

— OBITUARIES —

**Martina A. Peck**

La Grande

Martina A. Peck, 69, of La Grande, died April 21 at her residence. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel will be handling the arrangements.

**Gary P. Baldwin**

La Grande

1950-2019

Gary Parker Baldwin, 68, of La Grande, died April 16 at his residence. A celebration of his life will be held at 2 p.m. April 27 at Loveland Funeral Chapel.



Gary was born Dec. 21, 1950, in Pendleton, to James and Mary (Parker) Baldwin. He attended Baker High School. Gary served in the U.S. Army 2nd Battalion, 35th Artillery and in Vietnam in 1971. He was married to Susan R. Smith.

Gary was awarded the National Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with a Bronze Service Star, Representative to Vietnam Campaign Medal and Marksman (M-16) award. He was a life member of the American Legion.

Gary was the custodian at Eastern Oregon University for 20 years until his retirement. He enjoyed fishing, working in his yard, camping and, especially, watching football.

Survivors include his wife, Susan; stepchildren and spouses, Casey and Brandi Smith of Elgin, Wiley and Jessica Smith of Pendleton and Monica Smith of La Grande; six children; sisters and brothers-in-law, Linda and Homer Gentry of Baker City, Tanna and Allen Morris of Richland and Jean and Fred Hansen of Pensacola, Florida; 13 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James and Mary Baldwin.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com](http://www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com).

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**April 23**  
Julia "Kay" Dick: funeral, 10 a.m. April 23, Island City Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints

**April 26**  
Mike O'Rourke: military services, 1 p.m., Joseph Cemetery.

**May 4**  
Leyton Lindsey: memorial service, 2 p.m., North Powder School gymnasium.  
Phillis Mardis: celebration of life, 2 p.m., 10801 Walton Road, Island City

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LOCAL BRIEFING

From staff reports

**Avista warns of phone scams**

SPOKANE — A recent press release from Avista warned customers of on-going phone scams. "If you receive a call from someone claiming to be an Avista representative demanding immediate payment or asking for your confidential information, immediately end the call," the release stated, adding that Avista will never ask or require a customer to purchase a prepaid debit card to avoid disconnection. Customers with a past due account receive an advance disconnection notification with the regular monthly billing — never a single notification one hour before disconnection. According to the release, some scammers have duplicated Avista's automated phone greeting, so when customers return a call to the phone number provided by the scammer, it sounds like a legitimate Avista phone number. Some of these criminals also use caller ID spoofing to replicate Avista's customer service number.

Customers who suspect or experience fraud, or feel threatened during a call, should contact the local police and then call Avista's customer service

at 800-227-9187.

Avista Utilities provides energy services and electricity to 388,000 customers and natural gas to 355,000 customers in a service territory that covers 30,000 square miles in parts of Washington, Idaho and Oregon.

**LGPD takes back unwanted prescriptions Saturday**

LA GRANDE — On April 27, the La Grande Police Department, partnering with the Union County Safe Communities Coalition and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, will give the public an opportunity to prevent pill abuse and theft by ridding their homes of potentially dangerous expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs. Bring your pills for disposal to the La Grande Safeway parking lot, 2111 Adams Ave., between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Pills and patches will be accepted, but not liquids or needles. The service is free and anonymous. No questions asked. For more information about the disposal of prescription drugs or about the April 27 event, go to [www.DEATakeBack.com](http://www.DEATakeBack.com) or contact the LGPD at 541-963-1017.

**Bus to OTEC's annual membership meeting in John Day**

BAKER CITY — Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative announced that ballots for its board of directors' elections have been sent to the membership. Three positions on the OTEC board are up for election at the 31st annual membership meeting set to take place May 4 at the Grant County Fairgrounds in John Day. Candidates on the ballot this year are incumbents Greg Howard (Union County), Dave Baum (Union County) and Charlene Chase (Baker County)

OTEC voting members will be able to cast their ballots by mail or hand deliver them at the annual meeting. Mailed signed and sealed ballots mailed must be received by May 3 in order to be counted.

Registration for the 2019 membership meeting begins at 10 a.m. May 4 and will include a business meeting, catered lunch, live entertainment, informational booths, raffles and prize drawings. All members are invited to attend the meeting and free transportation is available.

To sign up for a seat on the bus, stop by the Union

County Senior Center (1504 N. Albany St., La Grande) or Baker County Senior Center (2810 Cedar St., Baker City before April 30. The bus will leave in the morning and return that afternoon. The La Grande-Baker bus, which holds a maximum of 47 individuals, is a chartered bus, with an onboard restroom and plenty of storage underneath for wheelchairs or walkers. However, members will need to be able to climb the steps to get to their seat.

For additional information about OTEC, the candidates and the annual membership meeting, visit [www.otecc.com](http://www.otecc.com).

**Joe Beans hosts live music event**

LA GRANDE — Joe Beans, 1009 Adams Ave., La Grande, will host a special night of live music featuring singer-songwriter Steve Campbell beginning at 7 p.m. April 24. Campbell's set will showcase original music from his album as well as some not-yet-released titles. Guest musicians Earl Davis and James Franke will bring "cover songs everybody love" from rock, country, pop and blues. The evening will also include door prize drawings. The cover charge is \$5 per person.

HEALTH

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Parents should bring along their insurance card, but the goal, she said, is for most things to be free, regardless of insurance. EOCCO will be billed for services when applicable.

"The majority of services will be free for everyone, but if you have private insurance, then there will be some standard copays that apply," Weer said.

At the health fest, kids will check in and get a passport with nine stations. The first one they go to is their primary care provider's station.

Two of the three primary care clinics in Wallowa County will be at their own stations: Winding Waters Clinic and Mountain View Medical. If a child's primary care provider is not present at the fair, the screening results will be forwarded to the provider for any follow-up that may be needed.

The children have an option to get their well-child checkup with their primary care provider. If they have had their well-child checkup within the last year, they can schedule it again at their regular time.

Weer noted annual health fairs like this one give parents and children a better understanding of the value of well-child visits, that they are more inclusive and holistic.

"We're doing some tar-

geted marketing to families who have not had preventative well-child visits in the last year," she said. "We are working with those targeted populations to make sure we're getting to the kids who really need to be in touch with their primary care provider."

There are a number of other health care checks and screenings performed at the stations, including immunizations, vision checks, dental screenings and physical training tips. Stations will also present health and well-being activities.

Law enforcement and drug and alcohol prevention advisers will be there, so children will have the chance to learn about drinking, driving, and minors in possession.

One station will be run by eight community partners offering programming for middle school and high school youth "to talk about upcoming programs and job opportunities," Weer said.

There are a variety of summer opportunities available, she said, from partners such as Safe Harbors, Building Happy Families and Wallowa

Resources. There is a summer outdoor program that Youth Services runs as well as a summer jobs program. Wallowa Resources also has a summer internship program.

Annual health fest events have peaked public awareness and are part of the campaign to help families make their health a priority, Weer said.

"(There has been) an increase in attendance over the past years," she said. "We were excited last year to have several Wallowa families attend."

Weer said they can provide transportation help for participating Wallowa families if needed. They may contact Building Healthy Families and request a gas card, which will help them make the round trip to the Health Fest.

Last year's attendance was about 65 kids for the two-day event. "Our attendance goal this year is about 75, and if we can get 25 to 30 well-child visits done right at the events, that would be great," she added.

There will be two physicians at each of the two

clinic stations to perform well-child visits, but if there is a long wait for a well-child visit, Weer said parents can make an appointment at the station with their primary care provider for a later time.

There will be lots of door prizes at the health fest for the children, as well as travel kits and hygiene supplies. Students who complete their passports at the health fest by visiting all the stations earn \$25 worth of Buckskin Bucks, which are local certificates honored by businesses. Children who complete well-child visits and required immunizations will receive an additional \$25 in Buckskin Bucks from their provider.

For more information, contact Building Healthy Families at 541-426-9411. ■

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

**LA GRANDE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Arrested: Savana Ann Whipple, 22, unknown address, was arrested on a Union County Circuit Court warrant charging order to show cause why probation should not be revoked. The order to show cause was connected to an original charge of aggravated harassment.

Accident: Nobody was injured person was injured in a traffic accident on Sunset Drive on Friday.

Arrested: Marc Lavern Schwelke, 62, unknown address, was arrested on a charge of trespass.

Arrested: Dylan Douglas Greene, 26, La Grande, was arrested on an Oregon State parole board warrant charging a parole violation.

**UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

Arrested: Jerimiah August Gibbons, 21, unknown address, was arrested on a warrant charging failure to appear in court on charges of unlawful possession of methamphetamine and resisting arrest.

Arrested: Leonel Orlando Martinez, 30, unknown address, was arrested by Idaho State Police on two Union County warrants. One warrant was for order to show cause why probation should not be revoked. The order to show cause was connected to original charges of unlawful possession of methamphetamine, unlawful delivery of methamphetamine, and third-degree escape. A second warrant charged second-degree assault, fourth-degree assault and felon in possession of a firearm.

**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.

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**What's Cooking ?**  
by Sandy Sorrels of  
**TEN DEPOT STREET**

Hope you all had an enjoyable Easter week-end.  
For music on Tuesday this week, we have the return of EOU student Adam Lange with the *Adam Lange Jazz Trio*. Inspired by the likes of Thelonious Monk and John Coltrane, with a heavy emphasis on improvisation, this trio brings a fresh perspective to familiar jazz standards.  
Then on Thursday, April 25, *The Mutineers* are playing. The Mutineers describe their music as country/folk/Americana/punk. Originally from Santa Barbara, California, the band is now based in Portland. They travel extensively throughout the Northwest playing what they call a mix of "scrappy, stein-swinging anthems, peppered with a few slow tracks." Should be great fun. Both nights the music starts at 8:00.  
And for interesting food items this week, we have Fanny Bay Oysters on the Half-Shell from British Columbia. Fanny Bay is known for its oysters. We couldn't get the Willapa Bay Oysters last week, so we decided to try the oysters from Fanny Bay. They are equally good.  
We are also now getting fresh greens from *Nella Mae's Farm* which we are using in our salads and for specials. Soon she will be selling fresh greens at the Farmers Market  
And we have fresh sole for our Blue Plate Special this week. We are also using delicious Oregon Bay shrimp in the stuffing.  
We are getting great reviews from the Elgin Opera House production of *Mama Mia* which runs through May 5, starring some of our favorite performers, so don't miss this one. Many theatergoers are enjoying dinner at Ten Depot before heading out to Elgin.

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