

# Oregon Farm Bureau seeks photos for calendar

Wallowa County Chieftain

Oregon Farm Bureau invites photographers to submit photos for its 2017 Oregon's Bounty calendar.

The award-winning calendar celebrates all aspects of Oregon agriculture: the products, the people, the production, the landscape, the enjoyment — anything that depicts the beauty, technology, culture, enjoyment or tradition of family farming and ranching.

Horizontal-format, high-resolution images — both close-ups and panoramic views — of all types of agriculture in all seasons are needed. Subject ideas include farmers markets, close-ups of ag products or crops in the field, planting and harvesting of crops, panoramic scenes of farmland, people enjoying agriculture or ag products, farm animals, portraits of farmers/ranchers, county fairs, on-farm festivals and farming scenes from all seasons.

Photographers with images selected for



month pages in Oregon's Bounty will receive a photo credit in the 2017 calendar and copies of the calendar. The deadline for entries is Sept. 15.

Photo specifications and contest rules are attached, and are also available at [www.oregonfb.org/calendar](http://www.oregonfb.org/calendar).

Photographers do not need to be Farm Bureau members to participate, and there is no limit to the number of photos that can be submitted.

# Barklows to celebrate 70th anniversary

Christine Schwanenberg announces a masquerade dinner dance in honor of the 70th wedding anniversary for her parents, Ken and Irene Barklow, to be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Sunday, July 10 at Park Plaza in Walla Walla.

Evening attire is requested. Masquerade masks will be provided at the door, or bring your own. Please RSVP to 509-525-6513.

Irene will be well remembered in Wallowa County as the historian who wrote six books contributing to the history of Wallowa County. She also served as postmaster in Lostine for 25 years. Ken was head sawyer of Boise Cascade and helped build the mill when it was privately owned by Moss Miller. The couple built or restored many homes in the area in addition to many more achievements.

# PARADE

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They also knew that Vera's 90th birthday was coming up just two days before the parade and they wanted her to be part of Wallowa's biggest party.

Vera's husband Jim passed away in 2012 at age 89, but Vera is still working every day. She no longer works as the bookkeeper for the family's various businesses, a job she shared with former School Board Chair Karen Josi, but she still keeps her home and yard spotless and in ship shape.

"She's the best mother that one could have," Elwayne said. "She was always supportive on everything you would do that was right — and if it was wrong she would tell you about it."

Vera enjoys the identity of mother. Although she has been a key player in the family's success through the years and now has sons operating Henderson Fuel, Henderson Logging and managing several farms, her main interest remains raising children to be excellent citizens.

"Kids are her big thing," Elwayne said. "She has respect for all of them. She was always involved with schools. The kids she taught (as a young woman) in Promise still remember her. Her memory is excellent and she takes care to make sure all 21 of her great-grandchildren get cards on special occasions — she keeps up with them all."

She instilled her sense of responsibility for child rearing in her own children as well; Elwayne also served in the Education Service District for 26 years.

Vera was born Vera Gorbett in Promise in 1926 and eventually went to college in La Grande to be a teacher. Although she didn't stay long enough to get her certificate, she nevertheless got the job of teaching at Promise, where she says she really enjoyed the children.

In 1945, she married Jim Henderson of Weston, Wash, who was a shop foreman for a Chevy garage in Walla Walla.

Just three years later the two came back to Promise to take over the family farm when Vera's pioneer parents Chester and Bessie Gorbett got older and needed the help. The farm has been in the family since 1892.

Back in Promise, Jim took a job as logging superintendent for Jay Herbert Bate.

They moved to Wallowa in 1959 and son Elwayne now farms the home place in Promise.

"The great-grandkids still love to visit the home place,"

# If You Go

Wallowa's Fourth of July parade starts forming at 10 a.m. Monday at the high school football field; the parade starts at 11 a.m.

Cash prizes will be awarded for the top entries.

The traditional BBQ lunch, put on this year by the Wallowa High cheerleaders, starts at noon. Hamburgers and hot dogs will be served with potato salad, baked beans and a drink. FFA students are offering pie by the slice. Lunch is served at the fire hall next to City Hall, 104 N. Pine.

Free vendor space is available for an outdoor market.

A birthday party for Vera Henderson is scheduled for 2-4 p.m. at the Community Center in Wallowa on Saturday. Friends and fellow Wallowa County residents are welcome to come and congratulate Vera.

Vera said.

Along the way Vera had four children: Steven in 1948, Dennis in 1950, Elwayne in 1952 and Terilynn in 1959.

Jim stayed with the Bates Mill until the strike of '63. He was already logging, so he just kept logging till his death, Vera said.

Elwayne now operates the logging business.

Throughout the years the Henderson family remained dedicated to growing as a family and growing their town.

"You name it, we did it," Vera recalls. "The kids went to college and when they came home we all farmed as a family unit."

Terilynn Cothren now lives with her husband Kevin in Lewiston where they operate Clearwater Hydrolics.

And then there's the time that Elwayne answered the call to help on the Bon Ton Fire, drove his excavator into the burning Bon Ton building and ended up in the basement.

Yes, there was excitement and growth all through the years.

Throughout their lives in Wallowa the Hendersons have been deeply involved in community, managing 4-H clubs, finding employees for their many businesses and Vera even drove the school bus for awhile.

Through it all, Vera says, "I enjoyed working and being with my family."

The family is putting together a float for Vera to ride in the parade on the 4th.

Little Miss and Mister for the parade are: Rawley Melville, 7, son of Harry and Erin Melville; and Teagan Tillery, 5, daughter of Judith Shrike and Jake Tillery.

# FINICUM

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William Fisher, of Salmon, Idaho, and Jamey Landin, of Burns, say these three weeks are the longest the site has been untouched.

"They know we're there," said Fisher, referring to anyone who might want to alter the site. "We're doing something here."

After reaching the 14-day stay limit allowed in the near-

by designated campground, the two moved across the road and founded a dispersed campsite. There, they can stay for an additional 30 days.

Both Fisher and Landin say they are unarmed, and intend to remain peaceful. By law, they are not allowed to carry guns because both men are convicted felons.

The Forest Service said the memorial items are prohibited and need to go, but the agency has not specified a timeline for when it could be removed by the agency.

"The Forest Service does not want to have any conflict or confrontations," said Stearly. "Law enforcement is in contact with those folks, and communications are in place."

The men said they won't leave until a permanent memorial is in place at the site. They said others will take their place when their stay limits are up.

"We are prepared to do this for as long as we need to," said Fisher. "We have wall tents with wood stoves if we need them. We have snow machines. We have whatever it takes."

Fisher and Landin are both currently unemployed. Before he began camping with Fisher, Landin worked as a gas attendant in Burns. They are now supported by food and monetary donations from Finicum supporters and friends.

In late May, four men were cited for allegedly attempting to install a permanent cross in concrete at the site. The Harney County Sheriff's Office charged the men with third degree criminal mischief, a violation that could carry a \$5,000 fine.

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# DEATH NOTICES

**Kenneth Elwyn Powers**

Graveside services for Kenneth Elwyn Powers of Joseph, who died June 22 at Wallowa Memorial Hospital at age 93, will be held at 9 a.m. Monday, July 2 at Bramlett Cemetery in Wallowa. A reception will follow at 1 p.m. at his home at 807 Mullen Lane in Joseph. A full obituary will be published later. Bollman Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

# Weather Forecast

Courtesy of Weather Underground. [www.wunderground.com](http://www.wunderground.com)

	High	Low	Conditions
June 30	86	51	Clear
July 1	86	52	Clear
July 2	82	47	Mostly cloudy
July 3	77	44	Clear
July 4	79	44	Clear
July 5	80	46	Clear

# Phases of the moon

July 4	July 11	July 19	July 26
New Moon	1st Quarter	Full Moon	Last Quarter

# WALLOWA COUNTY SUNRISE AND SUNSET JUNE 29-JULY 5

(from the U.S. Naval Observatory)

WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUES
June 29	June 30	July 1	July 2	July 3	July 4	July 5
Rise: 5:04	Rise: 5:04	Rise: 5:05	Rise: 5:06	Rise: 5:06	Rise: 5:07	Rise: 5:08
Set: 8:41	Set: 8:41	Set: 8:41	Set: 8:41	Set: 8:40	Set: 8:40	Set: 8:40