

At the Jamie 'Chili Guy' Tohet Wild Horse Race Memorial

We would like to extend a huge thank you to all involved with the Jamie "Chili Guy" Tohet Wild Horse Memorial.

Thank you to everyone that sponsored/donated: Indian Head Casino, DMJ Automotive, Jennifer Smith, Johnny LeClaire, Cheryl Tom, Joe Culp, Winona Tohet, Jimmy Tohet Sr., Jason Tohet, Shayla Stwyer and Melinda Frank.

Thank you to Gladys Graybael and Jayme Tohet for all your help with the fundraisers: With that we were able to purchase our contestant numbers, pay the stock contractor, and pay the help.

Thanks to the help of Aldo Garcia, Boogie and Garrett Greene for hauling stock. Thanks to Evans Spino Jr. and Buster Isadore for sorting and loading chutes. And, thank you to Levi M. from Beatty, who supplied the sheep and mini broncs for the children.

The rodeo was a rough stock rodeo, which takes a lot of bravery and confidence to enter.

We had Wild Sheep Racing, Junior Broncs, Ranch Broncs, Junior and Senior Wild Colt Racing, 2+1 Wild Horse Racing (where the woman had to mug) and Wild Horse Racing along with Junior Barrel Racing, and a Stick Horse Race for the itty bitty youngins.

In the end the winner of the Jamie "Chili Guy" Tohet Memorial Wild Horse Race was Team Chizzy from Arizona, taking with them the \$1,450 pay out.

Jamie was a mucker and loved wild horse racing. This rodeo was



Team Chowder in Wild Horse Race.

Photos courtesy Angela Tohet/Linda Larson



Team Chizzy, winners of the Wild Horse Race, with the rodeo president Jimmy Tohet Jr.

in honor of him and his memory.

Thanks again to all that contributed to this being a successful event:

October 7, 2017 was a great day!

Chili Guy Memorial Committee

Ag loans for youth

The Farm Service Agency makes loans to youth to establish and operate agricultural income producing projects in connection with 4-H clubs, FFA and other agriculture groups.

Projects must be planned and operated with the help of the organization advisor, produce sufficient income to repay the loan, and provide the youth with practical business and educational experience.

Loans are available up to \$5,000. Some of the eligibility requirements:

Be 10 years to 20 years of age. Conduct a modest income-producing project in a supervised program.

For more information visit the Central Oregon Farm Service Agency office in Redmond, located at 625 SE Salmon Ave., suite 3.

Or you can contact **Cameron Kirsch** at: Cameron.kirsch@or.usda.gov

The Blue and Gold FFA Alumni Banquet is coming up on November 18 at Madras High School. The banquet begins at 5:30 p.m. \$25 per seat, free drink to those who wear their old FFA jackets. There will be an auction, and the FFA Alumni are looking for donation items. Please call Nichole if you are interested, 541-325-6962.



Stick horse racer RubyAnna Tohet.



Perry Isadore (above) on ranch bronc. Mathew Wewa Team (below), Wild Sheep Racing



Howlak Tichum

Myrna Lois White Courtney ~
July 30, 1937-October 22, 2017

Parents are the late Walter White and the late Aradonna Seyler.

Siblings are Dr. Janice Clemmer, Carroll Bankston, Nancy Seyler, and Ann Seyler and Dean Seyler.

In-law siblings are the late Terrance Courtney Jr., Patricia Gold, Gloria Keene, Mavis Shaw, Bernyce Courtney and Ruth (Pinky) Beymer.

Survivors are her loving husband, Clifford (Pete) Courtney, and children Steven Courtney Sr., Lori Courtney Rose, Donald Courtney, Nico Courtney and Tricia Melvin.

Myrna's greatest career achievement was organizing business aspects of the High Education Department.

Her hobbies were vast. She was talented in sewing, crafting and quilting. She loved saving money by refunding and couponing. She killed deer and fish, and smoked and staked them. She rode snowmobiles, motorcycles, ATVs, and enjoyed growing flower and vegetable gardens. She loved communicating with family and friends via emails, cards, letters, telephones and home visits.

Myrna enjoyed fishing, hunting, snowmobiling, riding a dirt bike and touring motorcycle, mainly cooking over a campfire on fishing and hunting trips—baking potatoes underground under wood coals, geese hunting for the joy of cooking.

One of her greatest enjoyments was being the Director of Higher Education. She made care boxes for all her students, using her own funds derived from bake sales and picking up pop cans.

Words for my Mom

Love, sharing, fun at games. My Mom, she was a very caring lady who never said a bad word. I never saw her argue with anyone. She had a strong bond with us all. She loved to sew. I remember her at the sewing machine sewing clothes and Christmas gifts for us all. She made school clothes for us, and I couldn't wait for school to start so

I could wear a new outfit she made. She sewed baby quilts and donated them to the hospital.

I remember going to the 4-H cooking classes. We learned how to cook liver and onions. Someone forgot to tell us how to like this dish (ick!). Mom had a big heart. She was always encouraging young people in the community to continue their education. She was always looking to collect items for college student care packages.

At home she took time to enjoy family time. Like playing games, Pictionary and Rummy 500. Mom and her game partner were entertainment in itself.

She taught us how to grow a garden and not be afraid of anything. Mom made sure I could cook, clean and never be afraid of new things. Her caring and bravery were something I take with me. Mom, a strong lady who touched many people. She will always be in my heart. Rest in Peace, Mom.

Always, your oldest daughter,
Lori.



A fleeting moment of time

I chose the leaf as a representation of my mother, Myrna Lois Courtney. Much like life, the leaf sprouts in the springtime, grows, turns colors in the fall, and eventually falls to the ground at the end of the season. How profound that life itself is the same. I am honored to proclaim Myrna as my mother, an awesome gift sent from Heaven to nurture, not only to her



show compassion, and quick to render sound advice in a way that only she could. Mom always had a way of balancing our family, in a way that only she could.

Her smile always lit up the room while her laugh always comforted those around her. This is a shout-out to Mom, now holding a place in Heaven. I am so proud to have had you as my Mother, and I already miss you so much! And oh, the leaf is similar to the one that Mom held in a family photo, with five points, each one representing her children, with Dad at the center of her life.

Love you Mom, **Nico.**

In Remembrance

What I will remember most about my mother was her sense of loyalty and her love for family.

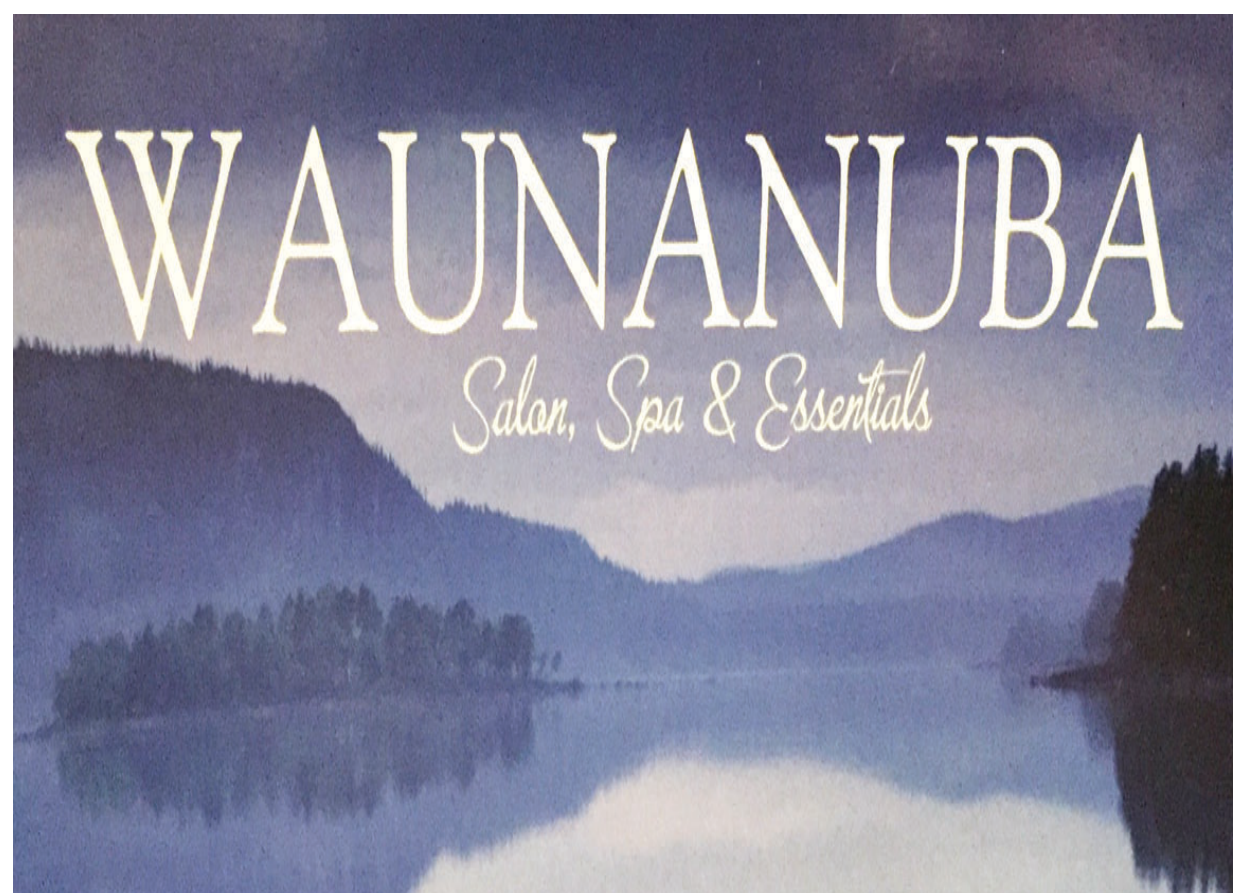
I never really knew if she really enjoyed all we did as family, but she remained steadfast and



faithful to the cause of family as we hunted, fished, camped and snowmobiled.

All in all, as long as we were together, having fun, and resisting to make the statement, "When do we eat?"

As a Minister, there is no doubt in my mind that I will see her again.
Don.



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