

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Ungricht serves Falls City well

The citizens of Falls City are so fortunate to have Terry Ungricht in the position of mayor.

When the city could not afford to replace the city manager, Terry stepped into this role as well without pay.

I see his vehicle parked at city hall each morning, and it is still there many afternoons on my way home. This is an extraordinary example of community service. Terry is open to any ideas that will benefit Falls City, and he truly represents all Falls City residents. Thank you, Terry.

Gary Barnett
 Falls City

Local offices affect you more

The vote that is most important this election season is for your city councilors, mayors, school board members, county commissioners and state government.

Those people make decisions that directly affect your daily life: water and sewer rates, electricity rates, garbage rates, how much your kids school will get in funding, whether it will be a bumpy road to work or not because the roads are maintained, etc. So when you vote on Nov. 8, don't just vote for the president and think you've done your civic duty. Read the whole ballot. Pay attention to who your local elected officials are.

Marc Miller
 Monmouth

Gabliks, Wilson deserve re-election

Dallas is blessed to have great people willing to serve on the Dallas City Council. Solid leadership and passion for our city are in critical need. I am writing this letter in support of two extraordinary women, Kelly Gabliks and LaVonne Wilson, who have these traits.

Give the city the leadership tools it needs to move into the future.

Vote for Gabliks and Wilson.

Bob Brannigan
 Dallas

Thompson: a yes vote for District 23

At the debate on Oct. 13, we saw a clear difference between the two candidates for HD 23. Nearman would like to represent our district by being a "no" vote and does not plan on working with the majority. If our representative refuses to work with his peers, then our district loses its advocate in Salem. Thompson knows he can disagree with the majority and still work with them. He is able to build relationships to ensure our community wins. We need Jim Thompson fighting for us. Vote for Jim.

Lori Brannigan
 Dallas

Thompson effective representative

Jim Thompson was an able and capable state rep-

resentative through several sessions of the Oregon Legislature. He was effective because he could work with all Legislators. He could sell his common-sense conservative ideas to Republicans and Democrats alike. The Legislature needs hard-working, common-sense representatives of the people as its members. Jim Thompson brings that to the Legislature.

He deserves your vote.

Dave Weston
 Dallas

Aquatic center improves life

To everyone who objects to the city helping to support the cost of running the aquatic center, remember that it is part of the Parks and Recreation Department. Parks do not generate any funds, but add to the livability of the town. The aquatic center pays about half of the cost of running it by the income it generates.

The manager has greatly expanded the use of the fa-

cility by adding times for special populations, and making the cost affordable for out-of-towners as well as local residents. I've spoken to many from Salem and other outlying towns who greatly value what we have to offer. I know that the city has often used grants to help improve the parks in town, and they continue to provide new opportunities for recreation. Thank you for considering my perspective.

Barbara (Barb) Chrisman
 Dallas

Yes on Central bond; yes for kids

A yes vote on 27-122 is a yes vote for the future of education in Central School District. The children are our future. How do we show our children we value their education? How do we show them we value them?

We invest in them. We provide them with the best environment we can to foster learning. A yes vote means more classrooms. A

yes vote means adequate lunch time. A yes vote means space for physical education requirements. A yes vote means air conditioning. No new taxes.

Please check out the facts at <http://central.k12.or.us/>.

Jeannie Scott
 Independence

Garton shows dedication to Polk

I have been a resident of Polk County for 68 years. I recently retired from the Polk County Sheriff's Office after 22 years of service as a patrol deputy and detective.

I have had the privilege to work with Sheriff Garton when he was a Sheriff's Office cadet, records clerk, reserve deputy, jail deputy, patrol deputy, patrol sergeant and as my detective sergeant. Sheriff Garton has the experience and dedication to best serve the citizens of Polk County.

Please join me and my family in voting for Sheriff Mark Garton.

Burney Krauger
 Monmouth

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OBITUARIES

Maye Desire Wiedeman McAllaster

May 1, 1925 -- 2016

Maye Desire Wiedeman McAllaster, 91, was born May 1, 1925, in Hayter, Alberta, Canada, to Edgar Henry Wiedeman and Bessie Ellen Wiedeman (Weaver). She was proud to become a United States citizen in her 20s.

Maye is survived by her children Charles McAllaster (Shelley), John McAllaster (Marilyn), Scott McAllaster (Kristie), eight grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Maye was predeceased by her husband of 72 years, Fred A. McAllaster, her parents, her brothers Henry Wiedeman, Clarence Wiedeman, and Charles Wiedeman, and her sisters Mary Niemela, Leona Betts, Alice Lefever, Edna Mallendick, and Verona Swearingen. Three siblings, Joyce, Jerald, and a brother died as infants.

Maye was the youngest of 12 children. Unfortunately, her mother passed away when Maye was only 8 years old. She spent her growing up years being passed between her siblings.

Maye was married May 7, 1941, to Fred A. McAllaster. She was 16 and he was 23. They were married in Goldendale, Washington, by a Justice of the Peace. They started married life with \$60. They were married for 72 years until Fred passed away Dec. 22, 2013.

Maye and Fred met through Fred's sister Aggie. Aggie and Maye were best friends.

In the early years, they moved about on the coast. Finally settling at the end of Salt Creek Road in Dallas, where they built their home and raised their children.

Fred and Maye raised their children on Salt Creek, and the children appreciated living in an area that allowed them to fish and hunt on the property as well as raise animals for FFA.

When they first got their property on Salt Creek Road they lived in a tent with a dirt floor. They loved their land and built their home themselves with the help of family members. Maye had a greenhouse full of fuchsias during those years. Her work was in the home caring for the children and their property. Maye loved to hunt, fish, and pick mushrooms. She spent countless hours canning fruits, vegetables, and meats for their family.

They lived on Salt Creek until 1995, when their health forced them to move into town. Although Maye always said the house in town wasn't home, she was still able to pursue her love of gardening there. From early spring to late fall, she was outdoors with her flowers and gardens. Theirs was the prettiest yard in the neighborhood. Working hard to keep their yard and garden beautiful was something Fred and Maye enjoyed together. It was their pride and joy. They donated bushels of vegetables to the needy for many years and loved putting together Christmas food boxes for Whitworth Elementary School families.

After Fred passed away, Maye sold her home in Dal-

las and moved into Assisted Living at Dallas Retirement Village. It was a really good fit for her. She came to care about the staff a great deal and appreciated how kind they were to her. She'll forever be remembered at DRV as the special lady who loved giving candy to everyone.

The family would like to offer a special thank you to all of the in-home caregivers as well as the caregivers at DRV for the wonderful care and attention that they provided to Maye.

Memorial services will be held Thursday, Oct. 27 at 1 p.m. in the Dallas Cemetery. The Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center is caring for the family. To leave a message or a memory please go to www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

Kenneth Elwood Larsen

June 13, 1928 -- Oct. 21, 2016

Kenneth Larsen passed away Friday, Oct. 21, at his home. He was 88 years old.

Dad was born in Miller, South Dakota, to Carrie and Axel Larsen on Friday the 13th, June, 1928. He was the

youngest of six children and he had four older sisters; Valeta, Elvena, Dorothy and Eloise, and one brother Arthur.

He married the love of his life — Patricia Jean Fleener, on August 11, 1948, in Independence, Oregon, and they lived a wonderful life together for the next 52 years until Mom passed away in October of 2000.

Mom and Dad lived their entire life in Independence — Dad owned Chevron gas stations in Independence, Lincoln City and Sisters, Oregon — he was a self-made, successful businessman who worked hard his entire life to provide for his family and friends. As a young boy he worked with his whole family in the hop fields, then at 15 he enlisted in the Navy - graduating from boot camp on his 16th birthday. He was then sent home because he was underage. Later he rejoined the Navy and served two years in Okinawa. In addition to the service stations, dad had many different investment business interests. He worked very hard, and he invested wisely.

He retired early to spend time with Mom, and they enjoyed many years at Black Butte Ranch with their children and grandchildren. Mom and Dad enjoyed being together, traveling and visiting their family. Their life was their family.

We will all miss Dad very much, but his was a life well-lived and he was ready for the next adventure, and he has many family and friends waiting for him in heaven.

Dad is survived by his loving family: Children: Christopher (Dee) Larsen, Kimberly (Jerry) Marr and Carrie (Scott) Casebeer. Five grandchildren; Peter Larsen (LT/USN), Kate Larsen and Andrew Larsen, Kristen

Marr, and JD (Becky) Marr. He is also survived by his Great-Granddaughter June Marr and another Great-Granddaughter arriving in December.

A private family graveside service was held on Wednesday, Oct. 26, at Hilltop Cemetery in Independence, Oregon.

Remembrances in lieu of flowers can be made to the Heritage Museum Society, c/o P.O. Box 7, Independence, Oregon 97351. Farnstrom Mortuary is handling arrangements. Memories and condolences at FarnstromMortuary.com.

Steven Doyle Dukes

Aug. 25, 1957 -- Oct. 6, 2016

Steven Doyle Dukes, 59, died in Dallas on Oct. 6.

He was born to Travis and Laurena Dukes in Eureka, Calif., on Aug. 25, 1957.

Steven is survived by his mother; sisters, Mary Lock and Carol DeRidder; wife of over 20 years, Theresa Dukes; and his children, Justin and Brooke Dukes and their mother, Laura Del Ragno.

Services were held.

Betty V. Hague

March 6, 1923 -- Oct. 21, 2016

Betty V. Hague, of Dallas, died Oct. 21. She was born in Marion.

Survivors include son R.W. Noah Hague, of Grants Pass; sister, Mary Sutton, of San Diego; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by son Jimmy, died March 17, 1947 and Merle, May 21, 2016.

Viewing will be from 2 to 7 p.m. on Friday in the Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center. A private interment will be held in the Marion Friends Cemetery on Saturday, followed by a reception and fellowship to begin at 11 a.m. in the Valley Life Church, at 1795 SE Miller Ave., Dallas. The Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements. To leave an online tribute: www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

Ronda K. Woodrum

Sept. 10, 1948 -- Oct. 23, 2016

Ronda K. Woodrum died on Sunday.

Private family services were held. Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements. To leave an online tribute: www.dallas-tribute.com.

Sudoku solution

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2	9	5	8	3	7	1	6	4
4	1	6	9	5	2	3	8	7
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8	5	2	7	1	3	4	9	6
3	6	9	5	2	4	7	1	8
5	2	4	3	9	8	6	7	1
6	8	1	4	7	5	9	3	2
9	7	3	2	6	1	8	4	5

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