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Obituaries

**Herbert Lawrence
'Larry' Lovgren**

Herbert Lawrence "Larry" Lovgren, 77, of Squam Bay Valley, BC passed away on March 11, 2012 after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on May 12 at the Squam Bay Hall.



**Herbert Lawrence
'Larry'
Lovgren**

Larry was born in Morrow County on December 6, 1934, the son of Victor Arthur and Jessie Irene (McDaniel) Lovgren; he grew up on a farm where they grew grain and raised cattle. After graduation, in 1955, he married Joan Thomas and moved to Canada in search of a piece of land with water. They settled in the Squam Bay Valley in British Columbia, where they shared many happy years raising their family. After his wife's death, Larry married Darlene in 2000, and he was able to do some traveling. He lived on the farm until being admitted into Forest View Place in the Dr. Helmcken Memorial Hospital in Clearwater, B.C. in 2008.

Larry loved and took great pride in his work and his farm. He drove Cat, building roads for Mac Allen Logging for around 40 years, only taking time off to put up hay on the family farm in the summer. In the fall, he would take a week or so to go hunting with his buddies in northern British Columbia. He was a great story teller and always had a sense of humor. Larry was a great mechanic; he could make any old piece of ma-

chinery run, which came in handy on the farm. He was a man who never raised his voice to his girls, always a gentleman, with never a harsh word to say about anyone. He was a friend to many and will be missed by all who knew him.

He was preceded in death by: his parents, Victor in 1991 and Jessie in 1974; his first wife, Joan June Lovgren in 1995; his brother, Dean Arthur Lovgren in 1983; and grandson, Tyrell Dean Wilson in 1984.

He is survived by: a sister, Donna (Vince) Allman of Pendleton, OR; four daughters, Vicky (Tom) Davis of Barriere, BC, Jan Davis of Kamloops, BC, Brenda (Gordon) Wilson of Little Fort and Beisecker, Alberta, and Jacki (Wayne) Van Sickle of Squam Bay, BC; nine grandchildren, Justin (Sheshawna) Davis, Deana Davis (Destry Nowoczin), Joe, Kevin and Lauren Davis, Tyler Wilson, Katelyn Wilson (Brandon Abel), Jacob Van Sickle (Kim Monsos), Trevor Van Sickle; and four great-grandchildren,

Memorial donations in his memory may be made to the Alzheimer's Society, North Central Interior, Box 277, Stn. M, Kamloops, BC, Canada, V2C 5K6.

Online condolences can be made to www.norththompsonfuneral.com.

North Thompson Funeral Services in Barriere, BC is in charge of arrangements.

Sara R. 'Isa' Brown

Sara R. "Isa" Brown, 86, of Ione died Wednesday, April 4, 2012 at her home. A memorial service was held 11 a.m. Wednesday, April 11, at the Ione Community Church.

She was born June 13, 1925 in Rochester, NY, the daughter of William and Ruth Mead Titus. She was raised and attended school in Rochester. She attended both the Ironquoit High School and Fairport High School in Rochester. After graduating from high school, she was a dancer on and off Broadway and was in summer stock theatre in New York.

Isa had several careers in her lifetime, one of them being an executive secretary for Alistair Cooke, the journalist; John Howard, who was responsible for setting up the engineering school at Columbia University; and Ron Sholnech, the director of the YMCA in Rochester. In 1973, while working at the YMCA, she met R. J. "Hasa" Brown, and the couple was married in 1976.

She earned a master's degree in philosophy,

as well as a master's in theology. She attended Bexley Hall Seminary in Rochester, graduating in 1980; she began serving churches in Lyle, NY and proceeded to serve other churches at the Fort Berthold Reservation in North Dakota, in North Fork and Alturas in California, and in Ione, Condon and Enterprise in Oregon. She also did pulpit supply in various churches in Oregon; a favorite was a house church in Bend. She retired from the ministry in 1988 while serving the United Church of Christ in Ione.

She was very proud of her Native American heritage.

Survivors include: her husband, Hasa Brown of Ione; daughter, Khita Wyatt of Ann Arbor, MI and grandchildren, Mekiah and Aleya.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ione Community Church, PO Box 346, Ione, OR 97843.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

~ Letters to the Editor ~

The Heppner Gazette Times will print all letters to the Editor with the following criteria met: letters submitted to the newspaper will need to have the name of the sender along with a legible signature. We are also requesting that you provide your address and a phone number where you can be reached. The address and phone number will only be used for verification and will not be printed in the newspaper. Letters may not be libelous. The GT reserves the right to edit. The GT is not responsible for accuracy of statements made in letters. Any letters expressing thanks will be placed in the classifieds under "Card of Thanks" at a cost of \$10.

**Wolf management
not fair to ranchers**

Howdy Editor,

On March 11, the Heppner Tea Party sponsored an informational meeting on wolves. The gathering was well worth the travel to get there. Their goal was to tell the facts and leave out the media spin. I am not quoting or attempting to put words in their mouths. The following is my "take" from the meeting.

It was well done with little finger-pointing. The presentation was made up of three rancher wives along with their local county sheriff. Each gave a verbal and visual presentation. The visual showed the sheriff, rancher, ODFW representative and veterinary, all witnessing the several investigative autopsies at the same time. The evidence represented the huge unreasonable and overwhelming challenge ranchers face 24 hours a day to stay in business and save their agricultural livelihoods. Not only do they have to deal with the wolves, they have also received death threats.

Their verbal presentation: Oregon was not in the original federal wolf recovery plan. Wolves have never been endangered; they were brought to Yellowstone from somewhere else. The plan manages people, not wolves. There are no constraints on wolves; the constraints are all on the people.

We are notified of sex offenders in our neighborhoods. Only "after the fact" notification—if it comes at all—comes to the ranchers when wolves are around their cattle.

Wolves get used to and outsmart the noisemaking, visual and mechanical required gadgets and deterrents that are supposed to scare them away. These required deterrents were originally financed by wildlife groups but, like their promised reimbursements to ranchers for dead animals, the financial load has been shifted to locals and taxpayers to obtain and install.

Not all wolves are collared. Wolves can travel six to 10 miles within minutes. It is impossible for the range rider and ranchers to effectively monitor thousands of head of cattle and cover thousands of acres, adding burdensome costs in gas and time that should be spent on other farm/ranch needs.

Investigation and evidence handling is very inconsistent with the ODFW. State livestock reimbursements don't come when the animal is killed by the wolves. If ranchers are compensated, it doesn't cover the real cost nor the future production of the animal. Some local citizens have contributed, but owners are ultimately responsible for the costs of investigation and vet bills.

Wolves don't let cattle and game disperse over range land, pushing cattle away from feed in one area and causing overgrazing on other parts of the range area. Because of wolf harassment, calving rates have dropped.

Kill permits are issued, but depredation usually takes place at night. It is very difficult to catch them in the act. Even with a permit, you cannot kill a wolf if it is chasing or biting at your dog or livestock...you must be able to prove they were actually going to kill your animal. Even for self-protection, you must be able to substantiate that your life was in danger. Houses and people don't scare them...they will lie in close distance, monitoring your home and every action.

Some previously agreed-upon lethal tools for protecting livestock have been taken away. Cattle that have been subject to wolf attacks become unmanageable. Wolves don't always eat what they kill. Wolves also maim just for the fun of it, or to train their young. Some wounds do not immediately kill the cows. Sometimes cattle don't respond to treatment; rather, they suffer with 108.4 degree temperatures, dying from resulting infections.

Nonlethal wolf attacks leave cattle with scrapes and scars on the inside and outside of legs, flanks, bellies, sides, and with hideously shredded udders. A person would be booked on probable cause, but the ODFW frequently ignores obvious evidence. There is no appeal to their decisions.

Leonard C. Routson
Umatilla, OR

**Legion fundraiser a
success**

The eighth annual fundraiser for the Ione American Legion and Auxiliary Post #95 was successful. Lots of people showed up for the bake sale, bingo and Texas Hold Em' poker tournament.

Trevor McCoin won the rifle drawing, while Gene Doherty and Ed Rietmann were the lucky winners of half a beef each.

The poker tournament also had four paying placements: first, James Seufert; second, Steve Bullack; third, Alva Anderson and fourth, Mary Riggs.

The Office Pub graciously donated a \$50 gift certificate, which was awarded during the one-time bingo blackout game; Ina Peterson won that.

**Local student places
in essay contest**



Jeannie Collins (L) with third-place regional essay winner Skyler Hawk. -Contributed photo

Skyler Hawk placed third in the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs regional essay competition with his essay, "The Benefits of Community Gardens." The federation sponsors contests for essays, posters and poetry.

The Heppner Garden Club sponsors Heppner students and sends them to the state competition. Jeannie Collins worked with the essay group.

**HES to hold Wild
West dance**



Mrs. Gentry instructing third-graders Mikel Jaca, Sage Ferguson, Gaige Futter and Rylee Bray on the western swing. -Contributed photo

Heppner Elementary School invites area families to kick off spring the western way at the Wild West family dance at HES.

Desert Sounds will be there to keep the music pumping from 7-9 p.m. for line dancing and western swing. The FFA students will be giving roping lessons. Raffle tickets for gift

baskets will be available for purchase, and snacks will be served.

"Dress in your best cowboy and cowgirl clothes and kick up your heels with your family and friends," says one HES staff member.

This event is free and sponsored by the HES Parent Teacher Club.

**SHARON MILLER
BENEFIT SOFTBALL
TOURNAMENT AND RAFFLE**

**Date: April 14
Time: 8:30**

Cost: \$200 per team

**Teams: 9 player minimum
(at least 4 members must be female)**

Raffle: 1 for \$1.00 or 6 for \$5.00

Dog Bed • 2 bags of Dog Food • Trickle Charger • MCGG Sportsmen Gift Basket • ToolSet • \$50 Gift Cards to HFF (2) • One Night Lodging at Wallowa Lake Lodge with Dinner Package • Two Nights Stay at Juniper Cabin at OHV Park • Two Nights Stay at A-Frame Cabin at Morrow County Parks • Traeger BBQ • Metal Artwork Sign

The raffle prizes, shirts, and trophies will be handed out at the Elks Lodge after the conclusion of the tournament.

To sign up for the tournament or purchase raffle tickets, please contact Josh Henrichs at 541-256-0506 or Corey Sweeney at 541-256-0355.

**Happy
18th
Birthday,
Carrie
Anne!
Love,
your
family**

**POSITION
AVAILABLE**

Seeking a motivated individual to complete housekeeping and outdoor yardwork for 3 hours daily, 3 days per week. Must be able to lift 50 lbs, work outdoors, complete specific projects and run errands. Compensation is 12.00-15.00 per hour, DOE. Must be able to pass criminal background check and have valid driver's license. Please send a letter of interest with your contact information to: Boxholder, P.O. Box 219, Heppner, Oregon 97836.