

COMMUNITY

Meetings

• **IMBLER** — A special meeting of the Imbler School District Board of Directors to discuss the reopening plans for the upcoming school year will be held Wednesday, Aug. 5 at 7 p.m. in Room 1 of the high school. The public is welcome to attend all open sessions of the Imbler School Board.

• **LA GRANDE** — The Union County Democratic Party will hold its Aug. 5 membership meeting via Zoom. The virtual meeting begins at 6 p.m. Wednesday. To register for this meeting, send your email contact information, address and phone number to rknop@eoni.com or call at 541-562-6289.

Briefs

American Legion resumes bingo nights

LA GRANDE — Post 43 American Legion, 301 Fir St., La Grande, will begin its bingo season Thursday, Aug. 6. To protect yourself and others against the virus, face coverings are required and players must remain 10 feet apart. All are welcome. Cash only, please.

Neighbors Together food distribution site changes

ISLAND CITY — Neighbors Together of Union County is now distributing its weekly Fresh Alliance and monthly food pantry from the parking lot of Mountain Life Church, 10700 S. Walton Road, behind Walmart in Island City. Social distancing parameters are in place and face coverings are requested according to state guidelines.

Fresh Alliance is available every Tuesday morning, offering fresh foods that have been donated by Walmart and Safeway, such as produce, berries, milk, eggs, juice, bakery items and meats. This service is open to all. The time varies, depending on when the goods show up from local vendors. Bring your own shopping bag and arrive around 8 a.m.

On the last Saturday of the month, the La Grande Food Pantry opens between 7 a.m. and 7:30 a.m. and closes at 10 a.m. On holiday weekends, the food pantry will be held a week early.

Contact Neighbors Together for more information at 541-0963-9126 or outreach.grv@gmail.com or go to www.neighbors-togetherofunioncounty.org.

Menus

Union County kids free grab & go lunch menu

Pickup 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Riveria Activity Center, 2609 Second St., La Grande. Free for age 1-18; all others, \$4.

AUG. 4-7

Tuesday: chicken pot pie, veggie sticks, fruit, cottage cheese.

Wednesday: honey-glazed ham, steak fries, side salad, fruit.

Thursday: pizza, side salad, fresh fruit, Jell-O, dessert.

Friday: turkey sandwiches, veggie sticks.

OBITUARIES

Phyllis M. Williams

Phyllis M. Williams, 83, of Island City, died Aug. 2 at her home. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Upcoming local services



Aug. 15 — PAUL WAGONER: 11 a.m. celebration of life, Indian Rock; casual dress preferred.

Aug. 29 — MIKE MAY: 4 p.m. memorial service, Riverside Park Pavilion, La Grande; please wear masks and respect social distancing.

— Calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande

Library broadens horizons despite coronavirus

LA GRANDE — Cook Memorial Library's takeout service is available Monday-Friday 10 a.m. to noon and 4-6 p.m. Patrons may place holds by calling or online.

Our new outdoor browsing service, "Library Take-Out(side)," is offered every Tuesday afternoon, weather permitting, from 3:30-5:30 p.m. to coincide with La Grande Farmers Market hours. The browsing section will be set up on the sidewalk outside the main entrance at Fourth Street and Adams Avenue.

The Literacy Center also is now offering takeout service. Free materials for your child at their skill level are available in most reading, math and vocabulary levels. To order your literacy materials, call the library or email Myra at mbritschgi@cookmemoriallibrary.org.

We have Wi-Fi hotspots available and now two ChromeKits for check out. A ChromeKit features a

Chrome-book laptop and a Wi-Fi hotspot. Patrons must be 18 or older, read and

sign a borrowing policy and have had a library account in good standing for at least the past six months. Kits may be checked out for one week and are not renewable.

For a limited time during the library closure, patrons have access to digital magazines for all ages on Flipster. To view the entire catalog of magazines, download the Flipster app to your device, select Cook Memorial Library and enter the first five digits of your

library barcode. Or visit <http://trial.ebscohost.com>, log in with the username "cookmemorial" and the password "trial20" and start reading via the browser on your computer, phone or

tablet. We have launched a new and improved Dial-a-Story service. From toddlers to older adults, anyone can dial in to hear stories read aloud. Dial-a-Story can be accessed 24 hours a day, free of charge, by calling 541-624-6339.

Genre Book Club is a great opportunity for adults to come together — virtually — and talk about books. This month, we're asking you to read a fan-

tasy book of your choice and then meet up online on Thursday, Aug. 27, at 2 p.m. for a fun and lively discussion about the books we've read. Email rpeacock@cookmemoriallibrary.org for meeting login information.

Online resources at the library include OverDrive; Libby for eBooks, eAudiobooks and magazines; Hoopla for movies, TV shows and comics; Kanopy for films; Freeding for always available eBooks and Freegal for music; and genealogy database MyHeritage.

If you don't have a card, you can still apply for an eCard. Online registration for a Cook Memorial Library card is open to only La Grande residents and residents of Union County who do not receive library ser-

vices from another city within the county. Visit www.CookMemorialLibrary.org and click on the "Request Library Card" link. Include your email address or phone number so we can contact you with your card number and PIN. If you already have a regular library card, you do not need an eCard.

The library's Wi-Fi (LGPLWiFi) is on for 24-hour access. The signal reaches to the building's entrances and the parking lot and does not require a password. Call us Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., at 541-962-1339, or find out more at www.cookmemoriallibrary.org.

About the Author

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OFF THE SHELF



ROSE PEACOCK
LA GRANDE LIBRARY

Hunter education resumes with safety measures

The Observer

SALEM — Hunter education classes in Oregon have resumed with safety measures in place to protect students and volunteer instructors. For the time being, students can choose to take a conventional class, or finish most of the class independently with a workbook or online plus attend a field day. This exception is only for the 2020 hunting season.

A field day is scheduled for Aug. 15 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Ladd Marsh Wildlife Area, 59116 Pierce Road, La Grande. Prior to the field day, students must complete an online course or workbook and bring proof of completion. There will be a 60-question written exam. The instructor will be Darren Hendrickson. Students are asked to bring their own face covering, which must be worn during COVID-19 restrictions.

To register and to see the latest classes and field days available, visit www.myodfw.com/articles/hunter-education-classes-and-field-days-schedule.



Observer file photo

Hunter education is required in Oregon for hunters age 17 and younger. Due to the pandemic, classes were canceled in March, but have now resumed. For the 2020 hunting season only, youth may complete the class online or by workbook. A field day, which is optional for the 2020 season, will take place Aug. 15 at Ladd Marsh, La Grande.

Request a workbook by emailing ODFW.Info@state.or.us.

Youth who don't complete the field day need to carry proof of completion

of the classroom portion of the class into the field when they go hunting this fall. Students who completed the course online can carry the online completion certification in the field as their needed proof. Students who did the class by workbook

need to mail the completed workbook back to ODFW Hunter Education, 4034 Fairview Industrial Drive S.E., Salem 97302. ODFW then will mail these students a certificate to carry in the field indicating they completed the classroom

SIGN UP

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part of the course. All ODFW outdoor education classes were canceled in March due to the pandemic, including hunter education, which is required to hunt in Oregon for ages 17 and younger. Safety measures include restricting class size to 25 students/parents and maintaining social distancing except during those moments when closer distance is needed to safely handle firearms. Hand sanitizer will be available for everyone and firearms and any other shared materials will be wiped down before being handled by a new student.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

SATURDAY, AUG. 1

9:57 a.m. — Railroad crossing arms malfunctioned at the Fir Street crossing, La Grande. Local authorities notified Union Pacific Railroad.

2:14 p.m. — An Elgin resident on the 800 block of North 15th Avenue reported harassment. A Union County sheriff's deputy contacted the person and explained options.

6:55 p.m. — Three dogs on the loose on the 1500 block of Pine Street, La Grande, prompted a complaint. An officer was not able to catch the dogs.

9:57 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of vandalism to property on the 700 block of East Fulton Street, Union. A deputy planned to follow up.

11:15 p.m. — La Grande police responded to Ninth Street and N Avenue on a complaint about a loud party. An officer counseled the people involved.

SUNDAY, AUG. 2

7:26 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the 2200 block of Adams Avenue on a report of a disturbance. Officers trespassed one person from the property.

12:35 p.m. — A Summerville resident reported her horses missing and she would call back if she could not find them.

3:22 p.m. — A caller reported someone was shooting in an unsafe manner at Wolf Creek Reservoir, North Powder. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded and found the shooter was being safe and not putting anyone in danger.

6:26 p.m. — A caller reported a domestic disturbance in Elgin. A Union County sheriff's deputy arrived and found the parties had already separated.

9:08 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 2300 block of Spruce Street on a report of a fight. Officers warned the people involved for disorderly conduct.

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To the GRH Regional Medical Clinic team as a Primary Care Provider (PCP)

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Dr. Davis is a four year veteran of the US Air Force, a graduate of the A.T. Still University School of Osteopathic Medicine, and completed her residency at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Corvallis, Oregon. She is a 4th generation Oregonian, and is happy to be near family

here in Eastern Oregon. Dr. Davis loves full-spectrum family medicine, especially geriatric and lifestyle medicine, and uses Osteopathic Manipulative Treatments (OMT) in her daily practice as part of a whole-person integrated approach to treating her patients. In her free time, she enjoys outdoor activities like hiking and camping, watching football, and spending time with her husband and two sons. Join us in welcoming osteopathic physician Brooke Davis back to the Grande Ronde Valley!



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