

LOCAL BRIEFING

From staff reports

Wallowa Senior Center hosts foot clinic, activities

WALLOWA — The Wallowa Senior Center, 204 E. Second St., is hosting a foot clinic from noon to 3 p.m. Aug. 8. Other August offerings include a free pilates class held at 9 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The class is geared for senior citizens but all are welcome. Also, the senior center's Quilting and Sewing Group gathers from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesdays. For more information, contact Community Connection at 541-426-3840.

Tuition assistance offered to members of National Guard

SALEM — According to a press release from the Higher Education Coordinating Commission (HECC), the State of Oregon is accepting applications through Sept. 1 for the Oregon National Guard State Tuition Assistance (ONG-STA) grant for students planning to attend college in the fall. This new grant program provides funds for tuition at Oregon community colleges and public universities for current eligible service members of the Oregon Army National Guard and the Oregon Air National Guard.

The Oregon National Guard State Tuition Assistance grants will be awarded on a first-come, first-served basis until all available funds are used. For a full list of eligibility requirements, to apply for ONG-STA, and for more information, go to www.oregonstudentaid.gov/state-tuition-assistance.aspx. Information is also available by contacting Dr. Lori Ellis at 541-687-7471

or lorianne.m.ellis@hecc.oregon.gov.

Concert benefits VFW Relief Fund

ENTERPRISE — Joni Harms & The Harms Way Band will perform a fundraising benefit concert for the VFW Relief Fund at 7 p.m. Aug. 9 at The OK Theatre, 208 W. Main St., Enterprise. The VFW Relief Fund is tasked with assisting active-duty service members and their families during times of financial hardship. This benefit concert will raise money to replenish this fund in preparation for the coming year. Tickets are \$15 and are available at Dollar Stretcher, Joseph Hardware, The Bookloft, eventbrite.com or at the door.

Apple Eyecare hosts block party Wednesday

LA GRANDE — Apple Eyecare's annual Kids Block Party will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Aug. 8 at 10709 S. Walton Rd., Island City. The event includes free eye screenings for ages 5-18, free hot dogs and soda, Island City pig train rides and more. To schedule free eye screenings, call 541-962-7753.

Soil and Water Conservation board to meet in September

ISLAND CITY — The Union Soil and Water Conservation District has canceled its August board meeting. The next board meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Sept. 5 in the conference room of the Union County Extension Service, 10507 N. McAlister Road, Island City. The principal subjects to be discussed are monthly financial state-

ments, staff reports and partner agency reports. For more information, contact Christopher Moats at 541-963-1313 or go to union-swcd.org.

Register now for 'Incredibles 2' mini-camp

LA GRANDE — La Grande Parks and Recreation is offering an "Incredibles 2" themed mini-camp for children Aug. 24. The one-day camp will feature crafts, games and prizes tailored to the theme. Camp runs from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. in the Rotary Pavilion at Pioneer Park and is open to ages 4-6. Cost is \$5 per child. For more information or to register your child, go to www.lagrande-parks.org, call 541-962-1352 or stop by the Parks & Rec office next to the basketball courts in Pioneer Park.

Meals on Wheels drivers needed

LA GRANDE — Community Connection is seeking volunteers to be Meals on Wheels drivers. For more information, call Sydney Gleeson at 541-963-7532, ext. 1104, or stop by the Union County Senior Center, 1504 N. Albany St., La Grande.

Outdoor piano concert transmitted via wireless headphones

WALLOWA LAKE — On Aug. 9, concert pianist Hunter Noack will give an "In a Landscape" outdoor concert on a nine-foot Steinway at Wallowa Lake State Park. To meet the acoustical challenges of performing in the wild, his concert will be transmitted via wireless headphones, so the audience can explore the surrounding landscape

One person injured in Sunday car crash



Dick Mason/The Observer

A woman was injured in a one-vehicle accident on Highway 82 northeast of Island City Sunday afternoon, according to the Oregon State Police. The woman was driving alone in a red Ford Expedition and collided with a power pole. She was transported by ambulance to Grande Ronde Hospital. First responders sent to the scene included the OSP, the Union County Sheriff's Office, the La Grande Fire Department and the La Grande Rural Fire Department. The accident was reported at 5:52 p.m.

while listening. The event begins at 7 p.m. Thursday. For more information, go to www.inalandscape.org or contact Karen Bartelt at 503-523-6120.

Exhibit sales support youth scholarship fund

LA GRANDE — Artist Theresa Henderson is donating 100 percent of the sales from her current exhibit, "Profusion of Color," on display in the Art Center East Co-op Gallery through August. The funds raised will be donated to the ACE Youth Scholarship Fund, which helps cover Art Center East class registration fees for participants 18

years and younger. According to ACE, the exhibit is a "playful and uplifting collection of acrylic pour paintings."

ACE's exhibit galleries are free and open to the public from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday and from noon to 4 p.m. on Saturdays at 1006 Penn Ave., La Grande. For more information call 541-624-2800 or view some of Henderson's paintings at artcentereast.org.

Vendors sought for Renaissance festival

LA GRANDE — La Grande Parks and Recreation and The La Grande Shakespeare

Company are hosting the first annual Bard in the Blues Renaissance Festival from 11 a.m. to dusk Aug. 18-19 in Pioneer Park. The festival will include local and Renaissance-themed vendors and performers. live performances of Shakespeare's "Romeo & Juliet," live Blacksmithing, face painters, games and a beer garden. Admission is free, with a suggested donation of \$5.

Interested vendors are encouraged to call contact McKayla Nitz, Recreation Supervisor, at 541-962-1352 or mnitz@cityoflagrande.org.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

UNION COUNTY SHERIFF

Accident: At least one person was injured in a traffic accident on Highway 82 in the Elgin area Sunday. The accident was reported at 8:44 p.m.

Arrested: Shawn Howard Banks, 47, Stanfield, was arrested on charges of first-degree theft, third-degree theft and being a felon in possession of a weapon.

Arrest: Gerald Guy Thompson, 59, Pomeroy, Washington, was cited on a charge of marijuana import and export.

Arrested: Cassandra Stelings, 25, unknown address, was arrested on a Union County detainer.

Arrested: Bruce William Cronen, 28, Elgin, was arrested on a charge of driving while suspended, felony.

Arrested: Jeremy Kyle Matte, 29, Elgin, was arrested on two Union County warrants. One warrant charged failure to appear in court on a charge of third-degree theft and a second warrant charged failure to appear in court on a charge of second-degree criminal trespass.

Arrested: Adam Tanner Spears, 34, unknown address, was arrested on a Union County warrant on a charge of a probation violation connected to an original charge of possession of a controlled substance, meth.

Arrested: Levi Kast, 27, unknown address, was arrested on charges of second-degree burglary, second-degree theft, and harassment, three counts.

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Arrested: Caitlin M. Odai, 27, unknown address, was arrested by the Medford Police Department on a Union County warrant on charge of a probation violation connected to charges of first-degree criminal mistreatment, fourth-degree assault and harassment.

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident Friday morning on the 200 block

of Adams Avenue. The accident was reported at 9:31 p.m. and involved a single vehicle with one occupant. The vehicle was towed from the scene.

Arrested: James A. Fruitts, 54, La Grande, was arrested on a Union County warrant on a charge of being a felon in possession of a firearm, three counts.

Arrested: Jay Francis Jacobson, 59, unknown address, was arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct.

Arrested: Douglas Fletcher Hartman, 28, was arrested in Pocatello, Idaho, on a Union County warrant on a charge of failure to appear in court on a original charge of first-degree possession of a controlled substance

Arrested: Misty Dawn Groves, 37, was arrested on a charge of fourth-degree assault (domestic felony).

OREGON STATE POLICE

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident in Highway 237 in the Union area Saturday. The accident was reported at 9:19 p.m.

Cited: Jakkob Robert Erickson, 23, unknown address, was cited on a charge of furnishing alcohol to a minor (misdemeanor).

Arrested: Shawn Oscar Hansen, 40, Baker City, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicants (controlled substances).

Arrested: John Steven Elliott, 18, La Grande, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicants (controlled substances).

Cited: Daniel Puerta Ramirez, 46, unknown address, was cited on a charge of careless driving-accident.

LA GRANDE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The La Grande Fire Department responded to five calls for medical on Friday, three calls for medical on Saturday and eight calls for medical on Sunday. Crews also responded to three motor vehicle crashes.

Harry 'Jack' Harmon

La Grande
Harry "Jack" Harmon, 98, of La Grande, died July 25 at a local care facility. A graveside service will begin at 10 a.m. Aug. 25 at Enterprise Cemetery. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory is handling the arrangements.

Jack Williams

Athena
Jack Williams, 79, of Athena, died Aug. 5 in the Starkey area. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory will be handling the arrangements.

Rainer A. Bolduc

Elgin
Rainer Albert Bolduc, 62, of Elgin, died July 11. A celebration of his life will be held at 11 a.m. Aug. 11 at the Elgin United Methodist Church, with Gerald Hopkins presiding. A potluck will immediately follow the service.

Tennille M. 'Tilly' Weber

Formerly of La Grande
1984-2018
Tennille Marie "Tilly" Weber, 33, of Centerville, Utah, and formerly of La Grande, died suddenly of natural causes on July 30. A funeral was held Aug. 4 at Russon Brothers Mortuary in Farmington, Utah. A graveside service will begin at 10 a.m. Aug.

OBITUARIES

Local funerals and visitations

The Observer publishes obituaries that conform to its obituary policy at no cost. Obituaries must be under 450 words and are edited for newspaper style. Paid advertising space is also available for those who want additional information included.

7 at Hillcrest Cemetery in La Grande.

Known as Tilly, she was born Nov. 24, 1984, on a snowy Thanksgiving afternoon, in La Grande. She was raised in La Grande and graduated from La Grande High School in 2003. Tilly continued her education in Salt Lake City, where she graduated from the Utah College of Massage Therapy. While in the city, she met her future husband, Justin Weber. They were married at an outdoor ceremony in La Grande.

Tilly was interested in ancient Egypt and enjoyed art and crafts projects, playing computer games with her sisters and watching movies. For more than a decade, she worked alongside her husband and second family at Nutshell Marketing. While there, Tilly was always learning more skills, applying her abilities as a graphic artist and sharing her knowl-

edge with all who wanted to learn. Other passions included her Danish heritage, astronomy, history, designing wedding announcements and birthday invites, cooking and all things Disney. Her family says she was sweet, kind and giggly.

Survivors include her husband, Justin Weber; parents, Dan Jensen of La Grande and Gail and Roger Wickers of Umatilla; siblings and their spouses, Brittney and Holger Kleiner of Pullman, Washington, Christopher Jensen of Moscow, Idaho, Heather and Ryan Jensen of La Grande, Kylea Jensen of La Grande and

Blake Wickers of Umatilla; and two nieces and three nephews.

She was preceded in death by her grandparents, Jack and Jean Jensen, and nephew, Matthew Kleiner.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com.

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