OBITUARIES

UPCOMING FUNERALS AND VISITATIONS
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Oct. 19
Burton Hill:
9:30-10:30 a.m. viewing and 11 a.m. funeral, La Grande LDS Stake Center Chapel; graveside service follows at Cove Cemetery.
Eugenia Smith:
11 a.m., celebration of life, Imbler Christian Church; potluck lunch follows.

Benjamin 'Steve' S. Hooley

La Grande
1926-2019

Benjamin "Steve" Stephen Hooley, 92, of La Grande, died Oct. 8 at his residence. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Oct. 19 at the Open Bible Christian Center in Riddle.

Known as Steve, he was born Oct. 10, 1926, in Eugene, to Uriel Stephen and Alice (Estes) Hooley. He resided in Days Creek, Eugene, Lone Pine, Terrebonne, Canyonville, Riddle and La Grande. Steve attended various schools in Days Creek, Vida and Eugene, and later he attended Oregon State University. Steve served in the U.S. Navy during World War II. On June 5, 1955, he married Carroll Marie Johnston.

Steve was employed by a packing mule train outfitter in the Pacific Northwest. He was also a teacher in Lone Pine and Terrebonne and worked on Black Butte Ranch and in farming.

Steve enjoyed raising mules, trail riding and facilitating pack trips for church, youth and 4-H groups. He also enjoyed farming and gardening, being involved in the church, and spending time with his family. He was a board member at Powell Butte Church, Terrebonne Baptist Church, and Open Bible Christian Center.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Carroll; children and their spouses, Jonelle and Terry Graham of Beebe, Arkansas, Janet and Paul Dodson of Lakeside, Arizona, Annie and Doug Girdner of La Grande, Dan and Chris Hooley of Winston, and Melinda Brooks of Corvallis; 10 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren; and seven nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Uriel and Alice, and sisters, Elizabeth Winn, Phyllis Bolton and Ardis Lewis.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com.

Raymond 'Dusty' R. Rode

La Grande

Raymond "Dusty" Russell Rode, 67, of La Grande, died Sept. 6 at Grande Ronde Hospital. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Oct. 19 at Harvest Church in Baker City. A barbecue lunch in his honor will be served following the service.

Allan J. McGlasson

Formerly of La Grande
1945-2019

Allan Joseph McGlasson, 74, formerly of La Grande, died Aug. 21 in Salem after a long, courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. A memorial service was held Oct. 12 at the First Presbyterian Church in North Bend.

Known to many as Al, he was born April 13, 1945, in Corvallis, to Max D. and Betty (Jelinek) McGlasson. The family lived in Dallas then moved to La Grande in 1954. As a youth, Al mowed lawns, delivered papers, coached the swim team and was an Eagle Scout. At the age of 15, he published a manual on how to make rockets with his friend Ken Lilly.

Al graduated from La Grande High School in 1963. He attended Oregon State University, where he joined the Sigma Chi fraternity. He graduated in 1967 and was commissioned into the U.S. Air Force on the same day. Al also earned a bachelor's degree in meteorology and a master's degree in meteorology from the University of Utah.

During his 22 years in the service, Al completed assignments in Germany and the Philippines, as well as on bases in Utah, Wyoming, Florida, Alabama and Illinois, and attained the rank of lieutenant colonel. After his retirement from the Air Force, he worked as the custodian at the North Bend First Presbyterian Church.

Al was an encourager, a caretaker and a servant. He was the "wind beneath the wings" for his family and the people he served with. He had many friends around the world. A humble man of strong faith, Al was also a man of few words. When asked what he wanted in his obituary, he replied, "Had a good life."

Surviving relatives include his wife of 50-plus years, Sharon (Carter) McGlasson; children and spouses, Shannon and Bob Barlow, Joseph and Sheree McGlasson, Michael and Christina McGlasson, and Elizabeth McGlasson; sisters and spouses, Marolyn and Tom Blaylock, Maxine and Tom Corrigan, and Kathleen and Mike Kinslow; and 11 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to a local Boy Scout troop, Habitat for Humanity, or the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 1500 Rosecrans Ave., Suite 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266.

Leon A. Paroz

Imbler
1927-2019

Leon Andrew Paroz, 92, of Imbler, died Oct. 10 at a care facility in Baker City. A funeral service will be held at 1 p.m. Oct. 17 at the Summerville Cemetery Chapel. Arrangements are entrusted to Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center.

Leon was born May 6, 1927, in La Grande, to Andrew and Alma Lucretia (Ruckman) Paroz. He worked with his father on farms in the valley in his youth and graduated from Imbler High School. Leon married LaVerta Chadwick on Dec. 21, 1947. They later divorced. On Oct. 13, 1963, he married Mary Adele Rollins Sanderson in Grangeville, Idaho.

Leon worked as a truck driver and in logging but he mostly worked as a mechanic in the construction industry, which was his greatest love. His hobby was restoring old cars. His pride and joy was a 1923 Ford truck.

Survivors include his children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren; dear friend, Wilma Page; and sister, Annette Paroz Brokaw.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary, in 2009 and siblings, Joan, Duane, David and Meredith.

Memorial contributions may be made to Heart 'n Home Hospice or the Summerville Baptist Church.

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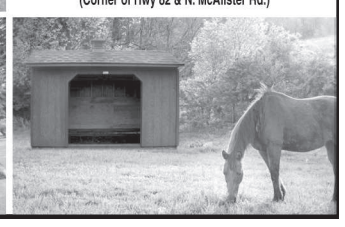

LOCAL BRIEFING

From staff reports

Spaghetti feed benefits Elgin Food Bank

ELGIN — Everyone is invited to the Elgin Food Bank's spaghetti feed fundraiser Oct. 18 at the Elgin Community Center, 260 N. 10th St. The Saturday event will include a spaghetti dinner served from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., a 50/50 raffle and a money tree supporting the food bank. Dinner will be $5 per adult, $3 for children younger than 10, or $20 per family. Children younger than 6 eat for free.

'Eagles in Oregon' presentation given at Wallowology

JOSEPH — "Eagles in Oregon — Watching Them Watch Us Watch Them" is the title of a free presentation at Wallowology, 504 N. Main St., Joseph, beginning at 7 p.m. Oct. 18. Oregon has abundant habitat for both bald and golden eagles. They may be year-round residents, migrants or wanderers from neighboring states. Frank Isaacs, MS, of the Oregon Eagle Foundation, will talk about the eagles in Oregon, why they are here and when we can see them.

Scholarships offered to emerging artists

JOSEPH — The Wallowa Valley Arts Council and the Josephy Center have partnered to offer two $600 "Patron Scholarships" for emerging artists looking to take their craft to the next level.

Funded by the Oregon Community Foundation, the scholarships are targeted toward local artists who do not make a career out of their art and are interested in greater engagement with their craft.

Artists in non-traditional or non-visual mediums are encouraged to apply, although all are welcome to submit an application, which involves three short essays and a brief portfolio of their work. The only requirement is that applicants be residents of Wallowa County. There is no age restriction. The application deadline is 5 p.m. Nov. 1. To apply, go to www.josephy.org/wvac-scholarship. For more information, contact WVAC President Seth Kinzie at 909-455-4767 or email info@josephy.org.

Howard "Boyd" Hadden

May 7, 1930 - October 9, 2019

Boyd was born May 7th, 1930 in North Powder, Oregon

He passed away peacefully at home with his wife Kay at his side, along with his son, Greg and daughter, Pam on October 9th at the age of 89.

He attended school in North Powder until the family moved to La Grande. He graduated from La Grande High in 1948. He then went to work for Mount Emily Lumber. He married Kay Dawn Edvalson on February 16th, 1951 at the Edvalson Ranch. He joined the Army in 1951 and served in Anchorage, Alaska as a chemical weapons specialist and he, his wife and son Greg lived in Spenard, Alaska. When he was honorably discharged the family moved back to La Grande and he went to work again at Mount Emily Lumber. His daughter Pam was born in 1953. He then went to work as an Insurance Agent. The family moved to Pendleton, Oregon in 1959 and he drove back and forth to Bend to Central Oregon Community College and got an Associates degree in Forestry. He then became the Assistant Water Master for Umatilla County. He coached Little League and Babe Ruth teams in Pendleton. He and his wife chaperoned the ski bus from Pendleton to Anthony Lakes ski area for several years. In 1969 he became the State Water Master for Union County and moved back to La Grande. He built a new home and barn on 5 acres on Cove Avenue. He retired from the state on April 9, 1993 after 23 years at the age of 63. The family lived there until he and his wife moved into town in 2001. His daughter and son-in-law purchased the house he built and still reside there. He was a member of the Elks Lodge a 35 year member of the American Legion and a member of the Eagles.

He was preceded in death by his dad, Jay Porter Hadden and his mother Lillian (Dahlstrom) Hadden, his sister Millie Chenault and his brother Dick Hadden.

He is survived by his wife Kay, son Greg Hadden and wife Renee, daughter Pam Burns and son-in-law Bill, his grand son Will Burns and wife Tiffney, his grand son Jared Hadden and grand daughter Stacey Kehr and her husband Ryan. He is also survived by 6 great grandchilren. He loved all of his family.

He had many wonderful friends. He and his wife traveled to Australia, New Zealand, Africa, Fiji, Canada, Mexico and all over the United States.

His family and friends are invited to attend grave side services on Wednesday, October 16th at 1:00 p.m. at the Grandview Cemetery in La Grande.

Contributions in memory of Boyd Hadden may be made to the American Legion Post #43 or the Disabled American Veterans.

Online condolences may be made at www.danielsknopp.com.

Patricia Ann Herron

March 17, 1940 - October 13, 2019

Patricia Ann Herron of Salem and formerly of Elgin, passed away peacefully with several family members by her side on October 13, 2019, in Salem, OR. Patricia was born in La Grande to James McClure and Margaret Ragsdale McClure on March 17, 1940. She grew up on the family ranch on Indian Creek near Elgin with her six siblings: Robert, Barbara, Steven, Virginia, William, and Kathleen. She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Robert, and sister Barbara.

Patricia was a skilled horseman and was selected queen of the Elgin Stampede in 1957. She married Ray Herron (deceased 1977) in 1959 and together had three sons: Wayne, Brian, and Glen, and one daughter Lynn Ann. Ray and Patricia divorced in 1969.

After raising her children in Elgin, she attended Eastern Oregon State College and later earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Humanities from Marylhust University in 1983. She later earned her Master's Degree from Oregon State University. She was a retired philosophy and religious studies professor who taught courses at Oregon State University, Maryhurst University, and Chemeketa Community College.

Patricia had recently published a book of stories, poems, and essays entitled Earthy Existentialism. She was the co-editor of Spheres of Awareness: A Wilberian Integral Approach to Literature, Philosophy, Psychology, and Art and contributed to such journals as Vision in Action, Philosophy Now, and the Humanistic Psychologist. She was also a poet, artist, and seminar lecturer.

Patricia loved to read and enjoyed reading material that enhanced or challenged her way of thinking or believing. She was also an avid painter and was the featured artist at several art exhibits. Patricia's deep, meaningful, spiritual, truth-seeking, and philosophical conversations were enjoyed by many over the years and will be dearly missed.

She is survived by her siblings Steven, Virginia, William, and Kathleen; her son Wayne and his wife Patty of Elgin, OR, son Brian and his wife Lori of Elgin, OR, son Glen of Sisters, OR, daughter Lynn Ann and her husband Ward Rouse of Turner, OR; grandchildren Cody Herron, Kari (Herron) Hagedorn, Chelsea (Herron) Hewitt, Jadon Herron, Drew Herron, Tanah (Rouse) Lines, and Elise Herron; and great-grandchildren, Hailey Herron, Emmett and Calla Hagedorn, and Stetson Lines. She is also survived by several nephews and nieces as well as numerous great-nephews and -nieces.

A family memorial service will be held at a later date. Cards can be sent to Lynn (Herron) Rouse at 9573 54th Avenue, Turner, OR 97392. In lieu of flowers, donations in Patricia's name can be made to the Eastern Oregon University Foundation.