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Children invited to after-school program at Ione church

Ione Community Church invites children in kindergarten through fifth grades to attend J.a.M (Jesus and Me) after-school program.

At J.a.M children will explore and experience "serving God and others with active love." The fun begins Oct. 21 and will continue each Wednesday from 3:30-5:30 p.m. through Nov. 18.

The adventure includes music, interactive Bible fun, science projects, crafts, snacks, games and more. Call or text Pastor Stacy at 541-256-0297 for more information.

VALBY CEMETERY

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the deed for the cemetery was handed over to the Ione Lexington Cemetery District.

Anyone who has questions or concerns about the Valby Cemetery, or who would like to have a loved one buried in the cemetery, now needs to contact the Ione Lexington Cemetery District at PO Box 286, Ione, OR 97843-0286 or ionelexcemdist@gmail.com, or contact district sex-

ton William White at 541-256-0388, district secretary Laurie Barrow at 541-379-0608, or district chairperson Maureen McElligott at 541-422-7156.

While the Valby Cemetery has changed hands, Carlson adds that Valby Lutheran Church is still going strong, with services at 10 a.m. on the first and third Sundays of every month. For more information on the church, contact Louis Carlson, 541-676-5302.

Community lunch menu

Hope and Valby Lutheran and All Saints Episcopal church volunteers will serve lunch on Wednesday, Oct. 7, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. Lunch will include pulled pork sandwiches, potato salad, carrot salad, cucumbers and onions, and pumpkin pie.

On Oct. 14, local volunteers will serve a meal of lasagna, green salad, carrot salad, garlic bread, and butter pecan cake.

Milk is served at each meal. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

Correction

The Morrow County Health District plans to hire a mid-level provider, such as a nurse practitioner or physician's assistant, to work at Pioneer Memorial Clinic in Heppner, not to provide emergency room coverage as stated in the health district story in the Sept. 30 Gazette-Times. Physicians will continue to provide emergency room coverage. Also, Dr. Ken Wenberg will not conduct stress testing as stated in the article; stress testing will be conducted by Dr. Russ Nichols and Dr. Dan Hambleton.

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Obituaries

Natalie Cresta Robinson Slayton

Natalie Cresta Robinson Slayton, 44, of Nyssa and former resident of Heppner and John Day, OR, went to heaven on Monday, September 28, 2015. A memorial service was held Saturday, Oct. 3, at All Saints Episcopal Church in Heppner, with inurnment following at Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

She was born in La Grande, OR on March 18, 1972 to Dean and Florene Kygar Robinson. She grew

up and attended school in Heppner.

Natalie studied anthropology and business at Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton, OR and Eastern Oregon University in La Grande.

She was the loving mother of Corey Slayton and Josh Slayton, and grandmother to Aiden Slayton and Sydney Slayton.

Natalie enjoyed spending time reading, baking, gardening and sewing. Her greatest enjoyment came from spending time with her children, grandchildren and her many animals.

Survivors include her parents, Dean and Florene Robinson of Heppner; sons, Josh Slayton and Corey Slayton, both of John Day; sister, Jack-

lyn Robinson of Pasco, WA; and grandsons, Aiden Slayton of McMinnville, OR and Sydney Slayton of John Day.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Research Fund, 1500 SW 1st Ave #270, Portland, OR 97201, or to All Saints Episcopal Church, PO Box 246, Heppner, OR 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.



Natalie Cresta Robinson Slayton

Death Notices

Billie F. Lacey—Billie F. Lacey, 83, of Heppner died Monday, October 5, 2015 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner. She was born February 17, 1932 at Portland, OR. A graveside memorial service will be held at the Condon Cemetery on October 24, 2015. Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Allan A. Smythe—Allan A. Smythe, 87, of Arlington died Monday, October 5, 2015 at his home. He was born May 25, 1928 at The Dalles, OR. Arrangements are pending at Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner.

Aleksa memorial fund established

A memorial fund has been established at Ione Community School in honor of Wyatt Aleksa, an Ione student who died in February of this year.

Donations will be used for installing a drinking fountain on the playground in memory of Wyatt.

Anyone who would like to contribute to the fund may drop off donations at the Ione Community School office or mail them to: Ione Community School, c/o Wyatt Aleksa Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 167, Ione, OR 97843.

Questions, contact Diana McElligott or Stefanie Spivey at the school, 541-422-7131.

Ione grad crosses borders to help students in Ethiopia

August "Gus" Peterson, a 2014 Ione High School graduate, spent two weeks last month in Ethiopia helping to build an elementary school, along with 12 other students from Oregon State University Honors College, their professor, and volunteers with Engineers Without Borders.

Peterson said it was a great experience, even though a promised excavator never arrived and they ended up digging the foundation with shovels. The group also prepared rebar for the project, but couldn't mix cement as planned due to heavy rains.

The school is located in Debre Birhan, a city of 110,000, and it will serve about 1,000 students. It is located in a group of homes



August Peterson (back left in black shirt) and other volunteers from OSU pose with children on a school construction site in Ethiopia. —Contributed photo

constructed by Habitat for Humanity. Ethiopia is one of the world's poorest countries, and the school is being built by volunteers from

the local community and abroad.

Peterson said many friendly children visited the site whenever the crew was

working, curious and ready to help.

For more information on the project, visit www.communityproject.org.

Chamber lunch meeting

Larry Lutcher from the OSU Extension Office will be the guest speaker at the lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce on Thursday, Oct. 15. The meeting will begin at noon in Heppner City Hall conference room.

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

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's office has released the following report of marriage licenses:

October 1, 2015: -Maria Guadalupe Gonzalez Marin, 25, of Boardman and Jesus Eduardo Rico Flores, 25, of Boardman.

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