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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.

Heppner library announces new books for January

The Oregon Trail Library District Heppner Branch has announced the following new books for January 2018:

Fiction: The Book Stops Here – Kate Carlisle, End Game – David Baldacci, Year One – Nora Roberts, The Rooster Bar – John Grisham, Firefly Cove – T. Davis Bunn, Fools and Mortals – Bernard Cornwell, Heather, The Totality – Matthew Weiner, Nightblind – Ragnar Jonasson, Origin – Dan Brown, The Chalk Man – C. J. Tudor, The Wife Between Us – Greer Hendricks, A Distant Heart – Sonali Dev, Darker

– E. L. James, The Story of Arthur Truluv – Elizabeth Berg, Sisters – Lily Tuck, The Fortunes – Peter Ho Davies, The O'Malleys of Texas – Dusty Richards, I Know a Secret – Tess Gerritsen, High desert – Wayne D. Overholser, Wayward – Blake Crouch, Lilac Lane – Sherryl Woods, The Trapped Girl – Robert Dugoni, Dark Chapter – Winnie M. Li.

Non-Fiction: Ranger Games – Ben Blum, Prairie Fires – Caroline Fraser, Rover – Andrew Grant, The Secret Life of Flies – Erica McAlister.

Chamber lunch meeting

The next lunch meeting of the Heppner Chamber of Commerce will be held at noon on Thursday, Feb. 1, in the Heppner City Hall conference room. This meeting will be all entities reports.

Cost of lunch is \$10 and chamber lunch attendees are asked to RSVP at 541-676-5536. Bucknum's will be catering the lunch, serving Southwest chicken

salad with chipotle ranch dressing, garlic toast and cookies.

The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to Sherryl Bates at 541-676-5536.

Obituaries

Velma B. Haskins Felt

Velma B. Haskins Felt, known as Granny since a very young age, passed away on Tuesday, Jan. 23 at the age of 93.

Granny was born in Dillard, OR on July 3, 1924 to Velton and Vivian Hedgepeth Haskins. She was raised in Merrill, OR. She had six siblings, Virginia Moore and her husband Scoot, Lee Haskins and his wife Velda, Delmer Haskins and his wife Peggy, Merle Haskins and his wife Carol, Wes Haskins and his wife Shirley, and Dale Haskins, who all preceded her in death except sisters-in-law Peggy and Velda.

She married Axel "Lucky" Felt in Reno, NV on Oct. 25, 1943. Lucky passed away on Apr. 21, 1994 in Heppner. Dur-

ing their 50 years together they resided in Grants Pass, Klamath Falls, Merrill, Redmond, Madras, Gresham, Umatilla, Hermiston and Heppner, all in Oregon as well as Jal, NM.

Granny worked at Lewis' Dime Store, the Dairy Store and then wrapped meat at the Merrill Meat Company, all in Merrill. After moving to Madras, she worked at Erickson's Department Store. While in Hermiston, she worked at Burnham's Department Store and the Button Hole. After moving to Heppner, she worked at the



Velma B. Haskins Felt

Fabric Store owned by Jerry and JoyceKay Hollomon.

She enjoyed making and decorating cakes for all occasions, always from scratch. Her family and friends said she was a wonderful cook and they benefited by receiving goodies regularly.

Her joy all her life was children, from her siblings to grandkids, great-grandkids and many neighborhood children.

Granny is survived by her son Willard Felt and his wife Susan, their children Todd, Monica and her husband Kendall, Matt and Jake; daughter Donna Osmin and her husband Al, their children Jess Osmin and his wife Staci, Rick Osmin and his wife Amy; 13 great-grandchildren and

two great-great-grandchildren.

Granny spent her last 10 years in Willow Creek Terrace Assisted Living and Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made to Willow Creek Terrace, 400 Frank Gilliam Drive, Heppner, OR 97836 or to Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home, PO Box 9, Heppner, OR 97836 or to the Shriner's Hospital for Children, 3101 SW Sam Jackson Park Road, Portland, OR 97239 or to your favorite charity.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in care of arrangements.

~ 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.

Government can't think for themselves

To the editor:

In regard to the story in the link below, I would like to post this letter.

<http://www.americanlibertyreport.com/articles/the-fisa-memo-what-we-know-so-far/>

Those who have been working for the government for any extended period of time have never learned, or have forgotten, to think for themselves. Their job has always been a set template of what to do, when to do it, and never to question it, so when something new or different comes along they refer back to the template and if the question is not answered there, the question or situation must be either radical, irrelevant or wrong. We cannot expect lifer government employees

to accept anything new that they have not been trained on, or anything that actually comes from the people they are supposed to serve. The sad thing is that these government drones are teaching that same SOP to our youth, who can get a temporary (at least) entry level position at the government which pays twice what they can get in the private sector entry level. And so, the beat has gone on for the last 30+ years. Trump comes along and turns the template upside down and they hate him for the message he delivers from all of us working people.

I can hear the piper coming down the street. Can you?
Tim K. Smith
Hines, OR

Community lunch menu

Nazarene volunteers will serve lunch on Wednesday, Feb. 7 at St. Patrick's Senior Center. Lunch will be navy beans and ham, coleslaw, sliced tomatoes, corn muffins and cherry cake for dessert.

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

Conservation solutions offered

The USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is your local resource for innovative conservation solutions to improve the land and protect your way of life. NRCS offers technical and financial assistance to private landowners and producers interested in preserving natural resources on the land.

Assistance may be

available to help implement the following conservation activities on forestland: forest stand improvement, forest slash treatment, fuel breaks and tree and shrub pruning. Applications will be accepted through Mar. 16.

Contact your local NRCS field office at 541-676-5021 to learn more about how NRCS may benefit you and your land.

CBEC town hall meeting to be held

Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative will be holding a membership town hall meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 7 at the Lone American Legion Hall at 6:30 p.m.

All members are invited to attend this informational presentation regarding what is currently happening in the service territory. Thomas Wolff, General Manager, will speak about changes that are currently underway in the area. Topics of discussion will include, but are not limited to: The Wheatridge Nextera Wind project, fiber to the rural home high

speed broadband initiative, energy efficiency and conservation opportunities, renewable energy projects on the drawing board and recent substation upgrades.

According to a news release, CBEC states that it is the goal of Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative to keep the members informed and educated on what their Cooperative is doing for them.

Members are invited to come and listen and have an opportunity to ask questions on topics of concern.

Bag sale at the Neighborhood Center

The Neighborhood Center is having a \$15 bag sale on Wednesday, Feb. 7 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. The bag sale will include all

clothing items, shoes and books. All other merchandise is 50 percent off the same day.

The Neighborhood Center is located at 441 N Main Street in Heppner. The staff would like to remind everyone that donations of brown bags and plastic bags are always needed and appreciated.

First Friday Friends of Jesus to meet

First Friday Friends of Jesus will meet Friday, Feb. 2 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the All Saints Parish Hall on the corner of Church and Gale in Heppner. All children, ages four to 12, are welcome and there is no cost to attend. The morning will be filled with Bible stories, games, music and crafts. A free lunch is served. For more information call the Shared Ministry office at 541-676-9970.

Rebekah Lodge to host pinochle party

Holly Rebekah Lodge will host their monthly pinochle card party on Feb. 3 at the Lodge in Lexington. The cost to play is \$5 per person and the public is invited. Play will begin at 7 p.m.

JOIN US AT ROUTE 74 FOR VALENTINE'S DAY

February 14th

5:00PM-9:00PM

\$35 per person

DINNER INCLUDES:

Soup or salad with rustic rolls
(Entree) choose from

- **Bacon Wrapped Stuffed Meatloaf**
Served with potato choice and fresh vegetables
- **New York Strip Steak (10oz)**
Served with bang bang shrimp, potato choice & fresh vegetables
- **Heavenly Halibut Filet**
Served with potato choice and fresh vegetables

Dessert Included
Regular Menu Also Available

Reservations Recommended

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LADIES NIGHT DINNER

JEAN ANN'S BBQ

Thursday
February 1st
at 6:30

Hosted by: Todd and Melissa Lindsay
Ken and Carri Grieb & Jim and Becky Kindle.

SERVING: JEAN ANN'S BBQ CHICKEN, CHEESY AU GRATIN POTATOES, BEANS, LAYERED SALAD & ANGEL FOOD CAKE.

FREE VEGETARIAN COOKING CLASS

3 DAY MINI COOKING CLASS

FEBRUARY 5TH 6TH AND 7TH
FROM 7:00-8:00PM

AT HEPPNER SDA CHURCH
560 Minor Street, Heppner

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QUESTIONS- ERIK (541) 922-8697.