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*A View from the Green*

**CBSGA players compete in tourney**

The Columbia Blue Senior Golf Association hosted 82 golfers at the tournament held at Echo Hills Golf Course, a par 72 course, on June 13.

First place in gross for the Columbia Division (0 to 13 handicap) went to Mike Jesch from The Dalles Country Club, with a score of 77. Willow Creek Country Club (WCCC) member Duane Disque was fourth with 88 and Dennis Peck placed sixth with a score of 89.

Don Dacus of Echo Hills took first place in net with a score of 74. WCCC member Tim Wright took second with a score of 75. Scott Burright and Kelly Fox tied for fourth with a score of 78, John McCabe was sixth with 80 and Dave Pranger took eighth with a score of 84.

Gross winner in the

Blue Division (14 to 19 handicap) was Rich Hess of Pine Meadows with a score of 88. Tim Hedman, WCCC, was third with 93, Jim Swanson was fourth with 94 and Delbert Binchus placed eighth with 101.

Michael Jordan, Pine Meadows, place first in net with 73 and WCCC member Dave Creswick was sixth with a score of 80.

In the senior division (20 and over handicap), Lynn Ihringer of Pine Meadows took first in gross with a score of 94. First place in net went to Jim Baxter of Beacon Rock. From WCCC, Bob Nairns placed second in gross with 96, Gene Orwick and Curtis Cutsforth tied for third in net with a score of 76 and Mike Gorman and Mike Sweek tied for eighth with 83, also in net.

**Over the Tee Cup**

Seven WCCC ladies gathered at 9 a.m. on Tuesday, June 28 for the weekly playday while enjoying perfect weather, sunny and slightly breezy. Low gross of the field went to Virginia Grant and low net of the field to Shirley Martin. Least putts of the field was presented to Kim Carlson.

Low gross for Flight B was Pat Dougherty. Low gross for Flight C winners

were Jeanne Creswick and Karen Smith-Griffith and low net for Flight C winner was Lorene Montgomery.

Long Drive in Flight C winner was Kim Carlson. Closest to the pin for Flight A was Virginia Grant and Pat Dougherty for Flight B. Kim Carlson had a Chip-in on Hole #12

Beginning July 5, play will start at 8 a.m.

**Stuart Jay Walker**

Stuart Walker, son of Ralph and Sally Walker of Heppner, OR died on June 1, 2022. He was born on August 17, 1971, in Missoula, MT.



Stuart Jay Walker

Stuart graduated from high school in Arlington, OR in 1989, attended Pacific University and Willamette University for one year each before joining the army for three years. After the stint in the army, he obtained a BA degree from OSU in 2000. He was always proud to be a Beaver.

He began his career as a parole and probation officer in Hood River in August 2000 where he worked for three years. In January 2004, he accepted a job with Multnomah County

where he has worked for more than 18 years until his death, rising to a supervisory position.

Stuart married Molly Pedersen, the love of his life, on November 6, 2009, in Las Vegas. He is also survived by his sister, Carrie.

Stuart loved most sports, especially golf and cycling as an adult and their three Corgis, one of which came from Kevin Hughes' Ranch here in Heppner.... the long-legged one.

A memorial gathering is planned for 2 p.m. on Saturday, July 23 at the World Forestry Center in Portland where memories of his life will be shared. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Jeffory Michael Rauch**

Jeffory Michael Rauch passed away after a motorcycle accident in Idaho on June 26, 2022. He was born November 16, 1970, in Pendleton, OR to Janis Baker and Stanley Rauch.



Jeffory Michael Rauch

He attended grade school in Irrigon and high school in Heppner, OR. He also attended schools in Utah and California, graduating from high school in Aptos, CA in 1989. After high school he worked as a union laborer before entering the US Navy. After his honorable discharge from the Navy, he joined the National Guard where he served for many years until retiring in December of 2019.

Jeffory held many truck and heavy equipment operator positions. He settled in Ridby, ID where he worked for RC Heavy Haul for several years before joining the crew at Bonneville County Road and Bridge in 2018.

Jeffory married Donna Barnett in July of 1995. The couple later divorced but re-

mained very strong friends. He is survived by his constant companion, Snoopy; mother, Janis (Stephen) Palmer; father, Stanley Rauch; brother, Jason (Norma) Rauch; sister, Jennifer (Charles) Peck; step-brother, Michael (Liza) Murrell, step-sister, Wendy (Matt) Brown; grandmother, Clarice Baker; numerous aunts and uncles and nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by grandparents, Clarence Baker and Irvin and Mildred Rauch.

A graveside service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday July 9, 2022, at Echo Cemetery in Echo, OR. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements.

To leave an online condolence for the family please go to [www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com](http://www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com).

**Death/Service Notices**

**Mitzi Hess** – A memorial gathering and luncheon will be held for Mitzi Hess at noon on Saturday, July 16 at Cutsforth Park. Attendees are asked to bring either a salad or cookies as well as bringing chairs. For additional information, call 541-571-3783.

**Good News Only**

By Doris Brosnan

Whoa, regretting an oversight, this column now loudly applauds the Heppner Mustangs students and staff who handled many useful tasks on Mustang Mop-Up Day before school ended for the summer. So many citizens benefitted from their diligent clean-up work – including at least five tennis players who really appreciated the scraping away of weeds and sweeping away of debris from the courts.

Better weather complemented the second First Friday event in Heppner last Friday. Sidewalk vendors, live music, refreshments, attractions for youngsters. Kudos to the Heppner Outreach Council.

That was a perfect time for Kylee Boor, HHS graduate this year and entrepreneur, to open her new business. Kylee's "Wild Glow" features small house plants and gift and décor items, many handcrafted. It is located just around the corner from Main Street, on Church Street, in a small shop addition to the house on the corner of Main and Church across from the city park, the house recently spruced up with a new paint job (the house that long-time residents will remember as Lois Winchester's).

Kudos to the local baseball players on the All-Star team that successfully played six games a week ago in district play in Burns and now return for the state level of competition. Good luck. (Watch for a detailed report in the GT.)

And Kamryn Dickinson, daughter of Tim and Beth, was the Heppner softball player selected to complement the All-Star team that also competed in Burns. Kamryn, known especially for her catching skills, had an injury that precluded her being able to take the catcher's stance, so she showed her skills in play on bases and in the field, helping her team place second in the final district competition.

Cooler weather accompanied the July 4 holiday, but it remained comfortable for outdoor celebrations, including Ione's day of activities and music. And the three-day weekend enabled many visitors to come to share time with their friends and family.

Archie and Diana Ball were fortunate to have friends return last Friday, for almost three days of enjoying their many years of friendship, refreshing of memories (with no challenges over one another's accuracy), updating, and road trips to some surrounding places. HHS classmates Bruce and Diane Moyer now live in Montana. They were

joined by their daughter Randi and her companion, Chip Magnuson (self-proclaimed "whisperer" of sorts), of Spokane. Joining them and contributing additional stories for an evening on the Balls' deck on Sunday were Kit and Shirley George and Doris Brosnan.

Kristi Smiley, of Pendleton, daughter of John and Pat Edmundson, shares the following news with her area friends, "After a two-year hiatus, the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Special Olympics Fundraising Golf Tournament will be at Echo Hills Golf Club on Saturday, August 13. In the past, this event has raised over \$4,000 each year to support athletes in Umatilla and Morrow Counties. Entry forms are available in the WCCC clubhouse. This fun event supports special-needs athletes. We are currently providing the following sports programs: golf, bocce and athletics (track and field events). We will also provide bowling in the fall and basketball and powerlifting next winter. Anyone interested in providing hole sponsorships or door prizes, can contact me at 541-571-0997."

The home to the Hopeful Saints congregation has what looks like a new front door, but the entrance is actually the work of Bill McDowell. Bill's expertise at prepping and painting the familiar doors has resulted in bright red stand-outs.

Encouraging comments indicate that the sharing in this column of positive tidbits – funny, heartwarming, thought-provoking, astounding, etc. – continues to be appreciated by GT readers, including some readers who also use social media. So, hope is that every week we continue to have input from individuals who contribute, as well as read. Drop some details to [dbrosnan123@gmail.com](mailto:dbrosnan123@gmail.com) or call 541-223-1490. Please, share.

Here's hoping that some good news comes to everyone reading this.

**Public invited to ODFW meeting**

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife would like to invite all interested people to attend a public meeting on Wednesday, July 13 from 6-9 p.m. at the ODFW office in Heppner. The ODFW office is located in the old

Kinzua mill office at 54173 Hwy 74 in Heppner.

The discussion at the meeting will include the proposed tag numbers for the 2023 big game seasons as well as proposed new hunts for 2024.

**Correction**

A story in last week's G-T regarding passing of the health district's budget inadvertently listed Marie Shimer as principal at Ridgeview High School. Shimer actually works in the school district's office as Director of Educational Services.

**Justice Court Report**

Morrow County Justice of the Peace, Glen Diehl, has released the following Justice Court report:

-Jerod L. Wickland, 46, Heppner, was convicted of dog at large, fine \$265.  
-Bradley S. Rappe, 18,

Lyle, WA, was convicted of VSL, fine \$100 and driving uninsured, fine \$265.

-Daniel E. Reves, 42, Heppner, was convicted of driving while suspended, fine \$440 and driving uninsured, fine \$265.

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