

PeoPeoMoxMox statue to be unveiled Friday

On Friday Walla Walla Chief PeoPeoMoxMox will return to the Walla Walla Valley.

At 11 a.m., in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Plaza at Third Avenue and Rose Streets, "Yellowbird Return" — a statue of PeoPeoMoxMox (Yellowbird) by artist Roger McGee — will be dedicated and unveiled.

The statue, to be located across from City Hall and the Marcus Whitman Hotel and Conference Center, was commissioned by the nonprofit group Walla Walla Historic Memorials.

The group received a matching grant from the Donald and Virginia Sherwood Trust, contributions from the Murr Family Foundation, the George T. Welch Trust and the Clara and Art Bald Trust, and donations from members of the Walla Walla community and residents of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, according to a news release.

The work has been donated to the city of Walla Walla and is being placed in the plaza under an agreement with the Corps.

Speakers at Friday's event will include Dan Clark of Walla Walla Historic Memorials; Walla Walla Mayor Gilbert Lugo; Lt.Col. Randy Glaeser of the Corps of Engineers, Edith McCloud of the Sampson family, direct descendants of Chief PeoPeoMoxMox; and the artist.

Following the unveiling, there will be a horse procession from the plaza to the site of the a powwow organized by the Sampson family in honor of the Treaty of 1855.

The powwow will begin Friday at 7 p.m. on the grounds of the Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial Veterans Affairs Medical Center. The powwow will continue Saturday at 2 p.m.

The statue, which is the first memorial to a Native American in the city of Walla Walla, is being placed during the 150th anniversary of the Walla Walla Treaty Council of 1855.

Company granted lease for parks in 2003

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parks to help alleviate a \$1 million budget deficit.

In early January 2003, the Corps began looking for operators for the parks. Northwest Land Management was granted the lease for the parks in April 2003. The company is a subsidiary of California Land Management Services Corp. Company spokespersons could not be reached for comment.

Both Chief Timothy and Central Ferry parks will operate at the same level as last year, according to Corps spokesperson Joe Saxon. A \$5 fee is charged for day use at those parks.

There will be no charge for use of Lyons Ferry Park, Saxon said. The park is located northwest of Starbuck along State Rout 261.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Information about parks along the Snake River can be found at www.nw.usace.army.mil/corpsoutdoors. Questions regarding Lyons Ferry Park can be addressed to Eric W. Edwardson at (509) 751-0251. For information regarding park leases, contact Jana Brinlee at the Corps' Walla Walla District Real Estate Office at (509) 527-7328.

Tariff removal comes at good time for growers

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removal of the tariff should help growers move their current crop and put them in a position to have better pricing next season.

"If you can increase fruit movement it adds stability to the marketplace as a whole," he said today.

The tariff was to have been lifted Feb. 28 as part of an agreement between the Mexican Ministry of Economy and the Yakima-based Northwest Fruit Exporters, a nonprofit that manages apple and cherry export programs for about 85 packers and shippers in Washington, Oregon and Idaho. However, a Mexican court placed a temporary injunction on the deal.

The latest development provides Washington state's apple industry with a much-needed outlet for the 2004 harvest, a record 103 million boxes.

"You couldn't ask for a better situation as far as what our broader industry needs, namely to move medium-sized Red Delicious and Golden Delicious," said Tracy King, director of marketing for Dovex Fruit Co.

Apple exports to Mexico are dominated by the two Delicious varieties.

In 2000, the last time Washington produced a fresh apple

crop comparable in size to this year's, exporters had sold 6.9 million boxes of Red and Golden Delicious apples to Mexico through May. This year, just 3.4 million boxes have been exported.

The Mexican government's investigation is expected to last four to five months, during which time the tariff will not be imposed.

The 84 companies represented by the Northwest Fruit Exporters and named in the announcement of the renewed investigation have until early July to complete a 40-page questionnaire and provide Mexican authorities with data on all items shipped to Mexico between January and June 1996, as well as comparable data for domestic apple sales.

Providing that data may pose a problem for some exporters who will have to produce records from nine years ago, said Jim Archer, manager of Northwest Fruit Exporters and the industry's lead negotiator on the tariff.

If exporters are unable or unwilling to provide the information, he said, they likely will be assessed the "all others" duty rate, which is paid by exporters in other regions of the country. The rate is currently 46.6 percent, but is subject to change.

COURT REPORT

Superior Court

CRIMINAL CASES Walla Walla County

Christopher E. Ferris, 28, 531 Columbia St., was charged June 2 with first-degree theft and two counts of second-degree burglary. Ferris is accused of wrongfully obtaining or exerting unauthorized

control over property or services between March 1 and May 24, and unlawfully entering or remaining in a building with the intent to commit a crime on May 21 and 24.

Jeffery A. Masters, 47, 439 Baldwin Road, was charged June 6 with violation of the Uniform Controlled Substances Act. Masters is accused of unlawfully possessing cocaine, with the intent to deliver it, within 1,000 feet of a school bus stop on June 2.

WW man pleads guilty to murder

Alfonso Palomarez was sentenced to 12 years in prison for the 1996 killing, which he denies having carried out.

By **TERRY McCONN**
of the Union-Bulletin

A Walla Walla man accused of killing a local man in Pasco nine years ago entered a guilty plea Tuesday to a reduced charge of second-degree intentional murder.

Alfonso Palomarez, now 28, still denies he stabbed and

killed Michael Mercado, also of Walla Walla, on Feb. 8, 1996.

But Palomarez acknowledged the prosecution has sufficient evidence to convict him.

Franklin County Superior Court Judge Cameron Mitchell then went along with a prosecution recommendation and sentenced Palomarez to 12 years in prison. That is the low end of the 12- to 16-year standard range for the crime, Prosecuting Attorney Steve Lowe said this morning.

Palomarez had been accused of first-degree murder

with a deadly weapon, but the charge was reduced in exchange for his guilty plea. He was scheduled for trial July 13.

Officials said Mercado, 25, Palomarez and four friends went to the Tri-Cities and an argument broke out — perhaps about gas money.

Palomarez dragged Mercado from the car, punched him and stabbed him 13 times, according to officials.

Mercado's body was found in a church parking lot.

In 1996, Palomarez pleaded guilty to second-degree felony

murder and was sentenced to 18 years in prison.

But last winter, he was allowed to withdraw the plea after a state Supreme Court decision voided the conviction.

Felony murder is a charge accusing someone of killing a person as a result of another crime. The high court invalidated any felony murder conviction in which assault was the basis for the charge.

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OBITUARIES

Legendary star Anne Bancroft dies

By **GENE SEYMOUR**
of Newsday

NEW YORK -- Anne Bancroft, who won an Academy Award for her portrayal of Helen Keller's teacher in 1962's "The Miracle Worker" but cleared a place for herself in pop-culture history five years later as the alluring, embittered Mrs. Robinson in "The Graduate," has died. She was 73.

She died of cancer Monday at Mount Sinai Hospital in Manhattan, John Barlow, a spokesman for her husband, writer-director-comedian Mel Brooks, said Tuesday.

Bancroft won respect from both her peers and the public as one of the most versatile and resourceful actors of her generation.

She excelled in both drama and comedy, and her resume is testament to a spirited talent that was up for anything, whether it was playing Golda Meir on stage, camping up in her husband's wacky comedies, including "Silent Movie" (1976) and "Dracula: Dead and Loving It" (1996) or providing the voice



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of insect royalty in the digitally animated comedy, "Antz" in 1998.

The Bronx-born daughter of Italian immigrants, Bancroft had wanted to act since she was 9, and she was able to attend both the American Academy of Dramatic Arts and the Actors Studio before going to Hollywood in the early 1950s.

With her dark, sultry beauty, the young woman born Anna Maria Louise Italiano, seemed destined for a conventionally glamorous Tinseltown niche. Her first movie role was second banana to Marilyn Monroe in the plummy comedy, "Don't Bother to Knock" (1952).

After a string of ingenue parts in movies with titles such as "Treasure of the Golden Condor" (1953) and "Gorilla at Large" (1954), she returned to New York and enjoyed her first stage coup in 1958 opposite Henry Fonda in "Two for

the Seesaw," for which she won a Tony.

She won another Tony two years later for her performance in "The Miracle Worker" as Annie Sullivan, the mercurial, passionate woman hired by Helen Keller's family to teach their deaf and blind daughter, played on stage and screen by Patty Duke. The play's popular, critically acclaimed transformation into a movie signaled a triumphant jump-start to Bancroft's film career.

Bancroft seemed baffled by the sustained attention her "Graduate" turn had drawn through the decades relative to her entire oeuvre.

"I am quite surprised," she said in a 2003 interview, "that with all my work, and some of it is very, very good, that nobody talks about 'The Miracle Worker.' We're talking about Mrs. Robinson. I understand the world. I'm just a little dismayed that people aren't beyond it yet."

After an unhappy three-year marriage to builder Martin May, Bancroft in 1964 married Brooks. Their son, Maximilian, was born in 1972.

Richard Hanses

April 21, 1923 - June 6, 2005

COLLEGE PLACE — Richard Arthur Hanses, 82, of 533 Villa Ave. N.E. died June 6, 2005, at Washington Odd Fellows Home, 534 Boyer Ave.

Viewing will be until 8 tonight at Herring Groseclose Funeral Home, 315 W. Alder St. The funeral Mass will be 2 p.m. Thursday at St. Patrick Catholic Church with the Rev. Patrick Kerst officiating. Burial will follow in the Masonic section at Mountain View Cemetery, 2120 S. Second Ave.

Memorials may be made to St. Patrick Catholic Church, Northwest Parkinson's Foundation or a charity of the donor's choice through the funeral home.

Mr. Hanses was born April 21, 1923, in Yakima to Arthur J. and Marguerite Gleason

Hanses. He attended school in Yakima and was a member of St. Paul's Cathedral there.

On April 25, 1953, he married Carol Squires; she preceded him death.

He and Mamie Nadine Piper married Aug. 22, 1964, in Walla Walla. He was a farm worker for 13 years at Mount St. Michael's Seminary in Spokane. In Walla Walla for two years, he worked at Young's Dairy and was a herdsman in Veradale, Wash., at Early Dawn Dairy.

He also worked five years for Circle K Corp. in Spokane and Lewiston.

Moving back to Walla Walla in May 1980, he worked five years for D&K Frozen Foods and Stokely's until retirement. He was self-employed in yard maintenance until forced to give it up because of ill health.

He bowled many years on the Farmers Co-Op and

independent leagues. He also enjoyed playing cribbage and pinocle and pitching horseshoes with his brothers.

He was a member of Knights of Columbus in Spokane and St. Patrick Catholic Church.

Survivors include his wife, at home; daughter and son-in-law, Judi and Ron Kensok of Gilbert, Ariz.; sister Mary Sandall of Moxee, Wash., six grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by four brothers, Robert, William, Joseph and the Rev. John Hanses.

Robert Kolb

Feb. 2, 1919 - Dec. 3, 2004

SEATTLE — Native Walla Wallan Robert T. Kolb, 85, died Dec. 3, 2004, at home.

Service planning is pending with family. Arrangements were through Cremation Society Northwest, 520 W. Raye St., Seattle WA 98119.

Peggy Slaughter

Nov. 15, 1924 - June 5, 2005

Peggy Irene McEwen Slaughter, 80, of 1865 Hilbrooke Drive died June 5, 2005, at St. Mary Medical Center following surgery and complications related to vascular problems.

The funeral will be 10:30 a.m. Friday at Herring Groseclose Funeral Home, 315 W. Alder St., with the Rev. Steve Edwards of Dayton First Congregational Church officiating. A ritualistic graveside service by Order of Eastern Star Alki Chapter 25 and burial will follow in the Masonic section of Mountain View Cemetery, 2120 S. Second Ave.

Memorials may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children or a charity of the donor's choice through the funeral home.

Mrs. Slaughter was born Nov. 15, 1924, to William R. and Pearl Griffith McEwen in La Grande where she attended school. She learned optimism, cheer, thrift, good cooking and music from her mother.

She and Wesley Moore Slaughter married Jan. 25, 1941, in Weiser, Idaho. They lived in Sumpter, Ore., until 1947, then moved to Dale Ranger Station on the John Day River in northeastern Oregon.

Settling here in 1950, she worked 25 years with the Walla Walla District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and

retired in 1977 as an executive secretary in the personnel office.

She aided her parents-in-law in their later years, comforted her ailing sister and nurtured many friends.

She loved antiques, dishes, flowers, gardening and building and maintaining their mountain cabin and property.

A consummate, gracious hostess, she turned out tasty meals on her Monarch range. She played music on the windup Edison, a gift from her father to her mother in 1915, and used the antiques and family heirlooms in her home.

The last six weeks of her life she received care from St. Mary Medical Center and its Transitional Care Unit.

She was a member of Pioneer United Methodist Church, Daughters of the Nile, El Karnak Temple 6, a 50-year and past worthy matron of Alki Chapter and former member of Sunshine Club and Walla Walla Community Concert Board of Directors.

Survivors include her husband, at home; daughter and son-in-law Margaret and George Sampson of Walla Walla; son and daughter-in-law Charles and Mary Murrills Slaughter of Boise; six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by four brothers, Kermit, Trulock, Ray and Antone McEwen; sister Betty Walden; and son-in-law Randy Akemann.

funeral notices

FAZZARI — Rosary will be recited for the late Arthur Fazzari of 534 Boyer Ave., Walla Walla, WA, at 7:00 PM tonight at Chapel of the Herring Funeral Home with Sister Sharon Bongiorno of St. Francis Catholic Church officiating. Funeral Mass will be at 10:00 AM on Thursday, June 9, 2005 at St. Francis Catholic Church with Father Patrick Kerst of St. Patrick Catholic Church officiating. Ritualistic graveside service conducted by Veterans Honor Guard. Interment will follow at Mountain View Cemetery, Catholic Section, Walla Walla, WA. Honorary Pallbearers, Sam Secolo, Albert Pontarolo, Virgil Criscola, John Wyman, Robert Beaudry, Fritz Voros, George Samersers, Michael Pontarolo, Steve Pontarolo, Dean Criscola, Daniel Fazzari, Robert Fazzari, Ken Criscola. Memorial contributions may be made to WW Catholic Schools, St. Francis Catholic Church or charity of choice thru Herring Groseclose Funeral Home. Viewing and visitation will be held at the Funeral Home today from 2pm until after the Rosary. Arrangements entrusted to the care of HERRING GROSECLOSE FUNERAL HOME, Virginia Herring Mahan, Funeral Director, 525-1150 (paid notice)

SLAUGHTER — Funeral service for the late Peggy Irene McEwen Slaughter of 1865 Hilbrooke Dr. will be at 10:30 am on Friday, June 10, 2005 at Chapel of Herring Funeral Home with Rev. Steve Edwards of the Congregational Church of Dayton, WA, officiating. Burial will follow at Mountain View Cemetery, Masonic Section. Active pallbearers, Charles Slaughter, George Samersers, Kermit Slaughter, Mark Slaughter, James Hobkirk, Jozsef Papp. Memorial contributions may be made to Shriners Hospitals for Children or charity of choice thru the Herring Funeral Home. Ritualistic graveside service conducted by the Order of Eastern Star Alki Chapter #25. Arrangements entrusted to the care of HERRING GROSECLOSE FUNERAL HOME, Virginia Herring Mahan, Funeral Director, 525-1150 (paid notice)

HANSES — Funeral mass for the late Richard Arthur Hanses will be at 2:00 PM on Thursday, June 9, 2005 at St. Patrick's Catholic Church with Father Patrick Kerst of St. Patrick's Catholic Church officiating. Interment will follow at Mountain View Cemetery, Masonic Section. Active pallbearers, Darrel Walters, William Piper, Dave Piper, Greg Piper, Ray Malcolm. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Patrick's Catholic Church, Parkinsons Foundation or charity of choice thru the Herring Funeral Home. Viewing and visitation will be held today from 4-8pm. Arrangements entrusted to the care of HERRING GROSECLOSE FUNERAL HOME, Virginia Herring Mahan, Funeral Director, 525-1150 (paid notice)

Mary Ann Pflugher

June 6, 2005

Mary Ann Pflugher, 74, of Leonard Street died June 6, 2005, at Bruceville Terrace Skilled Nursing facility in Sacramento, Calif.

Arrangements are through Herring Groseclose Funeral Home, 315 W. Alder St.

obituary notices

SLAUGHTER — June 5, 2005 at St. Mary Medical Center. Peggy Irene McEwen Slaughter, 80, 1865 Hilbrooke Dr. Born November 15, 1924 in LaGrande, OR. Member of Pioneer United Methodist Church, Order of Eastern Star Alki Chapter #25, Daughters of the Nile, El Karnak Temple #6, former member of Sunshine Club and WW Community Concert. Survived by Spouse, Wesley M. Slaughter at the home. 1 daughter and son-in-law, Margaret and George Sampson, Walla Walla, WA; 1 son and daughter-in-law, Charles and wife Mary Murrills Slaughter, Boise, ID; 6 grandchildren, Jeff Sampson, Meg Palombas, both of Palmer, AK, Colleen Linnam, Denver, CO, Shawn and husband Eric Toskey, Bergen, Norway, Kent Slaughter and wife Ruth Prokopowich, Fairbanks, AK, Mark and wife Emily Slaughter, Anchorage, AK; 11 great-grandchildren; 3 nephews and families, Greg and Mylene Walden, son, Anthony, Hood River, OR, Bob and Connie Walden, Dalles, OR, Bill and Sandy Walden, son, Matthew, Gresham, OR. Preceded in death by Parents; 4 brothers, Kermit, Trulock, Ray and Antone McEwen; 1 son-in-law, Randy Akemann; 1 sister, Betty Walden. Arrangements entrusted to the care of HERRING GROSECLOSE FUNERAL HOME, Virginia Herring Mahan, Funeral Director, 525-1150 (paid notice)

HANSES—June 6, 2005 at Washington Odd Fellows Home. Richard Arthur Hanses, 82, 533 NE Villa Ave, College Place, WA. Born April 21, 1923 in Yakima, WA. Member of Knights of Columbus, Spokane, WA, St. Patrick's Catholic Church, St. Pauls Cathedral, Yakima, WA. Survived by Spouse, Nadine Hanses, at the home. 1 daughter, Judi and husband Ron Kensok, Gilbert, AZ.; 1 sister, Mary T Sandall, Moxee, WA.; 6 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; Several nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by Parents; 4 brothers, Father John C Hanses S.J., Robert, William and Joseph Hanses; 1st wife, Carol Squires. Arrangements entrusted to the care of HERRING GROSECLOSE FUNERAL HOME, Virginia Herring Mahan, Funeral Director, 525-1150 (paid notice)

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