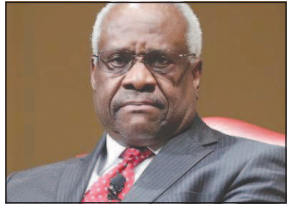


# DAILY PLANNER

**TODAY**  
Today is Monday, Oct. 15, the 288th day of 2018. There are 77 days left in the year.



**TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT**  
On Oct. 15, 1991, despite sexual harassment allegations by Anita Hill, the Senate narrowly confirmed the nomination of Clarence Thomas to the U.S. Supreme Court, 52-48.

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**Win for Life:** Oct. 13  
13-45-56-58

**Pick 4:** Oct. 14  
• 1 p.m.: 9-4-5-3  
• 4 p.m.: 8-7-1-7  
• 7 p.m.: 1-1-8-3  
• 10 p.m.: 7-0-1-4  
**Pick 4:** Oct. 13  
• 1 p.m.: 5-5-8-6  
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# NORTHEAST OREGON HISTORY

## Q: What well-known television celebrities visited La Grande in the late 1960s?

*A: Jay Silverheels and Jonathan Winters.*

Two stars of the small screen stood tall in La Grande in late June of 1968.

Jonathan Winters and Jay Silverheels made a guest appearance at the old Indian Festival of Arts in La Grande that year.

Winters, an American comedian, actor, author and artist, appeared in hundreds of television programs and films during a six-decade career. Fifty years ago, he was best known for his comedic impressions and the "Jonathan Winters Show," an hour-long comedy-variety program that aired from 1967 to 1969.

Winters was greeted by numerous autograph seekers during his visit. Many were young people who brought him pictures, napkins or scraps of paper to sign.

The entertainer was asked if he ever tired of signing autographs.

"Well, when they stop asking, I guess it's all over," Winters said, according to an article in the June 29, 1968, Observer.

Winters told The Observer he came to La Grande because he had "a sincere desire to find out the needs of Native Americans whatever they may be."

Winters was a member the Indian Festival of Arts board. The IFA began in the early 1960s and ran annually in La Grande through 1972. The festival featured dances, art shows, parades, plays and conferences on the advancement of Native Americans.

Winters told The Observer he was one-sixteenth Native American.

Silverheels, a Mohawk Indian from Canada, is

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perhaps best remembered for his role as Tonto in the popular "Lone Ranger" television series, which aired from 1949 to 1957. Silverheels was the faithful Indian sidekick of the Lone Ranger, played by Clayton Moore.

Silverheels arrived in La Grande on June 27, 1968,

where he was greeted by Clay Myers, Oregon's Secretary of State. Myers was in La Grande attending an Oregon State Firefighters Council convention. Myers presented Silverheels with a firefighter's ax.

Silverheels was then on the downside of his entertainment career and died in 1980 at age 67.

Winters would continue to appear in many television shows and films through 2013, when he passed away at age 87.

Vincent Price, an actor known for his appearances in horror films was another celebrity who appeared at the Indian Festival of Arts. He, like Winters, was a member of the IFA board and at-

tended the event on June 19, 1970, according to the June 20, 1970, Observer.

Price, who died in 1993

at age 82, is best known for films including "The Abominable Dr. Phibes," which came out in 1971.

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