

**Obituaries**

**A View from the Green**

# Harry Richard (Dick) Snow

Dick Snow passed away after a brief illness on Saturday, March 23 at St. Mary's Hospital in Walla Walla, WA at the age of 86. He is survived by his wife of nearly 44 years, Susan Byrd Snow. He was preceded in death by his wife of 51 years, Shirley Cunha Snow and by his parents, Harry Hallett Snow and Della Morris Snow. He is survived by his five children Denise Snow Howland, Summer-ville, OR, Rich Snow, Echo, Lisa Snow, Echo, Stacey Snow, Culver, OR and Sonia Snow, Hermiston. He is also survived by his sister, Donna Snow Cable, Monmouth, OR. He has nine grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.



Harry Richard Snow

public service boards such as the Echo school board and Echo city council over the years and was one of the original builders of the Echo Golf Course. He was mayor of Echo at one time. He also was a member of various farming and cattlemen's associations such as the Saler Cattle Association.

He was much loved and will be missed by his family and friends. Everyone who knew him had a story to tell about him. His boots will be hard to fill.

Dick would tell you that he was the lucky one. He was one of those rare individuals who got to make his living with his passion of cattle ranching and farming. He was the epitome of the "rugged individualist" that got to live life as his own boss and on his own terms (except when government intervened, of course) for most of his 86 years. In short, he was the classic American cowboy, that rare American breed. But he would correct you by saying "no, cattleman."

Those wishing to honor Dick may do so by giving to a charity of their choice in his name. And, maybe a tip of your cowboy hat to someone you love.

A funeral service with military honors will be held on Saturday, April 13 at 1 p.m. at the Echo High School Gymnasium in Echo. A private family burial will be at the Echo Cemetery. Those wishing to bring a dish to share may contact Chris Bettencourt or Jan Zita.

Memories of Dick may be shared with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements.

# Velma May Wight

Velma May Wight passed away on November 21, 2018 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital. Velma was 101 years old.

She was born on May 30, 1917 at St. Helens, OR. Velma was raised in Portland and attended school in Sellwood. She took on the task of raising her siblings when her mother passed away.

At eighteen she moved to Newport where she met Richard Wight. They were married on July 4, 1938. In two years the couple had twin girls, Arlene and Darlene and two and a half years later they were blessed with a son, Gary.

Velma raised a large garden. She cooked and canned on a wood stove for many years before electricity finally came in. After twenty years of ranching the couple moved to Joseph and went into the logging business. When they retired, they had a new home built at Terrebonne. Richard passed in May of 1989, a few years months after their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Her son and his wife moved her to Heppner where she lived in St. Patrick's Senior Center for 22

years. She then was at Willow Creek Terrace for six years and finally spent two years at Pioneer Memorial long term care facility.

She had an electric organ for many years, which she loved playing. She was an avid bingo player and cherished every little prize she won. She also loved doing word-search puzzles, pencil coloring and reading her Bible. She received the nickname "Sunshine" because she always smiled and told people to "Be happy, that keeps you young".

A celebration of life service will be held Friday, April 5 at 2 p.m. at St. Patrick's Senior Center in Heppner.

Velma is survived by her daughters, Arlene Lortie and Darlene Mannthey and son, Gary Wight, numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Willow Creek Terrace, 400 Frank Gilliam Drive, Heppner, OR 97836 or to Pioneer Memorial Hospital, PO Box 9, Heppner, OR 97836.

The online condolence book is available at [www.sweeneymortuary.com](http://www.sweeneymortuary.com).

# Men's golf season begins

The Willow Creek Country Club Men's Play group held their first event on Sunday, March 31. Nineteen players participated in a blind-man draw scramble in fine golf weather.

Matt Bergstrom won KP on hole number four. First place net went to the team of Ralph Walker, Greg Greenup and Tom Shear with 48. Second place was Roger Ehrmantraut and Bill Canady with 51 and third went to John Edmundson

and Dave Creswick with 52.

First place gross was a tie between the teams of David Allstott and Charlie Ferguson and Matt Bergstrom and Kelly Fox with 58. Third was John McCabe and Jerry Gentry with a score of 64.

The next scheduled play is Sunday, April 7 and will be the par three challenge hosted by Charlie Ferguson, Greg Grant and Matt Scrivner.

# Jordan elevator to be upgraded

Mid Columbia Producers (MCP) will increase the receiving capacity of the existing Jordan elevator in Morrow County. Board member Rob Crum said, "Upgrades provide better service to our growing customer base and safety to our employees."

The Jordan elevator outside of Ione was built in 1918 to serve the local farmers of the area. In 2007 MCP purchased the elevator, giving MCP a chance to better serve its membership in Morrow County. Over the past few years MCP has begun to accept more than one class of wheat at the facility and with the slower speed it became apparent the Jordan elevator was due for an upgrade. By adding an additional scale and another receiving leg, MCP will have the ability to receive two different classes of wheat at the same time. The project is expected to be completed prior to the 2019 harvest.

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"It is of the utmost importance to MCP that we as a team continue to serve our loyal patrons to the best of our ability by offering competitive marketing tools and strategies," stated Brad Grenvik, grain operations manager. A key part of this is being able to receive grain in an efficient manner during harvest so members can, in turn, operate their harvest operations efficiently. MCP reported the additional leg will allow the elevator to receive grain at the elevator 160 percent faster during harvest.

# Wellness, safety and resource fair scheduled

A wellness, safety and resource fair for seniors, disabled adults and veterans will be held at the Ione American Legion on Friday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The fair is hosted by American Legion Post #95, Ione area seniors and community volunteers.

Government and private non-profit agencies and entities will be available to answer questions on eligibility requirements, resources available for specific needs and situational/fraud awareness safety tips and tricks.

Caregivers and individuals seeking employment or volunteer opportunities in social or protection fields are encouraged to attend. Lunch, served by the Women's Auxiliary, will be available for purchase from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

# Chamber Chatter

Friday, Apr. 5 from 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. Saturday, Apr. 6, scheduled power outage for Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative, Inc. customers. Bonneville Administration personnel will be replacing equipment in the Boardman Substation which supplies power to the bulk of CBEC's service territory (excludes those served out of the Condon and Fossil substations).

Thursday, Apr. 11 from noon to 1 p.m., Heppner Chamber to host a candidate's forum for the Port of Morrow Commissioner Position #5 in the Heppner City Hall conference room. Lunch will be catered by Tacos Hometown for \$10 per person. An RSVP with the choice of a beef or chicken burrito is required no later than Tuesday, Apr. 9. RSVP to the Heppner Chamber at 541-676-5536 or email at [heppnerchamber@centurytel.net](mailto:heppnerchamber@centurytel.net).

Saturday, Apr. 13 and Saturday May 11 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., SAGE Center Saturday Agriculture/Science based activities with free admission. Plan on spending the day at the SAGE center and participate in the activities and take a tour of the SAGE Center while you are there. Contact 541-481-7243 for questions.

Monday, Apr. 15 is he deadline for the Community and Public Enhancement grant offered by Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group. To obtain an application, contact the Heppner Chamber at 541-676-5336 or email

[heppnerchamber@centurytel.net](mailto:heppnerchamber@centurytel.net). The application is also available on the Chamber website: [heppnerchamber.com](http://heppnerchamber.com).

Monday, Apr. 15 is he deadline for the Business Enhancement Grant requests offered by Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group. Although the grants are open for consideration if funds are available, current requests will be reviewed along with the Community and Public Enhancement grant requests. To obtain an application, contact the Heppner Chamber at 541-676-5336 or email [heppnerchamber@centurytel.net](mailto:heppnerchamber@centurytel.net). The application is also available on the Chamber website: [heppnerchamber.com](http://heppnerchamber.com).

Thursday, May 16 from noon to 1 p.m., Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group hosted annual luncheon at the Heppner Senior Center dining room. Updates on the programs WCVEDG is working on and guest speakers from Portland

for sponsors for the event stations and sponsorships to help cover the expenses for the event. Station sponsor, \$250; Platinum sponsor, \$150; Gold sponsor, \$100 and Silver sponsor, \$50. For additional information or to sign up for the event call 541-276-3322.

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General Electric will be on the agenda. Alvin Liu with Gateway Café will cater a BBQ lunch. RSVPs are required no later than May 13.

June 22-29, Bicycle Rides Northwest's BRNW Oregon 2019. The group will be spending the night in Heppner, as part of the ride, on Friday, June 28. The ride will begin and end in Condon and travel to Moro, Maupin, Fossil, Spray and Heppner. For additional information or to register to ride access their website: <http://bicycleridesnw.org/rides/brnw-oregon-2019/>.

# Workshop coming to Port of Morrow

The Port of Morrow was one of four locations in Oregon selected to host an Oregon WORKS Community Internship Workshop. A community-wide summer internship program makes connecting talented young professionals and businesses easier for both the businesses and those seeking employment.

row County are invited to participate in this free workshop on Thursday, June 6 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, 2 Marine Drive in Boardman. Lunch will be provided. RSVP online at <https://bit.ly/2I0BL2x> by May 30. For additional information contact Kalie Davis, Workforce Training Program manager at 541-571-1624.

During this workshop, employers will learn how to attract and retain interns by working together to develop a county-wide marketing and outreach plan. The plan will be developed over the next year and ready for implementation during summer 2020.

The Community Internship Workshop is presented by the McMinnville Economic Development Partnership by grants from The Ford Family Foundation and the Oregon Community Foundation.

All employers in Mor-

# Parks meeting scheduled

Morrow County Parks will hold a meeting Apr. 11 at 1:30 p.m. at the Public Works conference room in Lexington. Topics of discussion will include park items for the 2019 season. For additional information contact the Public Works office at 541-989-9500. The meeting is open to the public.

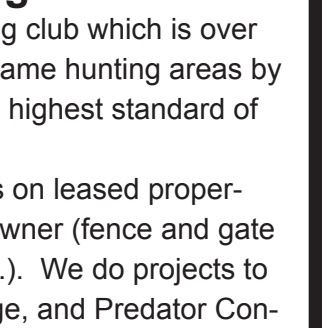
Friday, Apr. 19 at 7:15 p.m. and Saturday, Apr. 20 at 2:15 p.m., SAGE Center movie event showing Bumblebee. Plan on coming and watching this movie at the SAGE Center for a \$3 admission cost (includes free popcorn). Bottled water and concessions are available for cash purchase.

Saturday, Apr. 27 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., 6<sup>th</sup> Annual DVS Walk in her shoes awareness event at Riverfront Park in Hermiston. Domestic Violence Services, Inc. is looking

# Family Hunt Club Looking for Big Game Land

Wildlife Development Association (WDA), a hunting club which is over 40 years old, is seeking to expand its leased big game hunting areas by 10,000+/- acres. WDA is known for promoting the highest standard of hunting ethics, hunter safety and family hunting. Using club volunteers we hold annual work parties on leased properties working on projects directed by the property owner (fence and gate repair, road improvement, vegetation removal, etc.). We do projects to improve hunting, such as "No Trespassing" signage, and Predator Control program. References are available upon request.

If you have land to lease please contact: Wildlife Development Association Jason Slangan, President(503) 927-5643



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