

BRAZELLS SAY GOODBYE

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and moved to Jordan Valley, ID because they "couldn't stand the rain."

"We decided to get out of there," says Al.

They stayed in Jordan Valley for five years, where Al worked on a friend's cattle ranch. While there, they started attending the Methodist Church.

"We increased attendance by 200 percent," says Jean. "There were four of us and only two members. The two threw themselves into the church; Al started a Bible study and Jean started a newsletter."

"The very next Sunday after it went out, we had 60 people at the service," she recalls. "We ended up with a really good congregation. Before we left, we even put on a musical."

In 1982, they left Ida-

ho and moved to Morrow County, where Al worked for Wagontrail Farms as a mechanic for two years. When the machine shop in Lexington went up for sale in 1984, they bought that and ran it until 2006.

They started attending the Heppner Methodist Church in 1982, where the two again became instrumental to the church's functioning. Jean, especially, threw herself into helping with many aspects of the church, especially the choir.

"If you have people who are the perfect person for it, you ask!" she says of getting others involved. "That's always been my philosophy."

When the existing choir director became ill and passed away, Jean, who had a long history of music, including a college minor,

took over directorship. She also played the organ at times, led the children's singing and played in the guitar group for the guitar service. As if that wasn't enough, she took over making church banners, did the flower arrangements for the Sunday service, ran the St. Patrick's Day stew feed, and even made the communion bread for many years. When the Methodist church stopped having a full-time pastor, she also served as one of the lay leaders.

Both were also heavily involved in other volunteer work, too.

"It's been some interesting years. My biggest memory was teaching 4-H," says Al who, with Merlyn Robinson, led horse 4-H for many years. "My best memories were 4-H. We had 20 kids in that horse

group."

Jean also cooked for 4-H camp, where they made everything from scratch. And that doesn't cover Jean's political career. In 1999, the town of Lexington need a recorder, and her bookkeeping for the Lexington Machine Shop made her a good fit.

"That started my political career," she says. She went from there to being town mayor in 2010.

The Brazells' say that period was interesting, but "The gold star goes to building the town fire hall. That was an interesting experience," says Al. He adds that he conducted a metal drive to raise money. "I put the word out and all my customers brought in all their aluminum and copper from where they'd thrown them in the corner of the

field."

In 2006, their world changed when Al had congestive heart failure and had to sell the machine shop.

"Our world came to a screeching halt," he says. "I couldn't do that work any more and had to sell out."

Their move now comes so they can be closer to their son, a master sergeant in the Army. They have plans to build a house on a parcel of land adjoined to his. Their daughter lives and works in Moses Lake, WA.

"It'll be interesting in a lot of ways. We'll certainly

miss the activities we were involved in," says Jean, although boredom shouldn't be a problem—among other things, she has already been elected to a road co-op up in Washington. She admits that as she packs boxes, though, it's difficult to find things to get rid of in the necessary downsizing. "It'll be a different lifestyle," she adds.

We'll certainly miss the area and the people in it," says Al. "It'll be an adventure for sure. But our life has been full of adventures."

Marriage Licenses

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

May 10, 2016: -Harley Bruce Young II, 57, of Heppner and Toni Lynn Clemens, 49, of Heppner.

May 11, 2016: -Richard Robert Worden, 37, of Heppner and Kelsie Wain Fox, 26, of Heppner.

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You will love this home! Located on Rock Road, this home gives a western look to the main rooms, and circulating hot water under the tile will keep it warm. Other rooms feature pergo floors and a central vacuum system. There is a jetted tub, pantry and lots of widows for beautiful natural light. Outdoors are lots of fruit trees, garden space and a bread oven

235 ROCK ST., HEPPNER

\$178,000
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Three units waiting here for you. A cute 1 bedroom home and also a separate 2 unit with upstairs and downstairs. Live in one and rent out the others, or rent all three out for additional income. All three have quality remodeling and are move in ready. You will enjoy the hardwood floors and wood work, as well as the solid construction of the home. Various features in each of the units. Ask for your showing and see all these offer.

455 E. CANNON, HEPPNER

\$59,250
NEW LISTING!

3 bedrooms 2 bath home in Heppner. Good sold house close to downtown, schools and across street from park. Main level and full basement

117 W CHURCH ST., HEPPNER

PRICE REDUCED!
\$29,000

Buy this fixer upper and have a good first home or a rental unit. Located on quiet residential street with yard. Call for an appointment. Cash sale buys this!

280 S GILMORE., HEPPNER

\$30,000

Large level lot. City water at site sewer across Hwy. Corner lot with 2 access near edge of city limits.

525 LINDEN WAY, HEPPNER

Acreage for Sale
PRICE REDUCED!
\$40,000

35.44 Acres inside Heppner city limits 3.23 outside city limits

Has a good building spot and room for animals. Water and electricity located nearby.

Heppner/Spray Highway

\$69,000

2 bedroom 1 bath home close to downtown in Heppner. Recently new roof and siding. Propane monitor heat. Laundry room. Stove and refrigerator included

215 W CHURCH ST., HEPPNER

\$98,000

2 Bedroom near schools and downtown Heppner Just blocks from school and downtown shopping, this 2 bedroom 1 1/2 bath charmer has a fenced yard for children and a separate small yard in the back. Enjoy your reading room, living room and kitchen with window looking out on the street.

215 S. COURT, HEPPNER

\$159,500
NEW LISTING!
SALE PENDING

New place! Features: dining area off kitchen, large open living room with vaulted ceilings. All wood in house is Oak. Family room off kitchen, new furnace, new fireplace never used, hot water heater in 2012, vinyl siding, exhaust fan in attic. Large fenced back yard with R.V. with storage shed.

1065 JUANITA AVE, HERMISTON

\$365,000

Boardman

Nice parcel near residential neighborhood and also close to the new Boardman City Center. City water and sewer available 5.9 acres m/l

PRICE REDUCED!
SALE PENDING

Have your piece of country outside of great little community of Ione, Oregon. 2 bedroom double wide manufactured home on 82 acres with some CRP that brings in yearly payments over \$879 year. Great view of the valley. Needs some TLC. Has a full basement and newly repaired septic system in 2014.

65660 IONE GOOSEBERRY RD., IONE

\$129,000

2 story duplex on large lot. Recently installed hardwood floors and remodeling done in upstairs unit. Washer and dryer included with each unit. Excellent rental history. Each unit rented for \$550 per month. Tenant pays all utilities except water and sewer. Extra large, almost one acre lot. Could possibly handle more construction. Call now to schedule an appointment to take a look at this investment property.

385 E AIKEN ST., HEPPNER

\$25,000
SALE PENDING

Nice 3 bedroom home in quiet community of Ione. Hardwood floors, heat pump and garden area outside. And as a bonus a second small apartment out back features living area and bathroom all ready for the mother in law or guests. This home is priced right so call me today for a viewing!!

180 W SECOND ST, IONE

\$25,000

Building Lot with View of The Lake

Sykes Real Estate
541-980-6674

One of the last available view lots on Lakeview Ct. End of the cul de sac overlooking Willow Creek Lake. Good investment property or build your home now. Has CCRs so check out the link on Sykes Real Estate Web site.

LAKEVIEW CT, HEPPNER

Price Reduction!
\$125,000
2 bedroom 2 bath in Heppner

This nice 2007 Marlatt home is in excellent condition. Everything was done right when this home was put in. It has a deck, cyclone fenced yard and a 18 X 31 garage. Ceiling fans, along with the energy package will keep you warm in the winter and cool in the summer. There is a den/office, living room and lots of extras. Must see inside this one. Call and schedule an appointment today.

345 LINDEN WAY, HEPPNER

\$8,500
SALE PENDING

Bank repossessed. A 2 bedroom 1 bath fixer upper that has had water damage. Good location close to downtown, park and grade school. Possible mold issues.

130 QUAD ST., HEPPNER

Affordable Building Lots Available!

.84 acre to 5.95 acre lots in Emert Addition #2 Ione. Utilities include - phone, water, power, septic approved. READY TO MOVE IN

\$8,500 - \$10,500 - \$11,500 - \$14,500
\$15,000 \$17,500 - \$22,500

See sykesrealestate.net for map of all available lots

\$4,000
SOLD

LEXINGTON SCHOOL

Recently Reduced
\$670,000

3500 sq ft mixed use investment property in downtown Pendleton, Oregon. Anchored by a long-term office tenant on the ground floor, there is also a large apartment with a consistent rental record on the second. Solid brick construction with good electrical, heating and roof, this property has shown consistent return on investment over the years. Let us send you the spread sheet.

MAIN STREET, PENDLETON

\$69,000
SOLD

2 bedroom home with hardwood floors with propane monitor heat. One car garage makes a great shop. Some sprucing up but will make a nice home or rental unit. Lots of extras including refrigerator, stove, microwave and washer and dryer. Lots of tools, lawn mower and weed wacker included in sale. Tool shed and wood shed too. This home is priced right. Call me to take a look.

380 E MATLOCK ST., HEPPNER

\$120,000
SOLD

Nice 3 bedroom 1 bath out of the flood plain on quiet street in Heppner. Close to grade school. Lots of nice appliances are included in sale. Detached garage and a back yard for dogs or kids. Heat pump for efficiency. New siding in 2013. All double pane windows. Have look inside of this home.

205 E AIKEN ST., HEPPNER

\$119,500
SOLD

2 bedroom, 2 bath manufactured home on rare small acreage. 2.73 acres fenced and level. Large barn and lots of room for parking your toys and RV's.

58108 HWY 74, LEXINGTON

\$25,000
SOLD

View lot at Lakeview Heights. Own one of the last view lots at Lakeview Heights. 84 X 120 approx. Water, sewer, phone and power available.

LAKEVIEW CT., HEPPNER

\$39,000
SOLD

Nice little 4 bedroom 1 bath fixer upper priced right for a home, town home or rental unit. Wood heat. City water and sewer. Come take a look inside.

420 S CHASE ST, HEPPNER

\$40,000
SOLD

1989 home with added metal roof. Lots of furniture, tools, etc. included with sale. Needs some work, but basics in good shape. Owner says septic, electric and plumbing works fine. Have your place in the mountains on 52 acres at Blakes Ranch!

81112 COYOTE LN, HEPPNER

\$79,900
SOLD

On the hill out of the flood plain nice 3 bedroom 2 bath home with propane fireplace, wall to wall carpeting and a tool shed out back. Washer, dryer, refrigerator and stove all included in sale. Call me for a showing today.

435 S CHASE ST., HEPPNER