

LOCAL BRIEFING

From staff reports

Union City Council to meet Nov. 13

UNION — The Union City Council will meet Tuesday for its regular monthly meeting. The meeting will start at 7 p.m. at city hall.

Rifle and Pistol Club hosts turkey shoot next Sunday

LA GRANDE — The La Grande Rifle and Pistol Club invites shooters and onlookers to a turkey shoot Nov. 18 at the club's range on Highway 244. Sign-up begins at 9 a.m., and the shooting starts at 10 a.m. A \$20 entry fee covers all relays. An incorrect date for the shoot was previously published. For more details, call Darrel Plank at 541-910-4132.

RSVP by Wednesday for Cove's senior Thanksgiving meal

COVE — The Cove senior lunch on Nov. 20 in the Founders Hall at the Ascension School will be a Thanksgiving meal featuring roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, green bean casserole and rolls with pumpkin pie for dessert. There is a \$5 charge per meal. Coffee and tea are available at noon and the meal is served at 12:30 p.m. RSVP by calling Imie Bristow at 541-568-4545 or Betsy Arnsen at 541-568-4902 by Nov. 14.

Save a life, give blood tomorrow

LA GRANDE — According to the American Red Cross, the need for blood is great. Donating blood saves lives. A La Grande Community Blood Drive will be held from noon to 6 p.m. Nov. 13 at the LDS Church, 1802 Gekeler Lane. For more information or to make an appointment,

call Linda Strand at 541-963-4261. Walk-ins are welcome.

OTEC Board to appoint nominating committees

BAKER CITY — A meeting of the Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative Board of Directors is scheduled for 9 a.m. Nov. 13 at OTEC Headquarters, 4005 23rd St., Baker City. The meeting will include a legislative update from ORECA Executive Director Ted Case, and the 2019 nominating committees will be appointed.

Sign up for 'Smart Driver' class

LA GRANDE — There will be an AARP Smart Driver class from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 17 at Grande Ronde Hospital. Attendees are entitled to consideration for a discount on their auto insurance. Cost is \$15 for AARP members, and \$20 for non-members. Call Fred Moore, the instructor, at 541-910-9797 to register or for more information.

Retired Educators group hears about local tourism

LA GRANDE — The Union County Retired Educators will meet at 11:30 a.m. Nov. 14 at the Flying J restaurant. The program will be on "Union County Chamber & Tourism."

Learn how to spot a scam

ENTERPRISE — Kevin Jeffries, consumer liaison with the Department of Consumer and Business Services' Division of Financial Regulation, will present "Six Signs It's a Scam: Identity Theft Protection" from 10 a.m.

to noon Nov. 15 in the Tomas Conference Room, 309 S. River St., Enterprise. This is a free seminar hosted by the Wallowa County Chamber of Commerce for both members and non-members and is applicable to both businesses and private residents. Seating is limited. Call the Chamber at 541 426-4622 if you plan to attend.

Families welcome at LMS honor roll assemblies

LA GRANDE — Families of students named to the La Grande Middle School's honor roll for fall quarter are invited to attend assemblies Nov. 14-16 in the LMS gym. Each assembly begins at 8:25 a.m. The sixth-grade assembly will be held Wednesday. Thursday's assembly is for seventh- and eighth-grade students with these advisory teachers: Bedolla, Carson, Fritz, Leavitt, McIlmoil, Patrick, Remily, Singer and Thurman. Friday's assembly is for seventh- and eighth-grade students with these advisory teachers: Bisenius, Benson, Foggia, Kretschmer, Lair, Nickerson and Schow.

LG School Board meeting includes executive session

LA GRANDE — The Board of Directors of the La Grande School District will hold a regular board meeting at 7 p.m. Nov. 14 in the District Office Conference Room, 1305 N. Willow. The board will also be meeting in an executive session.

Register now for 'Healthy Choices' presentation

LA GRANDE — Kyle Pfaffenbach, PhD, will give an

interactive presentation on the Prevention and Management of Chronic Disease Nov. 15 at Nature's Pantry, 1907 Fourth St., La Grande. The "Healthy Choices" class will run from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. and registration is required. Stop by Nature's Pantry or call 541-963-7955 to reserve a seat.

Community invited to 'Count Your Blessings Dinner'

LA GRANDE — The fourth annual Count Your Blessings Dinner is set for Nov. 15 at the La Grande Church of Christ, 2107 Gekeler Lane. The free ham dinner will be served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. (or until the food is gone). The intent of the dinner is to come together and remember what we are thankful for before the rush of the holidays begins. The Thursday event is open to the community.

Get a clear vision of your financial future

LA GRANDE — At 6:45 p.m. Nov. 15 Dave Ramsey's Smart Money class will be livestreamed to Valley Fellowship, 507 Palmer, La Grande. This free three-hour event will lay out a proven plan for getting you and your family out of debt and on track to live and give. Everyone who attends will have a chance to win a Financial Peace Membership (value \$109). Child care will be provided. Sign up at <https://fpu.com/1075424>. For more information, call Steve at 541-786-1642.

Public transportation in Wallowa County focus of meeting

ENTERPRISE — Community Connection will hold a Transportation Advisory Council meeting at 3 p.m.

Nov. 15 at Enterprise Community Connection, 702 NW First St. The meeting is open to the public. Input, comments and questions concerning public transportation are welcome.

Enterprise Senior Center hosts blood pressure, foot clinics

ENTERPRISE — The Enterprise Senior Center, located at Community Connection of Wallowa County, 702 NW First St., will host clinics on Nov. 14. A blood pressure clinic will be open from 11:15 a.m. to noon, followed by a foot care clinic from noon to 3 p.m.

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What's Cooking ? by Sandy Sorrels of TEN DEPOT STREET Looks like chilly November weather all this week, perfect for warm comfort food like our Blue Plate Special this week, Chicken Pot Pies. We make the individual pies with big chunks of free-range chicken and fresh vegetables and top them with crisp buttery pastry. And there are other reasons to come to Ten Depot this week. Carter Freeman, an alternative country singer-songwriter from Boise, is playing on Tuesday at Ten Depot Street. Carter Freeman was born in the deep south and influenced by the local folk, bluegrass, jazz and swing of his roots. With his smoky voice, he evokes the sounds of the past with a fresh and modern twist. Then Thursday, the Naughty Pine Band, a Reggae inspired trio with original compositions and lyrics, is playing. Based in the Tri-Cities, their music is about "love for your fellow man, life's struggles, and burning trees." They played for us before and are a really fun band. This week is the first Grande Ronde Symphony performance of the season, Wednesday November 14, in the McKenzie Theater at EOU. This season they are starting the performances at 7:00, but there is still plenty of time for dinner at Ten Depot before. Our restaurant opens at 5:00 and the bar at 4:00. There are many items on the menu that are fast if you are in a hurry. Just ask your server. Ten Depot Street has several seasonal drinks that we are featuring in the bar this month. Now that fresh pomegranates are available again, Pomegranate Martinis are back on the menu. And of course we have the old fashioned favorite, Hot Buttered Rum, made with our own homemade hot buttered rum batter. BLUE PLATE SPECIAL \$10.95 Homemade Chicken Pot Pie, Green Salad (served Monday through Friday)

Janice F. Meyer

Joseph

Janice Faye Meyer, 76, of Joseph, died Nov. 5 at Wallowa Memorial Hospital. Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Nov. 14 at Bollman Funeral Home. Interment will be at Royal Oak Cemetery in Brooksville, Ohio. Bollman Funeral Home is entrusted with arrangements.

Beatrice M. (Williams) Carrington

La Grande 1929-2018

Beatrice Marie Carrington, 89, of La Grande, died Nov. 5 at her residence. At her request, there will not be a service.

Beatrice was born Feb. 24, 1929, in Farrell, Pennsylvania, to Wilfred and Ida (Allen) Williams. She resided in Pennsylvania, California and Oregon.

Beatrice was married to Roy Dean Carrington for 63 years and had three children. She worked with her husband in his construction business. According to her family, Beatrice's smile could light up a room.

Survivors include her children and their spouses, Linda K. and Brian Buckingham of La Grande, Steven B. and Debbie Carrington of Newbury Park, California, and Randy A. and Lisa Carrington of Terrebonne; six grandchildren and

six great-grandchildren; and four nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Roy; parents, Wilfred and Ida; brothers, Edward Williams and Raymond Williams; and grandson, Kevin Carrington.

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

Michael J. Wood

La Grande 1956-2018

Michael J. Wood, 62, of La Grande, died Nov. 4 from pancreatic cancer at his home.



A service will be held at 10 a.m. Dec. 1 at Loveland Funeral Chapel.

Michael was born April 19, 1956, in Lebanon, to Ralph and Anna (Haehl) Wood. He attended Lebanon High School, then received a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Oregon and a master's degree in education from Oregon State University. He married Veronica "Roni" Hughes on July 10, 1982, which, according to his family, he recently said was the best decision he ever made. They had three children.

Michael briefly taught in Redmond and Alsea before becoming a language arts teacher at Union High School

in 1984. He was also a football and wrestling coach and was named assistant coach in the 1987 Shriners East-West Football Game after the Bobcats' previous 11-1 season. Michael became the elementary principal in 1992 and continued serving as principal after being named the district superintendent. He also served on the Oregon Teacher Standards and Practices Commission.

After retirement from the Union School District in 2011, Michael was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease and followed his doctor's advice to exercise. He dedicated himself to fitness and slowing progression of his disease. A lifelong educator, he became a certified personal trainer at Mountain Valley Fitness and Health, where he specialized in motivating others who faced personal challenges. Michael also spoke to various local groups, inspiring them to consider exercise to help overcome health obstacles. He constantly surprised and moved people with his accomplishments despite his challenges.

Michael had many passions, including cooking, fishing, brewing beer, watching Oregon Ducks football, partnering with his son in a pool league, working out with his youngest daughter and talking politics with his oldest daughter. He enjoyed traveling and spending

time with his family and took joy in exploring the Disney parks with his grandchildren. Michael volunteered for AFS Intercultural Programs, and the family hosted 10 exchange daughters from eight countries between 2005 and 2015. They later traveled to visit many of the girls and meet their families.

Survivors include his wife, Roni of La Grande; children, Kimberly Wood Nolan and partner, Paula, of Eugene, Conor Wood of La Grande, and Delaney Wood of Eugene; sister and brother-in-law, Sally and John Killen of Medford; brother and sister-in-law, David and Lorie Wood of Scottsdale, Arizona; two grandchildren; and seven nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Anna Wood, and brother, Ralph E. Wood.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (www.pancan.org) or the Michael J. Fox Parkinson's Foundation (www.michaeljfox.org).

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