

BEACON IN THE NIGHT



Courtesy of JR Masters

Reader JR Masters shared this great photo that was taken Thursday night of Chief Joseph Days lighting up the night sky.

Butterfly conference to take field trips in Wallowa County

By Kathleen Ellyn
Wallowa County Chieftain

Don't worry if you see some people with binoculars and butterfly nets up in the mountains this weekend.

The Washington Butterfly Association (WBA) is holding its annual conference at Hurricane Creek Grange and the gathering includes some field trips in the area — in-

cluding to the top of Mount Howard.

According to spokesperson Joyce Bergen, the WBA chooses a new town for every annual conference, with a preference for granges.

"We want to support these worthy community organizations," Bergen said. "In the past few years, we've met at the Goldendale Grange and the Omak Grange, both in

Washington. When I heard there was a grange in Joseph, I was happy to make our arrangements there."

The conference runs Friday through Sunday and includes keynote speakers, a dinner and several field trips.

Butterfly species the group hopes to spot include the American Copper (*Lycaena phleas*) and the Pelidne Sulphur (*Colias pelidne*), which are rare in the rest of Cascadia.

The group also hopes to

see populations of unique subspecies of fritillaries.

If you know what these folks are talking about, or would like to, contact the Washington Butterfly Association at <http://wabutterflyassoc.org>.

There also is an Oregon chapter of the North American Butterfly Association based in Eugene/Springfield. The nearest representative for them is Sue Anderson of Sisters. Contact her at celastrinasue@gmail.com.

DEATH NOTICE

Priscilla Coleman

Priscilla Coleman of Enterprise died at Wallowa Memorial Hospital July 31 at age 97. A complete obituary will be published at a later date. Bollman Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

About Obituaries

News obituaries are a free service of the Wallowa County Chieftain. The paper accepts obituaries from the family or funeral home. Information submitted is subject to editing. Send obituaries by e-mail, obits@wallowa.com; fax, 541-426-3921; or mail, PO Box 338, Enterprise, OR 97828. The deadline to submit an obituary is 2 p.m. Monday for the Wednesday paper. For more information, or to inquire about a paid memorial, call 541-426-4567.

OBITUARIES

Delton LaRue
March 26, 1938 to July 23, 2016



Delton (Del) LaRue, 78, of Ione died Saturday, July 23, 2016 in Idaho Falls.

He was born March 26, 1938 in Freewater, Ore., to parents Ernest and Jennie Modlin LaRue. Del grew up in Freewater, graduating from McLoughlin High School in 1956. He had three siblings: brother Gilbert LaRue and sisters Irene Freeman and Evea Hoggatt.

Following graduation from Mac High, Del attended Pacific University in Forest Grove, graduating in 1960. His long teaching career began at Lostine High School, where he taught from 1960-1964. In 1961 Del married Linda Winters, and May 25 marked their 55th wedding anniversary.

From 1964-1966 Mr. LaRue taught at Wallowa High, and then spent the next four years at Wheeler High in Fossil (1966-1970). They moved to Ione in the summer of 1971, and Del spent the next 26 years in the classroom, at the gym, the football field and the track of Ione High School until retiring in 1997.

Following Del's retirement, he and Linda stayed in Ione, but they headed for the warmer climate of Yuma, Ariz., during the winter for the past eight years. Coach LaRue always returned to Ione in plenty of time for the track season, as he continued to lead the track program until 2009 and was named National Girls Track Coach of the Year in 2003.

Mr. LaRue was dedicated to his students and athletes, whether in the classroom or on the playing field. He brought out the best in each of them, always encouraging young people to stretch to do their very best, and to always believe in themselves. Lessons taught went far beyond the skills of the game, with Coach always instilling teamwork, sportsmanship, hard work and dedication in each of his athletes.

Of course those same attributes were stressed with Del and Linda's own three children: Robin (Melissa) LaRue of Ione; Shawn (Denise) LaRue of Oregon City; and Michelle (Jerry) Buczynski of Sheridan.

Bringing great joy to the family were grandchildren Jacoby, Cayben, Zach, Kayla, Kevin, Joshua, Katie, Kyle and Gracie, and great-grandchildren Finley, Stella and Quin. Del's family was his pride and joy, and the LaRues spent much time together. It seems only appropriate that at the time of his death Del and Linda were on holiday with Michelle and her family in Yellowstone.

The community of Ione will miss seeing Del waving from his 1934 Ford Coupe as he drove the town, stopping to chat with his many friends. The daily ritual of getting the mail often turned into a long visit with whomever he happened to meet.

A celebration of life will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6, at the Ione School Gymnasium.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Coach LaRue Scholarship in care of the Bank of Eastern Oregon, Ione Branch, P.O. Box 106, Ione, OR, 97843.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in care of arrangements.

Gloria Jane Dusek
Dec. 7, 1935 to July 25, 2016



Gloria Jane (Zurcher) Dusek died July 25, 2016 in her home in Clackamas, Ore., where she had been living since July 2015. Family and friends will celebrate her life at 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 7, 2016 at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Shauna and Rick McReynolds in Oregon City, Ore.

Gloria was born Dec. 7, 1935 in Enterprise to William DeVore and Geneva (Roupe) Zurcher, both from pioneer families of Enterprise and Joseph. Gloria enjoyed her childhood in Enterprise until she graduated from Enterprise High School in 1954. Gloria spent some time at Oregon State University before going on to beauty school and becoming a hair dresser. She married Richard (Dick) Dusek from Estacada, Ore., in 1957, and a year later bought a filbert orchard in the Estacada area. Later they built their second home on Clear Creek in the same area. They spent most vacations coming home to Wallowa County to relax and enjoy the lake. She began working for Estacada School District when her daughters started school and continued working for there for 17 years.

Gloria is survived by three daughters — Shauna McReynolds, Shelly Adamson and Tanya Kathan — and their husbands; six granddaughters; and two great-grandsons.

Weather Forecast

Courtesy of Weather Underground. www.wunderground.com

	High	Low	Conditions
Aug. 4	86	53	Clear
Aug. 5	89	54	Clear
Aug. 6	83	51	Partly cloudy
Aug. 7	82	51	Clear
Aug. 8	80	50	Clear
Aug. 9	81	50	Clear

Phases of the moon

Aug. 10	Aug. 18	Aug. 24	Aug. 31
1st Quarter	Full Moon	Last Quarter	New Moon

WALLOWA COUNTY SUNRISE AND SUNSET AUG. 3-9

WED	THUR	FRI	SUN	MON	TUES
Aug. 3	Aug. 4	Aug. 5	Aug. 6	Aug. 7	Aug. 8
Rise: 5:36	Rise: 5:37	Rise: 5:39	Rise: 5:40	Rise: 5:41	Rise: 5:42
Set: 8:13	Set: 8:12	Set: 8:11	Set: 8:09	Set: 8:08	Set: 8:06

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