

OBITUARIES

**Justin R. Parker**  
1994-2020 • Summerville

Justin Ryan Parker, 25, of Summerville, died Aug. 17 at his residence. A funeral service will be held Aug. 22 at 2 p.m. at the Lighthouse Pentecostal Church in Island City.

Justin was born Dec. 15, 1994, in La Grande, and adopted by Jesse and Robin (Donaldson) Parker. He was raised in Summerville and attended school at the Lighthouse Academy.

Justin worked for the family business, Parker Tree Service. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, dirt bike riding, bull riding, riding his horse, Badger, and quality family time. Justin



was adopted at three days old and was the baby of nine children.

Justin had a great zest for life and adventure. He loved God and his dogs. He was a great tree climber and a very hard worker. He was sensitive, loving and a friend to children everywhere.

Surviving relatives include his parents, Jesse and Robin; siblings and their spouses, John and Kelly Richmond of Auburn, Washington, Tricia and Andrew Crush of Rawlins, Wyoming, Laura Parker of Summerville, Meegan Harp of Portland, Candice and Ray Kitchell of La Grande, Jessica and James Ward of Spanaway, Washington, Promise and Michael Williams of Gresham, James

and Scout Parker of Summerville, and Grant and Sadie Parker of Elgin; aunts, Jonna and Kathy; uncles, R.C., Joe and Mike; and many nieces and nephews.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.lovelandfuneral-chapel.com](http://www.lovelandfuneral-chapel.com).

**Barney Goodhall Jr.**  
La Grande

Barney Goodhall Jr., 82, of La Grande, died Aug. 15 at his residence. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory.

**Dorothy J. Streeter**  
La Grande

Dorothy J. Streeter, 77, of La Grande, died Aug. 15 at Grande Ronde Hospital. A graveside service will be

held Sept. 11 at 2 p.m. at the Mt. Hope Cemetery in Baker City. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory.

**Mary L. Poissot**  
La Grande

Mary L. Poissot, 96, of La Grande, died Aug. 17 at a local care facility. A graveside service will be held Aug. 28 at 10 a.m. at the Hopewell Cemetery in Dayton. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory.

**Joyce Stevens**  
Formerly of La Grande

Joyce Stevens, 58, of Payette, Idaho, and formerly of La Grande, died Aug. 16. An outdoor funeral service will be held Aug. 28 at 11 a.m. at the Cove Baptist Church, with a grave-

### Upcoming local services



**Aug. 22 — STAN CASE:** 10 a.m. celebration of life, Case arena at 64066 Booth Lane, La Grande; face coverings and social distancing required; watch the livestream at [www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com](http://www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com) (click on “Funeral Videos” near bottom of page).

**Aug. 22 — JUSTIN PARKER:** 2 p.m. funeral, Lighthouse Pentecostal Church, Island City.

**Aug. 28 — JOYCE STEVENS:** 11 a.m. outdoor funeral, Cove Baptist Church; 1 p.m. graveside service, Grandview Cemetery, La Grande; bring your own chair, face coverings and social distancing required.

**Aug. 29 — MIKE MAY:** 4 p.m. memorial service, Riverside Park Pavilion, La Grande; face coverings and social distancing required.

— *Calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande*

side service at 1 p.m. at Grandview Cemetery in La Grande. Per current health regulations, bring your own chair, wear a mask and respect social distancing.

Forests living with fire topic of virtual presentation

The Observer

JOSEPH — In a virtual Brown Bag presentation at noon, Tuesday, Aug. 25, John Marshall will introduce his work and the subject of an upcoming April exhibit at the Josephy Center for Arts and Culture.

“Forests Can Live with Fire! The Photography of John Marshall and the ‘Osborne Panoramas’” provides an overview of the critical historical role of wild-fire and the profound effects of fire exclusion in the modern era, according to the press release from the center in Joseph. The presentation features historical photographs taken with a unique camera called the “Osborne Photo Recording Transit.”

Only 10 of these cameras were made. The U.S. Forest Service used the cameras in the 1930s to capture three 120-degree, large-format panoramic images from hundreds of fire lookout sites throughout Oregon and Washington. Marshall trekked the Wallowa and Blue mountains to find these old Osborne photo locations and take pictures from the same spots today.

Wallowa Resources and the Josephy Center plan to host this traveling exhibit in April 2021.

Marshall holds a bachelor’s degree in fishery science from Oregon State University and a master’s of science in wildlife resources from the University of Idaho.

For the last 25 years, Marshall has worked with Paul Hessburg of the Pacific Northwest Research Station of the U.S. Forest Service to illustrate the positive roles of historical wildfires on the land-

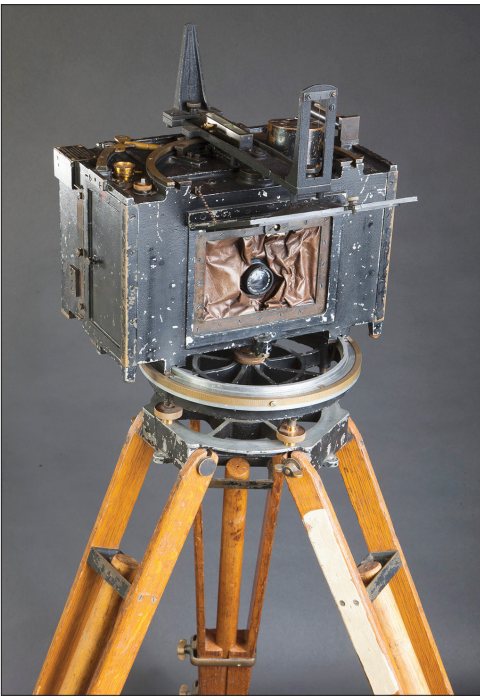


Photo courtesy of John Marshall Photography

An Osborne panoramic camera at the at the Fire Lookout Museum in Spokane, Washington. W.H. Osborne designed the camera, and Leupold and Volpel manufactured them. The camera took a 120-degree view. The lens moved, using a wind-up clock motor. A set of propellers slowed the travel of the lens for longer exposures.

scapes, document changes in the role of fire in the modern era and to bring “good fire” back to the landscape.

To attend the virtual Tuesday Brown Bag, follow this Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86123655126>.

North Powder Charter School seniors earn \$82,000 in scholarships

NORTH POWDER — The North Powder Charter School Class of 2020 together received a total of \$82,250 worth of scholarships. The following students were presented their awards during the a ceremony held June 5 at the La Grande Drive-In.

**Roper Bingham:** Union County Farm Bureau & Chamber of Commerce for \$1,000; Baker Fraternal Order of Eagles for \$1,000; Mid-Columbia Bus for \$500; Baker County Cattewomen’s & Baker County Livestock Association for \$1,000; Old Oregon League for \$250; North Powder Rural Fire Department for \$750; plus Leo Adler Foundation and Buerkel-Zoellner Foundation scholarships.

**Autumn Davis:** Emily Loennig Theodosius for \$150; Loveland Funeral Chapel of Union County for \$500; Geiser Pollman for \$1,000; plus Leo Adler Foundation and Buerkel-Zoellner Foundation scholarships.

**Josi Kreiger:** Residential Life EOU Four-County Housing Award for \$500; Eastern Oregon University Scholar Award for \$750; Riki Gerry Anderson for \$500; Bacus & Associates



Staff photo by Ronald Bond

North Powder valedictorian Michelle Williams, one of 16 graduating seniors from the charter school, receives her diploma Saturday, June 6, from school board President Tyson Orr in the high school gym while Superintendent Lance Dixon (center) looks on.

for \$1,000; plus Leo Adler Foundation Scholarship.

**Estefania Balderas Ochoa:** Eastern Oregon University Dobbin Nursing for \$1,000; Knights of Columbus for \$500; plus Leo Adler Foundation and Buerkel-Zoellner Foundation scholarships.

**Tyler Olson:** Winston Purvine Level Award for \$2,000/year for four years; Engineering Honors Scholarship for \$1,000/year for four years; Bacus & Associates for \$1,000; Frank C. Loennig for \$150; plus Leo Adler Foundation and Buerkel-Zoellner Foundation scholarships.

**Ariana Weston:** Residential Life EOU Four-County Housing Award for \$500; EOU Dobbin Nursing for \$2,000; PTCO for \$1,000; Eastern Oregon University Scholar Award for \$1,000; plus Leo Adler Foundation Scholarship.

**Michelle Williams:** Union County Farm Bureau & Chamber of Commerce for \$1,000; Oregon Wheat Foundation for \$1,000; NorthWest Farm Credit for \$2,500; Cal Poly National Green & Gold for \$1,000; Cal Poly Rodeo for \$3,000; North Powder Education Association for \$650; Miles Family Valedictorian for \$100; Auxiliary of High Valley Veteran of Foreign Wars for \$500; Old Oregon League for \$250; plus Leo Adler Foundation and Buerkel-Zoellner Foundation scholarships.

Relief available for Oregon cultural organizations

The Observer

SALEM — Applications are live for Oregon’s Coronavirus Relief Fund Cultural Support program.

Funds to the Oregon Cultural Trust will be available to Oregon cultural organizations facing losses due to the COVID-19 health crisis. The \$25.9 million

in funding is part of the \$50 million relief package for Oregon culture the Oregon Legislature recently approved.

Applications are due by noon on Monday, Aug. 24, and approved funds must be distributed by Sept. 15. You can find more information at [culturaltrust.org](http://culturaltrust.org).

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

**MONDAY, AUG. 17**

10:23 a.m. — A Union resident asked to speak to a Union County sheriff’s deputy about a driver who always is impaired.

12:11 p.m. — A caller in Pendleton reported finding a dog with a Union County tag. The animal enforcement officer made contact.

6:48 p.m. — Tree branches were on a power line on the 1300 block of Penn Avenue, La Grande, a caller reported, and a transformer was blown out at the scene. Police responded and turned the situation over to the Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative.

7:06 p.m. — A La Grande resident on the 1400 block of Monroe Avenue reported their dog was the subject of a neighbor’s threat.

7:52 p.m. — An intoxicated woman was yelling on the sidewalk on the 1900 block of Greenwood Street, La Grande. Police arrived and cited her for violating her probation out of Umatilla County.

**TUESDAY, AUG. 18**

10:56 a.m. — A caller reported a dog on the loose at Spruce Street and Jackson Avenue, La Grande. The animal enforcement officer responded, returned the dog and counseled the owner.

12:24 p.m. — A caller report-

ed vandalism on the 700 block of K Avenue, La Grande.

2:03 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff’s Office responded to the 700 block of South Second Street, Union, on a domestic disturbance call. A deputy separated the parties.

5:44 p.m. — La Grande police responded to a disturbance on Greenwood Street and separated the parties involved.

6:26 p.m. — A caller reported loose livestock at Gordon Creek and Valley View roads, Elgin.

9:55 p.m. — La Grande police responded to a residence on a report of someone suffering a mental crisis. An officer provided options to the parties involved.

**Recent Oregon State Police citations and arrests:**

Aug. 12 — Oregon State Police received a report at 10:54 a.m. that a vehicle hit property in the parking lot of the Flying J, La Grande, and took off. A trooper stopped the vehicle on the eastbound side of Interstate 84 near milepost 268. The subsequent contact with the driver, Adam J. M. Tanner, 42, of Auburn, New York, led to his arrest for driving under the influence of intoxicants (alcohol and controlled substances), possession of a Schedule I substance (LSD), and possession of a pill that was a Schedule II substance.

### FAMILY OWNED



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### August is ‘Hearing Health Awareness Month’

Audiology & Hearing Aid Associates is flying the flag for raising local awareness of healthy hearing

**48 million** Americans have a significant hearing loss

**1 out of 3** people over age 65 have some degree of hearing loss

**2 out of 3** people over 75 have a hearing loss

People with hearing loss wait an average of **7 years** before seeking help

**14% of those** aged 45-64 have some type of hearing loss

**15 million people** in the United States with hearing loss avoid seeking help

If you are concerned about a friend or loved one with a hearing loss, then August is the month to start the conversation about health hearing.

Schedule your complimentary hearing screening today

Call 541-612-7555 Visit [lagrandehearing.org](http://lagrandehearing.org)

Call or text 541-612-7555 upon arrival, our waiting room is closed. You will be asked to complete a pandemic screening form upon your arrival.

## Grande Ronde Hospital and Clinics proudly welcomes:

# Robert Shanks, NP-C

To the Grande Ronde Hospital team as a Emergency Department Nurse Practitioner



**Robert Shanks, NP-C**

Robert Shanks, NP-C, joined our team of emergency department (ED) providers this spring after working for many years as a registered nurse and nurse manager within the department. Rob received his Master’s Degree from the Maryville University School of Nursing, and has roughly 20 years of experience providing acute health care, the majority of which was spent working in an ED. He has particular interests in providing care to the immediate needs of the ill or injured within the ED and urgent care setting, as well as promoting prevention of various health and wellness aspects.

Outside of work, Rob enjoys fishing and hunting when he can, as well as gunsmithing and range shooting. He spends as much time as possible with his grandchildren, and enjoys reading and watching movies in his spare time.

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Learn more about Rob in our online Provider Directory at [www.grh.org](http://www.grh.org) today!

