

DAILY PLANNER

TODAY

Today is Friday, Aug. 9, the 221st day of 2019. There are 144 days left in the year.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT

On Aug. 9, 1945, three days after the atomic bombing of Hiroshima, Japan, a U.S. B-29 Superfortress code-named Bockscar dropped a nuclear device ("Fat Man") over Nagasaki, killing an estimated 74,000 people.

ON THIS DATE

In 1854, Henry David Thoreau's "Walden," which described his experiences while living near Walden Pond in Massachusetts, was first published.

In 1902, Edward VII was crowned king of Britain following the death of his mother, Queen Victoria.

In 1910, the U.S. Patent Office granted Alva J. Fisher of the Hurler Machine Co. a patent for an electrically powered washing machine.

In 1936, Jesse Owens won his fourth gold medal at the Berlin Olympics as the United States took first place in the 400-meter relay.

In 1944, 258 African American sailors based at Port Chicago, California, refused to load a munitions ship following a cargo vessel explosion that killed 320 men, many of them black. (Fifty of the sailors were convicted of mutiny, fined and imprisoned.)

In 1969, actress Sharon Tate and four other people were found brutally slain at Tate's Los Angeles home; cult leader Charles Manson and a group of his followers were later convicted of the crime.

In 1974, Vice President Gerald R. Ford became the nation's 38th chief executive as President Richard Nixon's resignation took effect.

In 1982, a federal judge in Washington ordered John W. Hinckley Jr., who'd been acquitted of shooting President Ronald Reagan and three others by reason of insanity, committed to a mental hospital.

In 1985, a federal judge in Norfolk, Virginia, found retired Navy officer Arthur J. Walker guilty of seven counts of spying for the Soviet Union. (Walker, who was sentenced to life, died in prison in 2014 at the age of 79.)

LOTTERY

Megabucks: \$2.2 million
6-8-28-38-45-48

Mega Millions: \$60 million
11-17-31-43-55-16-x2

Powerball: \$128 million
8-32-47-53-59-PB 3-x3

Win for Life: Aug. 7
6-35-63-68

Pick 4: Aug. 8
• 1 p.m.: 9-9-2-3
• 4 p.m.: 6-8-2-8
• 7 p.m.: 0-9-1-4
• 10 p.m.: 3-4-5-6
Pick 4: Aug. 7
• 1 p.m.: 6-1-9-1
• 4 p.m.: 4-7-0-9
• 7 p.m.: 4-1-1-1
• 10 p.m.: 6-8-2-7

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Education is a private matter between the person and the world of knowledge and experience, and has little to do with school or college."

— Lillian Smith, *American writer-social critic (1897-1966)*

TRAINING

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- Grande Ronde Hospital
- Life Flight Network
- City of La Grande Fire Department
- La Grande Rural Fire Department
- Imbler Rural Fire Pro-

tection District

- Elgin Ambulance
- La Grande School District
- Center for Human Development

This advisory is intended to apprise the community of this training exercise and street closure, so everyone is aware that this is only a simulation.

ATV

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He said National Transportation Safety Board statistics indicate that the majority of ATV-related fatal accidents occur on two-lane dirt roads and paved roads. Moyal said that in 2018, for example, there were 300 ATV-related fatal accidents and 59% of them were on two-lane roads.

Matt Cooper and Charlie Jones, both of La Grande, also expressed opposition to the ordinance, stating that they believe the ordinance would increase the likelihood of serious ATV accidents in the county.

Individuals speaking in support of the ordinance included Joel Hasse of La Grande. Hasse said it is important not to get too focused on risks since this would prevent the community from moving forward.

"If it were 120 years ago, we would be talking about banning cars because they would scare horses," Hasse said.

He said that it is not logical to think a community can remove all risks.

"If we really want to make Union County safe, we should prohibit all vehicles," Hasse said.

Doug Hislop, of La Grande, said he believes that allowing ATVs on county roads will actually boost safety in some instances. He explained the ordinance will allow people to ride their all-terrain vehicles to places like the Mount Emily Recreation Area, which has miles of ATV trails, instead of having to haul them to the site with trucks.

"I would feel much safer riding an ATV up Fox Hill Road (to MERA) than I would pulling a trailer (with an ATV) up there," Hislop said.

Tyson Orr, of North Powder, said one advantage of ATVs is they are lighter than cars and trucks and thus cause less damage to roads.

Union County Sheriff Boyd Rasmussen also spoke at the hearing. Rasmussen said his office was not taking a stand on the ordinance, but if it passed, his office would make sure it is safely implemented. He noted that steps would have to be taken to heighten the visibility of ATVs since they are much lower to the ground than cars and trucks. Steps taken to do this may include removing bushes at curves and intersections.

Union County Sheriff's Deputy Cody Bowen, who has patrolled MERA, was asked by the commissioners what it has been like for him since its trails opened for ATV use about five years ago. Bowen said riders on MERA's trails have done an exceptional job of adhering to ATV regulations.

"There have been no compliance issues whatsoever," he said.

Nine county roads will remain at least partially closed to ATV use under the

new ordinance. The roads were so designated primarily because of heavy traffic. Following are the county roadways closed to ATVs:

- Hunter Road
- McAlister Road
- Ellis Road from the intersection of North Powder River Lane to Anthony Lakes Highway
- Gekeler Lane from the intersection of Pierce Road to McAlister Road
- Buchanan Lane
- portions of Palmer Junction Road
- Bowman Road
- Moses Creek Road
- Morgan Lake Road from Glass Hill Road to Morgan Lake

The Morgan Lake Road closure was added as an amendment to the ordinance at the recommendation of Commissioner Donna Beverage during Wednesday's meeting. The commissioner said Morgan Lake Road from Glass Hill Road west needed to remain off limits because it is steep and narrow.

The ATV ordinance, first formally proposed in late June, took effect Wednesday afternoon after it was signed by all three commissioners. Union County now joins the cities of Union, Imbler and Elgin as municipalities in Union County that have ATV ordinances.

CRISIS

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duration is more likely to develop an addiction, Stensrud said.

Guidelines for opioid prescriptions are developed by a consortium of doctors and then distributed to Oregon physicians by the Oregon Health Authority.

Wednesday's forum was conducted not only to provide information about the status of the opioid crisis in the Northwest but also to provide information on the Oregon Washington Health Network and the services it offers. The network, headquartered in Pendleton, serves Union, Umatilla and Morrow counties in this state and Walla Walla County in Washington.

Organizations that are part of the network are the Yellowhawk Tribal Health Center (which provides health care to the members of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation), St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton, Providence St. Mary Medical Center in Walla Walla, the Morrow County Public Health Department, the Umatilla County Public Health Department, Blue Mountain Community College, Lifeways (originally known as Malheur County Mental Health), the Walla Walla County Public Health Department and Good Shepherd Hospital of Hermiston.

Organizations in Union County the Oregon Washington Health Network works closely with include the Northeast Oregon Network.

One of the focuses of the Oregon Washington Health Network's staff is to begin providing drug addiction treatment services to patients while they are hospitalized. Patients are more receptive to entering treatment programs while they are hospitalized, said Dan Peterson, manager of the Oregon Washington Health Network, whose main office is in Pendleton.

"It is important that a treatment plan for them be developed within 72 hours (of enter-

ing a hospital)," Peterson said.

One reason for this, Peterson said, is that once out of a hospital patients without a treatment plan begin thinking incorrectly that they can control their drug addiction problem on their own.

Peterson said that opioid addictions hit everyone, at all socioeconomic levels. He noted that he has seen nurses, teachers and farmers who have become addicted to opioids.

"Opioid addictions do not discriminate," he said.

However, where a person lives can effect the likelihood of the opioid addiction leading to death. Peterson noted that while an average of 30 Oregonians die every 10 days of opioid overdoses, 15 of these individuals are from rural Oregon, even though just 20% of the state's population lives in rural areas. Peterson said the reason rural Oregonians are more at risk is they do not have access to the health care services that those in urban areas do.

One way Peterson hopes to boost the availability of health care services to drug addicts in this region is to establish a crisis center in Pendleton, one which would be open round the clock. The crisis center would allow the Oregon Washington Health Network to provide shelter for drug addicts who are homeless for at least 24 hours while a treatment program is set up for them.

Peterson said there is more of a need for a crisis center in Pendleton than places like La Grande because it has more homeless people, in part because it is the home of the Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution. Many former inmates, some of whom are drug addicts, find themselves homeless in Pendleton after being released. The center would also be available for people from other counties, including Union County.

"(A crisis center) is our greatest need," Peterson said.

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