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## Local students graduate from WSU

PULLMAN, WA—Washington State University has announced that the following local students have earned undergraduate degrees for the spring 2012 semester:

Emily Jean Bergstrom of Heppner graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in animal sciences.

Emily Katherine Rietmann of Ione graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science. Rietmann graduated Summa Cum Laude with a cumulative grade point average of 3.90 or better.

## Local students make OSU honor roll

Four local students have been named to the Oregon State University Scholastic Honor Roll for the spring 2012 term.

South Morrow students to receive the honor were Devin B. Robinson of Heppner, a freshman in agricultural sciences; Ashley L. Wolff of Heppner, a junior in pre-business; Brett R. Harrison of Lexington, a freshman in agricultural business management; and Kelsi T. Putman of Lexington, a freshman in agricultural business management.

The students were among nine Morrow County students named to the honor

roll. Other county students on the roll were Aaron M. Hendricks of Boardman, junior, pre-mechanical engineering; Leticia Rodriguez of Boardman, senior, human development and family science; Ivan A. Estrada of Irrigon, sophomore, exercise and sport science; Julio Orozco of Irrigon, senior, history; and Tamra J. Tovey of Irrigon, senior, applied visual arts.

All of the students earned a B-plus (3.5) or better to make the listing. To be on the honor roll, students must carry at least 12 graded hours of course work.

## WCCC men's club results

Twenty-five Willow Creek Country Club men's club members played in the Sunday morning men's play on July 1. Results as follows:

Gross: 1<sup>st</sup> (tie), Don Eaves and Slater Mitchell, 69; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Tom Bedortha, 70; 4<sup>th</sup> Dave Pranger, 71

Net: 1<sup>st</sup>, Shawn Wilson, 54; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Rod Wilson, 55; 3<sup>rd</sup>,

Stacy Wilson, 57; 4<sup>th</sup> Gene Orwick, 58

Least putts: Ed Struthers

Special events: Slater Mitchell and Gary Prophet

The next regular Sunday morning men's play will be on July 8 with Dale Boyd, Matt Scrivner and Jeff Hams as hosts.

## Obituaries

### Leonard W. Gilman

Leonard W. Gilman passed away June 27, 2012 in San Diego, CA. A celebration of his life will be held on Thursday, July 5, at 1 p.m. at Glen Abbey Memorial Park, Chapel of the Roses, 3838 Bonita Road, Bonita, CA 91902.



Leonard W. Gilman

Len, or Gil, was born in 1918 to Vi and Walter Gilman in "Top" Oregon, a.k.a. Gilman Flats.

Len attended grade school and high school in Heppner, where he was an athletic marvel. He graduated college from Pacific University in Forest Grove, OR, where his student/athletic career continued. As a football player, he is the only man in history to be selected to the Northwest All Star team four years in a row, and was three times honored as a "Little All American." He was a Golden Gloves boxer, a baseball pitcher and set track records that still stand today. As a student, he was selected for Blue Key National Honor Society and Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

Len entered the U.S. Border Patrol in 1941 as a horse patrol officer. He interrupted his career for World War II, joining the U.S. Navy as naval air gunner, after which he returned to the Border Patrol.

There, as head of opera-

tions, he stopped the first hijacking of a commercial jet in the U.S., earning Special

Commendations from President John F. Kennedy and Bobby Kennedy, Attorney General of the United States. He was proclaimed a national hero.

He retired as the Commissioner of the Southwest region, a GS-18 appointed by the U.S. Attorney General in 1970.

After his retirement, he operated 100,000 acres of cattle-grazing and elk-hunting operations in Eagle Nest and Chama, NM. He organized hunting safaris to Africa, and, with partner Lit Ng, opened the Manchurian border of China to big game hunting.

Len resided in Dulzura, CA. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. He was a true "man's man" in every sense of the word; the world will miss him.

In addition to his wife, Mary Gayle, he is survived by his brother, Dean Gilman of Heppner; sons, Lance of Reno, NV and Brent of San Diego; step-son, James; four grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, Len requested donations be made to the U.S. Border Patrol Museum in El Paso, TX.

## Lundell memorial service planned

A memorial service will be held Saturday, July 21, 2012 at the Valby Lutheran Church cemetery for James Wallace Lundell and Dorrie Lundell and their son, Michael Vincent Lundell, all of Portland, OR. All three died at separate times over the last several years.

The service will begin at noon and will be followed by a light luncheon for those in attendance.

Wallace was the son of Algott and Beulah Lundell, a pioneer family who farmed in the Gooseberry/Valby area. The area was largely settled by Swedish Immigrants who had read about the government land grant of 1862.

## Over the Tee Cup

WCCC ladies held their 9-Hole Tee Bird Invitational on Tuesday, June 26. Ladies from Oregon and Washington clubs braved the rainy forecast for an enjoyable morning of golf.

Low gross of the field: Jamie Loney, Walla Walla Country Club

Low net of the field: Donna Duckett, Walla Walla Country Club

**Other Winners:**  
Buckskin Golf Club

Low gross: 1<sup>st</sup>, Velma Sparks; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Charla Casey

Low net: 1<sup>st</sup>, Marla Fox; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Holly Gould

Canyon Lakes Golf Club

Low gross—Tie, Jean Brooks and Connie Richardson

Low net—Inez Mowery

La Grande Country Club

Low gross—Betty Hyde

Low net—Gin Drew Walla Walla Country Club

Low gross—Barbara Jackson

Willow Creek

Low gross—1<sup>st</sup>, Pat Edmundson; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Corol Mitchell

Low net—1<sup>st</sup> (tie), Ann Elgin, Sarah Rucker and Loa Heideman

**Special Events:**

Long drive—Guest, Becky Armatrout; Home, Corol Mitchell

Long putt—Guest, Barb Jackson; Home, Loa Heideman

Ball in the circle—Becky Ehrmantraut

Ball on the green—Jean Brooks, Jamie Loney and Betty Hyde

Chip-ins—Willie Vance, Marla Fox, Pat Edmundson, Leslie Steele and Ann Elgin

Birdies—Jamie Loney

## ~ 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.

## Just say your name

Thanks to a recent brief conversation with Donna Osmin at a Heppner store, she solved one of my biggest problems. Surprise, it's not political, or even my limited mobility.

She unintentionally solved my dilemma concerning memory problems, particularly when trying to recall names of people and places. Her first words were, "I'm Donna Osmin." Fortunately, I did know who she was but, if asked, I probably couldn't have said her name.

Her inspiration is so simple. When approaching "80-somethings" like myself, with limited brainpower, simply say your name, please, and save all that embarrassed stammering. I'm still trying to recall the name of a lady I met in Hermiston who called me by my first name. Did I ask her name? No. I just blindly went along with a conversation, hoping there would be clues—how dumb is that?

Part of the problem, I blame on memory overload; after all, it's said that we lose brain cells every day... and then we are supposed to latch on to new information. My ability to remember names has been crowded out, I believe, by trying to grasp the concept of today's complicated technology. Once one attains a basic working knowledge of gadgets, manufacturers are sure to upgrade said technology, probably to keep people buying new stuff.

You see, people of my age group didn't grow with computers or communicating using only fingers to text away on a tiny hunk of plastic. We weren't wired for electronic messaging. We actually used our voices and, therefore, acquired some verbal skills, sometimes in rather loud voices by yelling at each other. Talking on the old wall phone on party line of rubberneckers made one censor one's words when privileged to get the use of the phone line.

It's so easy now to tap out words in printed form, and praise be for the delete key. The computer is so very different from my first acquisition of a manual Montgomery Ward typewriter (on a monthly payment plan, if you please) during school days. I thought I had really hit the lottery, so to speak. However, in those days the only gambling we knew was usually done with pennies or vying to capture another kid's prize marbles in a hard-fought game played in the dusty spot we could find.

For certain, some seniors do have trouble remembering names, dates, etc. Computers, television, talking books and gadgets bombard us with an astounding amount of information trying to penetrate our shriveled brains and, perhaps, creating some short circuits, I suppose. So when you meet me and notice a blank expression, just please say your name, and maybe next time I won't have a brain freeze. Thanks again, Donna!

Merlyn Robinson  
Heppner

## Community lunch menu

Nazarene and Seventh-day Adventist church members will be serving lunch on Wednesday, July 11, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The meal will include oven-fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, cucumbers and tomatoes, mixed vegetables, hot rolls and chocolate pudding. Menu is subject to change.

## MC Chronicles available now

Sales of the 2012 edition of the Morrow County Chronicles have begun earlier than the traditional kick-off sales at the Morrow County Fair, and the price has changed.

"The printing of this year's Chronicles was completed sooner than usual,"

reports a spokesperson, "so that gives us an opportunity to offer the issue earlier, just in time for some interesting summer reading."

This collection of historical and biographical

articles contains information about many Morrow County citizens, past and present, and about some early-day farming methods and pre-electrification days. Continuing the tribute to county military veterans, seven are featured in this issue.

The Chronicles are on sale at Bank of Eastern Oregon branches, Murray's Drug Store, Heppner City Hall, Community Bank in Heppner, and the Morrow County Museum. One may also look for them at the farmers' market in Heppner on Fridays, and they will again be on sale at the fair in August.

"Printing costs have been rising over the last few years," says the spokesperson, "and this fact has finally led the Historical Society to raise the price of our publication. We are pleased, though, that the new \$7 price remains relatively low."

Readers are also able to access this and past editions of the Chronicles at the Oregon Trail Library branches. Individuals who purchased the complete sets of the Chronicles last year can add this year's edition to their sets by calling Betty Carlson, 676-5302.

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