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Pilot Rock commemorates 15th anniversary of 9/11

A crowd of more than 100 gathered Sept. 11 at the Pilot Rock OHV park The Bike Pit to mark a moment of silence and sing the National Anthem before starting the events.

McKay Creek residents get connected

Residents at McKay Creek Estates enjoyed double the fun during Pendleton Round-Up — as staff and friends also celebrated National Assisted Living Week.

Executive Director Noemi Wiseman said they were honored to have Neal Brown, president of the Pendleton City Council, on hand to proclaim the celebratory week. He later joined the residents for lunch.

“With this year’s theme, Keep Connected, the residents were able to engage on modern technology activities, such as using cellphones, computers and other gadgets,” Wiseman said.

Family members sent e-cards to facility residents. Shirley Peterson, Wiseman said, was astonished to receive a special e-card from her granddaughter in celebration of National Grandparents Day.

“Her smile was priceless as volunteer-daughters of Nicole McClelland, one of the medtechs delivered the e-card,” Wiseman added.

Also, staff and residents tried Tai Chi by watching an instructor via YouTube. Several residents enjoyed online Wheel of Fortune. Another fun and exciting activity was Facebooking



Photo contributed by Noemi Wiseman

Residents at McKay Creek Estates enjoyed activities throughout Round-Up week while also celebrating National Assisted Living Week. Tai Chi participants include Gloria Jim, Al Wood, Diane Fitzpatrick, Barbie Davis, Nicole McClelland and Kath Reger. Jean Thomson enjoyed zumba and Teresa Ramirez and Jack Kimball got connected with social media.

Time: Find a Friend. Many of the residents have Facebook accounts and gathered in the activity room to search for their friends online.

Jack Kimball got connected with a handful of friends and families. In addition, other residents were

happy to see former staff via Facebook and reconnecting to some former residents that moved to other Prestige Care facilities.

First, the group contacted Alice Wilkinson, who is currently undergoing rehabilitation at Willowbrook.

Another familiar face was Fran Rennick, who is now living in High Desert, a Prestige facility in Bend.

“It is always nice to reconnect with residents and how this modern technology can make it possible,” Wiseman said.

Online shopping, which was led by Doris Ferguson and Kris Travers, was a big hit. They ordered pizza from Domino’s and consumed it during happy hour. The last day of the celebration featured zumba via the internet. Even residents who use wheelchairs were able to join the zumba session.

The week also included a Staff Appreciation Day to acknowledge and thank them for touching the lives of McKay Creek residents. It included raffle drawings, staff recognitions and food.

“I would like to congratulate the entire team for all the hard work, dedication and compassion, as we continue to touch the lives of our residents,” Wiseman said.

For more information about activities at the center, contact Noemi Wiseman at 541-276-1987 or nwiseman@prestigecare.com.



Photo contributed by Larry McMillan

Setting sun paints horizon

Looking across his deck in the Grecian Heights area of Pendleton, Larry McMillan recently captured a kaleidoscope of color. “God has surely shared his beauty with us this evening,” he said about the colorful skyline on Sept. 18.



Photo contributed by Jesse R. Strong

Blue heron lingers along river

Pendleton resident Jesse Strong captured a photo of a blue heron on the Umatilla River.

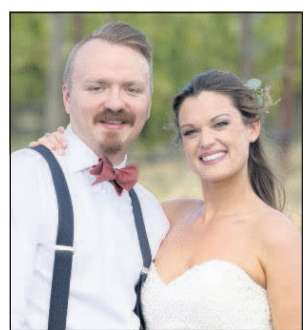
WEDDING

Stanek–McCune

Katie McCune and James Stanek were married Aug. 27, 2016, at J. Bookwalter Winery in Richland, Wash.

Katie is the daughter Hal and Mary Ann McCune of Pendleton. She graduated from Pendleton High School and the University of Idaho. James is the son of Frank and Tianna Stanek of Maple Valle, Wash. He graduated from high school in Maple Valley, and from the University of Idaho.

The maid of honor was Nicole Harris, the bride’s sister. The best men were Chris Satre, the groom’s childhood friend, and Chris Buchberger, his cousin. Katie’s brothers, Gabe and Jake, were groomsmen, and her niece, Pearl, was a



James Stanek and Katie McCune

bridesmaid. James’ sisters, Amanda and Morgan, were bridesmaids.

The couple were married by Robert Tunison of Boise, a close college friend. The bride wore a strapless beaded lace dress.

The couple lives in Edmunds, Wash.

THANK YOU

Newport man sings praises for Pendleton Men’s Chorus

One fine June day this year, Saturday the 25th to be exact, a group of enthusiastic, finely dressed, and well-practiced men, calling themselves the Pendleton Men’s Chorus, presented an unforgettable concert in Newport, Oregon.

Our Newport audiences were entertained with an eclectic program, which ranged from folk songs to opera and everything in between. It was an event!

I want to thank each and every one of those men for their willingness to share their talent and energy. It was a special evening to benefit our capital campaign and to share our wonderful new Constellation Acoustic System with them.

What a generous group, led by the famous Bill Mayclin. They gave of their time, and spent their own dimes to travel and stay in Newport to present the concert. It was fun for them to perform for a new audience in our sound enhanced hall and it actually raised a

few dollars for our lobby expansion project to boot. (P.S.: We are breaking ground in October for our expansion).

The next time you hear that the Pendleton Men’s Chorus is performing in your fair city, don’t hesitate to get your tickets. This is a first class group of gentlemen.

Mark McConnell
Capital Campaign Chair,
Newport Performing
Arts Center

Pendleton police deserve praise for work during Round-Up

This is a thank you shoutout to Pendleton Police chief Stuart Roberts and his troops for their great work during what sounds like a “challenging” Round-Up.

Not that any are easy. We are lucky to have such a professional force and a chief that could drive a desk but instead directs the traffic in front of the buckin’ horse at rodeo time. Hazardous duty. Join me in giving them a thank you wave when you pass.

Dave Byrd
Pendleton

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

SEPT. 9, 2016

WOODRUFF — Corey Woodruff and Adam Woodruff: a girl, Payton Marie Woodruff.

SEPT. 22, 2016

FINCH — Emily Finch and Stephen Finch: a boy,

Ronin Wesley Robert Finch.

SEPT. 23, 2016

KANDLE — Patricia Faye Kandle and Bruce Jarrod Kandle of Weston: a girl, Annika Solveig Kandle.

SEPT. 26, 2016

NEZ — Enid Louise Miller and Aaron Dodge: a girl, Reese Yahdespah Nez.



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Pet of the Week



BABY

Are you looking for the cutest and most lovable little guy to bring home forever? Baby is the perfect choice. He is just 2 years old and needs someone to cuddle up with. Baby came in as a stray and he’s one of our favorites. He is quiet and sweet so please come to PAWS during our adoption hours of Tues - Sat from 12-4pm at 517 SE 3rd St in Pendleton. Baby’s adoption fee includes all vaccinations, medications, neuter and microchip.

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