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For Letters to the Editor: Letters to the Editor MUST be signed by the author. The Heppner GT will not publish unsigned letters. All letters MUST include the author's address and phone number for use by the GT office. The GT reserves the right to edit letters. 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.

## Death Notice

**Sally E. Marlatt**

Sally E. Marlatt, 99, of Heppner died Saturday, April 6 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. A memorial service will be held at a later date. A full obituary will be in next week's edition of the Gazette-Times. Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

## City manager warns area drivers about u-turns into parking spaces

Heppner City manager Kim Cutsforth wants to remind residents that it is illegal to make a U-turn or a J-turn to park in Heppner. When you cross the center lane to pull into a parking spot in the opposite direction you are traveling you are making an illegal U-turn. The City of Heppner is attempting to educate the public regarding this law. Cutsforth said that it

is a dangerous practice for other drivers and pedestrians, and there have been several accidents and near misses reported to the sheriff's office. Cutsforth said that beginning the week of April 15 the County Sheriff will be patrolling for this violation. According to information provided by Cutsforth, an illegal u-turn is a Class C violation with a fine of \$500.

## Women's Chorale will entertain during annual salad supper

"We Are One" is the theme for the Willow Creek Valley Ecumenical Women's Dinner, hosted by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Days Saints (LDS) Church. The annual salad supper will be held April 15 at St. Patrick's Catholic Parish Hall, 525 N. Gale St., Heppner. The event will begin at 6:30 pm. The program will begin at 7:15 p.m.

This year, participants are in for a real treat as the Women's Chorale will perform a musical review, of sorts, with some good music, laughs, and personal insights. The Heppner Women's Chorale will be performing and some of the

songs include: Sisters, Big D with soloists Cherisse and Alaina Lemmon; Love One, Travel Another, Pick a Little Talk a Little and a dance number The Tapioca from Thoroughly Modern Millie. Members of the Women's Chorale: Dorine Enz, Cara Osmin, Janet Greenup, Avery Lemmon, Jean Brazell, Marilyn Perkins, Alaina Lemmon, Alisa Hill, Marie Struthers, Ellen Rollis, Gayle Arbogast, Carolyn Willey, Cherisse Lemmon, Bridget Waite and Doris Brosnan.

The group has entertained at past suppers and other community functions. Those attending are asked to bring a salad to share. Dessert will be served.

## SCHOOL BOARD

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member's responsibility;

"The district shall provide the employee a 30-minute rest period to express milk during each 4-hour work period, or the major part of a 4-hour work period, to be taken by the employee approximately in the middle of the work period. If feasible, the employee will take the rest period at the same time as the rest periods or meal periods provided by the district."

-Approved Department of Human Services/Law Enforcement Protocol for Investigation of a Child. Dirksen said that the protocol has been the district's policy, however the action makes it official.

-Approved a resolution in support of the Oregon School Board Association

"Strong Schools, Strong State" favoring additional funding for schools.

-Recognized A.C. Houghton Elementary School as an "Outstanding School" and honored ACH staff, celebrating with cake.

-Recognized the upcoming retirement of long-time teacher Gail Horning.

-Viewed a presentation from ACH teachers on first grade intervention.

-Heard the following announcements: Oregon School Employees Association bargaining session, April 23, 5:15 p.m., north end; next board meeting, Windy River Elementary School, Boardman, May 13, 7 p.m.

-Held an executive session regarding personnel and negotiations.

## Obituaries

### Iva Richard Akers

Ivan Richard Akers, 72 years old from Boardman, Oregon died at Oregon Health Science University, Portland, Oregon on Friday, March 29 from complications of a stroke. Ivan Akers was born April 18, 1940 in Portland, Oregon. His parents were Wilbur and Marie (Hagenback) Akers.



Iva Richard Akers

Ivan Akers was raised on a Willow Creek wheat farm outside of Ione, Oregon. Later the family moved into 'town'. Ivan and his brothers Ralph and John attended and graduated Ione High School. Ivan Akers attended Nazarene Bible College, Napa, Oregon for a brief period in his late teens. Expanding on his days working in the Ione repair shop his uncle, Elby Akers, owned and operated; Ivan became a master mechanic working with SeaLand out of Seattle, Washington. Ivan spent time in Texas and Alaska working with Heavy Equipment and Operating Engineers unions. He had a passion of all motors, large and small; obtained his pilot's license; and maintained a racing sand dragster. Ivan married Janet Cobb in 1963 and became the father of Rebekah (Reine) and Heidi.

After undergoing a heart valve replacement surgery in October of 1977, he married Jane (Grantham) Whitson in 1978 adding Suzanne and Glen to his family. Ivan and Jane relocated to Boardman, Oregon to be near Ivan's father, Wib in the fall of 1978. Ivan worked for Eastern Oregon Farms for a few years before retiring and lending his mechanical knowledge to many folks in the area. Ivan & Jane dabbled in hobby farming with farm animals, alfalfa

haying and gardening. Ivan volunteered many hours to the Walk to Emmaus weekend retreat group in eastern Oregon-Washington area during the 1990s. An active congregant in the First Baptist Church of Boardman, Ivan and Jane often mentored people who came into their lives.

Ivan R. Akers is survived by his wife Jane Elizabeth Akers of Boardman, Oregon; Reine

Love-Diallo & husband Abdoulaye of Marysville, Washington; Suzanne Gray & husband David of Boardman, Oregon; Heidi Akers & Tim of Aberdeen, Washington; Glen Akers & wife Annie of Kent, Washington. He is also survived by nine grandchildren Sebastian & Sean Jones; Joshua & Ari'el Gray; Jaden & Erica Akers; Shawn, Nicholas, & Zachary Akers. Ivan Akers is also survived by his brother Ralph Akers of Boardman, two sister-in-laws, cousins, several nieces & nephews and many faithful friends. Ivan Akers was preceded in death by his parents Wilbur and Marie Akers, brother John Akers and aunt Hazel Miller all of Boardman.

A Celebration of Life with Roger Pringle presiding will be held 3:00 pm, Friday, April 12 at the First Baptist Church on Tatone Avenue and Willowfork Drive, Boardman. An open house at Ivan and Jane's residence on Saturday, April 13 from 9 am - 3 pm is also planned. All are invited to write down a memory of Ivan and bring with them to either event or mail to Jane Akers at P.O. Box 522, Boardman, OR 97818. In lieu of flowers, please donate to charity of your choice or OHSU Foundation Benevolence carts in memory of Ivan Richard Akers.

## MS Walk includes great breakfast

Residents are reminded that Heppner will host the Eastern Oregon Multiple Sclerosis (MS) Walk on April 20. Pre-registration is appreciated but walk-ons are welcomed. Pre-register on the web at www.walkMSoregon.com, call 503-445-8342 or register the day of the event.

There is no registration fee for the MS Walk. Registration and check-in begins at 9 a.m. at All Saint's Episcopal Church, 460 N Gale Street. The walk will start at 10 a.m. and a brunch and raffle will follow after the walk. Walkers are invited to a free brunch to be served at Walk MS planned in Heppner on Saturday, April 20. Walk MS participants will be served a delicious breakfast consisting of breakfast egg casseroles, french toast

casseroles, muffins, rolls, fruit, juice, milk, coffee and tea following the walk," said brunch organizer April Sykes.

Breakfast casseroles are still needed, so anyone who would like to make a casserole or donate breakfast items for the walk would be very much appreciated, said Sykes. To donate a casserole or other items, call her at 541-980-4643, or email her at hiltonsykes@hotmail.com.

Because of health department regulations, casseroles must be made on site at the church the evening prior to the walk. The church will be open from 6-8 p.m. on Friday, April 19, for that purpose.

For more information about the walk, contact co-chairs Merilee McDowell, 541-571-5853m or Barb Orwick, 541-256-0455.

## Wrangler Riding Club schedules Play Day

The Wrangler Riding Club will host its first Play Day of the year on April 21 at the Morrow County Fairgrounds beginning at 1 p.m.

Membership dues are \$45 per family and anyone interested is encouraged to attend. For more information call Heather Hendricks at 541-676-5637.

**Happy 30th Wedding Anniversary!**  
**Skye and Penny Krebs**  
Please, come help Skye and Penny celebrate  
April 27th 6:00pm at Route 74

## Heppner will hold kindergarten roundup

Heppner Elementary will be rounding up all kindergarten students for the 2013-14 school years. Appointments are available from 12:30 - 4:15 p.m. on April 23 and will last approximately 45 minutes. Children will have a test, have their eyes checked and do a fun project.

Parents need to bring their child's birth certificate, immunization record,

and emergency contact information. We will be filling out paperwork and taking a tour of the school while your child is with Mrs. Morris.

Please contact Mrs. Sweeney to set up an appointment time at 541-676-9128. Students must be 5 years of age on or by August 31, 2013 to enroll at Heppner Elementary School.

## Chamber lunch meeting

This week's lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be held on Thursday. Todd Buchholz, District Ranger of the Heppner Ranger district will be giving a presentation on the Kayler Dry Forest Restoration Project at next week's Chamber lunch meeting. Also, Heppner Postmaster Dennis Lien will give a short update on

changes coming to the post office. The Chamber lunch is \$10 and the meeting will be held in the dining room at the Senior Center from 12-1 p.m. Howe's About Pizza will be catering the lunch and will be serving: assorted pizza, green salad and dessert. Please RSVP, 541-676-5536 no later than Wednesday to guarantee a lunch. The cost is \$10.

## Community lunch menu

St. Patrick's Parish church members will serve lunch on Wednesday, April 17, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. Volunteers from the Nazarene and Seventh Day Adventist Churches will serve. The meal will include wild sole with parmesan topping, scalloped potatoes, mixed vegetables, sliced tomatoes, hot rolls and cake. Milk is served at each meal. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

## Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk has issued the following marriage licenses:

**March 22:** - Seth Nichols Rhodes, Hermiston and Taylor Marie Nyquist, Hermiston.

**April 1:** - Seth R. O'Connell, Helena MT. and Nichole J. McElligott, Helena, MT.

**April 4:** - Robert Douglas Boyd, Irrigon and Amanda Jo Kauffman, Irrigon.

**April 5:** - Michael Lynn Cole, Townsend, MT. and Anna Maureen Kenny, Lake Oswego.

## AARP driving course

An American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) driving course will be held April 26 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the St. Patrick's Senior Center in Heppner. The class is designed for drivers 50 and older and provides information in defensive driving, traffic laws, and strategies to address age-related changes. Anyone interested in taking the class can contact Ron at 541-575-4268.

**Thank you!**

Those 2 words can not express the appreciation and overwhelming feeling of love that our family has received from this community. I would love to list everyone and everything that they have done for us from the flowers, prayers, help at the house and monetary donations but, we would be afraid of missing someone. Thirteen years ago John and I decided to move our family here because we grew up in a small town and remember the connections we felt in the community there. I never would have imagined that the friends, family and community we have here would mean more to us than where we grew up. We are very proud to call Heppner and the surrounding areas home. Thank you again for all your support. We have a long road ahead of us with Kellie recovering and John starting his journey soon... We know we will be fine with the love and support of this community and our Lord.

- The Nelson Family

**HEPPNER ELKS 358**  
676-9181 "Where Friends Meet" 142 North Main

**FISHERMAN'S NIGHT**  
**CATFISH AND OYSTERS DINNER**

**THURSDAY APRIL 18TH**  
**DINNER 6PM**  
**LODGE 8:00 PM**  
**DRAWINGS FOR PRIZES!**

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