

OBITUARIES

Wilma Margaret Gorton Hanks

Pendleton
January 29, 1927-March 18, 2017

Wilma Margaret Gorton Hanks passed away at her home in Pendleton on March 18, 2017, at the age of 90. Wilma was born January 29, 1927, in Salem, Oregon, to O.W. (Bob) and Lois Gorton.

For the first 22 years of her life, Wilma lived in Salem where she attended grade school, high school, and college. As a teenage girl in the 1940s Wilma demonstrated her support for the war by volunteering as a plane spotter, riding her bike to a nearby field with a pair of binoculars around her neck to search for enemy planes. Wilma was also very involved in volunteering at the local hospital during the war. She took classes from the American Red Cross and received her Nurse's Aide cap in 1945.

Wilma's interest in nursing led her to Willamette University where she majored in biology. Shortly after she started college Wilma met a fellow student, a tall dark-haired guy with a car. She and Blaine T. Hanks were married in Salem on July 12, 1947. Wilma continued her studies at Willamette and graduated in 1949 with a Bachelor of Science degree in biology.

In late 1949, Wilma and Blaine moved to McMinnville so that Blaine could pursue his radio broadcasting career. In 1952, they made another career move to Portland where they lived for 16 years. Wilma spent her Portland years as a very busy mom and homemaker for her husband and five children. Wilma was an excellent seamstress and made many clothes for herself and her children. She also enjoyed bowling and for many years was a member of a bowling league in Portland and later in Pendleton.

In 1968, the family moved to Pendleton so that Blaine could start a radio broadcasting program at Blue Mountain Community College. Now that her children were becoming more independent, Wilma was able to pursue some of her own interests. She took classes at BMCC and was an active member of the Community College Theater where she worked as the props manager on many plays and also served as vice president of the theater board. Wilma showed even more of her creative side during this time by taking up photography and painting.

In 1974, Wilma started working as an administrator for the East Central Oregon Association of Counties (now CAPECO). She assumed increasing responsibilities over the years until her retirement in 1992.

After her retirement, Wilma continued to work part-time for the Pendleton Downtown Merchants Association and the Grand Finale Consignments clothing store.

Wilma loved her family, her friends, the Oregon coast, Hawaii, planting flowers in the springtime, movies, chocolate and animals, especially cats and hippos. Her lifelong passion was for the written word, her love of reading and solving crossword puzzles was legendary. Wilma also loved to spend time at the Great Pacific Wine and Coffee

Company owned by her daughter Carol Hanks and partner Ken Schulberg. Wilma spent many an hour there sharing meals with family and friends or sitting alone reading her book and enjoying a glass of wine.

Wilma was able to live in her home until her death. Over the past two years, she enjoyed many visits from her family and friends including almost daily visits from her longtime friend, Pat Amsberry.

Wilma's family and friends will greatly miss her warm smile, her gentle spirit, and her delightful sense of humor.

Wilma is survived by her brother Dale Gorton of Independence, Ore; daughters Nancy Hanks Kroy (Patrick Kroy) of Ojai, Calif., Mary Hanks (Donna Hudson) of Seattle, and Carol Hanks (Ken Schulberg) of Pendleton; son Stephen Hanks of Weston, Colo.; grandsons Blaine Ryan Hanks of Caldwell, Idaho, and Addison Hanks Schulberg (Zoe Holmes) of Pendleton; daughter-in-law Tammy Card and her son Mitchell Card of Caldwell, Idaho; and many nieces and nephews.

Wilma was preceded in death by her brother Lloyd Gorton, her sister Jean Wehrli, her husband Blaine T. Hanks, and her son David M. Hanks.

The Hanks family would like to extend their sincere gratitude to the medical staff at CHI St. Anthony Hospital and to the staff at CHI St. Anthony Hospice for their excellent care of Wilma. A special thank you goes to Jane Nichols Fleming and Angela Boston for their compassionate care of Mom and kind support to the family.

Wilma's family and friends are invited to an informal "Celebration of Life" which will be held on Sunday May 7, 2017, from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. at the Great Pacific Wine and Coffee Company.

Online condolences may be shared with the family at www.pioneerchapel.com



Hanks

Jody Herriman

Pendleton
October 16, 1958-April 11, 2017

Jody Herriman, 58, of Pendleton, Oregon, passed away on April 11th, 2017, after a courageous four-year battle with cancer. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of arrangements. Sign the condolence book online at www.burnsmortuary.com.

Jody was born October 16, 1958, to Clifford and Betty Siler. She started school in Condon, Oregon, and later graduated from Hermiston High School in 1977.

She married Matt Herriman September 16, 1978, in Reno, Nevada. They made their home in Pendleton. She spent the last 26 years working at the Pendleton Woolen Mills, a job she very much enjoyed.

Jody loved spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. She enjoyed camping, taking motorcycle trips, and attending activities of her children and grandchildren. She loved traveling to many different national parks,

especially Yellowstone and Capitol Reef.

She is survived by her husband Matt; daughter Katie and husband Shawn; son Joseph and wife Kayla; and her grandchildren Molly Ann, Hannah Jo, Jacob, and another grandson that will arrive May 2017. She is also survived by her mother Betty, sister Tandy, and brothers Scott and Jerry. She was preceded in death by her father.

The family gives a special thanks to Jody's friend and co-worker, Shelley. We are forever grateful for your love and support through this difficult time.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Northwest Sarcoma Foundation, 220 Second Ave South #115, Seattle, WA 98104-2222 in care of Burns Mortuary of Pendleton.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, April 19, at 3 p.m. at Burns Mortuary in Pendleton, Oregon.



Herriman

UPCOMING SERVICES

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

BIEREN, AUSTIN — Celebration of life service at 1 p.m. at the Umatilla High School gymnasium, 1460 Seventh St., Umatilla.

KLEIN, CAROL — Gathering of family and friends at 11 a.m. at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

SUNDAY, APRIL 16 - MONDAY, APRIL 17

No services scheduled

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

MCFADDEN, MARLENE — Funeral service at 2 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 15 Grant Ave., Umatilla.

OBITUARY POLICY

The East Oregonian publishes paid obituaries. The obituary can include small photos and, for veterans, a flag symbol at no charge.

Obituaries may be edited for spelling, proper punctuation and style. Expanded death notices will be published at no charge. These include information about services.

Obituaries and notices can be submitted online at www.eastoregonian.com/obituaryform, by email to obits@eastoregonian.com, by fax to 541-276-8314, placed via the funeral home or in person at the East Oregonian office.

For more information, call 541-966-0818 or 1-800-522-0255, ext. 221.

MEETINGS

MONDAY, APRIL 17
UMATILLA COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, 6 p.m., USDA Service Center conference room, 1 S.W. Nye Ave., Pendleton. (Kyle Waggoner 541-278-8049 ext. 138)

HELIX CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Helix City Hall, 119 Columbia St., Helix. (541-457-2521)

PENDLETON YOUTH COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Intermountain ESD office, 2001 S.W. Nye Ave., Pendleton. (541-276-6711)

TUESDAY, APRIL 18
WEST EXTENSION IRRIGATION DISTRICT, 9 a.m., Irrigon Fire Department, 705 N.E. Main Ave., Irrigon. An executive session may be called to discuss legal issues. (Lisa Baum 541-922-3814)

ATHENA CEMETERY DISTRICT, 5:30 p.m., Athena City Hall, 215 S. Third St., Athena. (541-566-3862)

IRRIGON CITY COUNCIL, 6 p.m., Irrigon City Hall, 500 N.E. Main Ave., Irrigon. (541-922-3047)

PENDLETON DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, 6 p.m., Pendleton City Hall, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton. (541-276-1811)

MORROW COUNTY FAIR BOARD, 6 p.m., SAGE Center, 101 Olson Road, Boardman. (Ann Jones 541-676-9474)

PILOT ROCK CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Pilot Rock City Hall council chambers, 143 W. Main St., Pilot Rock. (541-443-2811)

STANFIELD CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Stanfield City Hall council chambers, 160 S. Main St., Stanfield. (541-449-3831)

PENDLETON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Pendleton City Hall council chambers, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave., Pendleton. (541-966-0201)

STANFIELD CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Stanfield City Hall council chambers, 160 S. Main St., Stanfield. (541-449-3831)

BRIEFLY

Local businesses offer tire cleanup

HERMISTON — Harley Swain Subaru and Commercial Tire are assisting people in getting rid of old tires.

The Community Amnesty Clean-Up Day is Saturday, April 29 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Harley Swain Subaru, 1915 N. First St., Hermiston. Each person can dispose of up to four tires each, free of charge. Farm implement and semi-tractor tires will not be accepted.

For more information, call Dawn at 541-567-9696.

Irrigon Chamber of Commerce seeks board member, volunteers

IRRIGON — The Irrigon Chamber of Commerce has opportunities for people to serve.

Due to the recent move of a board member, there is a vacancy on the board of directors. The position is a one-year term with a commitment of about two hours per month.

In addition, with the travel season starting, the visitor's center is seeking volunteers. People are needed to work at least one four-hour shift per month. The visitor's center is open Friday through Mondays.

For more information, contact Laurrie Blackman at irrigonchamber@irrigonchamber.com or Phyllis Danielson at 541-922-3857.

Bank of Eastern Oregon pleased with first quarter earnings

HEPPNER — Bank of Eastern Oregon announced its first quarter earnings for 2017 are higher than 2016, according to information provided from parent company BEO Bancorp.

"We are pleased with how 2017 is starting," said Jeff Bailey, president and CEO. "We are seeing steady, managed growth in both loans and deposits."

Net income was reported as \$801,000, or 67 cents per share, for the quarter. That tops \$782,000, or 64 cents per share, over the same period last year. Total assets were also up at \$377 million; net loans at \$304 million; and deposits were \$334.3 million, all representing 7 percent increases.

Gary Propheter, chief operations officer, said 7 percent growth in loans, deposits and assets year over year is strong when compared to previous year's growth trends for the same period.

Chief financial officer Mark Lemmon reported net income is up 2.43 percent. He said return on average assets is 0.84 percent compared to 0.88 percent last year with return on average equity at 10.63 percent versus 11.12 percent in 2016.

"As an ag-based bank, first quarter is typically the low point in our lending cycle," Lemmon said. "Over the next few months we should see ag lines drawn upon and loan volume increase accordingly."

Bank of Eastern Oregon operates 14 branches and five loan production offices throughout the region. For more information, visit www.beobank.com.

Specks offers full service copy center

HERMISTON — With more than 23 years of experience, Specks Copy & Print Center is now offering services in Hermiston.

The business specializes in commercial printing and offers a full service copy center. Customers can email documents for convenient pick-up.

Specks is open Monday through Fridays from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. and Sundays from 1-4 p.m. It's located in the Hillcrest Plaza, at 80866 N. Highway 395, Hermiston. For more information, contact 541-922-3222 or specks@speckspinting.com.

Delta OKs offers of up to \$9,950 to flyers who give up seats

(AP) — Delta Air Lines is moving to make it easier to find customers willing to give up their seats. In an internal memo obtained Friday by The Associated Press, Delta said gate agents can offer up to \$2,000, up from a previous maximum of \$800, and supervisors can offer up to \$9,950, up from \$1,350.

On Friday, a United spokeswoman said the airline changed its policy to require traveling employees to book a flight at least 60 minutes before departure. Had the rule been in place last Sunday, United Express Flight 3411 still would have been overbooked by four seats, but United employees could have dealt with the situation in the gate area instead of on the plane.

United said it is reviewing its compensation policies. The airline would not disclose its current payment limit.

DEATH NOTICES

Violet Mae Abercrombie

Hermiston

Feb. 13, 1931-April 13, 2017

Violet Mae Abercrombie, 86, of Hermiston died Thursday, April 13, 2017, at her home. She was born Feb. 13, 1931, in Blackfoot, Idaho. A funeral service will be held Wednesday, April 19 at 11 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 850 S.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Burial will follow at the Pleasant View Cemetery in Stanfield. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

LOTTERY

Thursday, April 13

Lucky Lines

03-08-10-15-FREE-17-22-25-31

Estimated jackpot: \$34,000

Pick 4

1 p.m.: 1-6-1-9

4 p.m.: 8-1-6-3

7 p.m.: 2-3-8-3

10 p.m.: 1-7-5-4

Friday, April 14

Pick 4

1 p.m.: 1-4-8-9

Safe Sitter Class

SATURDAY, APRIL 22ND • 9:00 AM - 4:PM • ROOMS 1 & 2

WHO: Potential babysitters grades 6 and above.

- Safety Skills • First Aid and Rescue Skills
- Child Care Skills • Life and Business Skills

Cost: \$30 ~ Includes book and lunch

To Register ~ 541-278-2627 or emilysmith@chiwest.com



CHI St. Anthony Hospital
 2801 St. Anthony Way,
 Pendleton, OR. 97801

UMATILLA ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE
ANNUAL MEETING
& MEMBERSHIP DINNER



Saturday, April 22, 2017
Hermiston Conference Center
5 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Our Annual Meeting theme

"Reaching New Heights" is a recognition of the milestones reached over the last 80 years and what we expect in 2017.

As always, attendance is free to UEC members. We hope you will join us!



Featured Speaker
Bob Welch, of Eugene
a celebrated author,
will highlight Umatilla
Electric's 2017
Annual Meeting!