LETTERS

Clinic would help with abuse

Just wanted to say a few things about animal abuse, dumped and abandoned animals. I have lived in Hermiston for over

70 years, and seen it all. We have two small dogs, and have friends that are seniors who would like and need a pet. But it is so expensive to have them spayed or neutered.

Seems like our civic-minded vets could have a low-priced clinic once or twice a year to help with this problem. It used to

be done in the past. It would help with unwanted and over-population of animals. Can anyone help?

VERN SMITH **HERMISTON**

Grateful for Good Shepherd

I came from Massachusetts in 1980 to work in the power plant in Boardman and was told by my union steward that if I ever get hurt make sure that I am not sent to Good Shepherd Hospital.

But in 2002, I was in an auto accident

and was in a coma. I was first taken to Good Shepherd, stabilized and sent to Oregon Health & Science University. When I woke up at OHSU, I was told that I was lucky that I was taken at first to Good Shepherd because there my heart stopped twice and they revived me. That changed my mind about Good Shepherd.

Since then I have had three surgeries at Good Shepherd, all done by Jeremy Anderson. What a great doctor. I could not be happier with my treatment. I have been to big and small hospitals on the East and West coasts. Good Shepherd rates as one of the best and has turned the corner

from the '80s and '90s. In fact, they have been receiving a lot of awards the last few

The staff at Good Shepherd is also improving each year. I had to go to physical therapy after my surgeries and Rick Burrill and Moses Munar are the best. There is also a great service called the Care Van that provides transportation.

As you read my letter, I hope that people can see what a great hospital Good Shepherd has become. To take the fear out of people going to Good Shepherd.

JACK MCWHINNIE UMATILLA



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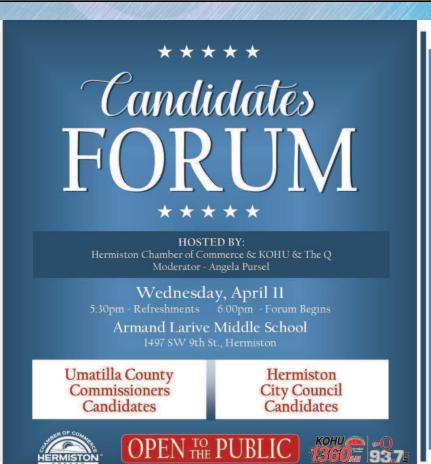
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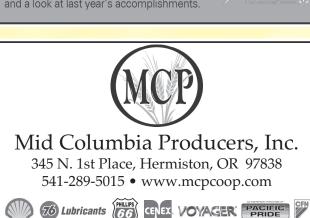
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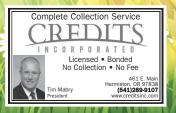














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