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The Bouchards in 1957



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Paul and Muriel (McIntosh) Bouchard were married Sept. 7, 1957, in Springfield, Mass. They lived in Massachusetts and in Lakeview, Ore., prior to moving to Pendleton, where they have lived for more than 50 years.



from the Umatilla-Morrow Educational Service District. They have three daughters: Debbie Hollingsworth of Portland, Sheryl (David) Sandige of McKinleyville, Calif., and Patti (Jeff) Allen of Camas, Wash. They also have three grandchildren: Katie (Trevor) Nix, Chelsea Sandige and Joshua Sandige.



Photo contributed by Noemi Wiseman

Jazzie, Barbara Davis' dog, wears special glasses during the Aug. 21 solar eclipse at McKay Creek Estates in Pendleton.

McKay Creek residents enjoy celestial show

Residents, staff and guests at McKay Creek Estates enjoyed stepping outside into the sunshine to view the Aug. 21 solar eclipse in Pendleton. Executive director Noemi Wiseman said the group was particularly excited to have East Oregonian reporter Antonio Sierra stop by to visit and interview them during the celestial show. Residents at the Pendleton assisted living facility always get bright faces when visitors

stop by, Wiseman said. In addition, they welcome the community to many of their events and activities. The facility, Wiseman said, is gearing up to celebrate National Assisted Living Week, which is Sept. 10-16. Details of specific activities will be announced as the date approaches. For more information about activities at the center, contact Wiseman at 541-276-1987 or nwiseman@prestigecare.com.

Wildhorse announces second quarter grants

A pair of Morrow County nonprofit organizations each received \$20,000 grants recently from the Wildhorse Foundation. A.C. Houghton Elementary School in Irrigon will use its grant to replace an unsafe playground structure, which will include safety material to go around the equipment. In addition to school district use, the community utilizes the structure after school and during the summer months. The Morrow County Health District will use its funding to expand the existing Irrigon Medical Clinic. A 2,100-square-foot addition to the clinic will include additional exam rooms, providers' offices, an expanded waiting room, a business office and meeting room space. The current facility had reached its capacity and was unable to serve many patients in need. The expansion will allow the health district to provide needed services to Irrigon and other north Morrow County residents. The foundation also announced other second quarter awards, which included 24 disbursements for a total of \$193,393.25. Additional local recipients and the purpose for the grants include: •PENDLETON: Historic Rivoli Theater Performing Arts Center Restoration Coalition, \$15,000 for Phase 1 of the project.; •IRRIGON: Knights Pride Booster Club, \$5,440 for a baseball field improvement project; Masonic Lodge No. 40, \$1,000 for its Bikes for Books project, an incentive program for youths to encourage reading. •PILOT ROCK: Pilot

Rock Elementary School, \$10,814 for a readerboard. •UKIAH: Ukiah Municipal School District, \$8,500 for the greenhouse lab and garden resupply. •UMATILLA: Umatilla School District, \$3,299 for classroom technology. •WESTON: Weston Middle School, \$2,906.55 for new furnishings in Rachael Olson's classroom. •Other organizations receiving grants include: Advantage Smiles for Kids, Cross Trail Outfitters, Dayton Historical Depot Society, Friends of the Wallowa County Museum, Grande Ronde Symphony Association, Kirkman House Museum, Maxville Heritage Interpretive Center, Medical Springs Rural Fire Protection District, Mt. Emily Safe Center, North End Grange No. 820, Skyline Adventures, The Health Center, Wallowa Avalanche Center, Wallowa History Center and White Bluffs Quilt Museum. The Wildhorse Foundation manages a community benefit fund established by the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation. The board considers quarterly grant applications in the areas of public health and safety, education, the arts, historic preservation, gambling addiction services, salmon restoration, environmental protection and cultural activities. The next application deadline is Oct. 1. For more information or a grant application, visit www.thewildhorsefoundation.com or contact Tiah DeGroff at 541-966-1628 or tiah.degroff@wildhorseresort.com.



Photo contributed by Sage Brown

Volunteers with the Oregon Natural Desert Association celebrate after removing obsolete barbed wire fence from the Steens Mountain Wilderness Area.

Volunteers celebrate fence removal in Steens

A group of dedicated volunteers with the Oregon Natural Desert Association recently removed remaining obsolete barbed wire fence in the Steens Mountain Wilderness Area. After hiking into the remote location, the 10 volunteers began the strenuous work in oven-hot conditions. Working nine hours a day, participants removed fence clips, rolled up the spiked wire and pried

posts from the ground. A Bureau of Land Management mule team will return to the site to haul out the dismantled materials. The culmination of more than a decade of work, the last stake was pulled from the ground on Aug. 27, which resulted in an informal celebration ceremony. "I guess you could say it was the opposite of a ground-breaking," said Ben Gordon, ONDA steward-

ship director. "Instead, it was a ground-restoring." The nonprofit organization is dedicated to the removal of barbed wire fence in Oregon's public lands as it poses hazards for wildlife. The ONDA Steens project resulted in the removal of 63 miles of fencing — all by hand. Weighing more than 125 tons, that's equivalent to 10 school buses, said Michael O'Casey, steward-

ship coordinator. The project, which began in 2001, included 38 trips and 342 volunteers. The value of the in-kind labor donated is estimated at \$304,000, Gordon said. ONDA volunteers also participate in activities that restore streams, monitor wildlife habitat and maintain trails. For more information, contact Gordon at 541-213-9915, ben@onda.org or visit www.onda.org.



Photo contributed by Megan Olsen

Josh Browning and Pat Kerrigan placed first in the 2017 Thursday Night League at Big River Golf Course in Umatilla.

Foursome spruces up golf course

Craig Enghretson, Don Obrist, Craig Lockwood and Randy Henderson recently pitched in to help with a beautification project at Big River Golf Course in Umatilla. The foursome installed railroad ties along the first and ninth holes. Megan Olsen, general manager, expressed appreciation for the men's efforts, saying it looks "fantastic." Also, Olsen said the 2017 Thursday Night League is officially in the books and congratulations are in order to Josh Browning and Pat Kerrigan, who placed first. Other top teams were Mike Webb and Gunner Olsen; Mike Frink and Keith Morgan; and Aitor Irusta and Steve Cameron. In other links news, the local golfers, representing Big River, Echo Hills Golf

Course and Willow Run Golf Course (Boardman) fared well in the Columbia Basin Senior Blues Golf Association event held Aug. 14 at Big River. In the Columbia Division, Jeff Boedigheimer (72) was second in gross; and in net, D. Richelderfer (79-12=67) placed third and Jim Johnson (82-15=67) tied for fifth. In the Blue Division, Ron Bunch and Ed Jonas tied for first, both shooting an 83; and Dick Lowry (88) was fourth; in net, Don Rebman (84-18=66) was second; and tying for fifth were Don Obrist (91-21=70) and Rod Panches (92-22=70). Mike Hug (97) was third in gross in the Senior Division; and Jim Kietzke (98-30=68) placed third in net. The Sept. 11 tournament is at The Dalles Country Club.



Photo contributed by Amanda Mills Woodlee

Senior center blooms with garden club donation

The Umatilla/Hermiston Garden Club recently presented a donation with money raised from its annual plant sale to the Hermiston Senior Center. Representatives during the check presentation were Alberta Wilkerson, garden club member; Barb Chadwick, garden club president; Irene Miller, senior center president; Virginia Beebe, senior center vice president.

BIRTHS

- St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton**
AUG. 24, 2017
FARRING — Julie Farring and Sam M. Farring of Pendleton: a girl, Aubrey Jewel Farring.
WORTMAN — Kristen R. Wortman and Austin J. Wortman of Hermiston: a girl, Raenah Elizabeth Grace Wortman.
AUG. 25, 2017
AGUILAR — Danielle Mosteller and Alvino Aguilar of Pendleton: a girl, Janelle Maria Aguilar.
AUG. 26, 2017
BOYER — Megan R. Boyer and Michael K. Boyer of La Grande: a boy, Maxwell Carter Boyer.
AUG. 27, 2017
- HALFMOON** — Diana Chavez and Louis Van Pelt: a boy, Himiin Otis Halfmoon.
AUG. 29, 2017
TEMPLE — Jennifer L. LeGrand and Nathan G. Temple of Pendleton: a girl, Stella Josephine Temple.
- Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston**
AUG. 26, 2017
RODRIGUEZ — Michelle Mendoza and Marcelino Rodriguez of Umatilla: a boy, Marcelino Noah Rodriguez.
AUG. 27, 2017
BENAGE — tiffany A. Benage and Andrew M. Benage of Stanfield: a girl, Stella Ann Benage.

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THANK YOU Texas residents appreciate local kindness

Dear Kind Oregonians, I am in Sugar Land, Texas, a city suburb of Houston, surrounded by catastrophic flooding in all directions. My sister and brother-in-law just ate dinner in Pendleton, Oregon, on their way back to Sugar Land from an Alaskan cruise. They were humbled and touched deeply by the waitress and cook at Elvis' Bar & Grill, who insisted on paying for their dinner, as a gesture of support for our Houstonians who are suffering. God bless them and Oregonians. We love you. Diana Dresen Sugar Land, Texas

Pet of the Week



Mama

If you're searching for a sweet and lovable big dog, Mama could be your perfect new family member. Mama is about 8 years old but she has a lot of energy and is young at heart. She is great with kids and loves people. She loves to play in the water and run too! Mama is a sensitive girl and is getting a little sad that she doesn't have a forever home yet. Mama needs to be the only dog in the home so if you're looking for "the one and only" please come to PAWS and rescue this sweet girl. Even if you're not ready to adopt, come play with her and our other animals they really need your time and love. Our adoption hours are Tue - Sat from 12-4pm and we're located at 517 SE 3rd St in Pendleton or visit our website at pendletonpaws.org to see all of our furry friends in need of a home.

Visit Mama at the Pioneer Humane Society/Paws
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