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## Ione Legion to hold absentee fundraiser

The fundraiser scheduled for April 4 by the Ione Legion and Auxiliary will not be held at the hall but will instead be held as an absentee fundraiser. Raffles already in progress will be conducted through the mail and social media, with tickets still available to purchase for \$1 each or six for \$5. Those who planned to attend the event are also asked to send in one-half of the amount they intended to spend at the event as a donation.

Although the interaction and fellowship of getting together is impossible, the Legion still needs help. The money earned at the fundraiser is used to pay for insurance, supplies and

utilities for the hall and the high school scholarship. Without this revenue, things will be tight.

Five tickets will be drawn for the raffles of beef, pork and a shotgun on April 4 at 7 p.m. Two will be drawn for half of a beef, two for half of a pig and one for the Mossburg 500 12-gauge shotgun. Those interested in purchasing tickets should contact a Legion or Auxiliary member or send a check for the number and kind of tickets, along with name and phone number, to American Legion Post 95, PO Box 384 or American Legion Auxiliary, PO Box 5, both in Ione, OR 97843.

## Scholarship application deadline extended

The deadline to submit applications for the South Morrow County scholarship and the Coach Del LaRue scholarship has been extended until from April 2 to April 9. The applications may be submitted via email to [trollins@beobank.com](mailto:trollins@beobank.com) or mailed to PO Box 154, Ione, OR 97843. Applications must be received or postmarked by April 9 to

be considered.

The criteria for each scholarship was listed on page six of the Heppner Gazette-Times March 18 issue.

## Pastors hope to schedule Easter service

Singspiration, scheduled for March 29 has been cancelled due to the Coronavirus and being unable to gather in large numbers. At this time, the pastors of the South Morrow County Ministerial Association (SMCMA) are still hoping to hold the Easter Sunrise Service on April 12.

The pastors of SMCMA are concerned about the spiritual needs, as well as physical needs, of the community and will be available to assist. The pastors contact information follows: Pastor Norman Lee, Nazarene Church, 541-215-0715; Pastor Tripp Finch, Baptist Church, 541-219-2316; Pastor Tom Green, Christian Life Center, 425-

218-3711; Elder Eric Winberg, Seventh Day Adventist Church, 541-561-9132; Pastor Ray DeLoe, Heppner Christian Church, 831-578-6451; Pastor Katy Anderson, All Saints Episcopal Church, 541-916-4125; Father Joseph, Catholic Church, 541-810-4788 and Pastor Ira Owen, Lexington Community Church, 541-256-0180.

## Chamber lunches cancelled

Heppner Chamber lunches for April 2 and 16 have been cancelled due to the current COVID-19 requirements. They are currently working on an online candidate's forum.

Additional information will be available at a later date.

## County hires new transportation coordinator

Morrow County has hired Katie Imes as the new transportation coordinator for The Loop. Imes has over 10 year of service experience as the supervisor/team leader of the non-profit organization "Because People Matter." She took over the position on March 9 from Anita Pranger, who recently retired.

Katie is looking forward to meeting current riders and reaching out to those who may not be familiar with The Loop. She said, "I am excited to be a part of a program that provides a vital service to the public. Looking ahead, I will be focusing on maintaining the current program and assisting in the future growth of The Loop, allowing all Morrow County residents to have access to transportation."

Imes was born and raised in Hermiston and then moved to the Willamette Valley where she lived for 15 plus years. Katie and husband, Eric, moved to Lexington in 2018 with their three children Leighton, Lillian and Luke. Leighton is attend-



Katie Imes

ing Chemeketa Community college pursuing a fire science degree, Lillian is a sophomore at Heppner High School and Luke is a third grader at Heppner Elementary.

The Loop is dedicated to providing essential rides during the Covid-19 pandemic. The Loop's program is driven, literally, by volunteers. During the pandemic, they are seeking volunteers who are healthy and able-bodied to meet the county resident's transportation needs. Those interested should call 541-676-5667 or email [kimes@co.morrow.or.us](mailto:kimes@co.morrow.or.us) or [nhigh@co.morrow.or.us](mailto:nhigh@co.morrow.or.us). The Loop has transport vehicles in Boardman, Irrigon and Heppner.

## Meal site shut down

The community meal site at St. Patrick's Senior Center has been shut down until May 4 due to the Coronavirus. CAPECO is following the directive provided by Governor Kate

Brown, the Oregon Healthy Authority and local health departments.

In addition to meal closure, the entire St. Patrick's building has been locked

down to protect the tenants who may have compromised immune systems.

For additional information, contact CAPECO at 541-278-5695.

## BUSINESS SHUTDOWNS

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reached by calling 541-676-9964.

Route 74 in Ione is currently serving lunch only, Tuesday - Saturday from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Check their Facebook page for a menu and call 541-422-7160 to place an order.

Tacos Hometown is open in Heppner Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Text orders to 541-561-7397.

Pettyjohn's has decided to remain open to provide essential needs for the local community until further notice. They ask that anyone who is sick does not come in. People are asked to not crowd the aisles, stand too close to other customers or employees and refrain from touching items you do not intend to purchase. Call 541-676-9157 for addition-

al information.

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office shared the order released March 23 by Oregon Governor Kate Brown indicating what is allowed and what is not. They said if you are not sure about an activity, skip it. Staying home as much as possible during this time will save lives.

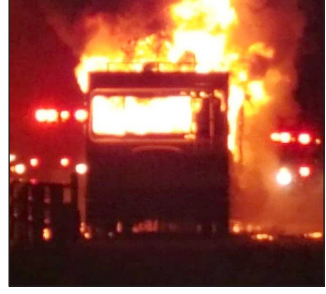
**Allowed** (must keep 6 feet from others):

Hospitals and health care, grocery stores, banks and credit unions, pharmacies, take-out/delivery from restaurants and bars, pet stores, gas stations, certain retail stores, outdoor activities like walking your dog, jogging, or biking in your neighborhood, child care facilities and babysitters (only if abiding by new rules).

**Not Allowed:**

Social gatherings (parties, celebrations) with people from outside of your household, dine-in restaurants and bars, nightclubs and concerts, shopping at outdoor or indoor malls and retail complexes, fitness: gyms, sports and fitness centers, health clubs, and exercise studios, dance and yoga studios, grooming: hair salons, barbershops, nail salons, day spas and massage services, non-medical wellness spas, cosmetic stores, tattoo parlors, entertainment: theaters, amusement parks, arcades, bowling alleys, music concerts, sporting events, museums, skating rinks, outdoors: state parks, playgrounds, campgrounds, pools, skate parks, festivals.

## RV burns in Lexington



A motor home was totally destroyed by fire at approximately 8:30 p.m. Monday night in Lexington. Lexington and Heppner Fire responded to the fully engulfed RV that was stalled on the Arcade Street bridge near C Street. Debris resulting from the fire closed the street until Tuesday morning. -Photos by Bobbi Gordon.

**MORROW COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT**  
Excellence in Healthcare

# We care where you are.

<p><b>HEPPNER</b></p> <p><b>Pioneer Memorial Hospital</b> (541) 676-9133</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>564 E Pioneer Dr.</li> </ul> <p><b>Pioneer Memorial Clinic</b> (541) 676-5504</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>130 Thompson Ave</li> <li>Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm</li> </ul> <p><b>Pioneer Memorial Home Health &amp; Hospice</b> (541) 676-2946</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>162 Main St.</li> <li>Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 5:00 pm</li> </ul> <p><b>BOARDMAN</b></p> <p><b>Pioneer Memorial Home Health &amp; Hospice</b> (541) 676-2946</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>101 Kinkade Rd.</li> </ul>	<p><b>IRRIGON</b></p> <p><b>Irrigon Medical Clinic</b> (541) 922-5880</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>220 N Main St.</li> <li>Monday-Friday 8:30 am - 6:00 pm</li> </ul>	<p><b>IONE</b></p> <p><b>Ione Community Clinic</b> (541) 422-7128</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>365 W 3rd St.</li> <li>Monday-Thursday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm</li> </ul>
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[HealthyMC.org](http://HealthyMC.org)



Where healthier is happening...  
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## MORROW COUNTY COMMISSIONER