

The Official Newspaper
of the City of Heppner and the County of Morrow

Heppner
GAZETTE-TIMES
U.S.P.S. 240-420

Morrow County's Home-Owned Weekly Newspaper
SEARCH OLD COPIES OF THE HEPPNER GAZETTE-TIMES ON-LINE:
<http://oregonnews.uoregon.edu/>

Published weekly by Sykes Publishing and entered as periodical matter at the Post Office at Heppner, Oregon under the Act of March 3, 1879. Periodical postage paid at Heppner, Oregon. Office at 177 N Main St. Telephone (541) 676-9228. Fax (541) 676-9211. E-mail: editor@rapidsolve.net or sykeschris@hotmail.com Web site: www.heppner.net. Postmaster send address changes to the Heppner Gazette-Times, P.O. Box 337, Heppner, Oregon 97836. Subscriptions: In Morrow County \$35/year. Outside Morrow County \$40/year. In County Senior Rate (65 years or older) \$30/year. 9 month Student student subscriptions \$35/year.

Chris Sykes Publisher
Annalynn Black Editor
Cindi Doherty..... Advertising

All News and Advertising Deadline is Monday at 5 p.m.
For Advertising: advertising deadline is Monday at 5 p.m. Cost for a display ad is \$5.50 per column inch. Cost for classified ad is 50¢ per word. Cost for Card of Thanks is \$15 up to 100 words. Cost for a classified display ad is \$6.00 per column inch.
For Public/Legal Notices: public/legal notices deadline is Monday at 5 p.m. Dates for publication must be specified. Affidavits must be requested at the time of submission. Affidavits require three weeks to process after last date of publication (a sooner return date must be specified if required).
For Obituaries: Obituaries are published in the Heppner GT at no charge and are edited to meet news guidelines. Families wishing to include information not included in the guidelines or who wish to have the obituary written in a certain way must purchase advertising space for the obituary.
For Letters to the Editor: Letters to the Editor MUST be signed by the author. The Heppner GT will not publish unsigned letters. All letters MUST include the author's address and phone number for use by the GT office. The GT reserves the right to edit letters. The GT is not responsible for accuracy of statements made in letters. Any letters expressing thanks will be placed in the classifieds under "Card of Thanks" at a cost of \$15

HJSH graduates recognized with over \$110,000 in local scholarships

Each year graduation at Heppner High School would not be complete without the generous scholarships that are available to our local youth. This year is no different. The commitment of Heppner's community to the educational future of its young people is truly commendable. The substantial amount of over \$110,000 in local scholarships reflects a deep-seated belief in the potential of these students. It's particularly impressive considering the small size of the graduating class this year. This generosity not only alleviates the financial burden on students as they pursue higher education but also serves as an expression of the community's support and confidence in their abilities. The introduction of new scholarships by families in recent years is an encouraging trend that promises to sustain and enhance investing in the future of education at a local level. It's a powerful message to the students that their community believes in them and is willing to support their academic and professional journeys. This collective effort undoubtedly lays a stronger foundation for the students' future successes and, by extension, the long-term vitality of the community itself.

This year's recipients are, **Thomas Bales** who received the Bob and Bette McLaughlin Education Foundation Scholarship, Dean and Mary Gilman Memorial Scholarship (renewable for up to 8 years), Inland Development/Nate Arbogast Memorial Scholarship, Lions Club Scholarship, Masonic Lodge Scholarship, South Morrow County Scholarship, Winding Waters Medical Clinic Scholarship.

Morgan Cutsforth received the Bank of Eastern Oregon Scholarship, CBEC/Billy Gentry Memorial Scholarship, Bob and Bette McLaughlin Education Foundation Scholarship, Elks BPOE/Clarence Buchanan Memorial Scholarship, Inland Development/Nate Arbogast Memorial Scholarship, Kemp Family FFA Scholarship, Lions Club Scholarship, Masonic Lodge Scholarship, Pioneer Memorial Hospital Foundation/Larry Mills Memorial Scholarship, South Morrow County Scholarship, St. Anthony's Hospital Volunteer Services Scholarship, Good Shepherd Foundation Scholarship, PGE Directors Scholarship, and the Oregon Wheat Growers League Scholarship.

Caden George received the Ione/Heppner American Legion Scholarship, Bob

and Bette McLaughlin Education Foundation Scholarship, Lions Club Scholarship, South Morrow County Scholarship, Eastern Oregon University Academic Scholarship, and the Good Shepherd Foundation Scholarship.

Piper Kelton received the Dean and Mary Gilman Memorial Scholarship, Elks BPOE/Clarence Buchanan Memorial Scholarship, Inland Development/Nate Arbogast Memorial Scholarship, Lions Club Scholarship, Masonic Lodge Scholarship, South Morrow County Scholarship, The Finley Academic Scholarship, and the Walter J and Florence J Memorial Scholarship.

Irelynn Kollman received the CBEC Billy Gentry Memorial Scholarship, Lions Club Scholarship, Pioneer Memorial Hospital Foundation/Larry Mills Memorial Scholarship, Barney Lindsay Memorial Scholarship, Elks BPOE/Clarence Buchanan Memorial Scholarship, and the South Morrow County Scholarship.

Landon Mitchell received the Lions Club Scholarship.

Cameron Proudfoot received the Bank of Eastern Oregon Scholarship, Inland Development/Nate Arbogast Memorial Scholarship, Barney Lindsay Memorial Scholarship, Local Elks Lodge #358-Most Valuable Student Scholarship, Oregon State (Elks) Most Valuable Student Scholarship, Oregon NE (Elks) Most Valuable Student Scholarship, National (Elks) Most Valuable Student Scholarship, Pointer and Putman Family Scholarship, Irvin and Millie Rauch Memorial Scholarship, Lions Club Scholarship, Masonic Lodge Scholarship, Mid-Columbia Bus Company Scholarship, South Morrow County Scholarship, Stan Kemp Memorial Scholarship, OSAA Most Valuable Teammate Scholarship, Oregon Wheat Growers League Scholarship, Western Ag Farm Credit Scholarship, and the Umatilla-Morrow County Farm Bureau Scholarship.

Arianna Worden received the Community Counseling Solutions Scholarship, Dean and Mary Gilman Memorial Scholarship, Elks BPOE/Clarence Buchanan Memorial Scholarship, Lions Club Scholarship, Masonic Lodge Scholarship, Pioneer Memorial Hospital Foundation/Larry Mills Memorial Scholarship, and the South Morrow County Scholarship.

Good News Only by Doris Brosnan

Chris Brown and wife Kathy of Heppner recently attended a Seattle Mariners home game where their son US Army SFC Kyle Brown, currently stationed at JBLM in WA, was selected and then honored on the field by the Mariners' organization for his service to our Country as part of their 2024 "Salute to Those Who Serve" program. SFC Brown currently has seventeen years of Active-Duty service as a Cavalry Scout that includes two combat tours in Afghanistan. He is also a certified Senior Instructor, Jungle-School trained, Airborne qualified, and has earned the Combat Action Badge, among numerous other military awards and decorations. The Mariners literally rolled out the "red carpet" for him to enter the baseball field in dress uniform where he received a standing ovation from the crowd.

As part of the program announcer's narration during the ceremony, it was noted that SFC Brown is the third generation of his family to have served our nation in combat—his grandfather in WW II; his father in Vietnam; and himself in Afghanistan. Chris noted that it was a very special day for the entire Brown family to be able to attend the baseball game (with seats provided in the fourth row) and observe this special recognition and honor bestowed upon their son by the Mariners' baseball organization at T-Mobile Park.

Proud grandparents Barney and Ann Marie Neistadt, both HHS graduates, recently learned that granddaughter Tyler McNeely has been named the Division III National College Freshman Pitcher of the Year. Tyler attends Linfield College and just pitched a perfect 18-0 season in softball!

Pictured above, enjoying the weather, the setting on Upper Rhea Creek, and the chance to catch up on one another's news, women from the HHS class of '61: Doris Brosnan, Judy Stevens, Evelyn Ross, Sharon Harrison, Ferne Healy, Shirley George, Jeanne Creswick. Not pictured: Marlene Gray. They laughed, reminisced, laughed, played dominoes, and laughed some more from June 6 through the 11th. (Ferne wants noted that she won one game of dominoes!)

Last Saturday, some members of HHS classes of '96 - '99 held a reunion that took them to Hager Park in the afternoon to enjoy some family time and to the Elks club for dinner and '90's music in the evening. The 25-30 attendees included familiar faces from as far away as Oregon City, Walla Walla, and Jordan Valley. "It was a success," reports Sarah Baker, "when you realize that it was arranged with very short notice for attendees."

"It was a hoot!" reports one local who took in the community-wide yard sales last Saturday. "And some other people and I found some really great deals!" Surely, we can look forward to a bigger and better event next year!

Truly Good News: The tremendous turnout of help from near and far and the positive outcome of the search last weekend!

Please be willing to share your positive tidbits with the GT readers: Send to dbrosnan123@gmail.com or call 541-223-1490. Here's hoping that good news comes to everyone reading this!

Funeral Notice

Meredith Thomson Walters

Meredith Thomson Walters, 84, former Heppner resident died on December 17, 2023, at American Fork, Utah. A memorial graveside service will

be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 15, 2024, at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery. Sweeney Mortuary is in care of local arrangements.

Thomas C. Pointer

Thomas C. Pointer 80, of Lexington, died May 10, 2024, in Heppner. A funeral mass will be held at 11 am. Saturday, June 15, 2024, at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Heppner. A meal will

follow at the St. Patrick Senior Center on Main St. in Heppner. The burial of the ashes will be at 3 p.m. at High View Cemetery in Ione. Sweeney Mortuary is in care of arrangements.

Obituaries

Thomas C. Pointer



ing to the Ventures in his pride and joy, his 'car.' Oh, the stories that went along with that car.

One of Tom's greatest accomplishments as a farmer was winning the 'Best of Show' for his wheat at the Oregon State Fair. Anyone who knew Tom knew that he was humble, but this award hung proudly.

As the years wore on, his hobbies changed more to reading, bird watching, old westerns, and in true farmer fashion, the weather, and even though the car itself slowed down a little, the stories never did.

In 1990, he married Marlene Eubanks in John Day, Oregon. He is survived by his beautiful bride of 33 years, stepchildren Jim Davison (Misty) and Karla Davison, grandchildren Aiden, Lacey, Quincy, Hanna, Sydney, Brian, Garce, and five great-grandchildren, siblings Mary Louise, Mark, Donna, Charlie, and numerous other extended family members. He was preceded in death by his parents, brother Henry (Hank), and his grandparents from both sides.

A memorial service will be held for Tom at St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Heppner at 11 am on June 15th, 2024. In lieu of flowers please donate to the Alzheimer's Disease Research Foundation.

Thomas "Tom" Pointer, 80, of Lexington, passed away at Pioneer Memorial Hospital on the evening of May 10th.

Tom was born on April 4th, 1944, in Pendleton, Oregon to Donald and Nonie (McLaughlin) Pointer and was the 2nd oldest of 6 children. He attended schools in Pendleton, Lexington, Heppner, and Ione. After graduating from Ione in 1962, Tom attended Columbia Basin College in Pasco, WA, and Blue Mountain Community College in Pendleton where he earned degrees in Business and Agriculture. After graduating from college Tom returned to the family ranch in Lexington where he continued to farm thousands of acres of wheat around Morrow County over the next 50-plus years. "The Ranch" quickly became the backdrop for endless family memories and will continue to be for many generations to come.

In his youth Tom's hobbies included basketball and cruising around, listen-



BUCKNUM'S TAVERN
146 N Main Street
Heppner
541-676-5274

Lunch & Dinner Menu

Specials 6/13- 6/19

Thursday - Hot Roast beef sandwich with cheesy chili on the side
Friday -Tuna cucumber spinach wrap with cottage cheese
Saturday - Grill chicken salad wrap with a tomato basil tortilla & chips
Monday - Chicken fried steak sandwich with hashbrowns
Tuesday - Ham & cream cheese wrap with a garlic herb tortilla & fruit
Tuesday night 6-9pm \$2 tacos
Wednesday -Turkey and ham hoagie sandwich with pasta salad

FATHER'S DAY!

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

THANK THOSE SPECIAL DADS IN YOUR LIFE!
WE HAVE JUST WHAT YOU NEED! GREETING CARDS, GIFTS, CANDY, SPIRITS & MORE!

MURRAY'S ESPRESSO

CLOSED FOR REMODELING!
STORE HOURS WILL BE CHANGING!
8AM-6PM MONDAY-SATURDAY
AND CLOSED ON SUNDAYS.



HEPPNER | CONDON | BOARDMAN

217 North Main St.,
Heppner, OR
Phone 676-9158 Floral 676-9426

murraysdrug.com

Hours: Mon-Fri 7am-6pm • Sat 8am-6pm • Pharmacy- Mon-Fri 9am-6pm

Print & Mailing Services

*Design
*Print
*Mail

Sykes Publishing
541-676-9228

DEADLINE:
MONDAYS
AT 5PM

YOUR AD
COULD BE
HERE!

Submit Ads
heppner.net
Call
541-676-9228
Email
graphics@rapidsolve.net

We also offer
design and
printing services
Heppner Gazette-Times
Sykes Printing

Print & Mailing Services

*Design *Print *Mail

Sykes Publishing
541-676-9228

Hunter Education Classes Offered

Classes start Tuesday, June 18th/20th/25th/27th from 6 pm to 9 pm and June 22nd 8am to noon at the Lexington Gun Club. To sign up go to myodfw.com **Must sign up on line.** <https://myodfw.com/article/hunter-education-classes-field-days>.
Contact Instructor, Jim Marquardt at 541-969-4845 if you have questions.

Father's Day Special

20% off Men's
Wrangler
Clothing



EVERYTHING
Wrangler
SALE

Morrow County Grain Growers Green Feed & Seed

Heppner - 242 W Linden Way - 541-676-9422