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## Local girls honored at Auxiliary meal



American Legion Auxiliary member Evelyn Sweek with Tessa Gould (left) and Larissa Gray (right) at the Legion and Auxiliary annual Thanksgiving potluck dinner on Tuesday, Nov. 13, at the Methodist church in Heppner. As this year's Girl's State delegates, Gould and Gray were special guests at the potluck. The two gave a report on their week-long stay at the Girls State Convention, held last June at Willamette University in Salem. —Photo by David Sykes

## Plant Science class offers centerpieces

Area residents are invited to brighten up their turkey feasts with centerpieces made by local high school students.

The Heppner High School Plant Science class has been learning about floral design and has put their creativity to the test creating a number of different

arrangements. They now have some decorative centerpieces available for sale at Heppner High School and Heppner City Hall.

HHS early release is at 1 p.m. on Wednesday, and the City of Heppner will be open until 5 p.m. that day.

Prices vary per arrangements.

## Holiday Schedule!

Thursday 11/22- CLOSED Happy Thanksgiving  
Friday 11/23- Special hours 8:00 am - 6:00 pm  
RX HOURS 11:00 am-4:00 pm  
Start treasure hunt... Will draw winner at open house

Friday 11/29- Christmas Open House  
Open until 7 pm-  
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## Obituaries

### Funeral Notice

**Dr. Harold Sam "Doc" Street, Hermiston.**  
**Huber—Dr. Harold Sam** Memorial gifts may be made to the Dr. and Mrs. H. Huber Endowed Scholarship fund at Walla Walla University, College Place, WA. Please sign the condolence book at burnsmortuary-hermiston.com. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in charge of arrangements.



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### William H. I. "Bill" Padberg Jr.

William Henry Irving on Iwo Jima and received a "Bill" Padberg Jr., 88. Purple Heart for his heroic actions.



**William H. I. "Bill" Padberg Jr.**

longtime Lexington resident, died at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner on Sunday, November 11, 2012; the date seemed fitting, given that he was a veteran. A memorial service with military honors was held 11 a.m. Friday, November 16, 2012 at the Lexington Community Church.

He was born August 3, 1924 at the Padberg ranch in Clarks Canyon near Lexington, the son of William H. I. and Irene Allstott Padberg. He lived on the Padberg ranch his whole life, except for his time in the military and while attending college. Bill graduated from Heppner High School and then attended Oregon State University. In 1943, he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps and served during World War II. He was wounded

On returning home from the military, he married Betty Baker of Ione and the couple had two children, Michael and Tura. They later divorced. Tura preceded him in death in 1995.

He married Annetta B. Klinger on March 17, 1981. They continued to live on the Padberg ranch. Annetta preceded him in death in May of 2011.

Bill is survived by: his son, Michael William Padberg; three grandchildren, Seana, Shane and Shannon; and eight great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pioneer Memorial Hospital Foundation, PO Box 515, Heppner, OR 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

## Methodist church raffling college-themed doll beds



These two fabric doll beds—one for each side of the Oregon Civil War—are being raffled off by the United Methodist Church of Heppner. —Contributed photo

The United Methodist Church of Heppner is selling raffle tickets for two fabric doll beds; one with the Oregon State University Beaver theme and one with the University of Oregon Duck theme.

The money raised will go to missionaries from Oregon who are working

in Kenya. The drawing will be Dec. 9 at the end of the second performance of the "Christmas Is" concert.

Look for church members selling tickets at the post office or senior meals, or call Dorine Enz at 676-9224 for more information.

## Mr. Bill's Traveling Trivia back Dec. 1

Heppner Daycare and Preschool will host their annual Mr. Bill's Traveling Trivia fundraiser on Dec. 1 at 7 p.m. at the Heppner Elks Lodge. The cost is \$150 per table with a maximum of six players per team.

"Enjoy a fun night out with your family and friends while supporting the kids," encourages a day care spokesperson.

Contact Merry or Ann at 541-676-5429 to pre-register, or sign up that evening.

## ~ 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.

## Johnston local youth hero

Letter to the Editor:  
Rick Johnston has stepped quietly into retirement after many years of being a life-long servant of the Heppner community.

Rick (not always quietly) served the youth of Morrow County through athletic programs and many school functions. Rick cared about Heppner youth and loved of the game of baseball. Those of us who appreciate hard work and dedication, and who had the opportunity to witness and be a part of his commitment, were blessed by it.

Rick mentored hundreds of young men and ladies on their fields of dreams.

His love of the game carried over to his diligent development and care of the Heppner High School Baseball facility. His passion for this carried over to those who came under his tutelage. His win/loss columns tell a lot of his story, but his impact on the development of the young men is and will be long-lasting and immeasurable.

Rick's accolades are many with these being a few: Heppner Little League coach 11 years, Colt Basketball 12 years, Babe Ruth Baseball 21 years, High School varsity baseball coach 12 years, member of high school football chain gang 30+ years and still serving, and a major player in the development and construction of Waterland Field and Heppner High School varsity baseball facilities.

In 2007, Rick was honored by his peers as Oregon's 2A High School Baseball Coach of the Year.

Rick would be the first to tell you that Susan has been his constant and loyal partner in all his endeavors, as she, too, shares his commitment to the youth of their community.

Dick and Lynnea Sargent, Hermiston, OR

## The good, the bad, the better

The good, the bad and the better. That's what it's all about in small towns like Heppner.

The good is the much needed Heppner Masonic Cemetery kiosk being built thanks to engineering by industrious men like Riney, Wolff and George. I've had out-of-town visitors attempting to locate specific graves, so this indeed will be a blessing and an attractive addition to a well-kept cemetery, due to Superintendent Jim Rice.

The better includes improvements each year to the Veteran's Day program at Heppner High School. Special recognition should go to the extra work of people like Ginger Bowman, Teri Gentry and others, including the band and chorus; they presented a program honoring all county veterans. The turnout of veterans who have given so much to this country is indeed heart-warming. In addition to the video of veterans' pictures, the huge wall display of deceased veterans' pictures also pays tribute to their service.

The bad part is the loss of the Heppner Garden Club greens workshop this year as folks, including myself, who previously stomped on the wreath-making machines have become a little less agile. The greens workshop has been a good money maker and, in the past, all proceeds were primarily used for scholarships, keeping the money circulating at home. It could be a great school or 4-H money-maker. Seems students and parents alike are busy 24/7. That workshop does require at least one day of gathering greens in the mountains, and some have been donated from residents' yards. It also requires several days or evenings of work to make around 100 wreaths. However, the woody-scented, beautifully adorned wreaths that have graced many Heppner doors each year provided a home-grown service, a splendid attraction for the holiday season and a long-standing tradition that the town will surely miss.

Merlyn Robinson, Heppner

## Clinics closed for Thanksgiving

Morrow County Health District has announced that Pioneer Memorial Clinic in Heppner and Irrigon Medical Clinic will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 22 and 23, for the Thanksgiving holiday. Laboratory and radiology departments at Pioneer Memorial Hospital will also be closed those days for non-emergent outpatient services.

## Extension office closed for holiday

The Morrow County Extension Office in Heppner will be closed Nov. 22-23 for the Thanksgiving holiday. Normal business hours will resume Monday, Nov. 26.

## Community Thanksgiving Dinner

Thanksgiving Day- Thursday, November 22, 1 p.m.

All Saints Episcopal Church,  
460 N. Gale Street, Heppner

Everyone is invited to attend

For more info or to have a meal delivered  
Call Shelli Britt, 541-676-5478

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Community Counseling Solutions (CCS) @ 541-676-9161  
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