

## Letters

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insight in dealing with them.

If you have any doubts, I urge you to read the Voters Pamphlet, consider the qualifications of the candidates, and see if you don't agree that Shawna is the best qualified for the job.

**Mary Sykes  
Scappoose**

### Moon is organized and goal-oriented

To the Editor:

It has been my privilege to know Russ Moon for nearly 40 years. I was fortunate to have

him as a teacher and coach during my elementary school years in Rainier where he profoundly impacted my life during those formative years. His well organized and goal oriented approach to all aspects of life contributed greatly to my personal development and the formation of my own philosophical views and beliefs. Russ was a positive and constructive role model for many students and players during those years. However, he was more than that for me – a mentor that helped me achieve whatever success I have enjoyed in my personal life and career over

the years.

After several years in the public school system, Russ decided to take on the challenges of the private sector – not an easy transition. Nonetheless, he was able to apply his skills, talents, and positive approach to develop a successful business in the competitive financial services industry. Russ was able to provide valuable financial advice and products to clients throughout southwest Washington and northwest Oregon, while achieving personal success and recognition along the way. This experience helped Russ develop a keen

understanding of the challenges associated with developing and growing a business in the private sector.

All along, Russ has remained active in his community and been a positive force for change in whatever activities he's been involved with, including the Rainier City Council. For as long as I have known him, he has been a resident of Columbia County. I know he genuinely cares about the future of the County and its residents. His tenure in the County and his success in both the public and private sectors make him an outstanding can-

didate for Columbia County Commissioner. I think a vote for Russ is a vote for a better future for Columbia County.

**Paul W. Peerboom  
Beaverton**

### Sykes hardworking and knowledgeable

To the Editor:

Columbia County voters will make an important decision this May regarding the future leadership of our county. The local economy is bleak with a lot of people out of work, county rev-

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## Obituary

### KRISTIN FERN "KRIS" CAHILL

Kristin Fern "Kris" Cahill, 43, Portland, died April 25, 2010. Family memorial services will be held.

Mrs. Cahill was born September 24, 1966, in Portland, to Larry Dalrymple, Sr. and Irma "Jean" (Lockman) Dalrymple. She was raised in Aloha, graduating from Aloha High School in 1984.

In 1992, she married John J. Cahill, III. They made their home in Portland. She worked in the banking and insurance industries before becoming disabled.

She was preceded in death by her mother.

Survivors include her husband; two children, Seamus Kelsey Cahill and Brendall Aire Cahill, both of Portland; her father of Portland; her brother, Larry Dalrymple, Jr. of Portland; her in-laws, Pastor John J. Jr. and Lynda Cahill of Ver-

nonia.

Remembrances are suggested to the Kristin F. Cahill Memorial Fund, c/o Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home, 2308 Pacific Ave., Forest Grove, Or 97116, to assist with the funeral expenses.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### DORA DEANE DOWLING

Dora Deane Dowling, 100, Osage Beach, Missouri, died April 16, 2010. No services are planned. Interment will be in Mist Cemetery.

Mrs. Dowling was born May 26, 1909, in Tuscumbia, Missouri, to Charles W. and Eva Bear Umstead. She earned a bachelor's degree from Central Missouri State College and a master's degree from the University of Denver. She taught school.

Her first husband, Charles Leimkuehler, preceded her in death. In 1956, she married Bernard A. "Ted" Dowling. They made their home in Mist. In 1999, she moved to Missouri.

She was preceded in death by her husband; three brothers, William, Karl and Fred; and two sisters, Nellie Hazel Humphrey

and Grace A. Ferguson.

Survivors include nieces; nephews; great-nieces; great-nephews; great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to a charity of choice.

### NORMA JOSEPHINE GARDNER



Norma Josephine Gardner, 80, Salem, died April 19, 2010. A funeral service was held April 24 in Salem, followed by interment at City View Cemetery in Salem.

Mrs. Gardner was born July 15, 1929, in Rosedale, Indiana, to Stanley Overton Newton, Sr. and Elfreda Josephine Daugherty Newton. She was raised in Indiana. After high school she attended IBM School and Arthur Murray School of Dance.

In 1951, she married Lloyd Gordon Gardner. While her husband was in the Army, they lived in Maryland, Alabama, Puerto Rico, Vermonia, and Salem. After he retired in 1969, they made their home in Salem. She was a homemaker.

She was preceded in death by her husband; a brother, Stanley Overton Newton Jr.; and a sister, Eileen Justine Beaven.

Survivors include four daughters, Linda Brna, Susan Engstrom, Nancy Balke, and Janet Gardner; a sister, Phyllis Maxine Newton; six

grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; one cousin; a niece and nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to Harmon Home (End of Life Care) in care of Virgil T. Golden Funeral Service.

Virgil T. Golden Funeral Service was in charge of arrangements.

### MILLICENT MAY GRAVES

Millicent May "Millie" Graves, 90, Forest Grove, died April 4, 2010. Services have been held.

Mrs. Graves was born January 23, 1920, in Healdsburg, California, to William Wesley and Hazel Myrta (Meyers) Driver. When she was nine, the family moved to Medford.

In 1936, she married Charles Irion. He died in 1942. In 1948, she married Paul Hunnicutt. The marriage was later annulled. In 1951, she married James Oliver Stiefer. They made their home in Sonoma, Calif., before moving to Forest Grove in 1980. After his death in 1980, she married Thomas C. Graves in 1998. They made their home in Vernonia. When Mr. Graves died two years later, she moved to Forest Grove.

She was also preceded in death by one son, Alfred "Bud" Irion; two daughters, Mary Irion Smith and Dorothy Irion; and a brother, Norman Driver.

Survivors include three sons, Charles Irion of Camden, Arkansas, Daniel Hunnicutt of Hannibal, New York, and James Stiefer of Portland; two daughters, Linda Stiefer Trout of Forest Grove, and Catherine Stiefer Graves of Hillsboro; two brothers, Arthur Driver and Elmer Driver, both of Huntington; a sister, Myrta Darnell of Cottage Grove; 24 grandchildren; great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home in Forest Grove was in charge of arrangements.

### RICHARD LEE LITTLETON



Richard Lee Littleton, 64, Banks, died April 15, 2010. Funeral services were held April 21 at Schegel Hall in Banks.

Mr. Littleton was born March 4, 1946, in Salem, to Earl and Faye (Lalsey) Littleton. He was raised in the Dallas area. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War.

In 1967, he married Kathleen Cutright. They made their home in Coos Bay before moving to Banks in 1992. He drove a log truck for Weyerhaeuser for 23 years, then worked at different jobs before becoming disabled in 1994.

He was preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Harland, Kenneth and Jerry.

Survivors include his wife; three children, Timothy of Clatskanie, Tuesday of Wilsonville, and Steven of Banks; five siblings, Marvin of Hillsboro, Lillian Armstrong of Dallas, Darrell, Connie Ginther and Riley, all of Salem; and six grandchildren.

Remembrances are suggested to any Disabled Veterans Fund.

Duyck & VanDeHey Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

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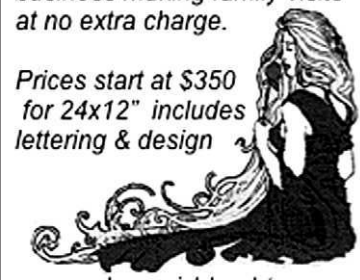
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