Beans unleashed: Can opener proves perfect gift

'm not normal. There, I said it — it's out there. However, for those that know me, this isn't any big revelation.

The reason I reiterate this now is my husband, John, got me a can opener for our anniversary. Societal standards have suggested women don't want appliances as gifts. However, I was thrilled!

On the morning of our 32nd anniversary, I was wondering why there wasn't a card waiting for me in the bathroom. Over the years, our bathroom has become the communication center where John leaves me messages or cards.

Notations on the dry erase board on the mirror let me know everything from John is working late or planning a Costco run to suggestions for our dinner date or it's time for me to order more Advantix for our canine kids. Cards are generally left in front of the mirror or dangling from a hook in the ceiling.

John always gets me a card for special occasions. When there was no card to be found in the bathroom Sept. 10, I wondered, "What gives?"

I made my way downstairs to get a glass of Pepsi and feed the dogs. And, there on the kitchen counter was a card and wrapped box. I was quite surprised. My first thoughts were, "We haven't bought each other anniversary gifts for a number of years" (we generally take a trip) and,



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box to reveal a funky new-fangled can opener, I smiled and INSIDE MY laughed. You

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SHOES see, I never directly told John I wanted one. The night before while wrestling a can of refried

beans with the 32-year-old Rival can opener, I said in exasperation, "I want a new can opener for our anniversary."

John, who was chillin' in his chair in the living room, didn't respond. There was no knight in shining armor to conquer the can, no comment about how much the can opener sucked and no offer to get the "analog" opener out of our travel kit in the garage. Tired from a long day at work, it was just me and the elusive beans.

Come to find out, he went to Wal-Mart before going to work that morning and chose the Hamilton Beach Smooth Touch model.

Yep, a man that listens and a can opener that cleanly removes the top are both pretty special.

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Knights of Columbus scholarship winners announced

University;

The Knights of Columbus Council 3999 from Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church recently awarded \$4,000 in scholarships to eight local students attending colleges this fall.

Each student was awarded a \$500 scholarship.

According Jack to McWhinnie, a member of the chapter's scholarship committee, the money for the scholarships comes from the chapter's annual fall "Pig Out" dinner and auction. In addition to the scholarship, money raised from the event helps a variety of other local

causes the chapter supports in the community. The chapter has been providing scholarships for more than 20 years. The following students were awarded scholarships this year: Leslye Arementa of Umatilla, attending Eastern Oregon University;

attending Western Oregon Maria Klein of Hermiston; attending Wyoming Catholic

college; Dakota Moss of Stanfield. attending Columbia Basin College;

Adrian Perez of Hermiston, attending Blue Mountain Community College

Fatima Ortega of Umatilla, attending Eastern Oregon University;

Luis Santoyo Jr. of Hermiston, attending Tabor College in Kansas;

and Bianca Torres of Hermiston, attending Oregon Institute of Technology. Knights of Columbus is a Catholic fraternal order founded in 1882 to render financial aid to members and their families. Today there are more than 1.8 million members in 14,000 councils worldwide providing educational, charitable, religious, social welfare work and

Kiwanis roll out end-of-the-summer fun

By TAMMY MALGESINI

Community Editor Beer and wine tasting, a car show, a raffle, dancing and live music are all featured during Rollin' on the River.

A fundraiser for the Boardman Kiwanis Club, the 21-and-over summer extravaganza is Saturday from 2-9:30 p.m. at Boardman Marina Park. Admission is \$10 per person. Also, food will be available for purchase. Local brews and wine will be served up by Ordnance Brewing. Drink tokens are \$5 each.

With music provided by DJ Cora, people are invited to kick up their heels during informal sessions of line dancing and Western swing between 2-5 p.m. The Shades are back by popular demand, playing from 5-9:30 p.m.

"We have a beautiful venue down by the river," said Pam Docken of the Kiwanis. "It's a great opportunity for people to get together and dance



People visit, listen to music and enjoy wine and beer during the 2014 Rollin' on the River. This year's event is Saturday at Boardman Marina Park.

and talk and enjoy tasting wine and beer.'

Vehicle entry in the car show, which runs from 2-5 p.m., is \$10 each (which includes admission to the event for the driver). Awards — including Kiwanis choice, classic, late model, truck, motorcycle, import, car club award and a people's choice award — will be presented at 4 p.m.

Also, be sure to spin the prize wheel. The cost is \$1 per spin. Donations include small items as well as some bigger prizes, Docken said.

Raffle tickets for a Texas Pro Traeger Grill, valued at \$1,000, are \$5 each or five for \$20. The winner doesn't have to be present at the time of the drawing. Tickets can be purchased Saturday or in advance by calling 541-314-2127.

The fun kicks off earlier in the day with a kayak/ canoe race from the River Lodge and Grill to the Boardman Marina. The winner will receive one night's lodging and dinner for two at the River Lodge.

There's no admission fee, but donations will be accepted. To register for the race, contact Debbie Radie at debbieradie@ boardmanfoodsinc.com or stop by the River Lodge. For those who don't have access to watercraft, canoes are available.

Money raised from Rollin' on the River benefits community activities sponsored or assisted by the Boardman Kiwanis, including Irrigon and Riverside high school scholarships and other projects that benefit youths in the community.

For more information, contact Docken at pamd@ eotnet.net, 541-481-6250 or visit www.rotrfestival. com.



Jeanine Bennett, center, works with Sue Folsom (left) and Tami Brown to test out a computer system at the Hermiston Public Library in this file photo from 2010. A reception is planned this week for Bennett who has worked for the library for 25 years.

Library celebrates long time employee's 25th anniversary

A reception for Jeanine Bennett, a 25-year employee of the Hermiston Public Library, is planned this week.

Bennett, who started as a library volunteer in 1988, was hired in 1990. Working at the circulation desk until 2012, she now works behind the scenes at the library.

A celebration reception is planned Friday from 1-3 p.m. at the library, 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. The public is invited to stop by and congratulate Bennett for her years of service.

For more information, call Marie Baldo or Jodi Hansen at 541-567-2882.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 16 **HERMISTON BREAKFAST KIWANIS** CLUB, 6:30 a.m., Conference

Room, Umatilla-Morrow County Head Start, 110 N.E. Fourth St.

WILLOW RUN LADIES GOLF CLUB,

8 a.m., rain or shine at the Willow Run Golf Course, Boardman. Participants do not need to be a member to play with the club. (541-481-4381).

BOARDMAN CHAMBER OF

COMMERCE, noon, Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman. Meeting includes

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

p.m. Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave.

HERMISTON TRAVEL CLUB, 10 a.m., First Christian Church, 775 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston. (Margaret 541-567-7234).

(541-567-4446).

UMATILLA DOG WALKING CLUB, 10 a.m., 630 Switzler St., at the dog wash in front of Umatilla

High School. **ALTRUSA INTERNATIONAL OF** HERMISTON, noon, ARC

of Umatilla County, 215 W. Orchard Ave.

HERMISTON LINEBACKER CLUB.

noon to 1 p.m., Desert Lanes, 1545 N. First St., Hermiston. Hear HHS football coach David Faaeteete discuss last week's game and talk about the upcoming tilt. RSVP by Wednesday at 3 p.m. to 541-567-5215. Cost is \$11 for members, \$13 for nonmembers.

Locust Avenue. WEIGHT MANAGEMENT CLASS, 2

p.m., Conference Centers No. 6 and 7, Good Shepherd Medical Center, 610 N.W. 11th St., Hermiston, Small fee.

HERMISTON HORSESHOE CLUB, 5 p.m., Weber Field, 600 S. First

St., Hermiston. (Rick Rebman 541-720-6402).

ARC UMATILLA COUNTY BINGO. 6

p.m. doors open, bingo starts at 7 p.m. 215 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston. (541-567-7615). KIWANIS OF ECHO. 6-7:30 p.m., Echo

Masonic Hall 200 S DuPont

St., Echo. Guests welcome.

541-379-6992).

Main St.

HERMISTON ELKS, 7 p.m., 480 E.

HUMANITY, 7 p.m., First

(Jamie 541-567-1509).

United Methodist Church, 191

E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston.

OREGON TRAIL HABITAT FOR

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Adrian Angel of Stanfield.

an industry tour of the port's cold storage warehousing. Lunch is \$12; RSVP required, limited to first 40 respondents. (541-481-3014).

HEPPNER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, noon, Heppner City Hall, 111 N. Main St.

HERMISTON ELKS DINNER, 5:30-8 p.m., 480 E. Main St.

HERMISTON BOOK CLUB. 5:30-7

235 SW 3rd

Phone 567-7678

Catholic Church

NEW HOPE

9:00 & 10:45 am

9:00 & 10:15 am

For more information call

541-567-8441

Worship.

THURSDAY

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6.15 a m Conference Ro 3&4, Good Shepherd Medical Center, 610 N.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Visitors welcome. (541-567-4349).

OREGON GRASS ROOTS CRIBBAGE

CLUB NO. 2, 6:30 p.m., Desert

Lanes Bowling Alley, 1545 N.

First St., Hermiston. All levels

of players welcome. (541-

LIBRARY, 6 p.m., Lanham

Room, 235 E. Gladys Ave.

THURSDAY, SEPT, 17

TUMBLEWEED TOASTMASTERS,

FRIENDS OF HERMISTON PUBLIC

(541-567-2882).

567-6594).

ARTS AND CRAFTS FROM THE

DRY SIDE, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., basement of Assembly of God Church, 730 E. Hurlburt Ave., Hermiston. Use the Seventh Street entrance.

Firestarter Youth Ministry

(Ages 12-17)

Monday @ 6 pm

HERMISTON ROTARY CLUB, noon,

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church, Fifth Street and



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