

# Man drowns in Wallowa Lake in attempt to save youth

## OUT OF THE PAST

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### 100 YEARS AGO

Aug. 11, 1921

While bathing in Wallowa lake Albert Wenham, 39 years old, and Marie Pratt, nearly 13, were drowned last Thursday afternoon. Mr. Wenham could swim, altho he was not an adept. The girl could not swim, and when she appeared helpless and in distress in deep water, Mr. Wenham turned to assist and both sank to their death.

When friends of Glenn Strickler learned of his marriage last week, they decided to give him a hazing. He was required to roll a peanut with his nose on the pavement on Main street, then was handcuffed and placed on the platform of a truck where he sang for the amusement of the crowd. The ceremony closed at the swimming pool, into which he was thrown with his clothes on.

William Pearson was driving his team along a street in Joseph when the horses took fright and started to run. The bridle on one animal broke and the team made a wreck of the wagon.



Wallowa County Chieftain, File

Shown is a Chief Joseph Days kids parade entry during the festivities in 1971.

Mr. Pearson was thrown out and the bones of one leg broken off at the ankle.

### 75 YEARS AGO

Aug. 15, 1946

A new high in the sale of dairy stock was reached at the Leila Haun auction sale when the top cow sold for \$175.

In making a routine check

of fire permits last week, the assistant forest ranger at Lick creek stated that over 300 persons were camped from Lick creek to Indian crossing. This is the most campers ever checked at one time. Fishing is reported good now, and the huckleberries are very plentiful.

The McCoy Brothers of the Leap country has the dis-

tinction of bringing the first load of wheat of the season to the Grain Growers warehouse. They delivered a load of the Rex variety. Donald Kooch and Ernest Miller also brought in wheat that day, but a little later.

A fire of undetermined origin destroyed the Joseph barn of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Briggs. The building was

new, having been built about 18 months ago.

### 50 YEARS AGO

Aug. 12, 1971

Top honors in the clothing division at the style revue at the fair went to these girls who were champions and reserve champions in their divisions: Saralyn Johnson, Wallowa; Markell Victor, Enterprise; Tammy Brennan, Joseph; Rebecca Gorbett, Wallowa; Vicky Hall, Enterprise; and Darlene Cowan, Wallowa.

One of the most heated battles to be waged in Wallowa county in several decades came to an apparent end with the adoption of a resolution by the Enterprise School Board. The resolution kills the \$2 million school bond issue and leaves the fate of further school development to a questionnaire.

Few people realize that the highest peak in the Wallowa mountains, the Matterhorn, is private property. It's widely assumed to be under the ownership and control of the Forest Service and U.S. Government. However, it is presently owned by M. Keith and Lois Wilson of Salem.

The county court was asked to give their blessing to a purchase transaction by the USFS from the Wilsons but the court decided against it, which may forestall acquisition of the peak.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Aug. 8, 1996

\$80,000 in repairs on the Wallowa Lake Dam could buy the Associated Ditch Company two to five years to either refurbish the pre-1920 structure or build a new dam, said engineer Morton McMillen of Bellevue, WA.

A handful of bidders from Portland, Lewiston, Little Sheep Creek, Wisconsin, Wallowa and other places were on hand for a public land auction on the county courthouse steps. Bids were offered on only one of the six properties offered for sale: an Imnaha River Woods parcel.

Three Wallowa County football players began training week in preparation for Saturday's Shriners Hospital East-West All-Star Football game: Jason Parks from Enterprise, Chris Lewis from Wallowa, and Will Lathrop from Joseph.

## Renise Renee Burpee

June 20, 1953 - July 5, 2021

Renise Renee Burpee of Hermiston, Oregon (formerly of Everett, WA) was born June 20, 1953 in La Grande, Oregon the daughter of Howard and Coralie (McCrae) Howell.

She graduated from high school in Walla Walla, WA. After high school, she attended Walla Walla Community College and Clark Community College where she received her dental hygienist certification. In the early 1980's, she moved to Everett, WA where she resided for nearly forty years. She worked as a dental hygienist, in real estate and later she owned and operated two taverns. She moved to Hermiston one year ago to be closer to her family.

Renise married Glenn M. Burpee on April 28, 1996 in Hawaii.

Renise grew up around horses and had a lifetime loving for them. She and Glenn loved their annual hiking trips to the Moab Desert for two weeks every year. She also enjoyed traveling, grew a garden for many years and treasure hunting for antiques.

She is survived by her daughter, Jennifer (Mike) McKillip; stepsons, Jeff Larsen, Cris Larsen and Scott Larsen; brother, Richard (Ann) Howell; sister, Rita (Jim) Hermann; grandsons, Jacob and Damian McKillip; and several nieces, nephews, cousins and extended family members.

She was preceded in death by her husband Glenn on September 9, 2019 and by her parents.

A Graveside Service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday August 21, 2021 at Silver Creek Cemetery in Lostine followed by a reception at the community connection center in Wallowa. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING

SEE THE EXPANDED ONLINE CALENDAR AT EASTERNOREGONEVENTS.COM

**WALLOWA COUNTY FAIR** — **AUG. 6-14:** Fairgrounds, in Enterprise.

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 11**  
**ROTARY CLUB OF WALLOWA COUNTY:** Noon to 1:00 pm. Odd Fellows Hall. Sheriff Joel Fish will be the speaker. Lunch \$10, if desired.

**THURSDAY, AUG. 12**  
**PILATES:** 9-10 a.m. Wallowa Senior Center.  
**ROTARY BOARD MEETING:** Noon. Odd Fellows Hall next to the Enterprise Library.

**WALLOWA COUNTY**

**CHESS CLUB:** 4-6 p.m. Joseph Center in Joseph. Visitors and players of all levels are welcome! Free.

**16th ANNUAL COURTHOUSE CONCERT SERIES:** 5:30-7 p.m., at the gazebo on the courthouse lawn in Enterprise. Tonight's performance is by Ghost Wind. Free.

**WALLOWA LAKE LODGE LECTURE SERIES:** 7-8 p.m. Wallowa Lake Lodge. Tonight's topic is "Star Party, Perseid Meteor." D.J. Lincoln, from the Wallowa Valley Astronomers club, will talk about the Perseid meteor shower before moving

onto the lawn to watch the shooting stars. Bring blankets, chairs & snacks. Free and open to the public.

**FRIDAY, AUG. 13**  
**DISCOVERY WALK:** 9-11 a.m. Hurricane Creek Trail hike (moderate). Meet at Hurricane Creek Trailhead at the end of Hurricane Creek Road at 9 a.m. Registration required, with a 10-person maximum group size. Register at info@wallowology.org

**WALLOWA LAKE LODGE MUSIC ON THE DECK:** 5-7 p.m. Free & open to the public. Live music — Ghost Wind. Hang out on the deck or spread out a blanket on the lawn. Full bar will be open until 9 p.m.

**SATURDAY, AUG. 14**  
**ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT BREAKFAST:** 7-11 a.m. Hurricane Creek Grange, at the intersection of Hurricane Creek Road and Airport Lane. Pancakes, breakfast meat, eggs, biscuits and gravy, juice and coffee. Requested donation: \$8.

**DISCOVERY WALK:** 9-11 a.m. Family-friendly stroll, meet in the lobby of Wallowa Lake Lodge.

**EAGLE CAP SHOOTERS ASSOCIATION — NRL22 MATCH:** 69105 Ant Flat Road, Enterprise. For more info call 541-975-3000.

**WALLOWA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET:** 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Main Street in Joseph near Stein's Distillery. Crafts, produce, homemade goods

and some live music will be on tap for visitors. www.wallowacountyfarmersmarket.com, 541-426-0795 or search for "Wallowa County Farmers Market" on Facebook.

**HUMANE SOCIETY DOG DAYS OF SUMMER DOG WASH:** 11 a.m to 3 p.m. You wash or we wash your pet. Shampoo, towels & warm water are provided. \$5 small dogs, \$10 big dogs. Alley behind Enterprise Fire Station.

**SUNDAY, AUG. 15**  
**YOGA ON THE LAWN:** 9-10 a.m. Wallowa Lake Lodge. Free and open to the public.

**WALLOWA LAKE LODGE: PIANO WITH GAIL SWART:** 6-9 p.m. Free and open to the public.

**TUESDAY, AUG. 17**  
**PILATES:** 9-10 a.m. Wallowa Senior Center.  
**QUILTING GROUP:** 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Wallowa Senior Center.

**BREAST CANCER SUPPORT GROUP:** 6 p.m. Wallowa Memorial Hospital conference room. Support, share resources, celebrate milestones and listen to speakers talk about topics relating to mastectomies and breast cancer. Everyone is welcome. Virtual link available. Preregistration required. 541-426-7919.

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 18**  
**ROTARY CLUB OF WALLOWA COUNTY:** Noon to 1 p.m. Odd Fellows Hall next to the Enterprise Library. Lunch \$10, if desired.

*Death Notice*

84 year old Patricia Sandlin formerly of Enterprise died August 4th at her home in Milton-Freewater. Services will be held Saturday August 14th, 11am at the Bollman Funeral Home with Interment to follow at the Enterprise Cemetery.

Bollman Funeral Home entrusted with arrangements

## Wesly Darren Kilgore

November 29, 1966 - July 8, 2021

Wesly Darren Kilgore, 54 lost his courageous 4-year battle with ALS on July 8, 2021. Wes was born in Enterprise, Oregon on November 29, 1966. He was an easygoing baby, an adventurous boy, and as a teen could best be described as fearless, a little naughty, and a profoundly, loyal friend. He and his cronies found mischief, shenanigans, and good times no matter where they were or what they were doing. He loved life, hunting, fishing, and camping and his favorite place on earth to dwell was the Zumwalt prairie. Wes attended school at Enterprise Elementary and graduated from Enterprise High School in 1985.

Wes attended BMCC where he earned his Associate's Degree in Criminal Justice. Wes had an amazing career full of many opportunities and advancements. From 1991-1998 he worked for La Grande Police Department where he advanced from patrol to detective then into Narcotics. He also had a K-9 dog C-Zar who he adored and loved his time working in Narcotics with him. From 1998-2000 he worked at the Pendleton Police Department and was soon presented with the opportunity to advance into the position of Lieutenant for the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office running the jail which he did until 2002. Both corrections and administration were new to him, but he jumped head first into the abyss and learned many valuable lessons in the two years he was there. Then, in 2002 he landed his dream job which was being the Chief of Police for the City of Enterprise where he served until 2015. Being the Chief of Police for the city that he grew up in and loved was one of his greatest honors and proudest achievements. Second only to his role as dad to his adored children. They will forever be his paramount, proudest accomplishment and greatest legacy. Wes was an active member of the Enterprise Elks Lodge #1829 and served as Esteemed Lecturing Knight 2003-2004, Esteemed Leading Knight 2004-2005, Exalted Ruler 2005-2006 and Treasurer 2006-2007.

Wes would want to be remembered as a dad, a son, and a friend. If he loved you it was with a profound, deep, and truthful love. He is survived by his wife of 33 years, Sherri Kilgore, children, Addie and Kade, parents Jim and Ernestine Kilgore, sister Staci Kilgore and numerous cousins, aunts/uncles, nieces/nephews and so many dear friends.

Stubborn, tenacious and steadfast are words that describe his battle with ALS and he fought what he called the "little thief in the night" with the most honorable amount of determination imaginable. He always prided himself on not losing very many fights, and he fought this one to the bitter end when he conceded to the dominance of the thug and passed away at home, surrounded by his wife and children and the unwavering love of those closest to him.

Wes gained a lot of wisdom from life-lessons and was a believer in the power of God and the influence of AA. The serenity prayer was a part of his daily existence the last six years of his life. Wes was loved deeply, will be missed greatly, and cherished always. In the spirit of Wes's wishes to not have a "sad funeral - have a party" there will be a celebration of Wesly Darren Kilgore's life at 2:00 PM on Saturday, August 21, 2021 at the Joseph Methodist Church followed by a remembrance get-together for family and friends at the Joseph Community Center.



## Beverly "Bev" Jane Schuldt

August 18, 1940 - May 12, 2021

On May 12, 2021, another beautiful angel gained her wings. Beverly "Bev" Jane Schuldt passed away peacefully in Helena, Montana. Beverly was born on August 18, 1940, in Fargo, North Dakota to William and Margaret (Reigh) Dahlgren. She was the first of two children.

Beverly attended grade school and high school in Wahpeton, North Dakota. She graduated in 1958 and was the valedictorian of her class. Beverly was very active in many clubs and organizations and played basketball throughout her high school years. She also had a great appreciation for music, and really enjoyed band where she loved playing the flute.

Bev attended nursing school at St. Cloud School of Nursing at St. Cloud, Minnesota where she graduated as a Registered Nurse in 1961. This was the perfect profession for Bev, as she was a very loving and deeply caring person!

Bev married the love of her life, Melvin Schuldt, on December 30, 1961, in Wahpeton, North Dakota. She worked at St. Joseph Hospital in Mankato, Minnesota until Mel finished college. Once Mel graduated, they moved to Enterprise, Oregon, which became their home for 33 years.

Bev worked as a registered nurse at Wallowa Memorial Hospital from 1963-1975 and then took a job at Winding Waters Clinic as a RN from 1976-1992. Bev was active in St. Katherine's parish, several other organizations and served on numerous boards over the years. In addition to raising her own family, Bev and Mel took in several foster children. She was very kind and caring and loved by many!

Bev was a devoted and supportive wife to her wrestling coach and fisherman husband. She spent many, many hours as a gym spouse and loved wrestling almost as much as Mel! She was a loving mother to her three children and a doting grandma and great grandma to the grandchildren.

Bev enjoyed crocheting, cooking, gardening and camping. There were many family camping and fishing trips to the Snake River and to the Oregon coast, which she absolutely loved.

Bev is survived by her daughter Susan Pender (fiancé Milt Dahl), son Peter Schuldt (Diane), son Michael Schuldt (Cheryl); grandsons Sean Thornton (Aimee), Matthew Thornton (Tiffany), Lucas Pender (fiancé Tori Hansen), Chris Schuldt, and Shea Schuldt; and one great grandson, Blaine Thornton.

She is also survived by her brother Gary (Marguerite) Dahlgren of Springfield, Oregon.

A funeral mass and celebration of life for Melvin and Beverly was held at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church on August 6, 2021.

Memorial donations in Bev's memory may be made to: Lewis and Clark Library, 120 S. Last Chance Gulch St., Helena, MT 59601, or Lewis and Clark Humane Society, 2112 E. Custer Ave., Helena, MT 59602, or a charity of your choice. Condolences can be sent to: 3009 Mountain Meadows Rd., Helena, MT 59602. Please visit www.aswfuneralhome.com to offer a condolence to the family or to share a memory of Bev.



## Weather Forecast

Courtesy of Weather Underground - wunderground.com

		High	Low	Conditions
Aug. 12		95	59	Mostly sunny
Aug. 13		96	62	Sunny
Aug. 14		96	62	Mostly sunny
Aug. 15		88	56	Partly cloudy
Aug. 16		81	51	Partly cloudy
Aug. 17		75	49	Partly cloudy
Aug. 18		76	49	Partly cloudy

### Phases of the moon

Aug. 15	Aug. 22	Aug. 30	Sept. 6
1st Quarter	Full Moon	Last Quarter	New Moon

WALLOWA COUNTY SUNRISE & SUNSET AUG. 12-18 (from the U.S. Naval Observatory)

THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUES	WED
5:46	5:47	5:48	5:49	5:50	5:52	5:53
8:03	8:01	7:59	7:58	7:56	7:55	7:53