing the town.

Jean Brazell's agenda includes raising taxes and water rates for Lexington. But she fails to address the number one problem in Lexington and that is crime and drugs.

(s) Marcia Kemp Lexington

Chili feed to raise money for Mustang yearbook

Heppner High School Booster Club is sponsoring the Mustang yearbook staff as they present a Chili Feed at the Fairgrounds before the game on October 28th. The cost of the meal is \$5.

Each year the yearbook staff must raise funds for publication of the yearbook. The funds come in by holding events such as this one, and by selling ads and sponsorships throughout the year. This year the goal is to raise \$10,000. All senior pages will be in color in the 2006 book (only half were last year and none in previous years) and an interactive DVD will be included with the book (for an extra fee). The sale of the book itself brings in nearly half of the needed funds.

Come on out to the fairgrounds about an hour, hour and a half or so before the game and warm up on a hot bowl of chili. Enjoy the fellowship of other football

fans and chili lovers and save yourself from having to cook. FBLA will be serving hot chocolate and coffee at the snack shack. The Junior class will have burgers, dogs and cheese sandwiches along with candy and pop.

Lexington ballot boxes open

Voting is underway for the recall election of Jean Brazell. Voters may drop off their ballots from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Public Works office in Lexington. Ballots will also be accepted at the Morrow County Courthouse during business hours. Ballots that are mailed must be received in the Elections office by 8 p.m. on November 8.

Ione homecoming photos next week

Photos of the Ione homecoming were not available at press time. A photo and story will appear in next week's Gazette-Times.

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DA's Report

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

-Charles Cass Cooley, 26, was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance, a Class C Felony. The sentence included suspension of his driver's license for six months, six months in jail, followed by one year post prison supervision.

-Levi Welch Jones was convicted of Harassment, Domestic Violence, a Class B Misdemeanor. The sentence included 90 days in jail, suspended, 20 hours of community service, have no offensive physical contact with the victim, complete domestic violence education and was ordered to pay fines, fees and assessments totaling \$531.

-John Brandon Paradiso was convicted of Fleeing and Attempting to Elude a Police Officer. His sentence included 80 hours of community service, driving privileges suspended for one year, and was ordered to pay fines, fees and assessments of \$1371.

-Michael Joseph Stiles, 41 was convicted of Manufacturing and Delivery of a Controlled Substance, a Class B Felony. The sentence included suspension of his driver's license for six months, supervised probation of 36 months with numerous conditions, 80 hours of community service and was ordered to pay fines, fees and assessments of \$1,166.

-Rhonda L. Breneman, 41, was convicted of Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants, a Class A Misdemeanor. The sentence included 180 days in jail with 120 days suspended and credit for time served, in-patient treatment, suspension of her driver's license for three years, 24 months' bench probation with numerous probation conditions. She was ordered to pay \$2,786 in fines, fees and assessments. She was also convicted of Reckless Endangering, a Class A misdemeanor, and was sentenced to 180 days in jail, suspended, with 24 months' bench probation, and \$126 in fines, fees and assessments.

-David Ralph Starkweather, 43, was convicted of Harassment, a Class B Misdemeanor, reduced to a Class A Violation and was ordered to pay \$311 in fines, fees and assessments.

-Pedro Claustro-Velasco was convicted of Attempted C/Felony Possession of a Forged

Instrument-1, and was sentenced to 180 days in jail, suspended, 24 months' bench probation, 40 hours community service and \$874 in fines, fees and assessments.

-Edwin Arnulfo Guardado, 24, was convicted of Attempted B/ Felony Assault-2 and was sentenced to 36 months' supervised probation with numerous conditions, 80 hours community service, ordered have no direct or indirect contact with the victim, write a letter of apology to the victim, complete a batterer's intervention program and pay \$1,916 in fines, fees and assessments.

-Ruben Tamayo Moreno, 25, was convicted of Possession of a Controlled Substance 2, a Class C Felony, was sentenced to 18 months' supervised probation with numerous conditions, participate in a substance abuse evaluation and six-months' driver's license suspension. He was also convicted of being a Felon in Possession of a Firearm, a Class C Felony, and sentenced to 36 months' supervised probation with numerous conditions, participate in a substance abuse evaluation, complete 80 hours of community service and ordered to pay \$1166 in fines, fees and assessments; another count of Possession of a Controlled Substance 2, a Class C Felony, and was sentenced to 18 month's supervised probation with numerous conditions, 80 hours of community service and six months' driver's license suspension and was ordered to pay \$1166 in fines, fees and assessments;

Manufacturing/Delivery of a Controlled Substance-SC 2, a Class B Felony, and was sentenced to 24 months' supervised probation with numerous conditions, 80 hours of community service, ordered to participate in a substance abuse evaluation, six months' driver's license suspension and pay \$1166 in fines, fees and assessments.

-Paul William Hays, 33, was convicted of Harassment Physical +, a Class B Misdemeanor, and was sentenced to 90 days in jail, suspended, with 24 months' bench probation with numerous conditions, 40 hours of community service; complete an anger management program, obtain a substance abuse evaluation and pay \$126 in fines, fees and assessments.

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Please stop in for Refreshments
and help us Celebrate!
November 1, 2005



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