

Off the Shelf: Harvest share, new services, and winter programming

LA GRANDE — Due to system upgrades, no online library services will be available Jan. 15. Be sure to bring your card to check out items. Card registration, holds and renewals will not be available. Online account management, the online catalog, research databases, Overdrive, Libby, Freegal, Freading and Kanopy will not be accessible.

The library will be closed Monday, Jan. 20, in recognition of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Harvest Share returns Tuesday, Jan. 14. Free produce for everyone is provided by Communication Connection and the Oregon Health & Science University School of Nursing. Produce is available from 10 a.m. to noon or until it



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runs out. Harvest Share continues every Tuesday through March 10.

Sign up for our new free streaming services: Kanopy for films, Freegal for music and Freading for always available e-books. Use Library Elf to corral all your family's cards in one place, receive renewal notifications and hold notifications. Eligible items will auto renew if you've ticked the box when registering your account. Choose Cook Memorial Library from the library list at libraryelf.com to register.

Yoga Refresh, taught by Liv Westenskow, is Mondays at 9:10 a.m. This free weekly class in the Community Room is perfect for any level.

Children's programming for winter includes LEGO Play on Wednesdays at 3:30 p.m. and Storytime on Fridays now starting at 3:30 p.m. Baby Tot Bop, for those three years old and under, is Thursday mornings at 10:15. Toddler Time is Mondays at 10:20 a.m. for ages 14 months to 4 years. Check out our GO-STEM kits, part of the Greater Oregon Science, Technology, and Math regional partnership with Eastern Oregon University. Blocks Rock! STEM kits are now available.

Children aged newborn to 5 years old can sign up online or at the library for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library. Participants

receive a free book in the mail each month through their fifth birthday. Ready-2Learn library cards are available for children ages 5 and under.

Teen Book Clubs, one for middle schoolers and one for high schoolers, meet Thursday. Contact Celine for details. Writing Circle is Thursday, Jan. 16, from 4-5 p.m. Upcycled CDs are the iCraft for Friday, Jan. 17 at 4 pm. Teen events are open to those in middle and high school.

Ballet Basics for adults is on Tuesdays from 12:10-1 p.m. This free class for beginners explores the fundamentals of ballet to build grace, strength, and flexibility in a low-key environment. Drop-in, free.

Foreign Film Friday is Friday at 4 p.m. We'll be screening the Cuban documentary, "Assault on Freedom" following the story of six people who seized a passenger boat to escape Cuba.

Next book club for adults will discuss Alice Hoffman's "The World That We Knew," meeting Jan. 14 at 1 p.m. New members welcome.

Library hours are Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday, noon to 6 pm, and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit us at 2006 Fourth St., La Grande, call us at 541-962-1339. Find out more on our website at cookmemorial-library.org and our Facebook page Cook Memorial Library-La Grande, OR.

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— OBITUARIES —

Frederick 'Bert' A. VanSlyke

La Grande
1932-2020

Frederick "Bert" Anson VanSlyke, 87, of La Grande, died Jan. 5 at his residence.

Known as Bert and Fred, he was born Aug. 24, 1932, in Sacramento, California, to Anson H. and Marie (Simon) VanSlyke.

Bert was a member of the Franciscan Friars of the Province of St. Barbara until he left the priestly ministry in 1970 and married. In 1972, his daughter, Beth Marie, was born. In 1988, he married his second wife, Linda Williams, in La Grande. For 24 years, Bert worked for the state's Employment Division in various locations. He loved to square dance, volunteer in the community and traveling. Bert enjoyed playing and repairing old pianos. He belonged to the Alleluia Bells and the Community Chorus.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Linda, and daughter, Beth Brown of Salem.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Anson and Marie, and sister, Barbara Wolwic.

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

Donald A. Robarge

Elgin

Donald A. Robarge, 81, of Elgin, died Jan. 7 at his residence. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory will be handling the arrangements.

Stewart Hunt

Enterprise

Stewart Hunt, of Enterprise, died Dec 30, 2019, at a local care center. A private vault interment will be held Jan. 10. A funeral service will begin at 11 a.m. Jan. 11 at the Enterprise Baptist Church. An obituary is forthcoming. Bollman Funeral Home is entrusted with the arrangements.

UPCOMING FUNERALS AND VISITATIONS

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Jan. 18 Virginia Linkenhoker:

2 p.m. memorial service, La Grande United Methodist Church; reception follows in the Fellowship Hall.

William "Paul" Grow

May 31, 1948 - December 22, 2019



On a warm, sunny Sunday William "Paul" Grow left this earth doing what he loved; hiking along with his backpack hanging half off one shoulder, saw inside in case pruning or cleaning up need done along the way. Living in the moment, embracing the beauty around him "if you're into that kind of thing" he would say.

He was raised on an Iowa pig farm in Guthrie Center with 3 brothers, John, Robert & Gary and a sister Dolores by a hard working no-nonsense Dad and a loving Mother (William & Anna) becoming the best of both of them. It was in high school he joined a band called "The Lost" and his love of music became one of his greatest gifts. He was a drummer with many bands and joined friends for informal jam sessions through the years. Music CD's would be loaned out in library fashion along with a verbal history of why they were so great. He never lost that passion.

He was in the Army during the Vietnam War; Honorably Discharged. He traveled many countries including a 6 month bicycle tour of New Zealand where he acquired the taste of Black and Tans and affection for the Maori's. Paul attended college in Ashland, OR then to La Grande working at Spouts Springs and becoming an arborist who held a special love for the science and shape of trees. Moving to Wallowa County in the 70's eventually opening Crosstown Traffic Bike shop in Joseph and later moving to Enterprise, until retirement. He was always about the kids. Many of us got an introduction into mountain biking or skateboarding there. While he loved the sport, you were on your own if you bought a Wal-Mart bike and wanted him to fix it.

Paul was revolutionary in mountain biking, going places others wouldn't have dreamed of. Hells Canyon Bike Tours tag line was "We bring them back alive." A quick wit and sarcasm was another one of his many talents. To be on the other end you knew you were a friend. He biked, hiked and skied all over this county. His ski gear was old and outdated yet it never stopped him from getting out there.

Paul's greatest love and achievement was his daughter April. The unconditional, pure love he held for her is an inspiration to all parents. In her words "He taught me that money and things are not important but love, experiences, books, music and the mountains are what matter most." He lived his words and fortunate were those who were able to share a hike, bike, ski, music and conversation with him. Our lives have been enriched by his passions.

He was born May 31, 1948 in Jefferson, Iowa and left us Dec. 22, 2019 in Joseph, Oregon. These are only dates what his life was about are all the days in between.

There will be a gathering of family and friends closer to the summer. Beauty comes not in things but experiences with nature and each other.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

MONDAY

La Grande police at 8:10 a.m. responded to 12th Street and G Avenue for a single-vehicle crash. There were no reports of injuries.

A caller at 9:11 a.m. reported livestock near Highway 237 in the area of Peach Lane. Oregon State Police handled the call.

Law enforcement officers at 9:54 a.m. responded to a crash at Morgan Lake and Marvin roads, La Grande. Neither crash reported any injuries, but the second one needed a tow truck.

Oregon State Police at about 10:05 a.m. responded to a single-vehicle crash on the westbound side of Interstate 84 near milepost 244. Troopers found a Chevrolet Silverado began to fishtail on the icy road, and the driver, a 39-year-old man from Pasco, could not regain control. The pickup crossed from the right lane into the left and crashed into the center concrete barrier. State police reported the crash resulted in an injury but did not provide specific information.

La Grande police at 3:25 p.m. received a report of juveniles riding snowmobiles on the 200 block of Polk Avenue. An officer talked to the parties involved and advised the youth.

A La Grande caller at 4:27 p.m. reported the theft of a vehicle from the 1900 block of N Avenue. Police took a report.

The Union County Sheriff's Office at about 6 p.m. responded to the 2700 block of Spruce Street, La Grande, on a harassment complaint. The deputy talked to the person involved about

options to take.

The Union County Sheriff's Office arrested Justin Brent Forrest, 41, of Union, for felony methamphetamine possession and on a warrant.

An Island City caller reported a possible sex crime.

La Grande police at 11:03 p.m. received a report of suspicious activity on the 1200 block of U Avenue. Police opted to provide extra patrols through the neighborhood.

TUESDAY

The Union County Sheriff's Office arrested Joshua David Toy, 29, of Elgin, for unlawful entry into a vehicle, unauthorized use of a vehicle and first-degree theft.

La Grande police at 7:37 a.m. received a report of vandalism on the 1400 block of Jefferson Avenue, and at 8:23 a.m. a report came in about vandalism to a vehicle on the 2900 block of Second Street. Police took reports for criminal mischief.

The Union County Sheriff's Office at 12:22 p.m. received a report of wolf depredation near Five Points Creek, La Grande. A deputy responded and contacted the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

A Union resident at 1:47 p.m. reported a burglary on the 800 block of West Arch Street.

A La Grande resident at 3:12 p.m. reported a burglary and the theft of two chainsaws on the 1200 block of Hall Street.

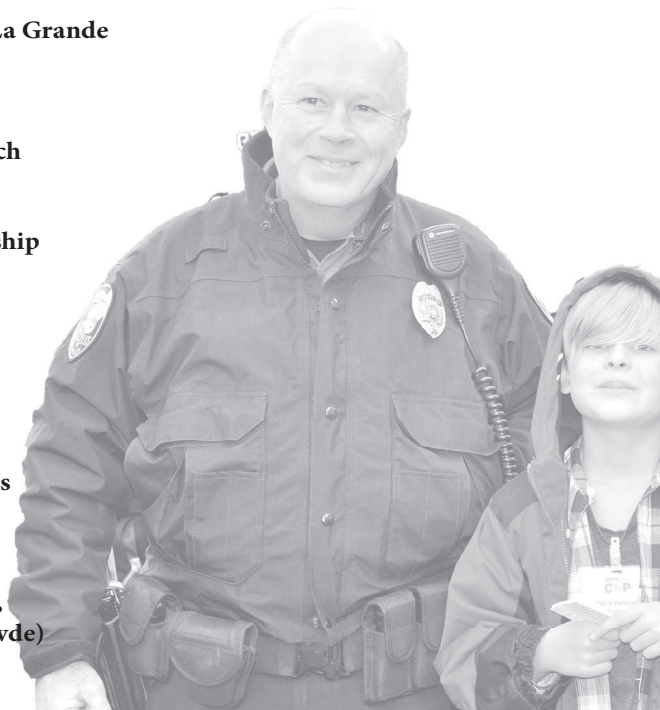
And the Union County Sheriff's Office at 7:28 p.m. received a report of a burglary at 155 N. 10th Ave., Elgin — the fire hall of the Elgin Rural Fire Protection District.

And firefighters responded to two fires on Tuesday and seven on Monday.

Shop With A Cop THANK YOU

The La Grande Police Department's Shop With a Cop Program would like to thank the following businesses and people for donating to the 2019 Shop With a Cop Program. This program could not happen without you and we appreciate your support!

Walmart
Loveland's Funeral Chapel
Coca-Cola Distributor of La Grande
La Grande Lions Club
Domino's Pizza
Veterans of Foreign Wars
Summerville Baptist Church
Cock-n-Bull Restaurant
New York Richies
Christian Women's Fellowship
Jerry & Sherry Hays
William Driskell
Orval & Patricia Goddard
Teri Champlin
Vernon & Barbara Crouch
John & Constance Collins
Ralph Hutchinson
Keith & Stephanie Williams
Alan & Janis Keffer
Donations made in the Memory of Chris Hovde (S. Swanson, Carol Weaver, Sandra Kangas & Mike Hovde)
And to those who made anonymous donations!



Paul Howard Good

July 11, 1935 - December 28, 2019

Paul Howard Good was born on July 11, 1935, on the 1,100-acre ranch homesteaded by his grandparents outside Elgin, Oregon. He was the first of four children born to Howard Chapin Good and Lillian Evadne (Arnold) Good.

He was preceded in death by his parents and siblings (Warren Douglas Good, Richard (Dick) Irwin Good and Daisy (Lenny) Lenore (Good) Daw).

He attended school in Elgin, Oregon. He would frequently drive his siblings to and from their bus stop on the ranches 30 Cat. After graduating high school, he attended Oregon Technical Institute, graduating with a degree in diesel mechanics. One of his class projects was to remake a planer bit for the lathe in the ranch shop. He earned an A for that class project. He also saved the ranch a large amount of money as they only needed to pay for the weight of the finished product, rather than the weight of the very large piece of metal needed to start. He also worked in the campus fire department. Paul never stopped in his quest for more knowledge. He was always eager to learn information in any field.

Paul served his country in the Army from 1959-1961 as a Spec4 mechanic in the Military Police at Fort Ord, California.

On September 28, 1962 Paul married Anna Bernice Campbell, of Helix, Oregon. They moved into a small travel trailer on the Good family ranch. Paul started building a house just ¼ mile from the home he grew up in, which was built by his grandfather. Paul and Anna had two children, Douglas Irwin Good and Laura "Laurie" Sue (Good) Kautz.

Prior to his father passing away, Paul and Anna assumed the mortgage on the family ranch. Paul and his brother, Dick, ran the family ranch together. Paul managed the ranch, a custom farming operation, as well as a 5-bay repair shop on the property. Dick managed the timber and cattle operation.

On November 30th, 1971 the family was returning to Elgin from Portland. As they were crossing Cabbage Hill on I-84, they hit black ice and spun off the road. Paul suffered a C6-7 spinal cord injury and lost the use of his limbs.

Paul's initial rehabilitation was at Long Beach, CA VA Hospital in their spinal cord injury unit. He was told that he could expect to remain there like the other patients around him, never return

to work, and most likely die within 2 ½ years. He quickly decided he did not want that fate. That motivated him to put more effort into his rehab. Even though he was determined to get back to work, the ranch was not an option. Paul turned the ranch to his brother, Dick. At that point Paul moved with his wife and children to Walla Walla, Washington, where he spent the rest of his life. They chose Walla Walla in order to be closer to the VA hospital.

Paul took an internship with the Corps of Engineers in their Hydrology department. He learned how to write computer programs and maintained water management records. That internship grew into a 38-year career. During that time, he made many friends, received several awards and enjoyed having a purpose and learning new skills.

After his retirement Paul continued to keep track of weather and road conditions for several locations where he might have friends or family from his home computer. He had a large group of friends that he would email on a regular basis.

Paul was known for both his drive as well as his upbeat attitude. Several times he would visit new spinal cord patients on the rehab ward where Anna worked. He would share his wisdom and advice and the message that their lives were not over, just different. Nursing students would also come to his custom-built home as part of their curriculum. They were able to see how he handled his activities of daily living with a large degree of independence.

Paul always enjoyed spending time with his two grandsons, William (Will) Chapin Kautz and Hunter Glenn Kautz. He spoke with both grandsons Christmas morning and learned that Will was looking into attending college to become a mechanic. Hunter shared with his grandpa that he had been selected for the honor band.

Paul is survived by his wife, Anna; his two children, Douglas and Laura; his two grandsons, Will and Hunter; four sisters-in-law; three brothers-in-law and many nieces and nephews; and his ex-son-in-law.

There will be a Celebration of Life at a later date. Friends and family may share memories and sign his online guestbook at www.mountainview-colonialdewitt.com