



Courtesy Photo

Brandon Roberts — ready to serve his country.

## Roberts completes USMC basic training

By Steve Tool  
Wallowa County Chieftain

A fourth generation of the Roberts family Marine Corps enlistees just graduated from basic training in San Diego on Dec. 12.

Brandon Roberts is the son of former Wallowa County residents Craig and Lisa Roberts of Lewiston and grandson of Everett and Dana Roberts, who work at the Wallowa County Courthouse.

Brandon also is the grandson of Wallowa County Sheriff Steve Rogers. Both sides of Roberts' family traveled to San Diego to attend his graduation.

Vietnam veteran Everett Roberts said he is very proud his grandson is continuing a family tradition.

"Brandon's dad joined the Marines in 1989 and served in Desert Storm, and my own father joined in 1944 and fought in the Pacific and was wounded in Okinawa," Everett said.

Brandon is serving a four-year enlistment and currently is home on leave. He said he always intended to serve.

Originally, he intended to serve in the Navy as a Hospital Corpsman, many of whom are assigned to a Marine Corps unit. At the time, the Navy had no openings for the rating. This did not deter Roberts, who immediately visited a Marine corps recruiter who had plenty of openings for infantryman. He immediately enlisted.

Roberts recommends high school students without a clear sense of direction join the service to learn discipline. "It's a real learning experience and teaches you real-life and adult skills."

Sheriff Rogers found himself very impressed with the new Marine, who spent past summers helping him prepare for the Chief Joseph Days Rodeo.

"I just had lunch with him the other day, and he's pretty dedicated — about as gung-ho as they get," he said. "I'm unbelievably proud of him, and he's a great kid."

Upon his return from leave, Brandon Roberts will start his initial infantry training at Camp Pendleton in Southern California.

## OBITUARIES

**Kathryn Greene Kemp**  
Sept. 13, 1919 to Dec. 26, 2015

Kathryn Greene Kemp, resident of Enterprise for three years and Baker County for 38, passed away in Lodi, Calif., on Dec. 26, 2015, at the age of 96.

Kathryn was born Sept. 13, 1919 in White Pine, Tenn. She was preceded in death by parents William Thomas Greene and Julia Ann Faulkner, and siblings Nelly Jones, Jess Greene, Edna Hall, Earl Greene, Lucille (Jackie) Turner and Louise Dawson.

She grew up in an old Southern plantation home with white pillars and expansive porch, but no electricity or running water. After high school, Kathryn became a beautician in Knoxville. She later moved to Los Angeles and San Francisco, where she met Philip Giles Kemp. They were married in 1964. The next year they moved to Baker City.

Phil and Kathryn operated Cedar Manor Nursing Home in Baker City for 20 years. They were active in the American College of Nursing Home Administrators. Kathryn and Phil also took part in the Lions Club and 4-H. They were very involved in St. Stephen's Episcopal Church of Baker City and the Ascension School Camp in Cove. Phil and Kathryn retired to Sumpter, Ore., in the 1980s and in 2003 they moved to Enterprise, where they attended St. Patrick's Episcopal Church. Phil passed away in 2005. Kathryn then moved to Austin, Texas, with the Ted Dawson family, and finally settled in Lodi in her final years.

Kathryn could bake a pie or a turkey to perfection in an old wood-burning stove. She loved traveling with her husband Phil. She was respected in business and had a warm smile for everyone she encountered. The one-armed bandits of Reno trembled at her approach. She could spot a hawk in a field a half-mile away. Her greatest joys were meals and birthdays with family, especially the littlest members.

Kathryn is survived by two stepsons, William Giles Kemp of Sisters, Ore., his wife Karen and children Kendra and Spencer, and Robert Philip Kemp and his wife Anne-Marie of Joseph, and their daughters Kathryn and Lindsay.

She is remembered in sister Jackie's family by niece Jewell Roach, her husband Bill and their children Geoff and Julianne, and niece Julia Escardo, with husband Hector, and their children Hector Allen and Julia. Kathryn is survived on sister Louise's side by nephew Ted Dawson, his wife Myrna, their daughters Cheri Labarthe and Jaime Dawson and their children.

Kathryn would wish that gifts and remembrances be made to the Ascension School Camp and Conference Center, Box 278, Cove, OR, 97824

**Charles J. Flanagan**

Charles J. Flanagan of Enterprise passed away Dec. 8, 2015 at the age of 75. He is survived by his wife Marie and sons Sean H. Flanagan of Enterprise and Matthew D. Flanagan of Sherwood, Ore. No services are planned. A full obituary will be published at a later date.

**Lara Bright,**  
April 25, 1961 to Jan. 4, 2015

Lara Bright passed away Jan. 4 at age 54. She was a resident of Joseph and Ojai, Calif.

Lara was born April 25, 1961 and is survived by her son Peter Hofheinz of Ojai; partner Chris Buhler of Joseph and Ojai; his children, Reed Buhler of Brooklyn and Joseph, and April Grow, Bend and Enterprise; sister Deborah Dorsett of Houston; mother Wonzille Bourland of Lubbock, Texas; former husband Thomas Hofheinz of Dallas; and many wonderful beloved friends from around the world.

She graduated at the top of her class from the Philadelphia Restaurant School and earned a B.S. in Dietetics at The University of Texas at Austin. She was the Hostess with the Mostest, the Gourmet Cookie. She defined Domestic Goddess, not only at home, but also for all those she loved in her world. She was one of a kind-hearted person, generous, comforting and supportive.

Lara had a passion for everything of the natural world — rocks, flowers, butterflies, you name it. She was always planting something somewhere. She had many beloved cats.

Services will be held at a future date in Joseph in the spring or summer. A service will be held at Meditation Mount, at 10340 Reeves Rd, Ojai, Calif., at 1 p.m. Jan. 16. For more information, call 805-341-4541.

Instead of flowers the family requests donations be made to The Lara Bright Safe Sanctuary at Ojai Community Bank.

**Orville Max Makin,**  
Nov. 18, 1920 to Jan. 5, 2016

Orville Max Makin passed away peacefully in his sleep at the Wallowa Valley Senior Living in Enterprise on Jan. 5 at the age of 95. He was the youngest of three children of Ralph and Vina Makin.

Orville was raised on a ranch in Enterprise, where he went to grade school in a one-room schoolhouse on Elk Mountain Road. He graduated from Enterprise High School in 1937. Orville met Anna Rose Nelson, his wife of 73 years, at a dance at the Eastern Oregon Livestock Show. The two were married on April 26, 1942 and lived and ranched in the Wallowa Valley until they retired in 1992. After retiring, Anna and Orville moved to Vale, Ore., so they could be near their daughter Linda and family. They moved back to Wallowa Valley in December 2011 and settled in a home in Joseph.

Orville enjoyed ranch life and especially loved raising cattle. He spent his free time in the outdoors hunting and fishing and always looked forward to the spring mushroom season. He relished time with his family both on the ranch and on vacation. He had a passion for music and spent many evenings singing and playing the piano. He was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Orville is survived by sons Gayle Makin and wife Sue of Sherwood, Ore., Kirk Makin and wife Elizabeth of Enterprise, and his nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Orville was preceded in death by his wife Anna Makin, his mother and father, his daughter Linda Hyde, his sister Oieta Hulet and his brother Durald Makin.

Services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, Jan. 15 at Bollman Funeral Home in Enterprise.

## Colleges announce local fall-term honors

Blue Mountain Community College (Pendleton) fall term honors for full-time students in Wallowa and Union counties:

- President's List (4.0 GPA)**  
Nikoa Murchison  
Morgan Waters  
**Dean's List (3.40-3.84)**  
Brandy Berg  
Jared Rogers  
Honor Roll (3.0-3.39)

- Angela Abbott  
Emily Bowers  
Brandon Cederholm  
Hayden Fritz  
Jacquelynn Griffith  
Alan Nieth  
Alexia Siders  
Emily Spang  
Alicia Trindle  
Tyson Wicklander

University of Washington  
Fall Quarter Dean's List  
James Hall, Enterprise

## Correction

A Jan. 6 article about the Wallowa County Gamblers snowmobile club listed an incorrect venue for the group's Jan. 16 dinner and auction, which will take place at Cloverleaf Hall.

## Weather Forecast

Courtesy of Weather Underground. www.wunderground.com

	High	Low	Conditions
Jan. 14	31	22	Snow showers
Jan. 15	32	21	Partly cloudy
Jan. 16	34	19	Ice pellets
Jan. 17	35	26	Partly cloudy
Jan. 18	35	23	Snow
Jan. 19	36	22	Ice pellets

## Phases of the moon

Jan. 16	Jan. 23	Jan. 31	Feb. 8
1st Quarter	Full Moon	Last Quarter	New Moon

## WALLOWA COUNTY SUNRISE, SUNSET JAN. 13-19

(from the U.S. Naval Observatory)

WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUES
Jan. 13	Jan. 14	Jan. 15	Jan. 16	Jan. 17	Jan. 18	Jan. 19
Rise: 7:26	Rise: 7:26	Rise: 7:25	Rise: 7:25	Rise: 7:24	Rise: 7:23	Rise: 7:23
Set: 4:29	Set: 4:31	Set: 4:32	Set: 4:33	Set: 4:34	Set: 4:35	Set: 4:36

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**Student of the Week**

Salena Renfroe is a sophomore at Wallowa High School. She is the daughter of Linda Comstock and John Fine. Selena is very conscientious and hard-working. She consistently exerts the needed effort to keep her grades high, which is demonstrated through her 3.82 GPA. Selena is kind hearted and pleasant to all. Wallowa High School is proud to put her forward as student of the week.

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