## Family

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inheritances

# **AMARRIAGE MILESTONE**

## Couple take out first license in Grant County

**By Scotta Callister** Blue Mountain Eagle

CANYON CITY - A Mt. Vernon couple last week became the first to take out a license for a same-sex marriage in Grant County.

Terry Hanson and Carla Schroder filled out the license form last Friday at the Grant County Courthouse.

County Clerk Brenda Percy said she's had a couple of domestic partnerships filed in her office, but this was the first for a samesex marriage.

Same-sex marriage has been legally recognized in Oregon since May 2014.

Hanson and Schroder are planning a March 28 wedding at the Mt. Vernon Community Hall, with Sam Walker conducting



The Eagle/Scotta Callister Terry Hanson and Carla Schroder prepare the license form for their

#### the ceremony.

marriage.

The institution of marriage has long been denied to them - along with rights that married couples take for granted, they said.

"There's over 1,500 individual benefits

# Local DAR chapter to meet

#### Blue Mountain Eagle

BAKER CITY - The Lone Pine Tree chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Friday, March 13, at Sunridge Restaurant in Baker City.

County's Infamous town of the Early 1900s," an entertaining story of how a woman saved the town. Visitors are welcome to the meetings.

For more information, call Meschelle Cookson, 541-523-4248 or Joan Smith at 541-963der is an author.

Schroder notes there's a psychological lift from "making it legal," and she quips, You only get married for the first time, once."

and rights that heterosexual people have al-

ways had, without thinking about it," Han-

portant ones for them include qualifying for

spousal benefits, being able to make medical

decisions for one's spouse, and automatic

major changes in their daily life. Hanson is

a driver for the People Mover and an inter-

active media technology assistant for Blue

Mountain Community College, and Schro-

They don't expect marriage to mean

She and Schroder say some of the im-

While they are the first to take that step in Grant County, they don't expect to be the last.

"Hopefully, this will allow some other people who have held back to be more comfortable with the idea," Hanson said.

Proceeds from the fund-

munity activities through-

out the year including CPR

classes, community clean-up

day, reunion meals, a Hal-

loween gathering which en-

courages rural participation

and the Christmas Cookie

Caper, in which over 40

plates of donated sweets are

delivered to folks in the area.

help with local emergencies

such as house fires or critical

illnesses. The club also helps

people in need with cash and

the club was first called the

Monument Matrons and

Maids - MMM - and was

a social group that also lent

support to the community.

Renamed the Monument

Service Club in later years,

the goals remained the same,

to aid and enrich the lives of

Monument citizens.

Established in the 1930s,

handmade quilts.

Funds from the event also

## Celebrate spring with a 'Fling'

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MONUMENT - You know winter's days are numbered when Monument rings in spring with a "Fling."

ment Service Club will hold its annual "Spring Fling" - a lunch and Dutch auction - at 10 a.m. Friday, March 27, in the Monument Senior Center.

This year, a \$2 registration fee is requested to cover lunch expenses. Those attending are

Dutch auction tickets are 25 cents each. People place tickets in jars in front of the items they like, and the draw-

Donations for the auction are needed. Suggestions in-

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### **O**BITUARIES

#### **Charles Fredrick 'Pete' Pickle** Oct. 16, 1923 – March 1, 2015

Charles Fredrick "Pete" Pickle, 91, of John Day, died March 1 at Blue Mountain Hospital in John Day. A graveside service was held March 6 at Canyon City Cemetery with Al Altnow officiating.

Mr. Pickle was born October 16, 1923, in Enterprise, to Albert and Minnie Pickle. He graduated from Enterprise High School in 1939. Before entering the military he worked as

a blacksmith apprentice. He served in the U.S Army for over three years both as a PFC and a Tec 5. While he did not serve in actual combat, he was a medical technician, and received several medals: Soldiers Medal for heroism, American Theater Service Medal, Victory Medal, European Afnzan Middle Eastern Service Medal and a Good Conduct Medal.

In 1946, he married Irene F. Woldridge in Dayton, Wash. They divorced in 1977 after 31 years of marriage.

In April 1977, he married Maravene Shumway in Caldwell, Idaho. She died in July 2010.

In his later years, he attended the First Christian Church until he was no longer able.

His hobbies included fishing, elk hunting, gardening, mushroom picking, and his friends and family. Charles was known for his kind gentle heart, giving ways, and will be dearly missed.

Survivors include daughter, Bessie Irene Ryder of Spring Creek, Nev.; son, Albert Pickle of John Day; stepdaughter, Annelia Riggs of Vancouver, Wash; brothers, Orlando Pickle of Pendleton and Jack Pickle of Prairie City; granddaughters, Shilo Rogerson of Bend and Shyleen Pickle of Central Point; 16 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

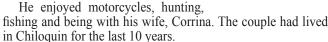
He is was preceded in death by his wife, Maravene Pickle; stepson, Leonard Henderson; two brothers; and two sisters.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the First Christian Church of John Day through Driskill Memorial Chapel 241 S. Canyon Blvd. John Day, OR 97845.

#### Scott Lloyd Lee Feb. 27, 1974 – Feb. 25, 2015

CHILOQUIN - Scott Lloyd Lee, 40, formerly of Dayville, died Feb. 25 after a car crash near Klamath Falls. At his request, there will be no service.

Mr. Lee was born Feb. 27, 1974, in Prineville, to Jan Elaine Valade Lee and Doug Lee. He was raised by Jan and Elmer Dickens Sr. near Dayville, and attended schools in Dayville and John Day.



Survivors include his wife, Corrina Taylor of Chiloquin; his mother, Jan Valade Dickens; daughters, Melissa Anne Lee Haynes and Celeste Donna Lee; son, Scott Lloyd Lee Jr.; grandchildren, Dominic, Ronin and Bentlee; brother, Elmer Dickens Jr.; sister, Terri Dickens Landreth; great-grandmother, Fern Turner of John Day; and grandfather, Duane Turner of Mt. Ver-

Memorial contributions may be made to a custodial account for his grandchildren through Old West Federal Credit Union.

#### **Grace Spencer**

Grace Spencer, 92, of John Day, died March 8 at Valley View Living Facility in John Day. There will be no services at this time.

Arrangements are under the care of Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.



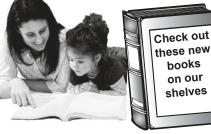


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Lunch will be at 11:30 a.m. followed by the meeting at noon. Nancy Wilson will present a

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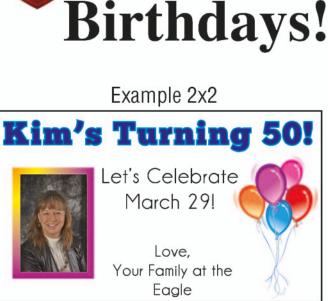
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