DEATHS

Charlene E. Clair

Hermiston

July 1, 1949 - April 8, 2018

Charlene E. Clair, 68, of Hermiston died Sunday, April 8, 2018, in Kennewick, Wash. She was born July 1, 1949, in Walla Walla. Services are pending with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

David Ray 'Dave' Green

Hermiston

June 16, 1947 - April 8, 2018

David Ray "Dave" Green, 70, of Hermiston died Sunday, April 8, 2018, at his home. He was born June 16, 1947, in Pendleton. A celebration of life service with military honors will be held Saturday, April 28 at 10 a.m. at Hermiston Christian Center. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Robin Lee Serdy

Hermiston

Aug. 12, 1958 - April 14, 2018

Robin Lee Serdy, 59, of Hermiston died Saturday, April 14, 2018, in Hermiston. She was born Aug. 12, 1958, in Pendleton. A funeral service will be held Wednesday, April 18 at 3:30 p.m. at the Burns Mortuary chapel in Hermiston. Leave an online condolence for the family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

LaVon Arlene Thurman

Hermiston

May 11, 1930 - April 15, 2018

LaVon Arlene Thurman, 87, of Hermiston died Sunday, April 15, 2018, in Hermiston. She was born May 11, 1930, in Broadwater, Nebraska. A funeral service will be held Friday, April 20 at 11 a.m. at New Hope Community Church in Hermiston. Burial will follow in Hermiston Cemetery. Leave an online condolence for the family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

BIRTHS

GOOD SHEPHERD MEDICAL CENTER, HERMISTON

APRIL 4, 2018

RODRIGUEZ — Savannah A. Diaz and Jesus J. Rodriguez of Hermiston: a boy, Matthew Uriah Rodriguez.

APRIL 6, 2018

HESS — Challis L. Bock and Lawrence E.V. Hess of Heppner: a girl, Victoria Lillie Hess.

APRIL 7, 2018

MAYBEE — Whitney Maybee and Bart Maybee of Hermiston: a boy, Felix T. Augustus Maybee.

Inmate dies at TRCI

HERMISTON HERALD

An inmate at Two Rivers Correctional Institution in Umatilla died early Thursday morning, though the cause has not been released.

Huang

Oregon State Police is investigating the unexpected death of Le Huang, 51, which TRCI spokesperson Sherry Iles said happened at about 2 a.m.

Huang's family was notified Thursday, but OSP Sgt. Tim Spicknall said he had no additional information Friday.

"As an agency, we are responsible for the care and custody of 14,700 men and women who are incarcerated in the 14 institutions across the state," wrote Jennifer Black, the communications manager for the Department of Corrections in a press release. "When an in-custody death occurs, we take it seriously."

Huang began serving a nearly 20-year sentence in 2014 for killing his wife in Southeast Portland. His expected release date was December 3, 2032.

The prison has a population of about 1,800 and this is the first reported death in 2018. Four inmates died unexpectedly at the prison in 2017, according to reporting in the *East Oregonian*.

Ayers sentenced to 40 months for child abuse

HERMISTON — A Umatilla County man will spend more than three years in prison for the physical abuse of a child who was under 10 years old at the time.

Nicholas Ayers was sentenced Wednesday in Hermiston to 40 months with the Oregon Department of Corrections, and will spend three years on post-prison supervision. He is also not allowed to have contact with the victim or the victim's mother, and is recommended to have anger management and drug/alcohol evaluations, and complete any recommended treatment.

Both the victim and his mother were present for the hearing. The case started in 2015, and in March 2018 Ayers pleaded guilty for the charge of attempting to commit a class A felony. He was convicted, but with a District Attorney-elected reduction, the charge is a class B felony.

His other charges were dismissed, one of criminal mistreatment in the first degree, and two of assault in the third degree.

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OBITUARIES

Sharon L. Mills

Nyssa

December 7, 1952 - March 17, 2018

Mills

Sharon L. Mills of Nyssa, Oregon, was born in Walla Walla, Washington, on December 7, 1952, the fifth child and only daughter of parents Dilford and Amy Mills. She died March 17, 2018, in Nyssa at the age of 65 years, after a battle with pancreatic cancer.

Sharon attended Hermiston schools, part of the class of 1971. She grew up on the Mills dairy on South Edwards Road.

Sharon deeply loved horse riding when she was young. She spent several years working in home health care, which she also had a great passion for. Later in life, while disabled with chronic illnesses, she was active in the Owyhee Community Church. Sharon was an active member at the Nyssa Senior Center, where she played bingo and pinochle with friends. She developed a fondness for adult coloring books, a way by which she could express herself through color. Sharon cherished her family and friends. Along with visiting and meeting new people, she loved to bake sweet breads and cookies.

Sharon is survived by her daughter Randi Stevens of Nyssa, Oregon; son Jason Pritchard of Eastvale, California; two grandchildren, Gwennan and Kynan Pritchard; and brothers Randy and Steve Mills of Hermiston, Oregon.

Sharon was preceded in death by her parents, nephew Justin, and brothers Jerry, Tom and Dennis Mills.

By her wishes, there will be a family memorial on June 16th at Hat Rock State Park, near Hermiston.

Contributions in her memory to any Hospice or local senior center of your choosing would be greatly appreciated by the family.

Dean Steiner Mason

Hermiston

November 28, 1938 - April 10, 2018

Mason

Dean Steiner Mason was born in Ashland, Oregon, on November 28, 1938, the son of George and Ruby (Powell) Mason. He died at his home in Hermiston, Oregon, on April 10, 2018 at the age of 79.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, May 5, 2018, at the United Methodist Church, 191 E. Gladys Avenue, Hermiston, OR 97838.

Dean lived in Ashland throughout his childhood and he graduated from Ashland High School in 1957. After high school, he attended Southern Oregon University in Ashland, where he met and married his first wife Maxine Vance in 1961. They moved to Salem, where Dean earned his bachelor's degree in music from Willamette University.

After moving to Lebanon, Dean began his teaching career at Lebanon Junior High School. He earned his master's degree in education from Oregon State University. Dean had a passion for music and he founded the Lebanon Community Chorus in 1967. He was a member of the United Methodist Church in Lebanon where he directed the choir and hand bells.

Dean later taught in Astoria, where he met and married his second wife Judi Dearman in 1991. He went on to teach in Klamath Falls before finishing his career in Hermiston. He retired in 1996, and he continued as a substitute teacher for 18 years.

Dean was a member of the United Methodist Church in Hermiston where he directed the choir and hand bells. He participated in the Inland Northwest Orchestra and Chorale for many years. He also enjoyed painting houses and woodworking.

He is survived by his wife Judi of Hermiston; son Michael Mason of Tualatin; daughter Debbi McMahon (Jay) and sons Patrick and Garrett, all of Bend; sister Marilee Titus of Tacoma, Wash.; and brother David Wesley Mason (Christina) of Lakeview.

Family suggests memorial donations go to the Hermiston United Methodist Church.

To leave an online condolence for the family, go to www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Margaret Ann Meads

Hermiston

May 31, 1942 - April 8, 2018

Meads

Margaret Ann Meads, born May 31st, 1942, of Hermiston, Oregon, rode a big bay off into the sunset. She passed away peacefully at home on April 8th, 2018, after a long battle with cancer.

Margaret was a shoot-from-the-hip gal, a true cowgirl at heart. She grew up tough but she grew up right with a selfless nature where she put everyone else's needs before her own. Margaret was a loving mother to three wonderful daughters and a strong life partner to two amazing men. She excelled in everything she put her mind to doing — from riding steers, queen of Ukiah rodeo, older sister, wife, mother, grandmother and store owner, to friend of many.

Loren Wood and Margaret raised their daughters Lucy (Punkin) and Jody to be strong women while living on beautiful ranches, riding good horses and working in the western store together. Loren and Margaret opened Woods Western World in Hermiston, then later had Hamely's in Pendleton, Oregon, making it a great "cowboy" store. Then, in 2003, Loren rode off into the sunset, leaving Margaret and the girls behind.

In October 2008, Margaret married the second love of her life, Ivan Meads. Ivan and Margaret had known each other since school and had been friends through the years. When she and Ivan were married Margaret gained two sons and their family, of whom she was very proud.

Margaret always had hot coffee and food on the table or a place for anyone who stopped by, and there was always a drink of good whiskey when the stories were being told. Margaret was loved by so many and will always be someone that we looked up to and strive to be like — a very caring, thoughtful and kind person.

Margaret was preceded in death by daughter Jacqueline Marie, husband Loren Wood, and parents Bud and Ina Jones. She is survived by husband Ivan Meads; sister Katheryn Mitchell (Ken); brother Bernard Jones; daughters Lucy (Punkin) Wood McCarty and Jody Wood; sons Mike Meads (Brenda) and Marty Meads (Rona); grandchildren Lauren Hutchings, Jack Merrill, Patrick, Slade and Macy Meads, and Tanner and Colter Meads; and great-grandchildren Stephen and Maggie Hutchings, Bronson Santana, and Kaylynn, Cactus and Weston Merrill.

May Margaret rest in peace, and we will all make her proud.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Justin Cowboy Crisis Fund, www.justincowboycrisisfund.org.

A celebration of life gathering will be held Saturday, April 21, 2018, at 1 p.m. at the Let'er Buck Room, 1205 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton.

Please sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

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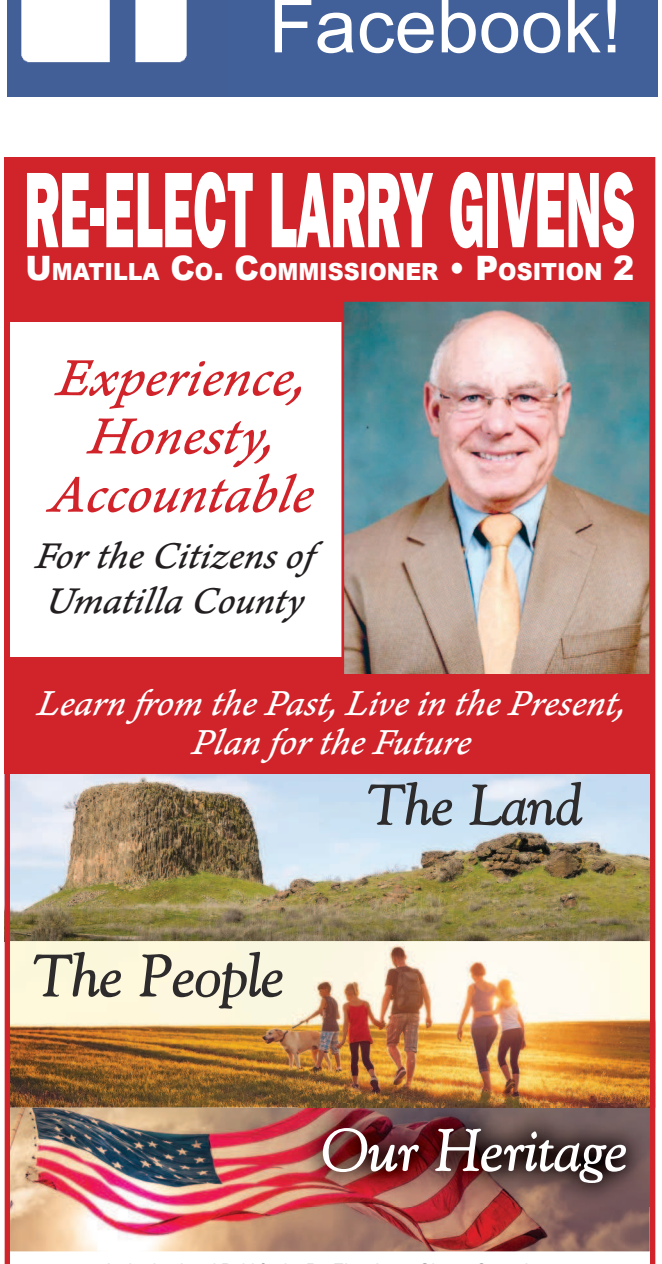

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