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Obituaries

Terry Gene Corbin



joy was contagious, as he thrived on making others laugh, often with a well-timed joke or a playful prank.

Terry treasured spending time with his friends, family, and the outdoors. He always enjoyed being at the cabin, working out at the ranch, or taking part in any gathering with friends and family. During hunting season in particular, he looked forward to the camaraderie more than anything else, because, for him, it was a time to tell stories, share laughs, and connect with family more than anything else.

Terry is survived by his loving wife, Linda Corbin; daughters, Teresa VanDoorn (Joey) and Kristina Corbin; grandchildren, Connor Corbin, Zechariah Hintz, Michaella Emmel, Jesse Corbin, and Kaden Corbin; brother, Kay Corbin; sister, Cara Lee Hamilton; and several nieces and nephews. Terry was preceded in death by his parents, Bert Corbin and Genevieve (Jet) Hanna Corbin.

A service to celebrate Terry's life will be held on Saturday, October 26th at 2pm at The Heppner Elks Lodge. Memorial Contributions may be made to the Eastern Oregon Humane Society, honoring Terry's love for animals. His legacy of joy, safety, and love for the natural world will be fondly remembered and sorely missed. Sweeney-Payton Mortuary is handling the arrangements. Please leave your condolence messages for the family at sweeney-mortuary.com.

Known for his warm and approachable nature, he was the kind of person who would greet you with an infectious smile that seemed to light up the room. His

Heppner School Carnival promises fun for all ages on October 24th

Heppner, OR – Heppner Elementary School is hosting its annual School Carnival on Thursday, October 24th, from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. The evening will be packed with family-friendly activities, games, and tasty food.

What to Expect: Carnival Games: Fun challenges for all ages with chances to win great prizes.

Food Options: Baked Potato Bar and Hot Dog meals for \$5, plus caramel apples for \$3.

Raffle Draw: Purchase

tickets to win toys and other prizes.

Junk Food Walk: A fun twist on the classic cake walk with a chance to win snacks.

The Heppner Elementary School PTC invites the community to enjoy this special event, bringing families and friends together. Don't miss out on a night of fun and connection! Event Details: Date: Thursday, October 24th Time: 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Location: Heppner Elementary School

Service Notice

Rikka Tews



She and her husband Paul lived and farmed for many years south of Ione prior to retiring in The Dalles. Rikka worked at Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston and Pioneer Memorial Hospital, Heppner. She was active in Valby Lutheran Church and shared her musical talent as organist or pianist for church services and countless weddings, funerals, and Ione high school graduations.

A celebration of life will be held for Rikka Tews, formerly of Ione, OR, on Saturday October 26, 2:00 pm, at Zion Lutheran Church, 101 W 10th St, The Dalles OR. All are welcome.

Rikka was originally from Kindred, ND, and moved to Eastern Oregon after finishing nurse's training in Minneapolis, MN.

Rikka requested that, in lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Lutheran World Relief, www.LWR.org. Cards for the family may be sent to Anderson's Tribute Center, 1401 Belmont Ave, Hood River, OR 97031.

Good News Only by Doris Brosnan

Asked for "good news" to share, last week Judy Buschke responded with great enthusiasm, "No snakes!"

Last Thursday the Monthly Birthday Luncheon attracted twenty women to the Elks to celebrate October birthdays: Edna Daltoso, Lorene Montgomery, Judy Buschke, and Bev Sherman. No lack of visiting among this largest gathering so far, and the chicken-linguine Alfredo served by Chef Heath was enjoyed by all.

In Heppner from Salem in time to join this mother for that luncheon, Darci Brosnan came for a visit until her return home on Sunday. Also included in her sampling of what sometimes occupies her mom were a dominoes game, a trip to recycling, a trip to the mountain cabin and to Ukiah's Thicket, and a close series of the Nertz card game, as well as a few scary movies!

In Ione last Saturday night, Nancy Anderson's grandson Carson McKay was the auctioneer for the Octoberfest, which benefits the Woolery Project. While here, he and her son Mark joined her and Allen for lunch and a short visit.

The Wilkins family was honored as the Heritage family at Octoberfest this year. Nancy explains that the Woolery Project is

not only about building an event center at Arlington, but also about preserving and honoring the history and heritage of our region. The fun evening included dinner, the auction, and dancing.

Also last Saturday evening, the HHS Booster Club held its annual dinner and auction, its most important fundraiser that helps support the variety of student activities each school year, for both the High School and Elementary School. Kudos to the bidders who again showed strong support for the worthy cause.

Residents with longevity will remember the Halloween yard-decorations competitions encouraged many elaborately scary scenes in our communities. Even without incentive of a contest, some residents are heavily into the spirit of the season. Take time for a look around Heppner, Lexington, and Ione and you will see some great displays, some complete and some still in development.

Sharing your upbeat items with the Gazette Times readers is as easy as sending them to dbrosnan123@gmail.com or calling to report them at 541-223-1490. Takes so few minutes. Here's hoping that good news comes to everyone reading this.

Spiritually Speaking
Father Thankachan Joseph



Do you call on the lord daily?

The servant leadership of Last week guided each one of us to be compassionate and caring towards each one in the society. This week's central theme is the overflowing kindness and compassion of an affectionate, loving, and pardoning God.

The Prophet Jeremiah (31:7-9) clearly portrays a forgiving and compassionate God who healed the spiritual blindness of His Chosen People, who walked from His affectionate and caring love into the path of sin, which led to captivity by the Babylonians. Subjecting them to captivity and then liberating them depicts a compassionate and merciful father. The Book of Jeremiah uses the image of the small number of people who escaped Assyrian captivity in 721 B.C. to describe the return of the Babylonian captives as they are led on their joyful journey home to Jerusalem. The passage foretells God's promise to give His people life in all its fullness. Through their exile and suffering, the people learned to humble themselves and turn to God with sincere repentance.

The Letter to the Hebrews (5:1-6) defines Jesus as the priest of the new covenant. It compares Him to the class of ancient priests (sympathetic and patient, not glorifying Himself) and then distinguishes Jesus from the others (because the Father called Jesus His Son). The people, addressed in this letter, had been put out of the synagogues when they accepted Jesus. The writer of Hebrews tries to comfort them by depicting Jesus as a superior replacement for the priests they had formerly depended upon. The Jewish high priest was a sinner, and his role was to offer sacrifices to God and serve as a representative of the people. But Jesus was sinless, and He offered Himself as a sacrifice for sins, and He continues to act as our mediator at "the throne of grace." Further, Jesus the Son of God was appointed directly by God to an even better priesthood ("the order of Melchizedek," Psalm 110:4). Hence, through Jesus the High Priest, we can approach the throne of grace with confidence and boldness, and we can expect mercy and favor from God.

The Gospel of Mark (10:46-52) describes Jesus's final journey to Jerusalem through Jericho,

where He spots a particular blind man in the crowd and meets Bartimaeus, the blind man of Jericho. (The story of Bartimaeus is the last healing miracle recorded in the Gospel of Mark.) While the majority of those who received healing in the New Testament are not mentioned by name, in this case, the beggar's name, meaning son of Timaeus, is given. When the people told Bartimaeus the news of Jesus's travel through the city, he began to shout his remarkable statement of faith: "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me." A large crowd surrounds Jesus. Amidst the noise and dust, people are pushing around for attention and beggars cry out for alms. Despite this uproar, Jesus hears one voice crying out. Who would have expected a messianic greeting from a blind beggar? Despite the crowd's objections, Jesus stops and, recognizing Bartimaeus' faith, calls the blind man to Him. (Psalm 146 proclaims that God gives sight to the blind, lifts up those who are bowed down and loves the righteous.)

Through the healing of the blind man of Jericho the Lord wants us to reflect:

1) Instead of remaining in spiritual blindness, let us pray for spiritual sight. Each one of us suffers from spiritual blindness – greed, anger, hatred, prejudice, jealousy, evil habits, etc. – which prevents us from seeing the goodness in our neighbours and God's presence in them. A clear spiritual vision enables us to see the goodness in others, to express our appreciation for all that they have been doing for us, and to refrain from criticizing their drawbacks and performances. 2) "Cry out" to Jesus, as Bartimaeus did. Like Bartimaeus, we must seek Jesus with trust in His goodness and mercy. Sometimes our fears, anger, and habitual sins prevent us from approaching God in prayer. Even when we feel that our prayers are not answered, we should keep calling the Lord. 3) We need to have the courage of our convictions. We need to be like Bartimaeus, rebuked by the crowd for shouting for help, by refusing to be silenced by secular leaders of our society. He kept on calling on God, "Jesus, Son of David have pity on me" (47). Let us also call on the Lord, like the blind man of Jericho did.

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Lunch & Dinner Menu
Specials 10/24 - 10/31

Thursday - loaded baked potato soup with a cottage cheese BLT bowl
Friday - popcorn chicken mashed potato bowl
Saturday - Shrimp salad
Sunday - chili dog & jojos
Monday - chicken bacon ranch wrap with chips
Tuesday - 1/4 cheeseburger with jalapeño bacon cheddar cheese tater kegs
Tuesday night 6-9 \$2 hard shell tacos
Wednesday - Hot turkey and tomato melt with spicy deep fried green beans.