#### Saturday, May 25, 2019

## **OBITUARIES Rodney E. Lyles** Pendleton October 24, 1947 — May 22, 2019

Rodney Edmond Lyles was born on October 24, 1947, to Edmond and Clara Lyles in Sta. Paula, California. He passed on peacefully in his sleep in the loving arms of his wife, Zenaida M. Lyles, on May 22, 2019.

Rod grew up with his younger sister, Laura, surrounded by aunts, uncles and cousins. At an early age, Rod distinguished himself as the brightest among them, having started first grade at age 5. He was very keen in reading, writing and mathematics. It has been known that teachers would send him to the library to read independently when lessons got too easy for him. He excelled in baseball and had a golden glove in the outfield. He shared his love for the game with his children.

In pursuit of further learning Jean Piaget's development of intelligence among children, he transferred from University of Oregon to University of Minnesota where John Flavell, an authority on Piaget, taught and conducted research at the Institute of Child Development there. Rod studied diligently in Flavell's courses.

In 1971 Rod met the love of his life, Zenaida Masangkay Lyles, at the dining hall shared by the dormitories where they resided, Territorial and Centennial. As the lead investigator, Zenaida conducted studies with John Flavell along with a team of graduate students and they published seminal research on the early development of inferences about visual percepts of others. Rod could not have been any prouder of her.

Rod and Zenaida navigated the academic world at the university with a bevy of nerdy friends with whom they shared bonds that have flourished to this day. Devoted to each other, they saw through four years of being separated by an ocean and continents. Zenaida's graduate work at the University of Minnesota was funded by a scholarship through Philippine Normal College with a contract to serve the college back as instructor and researcher in its faculty. During the pre-email years, Rod and Zenaida exchanged letters. Rod worked as a correctional officer at Walla Walla State Correctional Institute and in 1976, he petitioned for Zenaida to come back to the USA as his fiancée. Zenaida's luggage included a suitcase filled with letters from Rod. They were married on February 14, 1977, at St. Patrick's Church in Walla Walla, Washington.

Their son Randy, was born in Walla Walla and their daughter Lara was born in Pullman. The family moved to Spokane, Hermiston and Boardman before settling down in Pendleton, Oregon.

He worked at Pendleton School District, the United States Postal Service in Umatilla and at the Wildhorse Resort and Casino. Zenaida's role in education expanded as she became a school principal and an education department director, affording Rod the gifts of time and means to explore his passion for arts and music. While living in Spokane, Washington, Rod and his mother, Clara, opened a stained glass studio where Rod's artistry in designing and creating stained glass works of art was held in high esteem by fellow artists. Inspired by Monet and Gauguin, Rod created oil paintings that were appreciated by their viewers.

A longtime aficionado of rock and roll, Rod later focused his artistry in playing the guitar with the concerted diligence of collecting guitars and amplifiers.

The pride of his life are his two children: Randy, who works with the Oregon Department of Human Services, and Lara, who works at Northern Illinois University. A devoted father, he was their number one fan as they played sports during their years in school. He provided them with pointers in playing ball. Many a time, he surprised them with gourmet cuisine, to the delight of their mother, Zenaida. Rod prepared sumptuous breakfast and dinner. Rod's dedication to his family is very inspiring. He was a doting grandfather to Eli (Randy and Jami).

Friends and lovers, Rod and Zenaida's wedded years were filled with bliss, humor and endless tete-a-tete that could get them running to the nearest encyclopedia during the pre-Google era. They traveled together, visiting Zenaida's family in the Philippines, where Rod was easily mistaken to be a rock star. Valentin and Benita Masangkay appreciated how Rod loved and cared for Zenaida, their daughter. The families and children of Joseph and Julie Masangkay, Albert and Teodora Lacerna, Mario and Jacqueline Masangkay and Harold and Maria de Leon consider Rod as a highly adored and respected member of the Masangkay clan.

Together Rod and Zenaida raised Randy and Lara. Kind, mindful and respectful, they bring joy to individuals with whom they associate, making Rod truly proud of them.

Rod was preceded in death by his parents, Edmond and Clara Lyles, and several aunts and uncles.

He is survived by his wife, Zenaida; children Randy (Jami) and Lara, and grandson Eli; sister Laura Webster (Cliff); niece Leslie Ferreira and nephew Todd Ferreira; and several aunts and cousins.

Rod will forever live in the hearts and minds of his family and loved ones. Sign the online guestbook

at www.burnsmortuary.com

## **DEATH NOTICES**

## Sister Marie Monica Borden

## Pendleton

## May 1, 1935 — May 23, 2019

Sister Marie Monica Borden, 84, of Pendleton, died Thursday, May 23, 2019, at her home. She was born May 1, 1935, in Yakima, Washington. A rosary will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 3 at Pendleton Pioneer Chapel. A memorial Mass of Resurrection will be held Tuesday, June 4 at 11 a.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, with burial to follow at Olney Cemetery. Arrangements are with Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop.

## **Charles C. 'Chuck' Burton**

## Hermiston

#### Oct. 23, 1938 — Feb. 27, 2019

Charles C. "Chuck" Burton, 80, of Hermiston, died Feb. 27, 2019, in Hermiston. He was born Oct. 23, 1938, in Collbran, Colorado. A celebration of life service will be held Saturday, June 15 at 2 p.m. at Hermiston Christian Center, 1825 W. Highland Ave. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Share memories with the family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

## **UPCOMING SERVICES**

## **SATURDAY, MAY 25**

HILL, MYRTLE — Memorial service at 2:30 p.m. at Blue Mountain Valley Mission Seventh-day Adventist Church, 78600 First St., Athena.

**RENICK**, **FRAN** — Celebration of life service at 1 p.m. at Pendleton Center for the Arts, 215 N. Main St., Pendleton.

#### **SUNDAY, MAY 26**

HAINES, CARLAN — Celebration of life gathering at 1:30 p.m. beginning at Westland Ditch Road, Echo, and then transitioning to a time of sharing and fellowship at Fort Henrietta Park, Main Street, Echo.

#### **MONDAY, MAY 27**

No services scheduled

### **TUESDAY, MAY 28**

LIEUALLEN. MARILYN — Celebration of life at 11 a.m. at Adams Community Church, 160 N. Main St. Interment will follow at the Athena Cemetery.

# Pendleton seniors earn **PFLAG** scholarships



Pendleton High School seniors Daphny Chen and Samuel Attridge are the 2019 recipients of the \$1,000 Roberta Frasier Anderson Diversity Scholarship, presented by PFLAG Pendleton. Both Daphny and Sam have held long-term leadership positions in the PHS Gay Straight Alliance club and have been outspoken supporters of anti-bullying activities and policies in their school. They have been actively involved in The National Day of Silence event at PHS, which promotes equality and acceptance for all students. Daphny Chen is a member of the National Honor Society and was voted a Citizenship Cup recipient at PHS. She also participates on the Pendleton Public Library Teen Council and was named the Pendleton Youth

Volunteer in 2018. Daphny has successfully managed four very active years of high school while working for her family's business in Pendleton. Daphny has a 4.27 GPA and will attend Oregon State University this fall.

Samuel Attridge has served as an officer for the National Honor Society. has been a member of the PHS Symphonic Band and received the 2018 Chemistry Student of the Year award. He was PHS Swim Team captain and was named the Pendleton City Youth Volunteer in 2017. Sam has a 4.27 GPA and plans to attend Oregon State University this fall. PFLAG Pendleton established the diversity scholarship in Roberta Anderson's honor to recognize PHS graduating seniors who exemplify the leadership and commitment to social equality to which Anderson dedicated her life. PFLAG Pendleton's threefold mission includes support, education and advocacy for families with LGBTQ youth.

## MEETINGS

#### **MONDAY, MAY 27**

#### CASON'S PLACE CHILDREN AND FAMILY GRIEF RECOVERY CENTER BOARD, 6 p.m., Cason's Place, 1416 S.E. Court Ave.,

Pendleton. All those interested in volunteering are encouraged to attend. (Matt Terjeson 503-720-1620)

MILTON-FREEWATER CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library Albee Room, 8 S.W. Elghth Ave., Milton-Freewater. (541-938-5531)

HERMISTON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Hermiston City Hall council chambers, 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston. (541-567-5521) **IRRIGON COMMUNITY PARKS & RECREATION DIS-**

TRICT, 7 p.m., Irrigon Fire Station, 705 N. Main St., Irrigon. (541-922-3047)

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 28**

UMATILLA-MORROW COUNTY HEAD START, 11:30 a.m., Head Start boardroom, 110 N.E. Fourth St., Hermiston. (Monina Ward 541-564-6878)

## **OBITUARY POLICY**

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IONE SCHOOL DISTRICT, 4:30 p.m., Ione Community School, 445 Spring St., Ione. 4:30 p.m. board meeting, 5:30 p.m. budget committee meeting. (Kim Thul 541-422-7131)

MORROW COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT, 6 p.m., Pioneer Memorial Hospital conference room, 564 E. Pioneer Drive, Heppner. 6 p.m. provider dinner, 6:30 p.m. board meeting. (Tonia Adams 541-676-2942)

UMATILLA PLANNING COMMISSION, 6:30 p.m., Umatilla City Hall, 700 Sixth St., Umatilla. (Brandon Seitz 541-922-3226 ext. 103)

MORROW COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Bartholomew Government Building upper conference room, 110 N. Court St., Heppner. (541-922-4624)

#### WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

LOWER UMATILLA BASIN GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, 9 a.m., HAREC conference room, 2121 S. First St., Hermiston. (Janet Greenup 541-676-5452)

THURSDAY, MAY 30-FRIDAY, MAY 31 No meetings scheduled

4 p.m.: 8-9-8-7 2019 Megabucks 7 p.m.: 7-2-6-9 08-24-25-27-32-44 10 p.m.: 9-4-0-5 Estimated jackpot: \$2.2 million 2019 Powerball Lucky Lines 07-10-20-44-57 Powerball: 3 22-28-32 Power Play: 2 Estimated jackpot: \$27,000 \$288 million Pick 4 Win for Life 1 p.m.: 9-4-8-6 64-68-71-75 4 p.m.: 3-6-5-3 **Lucky Lines** 04-07-09-15-FREE-19-7 p.m.: 3-6-1-7 10 p.m.: 3-5-8-4 24-27-29 Estimated jackpot:

Thursday, May 23, 04-05-11-13-FREE-18-Estimated jackpot: Friday, May 24, 2019 Pick 4 1 p.m.: 7-5-8-5

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