

DAILY PLANNER

TODAY
Today is Tuesday, Feb. 4, the 35th day of 2020. There are 331 days left in the year.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT
On Feb. 4, 2004, the social networking website Facebook had its beginnings as Harvard student Mark Zuckerberg launched “Thefacebook.”

ON THIS DATE
In 1783, Britain's King George III proclaimed a formal cessation of hostilities in the American Revolutionary War.
In 1789, electors chose George Washington to be the first president of the United States.
In 1861, delegates from six southern states that had recently seceded from the Union met in Montgomery, Alabama, to form the Confederate States of America.
In 1938, theThornton Wilder play “OurTown” opened on Broadway. Walt Disney's animated feature “Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs” opened in general U.S. release.
In 1944, the Bronze Star Medal, honoring “heroic or meritorious achievement or service,” was authorized by President Franklin D. Roosevelt.
In 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin began a wartime conference at Yalta.
In 1974, newspaper heir-ess Patricia Hearst, 19, was kidnapped in Berkeley, California, by the radical Symbio- nese Liberation Army.
In 1976, more than 23,000 people died when a severe earthquake struck Guatemala with a magnitude of 7.5, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.
In 1983, pop singer-musi- cian Karen Carpenter died in Downey, California, at age 32.
In 1997, a civil jury in Santa Monica, California, found O.J. Simpson liable for the deaths of his ex-wife, Nicole Brown Simpson, and her friend, Ronald Goldman.
In 2004, the Massachusetts high court declared that gay couples were entitled to noth- ing less than marriage, and that Vermont-style civil unions would not suffice.

LOTTERY
Megabucks: \$3.0 million
6-21-23-33-34-43
Mega Millions: \$168 million
28-31-33-57-62-19 x2
Powerball: \$50 million
12-33-54-57-60-13 x4
Win for Life: Feb. 1
5-8-51-74
Pick 4: Feb. 2
• 1 p.m.: 0-1-0-0
• 4 p.m.: 5-7-1-4
• 7 p.m.: 8-9-2-2
• 10 p.m.: 6-5-5-2
Pick 4: Feb. 1
• 1 p.m.: 7-3-6-6
• 4 p.m.: 4-1-3-8
• 7 p.m.: 0-8-3-5
• 10 p.m.: 2-3-6-9
Pick 4: Jan. 31
• 1 p.m.: 6-7-3-0
• 4 p.m.: 1-0-5-6
• 7 p.m.: 9-0-8-6
• 10 p.m.: 5-9-7-4

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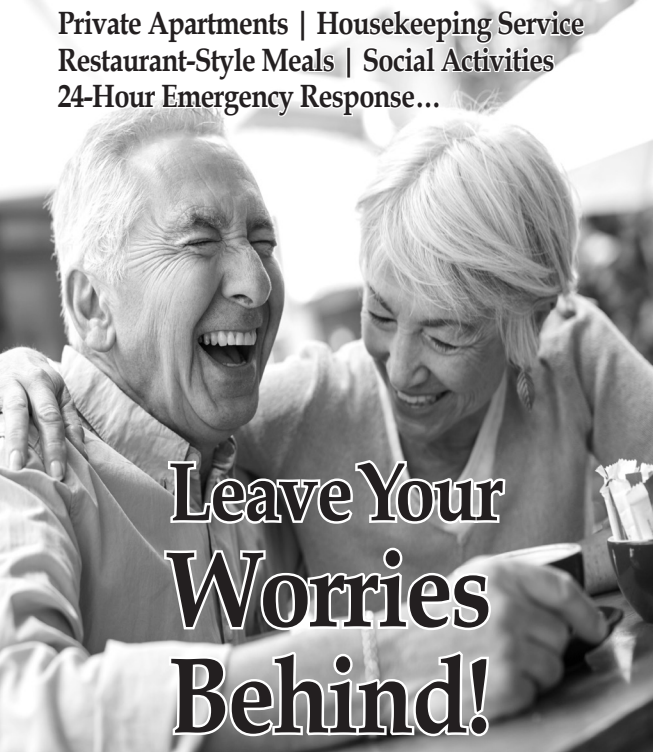
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will probably increase the wind speed 25-30% over the computer predictions.
“The models just don’t really pick up on that very well, so that’s when we have human forecasters go in and pick up on that,” Austin said.
The 12 operational forecast- ers and three managers in the Pendleton office are all meteorologists, and some have been there for years, Austin said. They know local weather patterns and can help predict what is likely to occur and provide crucial estimates where the models are lacking.
The downslopes of the Cascades and Blue Moun- tains, for example, Austin said, are places where mod- els don’t track well.
Cold air is heavier than warmer air, so cold air descends the slope. During storms, wind gusts in Pend- leton could reach 50 mph, he said, but the wind at Cayuse at the foothills of the Blues a few miles from Pendleton can reach 70 mph.
“That’s just something

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The Union Soil and Water Conservation District would lead the project in collaboration with Buffalo Peak Land and Livestock, whose owners want to help restore Chinook salmon, steelhead and bull trout habitat while continuing to have a viable ranching operation. Andrea Malmberg, land manager of Buffalo Peak, said at the meeting if agriculture is practiced correctly it can improve the habitat of many species, including those which are endangered. Chinook salmon, steelhead and bull trout are listed as threatened under the federal endangered species act.
The Buffalo Flats project would restore segments of Catherine and Little creeks so they would meander as they did before their channels were straightened many decades ago for agricultural reasons. It would involve a 1.5-mile portion of Catherine Creek and 1.4-mile segment of Little Creek. The stream segments would encompass a 240- acre area belonging to Buffalo Peak.
About 100 people attended the meeting in Union Elementary School’s S.E. Miller Gym, and Knutson and other presenters

ACE
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an art lab for ages 6-12 where she introduces students to various types of art and cre- ative processes. She has been teaching these classes for three years as a way to bring art to children at an early age.
“It not only helps their creativity, but also their problem solving and their confidence,” Welch said. “It is not just about making art, it benefits their whole thought process and how they go through life.”
The programs and events are possible through volun- teer work. The center has 87 individuals who volun- teer, and in 2019 their time totaled more than 1,000

FAIRLEY
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scholarship fund will support more students in building bridges of understanding across the state.”
Even though Fairley was an alum of the University of Oregon and not EOU, Seydel said the university decided to honor him after some donors came forward and offered to start the fund under his name.
Seydel said tuition for the summer program was \$1,512 in 2019, and even partial financial aid can be the dif- ference between a student taking the course or not.
The institute typically ac- cepts 10-15 students per year,

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models are notoriously bad at picking up on,” he said.
But the forecasters at Pendleton know this hap- pens, so they build that into forecasts. That pattern rec- ognition can matter a great deal throughout the Blues, where fresh powder snow and high winds lead to the white-out conditions making driving dangerous, such as occurred on Jan. 15.
La Grande setting in a val- ley also leads to forecasts that don’t line up with actual out- comes. The models take tem- peratures into account to help

and there was a lot to cover. He said those with additional questions are welcome to call the Union County Soil and Water Conservation Dis- trict at 541-963-1313 or go to its website, unionswcd.org.
“We are here to address any special concerns people want to talk about,” Webster said.
Those attending the meeting could submit written questions to the conservation district. Webster said the district will post answers to these questions in a fact sheet on the agency’s website. He also said Union leaders and community members are forming a focus group that will meet regularly with those involved with the Buffalo Flats proj- ect, including conservation district officials. Individuals interested in being members of the group can obtain information at the USWCD website.
Allen Childs, a biologist with the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, explained at the meeting the tribes completed a similar restoration project two years ago in a stretch of Catherine Creek about 4 miles east of Union. He said the Southern Cross project is having a positive effect on young salmon and steelhead. Childs also said in 2019 this stretch of Catherine Creek

entrance, an outdoor beer garden at the Handmade Holidays Market and a monthly ACE Writing Proj- ect. According to West, the writing project series brings in 50 to 60 people a session.
“Last year saw a lot of programming developments at Art Center East,” West said, “especially in the form of community partnerships.”
ACE worked during 2019 to developing programming for groups across Union County, including Shelter From the Storm, the Center for Human Development and the Union County District Attorney’s Office Restitution Program. One of the center’s programs involved teaching art to youth who were at risk of criminal behavior, and a

he said, and the number of scholarships it can offer is de- pendent on how much money the fund can attract.
Donors can either make out a check to the EOU Foundation and the Scott Fairley Memorial Schol- arship fund or make a donation online through the foundation’s website.

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predict snowfall amounts and can show La Grande colder than what it actually is, lead- ing to estimates of 8 inches of snow when perhaps half of that falls.
“Now it can go either way,” Austin said, thus the valley has a “degree of uncertainty” when it comes to forecasts. These situations, he said, are where the human element makes such a difference.
Plenty of other humans in Eastern Oregon rely on that element. The National Weather Service in Pendleton sends daily weather briefings

each morning to 300 email accounts, and some of those accounts are group emails. The briefings reach thousands of people, Austin said, from school districts to road depart- ments to wildland firefighters.
The messages exemplify what the Weather Service — from the satellites to the forecasters — is about.
“Decision support serv- ices,” Austin said. “That’s what we’re here for.”
Baker City Herald editor Jayson Jacoby contributed to this report.

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- How Powers of Attorney work and their inherent limitations
- How the Probate process works and how it can be avoided
- Pitfalls associated with common planning techniques, such as joint bank accounts
- How to protect assets
- Implementing a financial strategy through insurance products that can protect and preserve your estate.
- Tax reduction planning

Complimentary meal will follow the presentation.
Please arrive 15 minutes early for best choice of seating.

