

OBITUARY

**Barbara Biamont**  
1927 to 2016

Barbara C. Biamont was born in La Grande on Feb. 11, 1927 to Claude E. Cooper and Marguerite (Winters) Cooper. Barbara also had an older brother, Robert E. Cooper. The Cooper family moved to Sherman Oaks, Calif., and stayed there through Barbara's high school years.

After high school Barbara completed her bachelor of science degree at Willamette University in Salem, where she pursued her dream of nursing. She completed her training at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton, where she met her future husband, Raymond Biamont.

Ray and Barbara were married Jan. 1, 1948. They were blessed with six children, eight grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. Barbara's first love was her husband, Ray. Their marriage was framed around the love of God, which they shared with their children. She had a great love for people; she helped so many and always seemed to see the best in people. Her ability to forgive flowed from her love of Christ Jesus, and her humility was seen in her being able to always put others ahead of herself. A nurse, a supervisor of nursing and a director of nursing, Barbara exemplified what a nurse can be, not only in her love for her work, but also in loving compassion for others.

Barbara would regenerate by retreating to Wallowa Lake to the cabin built by her grandfather. With family and friends she enjoyed new adventures and drives in the mountains. Her love of nature was always evident. She loved animals, was always excited to see them in the woods of Wallowa County. Wallowa Lake was the central gathering spot for many family reunions, where she loved to see and re-acquaint with her large extended family, friends, co-workers and the always-welcomed stranger.

Surviving Barbara are her daughters, Mary Long, Corinne Biamont and Eleanor Renoe; grandchildren: great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Ray and children Nikki Biamont, Robert Biamont and Ken Biamont, and brother Lt. Col. Robert Cooper.

A memorial service for Barbara will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15 at Burns Mortuary in Pendleton. The family invites all to join them at Big John's Hometown Pizza, at 225 SW 9th St. in Pendleton, at 3:30 p.m. following the service.

## ODFW confirms wolf attack on calf

By Steve Tool

Wallowa County Chieftain

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife on Monday confirmed a wolf depredation wildlife officials investigated Thursday on public land in the Harl Butte area about 30 miles east of Joseph.

ODFW confirmed other livestock kills by wolves in the area on July 15 and Sept. 30.

According to the ODFW investigation, a rancher gathering cattle Oct. 5 in the area noticed severe injuries to the rear legs of one of his calves. The calf was trailed to a nearby corral and kept overnight.

The ODFW investigated the following day. The 500-pound calf suffered bite marks on the left and right flanks as well as its right front leg and shoulder, consistent with commonly observed attack points for wolves. The department estimated the attack happened approximately a

week prior to the initial report.

The calf is the 23rd confirmed or probable depredation for the state this year and the 12th for Wallowa County. The ODFW did not name a pack responsible for the incident.

Also Monday, ODFW confirmed three depredations in Klamath County — two dead calves and another injured calf. Investigators suspect the Rogue Pack is to blame.

# Local coat drive under way

Wallowa County Chieftain

The Wallowa County Rotary Club, in partnership with Building Healthy Families, has both new and donated coats available for local children and adults.

Sponsors are asking local residents to donate warm coats, gloves and hats for distribution to Wallowa County children and adults in need. This popular program typically distributes 200 coats each fall. As part of his senior project, Jake Chrisman of Joseph Charter School is assisting this year, working with residents and

area high schools to increase donations.

In addition to the traditional donated Coats for Kids Program, the Rotary Club now distributes new coats through area schools and Building Healthy Families. Approximately 75 new coats will be distributed this fall. Individual Wallowa County Rotarians and local benefactors donate approximately \$2,000 each year to purchase these coats. Marilyn Dalton of Building Healthy Families purchases the warm winter coats and hooded sweatshirts in a variety of sizes and colors based on specific

student needs.

Donation details:

- Coat drop boxes are located at Safeway and the Bank of Eastern Oregon in Enterprise, and the Community Bank branch in Joseph. Wallowa residents are asked to donate coats directly to the Wallowa Resale Store on Main Street.

- Please donate warm, clean coats for kids and/or adults (particularly kids' coats).

- In Enterprise the coats are currently available at the Wallowa Valley Professional Building on the corner of First and Greenwood streets from 8

a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. In Wallowa coats are available at the Community Retail Store on Main. New items will be added as they become available until the end of November.

- Anyone in need of a coat is welcome to select one from the display racks. The program's motto is: "If it fits, it's yours!"

- If anyone needs a coat but is unable to travel to the distribution spots, or does not find the correct size, contact Marilyn at Building Healthy Families, 541-426-9411; or Rob at 541-432-4343.

## Cultural Trust Coalition announces 2016 grants

Wallowa County Chieftain

The Wallowa County Cultural Trust Coalition (WCCTC), which is funded by the Oregon Cultural Trust, would like to congratulate the 14 local organizations and individuals which received a total of \$5,800 in grants for 2016.

The recipients are: Oregon's Alpenfest, Eagle Cap Extreme, Fishtrap, Joseph Center, Judy Allen, Maxville Heritage Project, Rotary, Ruby Peak Film Festival, Wallowa Land Trust, Wallowology, The Homeland Project, Wallowa County Farmers Market, Wallowa Valley Arts Council and Wallowa Valley Music Alliance.

Along with countless others, these people and organizations carry on the very efforts that the Oregon Cultural Trust wishes to support: endeavors that promote arts, humanities and local heritage.

Applications for WCCTC grants are now available for 2017. Applications are available online through the Wallowa Valley Arts Council website under "Partnerships".

Applications for 2017 must be received by Oct. 31 to be considered. For more information, contact Chair Julia Lakes at julia.r.lakes@gmail.com or 415-686-7544.

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## Dallas & Carol (Carpenter) McCrae

celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary on October 7, 2016.

They were married at the Hendrix Methodist Church in La Grande, OR, on October 7, 1956.

Dallas and Carol have resided in Wallowa since 1956 and have raised five awesome children: Colleen (Rick) Lathrop, Amy (Cody) Sorensen, Beth (Garrett) Lowe, Mary (Bill) Scharman, and Mathew (Nichole) McCrae.

Dallas and Carol have 16 adorable grandchildren who love and adore them and 14 splendid great-grandchildren, and surely more to come.

The children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren send a message: We love you, Dallas and Carol, all the way to the moon, a loop-da-loop around the universe, and back.



Friends join us to celebrate

# Jeanne Barth's

## 90th birthday!

**OCTOBER 15TH 3-5PM** No gifts please Refreshments served

New fellowship hall of the Enterprise Christian Church • 85035 Joseph Hwy

Call Connie at 541-426-3315 with any questions

*The family of*  
**Marian Bowen**

would like to express their thanks to all those that attended her graveside memorial and luncheon. We would also like to thank Wildflower Lodge, which looked after her for so many years. We are grateful for your service.

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**Bob and Liz Perry**

*of Emery, SD and Joseph, OR will be celebrating their*

## 50th wedding anniversary on October 22nd.

They were married at Joseph Methodist Church in 1966. Their children are requesting a card shower in honor of their anniversary. Please send greetings to PO Box 697, Joseph, OR, 97846.

**YOU'RE INVITED!**  
*Tickets on sale now*

## 21st Annual Healthy Futures Dinner Auction

**Exciting Live Auction Items Arriving Daily!**

- Sunriver luxury vacation home, sleeps eight, five nights, Dr. & Mrs. Underhill
  - One Night + dinner for 2 at the Four-Star Northern Quest Casino, Kalispell Tribe, Spokane
- Romantic getaway at Wallowa Lake Lodge w/ breakfast for two
  - Gail Swart's world famous champagne brunch for eight
- 1/2 day guided fishing trip from Winding Waters River Expeditions
  - Dr. Boyd's one-of-a-kind whiskey barrel head coffee table with barrel from Stein Distillery
- Oak steamer trunk, camel back & cedar lined, hand-crafted by Dr. Boyd
- Hand-crafted wood love seat made from 100 year-old rough-sawn yellow pine & retired white oak whiskey barrel, by Dr. Boyd
- Weinhard Hotel Weekend Wine Getaway to Dayton, two nights, lunch for 2, wine tasting
- "December Serenity" framed oil painting by famous artist Sharon Calahan

**Saturday, 5:00 pm • November 12**

**CLOVERLEAF HALL, ENTERPRISE**  
Emcee Matt Kurtz; Auctioneer Jake Musser

Silent Auction & Social Hour at 5:00 pm (note earlier time!)

Elegant Dinner by Backyard Gardens with prime rib donated by McClaran Ranch

Special musical appearance by The Show Stoppers

Bar by La Laguna

Wine bar featuring L'ecole 41, Dumas Station and more

Live Auction at 7:30 pm

Tickets on sale now! \$60 per person · To purchase tickets call 426.1913  
Stop by the Foundation Office at Wallowa Memorial Hospital  
Or mail check made out to WVHCF to PO Box 53, Enterprise 97828  
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The Wallowa Valley Health Care Foundation

Cheers to 10 years!

## New help for Medicare costs!

**Premium assistance (Part B)**

To qualify, monthly gross income less than:

- Single \$1,337** (no resource limits)
- Couple \$1,803** (no resource limits)

**Prescription cost assistance (Part D)**

To qualify, monthly gross income less than:

- Single \$1,485** (savings and other resources are less than \$13,640)
- Couple \$2,003** (savings and other resources are less than \$27,250)

Call Oregon Medicare Savings Connect:  
Toll-free 1-855-447-0155

M-F, 9am-5pm    medicareavings@multco.us    www.multco.us/medicareavings

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