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# Parker family beats train from Portland

## OUT OF THE PAST

Compiled by Cheryl Jenkins

**100 YEARS AGO**  
June 22, 1922

Beating the train time by an hour and a half, A. K. Parker and family drove from Portland to Enterprise in 17.5 hours. They took breakfast in the Dalles and then dinner in Arlington and supper in La Grande. Along the Columbia river the highway was heavy, for the rough gravel refuses to pack in the dry heat of that region.

Charles Litch had an unusual experience on the curve near Wayne Wade's home Sunday night. Traveling at a good rate of speed, he found the road before him blocked by a bunch of Angus bulls. Seven were laying on the surfaced highway and the eighth stood in the middle of the group. The car plowed into them, doing much damage to bulls and car alike.

The Red Cross wants rags, clean cotton rags, not stringy

strips of cloth. Friends are asked to look thru their attics and closets and gather up bundles of such rags and take to the shop.

**75 YEARS AGO**  
June 26, 1947

At the state garden club convention this year, the Joseph Garden club was awarded a national award for their wild flower herbarium. There are two awards granted to each state every year. Astoria won the second.

Thirty trainees for positions as fire guards and look-outs are in school this week at Sled Springs. Last night a number of guests were invited out to dinner at the school and to witness a number of log-cutting and other contests.

Army rescue planes from Washington, Utah and Montana have been flying over this area, searching for a plane believed down somewhere in this section. The missing ship is a BT-13

surplus army basic trainer.

**50 YEARS AGO**  
June 22, 1972

A new western appearance was added to the Bank of Wallowa County in Joseph this week as all the tellers and bookkeepers donned new western outfits of "hot pink." The western outfits are expected to be the uniform of the bank, not only during the summer season and Chief Joseph Days.

The Lostine Fabric Shop is celebrating the opening of their new building. The business was started in 1966 by Irene Barklow and Geneva McArtor and has since been sold to Pat Combes of Wallowa Lake. The new building has about 1800 square feet of floor space.

Kirk Makin, a member of the Enterprise FFA chapter, won the senior swine showmanship contest at the Union Stock Show. J.D. Nobles and Joe Poulson were the big winners in the showing of steers. Joe won the champion rib-

bon and J.D. got the reserve champion steer award.

**25 YEARS AGO**  
June 19, 1997

After a six-year hiatus, long time band director Bob Clegg has revived the Wallowa County Band, scheduled to perform in conjunction with Enterprise's Summerfest. Clegg, the retired director of the Enterprise High School Band, has been named as grand marshal of the celebration.

Now in its eighth year, the Oregon Mountain Cruise is second only to Chief Joseph Days in drawing people to Wallowa County. It has the reputation of being one of the top antique car shows in the Pacific Northwest.

Ramirose Attebury, a clarinet player in the Wallowa High School band, was selected as an Oregon music ambassador and will be traveling to Europe on a 16-day tour with 160 other Oregon high school students to perform in concert.

## DEATH NOTICES

### Myrna Carper-Journot

Myrna Carper-Journot, 82, was born in Promise on Oct. 13, 1939, and died at her home in Wallowa on June 14. Services will be held Saturday, July 9, at 1 p.m. at the Wallowa Assembly of God Church with interment to follow at the Promise Cemetery. Bollman Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

### Rhoda Jean Dawson

Rhoda Jean Dawson, 98, of Joseph, died Jan. 23, 2022. Friends were invited to attend a celebration of her life on Tuesday, June 21, at the Joseph United Methodist Church, with pastor Cherie Dearth officiating.

### Tina Marie Casper Duncan

Tina Marie Casper Duncan, 60, died June 4, 2002, at her home in Anchorage, Alaska. She was born July 23, 1960, in Tacoma, Washington.

She grew up in Wallowa and loved fishing, riding motorcycles, making beaded jewelry and living life to its fullest. She is survived by her husband, Hugh Duncan of Anchorage, Alaska; daughter, Crystal Bidiman (George); sons, Delbert Hughes and Jesse Hughes (Brittany); nine grandchildren; stepmother, Janice Casper; brothers, Gerald and Donald Casper; half sister, Amy Bricker; and many nieces, nephews and stepchildren. She was preceded in death by her father, Gerald "Jerry" Casper; biological mother, Margie Marie White; and half brother Richard Zowney.

A private family celebration of life will be held at a later date.

### Larry Haney

Larry Haney, 75, of Halfway, died May 10, 2022. A graveside military service and celebration of his life will begin at 1 p.m. June 25 at the Wallowa Cemetery, followed by a reception. For those who would like to make a memorial contribution, the family suggests the Hunt of a Lifetime Foundation, in care of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home and Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway 97834. Online condolences can be shared at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com).

### Gerald K. McLain

Gerald K. McLain, 68, of Walla Walla, Washington, died on June 15, 2022, from ongoing health complications. An obituary will follow, and a celebration of life will be held in Wallowa County this summer.

## IN BRIEF

### Woodlands & Watersheds Festival is back in Enterprise

ENTERPRISE — On June 24, the 18th annual Woodlands & Watersheds Festival will make its way back to Enterprise.

The free event hosted by Wallowa Resources and the Maxville Heritage Interpretive Center will take place at the Wallowa County Fairgrounds in Enterprise.

From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. over 25 local and regional organizations will participate in the festival to try and connect with the community in a fun way.

There will be various activities for all ages such as logging games, live music, and a free hot dog lunch and scavenger hunt for kids.

### Joseph council to meet on budget, new administrator

JOSEPH — The Joseph City Council plans two special sessions Monday, June 27, concerning the budget for the coming fiscal year and the possible hiring of an employee of the city.

At 5 p.m., in a Zoom-only meeting, the council will vote on the 2022-23 budget and take public comment.

At 5:30 p.m., the council will hold an executive session to "consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent," accord-

ing to state law governing executive sessions, or to consider records that are exempt from public inspection.

The city is in the process of seeking a permanent city administrator to replace interim administrator Brock Eckstein, who has served since spring of 2021 when former Administrator Larry Braden resigned. The executive session will be to discuss the interview process for the administrator's position.

The council will hold an open session after the executive session to take any action it came to a consensus on during the executive session. Public comment will be allowed.

### Public hearing planned at Joseph council meeting

JOSEPH — A request for a zoning change from commercial to residential and a conditional use permit for a recreational vehicle park at the same address will take place at the next Joseph City Council meeting Thursday, July 7.

The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. at the Joseph Community Events Center.

The zone change and conditional use permit have been requested by John Zurita for 709 N. Main St. Zurita is listed as the property owner on the application.

The matter will be addressed in a public hearing during the council meeting.

The public is welcome to attend in person or via Zoom.

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