

Obituaries

Peter B. Thompson

Peter B. Thompson, 57, of Selma, died Sunday, June 3, 2007 in Selma.

A service will be held at a later date.

Condolences may be made to the Thompson family at www.since1928hull.com.

Mr. Thompson was born Aug. 3, 1949 in Porterville, Calif. to Alfred "Tommy" and Patty Thompson. In 1967 he graduated from Bullard High School in Fresno, Calif. He moved to Rogue Valley in 1973 and had lived in Selma for the past 15 years.

From 1973 to '77 he worked at the U.S. Post Office in Grants Pass. In 1980 he graduated from Southern Oregon University at Ashland with a bachelor of arts degree in political science, and in 1983 from Willamette Law School with a Doctor of Jurisprudence degree. In 1985 he passed the bar exam.

He practiced as an attorney for four years in Grants Pass, and for the remainder of his working life he was a paralegal in Illinois Valley.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, boating and other outdoor activities. He also enjoyed playing pool, and his dogs.

Survivors are two daughters, Cassie Thompson, of Grants Pass, and Stephanie McNair, of San Rafael, Calif.; his mother, Patty Thompson, of Fresno; his sister, Laura Thompson-Pimental; and four grandchildren.

Illinois Valley Funeral Directors is in charge of arrangements.

Wesley F. Vahrenwald

Past longtime Illinois Valley resident Wesley Frederick Vahrenwald, 82, a graduate of the former Kerby Union High School, died Friday, June 8, 2007.

Mr. Vahrenwald, who was a current Grants Pass resident, died at a health center there.

A memorial service was held Tuesday, June 12 at Hull & Hull Funeral Directors Chapel. Southern Oregon Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

Memorial contributions can be made to American Cancer Society, Josephine County Chapter, 31 W. Sixth St., Medford OR 97501; or Lovejoy Hospice, 939 S.E. Eighth St., Grants Pass OR 97526.

Mr. Vahrenwald was born Nov. 6, 1924 in Williams to Emil & Elsie Vahrenwald. He was raised in Illinois Valley and graduated in 1943 from what was Kerby Union High School. In 1966 he moved to Grants Pass and worked for saw mills there until the late 1980s, retired from Murphy Creek Lumber Co.

He was a member of Grants Pass Elks Lodge 1584, and Kerby Belt Masonic Lodge 18. His hobbies included fishing, hunting, golfing and playing cards.

Surviving are a son, James Vahrenwald, of Seattle; two daughters, Linda Peil, of Talent, and Judy Stevenson, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa; a sister, Alfreda Champion, of Grants Pass; two brothers, Amos Vahrenwald, of Cave Junction, and Dale Vahrenwald, of Central Point; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Approved JoCo budget scuttled

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Sheriff's Office (JCSO) totaling \$2 million would be added to the percentage used to divide revenue between the three areas of the county's criminal justice system, a figure of \$5.59 million. That would bring the JCSO budget to \$7.6 million.

The district attorney's office would be budgeted at \$1.3 million under the proposal, and juvenile justice would receive \$1.8 million. Raffenburg also proposed keeping the juvenile shelter facility closed, and taking \$500,000 for its operations and transferring it to the contingency line item of the public safety fund.

That move would lower juvenile justice's budget to \$1.3 million.

Raffenburg read from his prepared statement in defense of his budget proposal.

"It is all too easy to fall prey to the temptations, outspoken needs and requests of the many service programs within county government to spend all or most of this money this year," he said. "Giving in to those temptations is what got us to the critical level of problems we are all facing today."

Toler stated that Raffenburg's plan would lead to a "very broken system for two years" rather than a "very minimal system" for one year.

Budget Committee member Charles Didato said that he wasn't opposed to considering Raffenburg's proposal.

"I think it's a good concept, but it's something that needs to be looked at," he said.

Raffenburg explained that long-term solutions to the county's funding problems would take two to three years to identify and even longer to

implement, and that short-term aid would have to come from the state and local levels.

"Time is what we need," Raffenburg said. "If we spend all the money this year, we won't have time."

Raffenburg acknowledged that the numbers for his plan "need to be fleshed out," but that the county needs to be "prudent" with its finances.

Ellis questioned the potential effects of Raffenburg's proposal, saying that it may have "hidden grenades" or "minefields."

"This is going to have a ripple effect," Ellis said.

Raffenburg said that the alternative to his budget "won't be able to be supported next year."

After further discussion, Raffenburg moved to rescind

the motion passed on May 17 to approve the budget. That motion was adopted 6-0.

Didato moved to schedule another Budget Committee meeting for Wednesday, June 13 at 4 p.m., and that motion also was unanimously approved.

During a brief interview after the meeting, Raffenburg said that he was not surprised at the reaction to his proposal.

"I expected it," he said. "But the situation didn't allow it to happen any other way."

Raffenburg went on to say that his main concern is to "honor the vote of the people in the May election," referring to the county's failed public safety levy, and that he is attempting to provide two years worth of stable services to residents at "whatever level they will buy."

Measure 37 reforms on ballot

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'I know better than the voters.' That's wrong."

Buckley said that Measure 37 needed to be reformed, and points out that there are more than 200 court cases pending in the state regarding the law.

"The original Measure 37 was so poorly written that there had to be an extensive rewrite to make it work," Buckley said. "Otherwise, it will keep ending up in court."

He said that the key part of HB 3540 is its referral to voters in November. After voters decide on it, Buckley said, citizens and legislators

can focus on other issues.

"Voters have a chance to say what kind of reform they want to see," Buckley said. "If it passes, and hopefully, it will, a huge issue in the state for several years will now be put behind us."

"People can move on with building homes where they can build them now and move on with the rest of their lives," Buckley said.

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Church News

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The group will meet Monday, June 18 at 6:30 p.m. in Father Elliott Center at the church in Cave Junction to discuss "School Prayer."

Those attending can just listen, or add to the conversation. "Great refreshments." For more information: 597-4366.

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Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship - 11 a.m.
Sunday evening: 7 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
451 S. Junction Ave. 592-3956
Pastor Mark McLean
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m.
Adult Bible Study ***

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
265 S. Old Stage Rd.
Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m. Sat.
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Worship Schedule
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Sunday School & Nursery 10:45 a.m.
Wed. Service 7 p.m.
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Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.
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Phone: 592-3029

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Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m.
Thursday evening - 7 p.m.
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