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**Class of '91 benches spruced up for fair**



The benches throughout Heppner, originally donated by the class of '91, received a fresh coat of paint last week...but fairgoers might want to wait for the paint to dry before taking a seat. —Photo by Andrea Di Salvo

The green benches throughout Heppner have a shiny new appearance thanks to the efforts of several locals and Heppner alumni. Scott Johnston of the Heppner High School class of '91, now of Salem, was joined by Amy Kollman, Tiffany Clement, Dan Sharp and Jodi Ferguson in giving the town's four "Class of '91" benches a new coat of paint just in time for fair.

According to Johnston, the class worked to raise

money for a graduate trip to Disneyland in 1991. Thanks to an outpouring of community support, the students raised around \$7,000. That left them with money to spare, so they had the four benches built as an expression of gratitude for the community's generosity. Since then, class members and other locals have taken care to keep the tradition alive by administering a fresh coat of paint every few years.

**CANYON CREEK FIRE**

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Inciweb at: <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4495/>.

**Turner Basin Fire**  
Though not as serious at this point, another fire causing concern locally is the Turner Basin Fire, lo-

cated roughly eight miles east of Dale, OR and is now estimated at 60 acres. The fire was determined to be human caused and is currently under investigation.

Fire officials want to remind everyone that the

**Winifred Veronica 'Winnie' Flynn**

Winifred Veronica "Winnie" Flynn, 82, formerly of Heppner, died peacefully in California with her family by her side on Monday, August 10, 2015. A graveside service will be held 11 a.m. Wednesday, August 26, at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

She was born May 11, 1933 in Rusheenamaugh, County Galway, Ireland. Winnie was the sixth of 10 children born to Bridget and Patrick Mulkerin. She was raised in Rusheenamaugh until the age of 16. In 1949 her family immigrated to

the United State through Ellis Island, NY and settled in Dorchester, MA. She spoke English and Gaelic.

On June 16, 1956 she married George J. Flynn Sr. in Boston, MA and together they raised their seven children in Orange County, California. In her retirement years she resided in Heppner to be close to her son, John.

Winnie lived by a strong faith in God, volunteering as a Eucharistic Minister to those confined

to their homes. She was a dedicated wife and mother. The love of our wonderful mother will live in our hearts forever like a legacy of love.

She was preceded in death by: her parents, Bridget and Patrick Mulkerin; brothers, Patrick and Coleman; a sister, Anne; her late husband of 55 years, George J. Flynn Sr.; and her granddaughter, Meghan.

Winnie is survived by: her sisters, Mary, Theresa,

Bridget and Philomena; brothers, Marcus and Morgan; children, George Jr., John, Mary, Patrick, Morgan, James and Joseph; along with eight grandchildren, George, Courtney, Jessie, Cord, Hannah, Maggie, Jake and Shane.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society — Oregon Chapter, 9320 SW Barbur Blvd., Suite 140, Portland, OR 97219, in honor of Meghan Flynn.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of local arrangements.



Winifred Veronica "Winnie" Flynn

**FFA basket auction planned for Thursday during fair**

The Heppner FFA Chapter will be traveling to the National FFA Convention in Louisville, KY in October.

To help with the costs associated with the trip, the chapter is continuing a tradition of holding a basket auction Thursday evening during fair and rodeo week.

The event is sponsored by Murray's, and the auction will be at 7:30 p.m. between the music acts.

A variety of baskets will be available, including baskets built around the themes of family fun night, gardening, barbecue, Mustang fans and baking.

"We look forward to the event and really appreciate all of the support and

generosity of community in the past," said Heppner FFA advisor Beth Dickenson.

In addition to representing our community, the Heppner FFA Chapter will be recognized for two national proficiency award winners.

Erica Nelson received a Bronze in Diversified Horticulture, and Caitlynn Bailey received a Silver at the national level with the proficiency in Ag Processing.

The Heppner FFA Chapter also was one of six chapters from Oregon that went on to the national competition and received a One Star award for National Chapter.

**Give blood at the fair**

A reminder that there will be an American Red Cross blood drive at the Morrow County Fair on Thursday, Aug. 20, from noon to 5 p.m.

In addition to helping others by giving blood, donors also have the chance to help a local student. Rachel Holland of Ione has the goal of signing up 40 donors and having at least 25 donate their blood. If she reaches this goal, she will be eligible for a \$1000 college scholarship.

To schedule an appointment or for more information, contact the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767 or Rachel Holland at 541-561-4297.

**The View from the Green Over the Tee Cup**

Six players participated in the Willow Creek Country Club ladies' play day Tuesday, Aug. 11.

Low gross of the field was Nancy Propheter with 37. Low net was Sarah Rucker with 32.

Virginia Grant had least putts of the field with 15.

Other results were:  
Low gross—for flight A, Nancy Propheter; flight B, Sarah Rucker; and flight C, Kris Lindner.

Low net—for flight A, Virginia Grant; for flight B, Jan Paustian; for flight C, Betty Carlson.

Least putts—for flight C, Betty Carlson.

Nancy Propheter also had a chip-in and a birdie on #13.

**WCCC Sunday men's play results**

The Willow Creek Country Club shootout—a two-man, twenty-seven-hole team event—was held on Aug. 16 with 27 participating. The results are as follows:

Gross—1<sup>st</sup>, Kevin Morgan/Duane Disque, 91; 2<sup>nd</sup>, John McCabe/Josh Coiner, 98; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Mark Schlichting/Dave Mitchell, 101.

Net—1<sup>st</sup>, Dave Pranger/Dennis Peck, 83.5; 2<sup>nd</sup>, Charlie Ferguson/Larry Runyun, 87.5; 3<sup>rd</sup>, Tim Hedman/Tom Bedortha, 89.5.

Special Events: KP #4/13, Delbert Binschus, 9'10"; Long Putt #5/14, Duane Disque, 21'10".

The next men's play will take place on Aug. 23 with Gary Propheter and Dale Holland in charge.

**CBSGA results for Boardman**

Twenty-seven Willow Creek senior men played in the Columbia-Blue Senior Golf Association tournament at par-62 Willow Run Golf Course at Boardman on Aug. 10. The results were the following:

**Columbia Division (Handicap 12 and Below)**

Gross: 5. John Boyer – 69, 8. Duane Disque – 71.

**Blue Division (Handicap 13 to 17)**

Gross: 5. Jim Swanson – 75, 8. Mike Doherty – 79.

Net: 3. Tom Shear – 57, 4. Jerry Gentry – 61.

**Senior Division (Handicap 18 and Above)**

Gross: 1. Jeff Cutsforth

– 78, 2. Dale Boyd – 79, 3. Gene Orwick – 81, 4. Rod Wilson – 82, 5. Bob Jepsen – 85.

Net: 5. Mike Sweek – 63.

Players reported that the course was in excellent condition. The players also enjoyed "very tasty" burgers prepared by the course managers.

The next Columbia-Blue tournament will be played at Indian Creek Golf Course at Hood River on Sept. 14 with tee times at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. A golfers' special lunch menu will be provided by the Divots Restaurant at the course.

**COUNTY COURT**

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supposed goal of delisting the gray wolves as an endangered species.

One of the state provisions sates that "Wolves may be considered for statewide delisting once the population reaches four breeding pairs for three consecutive years in eastern Oregon..."

ODFW biologist docu-

mented seven breeding pairs of wolves in Oregon in 2014, six of them in northeast Oregon.

In R-2015-11, the Morrow County Court urged the commission to act on these findings, stating that "delisting gray wolves sends a message to the rural communities, livestock producers and sportsmen, that the Oregon Fish and Wildlife

Commission intends for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to manage gray wolves by the adopted plan and control populations and limit effects on livestock and game populations," concluding by urging the commission to "take immediate steps to delist gray wolves throughout all of Oregon."



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