

# DAILY PLANNER

## TODAY

Today is Tuesday, Feb. 11, the 42nd day of 2020. There are 324 days left in the year.

## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHT

On Feb. 11, 1979, followers of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini seized power in Iran.

## ON THIS DATE

In 1531, the Church of England grudgingly accepted King Henry VIII as its supreme head.

In 1861, President-elect Abraham Lincoln bade farewell to his adopted hometown of Springfield, Ill., as he headed to Washington for his inauguration.

In 1937, a six-week-old sit-down strike against General Motors ended, with the company agreeing to recognize the United Automobile Workers Union.

In 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill and Soviet leader Josef Stalin signed the Yalta Agreement, in which Stalin agreed to declare war against Imperial Japan following Nazi Germany's capitulation.

In 1968, New York City's fourth and current Madison Square Garden, located on Manhattan's West Side at the site of what used to be the Pennsylvania Station building, opened with a "Salute to the USO" hosted by Bob Hope and Bing Crosby. (The same evening, the New York Rangers played their final game at the third Garden, tying the Detroit Red Wings 3-3.)

In 1975, Margaret Thatcher was elected leader of Britain's opposition Conservative Party.

In 1990, South African black activist Nelson Mandela was freed after 27 years in captivity.

In 2008, the Pentagon charged Khalid Sheikh Mohammed and five other detainees at Guantanamo Bay with murder and war crimes in connection with the Sept. 11 attacks.

In 2011, Egypt exploded with joy after pro-democracy protesters brought down President Hosni Mubarak, whose resignation ended three decades of authoritarian rule.

In 2012, pop singer Whitney Houston, 48, was found dead in a hotel room bathtub in Beverly Hills, California.

## LOTTERY

**Megabucks:** \$3.6 million  
7-12-16-38-47-48

**Mega Millions:** \$202 million  
9-14-27-36-52-4 x3

**Powerball:** \$70 million  
35-49-50-59-66-PB-6 x2

**Win for Life:** Feb. 8  
51-60-71-75

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

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## QUOTE OF THE DAY

"We had better live as we think, otherwise we shall end up by thinking as we have lived."  
*Paul Bourget, French author (1852-1935)*

# Economic development summit offers connections

By Dick Mason  
The Observer

LA GRANDE — Local business owners have more services and opportunities available to them than they realize in Union County.

This is what Union County Commissioner Donna Beverage said she believes many business owners will discover Tuesday at the 2020 Business Summit for Economic Development, which runs 5:30-8 p.m. at the Blue Mountain Conference Center, 404 12th St., La Grande.

"It will be a good way to showcase

what we have to offer," Beverage said.

Representatives of 14 entities, many with state, federal and local government ties, will attend the summit and provide information on the services they offer to businesses.

"It will be a place where businesses can do some one-stop shopping," said Beverage, the organizer of the summit. "We want to help businesses make the contacts they need."

Union County's Baum Industrial Park is among the participants. It is a site providing space for businesses

to relocate or for new businesses to start. The park completed paving work last spring and offers electrical, water, sewer and other services to business willing to operate there. Beverage said three local businesses that are expanding their operations have purchased lots and are constructing buildings at the park.

Other organizations coming to the summit include the Small Business Administration and Small Business Development Center, Business Oregon and the Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative. Beverage said she

believes these entities will benefit from having representatives at the summit because they will get a better idea of the services offered to businesses in Union County.

"They will learn what others have to offer," Beverage said.

This also makes it easier for the staffs of the organizations and agencies and institutions to make referrals for business owners in the future.

People attending the summit also can attend presentations on business planning, funding, marketing and workforce development.

# Window closing on time to vaccinate students

By Sabrina Thompson  
The Observer

LA GRANDE — The Center for Human Development sent out 229 letters to parents of students across Union County whose school records do not show the children have received all required vaccinations.

Oregon state law requires the immunization of school children. If a child has not been immunized or records have not been updated to show he or she has received required vaccines or are exempt, parents have until Feb. 19 to update the records or the child will not be allowed to attend school.

"There are no exceptions to students returning after the exclusion day without either the documentation of needed vaccination or the appropriate paperwork completed for claiming a medical or non-medical exemption," said Elizabeth Sieders, public health specialist at CHD.

According to the Oregon Health Authority, medical exemptions can be temporary or permanent and done when there is a severe risk of an adverse reaction to a vaccine. It is up to the child's doctor to determine if the risk is enough to allow an exemption.

A non-medical exemption can be given due to personal, religious or philosophical beliefs. Parents who would like to claim this must first provide a certification of vaccination education.

For either exemption, schools need the proper documentation before students can return to classes.

"Students may not be re-

**EXCLUSION ORDER FOR INCOMPLETE/INSUFFICIENT INFORMATION**

Date: **February 5, 2020**

**To Parent, Guardian, or Adult Responsible for Child:** \_\_\_\_\_

Oregon law states that all children in schools or child care (including preschool and Head Start) must have the required immunizations or a medical or nonmedical exemption. Your child's school or child care record is incomplete or shows that he or she needs immunizations.

**JANE DOE will be excluded from school/child care starting on February 19, 2020, and may not return until he/she is in compliance with state immunization laws. (ORS 433.267, OAR 333-050-0010 through 333-050-0140)**

Judy Doe  
2301 Cove Ave  
LA GRANDE, OR 97850

1. The school or child care record shows that this child does not have all of the required immunizations. After your child has received the immunizations checked below, please write the date of the immunization, sign and date this form, and return the form to the child's school or child care. You may also update the Certificate of Immunization Status form at the school/child care.

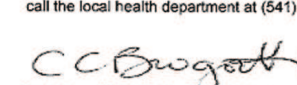
Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis containing vaccine Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 5 Date Vaccine Received: _____	Tdap Vaccine Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Date Vaccine Received: _____
Polio Vaccine Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Date Vaccine Received: _____	Varicella (Chickenpox) Vaccine Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 Date Vaccine Received: _____
Measles Vaccine (or MMR) Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Date Vaccine Received: _____	Mumps Vaccine (or MMR) Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Date Vaccine Received: _____
Rubella Vaccine (or MMR) Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 Date Vaccine Received: _____	Hepatitis B Vaccine Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 Date Vaccine Received: _____
Hepatitis A Vaccine Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Date Vaccine Received: _____	Haemophilus influenzae (Hib) Vaccine Dose: <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <input type="checkbox"/> 2 <input type="checkbox"/> 3 <input type="checkbox"/> 4 Date Vaccine Received: _____

2. The child's record is not sufficient to determine his/her immunization status. The following information is needed:

Return this form to your child's school or child care with the required information, or update the Certificate of Immunization Status form on file at the school or child care. You do not need to turn in this form to the health department.

Signature of health care provider, parent, guardian, or the student if at least 15 years of age: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

When you turn in the information specified above or a medical or nonmedical exemption, the child will be in compliance with state immunization laws, and will be able to attend school or child care. Other immunizations may be recommended for your child and may be required at a later date. If you have any questions, or if you believe there is an error and you would like a review of this letter, please call the local health department at (541) 962-8800.

  
 Carrie Brogotti, Public Health Administrator  
 Union County Center for Human Development  
 2301 Cove Ave  
 LA GRANDE, OR 97850

cc: Administrator of La Grande High School

**PARENT/GUARDIAN COPY**

This is a sample copy of an exclusion letter in Union County. The La Grande-based Center for Human Development sent 229 of the letters to notify parents and guardians whose children lack required immunizations or whose records were not up to date.

ceiving the required immunizations for many reasons. Most of the time it is simply that the parents have fallen behind in getting their child in to get these done," Sieders said. "The intent of the school exclusion process is to have a way to enforce deadlines.

If there were not deadlines, and consequences, many people would never make it a priority to keep themselves or (their) children up to date on vaccines, but rather vaccinate during an outbreak as a reactionary method." Children who miss class

due to the exclusion date will be marked as unexcused, according to the Oregon Department of Education. Each district will follow its own attendance policy in regard to responding to the absence. "We prefer not to disrupt the education of a student

and highly value students in schools attending on a regular and consistent basis," La Grande Superintendent George Mendoza said. "We prefer not to exclude anyone if at all possible (and offer) a great deal of communication, support and information gathering in advance of the cut-off date."

Sieders said it is important for students to remain up to date on their vaccinations. Not only does missing school have a negative effect of learning, staying properly immunized can help prevent the spread of disease and illness.

"As we know, vaccines prevent many diseases," Sieders said. "Diseases flourish and spread in places where many people gather closely for prolonged periods of time, like school and daycare. ... As the local health department, our role is to try to decrease the barriers to families staying vaccinated by providing free or low cost vaccine and increasing accessibility outside of primary care clinics."

In Union County, the schools with the highest number of incomplete records include Cove Charter School and La Grande Middle School, whose numbers were in the 40s. Central had the highest number of students with no records, with 6. Local preschools and daycares, and the Riverbend Academy students did not receive any letters. According to the Oregon Health Authority's data on vaccination rates, 89% of Union County is vaccinated. Union is among one of the lowest in vaccination rates, just ahead of Grant County at 88%.

# Second man arrested for 2019 Baker City robbery

By Chris Collins  
EO Media Group

BAKER CITY — Baker City Police have arrested a second man on allegations that he helped rob two men of cash and a cellphone while assaulting one of them during an altercation at Cedar and H streets last summer.

Zachary Aron Carter, 22, of Baker City is charged with six counts of second-degree robbery and one count each of third-degree assault and second- and third-degree theft, District Attorney Greg Baxter said Monday.

Carter is accused of participating in the robbery with Colvin William Cutshall III, 30, of Baker City.

Carter was arrested on a Baker County grand jury indictment at 9:40 p.m. Saturday at Campbell and East streets. He was arraigned Monday in Baker County Circuit Court, Baxter said. Bail has been set at \$50,000.

Cutshall, who has been held at the jail on other charges since Nov. 19, was arrested on a grand jury in-

dictment for the same crimes on Feb. 3. The grand jury indicted both men on Jan. 30, court documents state.

Cutshall and Carter are charged with robbing Caleb Day, 22, and Dillon Baldwin, 20, both of Baker City, at 1:30 a.m. in the area of Cedar and H streets on July

22, 2019. The charges of second-degree robbery, a Class B felony, accuse Cutshall and Carter, in different scenarios, of working together to threaten Day and Baldwin while claiming to be armed with a dangerous weapon when they took their prop-

erty, the indictments state. Upon conviction, second-degree assault carries a mandatory minimum prison term of five years and 10 months. The two men are charged with third-degree assault, a Class C felony, for allegedly causing physical injury to

Day when they took his wallet and cellphone valued at more than \$100, which constitutes second-degree theft, a Class A misdemeanor. The third-degree theft charge, a Class C misdemeanor, accuses the two men of taking cash of less than \$100 from Baldwin.

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