

The Official Newspaper
of the City of Heppner and the County of Morrow

Heppner
GAZETTE-TIMES
U.S.P.S. 240-420

Morrow County's Home-Owned Weekly Newspaper

SEARCH OLD COPIES OF THE HEPPNER GAZETTE-TIMES ON-LINE:
<http://oregonnews.uoregon.edu/>

Published weekly by Sykes Publishing, LLC and entered as periodical matter at the Post Office at Heppner, Oregon under the Act of March 3, 1879. Periodical postage paid at Heppner, Oregon. Office at 188 W. Willow Street. Telephone (541) 676-9228. Fax (541) 676-9211. E-mail: editor@rapidsolve.net or david@rapidsolve.net. Web site: www.heppner.net. Postmaster send address changes to the Heppner Gazette-Times, P.O. Box 337, Heppner, Oregon 97836. Subscriptions: \$30 in Morrow County; \$24 senior rate (in Morrow County only; 65 years or older); \$36 elsewhere; \$30 student subscriptions.
David Sykes Publisher
Andrea Di Salvo Editor

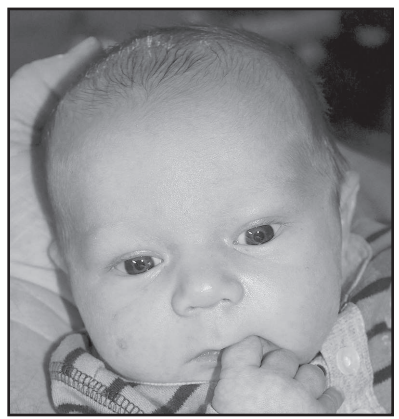
All News and Advertising Deadline is Monday at 5 p.m.
For Advertising: advertising deadline is Monday at 5 p.m. Cost for a display ad is \$5 per column inch. Cost for classified ad is 50¢ per word. Cost for Card of Thanks is \$10 up to 100 words. Cost for a classified display ad is \$5.75 per column inch.
For Public/Legal Notices: public/legal notices deadline is Monday at 5 p.m. Dates for publication must be specified. Affidavits must be required at the time of submission. Affidavits require three weeks to process after last date of publication (a sooner return date must be specified if required).
For Obituaries: Obituaries are published in the Heppner GT at no charge and are edited to meet news guidelines. Families wishing to include information not included in the guidelines or who wish to have the obituary written in a certain way must purchase advertising space for the obituary.
For Letters to the Editor: Letters to the Editor MUST be signed by the author. The Heppner GT will not publish unsigned letters. All letters MUST include the author's address and phone number for use by the GT office. The GT reserves the right to edit letters. 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.

Death Notices

Ellen Webb Conboy—Ellen Webb Conboy, former Condon, Arlington and Goldendale resident, died on Nov. 22, 2016 in Hermiston, OR at the age of 85 years. She was born on Feb. 24, 1931 in Condon, OR. Arrangements are pending with a celebration gathering planned for the spring of 2017. Please sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in charge of arrangements.

Births

Kenneth Vilas Lindsay—Dan and Ashley Lindsay of Lexington announce the birth of a son, Kenneth Vilas Lindsay. Kenneth was born Tuesday, November 8, 2016 at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton. He weighed 8 pounds, 8 ounces and was 21-1/2 inches long.



Grandparents are **Kenneth Vilas Lindsay** Vilas and Deb Ropp, and Larry and Corrine Lindsay, all of Lexington. He joins siblings Paul, 11, John, 9, Claire, 8, Max, 5, and Lucy, 3.

Ione library board to meet

The Ione Library District Board of Directors will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, Dec. 8, beginning at 10:30 a.m. at the Ione Public Library, 385 W. 2nd Street. The public is welcome to attend.

Lutcher receives OSU faculty award



OSU Extension Service Director Scott Reed, OSU Extension Service Associate Director Lindsey Shirley, OSU Morrow County Extension Agent Larry Lutcher, and Hoecker family representatives Ken and Peggy Hoecker. The Dale & Alice Hoecker Awards Fund provides many of the faculty and staff awards for the Extension Service. -Contributed photo

Morrow County Extension agent Larry Lutcher has received the Experienced Faculty Achievement Award from Oregon State University, the OSU Extension office announced this week.

Lutcher has been a field faculty member of OSU Extension in Morrow County since 2000. He was promoted from assistant professor to associate professor in 2006.

As a field-based Extension Agriculture faculty

member in Morrow County, Lutcher's teaching is largely focused on the information needs of local farmers, yet Extension Regional Administrator Mary Corp says that many times his work has had impacts throughout the region. Notably, Lutcher's efforts have benefited the area through improved conservation practices and expertise in plant fertility management. One of Lutcher's main areas of achievement has been in increasing the use of no-till

fallow farming, which Corp says has increased more than 400 percent within the county during his time here.

"The adoption of no-till fallow and late planting results from collaborative effort," Corp said in a letter nominating Lutcher for the award. "I believe results from Larry's research have been, and continue to be, a major reason for the transition from tilled to untilled systems which conserves our most valuable resource—the soil."

Lutcher also designed and implemented applied research on phosphorus fertilization of late-planted wheat in no-till systems, among other work in the region.

While Lutcher has published many professional articles and given academic presentations during his time in Morrow County, much of his education work has been more informal—on the farm with individual farmers, consultants, technical service providers and insurance adjusters.

"The role of field based faculty is a good fit for Larry as he enjoys applied research and the development of educational events and materials that disseminate his research results, and is highly committed to his community and clientele," Corp said in her nomination letter. "I anticipate Larry's continued success with Oregon State University and know he will continue to grow the knowledge base for growers both locally and across the region."

Grief support group to meet Thursday

The Heppner grief support group will meet again at 12:30 p.m. this Thursday, Dec. 1, at Peggy Connor's home, 615 South Alfalfa in Heppner (below the dam). Lunch will be provided.

Instead of having a speaker, the group will have time to share and get to know one another. Although it began as a group to support widows and widowers, the support group has now branched out to include anyone who has lost a loved one. Guests are welcome.

Holly Rebekahs plan card party

Holly Rebekah Lodge will host its monthly card party on Dec. 3 at the lodge hall in Lexington. The cost is \$5 per person, which includes an evening of fun, laughter, food and prizes. The public is invited and encouraged to attend this fun-filled evening, which starts at 7 p.m.

Chamber lunch meeting

The next lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be an all entities report on Thursday, Dec. 1, at noon in Heppner City Hall conference room.

Cost of lunch is \$10; Murray's will cater. Chamber lunch attendees are asked to RSVP at 541-676-5536 no later than the Tuesday before to guarantee a lunch.

HEPPNER CHAMBER

-Continued from PAGE ONE
2014 when it first started, and last year brought in more than 1,000 visitors.

She said the balloon ride is still popular and is a good way for visitors to take a virtual ride high above the county and learn everything we have to offer in Morrow County. She said new exhibits will include a simulated milking cow and

new Portland General Electric and Umatilla Electric exhibits.

Davis also said the center is doing more commercials and marketing in the Portland area, and attempting to educate people about what the SAGE Center is. The name stands for Sustainable Agriculture and Energy.

Don't wait to talk about hospice

The following article was contributed by Pioneer Memorial Hospice in recognition of National Hospice/Palliative Care Month.

It's an all-too-common situation. A family is at the bedside of a loved one who is seriously ill and nearing the end of life. Each member of the family has a different idea of what should be done and what the patient would have wanted.

Far too many people wait until they are in the midst of a health-care crisis before thinking about what options are available or what care they or their loved ones would want.

Often, by waiting too long to learn about possible options, like hospice care, people end up spending

difficult days in the hospital or the emergency room, and opportunities to be with loved ones at home are lost.

When a family is coping with a serious illness and a cure is no longer possible, hospice provides the type of care most people say they want at the end of life: comfort and dignity. Considered to be the model of high-quality, compassionate care for people with a life-limiting illness, hospice care includes expert medical care, pain management, and emotional and spiritual support. Care is provided by an inter-disciplinary team of professionals. The team consists of registered nurses, physicians, social workers, spiritual counselors, volunteers, hospice

aides, homemakers, office staff and bereavement coordinators.

The wishes of the patient and family are always at the center of care.

Hospice care is provided in the home—where most Americans have said they would want to be at this time. Home to some may be a family member's residence, nursing home, assisted living facility, foster home or hospice center.

Care is paid for by Medicare, Medicaid and most private insurance plans and HMOs. Most communities have resources available to help a person who needs hospice to access a resource that will pay for hospice. Financial burden should never be a reason to stop people from accessing hospice care.

The National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization reports that 1.5 million people received care

from our nation's hospices last year.

Hospice providers can help with information about care options and choices and ensure you live as fully as possible throughout your entire life. They will make sure your loved ones receive support as well.

One of the best ways to make sure you and your loved ones benefit fully from hospice, should you ever need this care, is to talk about it before it becomes an issue. Advance care planning lets your loved ones know what your wishes are before a medical crisis occurs.

Contact Pioneer Memorial Hospice at 541-676-2946 or visit www.morrow-countyhealthdistrict.org for more information. You will also find information about the moments that hospice makes possible for patients and families at www.MomentsOfLife.org.

please join us

FIRE HALL OPEN HOUSE

December 3rd
1:00 - 4:00
911 Riverside Ave

To celebrate the completion of The Heppner and Rural Fire District Fire Hall

Everyone Welcome!
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 1ST

holiday toy drive

ELKS TOY DRIVE & SPAGHETTI DINNER

Immediately following the light parade

BRING ONE NEW UNWRAPPED TOY AND ENJOY A FREE SPAGHETTI DINNER!

All toys and donations will go to the neighborhood center

HEPPNER ELKS 358
676-9181 "Where Friends Meet" 142 North Main

First Friday Friends of Jesus this week

The Christmas edition of First Friday Friends of Jesus will take place this Friday, Dec. 2., at All Saints parish hall from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Community children ages four to 12 are invited to a morning filled with Bible stories, games, crafts and a free lunch. Newcomers are always welcome.

More information is available by calling the office of the Shared Ministry of Hope Lutheran Church and All Saints Episcopal Church at 541-676-9970.

2ND ANNUAL RUCKUS RAISER
Friday December 9th - Bucknums

Live music by Cory Peterson
Dog Bite Harris & Jake Roy

Donations at the door either a new unwrapped toy or cash donation. All proceeds go to the Neighborhood Center

Music starts at 9pm

Toy Dr