

## FOR THE RECORD

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** All individuals arrested are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

### FIRE

#### Mid-Columbia Fire & Rescue

March 5, 5:32 p.m. - Crew responded to the 7900 block of Highway 30 but were canceled while en route to the call. The cause of the call is unknown.

The agency also responded to four calls for emergency medical services on March 5.

### POLICE REPORTS

#### The Dalles City

Animal control responded to the 700 block of Richland Court March 5 after a caller reported a dog at large. The dog was located and taken to the local shelter; a report was taken.

Tyler James Burris, 27, The Dalles, was arrested March 5 in the 400 block of East 7th Street on a warrant for second-degree failure to appear.

A hit and run report was taken March 5 from the 2000 block of West 7th Street.

Travis Monroe Dodson, 37, The Dalles, was arrested March 5 in the 2000 block of West 8th Street and is accused of unlawful possession of heroin.

Police responded to the 2000 block of East 15th Street March 5 after a caller reported a male subject whom she has

a restraining order against is sending subjects over on his behalf looking for equipment. A restraining order violation report was taken.

A hazard tow report was taken March 5 from Quinton and Roberts streets.

A stolen vehicle report was taken March 5 from the 1000 block of West 6th Street.

A theft report was taken March 5 from the 200 block of East 2nd Street after staff reported a customer fled with unpaid merchandise.

A theft report was taken March 5 from the 900 block of Vey Way after a victim reported a license plate was stolen from his vehicle.

Police responded to the 900 block of Court Street March 5 after a caller reported a male subject came into his apartment and left with items that were not his. A theft report was taken.

Police made contact with two male subject March 5 in the 2600 block of West 6th Street who were still parked in a vacant parking lot after previously being trespassed. Both were cited and released for second-degree criminal trespass. A report was taken.

Police responded to the 2400 block of West 6th Street March 6 after staff reported they came to the shop and noticed the door was open. Several keys to vehicles were missing and a

vehicle was stolen from the lot. A burglary report was taken.

Police responded to the 600 block of West 14th Street March 6 on a report of custodial interference. Grandparent of a child attempted to pick up a child without permission. A report was taken.

Matthew Stephen Phillips, 27, The Dalles, was arrested March 6 in the 400 block of 7th Street on a warrant for unlawful possession of heroin.

Henry Russell Benson, 58, no listed address, was arrested March 6 in the 3300 block of West 6th Street on a warrant for probation violation.

A hazard tow report was taken March 6 from West 6th and Walnut streets after a vehicle was left abandoned in the area in the center lane. The vehicle was impounded.

James Earl Mulvaney, 26, The Dalles, was arrested March 6 in the 800 block of Union Street on a warrant for post-prison violations.

Police responded to the 3300 block of West 6th Street March 6 on a report of a dog at large. The dog was lodged at the local shelter and a report was taken.

Police responded to the 1200 block of East 12th Street March 6 after a caller reported his juvenile son was damaging items in the home due to an imposed curfew. A report was taken.

A theft report was taken

March 7 from the 1100 block of G Street after a victim reported his vehicle had been broken into and some items stolen.

A theft report was taken March 7 from the 500 block of Summit Ridge Drive after a victim reported her vehicle had been entered overnight and some items stolen.

A theft report was taken March 7 from the 3300 block of Royal Crest Drive after a victim reported his vehicle was entered overnight and some items stolen.

A drug report was taken March 7 from the 600 block of West 2nd Street after an officer was providing foot patrol in the area and found drugs on the property.

Police responded to the 300 block of West 3rd Street March 7 after a caller reported a male subject came onto the property and assaulted him. A report was taken.

A found property report was taken March 7 from East 1st and Union streets after a caller found some keys.

Police responded to the 600 block of Wasco Drive March 7 after a victim reported his vehicle was broken into and some items stolen.

William Blain Russell, 23, The Dalles, was arrested March 8 near West 6th and Trevitt streets and is accused of driving under the influence of intoxicants.

## DEATHS

**Loretta Whanita Carr**, 84, a resident of Dufur, Oregon, died March 5, 2020. Spencer, Libby & Powell Funeral Home in care of arrangements.

**Kelly Kay Franklin**, 65, a resident of Hood River, Ore., died March 3, 2020. Spencer, Libby & Powell Funeral Home in care of arrangements.

**Richard Ray Stradley**, 76, a resident of Grass Valley, Ore., died March 4, 2020. Spencer, Libby & Powell Funeral Home in care of arrangements.

**Thomas Rutherford**, 80, died March 8, 2020, at Hawks Ridge Assisted Living in Hood River, Ore. He was born July 24, 1939. Arrangements under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center, 1401 Belmont Avenue, Hood River. Visit [www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com](http://www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com) to leave a note of condolence for the family.

**Sandra Irene Sexton**, 79, a resident of The Dalles,

Ore., died March 5, 2020. Spencer Libby & Powell Funeral Home in care of arrangements. Graveside Committal Service will be held 11 a.m. March 13, 2020, at IOOF Cemetery, 2565 Three Mile Road, The Dalles. A memorial gathering will follow at Fort Dalles Riders Club.

**"Buster" Donald Wilcox**, 77, died March 8, 2020, at Skyline Hospital in White Salmon, Wash. He was born July 22, 1942. Arrangements under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center, 1401 Belmont Avenue, Hood River. Visit [www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com](http://www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com) to leave a note of condolence for the family.

**Michael E. Brace**, 70, died March 7, 2020, at Skyline Hospital in White Salmon, Wash. He was born June 23, 1949. Arrangements under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center, 1401 Belmont Avenue, Hood River, Ore. Visit [www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com](http://www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com) to leave a note of condolence for the family.

Call 541-296-2141 to place an obituary

## NEWS IN BRIEF

### Meet with the mayor

Mayor Rich Mays will be hosting his monthly "Second Saturday" gathering at Kainos Coffee, 418 E. 2nd, The Dalles on March 14 from 9:00am to 10:30am. The Second Saturday gatherings are an informal monthly roundtable discussion hosted by Mayor Mays that are meant to gather input and opinion from all residents of The Dalles. Mayor Mays urges all residents to come share their ideals and visions for the City of The Dalles.

### Radio auction March 14

The Bicoastal Media Radio Auction presented by Chamness Auctions will return Saturday, March 14, offering over \$200,000 in goods and services from some of the area's most prominent and popular businesses.

Listeners can bid on items including appliances, home improvement, lodging, automotive service and accessories, vision and dental services, health and beauty, recreational sites, pet services, hobbies, musical instruments, ski gear and much, much more. Plus there will be "instant auction" opportunities to purchase gift certificates for area restaurants and stores at big savings.

Listen to bid beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing into the mid-afternoon on KHR-AM 1340/98.3 FM, 105.5/96.9 FM KCGB, 93.5 FM KACI, Newsradio 1300/103.9 FM KACI, and on-line at Gorgeradio.com, with updates on Gorge Radio Facebook page. Visit Gorgeradio.com for a listing of items—then listen for the items you want to bid on, and when you hear them call 541-386-1511 or 1-888-786-1511. Bidder numbers are available in advance; 541-296-2211.

### WIC not a 'public charge'

Oregon WIC is assuring families that federal "public charge" rules will not affect WIC services: WIC participants cannot be penalized for seeking services such as nutrition and breastfeeding support under the new rules that went into effect Feb. 24.

Public charge is a term used by U.S. immigration officials to describe a person who is primarily dependent on the government, and this can prevent immigration approval. On Jan. 27, the Supreme Court issued a ruling that lifted the injunction on the public charge rule placed by lower courts.

This rule makes it more difficult for immigrants to get green cards, and federal appeals courts had previously issued injunctions blocking the rule. These rules will require immigration caseworkers to consider the use of government housing, food and medical assistance, as well as command of the English language, in their immigration application review.

The North Central WIC program declares that the new U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) rules expanding the definition of "public charge" do not affect those who use WIC (Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children) and WIC participants should continue accessing WIC's nutrition and breastfeeding support services.

Oregon Health Plan coverage for prenatal and postpartum care and children younger than 21, school meals and Head Start are also not affected by the new rules.

Confusion about the new rules has resulted in fear among immigrants, and they are not seeking the care they need. Families and communities can suffer short- and long-term consequences when immigrant families are denied, or afraid to access, the care they need.

Diversity makes communities stronger and more vibrant," says local WIC coordinator Maricela Elias. "Oregon immigrants and their families enrich our neighborhoods, communities, and economy. When we ensure that all mothers and children have what they need to lead healthy, happy and productive lives, everyone benefits." North Central WIC staff will continue to inform participants that WIC is not included in public charge. The Oregon Health Authority, the state agency responsible for protecting the health of Oregonians, encourages anyone with questions about public charge to seek counsel from a qualified immigration attorney. Call the Oregon Law Center-Legal Aid Services of Oregon Public Benefits Hotline at 800-520-5292 or find an immigration attorney through Oregon Immigration Resource.

# 2020 Wind Challenge canceled

In what should have been its seventh year, the Gorge Technology Alliance (GTA) announced today that the 2020 Wind Challenge has been canceled in response to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) situation. The event brings over 200 middle- and high-school students and dozens of volunteers from across six

counties together for a one-day competition to build the best wind turbine. This event had been planned for March 14 at Fort Dalles Readiness Center.

"We did not take cancellation of this event lightly," said GTA Executive Director Jessica Metta. "While Wind Challenge has been a beloved staple for STEM education in the Gorge for many

years, the safety of the students and volunteers is our top priority. We have been monitoring the COVID-19 concerns very carefully and felt it was best to cancel this year's event based on our most up-to-date assessment and in consideration of general public health and safety."

The planning team behind Wind Challenge will

reconvene in a few months to consider rescheduling the event for Fall 2020. All previously registered student teams, volunteers, and the community will be informed if the event is rescheduled.

For more information about Wind Challenge, visit [windchallenge.org](http://windchallenge.org) or contact Jessica Metta at 541-296-2266, [jessica@crgta.org](mailto:jessica@crgta.org).

## OBITUARIES

### Sandra Irene Sexton

December 26, 1940 ~ March 5, 2020

Sandra Irene Sexton passed away March 5, 2020, peacefully in her home, surrounded by her family. Sandra was born December 26, 1940, in Superior, Wis., the youngest of three daughters, to Charles and Mabel Ponkow.

In 1946, Sandra moved with her parents to The Dalles, Ore., where her father helped work on the old highway and her mother worked at The Dalles General Hospital. Sandra proudly worked for Mid-Columbia Medical Center for 27 years, as their "Medicare Biller."

She was the self-appointed 'haircut' reminder for all the men in the office and was not shy about telling her bosses when it was time to visit the barber.

Sandra loved baseball, especially the Atlanta Braves. She was thrilled with her retirement gift from MCMC, which was an all-expense paid trip to Atlanta to see her beloved Atlanta Braves in their home stadium.

Sandra was very active with her 1959 graduating class from The Dalles High School, and when her health allowed, participated in the planning and attending of her class reunions, the most recent was her 60th class reunion.

Sandra's greatest joy was her granddaughters and great-grandchildren. In April 2018, Sandra was blessed beyond measure to get the first 'boy' baby to be born in five generations, welcoming her great-grandson to the family.

Sandra is survived by her daughters and son-in-laws, Deanna Barnhouse (Tom), Debbie Wentz-Cantrell (Michael); granddaughters, Rebekah Larsen (Jered), Rheid Wentz (Jose Regalado); great-grandchildren, Layla, Gracelyn and Levi (plus 2 bonus "greats", Harlan and Wesley). She was "Auntie" to many and loved her nieces and nephews, making every effort to attend graduations, weddings, showers and birthdays.

Sandra will be laid to rest at Three-Mile Cemetery, (aka Park Lawn), Friday, March 13, 2020 at 11 a.m., with luncheon, laughter and memory sharing directly following, at the Fort Dalles Riders Association Club 1023 Irvine Street, The Dalles, Oregon 97058.

Public is encouraged to attend both, as Sandra would have wanted it that way.

Memorials may be made to Providence Hospice of the Gorge.



### Homer Wilson Lindsey

September 13, 1944 ~ February 27, 2020

Homer Wilson (Scotty) Lindsey passed away at the age of 75 on Feb. 27, 2020, in Golden Valley, Az., where he has lived for the last two years.

From Dec. 31, 1962, to Dec. 30, 1965, Scotty served our country in the U.S. Army. Scotty was a longtime resident of The Dalles, Ore., and was employed for 44 years at The Dalles aluminum plant before moving to Lyle, Wash., in 1999.

His Hobbies and passions were loving his wife and family. He also was into pre-1850 American Indian Culture. Scotty was into napping and making hand-made knives, bows, arrows, dream catchers, and everything in between. He was his best when hunting, fishing, and playing a round of golf.

Scotty was married to Ilean Ripplinger Lindsey whom he loved for 29 years and will continue to love as long as the winds whisper in her ears. He was a loving father to Kenn Lindsey, Dan Ripplinger, Saprina Lindsey Ford, Darla Lindsey McKee, and Jeannie Lindsey Barker. Scotty's love did not end at his children but continued to his 15 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He is survived by his brothers, Leonard and Thomas Lindsey; sister Janice Kellogg; brother and sister-in-law Robert and Cheryl Ripplinger and John and Linda Ripplinger.

He was preceded in death by his parents Clinton and Adele Lindsey; and two sisters, Mavourneen Reagan and Linda (Berral) Miller.

His arms were always full of love for the numerous nephews and nieces that filled his life with more joy than we will ever know.

Spread your wings and fly with the eagles and continue to watch over family and many friends.

A celebration of life will be held on June 27, 2020, from 1-4 p.m. This will be a potluck held at Sosis Park in The Dalles, Oregon.



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