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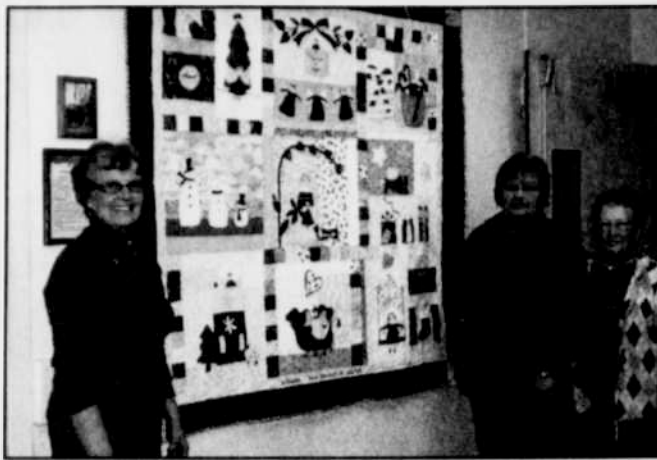
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Memorial quilt presented to MCHD



(L-R): Cheryl Tallman, Barb Coiner and Shirley McCarl stand by the Donna Schonbachler memorial quilt they helped to create. The quilt currently hangs in the hall at Pioneer Memorial Hospital. —Contributed photo

The Morrow County Health District was recently presented with a memorial quilt in honor of Donna Schonbachler.

The quilt, titled "I Believe in Angels," was created by local women Cheryl Tallman, Barb Coiner, Shirley McCarl, Bonnie Wenberg, Cynthia Wenberg, Kathy Skinner, Tonya Jones and Sheena Shank. It will be hung at Pioneer Memorial Hospital each year during the Christmas season.

Schonbachler was a Home Health and Hospice nurse for the health district for 19 years; she passed away in 2008. Her service had a lasting impact on

countless individuals. That service, and her love of angels, inspired the quilters to sew and embellish the beautiful, angel-themed quilt.

Cheryl Tallman, who presented the quilt during a hospital event, reminded those present of Schonbachler's many admirable characteristics. Schonbachler, she said, was compassionate, understanding, reliable and always willing to help others. She also helped others find the positive in any situation. During her presentation, Tallman encouraged listeners to remember Schonbachler's character and follow her example of serving others.

January First Friday rescheduled

First Friday Friends of Jesus, sponsored monthly by Hope Lutheran Church and All Saints Episcopal Church, will become a "Second Friday" event in January only, because school is in session on January 6.

On Friday, January 13, children ages four through 12 are invited to All Saints, on the corner of Church and Gale, for a morning filled with Bible stories, skits, crafts and games. The fun begins at 8 a.m. and continues until noon. Free lunch is served. More information is available by calling the church office at 541-676-9970.

Fitness classes jumpstart Biggest Winner

The Community Health Improvement Partnership (CHIP) of Morrow County is encouraging residents to participate in fitness classes offered simultaneously with the Biggest Winner program.

Cindy Sumner will be teaching two five-week sessions and one four-week session of aerobic dance at the Morrow County Fairgrounds, mostly Tuesday and Thursday evenings, beginning January 3. The cost is \$25 for five weeks and \$20 for four weeks. Call 541-989-8514 for a complete schedule and to register for the class.

Todd Buchholz and Jean Cassidy will be teaching beginning and intermediate yoga classes beginning January 10 at Hope Lutheran Church, 675 S Alfalfa, Heppner from 6:30 to 8 p.m.. Call 541-521-4249 for information or to register.

Blue Mountain Community College will be offering the following winter term community classes:

Circuit training

will be held on Mondays and Wednesdays at Riverside High School from 6 -7 p.m. beginning January 9. Cost is \$49. Space is limited.

Strength training will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. at Riverside High School beginning January 10. Cost is \$49. Space is limited.

Zumba and strength training will be held in Irregon. Jazzercise will be held in Ione and Heppner. Information is pending. Interested students should visit the BMCC website at www.bluecc.edu. Click on "Students" and then "Schedule of Classes" to see the details. Call 541-422-7040 or 541-481-2099, or email Anne Morter at amorter@bluecc.edu for more information.

If you are more inclined to get a group together for a less structured physical activity, please contact Patti at 503-867-6745, and CHIP will help you spread the word to like-minded individuals.

Jazzercise classes offered

Blue Mountain Community College will offer two sessions of Jazzercise in conjunction with the Community Health Improvement Partnership (CHIP) Biggest Winner program.

In Ione, Jazzercise will be offered on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 5:30-6:30 p.m. at Ione High School. The class will start Monday, January 9 and run through March 14. The cost is \$49. Orissa Burghard is the instructor.

A Saturday morning session is scheduled in Heppner with the location yet to be determined. Class will meet on Saturday mornings from 8-9 a.m. from January 14 through

March 17. The cost is \$29.

This fun fitness class is primarily low-impact. Students should bring their own mat, two- to five-pound weights, and exercise tube or band if available. Jazzercise classes consist of a three- to five-minute warm up, a 25-35 minute aerobic section and about 15 minutes of abdominal, gluteus/leg and upper torso strength work.

Interested students are urged to pre-register at www.bluecc.edu, as minimum enrollments must be met to hold the class. Contact Anne Morter, Morrow County coordinator for BMCC, at 541-422-7040 with questions or for registration assistance.

Community lunch menu

Elohim Covenant Church members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, January 11 at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The meal will include Swiss steak, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, tossed salad, hot rolls, and chocolate peanut butter parfait. Milk is served at each meal.

Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

County residents graduate from EOU

Two county residents graduated from Eastern Oregon University recently. Alyssa Schaible of Boardman graduated with a Bachelor of Science in business administration. Laura Eddy of Irregon graduated Cum Laude with a Master of Arts in teaching.

EOU awarded 540 undergraduate degrees and 87 master's degrees during the 2010-11 academic year.

Holly Rebekah card party

Holly Rebekah Lodge will host their monthly card party this Saturday, January 7 at the Lodge Hall in Lexington. The evening of cards will start at 7 p.m. and will include snacks. The cost is \$5 per person; the public is invited.

If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, help is available and that help is FREE of charge.

If YOU have a family member who suffers from gambling addiction, YOU can also receive FREE treatment even if the gambler is not receiving treatment.

If you are a resident of Morrow County and you wish to take advantage of the services above or desire more information, Please call any of the following numbers to set up a LOCAL appointment or just to talk:

Bobby Harris @ 541-676-9925 or 541-256-0175
Community Counseling Solutions (CCS) @ 541-676-9161
OR 1-877-695-4648 (1-888-MYLIMIT)

Obituaries

Loa McElligott

Loa Beauchamp McElligott, 88, of Ione passed away peacefully on Christmas evening surrounded by family. Recitation of the Rosary was held at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 29, 2011 at St. William's Catholic Church in Ione. Funeral Mass was held 11 a.m. Friday, December 30 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner, with concluding service and burial following at High View Cemetery in Ione. A gathering and meal at the Ione Legion Hall followed the burial.

Loa was born October 19, 1923 in Sitka, AK to Felix and Teresa Witz Beauchamp. As a young child, she moved with her family to Ashland, OR and then to Portland, where she attended Llewellyn Grade School and Washington High School. Following high school, she attended the University of Portland, where she graduated in 1945 with a Bachelor of Science in nursing. She then worked at St. Vincent's Hospital in Portland for two years.

While at university, she met her future husband, Charles Richard "Dick" McElligott. They were married April 10, 1947 after he returned from service in the Army Air Corp and graduated from the University of Portland. They moved to the farm south of Ione, where they raised their family. She also worked as a registered nurse at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

Together with Dick, Loa's priorities in life

were raising responsible children who valued family, education, community and service. She was a devoted member of St. William's Catholic Church in Ione.

She was loved greatly; she will be missed deeply and remembered joyously.

She is survived by: her 12 children, John (Lisa) of Lakeland, FL; Jim (Eileen) of Ione; Tom (Laura) of Heppner; Joe (Jeri) of Ione; Annie Hull (David) of Helena, MT; Melissa Sherlock (Jeff) of Helena, MT; MaryPat Boger (Will) of Fairbanks, AK; Charles (Tina) of Spokane, WA; Catherine Garman (Charles) of Columbia City, OR; Daniel (Patty) of Bellevue, WA; Martha Tevault (Scott) of Portland, OR and Dick (Jenni) of Salem, OR. In addition, she is survived by 42 grandchildren, 20 great-grandchildren (and counting), and numerous nieces and nephews.

Loa was preceded in death by her husband, Dick, in 2006, short of their 60th wedding anniversary. She was also preceded in death by her siblings, Robert Beauchamp, Norma Cosgrove, Felix Beauchamp and Bonnie Terleski.

At her request, memorial contributions may be made to Medical Teams International, PO Box 10, Portland, OR 97207; Pioneer Memorial Hospital, PO Box 9, Heppner, OR 97836; or a charity of choice.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner was in charge of arrangements.

SWCD & MCLG plan joint meeting

The Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and Morrow County Livestock Growers (MCLG) will hold their 24th annual joint program at 1 p.m. on Thursday, January 12 at St. Patrick's parish hall, 560 Jones St., in Heppner.

The afternoon program includes information on Ventenata, a winter annual grass much like Medusahead rye, that can reduce perennial forage grasses by 50% or more within a few growing seasons. Dr. Timothy Prather, weed ecology specialist from the University of Idaho, has been invited to share outcomes of test plots for herbicide and fertilization treatments.

Steve Cherry, regional wildlife biologist with Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife, and Rod Childers, chair of the Oregon Cattlemen Association Wolf Committee, will provide an update on wolf reintroduction.

Local staff of Morrow SWCD and Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) will provide information on existing and planned programs and projects in the county to protect and improve water quality, improve and increase habitat for mule deer and upland birds, and improve grazing lands.

Morrow SWCD and MCLG will host lunch for attendees of the afternoon program beginning at 12:15 p.m.; a reply is requested by Monday, January 9 to be sure there is adequate food. RSVP to Morrow SWCD at 541-676-5452 or the Morrow County Extension office at 541-676-9642.

The Morrow SWCD will hold their regular and annual meeting beginning at 10 a.m. at the same location. Agenda items include approval of previous minutes, financial report, partner reports, grants update and staff reports.

The MCLG will hold their annual meeting following the afternoon program.

All meetings of the Morrow SWCD are open to the public.

Interested students are urged to pre-register at www.bluecc.edu, as minimum enrollments must be met to hold the class. Contact Anne Morter, Morrow County coordinator for BMCC, at 541-422-7040 with questions or for registration assistance.

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PEANUT BUTTER CUP MOCHA \$3.75

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Brooke Rust & Randy Carmine
Saturday, January 7th

Luke Murray & Kathleen Dierkes
Saturday, January 7th



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