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Fishburns celebrate 50 years



Earl and Peggy Fishburn, Heppner, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last week. The couple was wed May 2, 1964 in Yakima, WA. -Contributed photo

Birth Announcements

John McGregor Kilkenny—John Conor Kilkenny and Gabi Kilkenny of Tualatin, OR announce the birth of a son, John McGregor Kilkenny. John was born April 25, 2014; he weighed 7 pounds, 13 ounces and was 21-3/4 inches long.

Grandparents are John and Diane Kilkenny, Heppner, and Dick and Kathy McGregor, Portland, OR.

Laurelee Suzanne Jepsen—Daniel and Bethany Jepsen of Merrill, OR announce the birth of a daughter, Laurelee Suzanne Jepsen.

She was born April 23, 2014 at Ashland Community Hospital. She weighed 6 pounds, 6 ounces, and was 19 inches long.

Laurelee is the granddaughter of Bill and Nancy Jepsen and the great-granddaughter of Bob and Suzanne Jepsen of Heppner, and granddaughter of Art Robinson and the late Laurelee Robinson of Cave Junction, OR.



Laurelee Suzanne Jepsen

Over the Tee Cup

Eighteen women turned out for a sunny and warm play day at Willow Creek Country Club April 29. Low gross of the field was taken by Corol Mitchell, low net by Pat Dougherty, and least putts went to Jan Paustian.

For flight A, Loa Hiedeman took low gross and Corol Mitchell had long drive (#10).

On flight B, Darcee Mitchell had low gross and long drive (#10), while

Carri Grieb had low net and Lorrene Montgomery had least putts.

In flight C, Beverly Steagall had low gross, Betty Carlson low net, and Jennifer Jaca had least putts and long drive (#10).

Chip-ins were by Jan Paustian, Betty Carlson and Loa Heideman.

In other events, long putt on #14 was taken by Corol Mitchell (A), Sarah Rucker (B) and Jill Miller (C).

WCCC Benefit Golf Tournament planned

Willow Creek Country Club announces its 2014 Benefit Golf Tournament to be held Saturday, May 17. Tee time is 9 a.m.

The tournament will be an 18-hole, four person scramble event to raise funds to complete the new patio currently under construction.

The entry fee is \$30 for adults, \$15 for children 12 and under, with proceeds to go to the patio project.

Prizes to be awarded include free rounds of golf

at regional courses, plus giveaways from sponsors.

Anyone who doesn't have a partner or a team is still invited; event organizers will pair players.

The new patio will provide a covered area to manage larger tournaments, provide a comfortable seating area, get members out of the wind and the weather, and should be a nice place to both watch play on the course and enjoy a barbecue.

Ecumenical women's salad supper May 12

The annual ecumenical women's salad supper will be held on Monday, May 12, beginning at 6:30 p.m. This year's event will be hosted by the Shared Ministry of All Saints Episcopal Church and Hope Lutheran Church, and will be held at the All Saints parish hall at the corner of Church and Gale in Heppner.

The Hopeful Saints Mission Trippers will share stories and pictures of their well-building adventures in Guatemala.

Women who attend are asked to bring a salad to share. Desserts and beverages will be provided.

Death Notice

Dorothy Carol Norris—Dorothy Carol Norris, 85, of Heppner, died Monday, May 5, 2014 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. She was born September 27, 1928 in Sisters, OR. At her request no service will be held. A complete obituary will follow in next week's Gazette-Times. Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Mary Beamer dies at 100, county loses one of oldest residents

By Merlyn Robinson
Mary Beamer, Heppner, passed away April 27, just nine months after she celebrated her 100th birthday. Morrow County lost one of its oldest residents.

Mary was born July 27, 1913 in Heppner, one of seven children born to Robert and LaVonn Gammell. She attended schools in Heppner. In 1934, she married Ralph Beamer, who had moved to this area from Virginia.

They lived in Heppner, where Ralph had a delivery business, for a short while. Mary became a ranch wife when they bought the Charles Cox wheat ranch southwest of Heppner. During that era of no electricity or indoor plumbing Mary became adept at providing for their family and turning out nutritious meals minus any modern appliances. Later she blessed the convenience when electricity became the norm on ranches.

Mary and Ralph had two children. R. Neil was born June 20, 1936 and Janice Jean Bothum was born July 14, 1940. As their family grew, so did their holdings, when they moved to the Quaid place on Balm Fork that continued to be

the family home. In addition to wheat farming, the Beamers developed a herd of cattle and purchased Ukiah property for summer range. Mary and Ralph both became involved in the cutting-horse world and raised some well-known American Quarter Horses that made their mark in competitive events.

Though Mary was often a behind-the-scenes type of person, she too won a champion saddle and other awards in cutting-horse competitions.

As their children developed their own horse interests, Mary and Ralph proudly supported Neil as his rodeo skills resulted in winning calf-roping titles in the Professional Rodeo Association circuit.

With lots of help from both Mary and Ralph, Janice also became an avid horse person. She went on to become a Pendleton Roundup Princess, followed by her reign as both Miss Northwest Rodeo Queen and as Miss Rodeo Oregon.

Mary was a typical old-fashioned ranch wife. Throughout her life, her primary focus was doing for others as a wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Her love of

Laiken Jean Stelk—Andy and Jessica Stelk of Lexington announce the birth of a daughter, Laiken Jean Stelk. Laiken was born April 17, 2014 at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston, OR. She weighed 8 pounds, 12 ounces and was 21-1/2 inches long.

Laiken joins big brothers Kaden, Payton, Mason, Jackson and Brock.

Grandparents are Cathy and Ken Stelk of Pilot Rock, OR, and Charlie and Cindy Sumner of Lexington.



Mary Beamer at her 100th birthday gathering; this family photo includes three generations. -Photo by Whitney Knowles

the Western lifestyle was reflected in the books she read and the music she enjoyed. Her favorite artists were George Strait and the Statler Brothers.

Mary had artistic talent of her own, which led to creating oil paintings and writing poetry. Later in life she became adept at golfing and bowling but she seldom missed a PBR bull-riding event on television. Meals that she prepared for harvest crews were

enhanced by produce that she grew in her own large garden for many years. She also tended a yard garden with many flowers.

A graveside service was held Saturday, May 3, at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery at 10 a.m. Pastor Tim VanCleve, Pendleton, officiated. A celebration of Mary's 100 years of life followed at the St. Patrick's Senior Center in Heppner with a large gathering of family and friends.

Chamber lunch meeting

The next lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be Thursday, May 15, at noon in Heppner City Hall conference room. Cam Preus, president of BMCC, will be the guest speaker.

Cost of lunch is \$10; Murray's will cater. Chamber lunch attendees are asked to RSVP at 541-676-5536 no later than the Wednesday before to guarantee a lunch.

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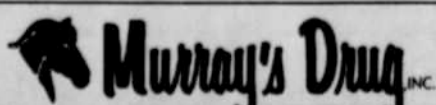
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