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Obituaries

Loren Anselm Dillon

Loren Anselm Dillon, our loving husband, father and grandfather, passed away Monday, December 21, 2009 of congestive heart failure. He was 88 years old. In his final moments, Loren was surrounded by his adoring family. Loren passed at his daughter Althea's home in Boise, ID, where he and his wife moved in 2008.

Loren was born May 20, 1921 in Buffalo, NY, the oldest of four children to Daniel and Mary (Walsh) Dillon. When Loren was three years old, the family moved to Revere, MA, where he graduated high school in 1939.

Loren entered the U.S. Navy January 1942 serving in the USN Armed Guard as a gunner's mate until December 1945. He was very proud of his service to his country, which took him across the globe, often in hostile waters, including Italy, Egypt, India

and the Mediterranean. After his honorable discharge, he worked for two years on the back of a tar truck, which made him realize the benefits of higher education. So, courtesy of the G.I. Bill, he attended the University of New Hampshire. It was there he met his future wife, Catherine Irish. He graduated in 1951 and went to work for the Department of Health and Welfare in Dover, NH, as a social worker. He and Catherine were married January 3, 1953 in Wolfeboro, NH.

In 1956, he began working for the Bureau of Indian Affairs as agency social worker. This job took the family to New Town, ND, Browning, MT, Poplar, MT, and finally in 1965 to the Northern Idaho Indian Agency in Lapwai, ID, near Lewiston. He took a leave of absence from 1961-1963 to earn his masters of social work from the University of

Nebraska at Lincoln. Loren retired in 1983. Retirement activities included refinishing furniture for his family, golf, volunteer work for St. Joseph Regional Medical Center Family Hospice, reading and frequent trips with Catherine, especially to their native New England.

He was a lifelong member of the Catholic Church, attending St. James Parish in Lewiston from its inception in 1970 to 2008, when he relocated to Boise for health reasons.

Loren was preceded in death by his brother Malcolm, infant daughter Mary, and nephew Daniel Dillon.

Survivors include: his wife of 57 years, Catherine; children Dennis and Althea all of Boise, Nancy Thorson (Cliff Smith), of Tekoa, WA, Lora Vance (Randy) of Winnemucca,

and Roberta Lutchter (Larry) of Heppner; surviving grandchildren are Matt Thorson, Kevin, Eric and Melanie Vance, Dillon and William Lutchter and Catherine and Loren "Mick" Dillon; great-grandchildren include Lucas, Malcolm and Ava Thorson; a brother, Daniel (MaryAnn) of Revere, MA and sister, Althea Lundberg (John) of Middleton, MA; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

An Irish wake was held in the Boise area on Sunday, December 27, at Accent Funeral Home in Meridian, ID.

In Lewiston, vigil service will be on Friday, January 1, 2010, at 4 p.m. at St. James Catholic Church. Memorial Mass will be on Saturday, January 2 also at St. James Church at 11 a.m. Contributions in lieu of flowers may be sent to St. James Church, 1519 Ripon Ave., Lewiston, ID 83501. Condolences may be made to the family online at www.accentfuneral.com.



Loren Anselm Dillon

Heppner Garden Club to meet

The Heppner Garden Club will be meeting on Monday, January 4, 2010 at the Senior Center. Due to the weather, a no-host brown bag lunch will be held at noon.

The program will be presented by Matt Holland, the scholarship recipient, who will share

about his first semester in college.

Members are encouraged to bring food items that will be given to the Neighborhood Center.

The meeting will be discussing the final plans for decorating for Town & Country's annual event.

Awana Program changing meeting day starting Jan. 7

The Awana Program will be moving back to meeting on Thursdays, rather than Wednesday, starting on Thursday, January 7. Meetings will be held at Willow Creek Baptist Church from 6:30-8 p.m.

If transportation is required, contact Dale Bates at 676-5773.

Annual Elks Hoop Shoot to be held

The annual Elks Hoop Shoot will be held on Saturday, January 9, at 1 p.m. in the Heppner High School gymnasium. Colt signups will also be held at this time.

The hoop shoot is free for boys and girls ages 8-13.

For more information contact Corey Sweeney at 676-5530.

New Year's Eve Bingo to be held

On New Year's Eve, the Lexington IOOF and Rebekah's will be hosting Bingo.

The calling of numbers will begin at 7 p.m. The charge is 25 cents per card. There will be no Bingo in the afternoon but will resume on January 7

at 2 p.m. Participants are asked to bring snacks and soft drinks.

Due to the holiday weekend, the monthly pinochle card party will be held on January 9 starting at 7 p.m.

Both of these events are open to the public.

Morrow County Court weekly meeting held

The Morrow County Court met on December 23 in Heppner with Judge Tallman, Commissioner Grieb, and Commissioner Rea in attendance. Following is a summary of the meeting provided by Leann Rea.

The court reviewed and approved the minutes of December 9 and December 16.

The court reviewed and approved accounts payable and payrolls in the amount of \$69,791.83.

Sheriff's Department

Pre-authorizations for four new patrol rifles was reviewed and approved. A pre-authorization for a 2010 Ford F-150 for use at the OHV Park was reviewed and approved. The traffic problems on Tower Road were discussed.

Planning Department

The reading and adoption of the following amendments were reviewed and approved: Ordinance adopting amendments regarding section 4.130 hardship dwellings; ordinance adopting amendments to the zoning ordinance Article 2 Establishment of Zones; and an ordinance amending the comprehensive plan

and map to include a locally significant aggregate resource site.

Assessor

The information regarding properties that have been taken by the county for non-payment of property taxes was reviewed and minimum bids were set of the properties. There are three lots in Irrigon (and three more from last year), one lot in Heppner and one lot with a cabin at Blake Ranch that will be advertised for sheriff's sale.

Needs and Issues

The following extension requests were reviewed and approved: Stokes Landing, building and garage upgrades in the amount of \$10,014.06; Town of Lexington, generator for well and park fencing in the amount of \$22,017.15; Boardman Cemetery District, fencing project in the amount of \$5,000; and Riverside Booster Club for a concession project in the amount of \$40,000.

The court conducted the following business: Bob Jepsen addressed the court regarding the history of and the importance of the county road system. Named Commissioner Rea and Assessor Greg Sweek to the Columbia River Enterprise Zone Board; the amendments to the county policy manual were reviewed and approved; the invoice for National Association of Counties was reviewed and approved for payment; miscellaneous correspondences and upcoming meeting notices were reviewed.

Any one wishing to be placed on the list to receive county minutes, please contact Karen Wolff at (541)676-5620.

Senior Center Menu

Hope/Valby/All Saints members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, January 6. The menu will include baked ham with raisin sauce, scalloped potatoes, applesauce, hot bread, chocolate/peanut butter parfait.

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Chamber to hold annual luncheon

Heppner Chamber of Commerce will hold their annual luncheon on Thursday, January 7, at All Saints Episcopal Church beginning at 11:30 a.m.

Dino's Delectable Catering Services will provide lunch. The cost is \$10 per person.

Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP to the Chamber of Commerce no later than Tuesday, January 5.

Boyer graduates from Linfield College

Tyler Boyer graduated on December 20 from Linfield College with a bachelor's in science degree in psychology. During his time at college he was a part of the Linfield Wildcat football team for three years.

A 2005 graduate of Heppner High School, he is the son of John and Kelly Boyer of Heppner.

New Year's Eve Party
Non-Alcoholic
7 pm 'til New Year
Games, Movies, Refreshments
Bring the whole family!
Heppner SDA Church
560 Minor St.
Any questions call 676-5036

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