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School superintendent upset over Oregonian story

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School, effective December 31, but will finish contract through the 2007-08 school year.

-approved employment for Mavis Edwards, transferring from Irrigon Elementary to ACH, as assistant cook replacing Faye Zimmerman; Martie McQuain, half-time Irrigon Junior-Senior high boys' junior high assistant basketball coach.

-approved an early graduation date for a Heppner High School student.

-held an executive session prior to the board meeting and resumed the executive session following the meeting.

-heard the following announcements: Christmas break from December 21 through January 1; next board meeting Heppner Elementary School January 14, 7 p.m.

Justice Court

Morrow County Justice Court Judge Charlotte Gray has released the following report:

- Neal J. Doering, 45, Oregon City, no current upland bird validation, \$75 fine.
- Joseph W. Nydahl, 24, Portland, violation of the basic rule by going 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$149 fine.
- Carla E. Murphy, 47, Heppner, violation of the basic rule by going 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$113 fine.
- Russell C. Chamberlain, 37, Redmond, open container of alcohol, \$185 fine.
- Jerry Lloyd Olson, 54, Heppner, driving while suspended misd. (Bac. Fail. 4/17.07) \$1,045 fine.
- Ronald G. Doan, 37, Terrebonne, open container of alcohol, \$185 fine.

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Come check us out for your holiday shopping!

Store Hours through Dec. 23: Mon-Fri 8-5:30 / Sat 8-4
We will be closed Dec. 24 at 12 noon through Dec. 25 **Happy Holidays!**
(We will also be closed January 1)

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242 W. Linden Way, Heppner • 676-9422 • 989-8221 (MCGG main office)

Obituaries

Shirley Mae Whitney

Shirley Mae Whitney, 74, passed away at St. Mary Medical Center on December 2, 2007.

At her request, there will be no service. Private family interment will take place.



Shirley Mae Whitney

Shirley was born on May 2, 1933 in John Day to Lee and Louisa Marcus Fleming. She married Everett Whitney in Walla Walla, WA. She worked as a laundry operator at the VA Medical Center.

Shirley's favorite hobbies included crocheting afghans and cross stitching Christmas cards. Words from her children are as follows, "Our loving mother/granny passed away peacefully and will be deeply missed by her family and countless friends."

Shirley is survived by: two daughters and sons-in-laws, Dianne and Tom Henrichs of Richland, WA and Debbie and Rich Gibbs of Tacoma, WA; two sisters, Clinta Mellor of College Place, WA and Donna Lee Kimberling of Prairie City; and three grandchildren, Donovan Henrich of Portland, Tatom Henrich of Portland and Tyler Gibbs of

Tacoma, WA.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Everett Whitney in 2000, a sister, Lorraine Towne and a son, David Cox.

Frank Rosenburg

Frank Delbert Rosenburg, 53, died Friday, November 23, 2007 at Oregon Veteran's Home after a six-year battle with cancer.

He was born March 24, 1954 in Heppner, the son of Frances K. May and Robert G. Rosenburg. He attended school in Condon and The Dalles, graduating from Wahatka High School in 1979.

He enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served eight years in the Pacific, Guam, Philippines and was on the USS Kitty Hawk. During his second tour he was stationed in Australia. After he was discharged he worked for Bank of America and Iron Mountain as a computer programmer. He recently moved to The Dalles to live with his mother.

He is survived by: his mother, Frances K. May of The Dalles; his father, Robert G. Rosenburg of Hood River; his sisters, Mary Anne Rosenburg and Pat Rosenburg; his brothers, James Rosenburg of Portland and Ted Rosenberg of The Dalles; two nieces, Alicia Branderhorst and Lyndsey Rosenburg of The Dalles; his aunt, Cleone Wagenaar of Condon; great-uncle, Jack May of The Dalles; two great-nieces, Kylie and Lane; and many cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by: his grandfather, Franklin May; his grand-

mother, Alice V. May; his uncles, Frank May, Bill Wagenaar and Theodore Rosenburg.

A memorial service was held Saturday, December 1, at Life in Christ Center in The Dalles.

Private cremation was held at The Dalles Win-Quatt Crematory with Spencer, Libby and Powell Funeral Home in charge of the arrangements.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Cancer Research or Animal Rescue Shelters.

Scott H. McMurdo

Scott H. McMurdo passed away on December 7, 2007 in Corvallis.

He was born March 19, 1920 in Heppner, the youngest of four sons of Dr. Archie and Ruth Hager McMurdo. He attended public school in Heppner. After graduation, he followed two older brothers to Oregon State University where he affiliated with Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. His college education was interrupted when he enlisted in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

After serving one year at the U.S. Naval Hospital in Astoria and three years at the U.S. Naval Hospital in San Diego, CA, he served as a civilian employee for the U.S. Government at the hospital in Tripoli, North Africa.

He returned to Oregon State and graduated with a degree in biochemistry. After completing the Medical Technology Program at O.H.S.U., Scott became a certified medical technologist and established medical laboratories in both

Grants Pass and Corvallis. He later worked many years as an independent financial broker.

He married June Hackett on June 11, 1960 at Good Samaritan Church in Corvallis. Scott was a lifelong member of the Episcopal Church including more than 50 years at Good Samaritan. He was a 25 year volunteer with the American Cancer Society, a member of the Corvallis Country Club and Toastmasters International, both for more than 50 years.

Scott was an avid read and, during retirement, spent four or five hours a day at the Corvallis Public Library.

He enjoyed humorous stories, golf, ping-pong, chess, and exercised nearly every day into his eighties. He traveled extensively, including many European trips. His passion for cars was well known to all who knew him.

Survivors include: his wife, June, of Corvallis; his daughter, Ann McMurdo and her husband Ken Ruderman; two grandchildren, Sarah and Justin Scott Ruderman, all of Oakland, CA; two older brothers, Charles (Ted) of Portland and Bernard of Grants Pass; and numerous in-laws, cousins, nieces, nephews and their children.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, December 15, at noon at the Good Samaritan Episcopal Church. Officiating will be the Rev. Simon Justice and the Rev. Dr. Jon Goman. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Birth Announcement

Gretchen Marie Schmitt - Ray and Amy Schmitt of Medical Lake, WA announce the birth of their daughter, Gretchen Marie Schmitt, on Saturday, December 1, 2007. Gretchen was born at Sacred Heart Medical Center in Spokane, WA.

At birth she weighed seven pounds and eight ounces and was 20 1/2 inches in length.

Grandparents are Vicki and Steve Wagenblast of Lexington and Joan and Ray Schmitt of Sprague, WA. Great-grandparents are Fran Bardenhagen of The Dalles, Lee Wagenblast of Hermiston, and Dorothy Stromberger of Ritzville, WA.

Senior Center Menu

United Methodist Church members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, December 19. The menu will include chicken and dumplings, Jello with fruit, biscuits, cinnamon apples, and ice cream.

AARP Tax-Aide Program looking for volunteers


The AARP Tax-Aide Program is looking for volunteers from the Heppner, Lexington, Lone areas. Volunteers would be working with the elderly and low to medium income individuals in the preparation of their 2007 Income Tax Returns.

This is a very rewarding opportunity to give back to your community. All training and materials are provided. Training will begin at 9 a.m. January 7 through January 11. Volunteers will then have two weeks off to work on the required test. The training will then finish up on January 29 and 30.

The training will be held at the Hermiston City Library in Hermiston. Mileage reimbursement is available. A volunteer residing in the Willow Creek valley would need to be available to assist tax payers for 10 Fridays, beginning February 8, 2008 and ending April 11, 2008. Volunteers to act as a greeter or to assist the taxpayer in the preparation of their Intake Sheet are also needed.

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer or have any questions regarding the program, can contact Leann Rea at (541)481-5922.

Happy 80th Rocky Proctor!



Please join family and friends at Rocky's 80th Birthday on Saturday, Dec. 22 during an open house celebration from 1-4 p.m. at Umatilla Sage Riders Clubhouse (no gifts)
Cake and Coffee will be served
For more information, contact Theresa Proctor-Reece at (541) 481-6223 or e-mail: reece@machmedia.net