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Obituaries

Francis F. 'Skip' Connor Jr.

Francis F. "Skip" Connor Jr. 88, of Heppner died Saturday, August 20, 2016 at his home. A memorial service with military honors will be held Thursday, August 25, at 1 p.m. at the Heppner Elks Lodge. A private family committal service will be held at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Skip was born June 1, 1928 at Heppner, the son of Frank and Gladys Rippee Connor. He was raised and attended school in Heppner and was very active in sports. After graduation

he joined the United States Navy, serving from 1947 to 1951.

In August of 1953 he married Peggy Hubbard. They lived out of Lexington, Ione, Ritter and The Dalles, before raising a family, which included a son Steve Connor born in 1954, Teri Connor (Cornwell) born in 1958 and twins Debbie and David in 1959 in Pilot Rock.

He worked for New Holland as a farm-equip-

ment mechanic until he had a work-related accident that forced him to an early retirement. In 1995 they moved back to Heppner to take care of his elderly mother.

Skip was an avid hunter; he enjoyed fishing and did many camping trips with friends. He also enjoyed various games such as Bingo and Mexican Train. He was a great supporter of school sports.

He is survived by his wife, Peggy Connor; children, Steve, Teri and David; and grandchildren, Amy and Lindsay.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a daughter, Debbie; and brothers, Roger, Wendell and Jon Connor.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Heppner Booster Club or the Cerebral Palsy Association.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.



Francis F. "Skip" Connor Jr.

August Yard of the Month announced

August's Yard of the Month Recognition went to Dave and Tricia Gunderson at 155 Court Street.

The well-cared-for home and yard was owned and lived in by Tricia's grandparents, Edgar and Ila Albert, in the early 1970s.

Then her parents, Jim and Pat Prock, lived there from 1977 to 2012, when the Gunderson's purchased it.

Tricia does the weed control and carefully selects



August's Yard of the Month Recognition went to Dave and Tricia Gunderson at 155 Court Street. -Photo by Kay Proctor

varied annuals each year for planting.

Dave waters, mows the lawn and makes sure to display the Beaver flag of Oregon State University in the front yard.

Yard of the Month recognition is sponsored by the Heppner Volunteers, MC-GG-Green Feed & Seed, and the City of Heppner.

Contact Kay Proctor for further information.

The View from the Green

Over the Tee Cup

The last Tuesday play day in August was cloudy and overcast for the 16 women who teed off at Willow Creek Country Club Aug. 30. Of the field, Nancy Prophet took low gross, Virginia Grant low net and Pat Dougherty least putts.

For Flight A, Pat Edmondson took low gross.

For Flight B, Judy Harris and Karen Haguewood

had low gross, Shirley Martin and Betty Burns low net, and Corol Mitchell best putts.

For Flight C, Lorrene Montgomery had low gross, Sue Edson low net and Bev Steagall least putts.

Betty Burns had KP.

The ladies are reminded of the upcoming Ed-die Skow tournament at WCCC.

Lexington resident earns degree from WGU

Chelsea von Borstel of Lexington has received her Master of Education in instructional design from Western Governors University (WGU). The university held its 31st semi-annual commencement ceremony in Salt Lake City, UT on July 16 and celebrated the graduation of more than 8,000 graduates.

Chamber Chatter

Sunday, Sept. 11, 5-7 p.m. - Heppner's "Music in the Park" concert in Heppner City Park: The entertainment for this event will be in recognition of the 15th anniversary of 9/11 - The Tailgators with Sharon Porter, Matt Cooper and friends. Bring your lawn chairs for an evening of great entertainment sponsored by the Morrow County Unified Recreation District and facilitated by the Shared Ministry of Hope Lutheran Church and All Saints Episcopal Church. Food will be available for purchase, to raise money

for the Shared Ministry's continuing efforts to provide clean water to needy communities around the world. Rain location for concert will be the Heppner Elementary School gym.

Thursday, September 29, 2-8 p.m. - Multi-County Veterans Resource Fair and Vietnam Veterans 50th Anniversary Commemoration - Port of Morrow Conference Center: Come with you family and ask questions about your VA benefits. Representatives will be on site to support you with information and application

for services through local, state and federal agencies; there will be 20 service providers available. There will be a veteran's town hall at 6:30 p.m. and flu shots will be available for veterans. Please RSVP at 541-922-6420.

Saturday, Oct. 1 - 9 a.m. 5 p.m. - Morrow County Harvest Festival at the SAGE Center: Come and check out the vendors that will be set up on the mezzanine and all that their homemade, home grown selections. Plan on making a day of it; there will be

food vendors and outside activities, plus you can go through the SAGE center exhibits for free throughout the day.

Thursday, Oct. 20 - Candidates Forum for Heppner Mayor and City Council Members during Heppner Chamber Lunch meeting from 12-1 p.m.: This forum is open to the public, lunch will be served and the cost is \$10 (if you want lunch). The chamber lunch meeting is held in the Heppner City Hall conference room. RSVP to the chamber at 541-676-5536.

BALLOT MEASURES

-Continued from PAGE ONE creates corporate minimum tax when sales exceed \$25 million; funds education, healthcare, senior services.

Measure 98 / Initiative 65; determined to contain 101,302 valid signatures - Requires state funding for dropout prevention, career and college readiness programs in Oregon high schools.

Measure 99 / Initiative 67; determined to contain 93,102 valid signatures -

Creates "Outdoor School Education Fund," continuously funded through Lottery, to provide outdoor school programs statewide.

Measure 100 / Initiative 68; determined to contain 113,121 valid signatures - Prohibits purchase or sale of parts or products from certain wildlife species; exceptions; civil penalties.

Additional information is available at www.oregon-votes.gov.

Chamber lunch meeting

There will be no chamber lunch meeting on Sept. 15, as the chamber will be getting ready for the fifth annual Blue Mountain Century Scenic Bikeway ride Sept. 17-18.

The next lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be an all entities report on Thursday, Oct. 6, at noon in Heppner City Hall conference room.

On Thursday, Oct. 20, the chamber will hold a candidate's forum for Heppner mayor and city council

candidates. RSVPs will be required at 541-676-5536, and this lunch will be open to the community.

Finally, the Heppner chamber welcomes Joshua Davis, Heppner Janitorial, LLC as its newest member. Contact him at 541-256-0956 or by at heppnerjanitorial@gmail.com for more information on his janitorial services. The chamber office has some of his business cards for anyone who wants to stop by and pick one up.

Community lunch menu

Christian Life Center volunteers will serve lunch on Wednesday, Sept. 14, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. Lunch will include baked chicken, garlic roasted potatoes, green beans, green salad, hot rolls and peanut butter pudding.

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

Wine & Design! *Mark your Calendar!*
September 21 at 6pm
Limited Space, Sign Up by September 19th
GREAT GIRLS NIGHT OUT
LEARN FLORAL ARRANGEMENT TECHNIQUES
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CHECK OUT OUR GREAT FALL MENU

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September 10, 2016

Luke Emmel e3
Micha Hintz
September 24, 2016

Katie Garrett e3
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