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Zachry brightens classroom with flowers



Every Sunday Mary Ann Elguezabal gets a call from Dave Zachry. He says, "Your flowers are ready, you can pick them up whenever you drive by." The flowers not only brighten her classroom but the children have expanded their knowledge of flowers. They know the parts of a flower and also the names of every flower in Zachry's yard plus the flowers he gives the classroom during the winter. Over the year that is in excess of 25 different kinds of flowers. On Thursdays, the children get to take the flowers home or take them to their homeroom teacher. The students, our visitors, and the teachers appreciate his extra touch of education. This quote from Arthur Cleveland Cox, "Flowers are words which even a babe may understand," rings true for the children who love having flowers in their classroom. Pictured are: (back row) Johnny Resch, Brian Lindsay, Parker Angel, and Wyatt Wilhelm, (middle row) Zabrana Masterson, Dave Zachry, Ireland Martin, and Harley Anderson, and (front row) Bryan Collins Zander Fisher, and Logan Waddell. -Contributed Photo

Hayes, Sykes announce engagement



Allison Sykes and Matthew Hayes

Matthew Hayes and Allison Sykes, both of Eugene, OR, have announced their engagement to be married.

Allison is the daughter of David and April Sykes of Heppner. She was a 2000 graduate of Heppner High School. She received her B.A. in art from the University of Oregon in 2005. She is currently a second year graphic design student at Lane Community College in Eugene.

Matthew is the son of Ronald and Elisabeth Hayes of Seattle, WA. He graduated from Granite Bay High School in Granite Bay, CA in 2002. He received his B.A. in religious studies from the University of Oregon in 2006. He is currently working toward his master's degree in Asian studies at the University of Oregon and continuing his studies in Japanese language.

The couple met while studying at the university in 2002.

The couple is planning a September 4, 2010, wedding at the Leach Gardens in Portland.

Irrigon City Council seeking to fill vacancies

Mayor Pro-Tem, Arnold Theisen and the City of Irrigon have announced that there are two vacancies on the city council. Anyone interested in serving on city council can submit letters of interest and a brief description of their qualifications.

Anyone 18 years or older, who has lived within the City of Irrigon for the last 12 consecutive months, is eligible to serve on city council.

The daughters and their families of Mary Jepsen Holtz.....would like to extend a very gracious thank you for making a Memorable service for our Mom...Sister....Grandmother... and Friend.

We would like to thank Sweeney Mortuary for their help and support in putting everything together, making us feel at peace, and the viewing of our Mom.

Bob Jepsen for officiating the graveside service and Eric Jepsen for playing his violin as his music warmed our hearts and made Mary smile!! Thank you.

A big thank you to the Country Rose Flower Shop for the wonderful flowers and Mary's favorite roses. The flowers looked so beautiful. Thank you to everyone that gave flowers and plants in remembrance of Mary. She went out in class, as she deserved.

The weather was beautiful. Mary's friends and family were enjoying the great memories that were shared. An airplane flew overhead as we were leaving. She smiled. She wanted to be someplace so she could watch and hear the airplanes.

The Lexington Community Church with Debbie Scott supplying her time and the refreshment for everyone to enjoy and to remember Mary.

The Nelson and Eveland families extend a special thank you for attending and making this day special for Mom!

Annual Ione 4th of July celebration to be held

The annual Ione 4th of July celebration "Red, White & Blues Cruisin' to the Blues" will be held Friday, July 2, through Sunday, July 4.

The celebration will include many activities including: costumer appreciation barbecue, pulled pork meal, and Texas Hold 'Em Tournament on Friday; art show, golf tournament,

talent show, and concert on Saturday; and fireman's breakfast, 5K walk/run, book club sale, art show, church service, games, pie sale, parade, car show, concerts, auction, and fireworks display on Sunday.

A full schedule will run in next week's edition of the Heppner Gazette-Times.

City of Boardman places bounty on noxious weed

City councilors gave the green light Tuesday night to spend \$300 on a program aimed at controlling Puncturevine. The city ran the program for the first time last August and it was a huge success with citizens collecting over 2,600 pounds of the Puncturevine. This year the city wanted to start the program earlier in hopes of collecting the weed while they're small, preventing them from producing seed pods.

If you have ever stepped on a Puncturevine seed, you know what a pain the plant can be. Each spiny bur or seed pod from the Puncturevine (Tribulus terrestris), also known as a "Goathead", contains 20 seeds equipped with long sharp spines capable of puncturing a bike tire or a shoe. It takes only three weeks for this weed to sprout and make seeds.

To make things worse, the seeds are some of the hardest in nature; they may lay in the ground dormant for up to 20 years until just the right conditions come along for them to grow. Any es-

tablished Puncturevine will continue to grow and spread until frost comes along - unless you stop it.

The city plans to enlist the aid of its citizens to control the spread of Puncturevine by offering to pay for collection of the weed throughout the months of July and August.

The Puncturevine and their seed pods need to be collected in bags provided by the city and returned to City Hall to receive \$3 per bag in July and \$1 per bag in August, or until the entire \$300 has been paid out.

The city's Code Compliance Official, John Russell, said "this is a great opportunity for local youth to raise money for their organizations and to do something good for their community". Areas of the most concern are the city's bike/pedestrian paths, and residential areas. Bags can be picked up at Boardman City Hall anytime from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For more information on the program, contact Boardman City Hall at 481-9252.

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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.

Looking forward to returning to visit friendly Heppner

To the Editor:

Three of us from McMinnville had the pleasure of visiting your community during Heppner Days. We enjoyed all three days of our visit - an impressive weekend.

We started out Friday at 9 a.m. for the merchant sidewalk sales followed by free strawberry shortcake at Sweet Productions. From the "Welly" Toss to the small dog races, the hamburger and hot dog barbecue provided by the Bank of Eastern Oregon and with excellent entertainment by Brady Goss provided opportunity to meet "locals." Even the weather cooperated. On our own we visited the museum, walked through the cemetery and enjoyed the "garage sales."

We continued to be impressed with our visit when we saw the evening historic drama dispersed with humor and history. The dessert served was out of grandma's cook book.

We recognized the enormous amount of planning generated by many to present the friendly and energetic face of their town. We look forward to a return visit to friendly Heppner.

Jean Opheim
Joyce Butler
Sally Sektan Wilmot
McMinnville

Pioneer Memorial Physical Therapy to hold open house

Since the end of last July, a new but familiar face has taken over at Pioneer Memorial Physical Therapy. Shelley (Rietmann) McCabe, DPT, a graduate of Heppner High School, recently graduated from Pacific University with a Doctor of Physical Therapy. She has returned to Heppner as the clinic director and head therapist at Pioneer Memorial Physical Therapy. She has enjoyed the opportunity to provide therapy services five days a week in the outpatient, hospital, and home health settings.

Shelley and her office assistant Jesse (Kempas) Cribbs, also of Heppner, invite the community to an open house on Friday, June 25. It will take place at Pioneer Memorial Physical Therapy at 130 NE Thompson Drive in Heppner from 2-5 p.m. There will be free educational material, refreshments, and door prizes. Everyone is encouraged to come and see what physical therapy is all about and learn about the opportunities available for you in Heppner.

Summer reading program planned at Ione Public Library

Ione Public Library has reading programs planned for elementary and middle school students this summer.

On Fridays, July 2, July 23, and August 13, the Midsummer Readers, a book club for middle school students, will meet from 10-11:30 a.m. The club will talk about, swap, or check out books, as well as write reviews for amazon.com.

Valby Lutheran to hold VBS

"The Wonders of God's Creation" is the theme for Valby Lutheran Church's Vacation Bible School this July.

An ice cream social will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Sunday, July 18, to kick off VBS and is a benefit for Wanda Jones. VBS will be held from 9-11:30 a.m. on July 19-21, and 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Thursday, July 22, with a picnic at Bull Prairie. All children from age 4 - 5th grade completion are welcome.

For more information contact Lea Mathieu at 541-422-7215.

Ione Pool open for summer season

The Ione Pool is open for the summer season. Pool hours are Monday through Saturday from 2-5 p.m. for Day Swim, 5-7 p.m. for Lap Swim, and 7-9 p.m. for Night Swim. On Sundays the pool is open from 1-4 p.m. for Open Swim.

Swim lessons will be given July 5-9 and July 12-16.

For more information contact Teonna Vanderver at 541-561-7160.

July 4th Decorations
Western flip-flops 20% OFF
DRINK SPECIALS!
Trail Mix Mocha \$3.25
Cranberry Spritzer \$2.25
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Wedding Tables
Jessica Wainright & Patrick Schiller
Saturday, June 19th
Mathew Baker & Julie Proctor
Saturday, June 26th
Jacob Neiffer & Laura Dalling
Saturday, July 3rd

Morrow County Public Works would like to remind everyone
When your loading garbage for the transfer stations to please keep in mind we have a separate WOOD bin and a separate METAL bin. These items do not get put in with your regular household garbage. So please keep the wood and metal separated out for easy dumping. Thank you. North end Transfer Station, 69900 Frontage Lane, Boardman, OR. 97818. South end Transfer Station 57185 Hwy 74, Lexington, OR. 97839. Both hours of operation 9:00 - 4:00 Saturday and Sunday.