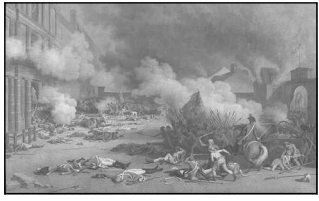


# DAILY PLANNER

## TODAY

Today is Friday, Aug. 10, the 222nd day of 2018. There are 143 days left in the year.



## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT

On Aug. 10, 1792, during the French Revolution, mobs in Paris attacked the Tuileries Palace, where King Louis XVI resided. The king was later arrested, put on trial for treason, and executed.

## ON THIS DATE

In 1846, President James K. Polk signed a measure establishing the Smithsonian Institution.

In 1861, Confederate forces routed Union troops in the Battle of Wilson's Creek in Missouri, the first major engagement of the Civil War west of the Mississippi River.

In 1921, Franklin D. Roosevelt was stricken with polio at his summer home on the Canadian island of Campobello.

In 1949, the National Military Establishment was renamed the Department of Defense.

In 1969, Leno and Rosemary LaBianca were murdered in their Los Angeles home by members of Charles Manson's cult, one day after actress Sharon Tate and four other people were slain.

In 1975, television personality David Frost announced he had purchased the exclusive rights to interview former President Richard Nixon.

In 1993, Ruth Bader Ginsburg was sworn in as the second female justice on the U.S. Supreme Court.

## AIR QUALITY INDEX

Via Oregon DEQ  
As of 11 a.m., Aug. 10  
La Grande: 81 (Moderate)  
Cove City Hall: 106 (Unhealthy for sensitive groups)  
Enterprise: 79 (Moderate)  
Baker City: 74 (Moderate)

## LOTTERY

**Megabucks:** \$5.5 million  
2-12-16-18-28-32

**Mega Millions:** \$63 million  
2-13-15-21-62-2-x5

**Powerball:** \$247 million  
10-21-30-43-63-PB 17-x2

**Win for Life:** Aug. 10  
28-43-56-57

## Pick 4:

- Aug. 9
- 1 p.m.: 0-9-0-7
- 4 p.m.: 5-5-6-7
- 7 p.m.: 7-3-7-8
- 10 p.m.: 7-4-8-6
- Pick 4:** Aug. 8
- 1 p.m.: 2-1-1-3
- 4 p.m.: 8-7-3-7
- 7 p.m.: 0-7-9-8
- 10 p.m.: 2-1-8-7
- Pick 4:** Aug. 7
- 1 p.m.: 8-1-2-0
- 4 p.m.: 9-3-1-0
- 7 p.m.: 0-4-3-6
- 10 p.m.: 4-2-6-8

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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

*"It is easier to make a saint out of a libertine than out of a prig."*  
— George Santayana, Spanish-born philosopher

# Superintendent honored for efforts to promote oral health

## ■ LGSD's George Mendoza receives Health Equity Hero Award

By Dick Mason  
The Observer

La Grande School District Superintendent George Mendoza is being saluted for his commitment to dental health, and the honor puts him in rare company.

Mendoza was presented with the DentaQuest Health Equity Hero Award at a meeting of the La Grande School Board on Wednesday. The educator, in receiving the award, became just one of six people in the United States to be designated a DentaQuest 2018 Health Equity Hero, according to Mary Ann Wren, integration coordinator for Advantage Dental.

Advantage Dental, an organization that champions oral health for all through prevention and care, joined

DentaQuest in 2016.

DentaQuest, Wren said, is one of the largest and most experienced national dental insurers in the nation. The organization has been giving its DentaQuest Health Equity Hero award for four years. Mendoza is the first school district superintendent and the first person from Oregon to receive the award.

"Like George, all the 2018 DentaQuest 2018 Health Equity Heroes are breaking down barriers and in the process improving health for underserved and at-risk people," Wren said.

The Advantage Dental integration coordinator said she first started working with Mendoza when he was the assistant superintendent of the Morrow County School District before he



Mary Ann Wren presents La Grande School District Superintendent George Mendoza with the DentaQuest Health Equity Hero Award.

became La Grande's superintendent in 2017.

"What stands out about George is his deep-seated concern for the well-being of students," Wren said.

She said in Morrow County Mendoza worked with Advantage Dental to develop a school dental pro-

gram that provided prevention services for students based on the risk level of each.

"Now, as superintendent for La Grande School District, George continues to value the importance of oral health for all students," Wren said.

DentaQuest will make a \$1,000 donation to the non-profit of Mendoza's choice in recognition of his Equity Hero Award. Mendoza asked that the donation be made to the Angel Fund, which supports students in the school district who are homeless.

# EOU summer institute offers high school teachers opportunity to teach online health care course

By Audrey Love  
The Observer

Summer months are usually reserved for teachers' much-needed and

yearned-for vacation time. For a select group of teachers, however, three of those days were dedicated to becoming pupil themselves at the second annual GO-Healthcare Professionals Summer Institute.

Held on EOU's campus, the institute trains regional high school teachers how to teach an online, dual credit health care course in their classrooms, designed by the Future Health Professionals of Oregon.

Five new instructors joined the institute, held Aug. 6-8, as well as seven returning teachers, all of whom teach in either a health or science-related field at their respective schools.

While the curriculum is online-based, how the course is delivered to the student is left to the teachers' discretion.

Teachers and students can take a more individual, self-guided approach, with teachers offering support as needed, or the course can be delivered in a classroom setting, even being integrated with other related material or courses.

The first two days of the institute were exclusively for new teachers, with

Wednesday serving as an "all-teacher" session for both new and returning instructors.

Over the course of the institute, teachers are guided through the course modules they'll later teach to their students, being taught themselves both about the material and how to teach it to their own pupils.

Participating teachers also receive graduate-level credits for teaching the course.

The online course is available through EOU and the Eastern Promise early credit program for high school students, allowing them to earn high school credits and two college science credits. It also requires 12 hours of job shadowing in clinics or hospitals to garner hands-on experience. Approximately 160 students from 10 schools in Eastern Oregon participated in the course last year.

"A lot of young students may know that they want to go into a medical career, but sometimes (they) only see a medical career as either being a doctor or a nurse," said Dr. Kyle Pfaffenbach, assistant professor of exercise science at EOU's Physical Activity and Health Department. "One of the things that the class is meant to do (is) expose them to a variety of health careers beyond what's traditionally thought of as a health career, teach them how to research and figure out the

qualifications for whatever program they're interested in, and plan a college career that will earn them a degree as well as the necessary prerequisites and experience to be competitive for the graduate program(s) they want to get into."

Pfaffenbach also serves as the instructor and developer of the course, revamping the existing curriculum and building new content to better suit its evolving needs. His varied background, first as a student then as a professional, and working in medical and collegiate settings has allowed him a unique insight into both worlds.

"We're sharing information," Pfaffenbach said of the institute. "(I'm) giving them information about the things I'm seeing that they can impart to their students, (and) what I'm getting is information that's going on at the high school level. We have critical conversations about what it is that's out there, but also what types of questions their students are asking them so that I can understand better how to provide information that's usable for them. Now, high school teachers are connected with EOU in a tangible way."

The course is a collaborative effort. The Northeast Oregon Area Health Education Center, whose primary goal is to expose and garner student interest in health care career

paths, also aims for these students to become aware of their region's needs, receive the necessary education and training, then return and serve in their given region — in other words, NEOAHEC's goal is to "grow" regional health care professionals.

There exists a greater need for health care professionals in rural areas, which tend to lack access to the same medical care that exists in more urban areas, and rural needs differ from that of urban areas. The course is possible through a partnership among NEOAHEC, GO-STEM, Eastern Promise and the EOU Physical Activity and Health Department with that goal in mind.

"The idea is to inspire kids to go get training and then come back and hopefully serve their community in a way that meets a really important need," Pfaffenbach said.

He said he witnessed the success of the program in a visit this past spring from 25-30 Baker High School students who had taken the course.

The group visited EOU's campus, had discussions about the material they learned in the class and spent time touring various labs and hearing from OHSU nursing students.

"That was a great opportunity that likely wouldn't have occurred (without) the summer institute. It really creates opportunity for the student," he said.

"It's those type of doors that open up (and) provide increased exposure and service to the students. Several of the students who came up from Baker had never been on a college campus before, so it was a really cool opportunity for them to see what it was like and break down some of those perceived barriers."

While the course is offered only at a number of participating schools, Pfaffenbach hopes the program will continue to gain exposure and expand to more schools in the future, as well as operate remotely, an option he plans to enact this school year.

With a remote option, students who don't attend schools offering the program will be able to take the course through the nearest school that offers it.

High schools that taught the course last year include Grant Union, Powder Valley (North Powder), Burns, Irrigon, McLoughlin (Milton-Freewater), Heppner, Imbler, Elgin, Baker and Ukiah. Schools planning on implementing the program this year include Ione, Hood River Valley, Joseph, The Dalles, Dayville and La Grande. Those wishing to offer the course at their school are urged to contact Brittany Hargrove at bhargrove@neoahcec.org.

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# Man charged with harassing Yellowstone bison to stay in jail

The Associated Press

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK — A Pendleton man who was arrested following disturbances in three national parks, including one in which a bison was harassed in Yellowstone, will remain jailed until his trial later this month, a judge ruled Wednesday.

The decision came as Raymond Reinke pleaded not guilty to five charges stemming from citations issued in Grand Teton and Yellowstone national parks in late July.

Reinke, 55, was arrested

in July in Glacier National Park, where rangers with a warrant said they found him engaged in another disturbance.

U.S. District Judge Mark Carman set Reinke's trial for Aug. 23, the Bozeman Daily Chronicle reports.

Carman declined to release Reinke on bond, citing his criminal history and his disregard for the conditions of the \$500 bond

he posted after being cited for public intoxication, disturbing the peace and interfering with a government employee in Grand Teton National Park. He was to avoid alcohol and follow the law.

Days later, Reinke was cited in Yellowstone for having an open container of alcohol and intentionally disturbing wildlife. Park visitors reported the bison

harassment to rangers and at least one visitor captured it on video.

Yellowstone officials warn visitors to stay at least 25 yards away from bison, which can injure tourists who get too close.

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