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A View from the Hill

By Doris Brosnan

Even though the hot weather has been a challenge, two especially enjoyable days started off August at the Terrace, so maybe everyone can view that as a good omen.

August 1 was National Ice Cream Sandwich Day, which called for having ice cream sandwiches on the menu. On August 2, Bev Sherman welcomed her 87th birthday, a great reason for family, friends and neighbors to celebrate with her. And everyone was looking forward to welcoming new employee Derek Swanson this month.

For everyone who doesn't mind someone touching his or her feet, the pleasure of a pedicure party is something to look

forward to, so participants will be scheduling their pampering on August 5.

Friendship Day, on the 7th, will be the morning discussion topic, so memories will surely go back many years. But on National S'mores Day, on the 10th, the focus will probably be more on enjoying the treats than on trying to remember one's first s'more.

Adding to the daily exercise opportunity at the Terrace, some residents will choose to participate in the Wii bowling event on the 13th, which is National Bowling Day.

Morrow County Fair Week begins on the 14th. As usual, the community on the hill hopes to be able to enjoy a day at the fair as a group, and some

A View from the Green

Over the Tee Cup

It was a hot but enjoyable day for the eight WCCC ladies who came to play for the July 26 play-day. Pat Dougherty took low gross of the field and Karen Thompson took low net. Virginia Grant had the least putts of the field.

For flight A, Karen Thompson got the long

drive and Virginia Grant got KP. Flight B winners were Shirley Martin for low gross and Pat Dougherty getting the long drive and a chip-in.

Karen Smith Griffith had low gross and long drive for flight C. Betty Carter had low net and Kim Carlson had the least putts.

WCCC Sunday Men's Play

WCCC Sunday Men's Play on July 31 hosted 18 players in a two-man best ball game. The team of Tim Hedman and Dale Holland took first in net with a score of 50. Dale Boyd and Dave Mitchell took second with 52.

residents will be attending with family. Covid safety will determine the efficacy of these plans. But entries from the Terrace will surely be on display at the fair.

Lemon Meringue Pie Day on the 15th, is something to look forward to on the menu by everyone who likes that dessert, and it might compete with peach pie for the designation of "better" after that dessert is on the menu on the 24th, National Peach Pie Day. No competition, though, when it comes to a refreshing summertime drink when lemonade is celebrated on the 20th.

Laughter will be the target response on Tell a Joke Day, on the 16th. Everyone will be encouraged to entertain with some great

First place winners in gross were Dave Pranger and Dennis Peck with 59. Duane Disque and Ron Bowman came in second with a score of 61.

Due to the annual couple's tournament to be played next weekend, no men's play will be held. The next Sunday play will be August 14 hosted by Steve Marlatt and David Creswick. The par 3 challenge has been moved from August 14 to September 4.

jokes, but they might have to steel themselves for some groans from their audience, too.

Hard to believe that the movie Wizard of Oz is the same age as some of the residents at the Terrace, but 'tis true, and on the 25th, its 83rd anniversary, the movie will be a topic of conversation. The Mad Hatter Party was a success in July, and the viewing of the time-enduring movie will surely be a success this month.

Football camp scheduled

It is that time of year when registration begins for the 30th annual Heppner Mustang football camp. Like last year, the team camp and player pack bundle is \$35. Each player must register and pay via the website at <https://heppnerhsfootball.gearupsports.net/> and the gear will be shipped directly to the player's address. Each will receive a T-shirt and shorts as part of the camp payment.

The camp will be held August 8-11. Sessions for grades five through eight will run from 3 to 5:30 p.m. and high school from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Players will need shorts, T-shirt, athletic shoes and sufficient water. Football specific shoes may be available for those who do not have them.

Good News Only

By Doris Brosnan

According to The Economist's "Safe Cities Index" in 2019, Sidney, Australia, was the fifth safest city in the world. It might have ranked even higher than that last week for a few days, when Kimberly George (daughter of Kit and Shirley) was in Sidney for business. She wrote that her hotel was packed with secret service, military dignitaries, and local and national police. Of course, this wasn't for Kimberly's safety alone. Sidney was co-hosting the Indo-Pacific Chiefs of Defense Conference. Was Kimberly's luck to be present during this international event, surrounded by dress uniforms and distinguished-service ribbons, and feeling very safe.

Welcome to this world, Louis Jay Kennedy. Louis, born on July 22, is the first child of Erin Connelly and Kevin Kennedy of Washington, DC. He is the first great grandchild of Terry and Karen Thompson. And Louis is also the first grandchild of Shelley (Thompson), and Tim Connelly who live in Walla Walla, and the grandson of Melissa Ries and Pat Kennedy of Seattle. Many arms are eager to hold this wee one.

Last Thursday, 16 ladies from Ione, Lexington, Heppner, Arlington and Adams gathered for a no-host birthday lunch at the Heppner Elks Lodge in honor of this month's celebrants. The women try to meet monthly, providing those honored with cards and a little mad money. This monthly event was the brain child of Harriet Hall, Lil Boyce, and MaryJean McCabe over thirty years ago and has had few interruptions. Gathering spots have changed over the years, as have some of the faces, but appreciation for the time to reconnect and to be thankful for this reason to celebrate has not. From July 18 through 24, Betty Gray was in Seattle with her daughter, DeLoy, son-in-law, Curtis, grandsons, Tyler and Jeremy and the three family canines. Great visiting, some great dining out and a great celebration of Betty's birthday filled the week quickly, and Betty was back home in Ione in time for the great three-digit temperatures.

Adam Doherty's work day has recently been shortened by almost two hours because he no longer com-

mutes to Condon. Adam was the Farm Services Agency Executive Director for Gilliam County, but two weeks ago, he was selected for the position for Morrow County and now can be at work in about five minutes. Though Adam reports that he truly enjoyed his morning commute time to Condon, he also appreciates that the relocation offers a quick return to his home after a day at the office at the north end of town.

A couple of years ago, a high school freshman did some yard work for John and Pat Edmundson. He did it very well and completely. Recently, now about to be an HHS senior, he was working on a neighbor's property. Upon making contact, he indicated he had a couple of hours available to clean up the terraces that are a little precarious for John to be doing with his 80+ year-old body. He did the work very efficiently and well, including taking the pruning debris from the bushes on the property line to the transfer station with his pickup. As the Edmondsons point out, this was a great example of the good citizenship and positive attitude of our Heppner youth.

An addition at Thomson Square will be appreciated by local and visiting bicyclists: A bicycle repair station between the information booth and the dental office building contains a spot for positioning the bike for easy handling, a plethora of tools, and an air compressor.

This summer, free lunches for young people are available on Mondays and Wednesdays at the pool park and on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays at the city park from 12:30 to 1 p.m.

Last week, the sound from high in the air was a surprise: Twice, the V formation of Canadian Honkers and the cacophony that always seems to accompany the annual flight south seemed a too-early reminder that summer is on the downward slope toward fall.

Share your good news, share your reason for smiling with the GT readers. Easy to do by sending it to dbrosnan123@gmail.com or by calling 541-223-1490. Please, share.

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

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