

Good News Only by Doris Brosnan

Number one reason for being thankful last Thursday, offered by a small sampling of individuals: For family. Close second: For friends, for being able to be with loved ones.

Newcomers to a community sometimes find meeting new people and becoming socially involved a challenge. This is one reason that a local group of bridge players has reported an idea that can be good news for some individuals facing this situation – good news, that is, if the newcomers are bridge players or would like to learn how to play the card game. For individuals who already play, take note: the group sometimes needs substitute players. Some players in the group are strong, competent (and good-natured) players who are willing to give lessons to individuals who might want to learn. Interested individuals can call this column's number with questions.

Baby Hayes Sophie Lazinka was welcomed by parents, Shane and Regi Lazinka, on November 20. Hayes seems to be almost the spitting image of her older sister, Turner, who is almost two years old. The proud grandparents are Wayne and Lori Seitz and Mark and Colleen Yarbor. Congratulations, Lazinka, and families!

Proud Great Grandmother Kathy Clark reports the wonderful news that her and Ned's youngest great-granddaughter has proven to be made of strong stuff already, at the age of one year: Diana Claire Sumner was born prematurely and weighed just seventeen ounces! Clarks' grandson and his wife, Casey, and Kaitlyn Sumner took Diana home as a foster child and later adopted her. And now Diana Claire tips the scales at sixteen pounds and is one healthy and happy child! Coincidentally, Casey's sister's baby boy, who was born on Kathy's birthday is the youngest great-grandson of the Clarks.

This "Grammy's" tidbit to share: Granddaughter Amy, a senior at West Salem High School, who (as usual) worked hard and then worked some more on her application to St. Mary's College of California (San Francisco area) just texted that she has been accepted for next fall with a President's Scholarship!! Well deserved, "Young Woman Who Excels in All She Does!"

Is she fickle or just near-sighted: Cared for by a dog-sitter for three and a half days, Perky Puppy, Lily, greeted the return of her owner (granted, with arms full of coats and other warm clothing) with growls and barks as she quickly sought protection behind the dog-sitter! "Don't you know me... or don't you love me anymore?!"

This could be the season during which acts of kindness and positive happenings increase, and GT readers hope to read about them, so please share your stories: dbrosnan123@gmail.com or call 541-223-1490.

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

Sheriff's Report

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MCSO in June of this year. The child is at a Hospital in Lewiston and showed signs of sexual abuse to the young child. The reporting party has a police report from the Lewiston PD and was under the impression that MCSO was supposed to be investigating.

-Officers conducted a welfare check occurring on Depot Ln in Irrigon. The reporting party states a student searched 'I want to die' on school Chrome. Officers completed the check.

-Occurring at the P&P Office in Irrigon, Officers arrested Jose Agripino on P&P detainer and lodged at UCJ.

-Officers received a request for a wellness check occurring at Morrow County Government Center on Ne Main St in Irrigon. The reporting party is trying to locate his daughter. The daughter has not reached out to her mother in approx. 5 months and has not contacted the reporting party in over a year. The deputy contacted the reporting party the last contact with the daughter was in UCSO, he referred the reporting party to them.

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-A motor vehicle accident occurred at Irrigon Mini Mart on E Highway 730 near the 76 stations. The reporting party states that he was panicked but did not want an ambulance. Jose Anthony Castaneda-Garcia was issued site #45312 for 811.350

dangerous left turns and 806.010 driving uninsured and is to appear at IMC on 12/12/2023.

-Officers were advised of shots fired occurring on Gravel Pit Ln, in Irrigon. the reporting party advised that 'Jose' on Gravel Pit Ln is shooting his gun again. They also advised it is an ongoing issue with their unsafe practices. The officers were unable to locate the subject.

-MCSO received information occurring at Oregon Trail RV Park on Ne Washington Ave in Irrigon. The reporting party advised that his neighbor behind him, whom he knows as Josh, bought tons of ammunition, Ars, and body armor. The reporting party has concerns and would like to speak to a deputy, just phone contact at this time.

-Officers received a report of a runaway occurring on Idaho Ln in Irrigon. the reporting party says that sometime between 1 am and 2 am the subject ran away, the reporting party is not the mother but is babysitting and watching the kids while the parents are in Portland for surgery, but she did advise the mother of this in the morning. The subject could be heading to Hermiston for friends or Gresham for her bio dad. The reporting party doesn't know if she was picked up or left on foot. The subject has blonde and black hair, is about 5 feet tall, and doesn't have a phone. Officers took the report.

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