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Obituaries

Ada Marrie Simpson

Ada Marrie Simpson, 94, of Prineville, formerly of Spray, died Friday, February 3, 2012 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Prineville. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, February 11 at the Spray Cemetery.



Ada Marrie Simpson

She was born February 23, 1917 in Spray, OR, the daughter of Anton W. and Venie C. Shoun Anderson. She was raised and attended school in Spray, where she graduated from Spray High School in 1935.

On December 3, 1935, Ada married Gilbert P. Simpson in Vancouver, WA; they were married for 71 years. The couple lived in Portland during World War II. In 1945 they moved back to Spray, where they owned and operated a grocery store and gas station. In 1961 they moved to Pendleton, where they lived until 1986. While living in Pendleton, Ada attended Blue Mountain Community College and received a degree in nursing. She worked at St. Anthony's Hospital for more than 20 years, retiring in 1984. After retirement, they moved to Prineville, where she lived until her death. Gilbert Simpson preceded

her in death in 2007.

Ada enjoyed quilting, fishing, sewing, playing pinochle and games of all kinds. She was a wonderful wife and mother, and a great cook. Ada had a gentle spirit and a great capacity for unconditional love and forgiveness. She loved her family; staying up all night playing pinochle with her sisters and cousins, laughing so loudly no one in the house could sleep.

Survivors include: daughters, Rene Fisher of Prineville and Nova Simpson of Heppner; son, Dale Simpson of Prineville; sister, Selma Adams of Hermiston; eight grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren and six great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by: her husband, Gilbert P. Simpson; son, Jim Simpson; brother, Carl Whillock; sisters, Ethel Hannon, Tazie Welds, Jessie Sinclair, Bernice Irwin and Georgia Gitchell.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Spray Cemetery, PO Box 122, Spray, OR 97874.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Family movie night

This Saturday evening, Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. is Family Movie Night at the Seventh-Day Adventist Church.

Showing this month is the movie Fireproof, a drama about a firefighter who sets out on a journey to save his marriage and discovers faith during the process. Everyone in the community is invited bring

the family, a neighbor and friend to see a wonderful movie about love, marriage, and rekindling the fire with the Lord. The rating of the movie is PG.

This movie event is free. Anyone who would like to bring a snack is welcome to do so.

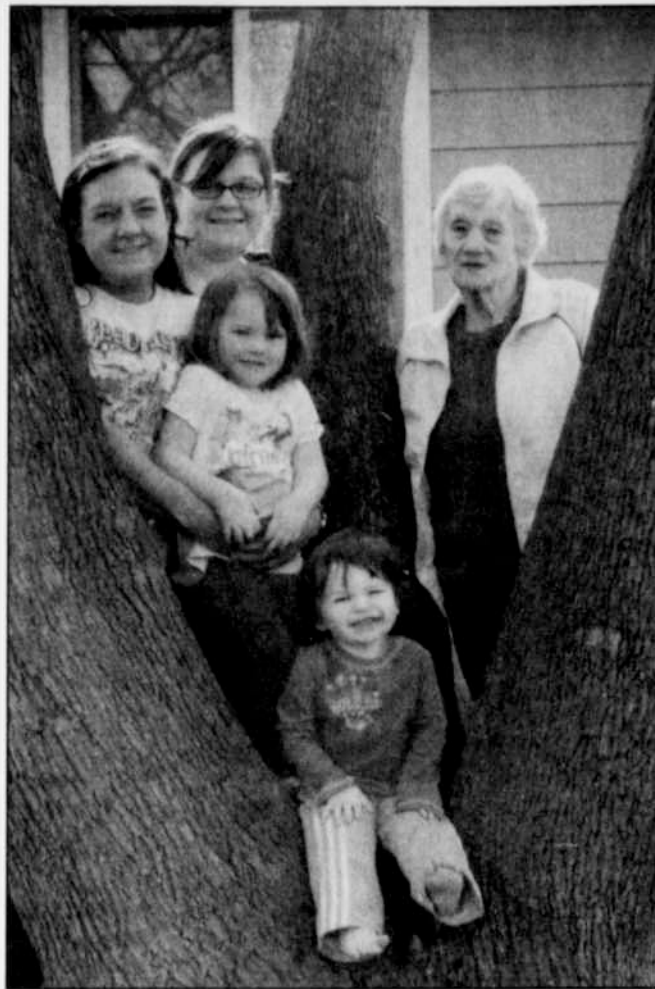
For any questions, call 541-676-5036.

Community invited to Valentine's breakfast

The men of St. Patrick's and St. William's Catholic churches will prepare a St. Valentine's breakfast at their respective parish halls on Sunday, February 12. The Ione breakfast will be served at 9:30 a.m. and the Heppner breakfast at noon. Admission is free. All are welcome.

Happy 80th Birthday
Billie Lacey
You're the greatest great-grandma
We love you
From Alexis & Morgan Cutsforth and Natalie & Halle Pedersen

Four generations



Four generations of one local family, including Kathy Cutsforth, Melissa Cutsforth Pedersen, Billie Lacey, Halle Pedersen (age 4) and Natalie Pedersen (age 2). —Contributed photo

Local pianists win in Pendleton

Local piano students recently participated in the Oregon Music Teacher's Association Jr. Bach Festival held in Pendleton on Jan. 28.



Sophie Grant

Participants were Hannah and Madison Palmer, Morgan and Patrick Burch, Diana Healy, Reiah Waite, and Sophie and Kellen Grant.



Reiah Waite

Students were required to play a piece composed by a Baroque composer (1650-1725) and perform the piece from memory. Students who par-

ticipated were Hannah and Madison Palmer, Morgan and Patrick Burch, Diana Healy, Reiah Waite, and Sophie and Kellen Grant. Sophie Grant and Reiah Waite were chosen to advance to the regional festival, which will be held Sunday, February 12 at the Presbyterian Church in Pendleton.

Church donates to Neighborhood Center



Pastor Jonathan Enz presents a check to Janice Skaggs, director of the Heppner Neighborhood Center, on behalf of Heppner United Methodist Church. The \$736.50 check represented the church's Christmas Eve service offering. —Contributed photo

Valentine bake sale to benefit Wilhelm

A Valentine's bake sale to benefit cancer patient Garret Wilhelm will be held Monday, February 13 from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. at Heppner Family Foods.

Anyone interested in donating goodies to the sale may do so by dropping the items off by 8 a.m., February 13 at Heppner Family

Foods. Anyone needing to arrange a pick-up of goodies can contact Shelli Britt at 676-5478 or Shari Ober at 377-2243.

Financial donations can also be made directly to the Garrett Wilhelm medical fund at the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Country club plans enchilada feed

An enchilada feed will be held this Saturday, Feb. 11 at 6 p.m. at the Heppner Elk's Lodge. The event is a fundraiser to replace one of the bridges at the Willow Creek Country Club, in memory of Gary Workman. A quilt and other items will also be raffled that evening. For more information, call Ann Elgin at 541-969-8092.

Heppner's 30th St. Patrick's celebration

Heppner makes celebrating its Irish heritage an annual tradition.

Always celebrated the weekend closest to St. Patrick's Day, in 2012, the 30th annual "Wee Bit O' Ireland" St. Patrick's Celebration will be held the weekend of March 16-18.

This weekend includes—just to name a few—family flags hung throughout the town, an Irish amateur boxing event, KUMA coffee hour and Ceili with lots of singing, laughing and celebrating.

Participants will find many Leprechauns moving about the city. Everyone will get the chance to try their hand at the "Welly Toss," stop by and check out the Cruz-In Car Show or take a seat on the sidewalk and watch

the "Great Green Parade." Not to be forgotten are the sheep dog trials and the Irish bowling competition. As always, those who turn out for the festivities are guaranteed plenty of Irish music and entertainment (the Gothard Sisters and Old Time Fiddlers, just to name a few) and many more things to see and do.

All of the entertainment is sponsored by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District and is free to the public.

Mark your calendars now. The new schedule is being finalized and will be out soon. For a full schedule of the event, visit www.heppnerchamber.com or call the Heppner Chamber of Commerce at 541-676-5536.

Local boy wins art competition



Hayden Qualls poses with his winning entry, "Haden's Pup" (upper right), at the Artworks show at Tamastlikt Cultural Institute near Pendleton. Qualls won first place for his age division. The drawing to the left is also his work, entered as a non-judged entry in the sharing zone. —Contributed photo

Local boy Hayden Qualls won first place for the 11-14 age category in the Artworks art show and competition at Tamastlikt Cultural Institute recently. His winning entry was titled "Hayden's Pup."

The competition was open to all tribal and non-tribal youth under the age of 19. According to Qualls' mother, Doashea Qualls, this was the first year the institute allowed non-tribal youth to com-

pete. Each artist was able to submit one work of art for the competition but could submit more in the non-judged sharing zone. Submissions were judged based on artistry, creative vision, technical merits and presentation.

Winners were announced at an artists' reception on Feb. 1. All artwork will remain on display at the cultural institute until Feb. 18.

Register for Little League next week

Little League registration will take place next Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 15 and 16 from 5-7 p.m. at Heppner City Hall. Those who miss the registration dates have until Feb. 29 to submit registration forms; no late registrations will be accepted.

Boys ages five to 12 and girls ages five to 16 are eligible to play T-ball, minors and majors baseball and softball. Cost is \$35

per participant or \$70 per family.

One parent or legal guardian must be present to register. Also required are three proofs of current residency, such as a driver's license or utility bill, and the child's birth certificate.

Coaches and volunteers may also register during the registration period next week. A copy of a photo ID is required.

County waste removal fees increase

Morrow County transfer stations increased their waste-removal fees by 20% as of Jan. 1. The raise is due to the Morrow County Fee schedule order number OR-20-2011 and, as the county states, "inflation of annual operating cost and other expenses beyond our control."

Morrow County stresses that residents are still able to dispose of latex and enamel paints, computers monitors and towers, and televisions free of charge. There also is no charge to dump large appliances or furniture such as refrigerators, stoves, water heaters, mattresses, sofas and lounge chairs.

The north end transfer station is located at 69900 Frontage Lane in Boardman. The south end transfer station is located at 57185 Hwy. 74 near Lexington. Both have hours of operation from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday.

Questions or comments can be directed to 541-989-9500.

LITTLE LEAGUE REGISTRATION
FEBRUARY 15TH & 16TH
5:00 - 7:00 pm
Heppner City Hall
Boys ages 5-12 & Girls ages 5-16 are eligible to play
Please bring 3 proofs of residency & birth certificate
Fee is \$35.00 per participant or \$70 per family