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Heppner Library holding book and bake sale

The Heppner Friends of the Library will hold a Book and Bake Sale on St. Patrick's weekend. The sale will begin on Friday, March 16, from 1-6 p.m. and continue on Saturday, March 17, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. The sale will be held at Heppner City Hall on Main Street.

At this time, the Friends of the Library are requesting donations of gently used books for this sale. They may be dropped off at the Methodist Church, the library, or Spicer-Kuhn Law Offices. Anyone donating books is asked to do so by Tuesday, March 13.

The Friends of the Library are also asking for donations of baked goods. They may be delivered to the library or city hall by noon on March 16. Anyone wishing to donate baked goods may sign up at the library or call Sally Walker at 676-9112.

Also, anyone available to work for an hour or two on Friday or Saturday may contact Sally Walker as well.

The money raised will be used to provide equipment, books and activities for all patrons of the Heppner Library.

ICABO to hold meeting

Ione Community Agricultural Business Organization also known as "ICABO" will be having a nightly meeting on Wednesday, March 14, at 6 p.m. at the Ione Legion Hall.

Anne Morter and the Ione International Club will serve dinner. Tickets for dinner are \$9 each and can be purchased at the door.

All organizations and groups will be reporting on what they are doing and their goals for the year. Election of officers for this year is an agenda item. Taylor's Restaurant will have a no-host bar.

Everyone is invited to attend and can RSVP to Stacie Miller at 422-7410 or Betty Gray at 422-7335. Dinner reservations need to be in by Monday, March 12.

St. Patrick's Senior Center lunch menu

Heppner Christian Church members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, March 14.

The menu consists of meat enchilada, Spanish rice, ranch beans, fresh salsa with tomatoes and chopped onions, and ice cream with strawberries.

Obituaries

Paul George Werner Jr.

Paul George Werner Jr., 86, a resident of Arlington, formerly of Ione, died at a local care facility on Monday, February 26, 2007.

Memorial services will be held at Arlington Methodist Church at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 10, 2007 with Rev. Bob Reasoner officiating. Private cremation was held at Win-Quatt Crematory in The Dalles with Spencer, Libby and Powell in care of arrangements.

He was born in Tillamook on March 20, 1920, to Paul and Georgia A. (Johnson) Werner. He was the oldest of five children. He was raised in Nehalem and served in the U.S. Army during WWII and was deployed to Japan during that time.

Paul married Ada Worthington on June 1, 1940 in Vancouver, Washington.

He was trained by the C.C.C. Corps under Roosevelt to operate a bulldozer. He logged in the Tillamook area until moving to Sandy in the 1960s to build roads around Mt. Hood. He moved back and forth between the coast and Ione area until 1983 when he retired to Arlington in 1998.

Paul was the manager of Terrace Heights Trailer Court in Arlington from 1999 to 2006. He helped his daughter, Marie, with the Ione Cemetery for 17 years and was her right hand helper and best friend. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, calm digging, woodworking, doing home additions, going on family outings and being with his family and friends just to talk.

He is survived by his wife, Ada Werner of Arlington; his daughter, Marie Rudisill of Arlington; his son, Richard Werner of Woodland, WA; his brother, Lee Werner of Arroya Grande, CA; his sister, Lenora Anderson of Nehalem, OR; nine grandchildren and many great and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; his sisters, Mary Rose and Aggie Bell; and his son, Mike Werner.

Memorials may be made to Oregon Veterans Home, 700 Veteran Drive, The Dalles, OR 97058 or Arlington Methodist Church, Arlington, OR.

Dean Hunt

Arthur Dean (Deano) Hunt, 79, of Lexington died Sunday at Kallec Hospital in Richland, Washington.

Memorial service for Mr. Hunt were held on Friday, March 2, 2007 at the United Methodist Church in Heppner.

He was born July 20, 1927 at Heppner, in what is now the Eddie Gunderson house, the oldest child born to Arthur Lee and Bertha D. Tucker Hunt. After his birth Dean lived his entire life in Lexington. He graduated from Lexington High School in 1945 from a class of four.

After graduating from high school he was drafted into the Army Air Force where he was stationed in California at what is now known as Travis Air Force Base in the Army Air Transport Division.

Following an honorable discharge he returned to Lexington. He joined his father in operation of the family ranch, which after his father's death, he ran until his retirement in 1987. Even though he was supposedly retired Dean was still involved in the farm's activities right up until his death. Often he could be seen driving his old farm pick-up with his border collie, Missy, by his side, or in nicer weather she would ride with him on the back of his four-wheeler.

Mr. Hunt was a member of the Heppner United Methodist Church, Heppner B.P.O.E. No. 358, and served on the Lexington-Ione Cemetery District Board for 25 years, part of that time as board chairman.

Dean was very active in his earlier years before his emphysema became advanced. He loved to dance, bowl, swim, water ski, hunt, fish, and spend time with family and his friends. He and his wife enjoyed supporting the local high school sports programs long after their children left home and they received an award for their outstanding support of athletics. Dean loved coffee and was ready to sit and visit anytime when anyone asked "Hey Deano, wanna cup of coffee?" He also enjoyed rummaging through old farm antiques.

He is survived by his wife, Lois Hunt of Lexington; daughter Tricia Jeannine (TJ) Hunt Robinson and her husband Curtis of Pendleton; son Gary Dean Hunt and his wife Rebecca, grandson, Jeffrey Dean Hunt, granddaughter, Miranda Hunt all of Hermiston; brother, Donald (Duke) Hunt and his wife Nadine of Beaverton; sister, Shirley McCarl and her husband Morris of Lexington; and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions for those who wish may be made to St. Patrick's Senior Center Trust Fund, P.O. Box 266, Heppner, OR 97836 or to the United Methodist Church Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 733, Heppner, or to the charity of choice.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

HHS students assisting local Pheasants Forever Chapter with construction



Heppner High School students assisted with construction project.

The students at Heppner High School are helping the local Pheasants Forever Chapter by constructing Wildlife Watering Guzzler roofs. The rest of the water facility consists of an underground tank that collects the water from the roof and stores it for later use by birds and other small wildlife. The Columbia Plateau Pheasants Forever group is installing the guzzlers as part of an overall habitat project that includes nesting cover, brood raising cover as well as food plots and shrubs. "The water guzzler is the real cornerstone of the project," says Skip Matthews, PF Chapter president, "Once we get the water available and the other planting installed the benefit to upland birds and other wildlife is tremendous."

The Columbia Plateau Chapter is installing several of these projects as an overall goal to improve pheasant habitat in Morrow, Gilliam and South Umatilla counties. The projects are being paid for with money raised by the chapter at their annual banquet as well as assistance from Heppner ODFW and other Federal cost share dollars. Any landowner with potential habitat can sign up to get a project, although welcome to hunt areas receive a priority for funding. "We are targeting the ODFW Upland Cooperative Access Program acres for improvement," Matthews said. "Although there is some assistance for other applications, one of the goals of the chapter is to develop hunting opportunities for the general public."

Anyone interested in installing a habitat project should contact one of the following members of the chapter to get the application process started: Skip Matthews, Bill Ewing or Misty Bennett or the Heppner ODFW. There are also applications at the Heppner Pheasants Forever office located in the Pettyjohn Office Building or the Gilliam County Soil and Water Conservation District office.

EPA approves Willow Creek Basin water quality goals

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has approved water quality goals for the Willow Creek Basin. The goals, which took several years to prepare, were approved Feb. 19, 2007. The accompanying plan lays out steps needed to reduce stream temperature, bacteria and other water quality impairments, which would make these waters more fishable and swimmable.

The recently approved Willow Creek Basin Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) for temperature sets goals leading to less solar heating, while the management plan describes how these goals can be met. The stream management plan addresses excess solar energy that enters streams because of vegetation and channel disturbance associated with certain agricultural, urban and forest activities. The report also emphasizes the need for increased in-stream flow.

A significant finding in the TMDL report is that three measures can contribute, though to differing amounts, to cooler water temperature in Willow Creek: the greatest benefit is from increased streamside vegetation, particularly trees; next is to allow the stream to naturally restore itself to a narrower and deeper natural channel shape; and, lastly, flow improvement will lead to temperature reduction. These measures combine to decrease solar input, or decrease the effect of solar heating by increasing the volume of water being warmed by the sun.

Whereas temperature is the most widespread water quality problem in the Basin, bacteria and pH (the concentration of charged Hydrogen) are also addressed. The Balm Fork is targeted for bacteria reduction. Elevated summer pH originates in the warm flow.

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