

DAILY PLANNER

TODAY

Today is Friday, Oct. 12, the 285th day of 2018. There are 80 days left in the year.



TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT

On Oct. 12, 1973, President Richard Nixon nominated House minority leader Gerald R. Ford of Michigan to succeed Spiro T. Agnew as vice president.

ON THIS DATE

In 1492 (according to the Old Style calendar), Christopher Columbus' expedition arrived in the present-day Bahamas.

In 1792, the first recorded U.S. celebration of Columbus Day was held to mark the tricentennial of Christopher Columbus' landing.

In 1870, General Robert E. Lee died in Lexington, Va., at age 63.

LOTTERY

Megabucks: \$8.2 million
20-25-34-35-36-41

Mega Millions: \$548 million
20-22-39-54-60-18-x3

Powerball: \$314 million
8-23-27-42-60-PB 7-x3

Win for Life: Oct. 10
9-41-57-71

Pick 4:

Oct. 11
• 1 p.m.: 0-7-1-8
• 4 p.m.: 0-8-5-9
• 7 p.m.: 0-2-8-2
• 10 p.m.: 8-7-5-4

Pick 4:

Oct. 10
• 1 p.m.: 3-3-3-5
• 4 p.m.: 9-7-2-9
• 7 p.m.: 9-3-1-6
• 10 p.m.: 8-7-5-4

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Everyone's quick to blame the alien."
— *Aeschylus (ES'-kuh-luhs), Greek poet and dramatist (524 B.C.-456 B.C.).*

Support offered to moms and babies

By Lisa Britton
For WesCom News Service

Amanda Grove didn't want to stop breastfeeding her baby, but she was having such a rough time that quitting became a real possibility. "It was pretty awful," she said.

But her friend Kate Johnson, also a new mom, suggested she call St. Alphonsus Medical Services in Baker City and schedule an appointment with a lactation consultant.

"It changed my life," said Grove, whose daughter, Quinn, is now 5 months old. "I thought I was going to quit and fail. If it wasn't for their support, I wouldn't be nursing, which was my goal."

Johnson knew about the program because she too sought help after having her son, Lucas.

Kcia Fletcher and Lynn Scarfo, both registered nurses and International Board Certified Lactation Consultants, see patients through the program.

"She was pretty crucial during the time when I didn't know what I was doing," Johnson said about meeting with Scarfo.

At her appointment, Johnson was able to have the nurse weigh her baby, then she fed him and weighed him again to see how much he ate.

"She is resourceful and puts your mind at ease," Johnson said. "Lynn is a rock star. There are so many ups and downs in the first four months."

The Infant Nutrition and Lactation Program is offered through the Birth Center at St. Alphonsus Medical Center in Baker City.

The center is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, and moms with breastfeeding concerns can call for advice. If additional help is needed, an appointment is made with Fletcher or Scarfo.

The phone number is 541-524-7747.

The lactation consultants can help with latch issues, breast pain, nipple pain, low milk supply, over supply, infant weight issues and more.

Expectant parents are also encouraged to make an appointment to get information prior to the arrival of the baby.

"We highly encourage prenatal appointments," Fletcher said. "The more you know going into it, the more successful you'll be with breastfeeding."

To be certified, Fletcher and Scarfo studied for and passed a certification exam.



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New moms and friends Kate Johnson, left, and Amanda Grove both sought advice from the Infant Nutrition and Lactation Program at St. Alphonsus, which provides appointments with a lactation consultant for moms. Johnson's son, Lucas, is 6 months old. Grove's daughter, Quinn, is 5 months old.

They must log continuing education hours after being certified, and retake the board every 10 years.

Body found on Mount Hood identified as missing Arizona hiker

By Andrew Theen
The Oregonian

An Arizona man missing since Monday was found dead Thursday on Mount Hood, according to the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office.

A climber found David Yaghmourian, 30, of Glendale, at approximately 8,300 feet elevation, about a half mile east of the Silcox Hut. That's outside the area from which he was reported missing on the mountain earlier this week, and far

higher than searchers expected him to be.

Yaghmourian, an Arizona State University research assistant, had been lost since Monday. A search turned up no sign of him Wednesday, and searchers again descended on the mountain Thursday.

It appears Yaghmourian may have been hypothermic and might have fallen about 30 feet, said Search and rescue Sgt. Sean Collinson of the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office.

It also appears Yaghmourian was trying to set up a tent, had a sleeping bag and other equipment, Collinson said.

There was snow in the area, according to the sheriff's office. The agency didn't know how long the body had been at 8,300 feet elevation.

Authorities say Yaghmourian was hiking with a friend when they got separated. They were supposed to reunite at Timberline Lodge, but Yaghmourian never ar-

rived.

Searchers think the hiker may have missed a turn, went up the mountain and was trying to find a way down again, the sheriff's office said.

A trail heads up the mountain from where Yaghmourian's friend had last seen him, Collinson said. Searchers went up that trail to about the 5,300- to 5,400-foot level during a whiteout Tuesday, Collinson said, but didn't find anything of note.

But it now looks like Yaghmourian went up that route, Collinson said.

Collinson said the climber, who wasn't part of a search party, spotted Yaghmourian about 8:40 a.m. Thursday.

The climber was headed up the mountain, "literally almost stumbled upon him" and contacted the sheriff's office, Collinson said.

The Silcox Hut is roughly 1,000 vertical feet above Timberline Lodge.

Canada pipeline blast risks Washington natural gas shortage

The Associated Press

PRINCE GEORGE, British Columbia — A pipeline explosion in British Columbia risks cutting off the flow of Canadian natural gas to Washington State, and companies are urging customers to conserve.

The blast Tuesday evening shut down the Enbridge natural gas pipeline about 600 miles northeast of Vancouver.

Doug Stout of Fortis BC said Wednesday that 85 percent of the gas his company feeds to homes and businesses is carried by the twinned pipeline that runs from northern British Columbia to the United States border south of Vancouver.

"There is a potential impact on Seattle and north of Seattle," Stout said.

The damaged Enbridge pipeline connects to the Northwest Pipeline system, which feeds Puget Sound Energy in Washington State and Northwest Natural Gas in Portland.

Washington State-based Puget Sound Energy is urging its 750,000 customers to lower their thermostats and limit hot water use at least through Wednesday.

No one was hurt when the fireball lit up the sky near the community of Shelley, British Columbia, and forced about 100 members of the nearby Lheidli T'enneh First Nation from their homes.

Witness Terry Teegee said the blast shook the area at about 5:30 p.m.

"We thought it might have been a train crash or a low-flying jet," he said.

Zachary Semotiuk said he saw a "huge flash," followed by a "raging fire," that was easily visible above the tree line from several kilometers away.

Chief Dominic Frederick with the Lheidli T'enneh First Nation said Enbridge contacted him shortly after the blast.

"They had told me there was gas building up in the underground. For some reason or another the gas had stopped flowing and it built up and it just exploded," Frederick said.

As many as 700,000 customers in northern British Columbia, the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island could be directly affected by a shortage, Stout said.

Stout urged another

300,000 customers in the Okanagan and southeastern British Columbia to conserve even though their natural gas comes from Alberta.

Currently Fortis has reserves still in the pipeline south of Prince George, in its liquefied natural gas storage

tanks in the Lower Mainland and on Vancouver Island, and there is some gas flowing from Alberta through a pipeline in southern British Columbia, Stout said.

Fortis expected to receive updates on the situation as Transportation Safety Board

investigators and National Energy Board inspectors arrived to assess the damage and attempt to determine a cause.

The company will update its customers as soon as it is in a position to offer something new, Stout said.



PARK CLOSED: The public campground at the Wallowa Falls Hydroelectric Project, known as Pacific Park, located at the south terminus of the Wallowa Lake Highway (OR St. Hwy 351) will be closed to all public use for the 2019 and 2020 recreation seasons. Under the new Federal Energy Regulatory Commission operating license for the Project, PacifiCorp is required to reconstruct the powerhouse tailrace, which runs through the park, to protect threatened bull trout. The work will also include stabilization of the west bank of the West Fork Wallowa River adjacent to the campground. PacifiCorp plans to re-open Pacific Park for the 2021 recreation season. If you have any questions regarding the Wallowa Falls Hydroelectric Project or the closure of Pacific Park, please email recreation@pacificcorp.com or leave a message on our recreation phone line at 503-813-6666.

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Candidates Forum

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Hear from your
City and County candidates!

Union County Judge Race
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