

## COMMUNITY

## Meetings

• **LA GRANDE** — The Blue Mountain Translator District Board of Directors will meet Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 6 p.m. To join the meeting via teleconference, dial 740-337-6762 (PIN: 428 924 826#). The meeting also will be streamed online at [meet.google.com/efb-greq-gcm](https://meet.google.com/efb-greq-gcm). Meeting materials and agenda are at [www.bmtd.org/public-notice](http://www.bmtd.org/public-notice).

• **LA GRANDE** — The La Grande Planning Commission meets Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 6 p.m. View the meeting via Facebook Live at [www.facebook.com/LaGrandeCityManager](https://www.facebook.com/LaGrandeCityManager). The agenda includes a public hearing on a conditional use application by Kaiger Braseth regarding a storage facility for building contractors. Public comment or questions must be submitted by emailing [mboquist@cityoflagrande.org](mailto:mboquist@cityoflagrande.org) before 5 p.m. the day of the meeting.

## Briefs

## RSVP for next takeout Cove senior meal

**COVE** — The Cove senior meal program is offering takeout lunches on the first and third Tuesday of the month. Due to the coronavirus pandemic, meals are picked up in front of Founders Hall instead of being served inside. The lunch will be handed out from noon to 12:30 p.m. Enter the driveway in front of the Ascension Founders Hall on Church Street from the north. The menu for the next meal, served Feb. 16, is beef stew, green salad, biscuit and cherry cobbler. There is a \$5 charge per meal. If you haven't been contacted, call Imie Bristow at 541-568-4545 by Wednesday, Feb. 10, to order your lunch.

## Reginald B. Madsen

1940-2021 • Island City

Reginald Bernard Madsen, 80, of Island City, died Jan. 29 at his residence. A service will be held later this spring in Washougal, Washington.



Known as "Reg," he was born Sept. 15, 1940, in Kesheena, Wisconsin, to Gordon and Irene (Lyons) Dickie on the Menominee Indian Reservation. Reg served in the U.S. Navy from 1958 to 1964.

After his service, Reg attended Clark College in Vancouver, Washington, and earned an associate degree in applied science. He later attended the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia. He was married to Pauline Madsen for 59 years.

Reg began his career in law enforcement as a police officer in the Vancouver Washington Police Department (1966-1968). He then went on to serve in the Oregon State Police Department and became the superintendent of the Oregon State Police Department in Salem the last three years of his 25 years of service (1968-1993). After his retirement from the Oregon State Police, he became the United States Marshal

for the District of Oregon (1994-2001).

Reg enjoyed boating, fishing and hunting with his family and friends. His sons, Reg and Rick, followed him in careers with the Oregon State Police and he was very proud of them.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Pauline; son and daughter-in-law, Rick and Charvae Madsen of Stayton; sister, Karen Garner of Bowler, Wisconsin; and six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

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

## William 'Dennis' Miller

1962-2021 • Formerly of La Grande

William "Dennis" Miller, 58, formerly of La Grande, died Jan. 17 at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Lewiston, Idaho. He was laid to rest at the Herland Forest Natural Burial Cemetery in Wahkiacus, Washington.



Known as Dennis, he was born May 25, 1962, to Anna Nolen. Throughout his life he was an avid fisherman, finding bodies of water and fishing holes wherever he lived.

Dennis lived in La Grande during his adult years but always ached to live in Wallowa County near his daughter, Cheyanne. He got that wish

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later on in his life.

Dennis loved going on adventures with Cheyanne, who was his whole world. He frequented the Soroptimist and the Wallowa County Humane Society thrift shops. Dennis collected Native American art, which he proudly displayed along with his dreamcatchers. He will be missed by his cat, Buddy.

Surviving relatives include his daughter, Cheyanne Sky; mother, Anna Nolen; stepfather, Jack Archer; and sister, Corrina Borden-Miller.

Memorial contributions may be made to a college fund for his daughter at Umpqua Bank (account ending number is 6672; deposit name either Cheyanne Miller or Anna Nolen).

## Ann-Ara (Ward) Black

1926-2021 • Formerly of Union

Ann-Ara Black, 94, formerly of Union, died Jan. 28 in Ukiah, California.

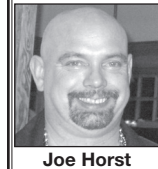
Burial will be Feb. 9 at 11 a.m. at the Union Cemetery. A celebration of life will be held at a later date in Union. Arrangements are by Eversole Mortuary of Ukiah, California.

Ann-Ara was born March 4, 1926, in Parowan, Utah, to Silas and Mabel Ward. She was married to Warren Black.

Surviving relatives include her children and



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## Upcoming local services



Please follow guidelines regarding face coverings and social distancing at all services.

**Feb. 6 — LEEROY MOSCHKAU:** 10 a.m. celebration of life (invitation only), Faith Lutheran Church, La Grande; to view the livestream, go to [www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com](http://www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com) and click on "Funeral Videos" near bottom of home page.

**Feb. 6 — JERRY WINKLE:** 10 a.m. funeral, Summerville Baptist Church (view the livestream at [www.summervillebaptistchurch.com](http://www.summervillebaptistchurch.com)); interment follows at Grandview Cemetery, La Grande.

**Feb. 6 — BOBBY CORNFORD:** 1 p.m. livestreamed service; go to [www.bcmsevent.com](http://www.bcmsevent.com)

just before 1 p.m.

**Feb. 9 — ANN-ARA BLACK:** 11 a.m. burial, Union Cemetery.

**Feb. 11 — WILIAM AND FLORENCE HOWELL:** 11 a.m. joint graveside service, Summerville Cemetery; casual dress preferred; to view the livestream, go to [www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com](http://www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com) and click on "Funeral Videos" near bottom of home page.

**Feb. 20 — HARRY BIGLER:** 2 p.m. military honors ceremony, Union City Park.

**Feb. 20 — LORI GREENWAY:** 3 p.m. memorial service, Enterprize First Baptist Church.

**April 24 — BECKY ROBERSON:** 2 p.m. celebration of life, Elgin Community Center.

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

their spouses, Lee Bowers, Craig and Joan Van Housen, Noma Van Housen and Gary Farnsworth, Melody Blaque, and Niki and Daniel Bienkowski; sister, Idonna Ward Cantrell; seven grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and one (soon to be two) great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Warren Black; sister, Verla Ward Cooper; brothers-in-law, William Cooper and Rick Cantrell; and son-in-law, Al Bowers.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a hospice or charity of your choice.

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## Building closed, but the library open

## OFF THE SHELF



## ROSE PEACOCK

COOK MEMORIAL LIBRARY

The Cook Memorial Library building remains closed. For service, call us at 541-962-1339 or visit our website, [www.cookmemoriallibrary.org](http://www.cookmemoriallibrary.org). The Fourth Street door and phone are answered Monday-Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. To use our takeout service, place items on hold in the online catalog or call us. Once we confirm your order is ready, come to the building, ring the doorbell, and we'll bring your items out to you. There will not be takeout service on Monday, Feb. 15, in honor of Presidents Day.

Participate in our 2021 Seed Exchange. Drop off cleaned and labeled seeds, packaged for individuals by Feb. 19. Commercial and home-garden seeds accepted. Our online request form will be available starting March 1, or call us, to request seeds.

Craft Kits for children, teens and adults are available starting Feb. 1. The kids' kits are a "Winter Grab Bag" variety and teen and adult kits are origami hearts. Supplies are limited.

The NEA Fishtrap Big Read kicks off Feb. 17 with a variety of online events centered around the book "In the Heart of the Sea" by Nathaniel Philbrick. Check [www.fishtrap.org](http://www.fishtrap.org) for event details. Copies of the book are now available for check out.

The library offers free access to Tech-Talk — a technology training resource for non-techies. Tech-Talk is a weekly eNewsletter. Visit the library's website to subscribe. You can also access a collection of 1,000+ articles and how-to videos on using technology, office suites and the internet without a subscription.

Virtual Storytime is on our website and YouTube channel, Cook Memorial Library. Dial-a-Story for all ages continues with new selections. Dial-a-Story can be accessed 24 hours a day, free of charge, by calling 541-624-6339.

Genre Book Club for adults meets online Feb. 25 at 2 p.m. We'll be reading dystopian and post-apocalyptic fiction. Email [rpeacock@cookmemoriallibrary.org](mailto:rpeacock@cookmemoriallibrary.org) for the meeting login.

Unable to pick up items at the library? Use Library@Your Door, in partnership with Rob's Speedy Delivery. This free service is for residents within La Grande city limits who cannot physically come to the library due to long- or short-term health concerns. Deliveries are made Friday afternoons; orders must be placed prior to 6 p.m. on the preceding Wednesday. Fill out the online registration form or call the library for more information.

Mobile and remote printing is now available. To print from home, go to <https://tbs.eprintit.com/portal/#/ppl/upload/CML>. To print from a mobile device, download the Public Print Locations app.

Wi-Fi hotspots and ChromeKits are available for checking out. A ChromeKit features a Chromebook laptop and a Wi-Fi hotspot. Patrons must be 18 or older, sign a borrowing policy, and have had a library account in good standing for at least the past six months. Kits are checked out for one week and are not renewable.

The library's Wi-Fi (LGPLWi-Fi) is on from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. The signal reaches to the building's entrances and the parking lot and does not require a password.

If you have any questions or requests, call us at 541-962-1339 Monday-Friday between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Find out more at [www.cookmemoriallibrary.org](http://www.cookmemoriallibrary.org).

*Rose Peacock oversees adult services at Cook Memorial Library, La Grande.*

## William Fred Howell

August 27, 1927 - February 1, 2021



William Fred Howell (Bill) 93, passed away on Monday, February 1, 2021, at Wildflower Lodge, La Grande. A graveside service will be held at 11:00 am, Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at the Summerville Cemetery. The service is open to the public and will honor both Bill and Florence. Please wear a mask and practice social distancing. Casual and warm attire is encouraged. The graveside service will be live streamed for those who cannot attend. Go to [lovelandfuneralchapel.com](http://lovelandfuneralchapel.com) and click on the "Funeral Video" button near the bottom of the home page just before 11:00am.

Bill was born on August 17, 1927 in La Grande to Oscar and Helen (Green) Howell.

Bill lived his whole life in Imbler and attended Imbler schools. Bill loved his family, farming and his community. He once said, "Why go anywhere else, I have it all right here." That quote followed a trip to Maui in 1993 where Bill declared, "Just a whole lot of people doing nothing." Bill was a true gentleman and always had a twinkle in his eyes.

Bill began farming on his own in 1946. The original farm had been in the family for over 80 years at that time. The farm was initially purchased by Bill's grandfather from the Imbler family for whom the town was named. Although Bill rarely took a day off from farming, he managed to stay very involved in the local agriculture community serving on several boards and committees and was awarded many honors for his service. Bill tried to always make time to attend an Imbler High School football game and in 65+ years he rarely missed an Imbler home basketball game.

Bill was an accomplished musician. He sang "live" on the local radio station at the age of 9. His singing and trumpet playing were a key part of his first 60 years. In 1946, he played with a group called the Vets. Later, he had his own band and regularly played for local high school and college dances as well as the Elks club and other dance venues. Bill first met his future wife, Florence, when she called Bill to see if his band was available to play for a dance at Eastern Oregon College. That phone call led to a first date, then 65 years of marriage.

Bill was also an accomplished small-bore rifle marksman. He competed as a young man around Oregon and won several trophies and awards including the state title on at least two occasions. His marksmanship served him well on his annual elk hunting trips mostly to the Minam river area. Elk hunting was Bill's only true vacation time. He

enjoyed the camaraderie of his hunting buddies. Bill and his best friend Mel Elder started hunting together in 1946 and continued to "go to elk camp" until just a few years ago. Bill also had his private pilots license and was also a Navy Seaman during WWII.

Bill is survived by his four children; Curt Howell (Annette) of La Grande, Kristy Searles (Vin) of Salem, Ann Spring (Mike) of Dayton, WA and Mark Howell (Tina) of Imbler; 9 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; niece Patty Gooderham and nephew Ladd Parker and several great-nieces and nephews. Bill was preceded in death by his wife Florence in August 2020; his parents Oscar and Helen, his brother Dick Howell and his sister Marjorie Parker.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Imbler Education Foundation, PO Box 95, Imbler, OR 97841 or to Heart 'n Home Hospice & Palliative Care, LLC 2104 Cove Ave, Suite A, La Grande, OR 97850 or to Wildflower Lodge 508 16th St. La Grande, OR 97850.

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

## Menus

## Union County Senior

## Center takeout lunch menu

Pick up 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at 1504 N. Albany St., La Grande. For delivery, call 541-963-7532 before 10 a.m. Age 60+, \$3 suggested donation; all others, \$5. Public is welcome.

## FEB. 8-12

**Monday:** pork fried rice, egg rolls, Oriental salad, fortune cookies,

**Tuesday:** BBQ beef sandwich, fries, fruit, chips, cookie.

**Wednesday:** fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, spinach salad, rolls, cobbler.

**Thursday:** macaroni and cheese, salad greens, roll, fresh fruit, dessert.

**Friday:** sweet and sour meatballs, rice pilaf, bread, carrot-raisin salad, fruit garnish, cookie.

## Children's free takeout

## breakfast and lunch menu

Free breakfast and lunch for anyone age 18 and younger. Pick up 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Central, Greenwood or Island City elementary schools, La Grande. Fresh vegetables, seasonal fruit and 1% milk are offered daily in addition to the menu items. Served at La Grande schools for on-campus students.

## FEB. 8-12

## LA GRANDE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

**Monday:** BREAKFAST: strawberry toaster pastry, cheese stick, canned fruit; LUNCH: turkey sandwich, potato chips, baby carrots.

**Tuesday:** BREAKFAST: mini waffles, orange juice; LUNCH: chicken sub, French fries.

**Wednesday:** BREAKFAST: apple strudel, fresh fruit; LUNCH: yogurt pak with bagel, red peppers.

## Thursday: BREAKFAST:

yogurt, graham crackers, orange juice; LUNCH: chicken Caesar wrap, corn.

**Friday:** BREAKFAST: cinnamon-cream-cheese-filled bagel, fresh fruit; LUNCH: tacos, baby carrots.

**LA GRANDE MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL**

**Monday:** BREAKFAST: sausage biscuit, canned fruit; LUNCH: tuna sandwich, potato chips, baby carrots.

**Tuesday:** BREAKFAST: mini waffles, orange juice; LUNCH: crispy chicken tenders, whole-grain dinner roll, French fries.

**Wednesday:** BREAKFAST: mini pancakes, fresh fruit; LUNCH: egg salad sandwich, potato chips, cucumber slices.

**Thursday:** BREAKFAST: long john, orange juice; LUNCH: chicken Caesar wrap, corn.

**Friday:** BREAKFAST: French toast sticks, fresh fruit; LUNCH: taco, green pepper slices.

## Lottery

**Megabucks:** \$14 million

4-13-15-18-37-38

**Powerball:** \$20 million

5-37-40-64-66 — PB 5 x3

**Mega Millions:** \$42 million

13-37-38-40-67 — MB 10 x2

**Win for Life:** Feb. 4

4-11-33-43

**Pick 4:** Feb. 4

• 1 p.m.: 7-9-5-9,

• 4 p.m.: 4-0-0-0

• 7 p.m.: 5-0-2-0

• 10 p.m.: 9-1-4-8

**Pick 4:** Feb. 3

• 1 p.m.: 8-4-4-2

• 4 p.m.: 9-9-8-5

• 7 p.m.: 6-8-1-7

• 10 p.m.: 0-0-5-7