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Death Notices

Colleen Rae Harris—Colleen Rae Harris of Wasilla, AK passed away September 5, 2016. Funeral services were held Saturday, September 10. Colleen was the sister of the late Charles "Chuck" Bailey of Heppner.

Marriage Licenses

The Morrow County Clerk's office has released the following report of marriage licenses:
September 8, 2016: -Skylynn Sue Kidwell-Owens, 18, of Heppner and Jessy William Wolford, 19, of Heppner.

2016 Chronicles available now

The 2016 edition of the Morrow County Chronicles is currently available at county Bank of Eastern Oregon branches, in Heppner at Community Bank, the Heppner Gazette-Times, Murray's Drug, Heppner City Hall and the Morrow County Heritage Museum, and in Boardman at the SAGE Center.
Cost is \$7 each. Value packs are available for \$110 at the museum in Heppner.

Community lunch menu

Willow Creek Baptist Church volunteers will serve lunch on Wednesday, Sept. 21, at St. Patrick's Senior Center. Lunch will include roast pork, hot German potato salad, zucchini and summer squash, sliced tomatoes, hot rolls, and strawberry shortcake. Menu is subject to change.

Wine & Design!
September 21 at 6pm
Mark your Calendar!

Limited Space, Sign Up by September 19th
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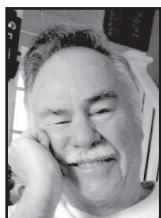
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Obituaries

Floyd Irwin Parrott Jr.

Floyd Irwin Parrott Jr., 77, died of natural causes on September 4, 2016, at home in Fossil, OR. Memorial services are pending.



Floyd Irwin Parrott Jr.

An Oregon native, he was born May 26, 1939 in Ontario, OR to Floyd (Sr.) and Doris Blair Parrott. He graduated from Ontario High School in 1957 and then attended Portland State College, where he studied business and accounting. He left Portland State to work for Mulino Sash and Door as an accounting/credit manager, but his real aim was to be in business for himself. He undertook certification in two

trade areas, small engine repair and locksmithing, and soon opened Rolling Wheel Lawn and Garden Center in Mulino, OR. Later, he would own a motel in La Grande, OR and later still, Perky Parrotts' Mini Mart and Restaurant in Turner, OR. In recent years, he and his wife Sheryl had moved into real estate, managing properties and purchasing and renovating houses, including a home in Ione.

A determined problem-solver, Floyd taught himself how to do whatever needed doing. That trait marked his entire adult life; anything

that needed fixing occupied his mind until he learned how to repair it. He carried that same ability into three stints in public service. Having volunteered with the fire department and ambulance service in Mulino, he went on to serve as city administrator in Union, OR and Depoe Bay, and as mayor of Lonerock, OR.

Besides work and volunteering activities, Floyd loved reading, piano playing and woodworking.

Survivors include his wife Sheryl Bidney Parrott, whom he married on December 4, 1965, at the Grace Lutheran Church in Molalla, OR; his mother, Doris Parrott, and a bro-

ther, Rod Parrott, both of Hood River; a son, Troy, of Enterprise; a daughter, Kristine, of Salem; three grandchildren, Cassandra Jones, Brittany Medina and Emily Parrott; and three great-grandchildren, Keagan Jones, Lily Hochstetler and Erik Hochstetler Jr.

He was preceded in death by his father, Floyd I. Parrott Sr., and grandson, Erik Hochstetler Sr.

In lieu of flowers memorials may be sent to the Fossil Baptist Church, PO Box 365, Fossil, OR 97830 or to the Fossil United Methodist Church, PO Box 426, Fossil, OR 97830.

Sweeney Mortuary of Condon is in charge of arrangements.

Betty J. Lankford

Betty J. Lankford of Echo, OR, and a longtime Heppner resident, died on September 9, 2016 in Hermiston, OR at the age of 82 years. A celebration of life gathering to share memories of Betty and how she touched lives will be held on Friday, September 16, at 4 p.m. at Abby's Pizza, 828 South Gate, Pendleton, OR. A private family burial will be at the Pilot Rock Cemetery, Pilot Rock, OR.

She was born on July 20, 1934 in Watertown, SD to parents Edwin and Ber-

tha Hansen Benthin. She was raised in Washington and later in Oregon, graduating from high school in North Powder, OR in 1953.

Betty was united in marriage to Bobby Dale Lankford on January 1, 1955 in Pendleton. They lived in Pilot Rock until 1972 and then moved to Heppner in 1975. She lived in Heppner until moving to Echo in 2011, where she had lived since.

Betty enjoyed sewing, cooking, gardening and supporting her grandchildren in their activities and sports.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband, her parents and a brother, Kenneth Benthin.

She is survived by her son, Steve Lankford, Lexington; daughters, Lyn Rose, Pendleton, Brenda Worden, Heppner, and Kristi Moffit, Echo; brother, Eddie

Benthin, Pendleton; sisters, Dorothy Burton, Pendleton, and Patty Smith, Vancouver, WA; sister-in-law, June "Gayle" Benthin, Pilot Rock; 10 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Please sign the online guest book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Those who wish may make contributions in Betty's memory to Alzheimer's research.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in charge of arrangements.

Robert Henry 'Hank' Pointer

Robert Henry "Hank" Pointer, 75, passed away peacefully on September 10, 2016. The family will hold a private burial. Please join in a celebration of Hank's life with an old-fashioned Irish wake on Saturday, October 1, starting at 4 p.m. at Route 74 Restaurant & Bar in Ione.

Hank was a sweet and gentle man who sincerely loved his Irish heritage, a good story or joke, the OSU Beavers, and most of all, his family.

Hank was born June 12, 1941 at Pendleton, OR, the son of Donald and Nora McLaughlin Pointer. He was raised in Lexington on the family farm before attending Gonzaga Uni-

versity and finally University of Portland, where he graduated with a degree in marketing. After college, he worked for a time at Procter & Gamble, before meeting the love of his life, Kathi, in Portland. Hank and Kathi married in 1967 and eventually returned to live in Morrow County. Hank worked on a variety of farms before joining the fertilizer department of the Morrow County Grain Growers, but he ultimately returned to farming before retirement.

Hank was an active member of the Heppner Elks Lodge, BPOE #358, where he served as Exalted Ruler from 1979-1980. His family has fond memories

of his sherbet green tuxedo, ruffled shirt, bow tie and white patent leather cowboy boots worn during his time in the Elks. Hank was also a constant presence at sporting events and activities for his children, first at the Ione schools and later at Oregon State University. Hank never met a child he didn't immediately like and who he couldn't charm with a funny face or smile. He even happily accepted the nickname "Hanki-doodle" because it made the kids smile.

Hank is survived by his loving wife of 49 years, Kathi; daughter, Amy; son,

Eric; daughter-in-law, Vikki; adored grandchildren, Sydni and Erynn; brothers, Tom, Mark and Charlie; sisters, Louise and Donna; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that if someone wishes to make a donation, one can be made in Hank's name to a charity or organization he supported, such as the Alzheimer's Association, Susan G. Komen, Ione Charter Schools, or to a charity of your choice.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.



Betty J. Lankford



Robert Henry "Hank" Pointer

PERSON OF INTEREST

-Continued from PAGE ONE but law enforcement currently does not believe there is a danger to the public.

No other additional will be released at this time. The DA's office states that further information will be re-

leased once it is determined not to adversely affect the investigation.

Anyone with information concerning this case is urged to contact the Boardman Police Department at 541-481-6071.

HOSPITAL GRANT

-Continued from PAGE ONE the hospital for more than one reason.

"Obviously there's been a lot of improvements in technology," he said, adding that there was a big push to advance the

technology and make improvements in the hospital's imaging capabilities. However, there was more to it.

"The physicians wanted to do fast scans in the ER, and that wasn't possible with the old machine," he said, adding that, with no full-time ultrasound technician on hand at the hospital, it was important to have a machine the physicians could use.

The new ultrasound machine is already at the hospital, and PMH Lab and Imaging Manager Betty Hickerson said training is scheduled to start the second week of October to get the machine into operation as quickly as possible. In addition, Houser said the hospital plans on upping the availability of the ultrasound technician, from the current one day per week to one and a half days per week, or two and a half days every other week, depending on availability.

"We are extremely thankful for the foundation's help and support," said Houser. "It make purchases like these very possible."

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\$25 adults / \$10 ages 7-12 / free under 6

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