

LOCAL BRIEFING

From staff reports

Carriers may be delivering newspaper late

Due to the inclement weather, The Observer's carriers are having trouble delivering to areas in Cove, Union, Elgin and Wallowa County. The Observer wants to keep the carriers as safe as possible and we will do our best to deliver the paper in a timely manner. If your paper has not arrived by 5 p.m., expect carriers to attempt delivery the next morning. For more information, call 541-963-3161.

Class of 1954 has lunch tomorrow

LA GRANDE — Members of the La Grande High School Class of 1954 will gather for lunch at 11:30 a.m. Feb. 14 at the Flying J Restaurant.

Wallowa meat shoot set for Sunday

WALLOWA — A meat shoot will begin at 9 a.m. Feb. 17 at the Wallowa Rod & Gun Club. In addition to the shooting, breakfast and lunch will be served and there will be games for non-shooters. For more information on the family-friendly event, call Randal at 541-886-4625, John at 541-886-8802 or Curtis at 541-786-0814.

Interested volunteers welcome at GRH Auxiliary meeting

LA GRANDE — Grande Ronde Hospital Auxiliary's February meeting will be held at the Island City City Hall Feb. 18. Refreshments will be available at 9 a.m., and the meeting begins at 9:30. Anyone interested in volunteering with the GRH

Auxiliary is encouraged to attend the meeting.

Shoot Straight TV host speaks at Men's Beast Feast

SUMMERVILLE — The 11th annual Men's Beast Feast hosted by the Men's Ministry of the Summerville Baptist Church will begin at 6 p.m. Feb. 19 in the Fellowship Hall at Summerville Baptist Church. The event's guest speaker will be Chad Shearer, a hunting guide and outfitter from Great Falls, Montana, who hosts Shoot Straight TV. He will be speaking about hunting and outdoors adventures as well as shooting straight about the issues of life. There will be door prizes from local businesses. The event is free but tickets are required. To reserve a ticket, call 541-534-9155.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident at 10th Avenue and Hartford Street in Elgin on Tuesday. The accident was reported at 6:59 a.m.

Accident: Nobody was hurt in a traffic accident between Imbler and Summerville on Tuesday. The accident was reported at 1:27 p.m.

Accident: Nobody was hurt in a traffic accident Highway 82 in the Elgin area on Tuesday. The accident was reported at 12:02 p.m.

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident on McAlister Road in Island City on Monday. The accident was reported at 10:30 p.m.

LA GRANDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident at Monroe Avenue and Spruce Street on Tuesday. The accident was reported 7:02 a.m.

Accident: Nobody was injured in a motor vehicle ac-

cident on Division Avenue and Oak Street Tuesday morning.

Accident: No injuries were suffered in a traffic accident at Adams Avenue and Second Street Tuesday. The accident was reported at 2:52 p.m.

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident on Island Avenue and Pine Street on Tuesday. The accident was reported 4:31 p.m.

Arrested: Robert Lee Shawn, 53, unknown address, was arrested on charges of negotiating a bad check and theft by deception.

Accident: Nobody was injured Monday in a traffic accident on Jackson Street. The accident was reported at 2:19 p.m.

Accident: No injuries were suffered in a traffic accident at Eighth Street and M Avenue Monday. The accident was reported at 2:57 p.m.

Arrested: Dalton Hall, 23, unknown address, was arrested on a parole board warrant charging a parole violation connected to an original charge of weapon offense.

Accident: Nobody was hurt

in a motor vehicle accident on Jackson Avenue Monday. The accident was reported at 2:19 p.m.

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident at 12th Street and H Avenue on Monday. The accident was reported at 2:45 p.m.

Accident: Nobody was hurt in a traffic accident at M Avenue and Oak Street on Monday. The accident was reported 10:55 a.m.

LA GRANDE FIRE DEPARTMENT

The La Grande Fire Department responded to four calls for medical on Monday and eight calls for medical, one carbon monoxide check and one odor check on Tuesday.

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OBITUARIES

Judie L. Carlson

La Grande
 1925-2019

Judie Lee Carlson, 93, of La Grande, died Jan. 30. A memorial service will be held 2 p.m.

Feb. 15 at Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center (not at the Island City Cemetery as previously announced).

Judie was born to Lee, Tae Yong and Chin, Kwan Wol on Aug. 27, 1925, in Yousan-ri in the Kyunggi-do province of Seoul, Korea. Judie saw many things in her life time. During the war, she lost her brother and father.

Judie had a son, Maw Tae David Frank Lee Carlson, in 1953 with David Vil-lareal. She lost a daughter from the same union when the child was 18 months old. Her mother helped to raise her son until she married Robert Frank Carlson in 1963, who adopted her son. They moved to Hawaii in 1966 and became U.S. citizens in 1968. After the dissolution of her marriage to Robert in 1970, Judie decided to remain in Hawaii with her son. The most important thing to her was that her son had a better life.

Judie later lived for some years in Guam, where she was successful in a business partnership. When she was expecting her first grandchild in 1980, she moved to La Grande, where she resided until her death.

Judie worked as an in-home caregiver. She was very proud of her son and followed his music career. Her face would light up as she enjoyed time with her grandchildren. Judie faithfully read her Bible and had a very strong faith. She enjoyed hosting friends from Korea who would bring her a taste of home by sharing her language, culture and food. Judie loved flowers and bright colors and had a fondness for kittens.

Survivors include her son

and daughter-in-law, Frank and Kellie Carlson of Baker City; four grandchildren and their mother, Nikki Carlson, and partner, Dan, of La Grande; and 10 great-grandchildren.

Joel Bekowies

La Grande

Joel Bekowies, 69, of La Grande, died Feb. 6 at his home. An obituary is forthcoming. Arrangements are under the direction of Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services of Halfway. Online condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.

David A. Page

Formerly of Elgin and La Grande
 1952-2019

David Allen Page, 66, formerly of Elgin and La Grande, died Feb. 2 in the care of Garden Isle Hospice at the Wilcox Medical Center in Lihue, Hawaii, from a battle with lung cancer. There will be no formal funeral services for David, as he wished to have his remains cast upon the Pacific Ocean by his family.

David was born July 26, 1952, in Idaho Falls, Idaho, to Rulon Allen Page and Carmella Faye (Mitchell) Page. David grew up in Idaho Falls, where he graduated from Bonneville High School in 1971. In 1972, David married Peggy Bruderer in Idaho Falls, and they had four children.

The family moved to Elgin in 1977, then to La Grande in 1980. At this time David was self-employed as a contract tree feller. From 1981 to 1991, he worked as a heavy equipment operator with Hagedorn Logging. David and Peggy divorced in 1991. In 2003, David began a new life with Amelia Sales on the Island of Kauai, Hawaii.

Survivors include his life partner, Amelia Sales of Lihue, Hawaii; children, Gerald "Jerry" Page of Medical Lake, Washington, Candice Page Churchill of Elgin, Jason Page of

La Grande, and Justin Page of Meridian, Idaho; siblings, Donald Page of Grants Pass, Bethann Farrell of Willamina, Oregon, and his Dennis Page of Anchorage, Alaska.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Carmella and Rulon, and siblings, Kathleen, Michael, Brenda and Douglas.

Beverly A. (Wetherill) McDonald

Union
 1938-2019

Beverly Ann McDonald, 80, of Union, died Feb. 7 at her residence. A family memorial will be held at a later time.

Beverly was born Jan. 24, 1938, in Scranton, Pennsylvania, to Gillard and Eirlys (Davies) Wetherill. She left behind many legacies, not the least of which was a great love for her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Beverly was a stay-at-home mom who was very active in her children's lives as well as the community. She volunteered in the classroom and at all levels of Scouting. She served the churches she attended where she was able to care for the babies in the nursery. After her children entered high school, Beverly

became a CNA and worked in many levels of health care, showing compassion and concern for those in her care.

Survivors include her husband, George Norman McDonald; children, Michael Craig McDonald of Front Royal, Virginia, Beth Ann Jones of La Jara, Colorado, and Lorri Lynn Howerton of Wallowa; and 10 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Eirlys and Gill Wetherill, and her second-born son, Mark Kevin McDonald.

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

Mildred A. Miller

La Grande

Mildred A. Miller, 92, of La Grande, died Feb. 9 at a local care facility. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory will be handling the arrangements.

Steve Robertson

La Grande

Steve Robertson, 67, of La Grande, died Feb. 12 at his residence. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory will be handling the arrangements.

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Gerald (Jerry) Bradshaw

He is survived by his natural children, Linda Bradshaw Hancock, Michelle Bradshaw Conley, both in Wyoming and his only son Gerald Bradshaw Jr. (Rusty) in Arizona. He is also survived by his brother Lyndon Rose and sister Marcene Rose Gerlach, both of Oregon.

He was preceded in death by his parents Evelyn and Dave Rose as well as Don and Belva Bradshaw.

Cynthia Lynn Burdan Willis

January 11, 1967 - January 9, 2019



Cynthia Willis, 51, of La Grande, Oregon died at her home with her children at her side on Wednesday, January 9, 2019.

Cynthia Lynn Burdan Willis, was born on January 11, 1967 in French Camp, California to Walter and Chrystal (Squires) Burdan. She was raised in California. Cynthia attended Marysville Middle School in Marysville, California. She worked for the school districts of Chesnee Middle School and Washington Elementary which are located in South Carolina for 10 years.

Cynthia was a "gypsy," she landed wherever her soul took her. She loved the color purple and enjoyed being able to help people whenever she could. Cynthia would go hungry if it meant that another had something to eat. She loved her children beyond measure. One thing that Cynthia was most proud of, besides her children, was that she was able to work, save, and purchase her own home.

She is survived by her daughters Danielle and her husband Ryan Garrouette of Anchorage, Alaska; Denise Endicott of Spartanburg, South Carolina, Ashley and husband John "Oppie" Pye of Spartanburg, South Carolina; sons Damion Allen and his wife Kasie Hovanski of La Grande, Oregon, Arnie Junior of Spartanburg, South Carolina; grandchildren Kyleah (12) Devon (10) Wyatt (8) Abigail (8) Jesslyan (7) Emmett (4) Mikko (4) Jashlie (3) Daniel (18 months) and many extended family and friends who fell in love with Momma's tenacious, lovingly stubborn, free spirit.

For those who would like to make a memorial donation in memory of Cynthia may do so to help defray service expenses through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services PO Box 543 Halfway, Oregon 97834. On line condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

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