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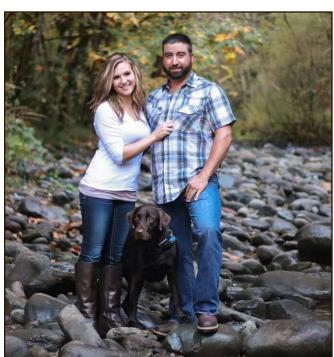
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### **Death Notice**

Alberta "Bert" Johannes—Alberta "Bert" Johannes, 96, of Heppner, died Tuesday, December 9, 2014 at Hermiston, OR. A memorial graveside service will be held Wednesday, March 18, at 11 a.m. at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery. A complete obituary will appear in next week's Gazette-Times.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

## Rhea to wed Henderson



Mollie Henderson and Trevor Rhea

Steve and Molly Rhea Rhea, to Mollie Joelle Hen-

Heppner High School. He is currently employed with Rose Logging in Spring-

Mollie is the daughter of Heppner are pleased to of Dan and Lori Henderannounce the engagement son of Springfield. She is a of their son, Trevor Curtis graduate of Thurston High School in Springfield and is now employed at EWEB Trevor is a graduate of Employees Federal Credit Union in Eugene, OR.

The couple plans a July 11, 2015 wedding at Hayworth Vineyards in Eugene.

# Ione teacher recipient of awards

(EOU)—Ione music teach- excellence. er Jordan Bemrose is one of and Washington to receive Eastern Oregon Univer-Awards this year.

First-year honor students at EOU who maintained dean's list standing during fall term were given the opportunity to nominate a teacher who influenced

LA GRANDE, Ore. education and academic

Charlette Burghard, 19 educators from Oregon 2014 graduate of Ione High School, nominated music teacher Jordan Bemrose. sity's Inspirational Teacher Charlette is the daughter of Orissa Burghard.

EOU presents the awards annually in recognition of outstanding high school teachers who encourage and represent the importance of higher them on their road to higher education to their students.



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#### **Obituaries**

## Jennifer French **Gilbert**

Jennifer

French Gilbert

Jennifer French Gilbert, 53, of Culbertson, MT died Thursday, February 26, 2015 in Culbertson. Services will be held in Ione on

Saturday, March 28, at 11 a.m. at the Ione Community Church.

Jennifer was born in Portland, OR on August 24, 1961 to James and Rosemary Baechler French.

She graduated from Pendleton High School in 1979 and Oregon Institute of Technology in 1981 with an associate's degree in dental assisting. She later earned a pharmacy technician certificate.

On November 17, 1984 Jennifer married Rick Gilbert in Pendleton. They later had two daughters, Brittany and Rachael. During the course of their 30year marriage Rick and Jennifer lived in Arlington, Enterprise and Imnaha, Oregon, Etna, California and Alliance, Nebraska, where Rick worked on ranches or in ranch management. They moved to Culbertson in 20014.

Jennifer quickly made each house in which they French.

particularly liked cooking for family and friends

making Halloween costumes and special-occasion clothing for her girls.

Jennifer was supportive of her family as a ranch wife, 4-H parent volunteer, Girl Scout leader and sports mom. She opened her heart, and sometimes her home to any young person who needed stability, guidance and love. Her caring heart, sunny smile and laugh will

She was preceded in death by her father, James

Wyatt loved to go fish-

ways had one under

his arm, whether it

be a chicken, tur-

key or a cat. Wyatt

was loved by many

and always had a

smile on his face,

and he made people

#### lived a home welcoming to family and friends. She enjoyed testing new recipes or creating her own. She

who came to help work cattle. Jennifer was an accomplished seamstress who delighted in

be missed.

She is survived by her husband Rick Gilbert, daughters, Brittany and Rachael, and mother, Rosemary French, all of Culbertson, mother-in-law Lorrene Montgomery of Lexington, sister-in-law Kathy Gilbert Prater (Mike) of Nampa, ID, and by five daughters and a son she gathered along the way by choice.

# **Wyatt Patrick** Aleksa

Wyatt Patrick Aleksa, 13, of Ione died Friday, ing, camping and hiking. February 27, 2015 at his He loved animals and al-

home. A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 7, at 12:12 p.m. at Ione Community Church in Ione, OR.

He was born May 6, 2001 at Troutdale, OR. The family lived in Washougal, WA before moving

to Arlington, OR in 2010. er, Jana Aleksa Lehn; father, In 2011, they settled at Joe Lehn, older brother, J.D. Ione, where he attended Aleksa; younger brother, school. Wyatt participated William Lehn; and grandin football, basketball and 4-H. Wyatt was also active Aleksa, Joyce Aleksa, Patti in the U.S. Navy Sea Cadet Krahn, Frank Lehn, and Corps, a Columbia Basin Bruce Kincaid. Platoon out of Finley, WA.



**Wyatt Patrick** 

happy. Aleksa Wyatt is survived by his mothparents, Jerry and Linda

# Class of 2019 to hold bake sale

The Heppner High School Class of 2019 will have a bake sale in front of Les Schwab in Heppner from noon to 2 p.m. this Saturday, March 14, during the St. Patrick's festivities. A variety of cookies, cupcakes and cakes will be available. Proceeds go toward the class's eighth-grade

#### Ione library board to meet

The Ione Library District Board of Directors will hold its monthly meeting on Thursday, March 19, beginning at 2:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Ione Public Library, 385 W. 2nd Street, Ione.

The public is welcome to attend.

### Community lunch menu

Amazing Grace Fellowship church members will serve lunch on Wednesday, March 18, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. The meal will include pork chops, stuffing, green beans, cucumbers and ions, hot rolls, and chocolate mousse. Milk is served at each meal. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

# WEDDING TABLES

Travis Bellamy & Hannah Bankford

- Wedding - April 11



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# Llewellyn Leroy **Robbins**

vices will be held March 21 at 10 a.m. at the Baker United Methodist Church, 1919 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Baker City, OR with Pastor Ralph Lawrence and Pastor Elke Sharma officiating. Inurnment will follow at Mount

Hope Cemetery. Reception will follow at the Senior Community Connection Center, 2810 Cedar Street, Baker City.

Lew was born October 25, 1930 in Philip, SD to Leicester and Inga Robbins. October 1939, when he was six, Lew and his family moved to Nyssa, OR. He attended Arcadia Grade School and graduated from Nyssa High School in 1949. As a high school project, Lew showed his love for agricultural science by growing watermelons for seed. He also custom-baled hay with his brother Norvelle and Jack Winchell; the hav was hand-tied with wire and hauled to the coast.

He met his future wife while attending the Methodist Church Camp at Wallowa Lake. He married Darlene Robbins on August 26, 1951 in Nyssa. They had many things in common, including the same last name, though not related. They moved to Corvallis, where he attended Oregon State University. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science in vocational agriculture. While attending college he belonged to the ROTC program, as it was a requirement at the time of the Korean War.

In 1954, they moved to Heppner, where Lew accepted his first teaching potaught Vocational Agriculture until he retired in June for the Future Farmers of America, involving students in various competitions. After retirement, he worked at Montgomery Wards until the franchise closed. Darlene and Lew service technician. They continued in the retail business until 1994, when they both officially retired.

In 1998, they went to the Ukraine as lay mission-

Llewellyn (Lew) Rob- aries with a group from the bins was reunited with the Church of the Nazarene to love of his life, Darlene, help restore an educational when he passed away on unit. They loved to travel February 20, 2015 at the and took many trips to age of 84. Memorial ser- various parts of the United

> States. Several cruises were enjoyed during their retirement,

Llewellyn Robbins

one of which was a 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary gift to the Panama Canal in 2001. They visited many islands along the way. A trip to Guam, which in-

sea fishing for marlin, was enjoyed with family. Other interests included wrangling sheep and "mean" cows on the farm, playing pinochle and cribbage with friends and family, camping, horseshoes, fishing, hunting, carving canes, and attending various activities of his grandchildren. He was an active member of the United Methodist Church in Baker City, Or-

cluded snorkeling and deep

Survivors include sons and daughters-in-law Denzil and Kathy Robbins from Baker City, and Perry and Connie Robbins from Burns, OR; daughters and sons-in-law Ree Ella and Carsten von Borstel from Grass Valley, OR and De Ette and Vernon Stofleth from East Wenatchee, WA; grandchildren Kristopher and Maranda, Brandon and Jennifer, and Lauren and Kassie Robbins, Brittany and Dean Dark, Miranda and Andy Aschoff, Landon and Savannah Hannaford and Bradley Robbins, Bernadette and Pete Goodrich, Seth and Deidra von Borstel, Noah and Turquoise von Borstel, Kelsey and Katie Stofleth; brothers and sisters-in-law Merildean and Winona Robbins, Norvelle and Betty Robbins; brother-in-law and sistersin- law Brock and Ruth Robbins and Ione Wells; sition. In 1961, they moved and numerous great-grandto Baker City, where he children, nieces, nephews,

cousins and close friends. He was preceded in of 1985. He was an advisor death by his wife Darlene Robbins; parents Leicester and Inga Robbins; fatherin-law and mother-in-law Austin and Grace Robbins; uncle Delbert Viken; and brother-in-law Elbert Wells.

Memorial contributions opened Robbins Arrow, may be made to the Lew where he worked as the Robbins Memorial Fund, c/o Baker High School, 2500 E Street, Baker City, OR 97814. These funds will be used to purchase and update Vo-Ag welding and mechanics equipment.

# Wranglers to meet this week; fundraiser planned this month

The Wranglers Riding Club will meet this Wednesday, March 11, at 6 p.m. in the conference room of the Gilliam-Bisbee building.

The club would also like to remind everyone that it has a can drive coming up. Club members will have a trailer parked in the back parking lot of Les Schwab in Heppner from Sunday, March 15, through Thursday, March 19; they will be sorting cans the evening of the 19th

Then, next Saturday, March 21, the Wranglers will have a Bunco night fundraiser at the Lexington Grange at 5 p.m. Everyone is asked to bring whatever beverage they would like; snacks and appetizers will be provided. Anything brought to share would be welcome. Cost is \$10 per person. Anyone who would like to play, please call Heather at 541-676-5637 or email hhendricks 30@ gmail.com to ensure enough tables for everyone.

## Ione juniors to hold car wash fundraiser

Ione residents and anyone else who would like car clean and ready to roll are invited to help the Ione High School juniors put on an amazing prom during a class fundraiser planned for this Sunday, March 15, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ione fire station.