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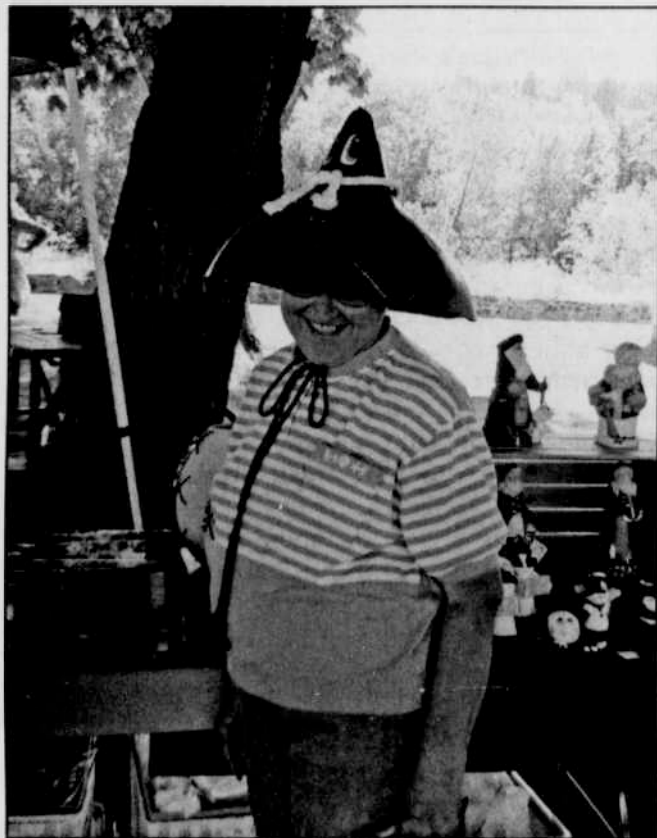
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Farmers market to be at fair



Ginger Keithley isn't out of her gourd; she's just showing off one of the Keithley's original gourd creations in front of their table at the Willow Creek Farmers Market on July 29. The market has drawn several new vendors this year, and now looks forward to appearing at the Morrow County Fair on August 19. -Photo by Andrea Di Salvo

The Willow Creek Farmers Market will abandon its space at the Heppner City Park during the Morrow County Fair. Instead, market vendors will set up shop on the football field at the fairgrounds on Friday, August 19. Fair market hours will be the same as normal, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The market—now in its third year—has more

vendors than ever this season, with more continuing to join, according to farmers market coordinator Margaret Flaherty. On Friday, July 29 the market had an eclectic group of 15 vendors from Heppner, Pilot Rock and Hermiston. Those who haven't had a chance to stop by are encouraged to wander down and check out the local food, art and crafts.

Over the Tee Cup

Low gross of the field on July 26 was held by Pat Edmundson; low net was taken by Burul DeBoer and least putts went to Jan Paustian.

For flight A, Carol Mitchell had low gross and long drive; Loa Heideman had low net and Pat Edmundson had KP.

On flight B, Lorene Montgomery had low gross, Ann Elgin and Lynnea Sargent tied for low

net, Pat Dougherty had least putts, Sarah Rucker had the long drive, and Pat Edmundson had KP.

In flight C, Jackie Allstott held low gross, Betty Carlson had low net, Luvilla Sonstegard had the least putts, Ann Elgin had the long drive and Pat Edmundson had KP.

Jan Paustian had a chip-in on #14 and Betty Carlson had a chip-in on #16.

Buttercreek Boys at Music in the Parks



Buttercreek Boys members (L-R) Win Weston, Curt Claughton, Tom Watkins, Todd Asher and Jim Simpson. Not pictured: Robert Emert. -Contributed photo

The Morrow County Unified Recreation District and Portland General Electric is proud to present The Buttercreek Boys to the Irrigon Marina Park on Monday, August 8 at 7 p.m.

The group, which performs acoustic, old-time music, is led by founder, or "instigator," Curt Claughton. Claughton plays the

bass fiddle and guitar and sings vocals. Win Weston from Irrigon plays lead guitar, Tom Watkins from Hermiston is the group's fiddler, Jim Simpson from Hermiston plays banjo and sings vocals, and Todd Asher performs guitar and vocals and serves as sound man. When Robert Emert from Echo can join in, he plays bass and guitar.

Heppner "H" hi-jinks



Who changed the date on the Heppner "H"? -Contributed photo

By Doris Brosnan

Some confusion and mystery seem to surround the change of the "H" and number on the hillside above the fairgrounds.

One person suggests that leprechaun tricksters made the changes, but another person-on-the-street is certain that the task involved child labor. When some—mostly gray-haired—individuals who were gathered at the fairgrounds on Saturday were asked if they knew how the changes came to be, many

looked stumped (their natural state?) and a few said nothing but seemed unable to suppress a slight smile.

Surely, 68-year-old Heppner High School graduates could not have scaled the steep hillside in the 90-plus degree weather on Friday, so the best guess of anyone who agreed to be quoted for the Gazette-Times is that "Some friends of the Class of '61 must have decided to pay tribute to the students celebrating their 50th reunion!"

ODFW news

Now is the time for archers to begin their annual pre-scouting trips to the woods. August 27 is not far away, so hunters should be spending this month locating the elk and deer herds. Many of the animals found now will be in the same general location come the season opener. High elevations are the place to look. Besides, it's a great time to be in the woods to avoid most of the heat found in the valleys.

If your child didn't draw a tag, they can apply for the Youth First Time Hunt program. Children age 12 to 17 who have never drawn a 100, 200 or 600 series tag are eligible for a guaranteed tag in each series. Apply by September 1 (or earlier if your hunt starts early in the fall).

Willow Creek Reservoir is open for trout,

crappie and bass. Crappie anglers are reminded of the eight-inch minimum length and 25-fish daily bag limit; crappie fishing has been slow. Trout fishing is fair.

Black bear season opens August 1 throughout eastern Oregon. The Heppner bear population is increasing but the population level remains low for the unit. Hunters targeting those areas with good berry production will have the highest chance of seeing a black bear. Black bear in the Heppner unit are predominantly in the northern portion of the forest.

Cougar hunting is also open. Cougar are well distributed in our forested areas. Call with distress calls or cougar vocalizations can be effective when you do not have a cougar kill to work.

Obituaries

Hugh Eric Hiatt

Hugh Eric Hiatt, 46, of Heppner died Sunday, July 17, 2011 at his home.

Hugh was born March 27, 1965 in North Dakota. He joined the National Guard in the early 80s and received multiple honors and awards. Among his accomplishments was a four-minute mile. He received an honorable discharge after nine years.

Hugh was a "Jack of all trades, master of none" who worked mostly as a day laborer for the last 20 years. He lived in Heppner for 31 years. While he never considered Heppner a permanent home, he always said, "It's a good place to be from!"

Hugh used to say he was "never too busy for a good-payin' job or an adventure." He loved to work jobs that paid both in cash and a good meal. He had college-level reading

skills despite his ninth-grade education, and was an amazing horse handler. He had an excellent sense of humor.

Hugh never judged anyone or considered himself better than anyone else, and he would share his last piece of bread with anyone in need. He was a Christian and an animal steward. Most of all, he was a good and loyal caregiver and friend who always made time for those he considered friends. Those who were close to him will look long and hard to find a friend to match him.

Survivors include: sister, Rhonda Looney of Heppner; brothers, Jeff Hiatt and Nick Hiatt of the Pendleton area, and Jordan Hiatt of the Seattle area; and close friend Robert McEwen.

"Vaya con Dios, friend. We'll see you up the trail."

WESTERN ARTIST

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or photographic enhancement. Her art, like her life, reflects her love of horses and the outdoors.

"The majority of my artwork does pertain to the ranching lifestyle; it's what makes me tick," says Smith. "I think it has to do with the values that I admire from a simpler time, but also the integrity that the western characters portrayed. I am an idealist and am happiest this way."

Being an idealist doesn't mean seeing the world through a rose-colored camera lens, though.

"I do think we need a realistic balance in art," she says. "Nature shows us both sides of how life can be. I like to show what I consider beauty but to create, as well, a poignant statement. I share the good rather than the ugly, but I can find beauty in some of the starkest realities."

While Smith works in many media, her current favorite is her digitally-enhanced photography. She says she likes it because it offers a contrast to the more controlled work of oils and acrylics.

"I get a chance to walk on the wild side with the photography, something I can't make myself do with painting," says Smith. "I love to see what the tools in the computer can throw at me. I sometimes let the computer control me in this art form, then it becomes a dance. It leads and I follow, or not."

For Smith, inspiration comes in many forms, but rarely as a lightning bolt.

"I love it when, 'whoosh!' it comes together all at once, but most of the time it's not like that with me. I work, rework, rework and then finish and rework some more."

Because of an admitted gift of gab, Smith says she works best when left alone.

"I can work well anywhere I am not distracted; in my studio, for example, listening to music. My favorite place is in the mountains just listening to nothing but the creek or the wind in the pines."

Smith says there doesn't seem to be enough time in the day for all the art she would like to create. For instance, she would like to delve into sculpture and learn more about mono-printing...and maybe do something even bigger.

"I always wanted to do a car wrap with my photography," she admits.

Smith says she doesn't expect to become financially wealthy, but indicates that there are things that bring more richness than money could...such as family, ranch life and art.

"Artists reflect the affluence of a society, yet they themselves are not and typically have not been affluent. [Artists] are rich in other things that make their lives wealthy. Creativity is important in our world. We thrive because of it. It is a part of our legacy."

Lunch to honor grand marshal

A potluck lunch will be held Saturday, August 20 to honor the grand marshal of this year's fair and rodeo, Roice Fulleton. The lunch will be at the Heppner City Park immediately following the fair and rodeo parade.

Interested parties, friends and relatives are invited to attend, eat and visit with Roice. Those attending are asked to bring either a salad or a dessert,

as well as chairs to sit and visit for the afternoon. The main dish, drinks and table service will be furnished.

Roice says he is looking forward to being in the parade, catching up with friends and family, and visiting with new acquaintances.

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541-676-5504

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