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Domestic Violence Services holds its seventh annual In Her Shoes walk to raise awareness of domestic violence in Hermiston on April 24, 2021. The 2022 event is Saturday, April 30, at Good Shepherd Health Care System, Hermiston.

In Her Shoes raises awareness of domestic violence

By ERICK PETERSON
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HERMISTON — An upcoming activity will bring attention to the problem of domestic violence and sexual assault.

Domestic Violence Services Inc. is organizing the eighth annual DVS Walk In Her Shoes awareness event Saturday, April 30, starting at 9 a.m. The walk is at Good Shepherd Health Care System, 610 N.W. 11th St., Hermiston.

Robbin Ferguson, interim executive director and fiscal manager at DVS, said there are things happening that make domestic violence and sexual assault especially relevant today.

“Economics has an effect on (the rate of cases),” she said. “The pandemic has had an effect on it, because there were more people at home and people who can’t get away from the situation.”

At the event, people will “take a journey through a real victim’s story and make decisions from the limited choices and resources they have,” Ferguson said. Attendees have the choice of receiving the stories on their phones or reading them in a book.

After reading stories and saying what they would do in the same situations, attendees will hear the actual results.

“You may make the choice that you think is the

best, but you still can be in a violent situation,” she said. “You can talk to your clergy, end up going back and talk to your friends. It’s real life. It’s very powerful.”

She added domestic abuse and sexual assault happen to all races, ethnic groups and genders, which is another lesson she hopes the event will impart.

Ferguson said this is an event for people regardless of gender. Everyone will get something out of this, she said.

“Last year was stormy and rainy,” Ferguson said.

That being the case, she said, attendance was down. The forecast for April 30, too, includes scattered showers.

A DVS press release stated participants may register for free at the event. Bottled water, disinfecting wipes, sanitizer, disposable masks and gloves will be available. The first 20 registered participants will receive a DVS goodie bag, and there will be DVS merchandise for sale and raffle items.

Proceeds from the event, received from merchandise sales and the raffle, will go toward helping victims at emergency shelters in Pendleton and Hermiston, as well as the DVS Advocacy Centers in Pendleton, Hermiston, Milton-Freewater, Boardman and Ione. For more information, visit dvs-or.org.

Jean Leone Cummings

August 12, 1943 - April 14, 2022

Jean Leone Cummings born: The 12th of August 1943. Jean passed away on The 14th of April 2022 surrounded by her loved ones. Raised in her family’s logging camp in Yaak Montana going to grade school in a small one room log cabin that still runs to this day. After attending high school in Troy, MT Jean married Hoy Bryant and their family grew with her daughter



Renee then sons William and Robert to follow. Later moving to Pendleton, Oregon and ultimately ending her marriage to Hoy, Jean later met Floyd Caldwell and her family grew to include his four children as well. She was a loving mother and step-mother in any way she could be.

After, Jean was a caring wife to George Perkins until his death in March of 2002. They loved camping in their motorhome and big blue GMC pickup-truck and adored their animals from dogs and cats to ducks and geese. Jean worked various jobs over the years but was most known as a Good Friend, Bartender, and Bookkeeper at The Hut Restaurant and Lounge for over 30 years where she retired.

She was a wonderful cook and loved to provide a good meal for anyone to enter her front door. Jean enjoyed gardening, spending as much time outdoors as she could and her very competitive games of Yahtzee and Scrabble with her good friends—including Jeannine Huffman.

Preceded in death by husband George Perkins, daughter, Ranée Ford, step-daughter Julie Kritzer, brothers, Eugene-Dennis and Kenneth, sister, Ila Carleen, parents, Carl and Della Cummings, and niece and nephew Monica and Marty Erice.

Jean is survived by her sisters Carolyn Erice and Grace Jordan, sons, William and Robert Bryant, step-son Kevin Perkins, grandchildren, Rion Ream, Amanda Madison, Jon, Richie, Daniel, Jacob, Kohl, and Kaleb Bryant—and four Great-Grandchildren

Jean was cared for in her last days by her grandson Jacob Bryant, and son, Robert Bryant. As well as her loving life partner Al Waggoner and beloved dog Brady.

There will be a Celebration of Life for Jean at the Pilot Rock Community Center on Saturday, April 30th, Located at 285 NW Cedar Place, Pilot Rock Oregon Time: 1:00 O’clock in the afternoon Potluck Style Dining- All who knew Jean are welcome. Thank You.

DEATH NOTICES

Ralph W. Akers

Boardman
Sep. 21, 1941 — Nov. 17, 2021

Ralph W. Akers, 80, of Boardman, died Nov. 17, 2021, in Kennewick. He was born Sep. 21, 1941, in Ione. A celebration of life will be April 30, 1 p.m. at the Old Akers Homestead, 2.2 miles downstream from Ione, follow the flags. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Richard W. ‘Rick’ Dameron

Hermiston
March 12, 1947 — April 23, 2022

Richard W. “Rick” Dameron, 75, of Hermiston, died April 23, 2022, in Boise. He was born March 12, 1947, in Philadelphia. A celebration gathering will be April 29, 1 p.m. at the Hermiston Christian Center, 1825 W. Highland Ave. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Ronalee A. ‘Ronni’ Ransom

Umatilla
June 17, 1955 — April 23, 2022

Ronalee A. “Ronni” Ransom, 66, of Umatilla, died April 23, 2022, in Kennewick. She was born June 17, 1955, in Lewistown, Montana. A graveside service will be April 30, 1 p.m. at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Catarina ‘Cata’ Rodriguez

Hermiston
Nov. 23, 1925 — April 25, 2022

Catarina “Cata” Rodriguez, 96, of Hermiston, died April 25, 2022, at her home. She was born Nov. 23, 1925, in Los Angeles. Recitation of the holy rosary will be April 27, 6 p.m. at Burns Mortuary Chapel, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Mass of Christian Burial will be April 28, 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

COMMUNITY BRIEFING

IMAC serves up hearty breakfast

IRRIGON — The monthly Irrigon Multicultural Arts Center fundraising breakfast is this weekend.

The meal is served Saturday, April 30, 7:30-10:30 a.m. at Stokes Landing Senior

Center, 150 Columbia Lane, Irrigon. The cost is \$5 per person.

The group is dedicated to preserving Irrigon’s 1921 school building and developing a regional art venue. For more information, call Peggy Price at 541-561-1737.

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Deloris Anna Gisinger

June 2, 1940 - April 17, 2022

Deloris Anna Gisinger of Pendleton, Oregon, was born to John and Anna Gisinger on June 2, 1940, at her parents’ home in Bismarck, North Dakota. She died on April 17, 2022, in Hermiston, Oregon, at the age of 81 years.

In October 1941, the family moved to Hermiston, Oregon, where she attended school graduating from Hermiston High School in 1958. Deloris had the opportunity to enter nurses training in 1958 at St. Elizabeth School of Nursing in Yakima, Washington. While enrolled in nurses training, she also attended the Yakima Valley Junior College and the University of Washington College. Also, studies were done at the Firland Communicable Disease Hospital in Seattle, Washington, and the Steilacoom State Hospital in Tacoma, Washington. Deloris graduated from St. Elizabeth School of Nursing on March 19, 1961.

Following graduation from nursing school, she began her lifelong career at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton, Oregon. Her positions included, surgical scrub nurse, medical nursing (for 10 1/2 years), supervisor of nurses (six years), emergency room nursing, intravenous therapist, and experience in pediatric, obstetric and geriatric nursing.

Deloris had many hobbies and interests throughout her life including, reading, bowling, crocheting, embroidering, her career, and most of all, her travels throughout the world. She traveled to Hawaii, Scotland, England, Ireland, Wales, France, Switzerland, Austria, Lichenstein, Italy and Athens. She also traveled throughout the United States and loved her times at the Oregon coast. In 1976, she and her friend, Nancy, took a trip to the Centennial activities in the East.

Deloris and her mother, Anna, wrote a Berger family history book. Thus, completing a long dream and ambition of her mother.

“Giddle” as a few of us called her (German for Godmother) will be remembered for many things: double feature movies at the local theatre on a Saturday afternoon with a huge bag of popcorn, soda and candy in her bag. Road trips to Yakima to visit family, sleepovers and getting to stay up really late, her gifts to us from all over the world, family functions and special events. Most of all for the love she showed and shared with each and every one of us.

She is survived by her sister, Shirley Hall; nieces, Melvalee Carter and Lisa Blagg; and nephews, John Hall and Kevin Hall. She was also blessed with 21 great-nieces and nephews and many lifelong friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Anna Gisinger; grandparents, John and Regina Gisinger, George and Magdalena Berger; brother-in-law, Edward Hall; and many uncles, aunts and cousins.

Recitation of the holy rosary will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2022, at 11 a.m. at St Andrew’s Catholic Church, Mission, Oregon, with Mass of Christian Burial to follow. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery, Hermiston, Oregon.

Please share memories of Deloris with her family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon, is in care of arrangements.

UPCOMING SERVICES

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

Rodriguez, Cata — Mass of Christian Burial, 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Burial will follow at Hermiston Cemetery.

FRIDAY, APRIL 29

Dameron, Rick — Celebration gathering, 1 p.m. at Hermiston Christian Center, 1825 W. Highland Ave.

Gronquist, Barbata — Graveside service, 3 p.m. at Riverview Cemetery, Boardman.

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

Bowman, Ray — Graveside service, 10 a.m. at Olney Cemetery, Pendleton.

Burton, Peggy — Celebration of life, 11 a.m. at Hermiston Christian Center, 1825 W. Highland Ave.

Gisiner, Deloris — Recitation of the holy rosary 11 a.m., followed by Mass of Christian Burial, 11:30 a.m. at St. Andrew’s Catholic Church, 48022 St. Andrews Road, Pendleton.

Ransom, Ronni — Graveside service 1 p.m. at Hermiston Cemetery.

May, Mark — Memorial service, 4 p.m. at Victory Lighthouse Church, 1940 N.E. 10th St., Hermiston.

Kelly, Heidi — Memorial service, 1 p.m. at Eastwind Community Church, 4750 S. Surprise Way, Boise, Idaho.

Akers, Ralph — Celebration of life, 1 p.m. at Old Akers Homestead, 2.2 miles downstream from Ione, follow the flags.

LOTTERY

Monday, April 25, 2022
Megabucks

10-12-13-19-25-44
Estimated jackpot: \$4.6 million

Lucky Lines
2-6-10-16-17-24-26-32
Estimated jackpot: \$13,000

Win for Life
3-39-48-50

Pick 4
1 p.m.: 1-3-4-7
4 p.m.: 5-1-3-3
7 p.m.: 6-7-2-6
10 p.m.: 3-8-5-1

Tuesday, April 26, 2022
Mega Millions

5-7-19-46-69
Mega Ball: 2
Megaplier: x4
Estimated jackpot: \$31 million

Lucky Lines
1-5-11-14-19-21-26-32
Estimated jackpot: \$14,000

Pick 4

1 p.m.: 9-8-6-2
4 p.m.: 8-6-2-8
7 p.m.: 7-0-6-6
10 p.m.: 0-5-5-0

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The family of Jim Pace invites you to a memorial to celebrate his life on April 30th from 3-6pm at the Adams, OR City Park. Finger foods and refreshments will be provided. Please bring a chair and your favorite memories of Jim. I look forward to seeing you all there!

Dennis Edgar Baker

August 14, 1955 - November 28, 2021

Dennis Edgar Baker of Stanfield, Oregon passed away November 28, 2021 after battling stomach and liver cancer. Dennis was born in Kendrick Idaho August 14, 1955 to Edgar and Lucile Baker. Dennis was the 5th out of 6 children

Dennis had a traumatic accident when he was 8 years old, he fell out of a swing that resulted in a compound fracture of his left arm. That wound became infected to the point that he got gas gangrene that almost took his life. The wound never healed correctly and Dennis’s arm was forever crippled. But this did not slow him down at all.

He did so much in his life, one career after another, there wasn’t anything he couldn’t do.

From owning his own partnered construction company in Alaska with his best friend Joel Borkevec to running his own log trucking outfit in Oregon. Not to mention the logging adventures with his brothers Dick and Bob and nephew Dick Jr. so many years ago. Dennis and Ty also had another outfit in North Dakota hauling rock. Also, he was a butcher, carpenter, mechanic, fisherman and hunter extraordinaire.

Dennis is survived by his kids and grandchildren. Daughter Samantha and grandkids Troy, MyKenna, Hawkyn Blue and Delylah. Son Nathan with grandkids Colby and Dylan. Son Tyrel with grandkids Bailey Rose, Ezra and Lola Adele. Also survived by Brothers Dick, Bruce, Henry and Sister Bonnie.

Dennis was preceded in death by his Father and Mother and Brother Bob.

A Celebration of Life will be held at his childhood home at 605 S Main St, Stanfield, Or. On April 30, 2022 at 2:00 pm. All friends, family and loved ones are welcome and encouraged to attend.