

LOCAL BRIEFING

From staff reports

Cattlemen discuss wolf strategies

ISLAND CITY — Union County Cattlemen will meet at 7 p.m. Feb. 4 at the Ag Service Center, 10507 N. McAlister Rd, Island City. This will be a business meeting with a discussion about ranching strategies to lessen wolf/livestock conflicts. Some members attended the workshop in Halfway in January and will report what they learned. The meeting is open to the public.

Budget hearing precedes meeting

ENTERPRISE — Wallowa County Commissioners will meet Feb. 4. There will be a supplemental budget hearing at 8:30 a.m., followed by the regular meeting at 9 a.m., in the Thornton Conference Room

of the Wallowa County Courthouse in Enterprise. The regular meeting will include a discussion of the request for a \$20,000 donation/in-kind match for the Regional Solutions Grant Program.

Free adult GED prep workshop offered next week

LA GRANDE — The Eastern Oregon Workforce Investment Board and Training Employment Consortium are offering free adult GED preparation services. The services will include individualized instruction, study materials, testing fees, links to studying tools and resources. The next free training is scheduled for 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Feb. 5 at 1901 Adams Ave., La Grande. To reserve a space for orienta-

tion and to register for GED services, call Lynn at 541-963-7111, ext. 233, as soon as possible.

Walk aims to keep everyone out of the cold

LA GRANDE — Walkers, runners and sponsors are invited to celebrate more than a decade of helping keep our most vulnerable neighbors safe and warm at the 11th annual Union County Walk for Warmth Feb. 9. The fundraiser features a walk/run, and participants gather pledges for the event. Sponsored by Community Connection of Northeast Oregon, the event is aimed at filling the heating gap for Union County families.

Walk for Warmth is headquartered at the Union County Senior Center, 1504

N. Albany St., La Grande. Registration for runners in the 5K and 10K is at 10 a.m. The 10K begins at 10:30 a.m. and the 5K at 11 a.m. Walkers register at 10:30 a.m. for the 1-, 2- and 3-mile walks. An indoor walk will be available. A group walk starts at 11. A free lunch for participants and volunteers begins at 11:30 a.m. with music, a raffle drawing and special prizes.

Clubs, sports teams, church/religious groups, work/business colleagues, families and friends are encouraged to participate in this family-friendly event. For more information and pledge forms, go to <https://unioncountyw4w.wordpress.com> or call Hannah or Audrey at Community Connection, 541-963-7532. Other sponsors of the

event are C.U.R.R.E.N.T.S. of justice for peace, Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Union and Grande Ronde Road Runners.

GROWISER founder leads gardening class

ISLAND CITY — The OSU Master Gardener program offers the community opportunities to expand gardening knowledge. The next class will begin at 5:30 p.m. Feb. 5 in the conference room at the OSU Extension, Union County office, 10507 N. McAlister Road, Island City. The presentation will be by Andy Huber, founder of GROWISER (Grande Ronde Overlook Wildflower Institute Serving Ecological Restoration). The class is \$5 for the general public. For more information and to RSVP, call the OSU Union

County Extension office at 541-963-1010.

Learn about GRH's wound care and ostomy services

LA GRANDE — Grande Ronde Hospital is hosting a Wound Care & Ostomy Clinic Open House from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. Feb. 7 at 700 Sunset Drive, Suite C, La Grande. Those who attend the free educational event will learn more about ostomy and wound care services, ankle-brachial index (ABI) screening and navigating the referral process. The information will be presented by Wound Care and Ostomy Nurse Practitioner Roxanne Stephens, NP-C, CWON and the Wound Care & Ostomy Clinic. For more information, call the clinic at 541-663-3135 or go to www.grh.org/woundcare.

OBITUARIES

Carol M. (James) Smith

Formerly of La Grande
1935-2019

Carol Marie Smith, 83, of Baker City, died Jan. 23 at her residence at Settler's Park Assisted Living Community.

Carol was born April 23, 1935, in Plains, Montana, to Vance and Marie James. She attended school in La Grande and graduated from La Grande High School in 1953.

Carol was married to Dick Hadden, and they had two children, Julie and Wade. They divorced, and she later married Donnie Smith.

A secretary for more than 30 years, Carol worked for the U.S. Forest Service, Oregon State Extension Service, Boise

Cascade and Head Start. She took great pride in that work, and she could type 120 words a minute on a manual typewriter.

Carol loved fishing, hunting by horseback into the Minam, reading, cooking and very long drives on any back road to anywhere with her grandkids. She was well known for making delicious potato salad, apple pie and "soft" popcorn balls.

Survivors include her children and their spouses, Julie and Wayne Paxton of Baker City and Wade and Kathryn Hadden of Longview, Washington; four grandchildren; brother and sister-in-law, Donald and Marlene James of La Grande; stepdaughters and spouses, Debbie and Gene Wilson and Terri and

Rick Skillings; five step-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Vance and Marie James; sister, Betty "Bea" Spears; and stepson, Kelly Smith.

To light a candle in memory of Carol, please visit www.grayswestco.com.

Denise E. Puchbauer

Formerly of Union
1958-2019

Denise Elaine Puchbauer, 60, of Newbury Park, California, and formerly of Union, died Jan. 2 in Thousand Oaks, California. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Feb. 16 at the United Methodist



Church in Westlake Village, California.

Denise was born March 18, 1958, in Georgia, to Truman Carl and Margaret Karen Puchbauer. She grew up in Oregon and loved swimming and riding horses with her three sisters and brother. She graduated as the valedictorian of the Union High School class of 1976 and earned a bachelor's degree in sociology from Southern Oregon State. She married Bernard Corwin and raised two daughters. They ventured to Newbury Park, California, her home of more than 25 years.

Denise was a traveler and soul-seeker. She was a skilled graphic designer and marketing executive who inspired others with her creativity. Denise

swam fearlessly in the wild Pacific and danced. A kind spirit, she loved being a mother and hoped for a positive future.

Survivors include her daughters, Angelina Corwin and Natalie Corwin; father, Truman; sisters, Janis Kerrigan, Trish Wegert and Diane Puchbauer; brother, Jim Puchbauer; and first husband, Bernard.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Karen, in 2015.

Julie M. Larson

La Grande

Julie M. Larson, 56, of La Grande, died Jan. 28 at her residence. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory will be handling the arrangements.

Susan Arnott

La Grande

Susan Arnott, 52, of La Grande, died Jan. 30 at Grande Ronde Hospital. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Feb. 2 at Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center. An obituary is forthcoming. Memorial contributions may be made to Shelter From the Storm.

Richard I. Good

La Grande

Richard I. Good, 81, of La Grande, died Jan. 30 at his residence. A celebration of his life will be held at 2 p.m. Feb. 8 at Loveland Funeral Chapel. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory is handling the arrangements.

Police: Man executed in Texas in 1999 killed Oregon woman

Associated Press

PORTLAND — A convicted murderer called the "Animal," who was executed by the state of Texas in 1999 has been identified by DNA as the person who killed a young woman in Portland, nearly 40 years ago.

Anna Marie Hlavka, 20, was killed in an apartment on July 24, 1979. Authorities said Thursday her killer, Jerry McFadden, was identified using the same technology that led to an arrest last year in California in the "Golden State Killer" case.

Hlavka was sexually assaulted and strangled with an electric cord. The Portland Police Bureau said at a news conference retired detectives submitted evidence to the state crime lab in 2009 for forensic testing.

Authorities said that evidence eventually showed McFadden, who was executed in Texas for the rape and killing of an 18-year-old high school cheerleader, was Hlavka's killer.

The 51-year-old McFadden was a notorious criminal in Texas. He was sentenced to death for a daylong murder rampage in 1986 that took the life of the cheerleader as well as two other people.

Authorities said it took years of research and detective work to determine that McFadden killed Hlavka.

Portland police said an "unknown male DNA profile" was found in 2011 in evidence collected from the scene of the 1979 slaying. The profile was deemed especially good considering how much time had passed.

MENUS

UNION COUNTY SENIOR CENTER

1504 N. ALBANY ST., LA GRANDE
11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
Feb. 4-8
MONDAY: Swedish meatballs, rice pilaf, steamed vegetables, broccoli, pea & carrot salad, rolls, fruit.
TUESDAY: Cobb salad,

baked bread, soup, fresh fruit, dessert.
WEDNESDAY: baked potato bar, salad greens, steamed vegetables, dessert.
THURSDAY: Reuben sandwiches, potato salad, coleslaw, cookies.
FRIDAY: cashew-chicken casserole, steamed peas, salad greens, rolls, fruit.

ATTENTION DEER HUNTERS
Wallowa County Chapter of Ducks Unlimited has a W. Blue Mountain (#649B) LOP tag on Hancock lands. It will be auctioned off Saturday 9 February at the annual banquet and auction in Enterprise. For complete bidding information, contact Gene at 541-828-7795 prior to the event OR plan to attend.
DUCKS UNLIMITED
Register on-line at Ducks Unlimited Wallowa County for a three meat buffet including Stangel buffalo, plus raffles, games, auctions, decoy painting for the kids and more.

LA GRANDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrested: Kyle Bartram, 24, unknown address, was arrested while lodged in the Union County Jail on a Union County warrant for order to show cause. The warrant was connected to an original charge of second-degree failure to appear in court.

Cited: Nicholas Olivera, 38, was cited on a charge of second-degree criminal mischief.

Arrested: Glendon Robert Wyatt, 58, La Grande, was arrested on a charge of driving while suspended.

Arrested: Elizabeth Lee Spurgeon, 26, unknown address, was arrested on a Wallowa County warrant charging failure to appear in court on charges of unauthorized use of a vehicle, possession of a stolen vehicle, and criminal driving while suspended or revoked.

Arrested: William Troy Mitchell, 38, was arrested on a Union County warrant charging unlawful possession of methamphetamine. Mitchell was also arrested on charges of possession of a restricted weapon, two counts, and unlawful possession of methamphetamine, two counts.

Arrested: Amber Suzanne Glaze, 37, unknown address, was arrested on a Union County warrant charging failure to appear in court on a charge of third-degree theft.

UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Arrested: Duayne Thomas

Dittmer, 55, unknown address, was arrested on charges of unauthorized entry into a motor vehicle and third-degree criminal mischief.

Arrested: Shane Lee Coughran, 49, La Grande, was arrested on a charge of fourth-degree assault.

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident Monday on Island Avenue in Island City. The accident was reported at 12:03 p.m.

Accident: Nobody was hurt in a traffic accident Monday in Island City on Island Avenue. The accident was reported at 4:18 p.m.

Arrested: Chad Proffitt, 45, unknown address, was arrested while lodged in the Union County Jail on a charge of failure to register as a sex offender.

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident at Fir Street and Washington Avenue on Thursday. The accident was reported at 2:05 p.m.

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident at Gekeler Lane and 12th Street on Thursday. The accident was reported at 5:35 p.m.

Arrested: Patrick Adam Walker, 34, La Grande, was arrested on a parole and probation detainer.

OREGON STATE POLICE

Cited: Ashley Marie Ortiz, 27, Lacey Washington, was arrested on a charge of reckless driving.

Cited: Adam Richard Kortright, 24, Olympia Washington, was cited on a charge of import/export of marijuana.

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

Public Safety Report

The Public Safety Report is compiled from police blotter information supplied by local law enforcement agencies and fire department reports. Individuals named as arrested and/or charged with crimes in this report are presumed innocent until proved guilty in a court of law.

Arrested: Apkarty Sohs, 27, La Grande, was arrested on a charge of driving under the influence of intoxicants, alcohol.

Arrested: Brianna Black, 20, Elgin, was arrested on a charge possession of methamphetamine.

Arrested: Alexander W. Dooley, 20, unknown address, was arrested on charges of a probation violation, possession of methamphetamine, delivery of Oxycodone, manufacture of Oxycodone and supply contraband.

Arrested: Shawn Robert Lee, 54, Redmond, was arrested on charges of unauthorized use of a vehicle, attempt to elude fleeing (vehicle), possession of a stolen vehicle and reckless driving.

LA GRANDE FIRE DEPARTMENT

La Grande Fire Department responded to nine calls for medical on Monday and one carbon monoxide alarm, three calls for medical on Tuesday, six calls for medical and one fire alarm on Wednesday and nine calls for medical on Thursday.

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