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## Tailgate Trio in Heppner Sunday



Tailgate Trio

Summer music returns to Heppner City Park this Sunday, July 19, from 5 to 7 p.m., featuring The Tailgate Trio from La Grande.

Three gifted musicians who have played both together and separately in various configurations for decades came together as a trio during a wet and windy tailgate party at EOU last fall.

“We play three much-maligned instruments in the same band—an accordion, dulcimer and the banjo. None of us play bagpipes so we added the ukulele in many of its forms as well,” says Sharon Porter, band member.

The band builds its repertoire of Parisian, Cajun, Irish, Russian, East European and American folk music partly around the accordion, which Matt Cooper recently took up after nearly 50 years as a classical and jazz pianist.

This concert series is sponsored by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District and facilitated by the Shared Ministry of Hope Lutheran Church and All Saints Episcopal Church. Supper, including pulled pork sandwiches, will be available for purchase to raise funds for the Shared Ministry’s mission trip to Haiti in November (for which there are a few openings; call 541-676-9970 for more information).

## Chamber lunch meeting

The next lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be on Thursday, July 16, at noon in Heppner City Hall conference room. Sandy Matthews will speak on the recent trip she and her father, Don Bennett, took to Washington, D.C.

Cost of lunch is \$10; Bucknum’s will cater. An RSVP is required; chamber lunch attendees are asked to RSVP at 541-676-5536 no later than the Wednesday before to guarantee a lunch.

## Obituaries

### Robert Clayton Kelly

Robert Clayton Kelly, 92, of Mesquite, NV passed away January 28, 2015. Bob will have a military funeral at the Willamette National Cemetery in Portland, OR this Friday, July 17, at 3 p.m.

He was born July 26, 1922 in San Diego, CA to Albert Clayton Kelly and Meta Andersen Kelly. The family moved to Davenport, IA in 1927, where Bob graduated from Davenport High School.

Following high school, Bob graduated from the California Maritime Academy. He was commissioned as an Ensign USNR and as an ensign in the U.S. Maritime Service. He worked as

a shipboard engineer during World War II in the South Pacific.

In 1950, Bob graduated from Oregon State University with a Bachelor of Science in geology and entered active duty in the Navy at the beginning of the Korean conflict. In that same year he married Marylou Ferguson of Heppner. After his Navy duty, he was employed by the Sea Lift Command as a shipboard engineer, sailing between the Pacific Coast and the Pacific Rim area. He retired from the Naval Reserves in 1967 as a Lieutenant Commander.

In 1955, Bob graduated from the University of

Washington with a master’s degree in business administration. From 1955-67 he worked in management positions for Scott Paper Company and the Boeing Company. In 1968 Bob was hired as an instructor at Blue Mountain Community College (BMCC) in Pendleton, OR. He was later appointed Dean of Instruction. Bob worked as dean until his retirement in 1987.

Bob was an active member of the Al Kader Shriners, Heppner Elk’s Lodge, and a life member of the Masons.

Bob’s wife, Marylou, passed away in 1980. He married Starla Jewell in 1986. The couple lived

in Northern Virginia for many years before retiring to Mesquite in 2005. Bob enjoyed the weather and golf courses. He continued his lifelong interest in business and economics, as well as history. He was a world traveler and loved nothing better than a trip to a new country and learning about the history and geology of the area, and any golfing opportunities.

He is survived by his wife, Starla; his daughters, Luanne Hurl (Jim) and Shannon Kelly; three stepchildren; four grandchildren; four step-grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Leslie; and sister, Joyce.

He is survived by: daughters, Lisa Parent of Portland, Shelly Parent and husband Steve Korsness of Sherwood, and Alison Parent of Berlin, Germany; stepsons Matt Gehrke of Gladstone and Geoff Gehrke and partner Donna Kirkpatrick of Panama City, FL; and eight grandchildren.

Al loved Eastern Oregon, the high desert and the western lifestyle. He remained grateful to the end of his life for the home he found in Heppner and in that spirit his family returns him there to rest.

Adamson’s Sheridan Funeral Home of Sheridan is in charge of the arrangements.

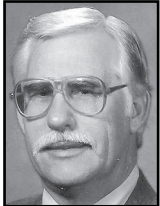
### Albert ‘Al’ L. Parent

Albert “Al” Parent, 79, died Thursday, June 18, 2015 at his home in Grand Ronde, OR. A graveside service will be held Tuesday, July 21, at 3 p.m. at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Al was born November 3, 1935 in West Plains, MO to Orville and Myrtha Marie Parent. His family moved frequently, settling for a time in the Spokane area, before moving to Heppner in 1951, where he hoped they would remain. Tragedy struck, however, in November of 1952 when Al’s brother, Leslie, died at age 11 of a congenital heart defect and the family subsequently splintered. Al then lived and attended high school in Prineville until the end of his junior year. After a summer spent

working on a wheat ranch in Washington, he decided to return on his own to Heppner, where he lived with the Gonty family and was able to graduate from Heppner High School in 1954. He married Nancy Anderson of Heppner in 1958 and went on to graduate from Eastern Oregon College in 1959.

After taking classes toward a graduate degree at the University of Oregon, in 1962 Al began a career in the insurance industry with Allstate Insurance, where he received numerous sales awards and promotions while working at offices in Salem, Oregon City, Boise and Spokane. His daughters have many fond memories



Albert “Al” L. Parent

from this time of family vacations spent camping and fishing at Redfish Lake in Idaho.

In 1972, Al left Allstate and moved with his wife and daughters to the Portland area, where he was a Farmers Insurance agent for 37 years. He and Nancy later divorced. He subsequently remarried and was active

with his step-sons in youth sports, coaching baseball and acting as an umpire at high school and college games. That marriage ended in divorce. Upon retirement in 2008, he moved to a 200-acre ranch in Grand Ronde, where he happily owned and operated Cody’s Hay and Cattle Co. until he passed away.

## HHS alumni ‘celebrate the 60s’ this weekend

The Heppner High School Class of 1965 will be hosting a “Celebrate the 60s” class reunion this weekend in Heppner.

Every Heppner High School class from the 60s, as well as friends and families, has been invited to join in the celebration.

Friday, July 24, the group will have a no-host parmesan chicken dinner at the Elks Lodge from 6-8 p.m.

Saturday, July 25, it will be time to tee off at Willow Creek Country Club for a time of golf, pizza, drinks and fellowship from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Participants are asked to bring chairs.

That afternoon, Morrow County Museum and Morrow County Agricul-

ture Museum in Heppner will be open 12-4 p.m. That evening, a dinner and dance is planned back at the Heppner Elks Lodge. Social hour begins at 5 p.m. Reservations are required for dinner and a program, which will run from 6-8 p.m. From 8 p.m. until midnight, the evening will be all about 60s music, featuring alumni karaoke talent.

Sunday, July 26, the group will finish off the weekend with worship at Heppner City Park, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Again, attendees are asked to bring chairs.

Contact Stuart Dick, 541-377-5451, or Ken Evans, 541-922-3849, for more information.

## A visit to Nazareth at VBS next week

Community children ages four to 12 are invited to visit “Hometown Nazareth, Where Jesus was a Kid”—a week of vacation Bible school sponsored by five Heppner churches (Baptist, Episcopal, Lutheran, Methodist and Nazarene) beginning Monday, July 20, through Friday, July 24, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Hope Lutheran Church and the adjacent parsonage lawn.

A free supper will be

served to the children each night, and parents are invited to attend the final wrap-up session on Friday evening, followed by an ice-cream social.

There is no cost to attend, but parents will need to complete a registration form for each child. Those who would like to pre-register their children will find a VBS registration table at Music in the Park on Sunday, July 19.

## Shared Ministry plans for well-drilling mission trip

Drilling wells for people in parts of the world where clean water is scarce has been a goal of the Shared Ministry of All Saints Episcopal and Hope Lutheran churches in Heppner. The next mission trip will be to Haiti this fall.

There are openings available in the 12-person team going to Haiti Oct. 31 through Nov. 6 of this year. The trip is made through Living Water International. The team will participate in

the actual drilling process and teach hygiene practices to the local people.

The trip will require payment of \$1,900, which covers all expenses including air travel, food and lodging. Fundraisers, some of which have already occurred, will offset some of the cost.

To get more information, or to be added to the list, please contact the Shared Ministry office at 676-9970.

## Community lunch menu

On Wednesday, July 22, at St. Patrick’s Senior Center, local volunteers will serve a meal that will include build-your-own chef’s salad with croutons, garlic toast and melons. Milk is served at each meal. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

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