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First Friday Friends of Jesus this week

The next session of First Friday Friends of Jesus will be held this Friday, March 31, instead of the first Friday in April, due to a school day April 7. Children ages four to 12 are invited to a morning filled with Bible stories, crafts, music and games at the All Saints parish hall (corner of Church and Gale in Heppner).
The fun begins at 8:30 a.m. and concludes at 12:30 p.m. A free lunch is included, and there is no cost to attend. This session will be the last one for this school year, but the program will start up again in September. Newcomers are always welcome.
More information is available by calling the Shared Ministry office at 541-676-9970.

OTLD to hold planning session

Oregon Trail Library District will hold a special planning meeting this evening, March 29, at 6 p.m. in the River Lodge Grill Pendleton Room.

BROKEN GAS LINE

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Boardman.

Boardman Fire Chief Marc Rogelstad responded to the scene as incident commander and assessed the situation; he found that a contractor working in the area damaged the gas line by mistake.

Rogelstad noted that the gas was releasing from the pipe straight up into the air and that there was a light breeze in the area to spread the gas.

Cascade Natural Gas

was advised of the situation and responded to turn off the natural gas to the location. In addition, Boardman Police Department responded for traffic control and Boardman ambulance was put on standby to be ready if needed. Morrow County Emergency Management also was notified.

However, the gas was turned off about 49 minutes after the initial report and law enforcement says the incident ended without injuries or further damage.

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Obituaries

Gwyneth Cox Green

Gwyneth Cox Green, 83, a resident of Milton-Freewater, OR died at Providence St. Mary Medical Center in Walla Walla, WA on March 19, 2017.

A memorial service will be held at Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home, 902 S. Main Street, Milton-Freewater at 2 p.m., Saturday, April 1. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Shriners Children's Hospital in care of the funeral home.

Gwyn was born June

15, 1933, in Palouse, WA, to Harry and Hattie (Sellers) Cox. She attended grade school at Palouse and Fruitvale, and graduated from McLoughlin High School in 1951. After graduating, she moved to Heppner, where she married Marion C. Green and with whom she had her three boys. For the past 20 years she has been sharing her life with her high school sweetheart,

Lonnie Feigner, after meeting again at a high school reunion.

Before retiring, she worked at Pacific Power for more than 20 years. In her career she variously lived in Heppner, Pendleton, Yakima, and Walla Walla.

Survivors include her long-time companion Lonnie Feigner; three sons, Gregory Green (Bothell, WA), Howard Green (Portland, OR) and

Joel Green (Spokane, WA); two grandchildren (Brandon and Lily); and two sisters, Roberta Haer and Nadine O'Brien, both of Walla Walla.

She was preceded in death by five brothers, Sheldon, John (LaDow), Clinton, Darrell and LaVonne, and five sisters, Zona Marsh, Audrey Smith, Claudine Smith, Beverly Parks and Bethel Smith.

To leave a condolence online visit www.munsellerhodes.com.



Gwyneth Cox Green

Grief support group to meet April 6

The Heppner area grief support group will be meeting again at Peggy Connor's house (615 S. Alfalfa) on Thursday, April 6, at noon. Speaker will be Heppner Christian Church Pastor Ray DeLoe.

The group consists of a wide variety of folks who have experienced an assortment of grief, who meet together to help one another and others with their journey through their heartache. Lunch will be provided at noon with the presentation to follow. All are welcome.

Questions, please call Mary Ann Elguézabal, 676-5774, or Jean Adams, 676-5841.

Holly Rebekah card party this weekend

Holly Rebekah Lodge will host its monthly card party this Saturday, April 1.

"Grab your friends and come to Lexington lodge hall for an evening of cards, laughter and snacks," a lodge spokeswoman says. Play will start at 7 p.m. The cost to play continues to be \$5 per person. Prizes will be awarded.

Morrow SWCD to meet April 4

Working lands conservation presentation planned April 3

The Morrow SWCD will hold a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 4, beginning at 6 p.m. Agenda items include minutes of the previous meeting, bank reconciliations, 2017/18 budget review, staff and partner reports, and ODA LMA discussion.

On Monday, April 3, from noon to 2 p.m., The Morrow SWCD is hosting a presentation on Working Lands Conservation Easements.

The presentation will discuss how to protect the ecological and agricultural benefits of farms and ranches and the long-term viability of land with conservation easements. Presenters are The Northwest

Rangeland Trust and The Trust for Public Land. The Northwest Rangeland Trust was originally created by the Oregon Cattleman's Association and exists to serve the ranching and farming communities of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. The Trust for Public Land works to create parks and protect land for people, ensuring healthy, livable communities for generations to come.

The presentation will be held at St. Patrick Parish Hall in Heppner along with a hosted lunch. For questions, contact Janet Greenup, Morrow SWCD Manager at 541-676-5452. RSVP is not required, but is appreciated.

Chamber lunch meeting

The next lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be an all entities report on Thursday, April 6, 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 Monday, April 3, to guarantee a lunch. Those

planning on attending but not eating are still asked to notify the chamber to ensure adequate seating.

Also, the chamber would like to remind everyone of the Harlem Ambassador's basketball show Thursday, April 27, at 6:30 p.m. in the Heppner High School gym. See the full story PAGE EIGHT.

~ 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.

Cutsforth did a 'job well done'

When Dave DeMayo left his position as city manager the council wondered if we would be able to fill his shoes. After a long search we hired Kim Cutsforth. She took the reins and started running. The city once more moved forward and with her help many things were done.

Kim's love for Heppner and the community shows in every event she brought to the table. Her work on grants, parks, streets and, of course, the new fire hall has made the city better. We were lucky to find a person who had so much love and passion for the city. The council gave Kim a gift to thank her for all she has done as city manager. It is said a job well done is its own reward.

Kim, you need to know the community appreciates you. A job well done, Kim.

(s) Joanne Burselson, Heppner

Wranglers can drive ends Thursday

Wranglers Riding Club continues its can drive and is asking all residents to bring their empty cans to the collection trailer parked behind Les Schwab Tires by this Thursday, March 23. Donations will help fund the youth play days this spring.

Ione library board to meet

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

WALK MS 2017

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Saint's Episcopal Church, 460 N Gale Street, Heppner.

A continental breakfast and coffee will be available before the walk. The walk will start at 10 a.m., with a hosted lunch to follow.

The well-marked 5k walk is wheelchair accessible and a 10k walk, with a

route map provided, is also available.

Walk MS posters, with registration information, will be located in local businesses. Those with questions can contact Heppner Walk MS co-chairs Barb Orwick, 541-256-0455, or Merilee McDowell, 541-571-5853.

Photo credit where credit is due

In last week's edition of the Heppner Gazette-Times, photos were mistakenly published without photo credits. In addition to staff photos of the St. Patrick's Day celebration, photos were contributed by Kay Proctor, Sandy Matthews and Rita Martin. The editor apologizes for the oversight.

WEALTH ADVISOR

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Wealth Management.

She also is active on several boards and committees, including the University of Oregon, De La Salle North Catholic High

School, the Epilepsy Foundation Northwest and the National Charity League.

Hale also has been named to the 2014 and 2015 Financial Times Top 400 Advisors lists in the U.S.

Happy Retirement

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