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Neighborhood Center sells Christmas baskets Center to be closed for Christmas break

The Heppner Neighborhood Center has announced it has Christmas gift baskets for sale. They invite the community to stop by and check out the many Christmas items they have for sale.

The center also asks community members to note that it will be closed from Dec. 20 until Jan. 2, 2013.

Still time to give this Christmas

The Neighborhood Center would like to remind everyone that they still have an opportunity to give by picking a tag from the Giving Tree, now set up at Heppner Family Foods.

Anyone who would like to donate a gift is asked to pick a tag from the tree, buy the gift on the tag, wrap the present and attach the tag to it, and return it to the Neighborhood Center by Dec. 16.

Any questions, call Jan at 541-676-5024.

Creative Care to hold dinner, pageant

The annual Creative Care Preschool community dinner and pageant will be held on Saturday, Dec. 15, at the Ione Legion Hall. Dinner will begin at 6 p.m. with the preschool pageant to begin at 6:45 p.m., led by Betty Rietmann and Janet Holland.

The main dish and beverages will be supplied; guests and attendees are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share.

For more information, contact Erin Heideman at 561-0081.

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Birth announcement

Richard Abraham McNamee—Abe and Kristi McNamee of Irrigon announce the birth of a son, Richard Abraham McNamee. He was born November 10, 2012 at 3:32 p.m. at Saint Anthony Hospital in Pendleton, OR. He weighed six pounds, 13 ounces and was 19 and three-quarters inches long.



Richard Abraham McNamee

Richard joins big sister Klynn, 4, and big brother James, 2. Grandparents are Bob and Pam Worden of Heppner, and Pat and Vickie McNamee of Irrigon. Great-grandparents are Grace Morin of Portland, OR and Josephine McNamee of Madras, OR.

Legion, Auxiliary plan Christmas gathering

The Heppner chapter of the American Legion and Auxiliary will not have a December meeting, but voted instead to have a holiday get-together Dec. 16 from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Rita and Leo Dezoete home.

Participants are asked to bring a plate of favorite finger food and enjoy the holiday season with other members.

Heppner Elks to hold toy dinner

On Thursday, Dec. 13, the Heppner Elks Club will hold its annual toy dinner.

"This tradition started approximately 17 years ago, and the Elks Club has had a good response from its members over the years," says one Elks member. "The toy dinner was started as a way to help provide assistance to children during the Christmas season, and the tradition continues to be an enjoyable event each year."

Dinner will begin at 6 p.m., and members are encouraged to bring in a new, unwrapped toy in exchange for a free dinner. The toys will then be taken to the Heppner Neighborhood Center to be included in their Christmas baskets.

Elks to hold hoop shoot

The annual Elks Hoop Shoot free throw contest will take place Sunday, Dec. 16, at 1 p.m. in the Heppner Elementary School gym. The hoop shoot is free for girls and boys ages eight to 13 as of April 1, 2013.

Contact Corey Sweeney at 541-256-0355 for more information.

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and the values for which it stands by both proudly serving in the military in defense of this country," Brown, who commanded troops in Vietnam, said in making the presentation.

"Billy, you were friends with another Marine World War II veteran, my mother, CPL Betty Brown, now deceased, and I personally know how proud you both were of your service to the nation. May you hang this on your wall for all to see, and that will be considered full payment for my efforts here on your behalf. Thank you, my friend, for your honorable service to this nation," Brown said.

The display, researched and assembled by Brown, featured all of Adams' medals and awards earned during his service in the Marine Corps.

"The...bond that unites us now is one that two combat soldiers have between them. I would argue that is enough of a reason for me to take this project on. To those who have not served in war, this might not seem like a big deal, but to some who have, I believe it is. It recognizes service to the nation that is individually earned and can never be taken away from you. There is a certain amount of personal pride that comes from being able to display what is yours, and it represents some blood, sweat and, yes, tears of the individual service member over years of active duty," Brown added.

Brown had originally wanted to make the presentation during the annual Veteran's Day ceremony but was unable to at that time.

Obituaries

Alta Faye Cutsforth

Alta "Faye" Cutsforth, 81, of Richland, WA, died Friday, December 7, 2012 in Kennewick, Washington. A celebration of life will be held Friday, December 14, at 1 p.m. at the Elks Lodge in Heppner.



Alta Faye Cutsforth

She was born March 26, 1931 in Heppner, the daughter of Orville and Alta Pettyjohn Cutsforth, the third of their seven children. Faye spent most of her childhood on the family ranch near Lexington. She graduated from Heppner High School and then attended Oregon State University in Corvallis.

In 1951, she married Ron Olsen and they farmed in the Pasco area for over 20 years. The couple had three children, Karen, David, and Cheryl, whom she adored. Later, she was blessed with four stepdaughters, Debbie, Terry, Casey and Lynne, from her 1972 marriage to Jim Uhler in Kennewick.

A one-of-a-kind has passed; Faye was full of energy and never missed an opportunity to live life to the fullest. She loved golf, skiing, camping and, most of all, dancing. One of the highlights of Faye's

life was serving as a princess on the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court. She was a successful real estate broker for 30 years in the Tri-Cities, WA area.

Family was very important to Faye. She is survived by: her children, David Olsen and Cheryl Olsen; two grandsons, Justin Cherveney and Josh Olsen; one great-grandson; step-mother, Barbara Cutsforth; sister, Vesta Kilkenny; and half-siblings, Gene Heliker, Lisa Cutsforth and Donna Cutsforth.

She was preceded in death by: her daughter, Karen; father and mother, Orville and Alta Cutsforth; brothers, Gene Cutsforth, Fritz Cutsforth, Pat Cutsforth and Kenneth Cutsforth; sister, Dorothy Hawkins; and half-sister, Sharon Stookey.

Memorial contributions may be made to Huntington's Disease Society of America, 505 Eight Avenue, Suite 902, New York, NY 10018.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Robert D. Hickerson

Robert D. "Bob" Hickerson, 88, of Heppner, formerly of Grand Forks, ND died Thursday, December 6, 2012 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. A memorial service with military honors will be held Sunday, December 16, at 1 p.m. at St. Patrick's Senior Center in Heppner.



Robert D. Hickerson

He was born December 12, 1923 in Bemidji, MN, the son of George and Grace Olin Hickerson. Bob was raised in Bemidji, where he graduated from high school. He attended college for a time and then joined the United States Army and served in World War II in Italy, in the Korean War, and also stateside.

In 1948 he married Betty Ann Johnson at Grand Forks. The couple had two children, daughter Lee Ann in 1949 and son Russell in 1957.

Bob loved fishing, playing cards, bingo, reading and watching old western

movies. He also loved to reminisce with friends.

He moved to Heppner in 2009 from Grand Forks. He loved living in Heppner and loved all the wonderful friendships he made.

Bob will be remembered for his quick wit, sense of humor, and his love for family and friends.

Survivors include: his daughter, Lee Ann Hickerson

of Mound, MN; son, Russell Hickerson and his wife, Elizabeth, of Heppner; and grandchildren, Sarah Hickerson and Chris Hickerson, both of Heppner.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, his wife Betty Ann and his siblings.

Memorial contributions may be made to the South Morrow County E.M.T. Association, PO Box 9, Heppner, OR 97836.

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Ione businesses to host open house

Area residents are invited to join Ione businesses for their Annual Christmas Open House from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Dec. 19.

"Join us for a day of wonderful treats and visiting, and sign up for a door prize or two," says Sharon Rietmann.

Chamber lunch meeting

This week's lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be held on Thursday, Dec. 13, at noon in the St. Patrick's Senior Center dining room. Heidi Nelson from Media Ventures will be the

guest speaker. Cost of lunch is \$9; Murray's Drug will cater.

Lunch attendees are asked to RSVP no later than noon the Wednesday before to accommodate enough meals.

Route 74 Restaurant will be CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS December 23, 24 & 25! Have a Merry Christmas!

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676-9181 "Where Friends Meet" 142 North Main

HOOP SHOOT
Elks Hoop Shoot Free Throw Contest
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Heppner Elementary Gym
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