

Hermiston artist is beggin' for new beginning

Art show and sale is July 23

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HERMISTON — A one-day art show and sale is planned by Hermiston artist Kim La Plant.

Presented by Ozark Hippie Art and Creations, the “New Beginnings Art Exhibit” is Saturday, July 23, 5-9 p.m. at 611 E. Highland Ave., Hermiston. It features all originals by La Plant, who describes herself as an “abstract impressionistic painter and creator.”

La Plant said the show and sale is the culmination of her last three years. After experiencing numerous traumatic losses in the past few years, she dove into her artwork.

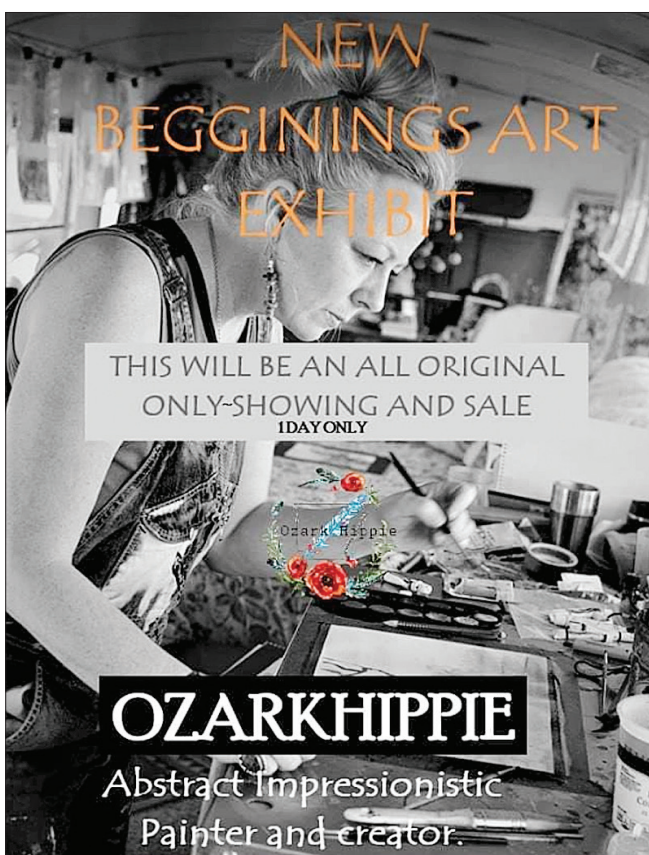
“There’s two ‘g’s’ on the ‘beginnings’ because it’s kind of a joke — like I’m beggin’ for a new beginning,” the artist said. “I need to clean house. I’m just doing a clean slate.”

Ozark Hippie — La Plant’s moniker — refers to her Arkansas roots. She is a self-taught artist who works in watercolors. She also has created with charcoal, acrylics, carving and woodworking, as well as repurposing a variety of objects.

La Plant was the featured artist in an exhibit five years ago at the Hermiston Public Library. In addition, she has shown and sold her work at various vendor fairs.

Several years ago, La Plant opened an art studio in Stanfield. While that endeavor didn’t continue long, she said she would like to start some sort of art venture that assists people experiencing stress and trauma.

For a chance to win one of La Plant’s original prints, search Facebook for Ozark Hippie Art and Creations — scroll the page to a post on July 12 for directions on how to enter. The winner will be announced July 23. For questions, email ozarkhippiecreations@gmail.com.



Kim La Plant/Contributed Photo

Original artwork by Ozark Hippie Art and Creations is featured during a show and sale Saturday, July 23, 2022, at 611 E. Highland Ave., Hermiston.

COMMUNITY BRIEFING

Guitar legend to perform at Great Pacific

PENDLETON — Blues guitar virtuoso Terry Robb returns to Pendleton for Live @ Great Pacific.

As part of the free concert series, the upcoming show is Saturday, July 23, 6-8 p.m. at Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St., Pendleton. Sponsored by The Prodigal Son Brewery & Pub, three of its beers will be available on tap. The event is open to all ages.

Hailing from Portland, Robb has been inducted into both the Oregon Music Hall of Fame and the Cascade Blues Association Hall of Fame. After winning the Muddy Award for best acoustic guitar for 19 consecutive years, in 2011 the award was renamed the Terry Robb Acoustic Guitar Muddy Award to honor his contributions to blues music. In 2017, he received the Muddy Award for lifetime achievement.

For more information about the concert series, call Addison Schulberg

at 541-276-1350 or email bookpendleton@gmail.com. For more about Robb, visit www.terryrobb.com.

Local stores host Walmart Wellness Day

UMATILLA COUNTY — Walmart invites people to get healthy and ready for back-to-school during Walmart Wellness Day. The event is offered at numerous Walmart stores throughout the region — including Pendleton (2203 S.W. Court Ave.) and Hermiston (1350 N. First St.) — on Saturday, July 23, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the store’s pharmacy.

Customers can receive free glucose, cholesterol, BMI and blood pressure screenings as well as COVID-19 vaccines. Also, affordable immunizations, including shingles, pneumonia, tetanus, hepatitis, HPV and flu are available.

The goal of Walmart Wellness Day is to encourage customers to get healthy and to gain basic test results to assist in making decisions to

improve their health. People can learn about wellness resources and have an opportunity to talk with pharmacists.

For more information about participating stores, search www.walmart.com/wellnesshub.

Heritage Station announces summer hours

PENDLETON — With the weather heating up, Heritage Station Museum is resuming its summer hours.

Located at 108 S.W. Frazer Ave., Pendleton, the museum is now open seven days a week. Operating hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4/seniors, \$2/students and free for members and children under 5. And on the first Saturday of each month, admission is free for everyone.

The Heritage Gallery features “Umatilla Gold, the History of Wheat in Umatilla County.” And the Depot Gallery includes a short film about the Oregon Trail, a

Century Farms exhibit and an exhibit highlighting first responders. The museum grounds feature the Byrd Schoolhouse, the Barn and Homestead, the Fix Cabin and the Caboose.

Also, mark your calendars and watch for additional information as the date gets closer — Pioneer Day returns to the museum on Aug. 20. In addition, special evening programs are periodically offered on Terrific Tuesday.

For more information, visit www.heritagestation.org or search Facebook. For questions, call 541-276-0012 or email info@heritagestation-museum.org.

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Let us have love



SARAH HAUG

LIGHT OF UNITY

“Let us have love and more love.”

This quote is from the Baha’i Writings, but all the religions of the world are united around the concept of love. Love provides some of the strongest evidence for the existence of a spiritual world in that, by transcending physical existence, it has the power and potential to transform not only a human being but every human being.

Love drives human behavior at its most basic. Studies have shown that humans raised without love flounder and die. And yet, love remains hopelessly undefined, and it doesn’t really help to say that those of us who have loved or been loved know it when we see it. “Love is patient, love is kind,” “a mother’s love,” even “tough love” all describe a concept that is tangible and intangible at one and the same time.

The result of love, on the other hand, is plain for all to see. It is hard to find a single aspect of human existence that isn’t augmented by the presence of love — or isn’t made worse by its absence.

Love embodies positive virtues and values such as compassion, empathy, caring, service — and the very concept of “good.” Negative attributes such as hatred, greed and envy are devoid of love. Often,

it isn’t even that the people consumed by the latter are without love, but rather that they deliberately deny love for others and suppress it within themselves in order to pursue their own desires. Or maybe, even more, their love of themselves eclipses their love of others.

What would the world be like without love? I submit that the less we love, the more our lives resemble that of the lowest of creatures, pursuing our wants and desires to the exclusion of all else. Humans might not be unique in our ability to love, but the choice to love, and to meet hate with love, definitely is. That isn’t even to say we shouldn’t stand up to, defend against, or counter evil. It’s just that we shouldn’t do it out of a need for revenge or hate. We should do it because we love, and we recognize the harm a lack of love does to those who act without it.

One might even say that true triumph over evil cannot be accomplished without love.

To continue the quote: “Let us have love and more love, a love that melts all opposition, that sweeps away all barriers, that conquers all foes, a love that aboundeth in charity, large-heartedness, tolerance and noble striving, a love that triumphs over all obstacles ... Hast thou love? Then thy power is irresistible (and) ... all the stars will sing thy praise.”

Sarah Haug is a member of the Baha’i Faith and has called Pendleton home since 2002. You can find her most days walking on the Pendleton River Parkway with her husband, Dan.

William ‘Bill’ Meade

Dec. 18, 1937 — July 9, 2022

William “Bill” Meade, 84, of Hermiston, died on July 9, 2022, in Pendleton, Oregon.

Bill was born on Dec. 18, 1937, in the small Eastern Oregon town of Stanfield to parents Jess and Gladys Meade. He grew up working on the family farm, playing sports and attending school. As a graduating senior, he was class president and student athlete of the year. Relationships established during Bill’s youth became lifelong friendships.

Bill attended college at Eastern Oregon University where he also played baseball. If you ever asked Bill how a guy his size could throw a 90-mph fastball, he’d smile and tell you a little story about growing up as a young Stanfield farm boy milking cows. Bill was a standout high school and college athlete whom many felt had the potential to play in the big leagues. However, Bill chose family and love over his athletic aspirations.

In 1957, Bill met the true love of his life, Barbara. A year later, they married and relocated to the Seattle, Washington, area where Bill had found employment working for the largest volume grocery retailer at the time in the Pacific Northwest, Grocery Boys. Bill worked his way up the ranks from night crew to store manager. Bill and Barbara started their family with the birth of their first son, David, followed four years later by the birth of their second son, Mitchell.

After some time, Bill left grocery retail management for a consulting and advertising manager opportunity for two different grocery retail advertising groups; Family Grocer and Red Apple Markets. Bill played an integral role in the development of the Red Apple Market program.

Bill’s job required frequent travel within the Pacific and Inland Northwest, where he would regularly meet and work directly with various member store owners. While networking and building relationships with member store owners, Bill gained interest in eventually owning a store of his own.

In 1992, Bill and Barbara realized the American dream and purchased Key Buy Foods in Umatilla, Oregon. Bill ultimately chose this location based on the potential for growth within the community. Bill had a simple operational philosophy — to provide quality products and services at fair prices while providing for a pleasant shopping experience. Having remodeled the store and naming it Columbia Red Apple Market, they operated within this format for the following 12 years. In 2008, they again remodeled the store to become what it is today, Columbia Harvest Foods. As a result of his hard work, dedication and

success, Bill was named business person of the year on three separate occasions.

From his prior experiences working with different store owners, Bill also understood the value in supporting and involving himself in the local community. It was in Bill’s genuine nature to help others become successful.

In their own quiet and unassuming way, Bill and Barbara gave back to their community in so many ways. Bill hosted and assisted local fundraising efforts for the school district, donated to local events and organizations, children’s hospitals, nonprofit organizations, among other local charities. Bill was also a proud sponsor of the Umatilla County Farm-City Pro Rodeo.

Bill invested over 17 consecutive years to the city of Umatilla working in various capacities of public service such as Chamber Board member, Planning Commission member, City Councilor and City Council president. For a brief time, Bill served as the acting mayor of Umatilla. Over the years, Bill Meade became a respected household name throughout the area and his leadership and advice was regularly sought out by local and area public officials. He was a pretty easy guy to find — just look for the 35-foot cowboy.

Bill enjoyed having the flexibility of being a business owner as it allowed him the opportunity to do what he loved most, spending time with his family. When Bill wasn’t running a business or providing guidance and advice to city officials, he was spending time with those he loved most and attending his grandchildren’s sporting events. Bill was a true competitor and advocate of local high school athletics. He believed organized sports taught children healthy and valuable life lessons, such as teamwork, discipline, sportsmanship and work ethic.

Bill was preceded in death by his wife, Barbara; siblings, Jim and Dode; parents and grandparents.

He is survived by his children and their spouses, David and Julie Meade, Mitchell and Sara Meade; grandchildren and spouses, Ashley and Kyle Snow, Calvin and Alesia Meade and Cameron and Laura Meade; great-grandchildren, Benjamin, Samuel, Colton, Ada and Clara, along with many nieces and nephews.

A graveside service was held on Saturday, July 16, 2022, at 10 a.m. at the Pleasant View Cemetery, Stanfield, Oregon.

Please share memories of Bill with his family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon, is in care of arrangements.

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Fred Wayne Bradbury

May 13, 1942 - July 8, 2022



Fred Wayne Bradbury passed away July 8, 2022, at the age of 80. He was born May 13, 1942, in Portland, Oregon, to Donald and Martha Renner Bradbury.

The family moved to Pendleton when he was 12. He was promised a pony when they moved, which he never got. While in high school, his parents owned a couple of restaurants, which Fred would spend his lunch hour helping out and then return to school. Another job he had was bagging groceries at the local grocery store. He developed strong work ethics at a young age.

After graduating from Pendleton High School in 1960, he enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corp. He was very patriotic, loved our country and held our military members in high regards, often feeling humbled in the presence of others who served in the military. While in the service, he met and married Odelia “Dee” Souza. They raised two sons, Scott and Jeff. They later divorced.

He had worked at Hill Meat as an accountant, then was executive director for the Umatilla Reservation Housing Authority while owning and managing his own rental properties. He married Donna McAtee James in 1998.

Fred loved to go hunting, fishing, and playing cards with friends and family. He cared deeply for his community and was active in many organizations and activities. He was a member of Pendleton VFW Post 922, Pendleton Downtown Association, Pendleton Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors, Pendleton Chamber Ambassador, founder and first president of Knights of Pythias Little League Football (1979), president: Parents For Junior High Sports (1980-81), Oregon VFW Mr.

Quartermaster 2014-15, Umatilla Reservation Housing Authority executive director, Power Lifting World Record holder (50-59 age group), with the help of many volunteers, he brought “Dancing with your Pendleton Stars” 2015 and the Fourth of July Parade to Pendleton in 2012 to present, Pendleton man of the year 2015, Elks member for 24, received the Main Street Cowboy Tenderfoot Award 2021, charter member of the Pendleton Linebackers Club, Main Street Cowboys, he especially enjoyed flipping pancakes at the Cowboy Breakfast

during Round-Up. He lived by the creed of “There is no limit to what you can accomplish if you do not care if you get the credit.”

He is survived by his wife, Donna; son, Jeff, half-brother, Jay; stepson, Mark James; and 10 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Odelia “Dee,” brother, Donnie; son, Scott; and both parents.

Fred was often seen wearing western shirts with the sleeves rolled up. The family is suggesting wearing patriotic or casual western wear. His funeral service will be Tuesday, July 26, 2022, at 10 a.m. at the Pendleton Convention Center. Burial will follow at Olney Cemetery in Pendleton, with a reception following at the Pendleton Eagles Lodge. Contributions in Fred’s name can be made to the VFW Let’er Buck Post 922, P.O. Box 787, Pendleton, OR 97801. Semper Fi.

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

