

Beverage visits Elgin Lions



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County Commissioner Donna Beverage was the guest speaker at the Elgin Lions Club in October. She discussed issues within Union County, declaring that the county has the lowest employment rate with 124 jobs available. Beverage was pleased that the county has received \$250,000 from ODOT with a portion to be used in the Bahm Industrial site.

BIRTHS

GRANDE RONDE HOSPITAL

BARRY: To Kelsey Elliott and Evan Barry, of La Grande, a daughter, Blake Barry, 6 pounds 1 ounce, Oct. 15 at 6:44 a.m.

CRADER: To Julie Ann Crader and Brian Crader, of Union, a daughter, Josephine Ann Crader, 7 pounds 15 ounces, Oct. 29 at 10:18 p.m.

DOWELL: To Amber Dowell and Ryan Dowell, of La Grande, a daughter, Ellen Dowell, 6 pounds 15 ounces, Oct. 16 at 8:14 a.m. Grandparents are Sherri and Craig Sipp and Kim and Robert Dowell.

EVANS: To Haley Evans and Brandon Evans, of La Grande, a daughter, Kambrie Jo Evans, 6 pounds 10 ounces, Oct. 22 at 11:19 p.m. Grandparents are Kyle and Sherree Evans, Tammi McEnroe and Clay McEnroe.

JACOBSON: To Rachel Jacobson and Michael Jacobson, of Union, a daughter, Ruth Joanna Jacobson, 7 pounds 5 ounces, Oct. 24 at 2:48 p.m. Grandparents are Nancy Hutnak, Neal Jacobson, Ed McGill and Pam McGill.

LARSON: To Malerie Larson and Nathan Larson, of La Grande, a daughter, Haven Grace Larson, 3 pounds 3 ounces, Oct. 5 at 7:49 p.m. Grandparents are Teri and Frank Humber and Barbara and Paul Larson.

LINK: To Jessenia Pastora Arancibia Rivera and Jason Oscar Link, of La Grande, a son, Elias William Link, 7 pounds 8 ounces, Nov. 1 at 6:27 a.m. Grandparents are Pastora Rivera and Kristi and Jeff Link.

MASAO: To Jean Pearlina Malolo and Jashaluja Jua'an Masao, of La Grande, a daughter, Eva'Marih Janelle Kaiju Masao, 6 pounds 14 ounces, Sept. 23 at 8:15 p.m. Grandparents are Evenruth and Hiram Malolo, Jack and Luren Ading, and Christine Marie

Malolo and John Johnson.

REKOW: To Heather Renae Rekow and Coulton Charles Rekow, of La Grande, a son, Julius Charles Rekow, 8 pounds 8 ounces, Oct. 3 at 7:29 p.m. Grandparents are Mary and Jason Aquistapace.

REMOKET: To Gwyenne Sngelard and Reighner Remoket, of La Grande, a son, Greison Ngirkebai Remoket, 6 pounds, Oct. 31 at 12:58 p.m.

SHERMAN: To Paula Hodges and Nate Sherman, of La Grande, a daughter, Trinity Nevaeh Uaalaloikoikaloha, 7 pounds 12.8 ounces, Oct. 13 at 12:58 p.m.

SMART: To Katherine Angelina Oglesbee and Sammy Keith Smart, of La Grande, a son, Gavin Keith Smart, 8 pounds 11 ounces, Oct. 17 at 1:44 p.m. Grandparents are Don and Kim Adcock, Carol and Don Titus, and John Oglesbee.

SOFE: To Meagan Sofe and Nur Sofe, of La Grande, a daughter, Rayya Sofe, 8 pounds 7 ounces, Oct. 31 at 11:20 a.m. Grandparents are Brenda and Paul Phillips and Diane and Tod Pfel.

WALLOWA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

MALY: To Annika Maly and Geoff Maly, of Enterprise, a daughter, Ingrid Lynne Maly, 5 pounds 13 ounces, Sept. 29 at 8:21 a.m. Grandparents are Valerie and Wes Giesbrecht and Kathy and Jef Fellows.

OUT OF TOWN

KRUSE: To Connie Kruse (formerly of La Grande) and Derek Kruse, of Oregon City, a daughter, Hanna Grace Kruse, 5 pounds 13 ounces, Oct. 18 at 6:55 a.m. Grandparents are Lyle and Suzanne Nelson of La Grande, Dave and Karol Kruse of West Linn, and Duane and Deb Snider

GRH welcomes new CEO

Observer staff

LA GRANDE – The Grande Ronde Hospital, Inc., Board of Trustees



Davis

recently announced that Jeremy P. Davis, MHA, has accepted the position of president and chief executive officer for the corporation.

"I am very pleased with our choice," said GRH Board Chair Brad Trisler. "We went through quite a recruitment process, but Jeremy stood out from the very beginning. His enthusiasm, leadership style and track record of accomplishments are exactly what we were looking for."

Davis will assume his new role Nov. 26, replacing current President and CEO

Jim Mattes, who announced his intention to retire last April. Mattes has served the corporation and the community in this capacity since January 1984. He said he is firmly committed to ensuring the leadership transition is smooth.

"Jeremy has demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities and is an excellent choice to follow me as CEO. His background and experience are well suited for the position, and his personality and Eastern Oregon roots will fit well into our community," Mattes said.

Davis has 12 years of health care industry experience, six of those in management. When asked during the recruitment process what quality he believes is most important to him as a person and as a leader, he answered, "Credibility. Say

it, do it or explain why."

Davis, who was born and raised in Baker City, understands the challenges facing rural health care. He comes to La Grande from Evanston, Wyoming, where he has, since January 2016, been CEO for Evanston Regional Hospital, a 42-bed facility with annual net revenues of approximately \$35 million. While there, Jeremy was the recipient of the American College of Healthcare Executives Early Career Healthcare Executive Regent's Award, which recognizes ACHE members who have significantly contributed toward the advancement of health care management excellence.

After graduating from Brigham Young University-Idaho in Rexburg, Davis earned a master's in health

administration from Ohio State University and received an administrative fellowship at Alta Bates Summit Medical Center in Oakland, California. In 2009 he joined the team at Sutter Health's headquarters in Sacramento to collaborate on improvement initiatives. From 2012 to 2016, Davis was the associate administrator of Sutter Coast Hospital, a 49-bed facility in Crescent Bay, California, before being recruited to serve as CEO for Evanston Regional Hospital.

Davis and his wife, Kelli, have four children, ages 3 to 11. The quality of the La Grande School system, local sports opportunities for their children and the local thriving arts community were all important factors to the Davis family in choosing La Grande.

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Where Are They Now? Know someone who has moved

away and what he or she is doing? Word limit: 200. Include a good-quality photo.

Community scrapbook: The Observer can't get to every event in Union and Wallowa counties. But we can make space available for those groups that take pphotos of their events and gatherings.

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Cove students earn academic honor

COVE — The students attending Cove's junior/senior high school listed below have all been named to the fall quarter honor roll.

12th grade

Colten Alldredge, Rebekah Farrell, Wacey Fite, Alisa Fox, RyAnn McBride, Landon Moore, Ethan Mowery, Lilly Perry, Sophia Pettit, Jack Silveira, Alec Slagle, Timothy Stevens, Tia Swalberg

11th grade

Nekoda Carlson, Cameron Dillman, Dawson Gaertner, Bernard Geis, Breanna Harvey, Elliana

Hines-Dunlap, Stuart Patton, Laramie Rose, Jace Svaty, Karia Weber, Kelly Winebrenner

10th grade

Hannah Alldredge, Jessica Baker, Kate Cole, Harley Creech, Elise Farrell, Madison Furrer, Riley Lindsey, Kierra Moore, William Pettit, Chance Rivard, Wil Slagle, Keela Turnbull, Haiden Wiggins

9th grade

Rachel Baird, Kiel Bolton, Braden Dickenson, Quinn Dobbs, Maggie Frisch, Trinity Gettman, Madeline Johnson, Isaac

Lee, Kailee Mansveld, Damon Nipper, Daisy Urueta

Senior high school honorable mention

Allie Best, Bryce English, Grady Fite, Madison Harvey, Austin Kendall, Jacob Leary, Rylie Overton, Skyler Perkins, Carlee Porter, Kaleb Ralph, Gabby Rice, Julie Stenshagen, Jennifer Urueta

8th grade

Olivia Bentz, Terrell Davis, Taylor Fox, James P. Frisch, Jaden Furrer, Jacob Lindsey, Collin Rovey, Caleb Wiggins, Megan Winterton

7th grade

Cade Bolton, Autumn Dobbs, Ashton Furrer, Ally Gettman, Rowan Hassinger, Trevor Johnston

Maddison Landa, Noah Lee, Olivia Mack, Joseph Mallory, Laurel Marler, Kade McLean, Kimberly Obendorf, Avalon Perkins, Trystin Underhill, Elijah Williams

Junior high school honorable mention

Mathew Bowers, David Creech, Elsie Hassinger, Kaleah Hines-Dunlap, Connor Kimro-Tyler, Tee Ledbetter, Eric Painter, Kamilah Smith

La Grande Middle School announces fall quarter honor roll

LA GRANDE — Hard-working students at La Grande Middle School have earned a place on the 2018-2019 fall quarter honor roll by achieving a grade-point average of 3.50 and above. Assemblies will be held to acknowledge the achievement of the following students:

6th grade

4.00: Shellbee Abel, Daniel Barnes, Brett Blanchard, Destany Bolanos, Kylie Brown, Emalee Califf, Ginger Chandler, Korbin Cochran Cavaness, Kane Collins, Kayle Collman, Ayla Davis, Lillian Dunlap, Emma Elithorp, Jayden Gibson, Tyler Hampton, Hazel Hartz, Ella Hayden, Laura Hendrickson, Makayla Hibbert, Emree Hutchins, Macy Iramk, Lyndie Isaacson, Mason Kimball, Avila McKaig, Sophia Miller, Unity Miller, Sadie Nelson, Olivia Pennington, Adysen Perry, Draco Pomerleau, Natasha Powell, Jayden Riley, Riley Robinson, Raelée

Smith, Addison Snyder, Payton Stenkamp, Carlee Strand, Aaron Weaver, Lily Wisdom, Evan Zastrow.

3.89: Marti Anderson, Matt Anderson, Kierstyn Azure, Ava Beaudry, Alexis Burgess, Karly Burgess, Kai Castro, Kendal DeYoung, Griffin Gorham, Kristina Hayden, Julia Kellogg, Mia Korom, Chase Koshinsky, Shanti Langidrik, Austyn Meuser, Brody Peterson, Bethany Petty, Trenton Schwebke-Dufour, Noah Spence, Carter Stockhoff, Hailey Terkelson, Jordan Tucker, Carson Weimer, Calla Welch, Eli Westenskow.

3.78: Aubrey Bisenius, Talyn Bolin, Alaina Bradshaw, Joseph Chinasa, Makenzi Comisky, Elijah Cox, Hunter DeCoteau, Dane Fine, Abby Henry, Michael Knight, Hayden Michael, Bryce Pennington, Silas Reagan, Adriana Reyes Cristobal, Thomas Santoro, Carter Seaquist, Anne Turner, Cecilia Villagomez Edvalson, Lacie

Wallace, Jillian Waters, Elphirene Yiftheg.

3.67: Audrey AnDyke, Cameron Cambell, Charlotte Chandler, Eliza Durfee, Ruby Gregg, Brieonna Larison, Giana Perez, Mannix Pomerleau, Liliana Rivas, Gavin Shells, Gracie Smith, Melissa Zaragoza.

3.56: Laurea Bedell, Sean Bork, Abela Cross, Carson Cupit, Samuel Fager, Olesya Forbes, Helaman Garcia, Romeo Howard, Austin Jeffries, Elexis Jendeski, McClain Larreau, Faith Middleton, Loghan Millman, Jill Moran, Raeandra Sutton.

7th grade

4.00: Emma Bell, Kiah Carlson, Kai Carlson, Lana Emerson, Rees Foggia, Baylea Forsberg, Evan Garlitz, Hallie Grigg, Lydia Hasbell, Cooper Huxoll, Michael Jensen, Dylann Justice, Yuliana Karpenok, Ridge Kehr, Tavian Kehr, Fabian Leal Ponce, Jaxson Leonard, Hunter Luke, Grif-

fin McIlmoil, Alsea Morton, Isaac Murie, Avery Myer, Isabelle Neer, Heber Olson, Cori Palmer, Carter Peasley, Dallin Perry, Karlee Polfer, Genessa Porras, Seth Robinson, Rylee Sandland, Owen Seaquist, Makenna Shaw, Liam Street, Bryce Wagner, Mason Wolcott.

3.88: Cain End, Talin Hayden, Jennifer Johnson, Rylan Mellinger, Emma Moody, Logan Parada-Bullcock, Austin Stockhoff.

3.82: Kristina Tanguturi.

3.75: Faith Calhoun, Kiera Davis, Dominic Fields, La Rae Howell, Cole Hubble, Brandie MacKay, Nakita Martinez, Shea McKinley, Jack Muller, KaTeena Pegram, Kaitlin Polfer, Monson Riley, Diana Robles, Aspyn Wildman.

3.67: Norah Markham.

3.63: Caeden Barrett, Rocco Black, Jenna Chase, Jaxen Doud, Spencer Harsin, Tiffany Huffman, Gavin Israel, Danaka Knight, Selinia Riness, David Sain, Quinten

Theiler, Kadence Vandenberg, Preston Westenskow, Maya Wilson, Gavin Winegar, Tiffany Wright.

3.50: Quentin Auther, Cody Brown, Kyah Johnson, Ian Kletke, Allison Miller, Cheyan Somers, Maezie Wilcox.

8th grade

4.00: Rosie Aguilera, Gladys Alf Rippee, Jarett Armstrong, Elijah Bisenius, Rogan Black, Quinlan Bohannon, Kaylee Carpenter, Nora Crews, Carina Garcia, Ross Goebel, Joscelyn Hafer, Ahna Heideman, Kaylee Hibbert, Brielle Hood, Chaz Howard, Ellery Johnson, Brendan Lundell, Keira Martinez, Haylee McCall, Noah McIlmoil, McClan Miller, Braeden Morgan, Alyssa Moy, Caleb Murie, Liam Murphy, Arianah Myer, Johanna Null, Landon Perry, Jocelyn Reagan, John Remily, Conner Riggs, Owen Rinker, Morgan Rynearson, Giselle Sanchez, Jace Schow, Makenna Shorts, Stewart Siders,

Julia Sipe, Paul Smith, Brayden Sudbrock, Jack Sunderman, Rylee Weimer, Logan Williams, Carlee Willson, Gabriel Zamora.

3.91: Samantha Perry.

3.88: Corbin Berry, Gwenth Cooper, Addison Dunlap, Emilie Flannery, Hanna Hampton, Austin Higgins, Rylie Huddleston, Collette Larvik, Dima McCarthy, Kaden Nelson, Chloe Schlaht, Arlo Vandervlugt, Tyler Williams, Kelly Wright.

3.75: Havven Clark, Weston Durfee, Delia Gulzow, Amy Hernandez, Noah Insko, Jared Isaacson, Amylia Kellogg, Gage Mathson, Chase Pennington, Odin Watt.

3.63: Joslyn-Renee Abrams, Sonora Hansel, Kyla Hatfield, Carlee Jensen, Cole Shafer, Samuel Tsiatsos, Shareena Ward.

3.50: Brianna Brown, Aubrey Hall, Ethan Jacobson, Keshawn Jones, Sophia Petty, Jacob Preator, Bryce Smith, Tyler Smith, Jewelz Terkelson, Luca Willins.

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