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Death Notices

Lois K. Hunt—Longtime Lexington resident Lois K. Hunt, 85, died Sunday, August 14, 2016 in Hermiston. She was born February 25, 1931 at Hardman, OR. A full obituary will follow in next week's Gazette-Times. Arrangements are pending at Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner.

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's office has released the following report of marriage licenses:
August 11, 2016: -Jose Martinez Valencia, 57, of Irrigon and Ma De Jesus Oronia Arellano, 47, of Irrigon.
August 15, 2016: -Wade Rodney Aylett, 24, of Irrigon and Kendra Ann Hendricks, 26, of Irrigon.

Historical society to meet Sunday

The quarterly meeting of the Morrow County Historical Society will take place at the Mustang Diner in Heppner on Sunday, Aug. 21, from 2 until 4 p.m.
The society will be discussing the Frenchtown trip on June 25—what went well, and what didn't go well. Also under discussion will be a possible trip to Fort Dalles this fall and perhaps a trip to the fossil beds.
The group also will set some goals for the future.
As a reminder, the 2016 Morrow County Fair and Rodeo is Aug. 17-21.

OTLD meeting rescheduled

The regular Oregon Trail Library District August meeting originally scheduled for Aug. 17 has been rescheduled to Wednesday, Aug. 24, at 7 p.m. in Heppner.



Morrow County Road Dept. would like to remind all motorists that with any road maintenance project to be aware of the workers, they are very important to us.

Watch for signs, flags and work-zone employees and equipment. Morrow County's goal is to provide a safe roadway. However, it is always up to the motorist to drive according to conditions. Be patient and plan ahead. Leave early if you know you will be driving through work zones. Please use extreme caution and common sense. They will do their best and would appreciate your patience

Some areas to be aware of and use caution this summer is in August 15—18 Dee Cox Overlay Project. As the time and equipment allows Laurel/Wilson Intersection. Keene bridge and Snider Bridge on Rhea creek and some overlay projects on the North end. Kunze and Tower road overlay along with Patterson Ferry road included with some smaller overlay projects. 3rd street and others. Including various road striping projects.

YOU WILL NEED TO BE AWARE OF WET PAINT AND STAY WITHIN YOUR LANE OF TRAVEL... Travelers should use caution when encountering a road striping operation and should not drive across the stripes when the paint is still wet. The paint used to stripe roads is a water-borne, nontoxic paint containing reflective glass beads. Motorists who accidentally get road paint on their vehicles should remove it immediately, before the paint sets up, with a pressure washer.

Again be prepared and be safe. Questions or concerns may be addressed to 541-989-9500 Morrow County Road Department.

~ Letters to the Editor ~

The Heppner Gazette Times will print all letters to the Editor with the following criteria met: letters submitted to the newspaper will need to have the name of the sender along with a legible signature. We are also requesting that you provide your address and a phone number where you can be reached. The address and phone number will only be used for verification and will not be printed in the newspaper. Letters may not be libelous. The GT reserves the right to edit. The GT is not responsible for accuracy of statements made in letters. Any letters expressing thanks will be placed in the classifieds under "Card of Thanks" at a cost of \$10.

Say no to Canyonlands monument

To the Editor:
We Oregon citizens should be aware that special-interest groups are pressuring President Obama to declare 2.5 million acres of land in Eastern Oregon a federal monument. I agree with many others that everyone should have a voice in such a decision. We don't need to stoke President Obama's already massive ego.
The area looked at for a new 2.5-million-acre monument is already protected by multiple layers of regulation, so the designation is unnecessary and goes too far.
The Owjee Canyonlands are currently protected by federal laws, rules and regulations that are specially designed to preserve and enhance unique features and values.
Ten federal laws already work to protect federal lands in the region, as well as other layers of protection, including the National Environmental Policy Act because the Canyonlands are part of and adjacent to Gowen Field's Air Force training range.
I believe that the "monument" designation would promote the desires of special-interest groups and lock out local experts like farmers and ranchers, who have responsibly cared for the land for generations. Although the special-interest groups will deny it, this monument designation would virtually shut down public use, as happened in Utah some time ago on the Escalante Staircase Monument area.
My information shows that a recent advisory vote by Malheur County citizens resulted in 90 percent of voters being opposed to a monument designation.
Our governor, Kate Brown, and our federal senators are in favor of this decision, which leads me to question sarcastically, "Did we elect them to go counter to our will without a vote?"
I encourage readers to look at the information I am eager to share; just call 676-5382 to request it. And I encourage everyone to reach out to our state and federal representatives and senators, as well as President Obama, to stress the wisdom in not changing the Canyonlands into a national monument.
Dan Brosnan, Heppner

Fallout will perform for this summer's final concert for Music in the Parks free outdoor summer concert series at 7 p.m. on Aug. 22 at the Irrigon Marina Park, located off Highway 730 in Irrigon.
Founded in 2011, Fallout has become one of the top rock cover bands in the Tri-Cities.
The band's members draw from a wide range of musical tastes, resulting in a song list that has something for everybody—from classics like Van Halen and Kiss to more modern tunes like Big & Rich and Finger Eleven.
In addition to a wide range of clubs and venues, Fallout has performed in community events such as Live @ Five and Thunder on the Island.

Fallout performs Aug. 22 at Irrigon



Fallout will perform Aug. 22 at Irrigon Marina Park. -Contributed photo

The band has also done acoustic performances on 93.7 FM The Rockin' River, Eagle 106.5 FM, and 610 AM KONA.
The Music in the Parks concert series is held each summer alternating between Boardman and Irrigon marina parks.
The concerts are free to the public and begin at 7 p.m. on Monday evenings.
Visitors are encouraged to bring chairs and blankets. Concessions will be available for purchase at the event, courtesy of Judy's Chuck Wagon.
The Music in the Parks series is funded by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District and Portland General Electric and sponsored by the North Morrow Community Foundation.

The View from the Green

Over the Tee Cup

Only six women braved the cloudy and wet weather on Aug. 9 for the ladies play day at Willow Creek Country Club.
Low gross of the field went to Sharon Harrison, with low net to Tiffany Clement and least putts of the field to Lorrene Montgomery.
Jackie Allstott took low net for Flight C.
In other events, the most putts with a wiffle ball on hole #3 went to Kris Lindner.
A reminder that Aug. 26 is the two-person fun night at 6 p.m. with a Beavers versus Ducks theme.

Columbia-Blue results for Big River

Twenty-four Willow Creek senior men played in the monthly CBSGA golf tournament on Aug. 8. The competition was held at the par-70 Big River Golf Course in Umatilla. Results for the Willow Creek players are the following:
Columbia Division (Handicap 16 and below)
Gross: 6. Barry Munkers - 83.
Net: 3. Tom Bedortha - 68, 8. Dave Pranger - 72.
Blue Division (Handicap 17 to 23)
Gross: 4. Jim Swanson - 91, 8. John Edmundson - 93.
Senior Division (Handicap 24 and above)
Gross: 5. Bill Morris - 95.
Net: 6. Roger Ehrmantraut - 68.
The next Columbia - Blue Senior tournament will be at Indian Creek Golf Course in Hood River with tee times at 7:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

WCCC men's play results

Fourteen participated in Sunday men's play at Willow Creek Country Club on Aug. 14. The results are as follows:
Gross—1st, Barry Munkers, 67; 2nd, Dave Pranger, 70; 3rd, Derek Gunderson, 71.
Net—1st, David Allstott, 56; 2nd, John Edmundson, 59; 3rd, Ralph Walker, 60.
Special Events—KP #4-13, Charlie Ferguson, 3'2"; long putt #5-14 8'.
The next men's play will be Sunday, Aug. 21. This event will be the annual shootout, which is a two-man, 27-hole competition. This will include a chapman, scramble and scotch ball format. Hosts will be David Gunderson and David Allstott.

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