

Event celebrates roper's life

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PENDLETON – A roping event on Saturday, June 27, will celebrate the life of George Hixson, a noted cattleman and rodeo roper who died last April.

Friends are invited to bring “a George story” to the George Hixson Good-bye Roping at the Mustang Grounds in Pendleton. The roping starts at 10 a.m. and a potluck barbecue starts at noon; the meat will be provided.

Hixson was born in 1923 in Colorado, where he ranched, and in 1968 he moved his family to Long Creek. He raised roping cattle, mules and horses.

He and his wife, Evelyn, who survives, have lived in Pendleton since 2000.

He was known for his love of rodeo, and for encouraging young people in the tradition.

For information on the event, call Wally at 541-379-2433 or Mark at 541-377-8781.

AA meetings on hold

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LONG CREEK – The Friday night Alcoholics Anonymous meetings at Long Creek Communi-

ty Center are on hold for the time being, and may be resumed at a later date.

For more information, call 541-421-3888.

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Gladyce Leona Mansfield Cannon

Nov. 24, 1920 – May 19, 2015

BEND – Gladyce Cannon, 94, formerly of Mt. Vernon, died May 19 in Bend. A Celebration of Life will be at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 6, at Allison Park Christian Church, 1520 Echo Hollow Rd., Eugene. Mrs. Cannon was born Nov. 24, 1920, to Hannah Walker Mansfield and Harvey Wesley Mansfield in Taylor, Neb.



She spent most of her childhood and young teenage years on a farm. She attended a one-room grade school, and then a county high school in Taylor.

At 16, she and her parents moved to Oregon, settling in Elmira. She graduated from Elmira High School in 1938.

She married and had two daughters.

In Mt. Vernon, she was a homemaker and worked part-time in the post office. She and her husband owned the Mt. Vernon Machine Shop. She also owned and helped operate a theater and apartment building in Vale.

In 1960, the family moved to Eugene, where she lived for 55 years.

She worked at Agripac Cannery for 17 years, and after retiring, was a precinct poll worker during elections. She was an accomplished seamstress and involved with church activities, serving as a Sunday School teacher.

She enjoyed her flowers and vegetable garden, and planted one every year until she was 93. Her hobbies included poetry, history, traveling, eating out and family gatherings.

She was a member of Allison Park Christian Church.

Survivors include daughter, Rosalee Reynolds of Bend; grandchildren, Julie Ann (Allen) King, David Reynolds and Matt Reed III; great-grandson, Matt Reed IV; one great-great-grandson; brother, George Mansfield of Redmond; son-in-law, Paul Smith of Denver; and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by a daughter, Kathleen Smith; grandson, Clinton Reed; sisters, Eleanor Lewis, Gretchen Lubcke and Rachel Kau; brother, Robert Mansfield; and son-in-law, Ralph Reynolds.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Greenhill Humane Society, 88530 Green Hill Rd., Eugene, OR 97402.

OBITUARIES

Alene Yates

March 17, 1927 – May 21, 2015

Alene Yates, 88, died May 21 at her Mt. Vernon home with family by her side. A viewing was held May 27 at Driskill Memorial Chapel, and the funeral service on May 28 at Living Word Christian Center, with Pastor Sharon Miller officiating. A procession to Canyon City Cemetery followed.



Alene Annie Lois Horton was born March 17, 1927, in Cook County, Ga., next to the youngest of 10 children, to Martha Ida Bishop and Henry Mitchell Horton. Her name was eventually shortened to Alene Anne Horton, as the Social Security Administration would not allow such a long name.

She lived for a time with her oldest sister, Hazel Tyson, in Tifton, Ga., working as a waitress during the summer, and then returning home to finish school. In her younger years she worked alongside her family in the cotton fields. She met Tom Yates, an Army airman, while working as a waitress in a diner in Moultrie, Ga. When she saw him walk into the restaurant, she told her friend “There’s the man I am going to marry.” They married six weeks later in Tifton, while he was stationed with the U.S. Army Air Corps at Spence Field in Moultrie.

They had three children, and eventually settled in New Mexico.

In 1986, they moved from Los Lunas, N.M., to Oregon, and spent the rest of their lives in a log house on 30 acres at the end of Widows Creek Road between Mt. Vernon and Dayville.

She enjoyed sewing and quilting, and made many quilts and afghans for her family, as well as mending and altering clothing. The couple enjoyed gardening, and always had a large garden. They canned much of the fruit and vegetables to share with others.

The joy of her life was her family. She and her husband enjoyed life together and always kept busy, whether it was fishing, prospecting or a business venture. She was known for her Southern cooking among friends and family.

Survivors include her sons, Harold (Lois) Yates of Concordia, Mo., and Dan Yates of Pang Burn, Ark.; daughter Tollene (Gerald) Russell of Mt. Vernon; and 11 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, several brothers and sisters; a granddaughter, and a great-granddaughter.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Blue Mountain Hospice or Gospel for Asia through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

Clifford E. Reich

Feb. 5, 1929 – May 5, 2015

Clifford E. Reich, 86, longtime Monument resident, died May 5, in Walla Walla, Wash. A memorial service was held May 31 at the Long Creek Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Mr. Reich was born Feb. 5, 1929, in Park City, Utah, to Ben and Myrtle Reich. He attended Southwestern University in Keene, Texas, for several years.

He married Irene Ethel Kurz, with whom he had two children.

He worked in construction, made church furniture and did finish carpentry. He also raised many foster children while maintaining the ranch he and his wife shared.

Survivors include children, Pearl Reich Spencer of Monument and Danny Earl Reich of Walla Walla; nine grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and siblings, Roosevelt Reich of Stevens, Wash., and Guyla Reich of Paradise, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 53 years, Irene, and five siblings.

Fred Stoltz

Fred Stoltz, 78, died May 28 at his John Day home. No services are planned at this time.

Memorial contributions may be made to the John Day Senior Center in care of Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

Kerry Sharp

A celebration of life for Kerry Sharp, who died Jan. 4, will be 1-3 p.m. Sunday, June 7, at Magone Lake.



Nelda Marie Kimberling Schuyler

9/17/1930 – 12/6/2014

Born September 17, 1930 in Riverside, Malheur Co., OR. to Cecil James and Myrtle Louise (Craig) Kimberling.

A descendent of Nathaniel James Kimberling, she always felt a calling to return to Grant County, and did so many times to reminisce and visit friends and family both living and passed (a family tradition to bring and leave TP at the cemetery restroom). Her loving heart finally said enough and the good Lord was merciful to call her home as she slept, in the wee hours of the morning on December 6, 2014.

Living in Grant Co. she attended 1st grade at Riverside School, then Prairie City Grade School. They moved to Vancouver, WA., then NE Portland in 1939, where she attended Woodlawn Grade School. The family home was purchased in 1945 and as a teenager she enjoyed the life in Lents.

In 1949, graduating from Franklin High School, she soon started her life as a mother, raising a total of 5 children.

She retired in 1992 after 28 years with Pacific Northwest Bell Telephone Company (now CenturyLink) as an information operator, where she met many friends whom she followed through the years, coordinating a monthly luncheon since 1979, calling themselves the Swinging Bells.

Although not active in any one organization, she was a member of The Telephone Pioneers, NW Quilters Association, Portland Genealogical Society and attended the Mt Tabor LDS Church when she could.

Crafting, crocheting, family historian, and piece quilting were her pastimes.

Always happy she enjoyed the little things in life. She once wrote in her journal: “I’m not unhappy, so I must be happy.” As one friend said, “She could get enjoyment at watching paint dry.”

Battling her second breast cancer for several years and going through many rough times from the effects of chemo, she never complained and never gave up that they would find a treatment that worked. She always a sparkle in her eye no matter how bad she felt. Only a memory to cherish.

All will miss her and her gifts of little treasures she collected throughout the year, thinking of each person individually as she purchased or made them.

Greeting her in the pastures of Heaven are her parents, Cecil J and Myrtle L (Craig) Kimberling; sister, Charlotte F. Stratton; the fathers of her children, Earl Haggart, Alfred Coffey, Wilferd Livengood, and Raymond Schuyler; Son; Kevin James Schuyler and her one true companion TIMEX the watch dog.

She is survived by her sister, Dorothy Irene Hollingsworth; brother in-law, Theodore Clif Stratton; daughters, Kathleen Louise McGuire and Terrie Kay Casey; sons, Gary Ray and Lynn Eugene Schuyler; eight grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, 2 great-great grandchildren and nieces, nephews, and many friends.

A private burial was held on Dec 12, 2014 at the Prairie City, OR cemetery.

Memorial held Jan 18, 2015 from 1-3 at Clackamas, OR Old Spaghetti Factory.

A Graveside ceremony will be held June 13, 2015 at 5pm

Donations to charity of your choice, The Cancer Society or The Heavens Saints.

Paid for by the family of Nelda Schuyler

Obituary

Paul Duane Woodworth

Paul Duane Woodworth, 91, of Prairie City passed away on May 24, 2015, at his home surrounded by family. A Funeral Service will be held at the Prairie City Baptist Church on Saturday, May 30, 2015, at 10:30am. Interment will follow at the Prairie City Cemetery. Friends and family are then invited to join them for a reception.

Paul was born Feb 24, 1924, in Albion, Nebraska as the first child of Henry and Marie Woodworth. He spent his early years on the family farm in Albion. Because of the Dust Bowl and the Great Depression, the family came west in 1939. In 1942, on his 18th birthday, Paul left high school early to serve in the U.S. Army. He was in E Company of the 187th Infantry Division during the turbulent early years of WWII. Paul served from 1942-1946 in New Guinea and Luzon in the Pacific. He was an accomplished infantryman, sharp shooter, glider pilot, and parachutist. He received the Bronze Star and Purple Heart among other medals while serving during the war. Many years later he would finish his high school education and attend the police academy in Monmouth, Oregon in order to enter police work.

Paul married his wife Maxine in 1950 and were involved in farming before moving to Prairie City in 1953. Paul worked in the logging industry and as a policeman for many years until retiring in 1989. For 9 years, while his boys were young, he was a Little League baseball coach. In his middle years he served with the Grant County Search and Rescue team, two terms on the City council, and as Mayor of Prairie City twice. He also served as the Chief of Police for the City, and as a long time hunter’s safety instructor. In addition, he served as an EMT and volunteer ambulance driver until giving up the job in 2004 at the age of 80.

Under his leadership as mayor in the 1970s, he secured a federal grant and oversaw the building of the Prairie City fire station and City; worked to establish the Depot RV Park in Prairie City. In 1976 Paul started the Christmas program for the Prairie City needy families, which is still an active program today. For the country’s 1976 bi-centennial, Paul came up with the idea to create the City’s 4th of July parade and festivities, which continues to be an enjoyable event for the community. He was also an active member of Prairie City Baptist Church. He was a youth Awana program games coordinator. He also enjoyed cooking for the men’s meetings, and helped serve with the church food pantry.

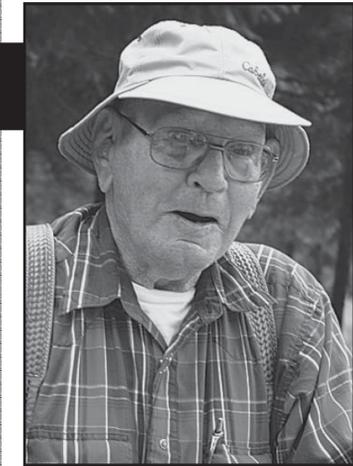
Paul loved to camp, hunt, and fish, and told stories of the ones that got away. It was always said of him that he was passionate about “the hunt” and could go uphill faster than guys half his age when elk hunting. He enjoyed helping one son out on his ranch, visiting the mountain cabin owned by another son, and seeing the grandkids come for a visit. His favorite pastime in his elder years was playing fetch with his dog Rosco, watching outdoor programs and baseball on TV, and he enjoyed looking at the pristine scene of the Strawberry mountain range out his front room window. He also looked forward to catching a few trout with his fishing buddy Joe. He was passionate about community government and its leadership, and took an active position in serving others.

Paul is survived by his wife Maxine along with five children and their spouses; Stan (Doreen) Woodworth of Burns, OR, Ken (Jan) Winder of Newberg, OR, Les (Pam) Woodworth of Prairie City, Mark (Judy) Woodworth of Bend, OR and Vanessa and (Glenn) Verheyen of Fruitland, ID. A sister Phyllis Hobson of Grants Pass, OR as well as several nieces and nephews. The Woodworths have 14 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Preceding him in death are his parents, a brother, a sister, son David, and two infant granddaughters.

The family would like to send a big thank you to the Prairie City Baptist Church family for their many kindnesses and support during this difficult time. We’d also like to acknowledge the caring and compassionate team from Blue Mountain Hospice as well as a special thank you to Paul’s fishing buddy, Joe Phippen, who was so faithful to help out these past few months.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Prairie City Christmas Fund, The American Legion Prairie City Chapter or to the Prairie Baptist Church Food Bank through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd. John Day, OR 97845.



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WEATHER FORECAST

Slight chance of T-storms **Wednesday** 68/45

20% chance of T-storms **Thursday** 74/45

Mostly sunny **Friday** 82/47

Sunny **Saturday** 86/50

Slight chance of T-storms **Sunday** 88/51

Chance of T-storms **Monday** 88/53

Sunny, warm **Tuesday** 82/52

LAST WEEK							
	May 26	27	28	29	30	31	JUNE 1
John Day	73/42	71/46	78/46	83/52	77/58	83/55	75/58
RIVER FLOWS							
	Discharge	Last Year	Average	% of Avg.			
John Day (Mainstem)	299	311	436	69			
Fitter (MF)	245	450	567	43			
Monument (NF)	1290	1690	2700	48			
Service Creek (Mainstem)	1960	2000	3840	51			
McDonald Ferry (Mainstem)	2090	2320	4170	50			

24/7 FORECAST

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