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All dressed up, but who are they and where are they going? Here's the answer. They are headed to the 1963 Chief Joseph Days coronation dance. From left are Treva Cowan, Pam Preece and Orla Mae Teal.

Modern telephone system coming to Enterprise

OUT OF THE PAST

Compiled by Paul Wahl

100 YEARS AGO

Sept. 20, 1917

The post office in Enterprise has been ordered to move as soon as possible to the south room in S.L. Burnaugh's stone building just north of the Enterprise Hotel.

The room has not been occupied since the structure was finished last fall. The new space is twice the size of the old, according to postmaster Ben Weathers.

A modern common-battery telephone system equal to those of La Grande, Pendleton and Baker will be installed very soon in Enterprise. Home Independent Telephone Co. has placed an order with the Kellogg Switchboard and Supply Co. of Chicago for more than \$6,000 in equipment.

The special revival meetings conducted for some weeks by the Nazarene church in the tent east of the courthouse have come to an end. N. B. Herrell, district superintendent of the denomination, returned to his home in Boise.

70 YEARS AGO

Sept. 12, 1947

Mr. and Mrs. William Klages of the Lower Prairie Creek district celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary Aug. 31 at a picnic at Wallowa Lake. All three of the couple's children -- K.H., Maria and Henry -- were on hand.

Earl Morgan has sold his interest in the Eagle Cap laundry to Bill Warnock of Joseph, who will be associated with his brother-in-law Mervin Zollman in operating the business. Mr. Morgan is again employed at Safeway where he worked prior to acquiring an interest in the laundry.

A very pleasant evening was spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shevlin of Joseph Sunday when about 20 neighbors and friends came in with their musical instruments for an evening of music and singing.

Valley Appliance of Enterprise has announced it will be opening a photographic supplies department selling cameras, projectors, film and darkroom supplies.

50 YEARS AGO

Sept. 21, 1967

Members of the Eagle Cap VFW Auxiliary have stepped up to supply English language school textbooks for Capt. William F. Beck for children in Vietnam where he is stationed.

The books were recently mailed from the Enterprise Post office -- 17 boxes worth, several hundred books totaling more than 500 pounds.

Charles Ward, formerly of Crescent City, Calif., and Lostine, has joined the Enterprise Police Department as night patrolman replacing Dan Marks who left to pursue other interests.

The Wallowa County Chorus has planned two concerts for the upcoming season -- one at Christmas and the second in the spring.

Gail Swart was chosen director for the group and Luella Miller is accompanist. The first practice is Oct. 16 at Joseph High School.

25 YEARS AGO

Sept. 17, 1992

The U.S. Forest Service announced it has purchased the last parcel of privately held property on the Oregon side of the Hells Canyon National Recreation Area. The agency has purchased 490 acres of ranchland in the northeast corner of the county from Don "Biden" Tippett for \$450,000.

Kyle Kolbaba of Joseph was seriously injured while competing in the bullriding event at the Lewiston Roundup Sept. 10. He suffered several broken ribs and a badly bruised lung.

Kolbaba and his wife, the former Sandi Turner, became parents of their first child, Kolton, last Wednesday in Walla Walla.

Enterprise Mayor Larry Christman received a plaque with gavel as a token of appreciation from city employees for 14 years of service to the city. Christman is not running for re-election.

OBITUARY

Patricia Ann (Burleigh) Micka
Dec. 11, 1943 — Aug. 31, 2017

Patricia Ann (Burleigh) Micka passed away Thursday, Aug. 31, 2017, at Wallowa Memorial Hospital in Enterprise. She was a caring and loving individual who will be missed dearly by her family and friends.

Pat was born Dec. 11, 1943, in Klamath Falls, Ore., to Robert and Marjorie Burleigh. The family resided on a 320-acre ranch between Klamath Falls and Merrill, Ore.

She grew up almost like an only child as her older brother, Bobby, was 12 years older than she. Pat was an active child as she participated in ballet, tap dancing, acrobats and swimming. Her favorite was ballet.

Pat graduated from Merrill High School in 1962. In school she was actively involved in many clubs and organizations: annual staff, paper staff, music, state speech, speech dub, pep club, 4-H, Theta Rho and the Elks Panel. Her senior year she was voted, "Most Likely to Succeed."

Her hobbies included going swimming, dancing, reading, listening to music and spending time with friends. She continued to enjoy these hobbies throughout her years. After high school she attended Southern Oregon State College in Ash-

land, Ore. She had planned on pursuing a career as an elementary education teacher.

A year prior to attending college, she met Jerry Eugene Micka on a blind date. The couple married June 24, 1963, at the First Presbyterian Church in Weiser, Idaho.

They purchased their first farm together in Malin, Ore., which had been the original farm of Joseph Micka (Jerry's grandfather). The family later moved to Enterprise to raise their children.

Pat worked at the Pioneer Guest Home for 13 years as the administrator and provided for her family.

She and Jerry later moved to Kamiah, Idaho. There, she owned and operated The Country Patch Gift and Health Food Store for more than 15 years.

She enjoyed gardening, sewing, crafts, cooking and oil painting. Her true joy was spending time with her family, which she cherished as she was a very loving wife and mother.

Pat will be remembered by her loved ones for her love of animals (her Siamese cats), laughter, hugs, beaming smile and kindness toward others. She never met a stranger or let someone go without as she was always giving and kind.

Pat is survived by her husband, Jerry Micka; her



Micka

daughter, Tammy and husband Darryl Crawford; her son, Jesse and wife Melanee Micka; her son, Jeff and wife Brenda Micka; and daughter, Angie and husband Craig Shantie and 13 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren and many close friends and family.

Preceding her in death were her daughter, Jenny Micka; her brother, Robert Burleigh; her niece, Lou Ellen Burleigh; parents, Robert and Marjorie Burleigh; and her grandson, Mathew Shantie.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in behalf of a burial fund for Pat Micka at Umpqua Bank Enterprise branch.

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