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~ Letters to the Editor ~

The Heppner Gazette Times will print all letters to the Editor with the following criteria met: letters submitted to the newspaper will need to have the name of the sender along with a legible signature. We are also requesting that you provide your address and a phone number where you can be reached. The address and phone number will only be used for verification and will not be printed in the newspaper. Letters may not be libelous. The GT reserves the right to edit. The GT 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.

**Fire concerns**

Letter to the editor:

I'm not a writer, but I've counted to 10 several times and feel I have to speak my mind.

First I want to say Thank You to all the firefighters that came to Monument to help put out The Monument Complex fire, you all did a great job.

What I would like to correct is that the fire did not start Friday the 13th, it started about 9 p.m. Thursday the 12th. There was a call made informing you that there was a fire.

I'm wondering where Madison Lookout was and why he didn't have this turned in, as he was less than 10 miles from where the fire started. I worked seven years on Lookouts. When a storm was coming I was to stay in tower and mark any down strikes on the windows so when morning came you checked those areas for smoke. Well, Friday morning we could see quite a bit of smoke, so why the hell did we burn 54,000 acres? This is the third fire that has burned us out in five years and they were all uncalled for.

Years ago, in 1940 to 1960, we had fires and when someone saw smoke they grabbed their gunny sacks and shovels, everyone fought the fire and they put them out. The ladies fixed lunches and meals and it didn't cost what it cost to put the fires out today.

Common sense tells me that this is because of poor management of the Umatilla B.L.M and O.D.F. We have talked to B.L.M. for sometime they need cattle on the J.V. Ranch. It's nothing but a fire trap to all of us in the Top and Wall Creek areas. The Umatilla is the same, they have taken most of the cattle off so all we have is fuel.

The other thing that O.D.F. and Umatilla do is they get to a fire and sit, talk, and write instead of getting the fire out first. I know this has happened several times n and let the fire blow up.

We all pay too much taxes for what we get out of it, plus all the acres of timber, grass and fences it burns out on all of us.

So I'd like to know why that we could put fires out with gunny sacks and shovels and you can't with the manpower that's been trained and equipment.

There's something really wrong with this picture. Common sense tells me that reading it out of book and training doesn't do it.

I know there are a lot of people that feel like we do. So maybe we all need to get together and see if there is something we can all do.

(s) Darlene J. Forrest  
Monument

**Teresa Ann Lewis Vaughan**

Teresa Ann Lewis Vaughan began her next great journey on Sunday, August 5, 2007, surrounded by family and friends.

She was born July 2, 1955 in Ontario to Keith and Fern Lewis. She lived in Ontario until the summer of her 17th year when her father's promotion with the Oregon State Police moved the family to Baker City. Teresa always had a great love for animals. She learned to ride horses at a young age and became a skilled horseman and rodeo competitor. Her specialty was barrel racing. She eventually went on to be crowned Miss Oregon High School Rodeo Queen and competed in National Finals in cow cutting and barrel racing in Utah and Colorado. She continued as a member of the Blue Mountain Rodeo Team while attending Blue Mountain Community College.

She enjoyed hard work. She worked for Albertson's Bakery while attending college. After college she worked for the Grizzly Bear Commissary before finding her life long career, 30 plus years, as a legal assistant at the law firm of Banta, Silven, and Young. In 1980 Teresa met a young lawyer, a gentle giant of a man who stole her heart and became the love of her life. Despite the daunting prospect of joining the Vaughan clan, including Floyd, Kathy and their ten children, Teresa threw caution to the wind and accepted Charlie's proposal. They were married September 26, 1981 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Durkee. The reception which followed at the Durkee Grange (formerly the Durkee grade

August 4: Morrow County Sheriff's Office deputy reported he was at a residence in Boardman checking on some cows. There was a cow out.

-MCSO received report from a Boardman subject that his neighbor's goat was hung up on a fence and a brown heifer was out. He said it was an ongoing issue.

-MCSO received a report from a Boardman subject that his aunt was trying to sell a vehicle without his consent.

-MCSO, Boardman Police Department responded to a possible domestic dispute in Boardman. The deputy reported that while he was out with the vehicle, a male was found to have a MCSO warrant. Ronald Lynn Cronen, 52, was arrested on an Irrigon Justice Court warrant for Failure to Appear/Driving While Suspended. He was also cited for Possession of Less Than One Ounce of Marijuana. He was lodged at Umatilla

County Jail.

-MCSO cited Clyde James Redman, 48, for insignificant boat numbers and no boater registration card.

-MCSO arrested



Teresa Ann Lewis Vaughan

school and gym attended by Charlie) was greatly enhanced by several bouquets Teresa and her maid of honor and dear friend Jane Bohn Sackos, "borrowed" from several unsuspecting contributors.

Floyd Samuel Lewis Vaughan's birth on September 3, 1985 made it a true Labor Day. Sam was 8 weeks premature, weighing in at 2 pounds, 11 ounces. He spent his first two months at OHSU's neo-natal unit. As soon as Teresa could be at his side, she never left it. A scenario that would be repeated 15 years later when she again nursed him back to perfect health after his diagnosis of lymphoma. Sam's robust health and personality are among her greatest triumphs.

Equally joyous were the births of Kaitlin Elizabeth in 1988 and Keith Patrick Alexander Vaughan in 1991 and their many accomplishments. Family meant everything to Teresa. She was a devoted parent and partner. She still found time to serve the community and church in many capacities, including as a board member and officer for Baker City YMCA, Baker Little League, South Baker PTO, Team Parent for all three children's many activities, Clark Foundation, and St. Francis Parish Finance

**Obituaries**

Committee.

Teresa had many interests and talents. She was a great organizer of closets, shopping trips, weekend get-a-ways, family vacations and fabulous dinners - be it elegant special occasions or feeding hungry coaches and players. She enjoyed gourmet cooking and had an innate sense of design and style. There were never enough flowers to plant or recipes to try. She combined her natural talent for color and design and her love of meeting new people with the experience of her mother Fern Taylor in jointly establishing the successful business known as CoverWorks.

Teresa was a positive person who remained open to new ideas, respected ideas and opinions different than her own, and taught this to her husband and children. She convinced her skeptical family to experience new places and different people - both with activities outside their daily comfort zones and on trips far outside their usual time zones. Her family will always be eternally grateful for her determination to not only get herself but also her family to Paris, France, Graz, Austria, and all across Italy.

Teresa truly believed that wealth is not measured by what you have but rather by who you have beside you. In her case, it was countless friends, her children's friends, clients, customers, faithful pets (Mickey, Gus, Sophie and Pete, to name a few), and her entire loving family.

Teresa's family includes: husband Charlie; children Sam, Kate, and Pat Vaughan; mother Fern Taylor and her husband Bob; father Keith Lewis and his wife Sharon; her great Aunt Marge Burgess; Uncle

Bill Lewis and wife Pat, Uncle Walt Gordon and wife Cleo, Uncle Pete Dunn; "sisters" Kim Cutsforth, Kathy Fulmer, Kathleen Eckrich, Laurie Carnahan, Margie Walter, Reagan Vaughan, Heather Vaughan, and Joan Vaughan; lifelong friend and accomplice Rhonda Scattinni; brothers-in-law Tom Vaughan, Joe Vaughan (deceased), James Vaughan, Mark Eckrich, Mike Carnahan, William Walter, and Ed Fulmer; other in-laws Steve Stevenson and Zoe Leach; the Dunn family; the Heriza family; the Lewis family; the Gordon family, the Pifer family and numerous aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

In lieu of flowers the family prefers those wanting to remember Teresa to make a donation to her favorite organizations: Baker Family YMCA, St. Francis Church Renovation Project, or Susan G. Komen For The Cure.

**Marvin Robert Wightman, Jr.**

Marvin Robert Wightman, Jr. died on August 3, 2007 in Santa Rosa, CA.

Mr. Wightman was born in Heppner and attended Heppner schools until 1954. He graduated from Salinas, CA High School and Heald College. He was an architect in Santa Rosa.

He is survived by: his wife, Lorena Wightman of Santa Rosa; son Andrew Wightman of Santa Cruz; daughter Selena Wightman of Santa Cruz; brother James Wightman of Lone Tree, CO and Margaret (Peggy) Ciapuci of Bandon.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Marvin and Claudine Wightman, and sister Janet Wightman.

not be quiet. The campers were told that a deputy was en route, so they went to bed.

**Who gets 'Tippage Fees' to be on ballot**  
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demands, and August 9 they followed through on the threat and filed a measured titled "An ordinance requiring distribution of landfill fees to cities/towns" with the county court.

Under the proposed ordinance beginning in fiscal year 2008-2009 the county would give up 25 percent of the tippage fees to cities. In 2009-2010 that would jump to 50 percent and 2010-2011 it would top out at 75 percent.

The ordinance stipulates that the cities portion will be divided in half, with one half the funds divided equally among the cities, and the other half divided according to population.

The measure is expected to be voted on in the May election.

**Marriages**

Morrow County Clerk Bobbie Childers has released the following report of marriage licenses issued:

-August 8: Chad Michael Chamberlin, 33, Boardman and Ashley Paige Crowell, 24, Boardman.

-August 10: Matthew Paul Van Liew, 25, East Windsor, N.J. and Melissa Rae Hanson, 26, East Windsor, N.J.

**Sheriff's Report**

County Jail.

-MCSO received report of three-juveniles in a vehicle peeling out, tearing up the drive and throwing rocks from tires.

-MCSO received report from a Heppner woman that a subject was calling her from jail and she wanted it stopped.

-MCSO received report from an lone woman that her brother traded some guns and a lawn mower. The subject would give the guns until the lawn mower was checked.

-MCSO received report from an Irrigon woman that her 15-year-old daughter was not at home by 4:28 p.m. and should have been home by 1 p.m.

-MCSO received report that subjects were burning an illegal slash pile in Heppner. The subject was warned and advised a burn ban.

-MCSO cited Clyde James Redman, 48, for insignificant boat numbers and no boater registration card.

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Darrell Dwight Rollins, Jr., 40, on Umatilla County Circuit Court warrants for Possession of Methamphetamine and Less Than One Ounce of Marijuana. He was lodged at Umatilla County Jail.

-MCSO received report from an Irrigon subject that her mom's boyfriend called her to cause problems.

-MCSO received report of a vehicle that ran several people off the road in Irrigon.

-MCSO received report from an Irrigon woman that her middle daughter and her boyfriend were causing a verbal dispute. MCSO responded that parties separated and problem resolved.

-MCSO made contact with a subject in lone and the subject was advised how to handle a restraining order that was in place.

-MCSO received request for a deputy from the Bull Prairie Campground host regarding three intoxicated campers who would

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