

Eight killed in Harney County crash

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Eight people were killed Monday morning when two vehicles crashed head-on on Highway 78 in Harney County.

According to an Oregon State Police press release, emergency personnel responded to the crash south of Crane around 10 a.m.

Preliminary investigations suggest that a white 1999 Toyota 4Runner was traveling westbound when it veered into the east-bound lane and collided with a silver 2016 Toyota 4Runner.

The seven people in the

eastbound vehicle, including the driver, were pronounced dead at the scene of the crash. The single occupant of the westbound vehicle also was pronounced dead at the crash site.

"This is an ongoing investigation," the press release states. "Names and more information will be released when it is appropriate."

The state police were assisted by the Harney County Sheriff's Office, Hines Police Department, Harney District Ambulance, Burns Fire Department, Range Land Fire Protection Association and the Oregon Department of Transportation.



Contributed photo

Eight people died in a head-on collision on Highway 78 south of Crane Aug. 13. Names have not been released.

OBITUARIES

Marianne B. Morris

Sept. 9, 1936 - Aug. 6, 2018

Marianne B. Morris, 81, of Mt. Vernon passed away Monday, August 6, with her family by her side. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, August 10, at Fletcher Cemetery in Mt. Vernon.



Marianne Bethel (Davis) Morris was born in Indianapolis, Indiana, on September 9, 1936, to Jacob and Annice Davis. The family moved around a lot while she was growing up. She lived in Indiana, Illinois, Arizona and Missouri. She graduated from Ava Missouri High School in 1954.

She met Charles Morris in Ava, Missouri, and they were married in 1955. Their first two children were born in Missouri. Then they moved to Oregon and fell in love with Grant County. Four more daughters joined the family. Marianne was a full-time housewife until 1982 when she started working as a security guard, first at Mt. Vernon Peeler Mill, then Malheur Lumber Co. until she retired in 2007.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, two sisters and two infant great-granddaughters.

She is survived by her children, Laura Christman, Tim (Donna) Morris, Susan (Pete) DeRoiser, Pam (Jeff) Cherry, Julie (Bruce) Barlow and Evelyn Arnett; brothers Allan Davis, Jacob Davis and Ray Davis; 13 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; two great-great-grandchildren; cousins; and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Leukemia Research Foundation or the American Diabetes Association through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845. To offer condolences to her family, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

Bonnie Jean Gause

Bonnie Jean Gause, 85, of Mt. Vernon passed away Sunday, Aug. 12, at her residence. Service arrangements are pending under the guidance of Driskill Memorial Chapel. To leave condolences, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

Mary Ella Neal

Mary Ella Neal, 73, of Kimberly passed away on Sunday, Aug. 12, at her residence. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, Aug. 18, at the Monument Cemetery in Monument, with Mitch Mund officiating. Memorial contributions may be made to the Monument Senior Center through Driskill Memorial Chapel. To leave condolences, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

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Forest implements Phase C fire restrictions

Campfires and chainsaw use prohibited

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Officials from the Malheur National Forest will implement Phase C public use restrictions for extreme fire danger Friday.

Umatilla and Wallowa-Whitman national for-

ests implemented Phase C Thursday.

Campfires are prohibited; use liquid and bottle (propane) gas stoves only.

No internal combustion engine operation (including chainsaws), except for motorized vehicles.

Electrical generators may only be operated in the center of an area at least 10 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material or when fully contained

within a pickup truck bed that is empty of all flammable material.

Off-road/off-trail vehicle travel or travel on roads not cleared of standing grass or other flammable material is not allowed. Vehicle travel is never permitted on currently closed forest service roads where access has been impeded or blocked by earthen berms, logs, boulders, barriers, barricades or gates, or as otherwise identified in a

closure order.

Smoking is allowed only in enclosed vehicles and buildings, developed recreation sites or in cleared areas.

Regulated closures are also in effect on state and private lands protected by Oregon Department of Forestry.

To report a wildfire call 911.

For more information, call 541-575-3000 or visit fs.usda.gov/malheur or <http://bicc-jdrc.org/index.shtml>.

Red flags will alert public to weather warnings

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A volunteer Red Flag Warning program is available in Grant County.

When a Red Flag Warning is issued by the National Weather Service, volunteers at local agencies, organizations and businesses will

a 3x5-foot flag to alert people to the weather conditions.

Red Flag Warnings mean an onset of critical weather and fuel conditions could lead to a rapid or dramatic increase in wildfire activity from strong winds, dry lightning or other potentially severe wildfire conditions.

These weather conditions support increased wildfire activity and rapid fire growth.

Representatives of businesses, agencies or organizations interested in participating in the Red Flag Day program can contact Irene Jerome at 541-620-4466.

Women in Wildland Fire Boot Camp training offered by BLM

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The Vale District of the Bureau of Land Management is offering paid training for women interested in a career in wildland fire management.

Participants in the Women in Wildland Fire Boot Camp will fulfill several key entry-level training requirements for seasonal employment by

federal agencies or private contractors.

Training is a combination of classroom instruction and hands-on field exercises ranging from firefighting techniques, tools and equipment to communications and safety.

In addition to controlling and suppressing wildfires that threaten communities and natural

resources, wildland firefighters play a key role in using fire strategically to manage sustainable, working public lands.

Application deadline is Sept. 14, and selections will be made by Sept. 21.

The boot camp training will be held near Juntura over two consecutive weekends, Oct. 19-21 and Oct. 26-28.

Students will be paid

\$12.74 an hour for training time.

Personal protective equipment, training materials and meals will be provided.

The complete outreach notice and application can be requested by calling 541-473-6297 or emailing candrews@blm.gov.

For more information, contact Cassandra Fleckenstein at 541-473-6295.



Ronald Scott Field

February 25, 1971 - August 4, 2018

Ronald Scott Field, 47, was born on February 25, 1971, in Corvallis, Oregon on his father's birthday and passed away from cancer on August 4 in Prairie City, surrounded by his family. A graveside service was held August 11 at Prairie City Cemetery. A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, August 18 at Wild Bleu at 1:00 in Madras, Oregon.

After birth, Ronald lived with his family in Corvallis, Oregon; Prairie City, Oregon; Pasco, Washington; and Clatskanie, Oregon before traveling all over the world with his family. As a teenager, he lived in Yemen, visited Great Britain, France, Germany, Egypt, Cyprus, and Kenya and traveled to Egypt and Syria with the Sanaa International School soccer team. In his high school years, he attended Sanaa International School (Yemen), Salzburg Preparatory School (Austria), Corvallis High School (Oregon), and graduated from Prairie City High School in 1989.

Ronald worked for Brightwood Corporation in Madras, Oregon for 25 years working his way up to shift supervisor. He made many good friends there and in the Madras community. It was easy to get to know Ronald and to become his friend. He had a special gift for being able to lift up others and make them smile. He was always positive and upbeat and a joy to be around, but his greatest accomplishment was raising his beautiful daughter Melissa.

Ronald lived life to the fullest. He enjoyed the outdoors and spent many enjoyable days fly fishing with his grandfather Harvey and family. He also enjoyed hunting, camping, golfing, bicycling, travel, sports, cooking, playing cards and Scrabble. He was an avid coach and supporter of his daughter Melissa's many sporting events in soccer, softball, swimming, and water polo. A highlight was traveling to southern California three times for USA Water Polo Junior Olympics competition.

He was an enthusiastic supporter of the Madras Aquatic Center, the water polo teams, swimming program, and the Madras softball team. He loved OSU Beaver sports and NFL football. The past year he felt privileged to be able to watch his nephew Jajari and the Prairie City basketball team earn second place in the 1A State Basketball Tournament.

His survivors are his parents Richard Dee and Melody Ann Field of Prairie City; daughter Melissa AnnaMarie of Culver; brothers Justin William (Christine) of Prineville, Jeremy Dee (Anna Stargel) of Prairie City, Raymond Harvey (Allison) of Canyon City; 6 aunts and uncles, Mary Bea Decklar of Hillsboro, Dr. Raymond E. Henshaw (Carol) of Marietta, Ohio, Kathy Ruth (Jere) Henderson of Sunriver, and Caroline Field of Florence; numerous cousins, nieces and nephews, and one grandniece.

He was preceded in death by grandparents Harvey Dee and Constance Lindsay (Moore) Field, and Dr. Raymond Edward and Marion Margaret (Call) Henshaw and his uncle Marshall Terry Decklar. Memorial contributions may be made to the Madras Aquatic Center in Ronald's name through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, Oregon 97845.

Paid for by the family of Ronald Field

School starts soon

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Grant County public schools will soon open their doors for the first day of class. Here are the schedules for elementary through high school grades:

Monument School	Tuesday, Aug. 21
Grant Union junior high students	Monday, Aug. 27
Grant Union senior high students	Tuesday, Aug. 28
Humboldt Elementary	Monday, Aug. 27
Seneca School	Monday, Aug. 27
Prairie City School	Monday, Aug. 27
Long Creek School	Monday, Aug. 27
Dayville School	Monday, Aug. 27

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JOHN DAY	H/I/LO
TUESDAY	98/60
WEDNESDAY	104/63
THURSDAY	107/65
FRIDAY	102/67
SATURDAY	93/59
SUNDAY	85/50
MONDAY	89/53

24/7 FORECAST








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WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF AUG. 15-21

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
						
Hazy sun	Hazy sun	Partly sunny	Sunny	Mostly sunny	Very warm	Mostly sunny
95	94	88	90	91	93	94
62	60	55	52	57	52	49