

The Official Newspaper  
of the City of Heppner and the County of Morrow

**Heppner**  
**GAZETTE-TIMES**

U.S.P.S. 240-420

Morrow County's Home-Owned Weekly Newspaper  
Published weekly and entered as periodical matter at the Post Office at Heppner, Oregon under the Act of March 3, 1879. Periodical postage paid at Heppner, Oregon. Office at 188 W. Willow Street. Telephone (541) 676-9228. Fax (541) 676-9211. E-mail: editor@rapidservice.net or david@rapidservice.net. Web site: www.heppner.net. Postmaster send address changes to the Heppner Gazette-Times, P.O. Box 337, Heppner, Oregon 97836. Subscriptions: \$27 in Morrow County; \$21 senior rate (in Morrow County only; 62 years or older); \$33 elsewhere; \$27 student subscriptions.  
David Sykes ..... Publisher  
Autumn Morgan ..... Editor

All News and Advertising Deadline is Monday at 5 p.m.  
For Advertising: advertising deadline is Monday at 5 p.m. Cost for a display ad is \$4.90 per column inch. Cost for classified ad is 50¢ per word. Cost for Card of Thanks is \$10 up to 100 words. Cost for a classified display ad is \$5.50 per column inch.  
For Public/Legal Notices: public/legal notices deadline is Monday at 5 p.m. Dates for publication must be specified. Affidavits must be required at the time of submission. Affidavits require three weeks to process after last date of publication (a sooner return date must be specified if required).  
For Obituaries: Obituaries are published in the Heppner GT at no charge and are edited to meet news guidelines. Families wishing to include information not included in the guidelines or who wish to have the obituary written in a certain way must purchase advertising space for the obituary.  
For Letters to the Editor: Letters to the Editor MUST be signed by the author. The Heppner GT will not publish unsigned letters. All letters MUST include the author's address and phone number for use by the GT office. The GT reserves the right to edit letters. 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.

On the HEPPNER WEBSITE: [www.heppner.net](http://www.heppner.net)

- Start or Change a Subscription
- Place a Classified Ad • Submit a News Story
- View Real Estate for Sale • City Council & Planning Minutes
- Local Businesses • County Park • Willow Creek Park Reservations
- Free Digital Postcards • Senior Housing • and more!

## Big Cluck Grill-Off to be held at MC Fair

The Oregon Fryer Commission's Big Cluck Grill-Off will be held this year on Thursday, August 14, at the Morrow County Fair.

Amateur backyard grill masters please apply. The top placing contestant will advance to compete in the Grand Champion Big Cluck Grill-Off Competition during the Oregon State Fair on Saturday, August 23.

Anyone interested in participating can enter on the Oregon Fryer Commission's website at [www.oregonchickens.com](http://www.oregonchickens.com) or fax an entry form to 503-537-6224.

Prizes include: 1<sup>st</sup> place, Traeger Lil Tex Wood Pellet Grill and ribbon; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, Traeger Junior Wood Pellet Grill and ribbon; 3<sup>rd</sup> place, grill accessory set and ribbon.

## Horses found at Morrow County fairgrounds not abandoned



Pictured are four of the nine horses that were thought to be abandoned at the Morrow County Fairgrounds last week. The owner was tracked down after a brand inspector was called in. The horses had been left in the corrals while the owner picked up a different truck to transport them in.

-Photo by Autumn Morgan

## Justice Court

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

- Paul L. Sumner, 61, Heppner, violation of the basic rule by going 80 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$185 fine.
- Angela Marie Ashbeck, 38, Benton City, WA, violation of the basic rule by going 74 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$148 fine.
- Cody A. Hollis, 19, Heppner, violation of the basic rule by going 90 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$429 fine.
- Jenna Marie Westfall, 22, Portland, violation of the basic rule by going 72 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$113 fine.
- Bridget K. Waite, 30, Heppner, violation of the basic rule by going 75 mph in a 55 mph zone, \$113 fine.
- Tony Ray Allen, 49, Portland, giving false information to a police officer, \$745 fine. Allen was also cited for no angling license, \$76 fine.

## THANK YOU FOR IONE'S 2008 CELEBRATION

Thank you to our wonderful community of Ione for coming together and for putting on a spectacular Independence Day Celebration. Thank you to the volunteers; financial supporters; fishing trip providers; Morrow County Recreation District; committee chairs; the press; our local businesses; the vendors and suppliers; the musicians and sound crew; the fire department; volleyball team; rodeo court; the speech and debate team; Joe and Jeri's frog jumping; the Topic Club; the parade; the City of Ione; the Sheriff's Office; the swimming pool; car show; St. William's Church; Ione Booster Club; American Legion; the golf and poker tournaments; the talent show; TV shoot; the spectators; our Grand Marshals - the original WWII returnees that began our fireworks 60 years ago; and the countless behind-the-scenes helpers that bring everything together. Our celebration is a success because of the hard work, support and commitment of everyone involved. WE THANK ALL OF YOU and look forward to 2009. Hope to see all of you in Ione!

Sincerely,  
Ed Rollins, ICABO President  
Betty Gray, Vice President  
Karen Padberg, Secretary  
Stacie Miller, Treasurer

## Obituaries

### Rodney Allan Crawford Jr.

Rodney Allan Crawford Jr. passed away on Thursday, July 10, 2008 at his home in Portland.



A funeral service was held today, Wednesday, July 16, 2008 at Finley-Sunset Hills. A reception followed.

Remembrances can be made to Redeemer Lutheran Church in Portland.

### Rebecca Sue Harshman

Rebecca Sue Harshman was born September 2, 1958 in Heppner to parents, George F. and Virginia Rae (Barton) Stillman. She died Wednesday, July 9, 2008 at her home in Hermiston at the age of 49.



Rebecca Sue Harshman

Rebecca was raised and graduated from high school in Heppner. She had lived in several towns across the northwest moving to Echo in 1989 and finally to Hermiston. She worked as a floral designer in Pendleton and Salem where she managed the floral department at Safeway. Rebecca loved her cats, and her family and friends.

She is survived by: her two sons, Tyson Harshman of Hermiston and Jeremiah Lee Hart of Kennewick, WA; mother, Virginia Stillman of Heppner; two brothers, Beryl Stillman of Lexington and Randy Stillman of Portland; and 5 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father, George Stillman and a brother, Rory Stillman.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 19, 2008 at 11 a.m. at Burns Mortuary Chapel in Hermiston. A potluck gathering, bring your favorite dish, will follow at the Agape House, in the Altrusa Room, 500 Harper Road, Hermiston, OR 97838. Disposition was by cremation. Memorial contribu-

tions may be made to Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, P.O. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838 to help with expenses.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon is in care of arrangements.

### Gladys L. Stone

Gladys L. Stone, 94, a former Wasco resident died Monday, February 18, 2008 at Deanna's Adult Foster Home.

She was born January 28, 1914 in Portland the daughter of Charles and Lulu Dillabough Wicklander. She started school in the Russellville area of Portland. Her grandfather, Charles Dillabough, who was one of the first settlers in Boardman, gave his two homesteads there to his son and daughter, who was Gladys's mother. The families moved to Boardman in 1922.

In 1930 Gladys and her brother Carl, graduated from Boardman High School. The family then moved to La Grande so both of them could attend college without leaving home. Gladys pursued a business education. Her first job was private secretary to Oregon Governor Walter M. Pierce and his wife.

In addition to residing in Boardman, she also resided in Wasco, The Dalles and Irrigon. While living in Wasco she worked for the city.

Mrs. Stone was a pianist and loved music and dancing. She also enjoyed deer hunting with her father, swimming and playing golf. She spent her adult life working as a legal secretary and as a part time model.

She is survived by her sister Alice Tatone of Roseburg, and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by: her two husbands, Dick Chambers and Raymond Stone; brothers, Carl Wicklander and Hector Wicklander; sisters, Gloria Wicklander and Ellabelle Mullica.

A graveside memorial service for Mrs. Stone will be held 1 p.m. Saturday, July 19, at the Sunrise Cemetery in Wasco. A celebration of life will follow at 2:30 p.m. at the Eagles Lodge in The Dalles.

Memorial contributions may be made to the donor's favorite charity.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements

## Matlack to speak at Chamber lunch meeting

The speaker for this week's Chamber Lunch Meeting will be Sheriff Ken Matlack. He will give an update on the BENT Program/Drug Task Force. The meeting will be held at John's Other Place at 12 p.m. The cost for lunch will be \$9.



- High Quality 13 Oz. Glossy Vinyl Banner Material
- All Vinyl Banners Are Waterproof
- Double Hems On All Four Sides
- Ready-To-Hang Grommets Placed
- Premium Digital Printing

Heppner Gazette-Times  
188 West Willow • 676-9228

## Household hazardous waste collection scheduled for Morrow County

Residents of Morrow County may dispose of a wide variety of their household hazardous waste items free of charge at a collection event scheduled for Saturday, September 20, at the Morrow County Road Department parking lot on 365 W. Hwy 74, in Lexington from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and again on Sunday, September 21, at North End Transfer Station, 69900 Frontage Lane in Boardman from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Morrow County is holding the event in conjunction with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). DEQ funds the event through landfill disposal fees.

Common items to be collected include aerosol cans, antifreeze, engine cleaners, fluorescent tubes, herbicides, household batteries, mercury products, motor oil, paints, pesticides, solvents, thermometers, weed killers and wood preservatives. These items should be kept in their original containers if possible. Persons should not bring waste items such as explosives or products that contain radioactive waste, such as smoke detectors.

All collected materials will be handled by a state hazardous waste contractor. The materials will be screened for usable products such as latex paint, and will be made available to local residents for reuse. Remaining materials will be taken to a permitted hazardous waste facility. After final processing, these materials will be sent to reuse, recycling, energy recovery and incineration facilities. More than 60 percent of the collected materials are burned for energy recovery or recycled. Most of the remaining materials are either incinerated or placed in the hazardous waste landfill in Arlington.

According to national estimates, each home contains three to eight gallons of hazardous materials. Each year the average U.S. family throws out 15 pounds of these toxic products. In addition, family members are at risk around this hazardous waste. When mishandled or disposed of improperly, these products can cause lung irritation, burns, blindness, even death. Children and pets are extremely vulnerable. Disposing of toxic substances in yards or landfills can leach into soil, polluting groundwater and streams, harming wildlife and contaminating drinking water.

For more information about the event, contact: Morrow County Public Works, (541) 989-9500; DEQ Bruce Lumper, (541) 298-7255 ext.40; or visit DEQ's web site at [www.deq.state.or.us](http://www.deq.state.or.us) and turn to the household hazardous waste web page at [www.deq.state.or.us/wmc/solwaste/hhw.htm](http://www.deq.state.or.us/wmc/solwaste/hhw.htm).

## BEO Bancorp YTD Earnings up 16.3%

Bank of Eastern Oregon and its parent company, BEO Bancorp, reports earnings year to date of \$1,208,000 through June 30, 2008. This is a 16.3% increase over YTD 2007 earnings of \$1,039,000. These positive results come because of continued loan growth, up 25.4% year over year for total loans of \$164,747,000, and despite reserving \$340,000 for loan losses during the first half of the year. Earnings for the second quarter of 2008 were down slightly at 2.1% because of this strong reserve stance.

Total assets grew 11.6% to \$219,098,000 and total deposits increased 3.3% to \$174,413,000, compared to 6/30/07 totals.

"We are pleased to again report a year-to-date increase in earnings despite a challenging banking landscape," said President and CEO, E. George Koffler. "The Board of Directors is taking a positive and pro-active approach to building loan loss reserves during this time of strong earnings, but economic times test the quality and strength of our loan portfolio," Koffler concluded.

For further information on the Company or to access internet banking, please visit our website at <http://www.beobank.com>.

## Mock pediatric trauma to be held

Morrow County Undersheriff Steve Myren and Phillip Engle at the state EMS office, who interact regularly with the Oregon Trauma System, have collaborated with pediatric trauma specialists and have developed a training to be held on Sunday, July 27, beginning at 11 a.m. in Heppner. The mock pediatric trauma will be initiated at the Morrow County Fairgrounds with EMS and then transported to Pioneer Memorial Hospital Emergency Room.

The morning of Sunday, July 27, two pediatric trauma specialists from OHSU, Drs. Garth Meckler and David Spiro, will travel to Heppner. They will be bringing their "great new wireless child manikin," as well as an infant manikin with the same capabilities. They are proposing that EMS respond to a scene of an ATV accident where the manikin will be programmed. EMS will assess, extricate, and transport the manikin to Pioneer Memorial. Upon arrival at PMH, the nursing staff and Dr. Berretta will proceed as if it were a real case.

They stress that they are not trying to trick anyone with the scenario, but are hoping to pay attention to how the staff communicate with one another and run through a basic primary and secondary survey, make any interventions or do any testing that they would normally do, and then arrange for a trauma transfer to OHSU. Dr. Meckler will prepare their communication center for a mock call.

With this manikin, medical staff can place IVs, run fluids, put in an IO, and get all vital signs, and cues from the manikin. Any lab tests or imaging would be asked for and some radiographs and numbers will be returned.

OHSU has been doing simulations for a couple of years now for their nurses at OHSU and doing mock codes with the residents, nurses and EMTs focused on clear communication and teamwork. After the simulation, there will be a hands-on demo of the equipment and a discussion about how the case went.