

# Obituaries

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## Wanda McNeill

Wanda Jeanne McNeill, age 91, passed away on Feb. 22, 2020, in Lebanon, Ore.



Wanda McNeill

Wanda was born on Oct. 13, 1928, in Omaha, Neb., to Ralph and Hazel (McDonald) McKim. She spent her childhood in Hood River, Ore., and graduated from Hood River High School.

Wanda married the love of her life, Gerald McNeill, in

1947. They were married until his passing in 2007. They had two daughters, Jeanne and Linda.

Wanda was a hard worker, and she loved a challenge. Over the course of her career, she worked a variety of jobs.

Before retiring, she worked as a home care aide for 15 years, and she greatly enjoyed her work. She loved working with senior citizens, and early on she started the first Meals on Wheels in Parkdale. She also managed the Parkdale museum.

She had a passion for helping others, and she loved to people watch. She also enjoyed

traveling Oregon in her motorhome, crocheting, playing scrabble and cooking the fish Gerald caught when he would go fishing.

Wanda was preceded in death by her parents and her husband. She is survived by her daughters, Jeanne Lesseyoung and Linda McNeill; nine grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She will be greatly missed.

Memorial contributions can be made to Meals on Wheels in Wanda's honor. At Wanda's request, no services will be held.

## Service Announcements

### Doris and Hal Anderson

Ora "Doris" Anderson passed away on Feb. 21, 2020, at Flagstone Senior Living Memory Care Unit in The Dalles, Ore. Doris was born on July 13, 1931, and was 88 years of age at the time of her passing. Doris's passing was just five days after her husband Hal's death. Harold "Hal" L. Anderson passed away on Feb. 16, 2020, at the Oregon Veterans Home in The Dalles. Hal was born on Sept. 13, 1932, and was 87 years of age at the time of his passing. Doris and Hal will be laid to rest together on Thursday, March 5 at Willamette National Cemetery of Portland, Ore. Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center Celilo Chapel, The Dalles. Visit [www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com](http://www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com) to leave a note of condolence for the family.

### Cory Johnston

Dr. Cory Johnston, born Feb. 25, 1973, died tragically while summiting Mount Hood on Feb. 25, 2020, his 47th birthday. Services to honor Cory's life are as follows:

- Quiet farewell with closed casket is planned from 4-7 p.m. on Friday, March 6 at Anderson's Tribute Center, 1401 Belmont Ave., Hood River, Ore.

- Burial is planned for 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 7 at the Great River Natural Cemetery of Mosier, Ore. Be prepared for rocky terrain and Gorge weather; most vehicles can access, or you can park on Dry Creek Road and walk to the grave.

- A memorial service will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday, March 8 at the Columbia Gorge Hotel Ballroom, 4000 Westcliff Drive, Hood River.

Visit [www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com](http://www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com) to leave a note of condolence for the family.

### Jim Wandling

Jim Wandling, a long-time resident of the Hood River Valley, passed away Feb. 22, 2020, at Providence St. Peter Hospital of Olympia, Wash. Jim was born June 15, 1942, in Portland, Ore. A memorial service to honor Jim's life and mourn his passing is planned for 2 p.m. on Easter Sunday, April 12, at the Hood River Church of Christ, 1512 Tucker Road, Hood River, Ore. Arrangements are under the direction

of Anderson's Tribute Center, Hood River. Visit [www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com](http://www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com) to leave a note of condolence for the family.

### Bobbie Miller

Roberta "Bobbie" Jean Miller, age 86, a longtime resident of the Columbia River Gorge, passed away Feb. 26, 2020. She will be laid to rest in a private service with her beloved husband, Dick, in IOOF Cemetery, The Dalles, Ore. Arrangements in care of Spencer, Libby & Powell Funeral Home. A family directed service was held March 1 at Emmanuel Baptist Church, The Dalles.

### Mildred Craber

Mildred R. Craber, age 101, a resident of The Dalles, Ore., passed away Feb. 27, 2020. Visitation and viewing was held March 2 at Spencer, Libby & Powell Funeral Home, The Dalles. A graveside committal was held March 3 at IOOF Cemetery, The Dalles. A celebration of life will be held at a later date; details will be posted on Spencer Libby & Powell website once they are finalized.

## COMMUNITY NOTES

### Weekly Spanish conversation group

A new weekly Spanish-language conversation group meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Society Hotel, 210 N. Cedar St., Bingen.

The group is for intermediate, advanced and native speakers; Hablanos nativos especialmente bienvenidos.

The sessions are free and for those 18 and over.

### Radio Amateurs of the Gorge host exam

W7RAGS — Radio Amateurs of the Gorge — hosts its next technician license test review and exam on March 6-7 at the Hood River Fire Department Training Room, 1785 Meyer Parkway, from 5:30-9 p.m. on Friday and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on

Saturday.

The class is free, but there is a \$15 examination fee. The class is open to all.

"There are many reasons to get involved with amateur radio," said a press release. "Beyond being a fascinating hobby, it is also a valuable communication tool for us in the Gorge ... In the event of a major disaster, like a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake, we can expect cell phones and landlines to be out many days to many weeks. Amateur radio will be the main method of two-way communication until normal phone use resumes."

The class is limited to 25 and registration is required; for more information or to register, contact Kevin Widener at [kevin.widener@gmail.com](mailto:kevin.widener@gmail.com) or 509-528-9565.

### Register for Good Neighbor Saturday

Do you enjoy working outside? Would you like to make a difference in the life of an elder or someone with a long-term health concern?

Sign up to volunteer for Good Neighbor Saturday, organized by Volunteers in Action, by Monday, March 30. Volunteers will be assigned to wash outside windows, clean gutters or do yard work for a community member on Saturday, May 9 from 8 a.m. to noon. Volunteers are invited to gather at 8 a.m. for a free breakfast and then work as assigned beginning at 9 a.m.

For more information or to register, contact Britta Willson at 541-387-6404 or [britta.willson@providence.org](mailto:britta.willson@providence.org).

### Hood River News Obit Policy

Obituaries, death notices and service announcements must be publication-ready; the News may edit for AP style and grammar. All-caps submissions are not accepted. Obituaries are \$50 for the first 700 words, and \$50 for each additional 700 words; obituaries include up to two photos. Death notices and service announcements are free, and do not include a photo. All are additionally published on our website. For our Wednesday edition, obituaries, death notices and service announcements must be received by noon on Monday; for the Saturday edition, by noon on Thursday. Deadlines are subject to change with holiday editions.

## POLICE LOG

Feb. 23-29

All calls were responded to within the County of Hood River.

### Assaults, harassment, menacing and domestic violence:

Feb. 23 — Eugene Street — Hood River resident arrested for kidnapping II, harassment and criminal mischief II.

### Controlled substance violations (non-DUII):

Feb. 23 — Hood River — Traffic stop conducted on a vehicle for a violation. Drug paraphernalia was in plain view and the occupant was taken out of the vehicle. As a result, three of the four occupants were taken into custody for drug violations and an outstanding warrant.

Feb. 27 — Wasco Avenue, 2700 block — Theft in progress reported. A female was later arrested for the attempt theft, an active warrant and possession of heroin.

Feb. 27 — Hood River — A Washington male was arrested for possession of methamphetamine.

### Driving under the influence of intoxicants:

Feb. 28 — I-84 at milepost

68 — Washington male arrested for driving under the influence of intoxicants, failure to perform the duties of a driver, reckless driving and reckless endangering. BAC registered at more than twice the legal limit.

Feb. 28 — Hood River — Oregon male arrested for driving under the influence of intoxicants. BAC registered more than twice the legal limit.

Feb. 29 — Hood River — Tigard, Ore., resident arrested for driving under the influence of alcohol.

### Motor vehicle crashes, offenses and impounds:

Feb. 24 — E. Marina Drive, 1100 block — Officer dispatched regarding a hit and run that happened in a parking lot. Through the investigation, the officer was able to get the suspect vehicle's information.

Feb. 25 — 12th Street, 1800 block — Hit and run that had occurred the previous day in a parking lot reported.

Feb. 27 — 12th Street — Non-injury traffic collision reported.

### Outstanding warrants, parole, probation or terms violations:

Feb. 23 — Hood River — Male arrested for an outstanding felony warrant. He was

lodged at NORCOR.

Feb. 27 — 12th Street — Male and female were both arrested and lodged at NORCOR on separate but related restraining order violations.

### Theft, burglary or robbery:

Feb. 27 — E. Marina Drive, 900 block — Washington male arrested for theft after taking his spouse's purse and taking her ID and credit card. The male refused to return the items and resisted arrest. The male was lodged at NORCOR and, in route, damaged the patrol car. He was charged with theft III, resisting arrest and criminal mischief II.

Feb. 28 — I-84 at milepost 61 — Officer attempted to conduct a traffic stop on a known stolen vehicle. The stolen vehicle did not stop and the officer turned off emergency overhead lights.

Feb. 29 — Wasco Avenue, 2700 block — Two separate reported thefts at a shopping center were reported to have happened Feb. 18 and Feb. 25.

### Other:

Feb. 26 — Hood River — Hood River resident taken into protective custody because of self-harm and threat of suicide.

## HRSWCD native plant sale on now

Hood River Soil and Water Conservation District is again hosting its native plant sale and is currently taking orders.

"Winter is the perfect time to plan additions to your garden and landscaping," said a HRSWCD press release. "We are happy to announce that we are now taking orders for our 2020 native plant sale. Native plant species can sometimes be hard to find in typical nurseries. We provide a low-cost option to obtain locally sourced plants."

This year, HRSWCD has added pollinator plants to its sale, "including showy milkweed and red-stemmed ceanothus. And back by popular request is the giant sequoia, paper birch, and Pacific dogwood," said the

press release. Native plants are adapted to the unique climate and soils of this region and provide the benefits of wildlife and pollinator habitat, soil stabilization, and water conservation. They also provide shade, privacy, and showy blooms throughout the growing season.

Visit [www.hoodriverwcd.org](http://www.hoodriverwcd.org) to download an order form and gather information on plant species and site suitability. Some varieties have already sold out.

For more information or guidance when making your selection, call Kris at 541-386-4588 or stop by the Hood River office, located at 3007 Experiment Station Road.

Purchases will be available for pickup on Friday and Saturday, April 3-4.



Submitted photo

PAPER BIRCH is one of the various native plants now being sold by the Hood River Soil and Water Conservation District.

## 'Angel Fund' fundraiser March 6

All Animal Care Clinic will host its fifth anniversary Silent Auction Fundraiser on Friday, March 6 from 6:30-8 p.m. at Marcessi Vineyards and Winery, 3955 Belmont Drive.

The fundraiser is in support of the clinic's Angel Fund, an in-house charitable fund for homeless, abandoned or relinquished pets. The fund, founded in 2016, provides needed medical care to animals who would otherwise be abandoned, euthanized or die from a curable or manageable condition, said a press release. In 2019, more than 200 animals were helped thanks to the Angel Fund.

Advanced tickets are \$25 at

All Animal Care Clinic, or by calling 541-386-5753. Tickets are \$35 at the door and include Marchesi wine and hors d'oeuvres.

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