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St. Patrick's CCD students enjoy hotdog roast



CCD students from St. Patrick's Catholic Church recently enjoyed a hotdog roast at the home of Dick and Sharon Jones. -Contributed Photo

The CCD students, pre-k through sixth grade, along with their families, met at the home of Dick and Sharon Jones during October for a hotdog roast.

The children enjoyed the vast acreage to run, play and hide. Father Condon even rode the Gator with Hannah Jones being his chauffeur. Mr. Jones had a huge fire built with a little rock wall around the edges.

Everyone enjoyed salads, beans, and especially, the s'mores. For some of the children, it was their first time to have the tasty treat.

As the sun was setting, Joe Lindsay and his guitar led the singing with some campfire and church songs.

It was decided that the Hotdog Roast should be an annual event.

Bradbury completes U.S. Navy basic training

Navy Seaman Recruit Joseph S. Bradbury, son of Victoria L. and stepson of Donald W. Tarpley of Irrigon recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, IL.

During the eight-week program, Bradbury completed a variety of training which included classroom study and practical instruction on naval customs, first aid, firefighting,

water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness.

The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations". This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet.

Bradbury is a 2009 graduate of Irrigon High School.

Community Christmas Musical to be held

A Community Christmas Musical "Christmas Is" will be held December 6-7 at 7 p.m. at Heppner United Methodist Church.

Twenty citizens, including high school and elementary school chorus members, are involved in the program.

Seating for the mu-

sical is limited. Tickets are on sale at Murray's Drug, Sweet Productions, and Country Shears. Ticket prices are \$25 for a family, \$10 for adults, and \$5 for children.

Pie and cheesecake will be served after the performances.

A.M. "Bebe" Munkers

A. M. "Bebe" Munkers, 85, of Heppner died Saturday, October 31, 2009,

at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. A graveside service for Mrs. Munkers was held at 2 p.m. Saturday, November 7, 2009, at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

She was born June 17, 1924 in Willows, the daughter of Maurice and Rosetta Deos Sharrard. She was the seventh of eight children. She attended Arlington High School and graduated in 1942. She married Riley Munkers in Goldendale, WA on September 8, 1945. The couple raised two sons, Donald and Gary.

Mrs. Munkers was very active in her community. She was a member of the Heppner Garden Club, American Legion Auxiliary, board member of the Morrow County Art Society, Neighborhood Center South Morrow County, Morrow County Fair Superintendent, and she served on the Morrow County Election Committee for many years. Early in her son's lives she was a Cub Scout Leader and also coached Little League Baseball.

Bebe loved roses and had some of the most beautiful in Heppner. She became a life member in the Garden Club. During her many years of membership she tied thousands of bows for the Christmas Wreath fundraiser and other community activities.

She had a wonderful talent for painting, cooking, canning and flower arranging. Over the years Bebe won many ribbons at Morrow County fairs. Over the years she was employed by the Morrow County School District and Murray's Drugs. She loved to socialize while bowling or playing golf. She also loved to play cards and dominoes.

Mrs. Munkers is survived by: sons, Don Munkers and his wife Sheila of Burns and Gary Munkers and his wife Martha of Lexington; brother Gene Sharrard of Vancouver, WA;

and sisters, Blanche Simms of Boise, ID and Billie Walker of Los Olivos, CA; grandchildren, Jon Munkers, Holly Munkers Rehder, Gary Dean Munkers, Shane Munkers and Ryan Munkers; great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Andrew, Dylan, Derek, Trevor, Cade, Garrett, Ashton, and Lucy; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by: her husband Riley Munkers; brothers, Francis, Stan and Haskell Sharrard; and a sister, Velma Wilkens.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pioneer Memorial Hospital, PO Box 9, Heppner, Oregon 97836 or to the Neighborhood Center South Morrow County, PO Box 895, Heppner, Oregon 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Eugene F. "Gene" Majeske

Eugene F. "Gene" Majeske, 87, of Lexington died Tuesday, November 3, 2009, at his home surrounded by his family. A funeral service for Mr. Majeske was held at 11 a.m. Monday, October 9, 2009 at Hope Lutheran Church in Heppner. Concluding service with military honors followed at the Lexington Cemetery in Lexington.

He was born July 12, 1922 on the family ranch outside of Lexington, the son of Adolf and Frieda Kurth Majeske. He attended school in Lexington where he graduated from high school in 1941.

On July 22, 1944 he married Alice Marshall on the Majeske family ranch. He joined the United States Army on September 20, 1944 and served as a medic until his honorable discharge on July 7, 1946. After returning from World War II he and his wife made their home on the family ranch where he worked for most of his life and continued to live until his death.

He served on the Morrow County Grain Growers board and the Morrow County School

District Board both for 18 years. He was a member of the Oregon Wheat Growers League and was awarded Soil Conservation "Man of the Year" in 1977. He was also a lifetime member of Hope Lutheran Church in Heppner, of which he helped build as well as helping to build Trinity Lutheran Church in Hermiston. Mr. Majeske enjoyed hunting, telling stories, working in the shop and most of all being with his family.

He is survived by: daughters, Deb Ropp and her husband Vilas of Lexington, and Ginger O'Brien of Heppner; daughter in law, Shirley Majeske of St. Helens; sister, Audrey Mounds of Gresham; seven grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by: his wife of 50 years Alice Majeske; son, Don Majeske; sister Pat Wright; and nephew Chris Wright.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pioneer Memorial Hospice, PO Box 9, Heppner, Oregon 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Heather Hughes Walker

Heather Hughes Walker, 31, of Pendleton died Sunday, October 25, 2009. A service was held at Heppner Masonic Cemetery at 1 p.m. on Thursday, October 29, 2009.

Heather was born October 4, 1978, to Terry and Donna (Kelsay) Hughes in Heppner. She attended elementary school in Heppner and graduated from Prairie City High School in 1996, then attended Blue Mountain Community College in 1997. In 1997 she married James Walker and lived in Hawaii until 1999. They later divorced.

Heather worked as a caregiver for the elderly, managed Bare Bones in John Day and Pendleton, and worked for D & B Supply in Pendleton.

She enjoyed photography, the outdoors, horseback riding, cooking, and baking for all to enjoy, and spending time with friends and family. She was known for her kind heart and quick wit.

Survivors include: her parents, Terry Hughes of La Grande and Donna Hughes of Pilot Rock; brothers, Austin of Pilot Rock and Travis and wife Angie of Mountain Home, ID; and numerous family and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to Blue Mt. Nursing Home of Prairie City or Humane Society of choice.

Walter Blaine May Sr.

Walter Blaine May Sr. died on Sunday, November 8, 2009, at the Kadlec Medical Center in Richland, Washington at the age of 86 years.

He was born on March 25th 1923 near Ontario to parents, Blaine and Effie Stone May.

He was a longtime resident of Grant County, living in Prairie City and Bates. The past 15 years he had lived in Heppner. He worked for the Edward Hines Lumber Co. for over 30 years as a diesel mechanic. His hobbies included: hunting, gardening, carpentry, and wood crafts. On November 25, 1943, he married Jewell Benintendi.

He was preceded in death by: his wife, Jewell May in 2005; three sisters, Grace, Iva, and Edna; and two brothers Melvin and Mark.

He is survived by: sons, Walter May Jr., of Hermiston, James May of John Day, and Rick May of Irrigon; daughter, Susan Rees of Sacramento, CA; brothers, Clarence and Jess; three sisters, Evelyn, Vera, and Esther; nine grandchildren; and 20 great-grandchildren.

A viewing will be held on Thursday and Friday, November 12 and 13, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Burns Mortuary in Hermiston.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, November 14, 2009 at 11 a.m. at the Christian Life Center in Heppner.

A private burial will be held at the Canyon City Cemetery in Canyon City.

Memorials may be made to the Christian Life Center in Heppner.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in charge of arrangements.

Campbell completes U.S. Navy basic training

Navy Seaman Recruit Dalton H. Campbell, son of Deb L. and Kelly R. Campbell of Ione, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, Great Lakes, IL.

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toms, first aid, firefighting, water safety and survival, and shipboard and aircraft safety. An emphasis was also placed on physical fitness. The capstone event of boot camp is "Battle Stations." This exercise gives recruits the skills and confidence they need to succeed in the fleet.

Campbell is a 2008 graduate of Ione High School of Ione.

Reeves graduates from basic military training

Air Force Airman Beth A. Reeves graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, TX.

The airman completed an intensive, eight-week program that included training in military discipline and studies, Air Force core values, physical fitness, and

basic warfare principles and skills.

Airmen who complete basic training earn four credits toward an associate in applied science degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Reeves, a 2009 graduate of Irrigon High School, is the daughter of Jan Matheny of Irrigon.



Beth A. Reeves

Weekly chamber lunch meeting canceled

This week's chamber lunch meeting has been canceled to accommodate the community participating in the Veteran's Day assembly being held at Heppner High School at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 12.

The chamber lunch guest speaker on Thursday, November 19, will be Carrie Atiyeh from Zeachem Biomass. Heppner Family Foods will be the caterer.

ICABO to meet

ICABO will meet on November 12 at 7:30 a.m. at the Ione Market.

Heppner Head Start students tour M.C. Ag Museum



On October 22, Heppner Head Start students visited the Morrow County Agriculture Museum. They were given a guided tour by Cliff Green. -Contributed Photo

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