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O'Donnell, who owned Morrow County Abstract & Title.

Their second son, Jonas, was also born in Heppner in July of 1980 and their daughter, Janelle, was born in September of 1981.

Jerry worked at MCAT for two and a half years before joining Columbia Basin Electric in March of 1981 as an assistant office manager. At the time Norm Rickert was office manager and Fred Toombs was general manager.

It was tough times at CBEC in those days, with the WPPSS (Washington Public Power Supply System) debacle. (WPPSS was a large nuclear energy project to be located in Richland, Washington, which 23 public power utilities bought into. The project failure resulted in the second largest bond collapse in U.S. history, leaving the co-ops financially devastated.)

"It was a very turbulent time," said Jerry, who said that the co-op was forced to implement a 72 percent rate increase to pay for WPPSS. "It was a very unpopular decision," he said, which brought on many heated arguments and "very active board meetings that went on until 1-2 in the morning." "We lost 30 percent of our sales, with half of our irrigators disconnecting and people cutting back on their power. That was really tough, and as a result of that, we went from

27 employees to 16."

The utility survived, however, with cutbacks and rate increases. "Hopefully we never will see that again," he exclaimed.

Another challenge was the quality of the electric service. "We had pretty rocky electric service in the 80s, with a lot of power outages. But Fred Toombs and the board recognized the need to upgrade and invested three quarters of a million a year in upgrades for 20 years to improve the quality of service." "As a result we have as about an excellent service as you can get," he added. "And we've continued to invest in the electrical plant to maintain system reliability."

"This is a great place to work," added Healy. "We've had good employees, good board members and consumer members that have been very understanding. You just can't beat it as a good place to work."

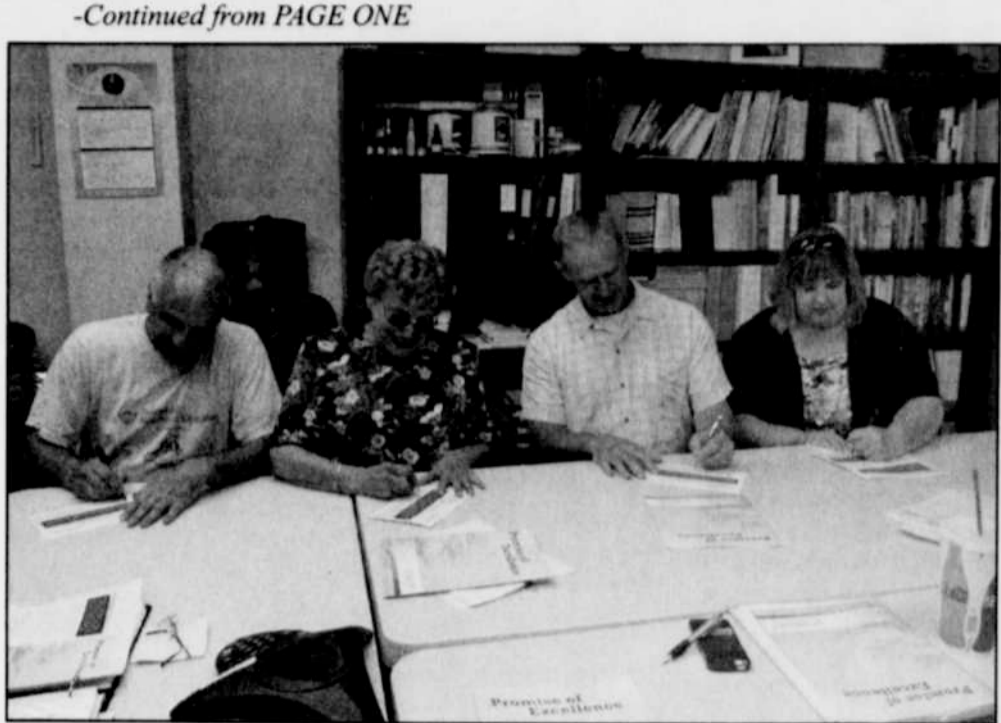
As much as he enjoys his job, Healy is ready for retirement. "It's time for new energy, new ideas. I'm ready."

What's he going to do after retirement? "That's a good question, because I've never done anything but work," Healy replied. However, it doesn't look like he's going to have to worry about having nothing to do. There's quite a list. Besides his continued involvement in numerous business entities, including Port of Morrow, Morrow

Development and Inland Development Corporation, Healy is also planning a sort of "bucket list" trip to Peru this October, that also includes a visit to Machu Picchu. "I've always wanted to go there. I've thought about it for years. His three kids, son-in-law, sister Jean Marie, a friend and his wife and their son are planning to accompany him on his trip. So far, he says, Carmen has not opted in on that trip, which would entail quite a bit of walking and climbing.

He's also got a few "honey do" projects underway and probably a few family projects as well. The Healys are also excited to become grandparents for the first time with son, Joe, and his fiancé expecting a baby girl in February.

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Health District Board Signs Promise of Excellence

Grigg. The culmination occurred Monday, August 25, when the board of directors also signed the document to show their commitment

and support. "We are committed to making Morrow County Health District a great place to work and a

great place to get care," said Grigg. "This commitment by every member of our organization is a critical step in that journey."

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These are a few of the promises that each employee, provider and board member of Morrow County Health District made recently by signing what is called the Promise of Excellence.

- "I will serve our customers and patients with a friendly attitude, respect and kindness without bias or preconception."
- "I will maintain confidentiality with patient information, discussing it only on a need to know basis."
- "I will communicate in a respectful and professional manner, acknowledge others, make eye contact and smile."
- "I will have the courage to communicate issues directly and honestly with my team members. I do not gossip, neither listen nor participate."
- "I will go the extra mile and walk customers to where they need to be, and during our time together I will make them feel comfortable and welcomed."

Ione Cardinal Volleyball Schedule

Sept. 4: vs. Irrigon varsity/JV, Ione, 5 p.m.
 Sept. 5: vs. Wallowa varsity/JV, Ione 5 p.m.
 Sept. 12: vs. Echo, V/JV, Echo, 5 p.m.
 Sept. 13: Summit Springs Tournament, V, Condon, 9 a.m.
 Sept. 16: vs. Mitchell/Spray, V/JV, Spray, 5 p.m.
 Sept. 18: vs. Irrigon, V/JV, Irrigon, 5 p.m.
 Sept. 19: vs. Condon/Wheeler, V/JV, Ione, 5 p.m.
 Sept. 23: vs. Riverside, V/JV, Boardman, 5 p.m.
 Sept. 25: vs. Heppner, V/JV, Ione, 5 p.m.
 Sept. 26: vs. Nixyaawii, V, Mission, 5 p.m.
 Sept. 30: vs. Mitchell/Spray, V/JV, Ione, 5 p.m.
 Oct. 3: vs. Sherman, V/JV, Ione, 5 p.m.
 Oct. 4: vs. Arlington, V, Ione, 1 p.m.
 Oct. 9: vs. Dufur, V/JV, Ione, 5 p.m.
 Oct. 14: vs. Helix, V/JV, Senior Night, Ione, 5 p.m.
 Oct. 16: vs. Condon/Wheeler, V/JV, Fossil, 5 p.m.
 Oct. 17: vs. Arlington, V, Arlington, 5 p.m.
 Oct. 23: District Crossover, V, place TBA, 5 p.m.
 Oct. 25: Big Sky District Tourney V, Condon, 10 a.m.
 Oct. 29: 1st Round State Playoffs, V, time & place TBA
 Nov. 1: 2nd Round State Playoffs, V, time & place TBA
 Nov. 7-8: State Volleyball Tournament, Ridgeview High School, Redmond, time to be announced.

Ione Cardinal Football Schedule

Sept. 5: vs. Wallowa, Ione, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 12: vs. Echo, Echo, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 19: vs. Condon-Wheeler, Ione, 7 p.m.
 Sept. 26: vs. Jewell, Jewell, time to be announced.
 Oct. 3: vs. Sherman County, Ione, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 9: Homecoming, vs. Dufur, Ione, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 17: vs. Arlington, Arlington, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 24: Senior Night vs. Elgin, Ione, 7 p.m.
 Oct. 31: vs. Spray/Mitchell, Spray, 1 p.m.
 Nov. 7-8: First round state playoffs, time and place to be announced
 Nov. 14-15: State Quarterfinals, time and place TBA.
 Nov. 21-22: State Semi-finals, time and place TBA.
 Nov. 29: State Championship, time and place TBA.

17 Compete in WCCC men's play

Seventeen men competed in the Sunday Men's Play Competition on August 31 at Willow Creek Country Club in Heppner.

The results were as follows:

Gross: 1. Barry Munkers - 70, 2. John Edmondson - 71, 3.(tie) Dave Allstott and Jeff Edmondson - 73.

Net: 1. Tim Wright -

57, 2.(tie) Roger Mortimore and Stacy Wilson - 60.

Special Events: KP(#4/13) - Jeff Edmondson. KP.2nd Shot (#8/17) - Stacy Wilson.

The next regular Sunday Morning Men's Play will be on September 7 with Tom Shear, Scott Burright and John Edmondson in charge.

Heppner Mustang Football Schedule

09-05-14 7:00PM Away vs. Hermiston
 09-12-14 7:00PM vs. Grant Union
 09-19-14 7:00PM Away vs. Enterprise
 09-26-14 7:00PM vs. Waitsburg / Prescott
 10-03-14 7:00PM vs. Pilot Rock
 10-10-14 7:00PM Away vs. Culver
 10-17-14 7:00PM vs. Stanfield Secondary
 10-23-14 7:00PM Away vs. Irrigon
 10-31-14 7:00PM vs. Weston-McEwen
 11-08-14 1:00PM Away vs. TBA
 11-15-14 1:00PM Away vs. TBA
 11-22-14 1:00PM Away vs. TBA

Heppner Mustang JV Football Schedule

09-12-14 4:00PM vs. Grant Union
 09-22-14 4:00PM Away vs. Pilot Rock
 09-29-14 4:00PM vs. Pilot Rock
 10-13-14 5:00PM Away vs. Stanfield
 10-20-14 5:00PM vs. Irrigon
 10-27-14 5:00PM Away vs. Weston-McEwen

Heppner Mustang Volleyball Schedule

08-29-14 12:00PM Away vs. Umatilla
 08-30-14 9:00AM Away vs. Grant Union
 09-04-14 4:30PM Away vs. Dufur School
 09-06-14 9:00AM Tournament
 09-09-14 5:00PM Sherman County JSHS
 09-13-14 8:00AM Away vs. Condon HS
 09-18-14 5:00PM Away vs. Weston-McEwen
 09-23-14 5:00PM Irrigon
 09-25-14 5:00PM Away vs. Ione School
 09-26-14 3:00PM Away vs. Waitsburg / Prescott
 10-02-14 5:00PM Away vs. Pilot Rock
 10-04-14 12:00PM Stanfield, W-M
 10-09-14 5:00PM Pilot Rock
 10-11-14 12:00PM Away vs. Culver
 10-16-14 5:00PM Stanfield Secondary
 10-17-14 12:00PM Away vs. Union
 10-21-14 5:00PM Culver
 10-25-14 12:00PM Away vs. Weston-McEwen

Sheriff's Report

May 1: -A man in Irrigon called MCSO and requested to speak with a deputy about people possibly target practicing near the nature trails next to the parking lot of the wildlife area in Irrigon. He came across a pile of shotgun and .22 casings and boxes and is concerned it is too close to the highway.

MCSO received report of a male and female having an argument and swearing at each other in Lexington. MCSO responded. No action was taken.

MCSO was advised by a caller in the Heppner area that a male subject had called. They could not understand him at first, and the caller said they advised the subject to take them off his call list, and the subject started swearing at them. By the fourth call the subject was stating they owed taxes and would have to pay. When the reporting person asked where the subject was from and to speak with a supervisor, he began requesting obscene

things from her. She gave the phone to another friend and the subject told him they owed for taxes.

MCSO arrested Richard F. Burnside Jr., 23, on a Sweet Home municipal warrant. The subject was cited and released with a court date.

A female near Heppner called MCSO to advise that they were receiving harassing letters. A deputy made contact and advised them of their options.

-An MCSO deputy

advised he was contacting a Lexington resident regarding a cat that was hit. Deputy was advised that it was unknown who the owner was, most likely a stray.

Pioneer Memorial Hospital advised MCSO of a dog bite. A male subject was bitten by his son's dog when trying to remove it from under a vehicle after it was hit. Dog had been put down.

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