

OUT OF THE VAULT

# Pendleton native among 9/11 victims

September 11, 2001: a day that shook the U.S. to its core. In the aftermath of the terrorist attacks, it was sometimes a long and difficult process to identify the victims. Almost a month later, after matching DNA from a sample of hair from a hairbrush, Pendleton native Mike Selves was verified as among the 188 people killed during the attack on the Pentagon.

Selves, a 53-year-old retired lieutenant colonel who had gone back to work for the Army as a civilian, was apparently in his office near the Pentagon's helipad when the hijacked plane crashed into the building. His wife Gayle, who visited the scene, said

it appeared that the impact of Flight 77 was right near her husband's office. A 1965 graduate of Pendleton High School, Selves joined the Army in 1969, serving in Korea and Italy. He worked for the Pentagon for 15 years before retiring in 1996, then returned to work as a civilian two weeks later, serving as the director of the Information Management Support Center for the Secretary of the Army. Selves was scheduled to retire for good in 2002, and he and wife Gayle had planned to move from Fairfax, Va., to Hilton Head, S.C., to enjoy golf at their timeshare house there.

During a memorial service in Pendleton, Selves' friends spoke about

a warm and generous man who was always ready with a smile. "He was good at jokes," said good friend Mike Burns. "They weren't very good jokes, but they made us laugh."

Members of the PHS Class of 1965 presented Gayle with a Pendleton Woolen Mills "Freedom Blanket" in their friend's memory.

Selves also left behind parents Jack and Florence Selves of Pendleton and sister Karen Hart of Umatilla.

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DEAR ABBY

## Divorcing mom eager to move on puts kids in awkward spot

**Dear Abby:** Please help with some advice regarding my children. My almost-ex-wife filed for divorce while asking me to "work on myself." She refused counseling despite our 17 years of marriage and two children, ages 12 and 10. While I was out of our family home — at her request — she was dating a married (unemployed) man who has a child of his own. Our daughter eventually told me what was going on, which was very hard for her.



JEANNE PHILLIPS Advice

My wife then moved into a rental house. She and the boyfriend are still legally married because the divorces aren't final. Now she's imposing him on our children at the rental house. She also brings him to their sporting events even though it makes the children and other team parents uncomfortable. Is it appropriate that she expose our kids to her dating situation? — **Stay Classy In The West**

**Dear Stay Classy:** Nothing you or I can say to your almost-ex is going to

change what she's doing. And no, what has been going on with her and her lover is not "appropriate."

Please continue to be as supportive of your children as you can be. You should also talk to your lawyer about their custody, because your wife is going to have her hands full supporting this new man in her life, which may mean she has less time to spend with them.

**Dear Abby:** I'm an 11-year-old girl. I just started middle school (sixth grade). The girls in my class have been together since pre-K.

Although I'm new to the school, I knew two of the girls from before. They are very nice and have accepted me. The problem is that they are the "leaders" of two separate groups. During my lunch/recess they each want me to sit with them. How do I do this without hurting any feelings? — **New Kid At School**

**Dear New Kid:** As you said, you are new to the school. For the time being,

alternate sitting with each group. Be friendly to everyone, regardless of which group they belong to. And while you're at it, do the same with classmates who aren't members of either group. In time, you will figure out where you are more comfortable.

**Dear Abby:** I have a set of china I inherited from my mother. I don't have children, and my niece and nephew (brother's side) are estranged from the family. My brother has been raising his now 14-year-old granddaughter from infancy. Have you any ideas on what to do with the dishes? — **Unsure In California**

**Dear Unsure:** Yes, I do. In the past I have received letters from frustrated readers telling me they offered treasured family items — china, crystal, antique furniture — to young relatives, only to have them refused because "they weren't their style." Because the china has sentimental value for you, why don't YOU start using it? However, if it isn't your style either, consider selling or donating it.

DAYS GONE BY

100 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Oct. 14-15, 1917

With a margin of 31 1-2 points, Pendleton golfers won the intercity tournament held Saturday and Sunday on the local golf grounds. Pendleton's total score was 538 against Walla Walla's 506 1-2 and Baker's 467 1-2. George A. Hartman was the individual star of the tournament, leading both in number of points scored for his team and in number of strokes. Clark Nelson of the Pendleton team was second in number of points while Brooke Dickson of the same team was second to Hartman in number of strokes. There were seven golfers from each city, making seven three-man teams. Seventy-two holes were played during the match, 36 each day. After the first day the personnel of the teams was rearranged according to the records made, the idea being to have the players as evenly matched as possible.

50 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Oct. 14-15, 1967

A new chemical mace, Mark IV, lived up to its promises. On hand in Pendleton to see the gas at work were members of the Liquor Control Commission, the FBI and police officers. Unlike tear gas, Mark IV renders its victim immobile and incapable of harming an officer for about 15 minutes. There are no after-effects from the gas. Officer Barry Clift, hoisting a night stick, strode toward officer Wayne Moore. Moore opened up with his spray can and Clift stopped immediately. Looking more like an intoxicated man than a stone-sober policeman testing a new weapon, Clift tried to regain his forces and got his hands about as high as his waist, saying, "I think I could still hit him," before his arms fell to his sides, his shoulders sagged and he stood helpless. "The gas apparently works on the nerves once it touches anywhere on the skin," said Police Chief Ernest Gallaher.

25 Years Ago From the East Oregonian Oct. 14-15, 1992

Repeated accounting problems — and an anonymous phone call — pointed co-owners Terry Herd and Andrea Thornburg of Rabbit Graphics in Pendleton to a problem. They're losing money but didn't know where it was going. After an arduous struggle with emotions and suspicions, the owners faced a shocking reality: one of their trusted employees was a thief, and money stolen from their register was adding up to thousands of dollars. The employee admitted to stealing less than \$10,000 — in portions of about \$35 — but the paper trail left behind suggests as much as \$30,000 may have been taken the same way, Herd said. He said it will be years before the business recovers even that. Karri McKinstry has admitted to first-degree theft, and was ordered last week to pay back Rabbit Graphics a minimum of \$35 each month.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 287th day of 2017. There are 78 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

**On Oct. 14, 1947,** U.S. Air Force Capt. Charles E. ("Chuck") Yeager became the first test pilot to break the sound barrier as he flew the experimental Bell XS-1 (later X-1) rocket plane over Muroc Dry Lake in California.

On this date:

**In 1066,** Normans under William the Conqueror defeated the English at the Battle of Hastings.

**In 1890,** Dwight D. Eisenhower, 34th president of the United States, was born in Denison, Texas.

**In 1912,** former President Theodore Roosevelt, campaigning for the White House as the Progressive ("Bull Moose") candidate, went ahead with a speech in Milwaukee after being shot and wounded in the chest by New York saloonkeeper John Schrank, declaring, "It takes more than one bullet to kill a bull moose."

**In 1926,** "Winnie-the-Pooh" by A.A. Milne was first published by Methuen & Co. of London.

**In 1939,** a German U-boat torpedoed and sank the HMS Royal Oak, a British battleship anchored at Scapa Flow in Scotland's Orkney Islands; 833 of the more than 1,200 men aboard were killed.

**In 1944,** German Field Marshal Erwin Rommel committed suicide rather than face trial and certain execution for allegedly conspiring against Adolf Hitler.

**In 1959,** actor Errol Flynn died in Vancouver, British

Columbia, Canada, at age 50.

**In 1960,** Democratic presidential candidate John F. Kennedy suggested the idea of a Peace Corps while addressing an audience of students at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor.

**In 1964,** civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was named winner of the Nobel Peace Prize. Soviet leader Nikita S. Khrushchev was toppled from power; he was succeeded by Leonid Brezhnev as First Secretary and by Alexei Kosygin as Premier.

**In 1977,** singer Bing Crosby died outside Madrid, Spain, at age 74.

**In 1987,** a 58-hour drama began in Midland, Texas, as 18-month-old Jessica McClure slid 22 feet down a narrow abandoned well at a private day care center; she was rescued on Oct. 16.

**In 1997,** novelist Harold Robbins died in Palm Springs, California, at age 81.

**Ten years ago:** Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice opened an intense round of Mideast shuttle diplomacy. Three University of Texas students exploring Airman's Cave were rescued after

getting lost inside a day earlier. The reality TV show "Keeping Up with the Kardashians" premiered on E! Entertainment Television.

**Five years ago:** Extreme athlete Felix Baumgartner landed gracefully in the eastern New Mexico desert after a 24-mile jump from a balloon in the stratosphere in a daring, dramatic feat that officials said made him the first skydiver to fall faster than the speed of sound. Retired Air Force Brig. Gen. Chuck Yeager, at the age of 89, marked the 65th anniversary of his supersonic flight by smashing through the sound barrier again, this time in the backseat of an F-15 which took off from Nellis Air Force Base in Nevada.

**Today's Birthdays:** Classical pianist Gary Graffman is 89. Movie director Carroll Ballard is 80. Former White House counsel John W. Dean III is 79. Country singer Melba Montgomery is 80. Fashion designer Ralph Lauren is 78. Singer Sir Cliff Richard is 77. Singer-musician Justin Hayward (The Moody Blues) is 71. Actor Harry Anderson is 65. Actor Greg Evigan is 64. TV personality Arleen Sorokin is 62. World Golf Hall of Famer Beth Daniel is 61. Singer-musician Thomas Dolby is 59. Actress Lori Petty is 54. MLB manager Joe Girardi is 53. Actor Steve Coogan is 52. Singer Karyn White is 52. Actor Edward Kerr is 51. Actor Jon Seda is 47. Country musician Doug Virden is 47. Country singer Natalie Maines (The Dixie Chicks) is 43. Actress-singer Shaznay Lewis (All Saints) is 42. Singer Usher is 39. TV personality Stacy Keibler is 38. Actor Ben Whishaw is 37. Actor Jordan Brower is 36. Actor-comedian Jay Pharoah is 30.

**Thought for Today:** "To think is to speak low. To speak is to think aloud." — F. Max Mueller, German philologist (1823-1900).

# WORD★Roundup™

by David L. Hoyt & Jeff Knurek

Find and Circle...

- Nine words ending in EE (four-letter min.)
- Five four-letter countries
- Martin \_\_\_\_\_
- Rush
- Driving \_\_\_\_\_ (golf practice area)

Answers to Sunday's puzzle: THREE AGREE PURE EMCEE TREE FREE GLEE KNEE FLEE / LAOS PERU / IRAQ IRAN CUBA / LAWRENCE SHORT / HURRY / RANGE /

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## 7 LITTLE WORDS

Find the 7 words to match the 7 clues. The numbers in parentheses represent the number of letters in each solution. Each letter combination can be used only once, but all letter combinations will be necessary to complete the puzzle.

CLUES	SOLUTIONS
1 "X-Men" actress Jones (7)	_____
2 walk, army-style (5)	_____
3 country singer Carter (4)	_____
4 artist & filmmaker Miranda (4)	_____
5 distinguished (6)	_____
6 1978 Earth, Wind & Fire song (9)	_____
7 Soviet nuclear sub class (8)	_____

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Today's Answers: 1. JANUARY 2. MARCH 3. JUNE 4. JULY 5. AUGUST 6. SEPTEMBER 7. NOVEMBER 10/17

ODDS & ENDS

### Driver tells troopers that car chase was on his bucket list

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — The Iowa State Patrol says a man pulled over in Des Moines after a car pursuit told state troopers that he wanted to be chased because it was on his bucket list.

Des Moines television station KCCI reports that the man refused to halt a little before 7:30 a.m. Thursday when a trooper tried to stop him over a violation on Interstate 80. The 10- to 15-minute chase ended soon after he left the interstate. He was taken into custody.

That's when the 46-year-old Des Moines resident shared his bucket list story with troopers. Court records don't yet show that he's been charged.

State Patrol Sgt. Scott Bright told The Associated Press that he'd never heard such an excuse in his 28 years of policing.

### Nebraska city sells \$43 house, may save thousands in deal

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — A city in Nebraska has sold a house for only \$43. But that may turn into a bargain for local taxpayers.

The Lincoln Journal Star reports the city of Lincoln paid \$675,000 for land that will be used for a new fire station.

Assistant Fire Chief Pat Borer says a house on the property was recently sold through an online auction for \$43. The buyer plans to move the house to another town, which means the city won't have to knock it down to make room for the new fire station.

Borer says that will save Lincoln thousands of dollars in demolition costs.

Public Safety Director Tom Casady says the ranch-style house with a two-car garage will be moved to Shubert, about 67 miles southeast of Lincoln.

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