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Methodists to hold holiday bazaar



Heppner United Methodist Women member Jo Ann Burlison and Rose Crum from Murray's Drug work to put the finishing touches on two baskets that will be raffled off over the holidays. The Thanksgiving basket will be raffled off at the group's annual Holiday Bazaar on Nov. 8 and the Christmas basket will be raffled off following the evening performance of Christmas Is! -Photo by Andrea Di Salvo

Howard Bryant probably knows the secret for creating the perfect chicken casserole better than the members of the Heppner United Methodist Women who serve the dish each year at their annual holiday bazaar.

"My (late) wife Beth furnished the first casserole recipe," Bryant said. "You need to follow the recipe to the letter and the most important thing is the crumb topping."

Nobody, including Bryant who has been a member of the church for over 60 years, or Ida Farra, another long-time member, seems to know when the

bazaar was first held.

"It has been going on a long time and it has always been a big thing," he said.

This year's holiday bazaar will be held on Nov. 8 in the community room of the United Methodist Church. Doors will open at 10 a.m. for those interested in having pie and coffee with lunch to follow.

Lunch includes the UMW's famous chicken casserole, gelatin salad, pie and a drink for \$7.50. Pie and coffee are \$5 per person.

In addition to the luncheon, craft items and baked foods will be available to buy.

Artifactory planned for this Saturday

The annual Artifactory and craft fair will be held this year on Saturday, Nov. 2, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Patrick's Senior Center on the corner of Main and Willow in Heppner.

Admission is free to the public. Aside from a variety of vendors, the senior center will have cinnamon rolls, hot dogs, Polish dogs, stew, French bread, drinks and more.

Proceeds from table rental and food sales go to St. Patrick's Senior Center to keep the doors open and the space available for community events.

Call 541-676-5826 for more information.

Neighborhood Center to give Christmas baskets

The Heppner Neighborhood Center has announced that low- and fixed-income individuals can sign up at the Neighborhood Center for Christmas food baskets starting Monday, Nov. 4.

Proof of physical address is required to receive a basket.

USO night planned in Hermiston

The Arc and Inland Northwest Musicians are teaming up to create a USO party at the historical Arc building at 215 W. Orchard in Hermiston on Saturday, November 9, from 6-8 p.m.

The Arc building in Hermiston was built in 1942 and served as a hub for service men and women of the area. They gathered at the Arc for dancing, bingo and camaraderie. According to reports, the Arc hosted nearly 7,700 men and women in 1943. An article about the history of the Arc and wartime in Hermiston is being prepared by Ron Ingle, Hermiston, who authored the book, "Oasis in the Desert," published in 2002.

The USO party is meant to honor veterans by reliving a day in history with memorabilia and celebration. Betty and Louis

Carlson of Heppner were credited as being a major inspiration to the USO party and have invited Adjutant General Raymond "Fred" Rees, retired director of the Oregon National Guard who has earned many awards and decorations for his distinguished service.

The party will feature music of the 1940s, including recordings provided by Dale Bates of Heppner. A 1940s dance band is being organized and there may be a sing-along with some of the "golden oldies."

Tickets for the event will be \$5 at the door and will also be available at the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce. Veterans and active military service members will be admitted free.

For more information, call the Arc, 541-567-7615.

VETERANS DAY SPEAKER

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around the city, Dix took it upon himself to assemble a 20-man team; in clearing a hotel, a theatre and a number of other buildings, he captured 20 prisoners, including a high-ranking VC official. He then attacked enemy troops who had entered the residence of the Deputy Province Chief and managed to save the official's wife and children.

Dix's bravery inspired others during the fighting and resulted in 14 confirmed Viet Cong killed in action, the capture of 20 prisoners,

15 weapons, and the rescue of 14 civilians. He was awarded the Medal of Honor by President Nixon at the White House on Jan. 16, 1969, becoming the first Special Forces NCO to win the award.

Dix went on to accept a direct commission to 1st Lieutenant and, after a 20-year career in the military, he retired as a major. After leaving the Army, he worked in support of government-sponsored programs and owned and operated an air service in the Alaskan interior.

Ione Auxiliary plans holiday bazaar

The American Legion Auxiliary in Ione will hold its third annual holiday bazaar Saturday, Nov. 16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ione American Legion Hall, 325 W. 2nd St., Ione.

Area vendors will be selling hand-crafted items ranging from homemade soaps to hand-crafted jewelry, from family recipe mixes to homemade sauces and jellies, handmade dolls to repurposed treasures and brand-name products.

Cinnamon rolls, pastries, coffee and hot

chocolate will be available in the morning hours for \$1. A lunch of potato soup, roll and a dessert will cost \$5 and will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Table space is limited but there are a few spots still available; table rent is \$10.

To rent a table or for more information, contact Becky Rietmann at 541-422-7230 or 541-720-2040, or Sharon Rietmann at 541-422-7437 or 541-571-0738. Please leave a message if there is no answer.

First Friday Friends of Jesus this week

The November session of First Friday Friends of Jesus will be held Nov. 1 from 8 a.m. to noon at All Saints Episcopal Church.

Children ages four through 12 are invited to a morning filled with Bible stories, crafts and games, concluding with a free lunch.

This month, children are invited to bring coins to help raise money to feed hungry people around the world. More information is available by calling the Shared Ministry office at 541-676-9970.

AWANA plans fun, games for Halloween

AWANA Bible club will have special activities on Thursday night, Oct. 31.

Boys and girls from preschool through the sixth grade are invited to drop in and attend as much of the evening as possible, even if they are not regular AWANA members.

Children attending are encouraged to dress up as a Bible character or animal. Games planned include pumpkin and candy corn relays and a mummy wrap...all with candy prizes.

AWANA runs from 6:30-8 p.m. at Willow Creek Baptist Church on Minor Street in Heppner. Call Dale Bates for more info at 676-5773.

Obituaries

Donna June Matlack

Donna June Matlack, 65, went home to be with her Lord on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 near Pendleton, OR during a return trip from Houston, TX, where she had been undergoing cancer treatments. This ended her courageous battle of nearly three years with cancer. Present with her at the time of her death were her husband Ken Matlack, daughter Jennifer Matlack, and brother Norman Eppenbach. Donna died quietly and peacefully as she was sleeping during the trip. Funeral services will be held on Monday, October 28, at 11 a.m. at Columbia View Community Church, Irrigon. A private family burial will follow at the Desert lawn Memorial Cemetery.



Donna June Matlack

Donna was born on June 16, 1948 in Baudette, MN to parents Elbert and Faye (Paxson) Eppenbach. She moved to Irrigon in 1951 with her parents and six siblings; her last brother was born in Oregon the following year.

Donna met her future husband Ken in the second grade at AC Houghton Elementary School in Irrigon. Ken was in the first grade and they shared the joint classroom.

Donna attended Irrigon schools and graduated from Riverside High School in Boardman in June of 1966. She and Ken were married on November 2, 1967. Donna was a loving and devoted mother and homemaker throughout all her life. Donna and Ken raised two daughters, Jennifer and Stefanie.

Donna came to know her Lord when she was seven years old in the Irrigon Community Baptist Church. She was a very active Christian all her life and loved attending church and going to Bible studies and church activities. She was known for having an excellent memory and had

memorized hundreds of scripture verses, numerous poems, and speeches of political figures. She was a tireless worker in special causes and projects. She loved animals, especially her dogs, most of which were strays or abandoned. She was an active financial supporter of numerous church, school and other causes, including the American Cancer Society.

Donna was looking forward to going to be with her Lord and did not fear death. She eagerly awaited the Lord's return but, if he tarried, she was ready to go with him.

Donna is survived by: her husband Ken at their home in Irrigon; her daughter Jennifer Matlack; granddaughters Cheyanne Matlack and Steele Hackett of Irrigon and Danielle Atkins of Pendleton; siblings Donald and Donna Eppenbach of Irrigon, Norman and Janice Eppenbach of Umatilla, Wayne and Janice Eppenbach of Stanfield, Judy and Gene Cunningham of Ukiah, Elnora and John Marlow of Irrigon, Betty and Gary Baird of Bedford, WY, John and Annette Eppenbach of Irrigon; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by: her parents, Elbert and Faye Eppenbach, and a daughter, Stefanie Atkins.

Donna will be sorely missed by many people who knew her caring and compassionate heart and loved her.

Those who wish may make contributions in Donna's memory to Pet Rescue, 1844 Geer Rd., Hermiston, OR 97838.

Please sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, OR is in charge of arrangements.

Death Notice

Alice I. Buckley—Alice I. Buckley died on October 22, 2013 in Heppner at the age of 101. She was born on July 12, 1912 in Heppner to parents Curtis and Cecil Alice Rankin Rhea. A private family burial will be held at Echo Cemetery, Echo, OR. Please sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, OR is in charge of arrangements.

Last Wednesday game night Oct. 30

The Heppner United Methodist Women will host their "Last Wednesday Game Night" on Oct. 30 from 7-9 p.m. Board and card games of all kind, along with Mexican Train dominoes, will be available to play. The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

The Heppner United Methodist Church is located at the corner of Church and Gale Streets in Heppner.

Holly Rebekah to hold card party

Holly Rebekah Lodge will hold its November card party this Saturday, Nov. 2, at the lodge hall in Lexington.

The cost is still \$5 for an evening of fun, visiting with friends and making new ones, and snacks throughout the evening.

Card playing will start at 7 p.m. and is open to the public.

If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, help is available and that help is FREE of charge.

If YOU have a family member who suffers from gambling addiction, YOU can also receive FREE treatment even if the gambler is not receiving treatment.

If you are a resident of Morrow County and you wish to take advantage of the services above or desire more information, Please call any of the following numbers to set up a LOCAL appointment or just to talk:

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