

COMMUNITY

Meetings

• **ELGIN** — The Elgin School Board will meet Monday, April 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Stella Mayfield auditorium. The agenda includes a time for public comments, discussion of the high school's closed campus, approval of the 2021-22 calendar and goals.

• **LA GRANDE** — The La Grande City Council meets Monday, April 19, at 6 p.m. for a virtual work session focusing on tourism. Suzannah Moore-Hemann, director of the Union County Chamber of Commerce, is the guest speaker, and the agenda includes a summary of the Marketing and Promotion Program and discussion of the annual tourism budget proposal.

The session is for the sole purpose of discussing topics on the agenda. No council will take public comments. The public may view the work session on Facebook Live at www.facebook.com/CityofLaGrande.

• **LA GRANDE** — The Cook Memorial Library Advisory Commission will meet in regular session on Thursday, April 22, at 4 p.m. via Zoom. The virtual meeting is open to the public; for the meeting link, email libdirector@cookmemoriallibrary.org.

Briefs

Hydrant flushing to continue in Island City

ISLAND CITY — Island City has extended its schedule for hydrant flushing until Friday, April 23. The flushing is necessary to ensure adequate water volume and pressure for fire suppression and to detect any potential problems in the water system. Residents who detect discoloration or sediment in their water are instructed to let an outside faucet or a cold-water bathtub faucet run until the water has cleared. For more information, call the city office at 541-963-5017.

Births

GRANDE RONDE HOSPITAL

KRUSE: Kacey McKenzie Kruse, April 6, 2021, daughter of Breanna McKensi Kruse and McKenzie Dale Kruse of La Grande. Grandparents are Shane Rogers, Christa Rogers, Justin Kruse and Shelly Kruse.

PARKER: Molly May Parker, March 29, 2021, daughter of Scout Shontel Parker and James Coy Parker of Summerville.

STOUDER: Indiana Elizabeth Marie Stouder, March 26, 2021, daughter of Mellisa Free-Stouder and Brian Stouder of La Grande.

WOLFER: Kiley Ann May Wolfer, April 9, 2021, daughter of Tiffany Marie Wolfer and Michael Jacob Wolfer of La Grande. Grandparents are Dawn and Brent Brotherton and Cheri and Evan Stricker.

OUT-OF-TOWN BIRTHS

LUNDY: Addison Denise Lundy, March 30, 2021, daughter of Jamie Beaudoin and Andrew Lundy of Nashville, Tennessee, and formerly of La Grande. Grandparents are Jeri and Rob Barnes of La Grande, Christina Webb of Ohio and Jack Beaudoin of Ohio. Great-grandparents are Ross and Shirley Vanderzanden of La Grande and Jim and Judy Lundy formerly of La Grande.

Honors

Local students named to OSU honor roll

CORVALLIS — Oregon State University announced the names of local students who made the scholastic honor roll for the winter 2021 term.

UNION COUNTY

Elgin: Angelica M. Bouska, senior, Natural Resources.

Imbler: Alyssa B. Schelin, freshman, Psychology.

Island City: Marissa N. Arroyo Valenzuela, junior, Spanish.

La Grande: Erin R. Alberts, senior, Microbiology; Elizabeth A. Babcock, sophomore, Psychology; Nolan M. Clements, senior, Fisheries and Wildlife Sciences; Garren J. Dutto, junior, Electrical and Computer Engineering; Reid G. Endress, senior, Geography and Geospatial Science; Madison A. Moody, senior, BioHealth Sciences; Kevin Moy, junior, Computer Science; Lian Moy, freshman, Food Science and Technology; Deric T. Mussatto, junior, Public Health; MaKayla L. Page, junior, Interior Design; Sadie L. Royes, sophomore, Nutrition; Karrington R. Troyer, sophomore, Kinesiology; Abigail R. Tweten, senior, Zoology; Mitchell T. Van Domelen, senior, Natural Resources.

Summerville: Wade R. McDonald, sophomore, Biochemistry and Molecular Biology.

Union: Kortnee N. Marriott, senior, BioHealth Sciences; Wade D. Rynearson, junior, Civil Engineering; Trevor J. Verhelst, senior, Electrical and Computer Engineering.

Wallowa County

Joseph: Natalie M. Goldsmith, freshman, BioHealth Sciences; Kacie N. Melville, senior, Crop and Soil Science.

Lottery

Megabucks: \$1.4 million
16-21-22-32-33-41
Powerball: \$67 million
13-30-33-45-61 — PB 14 x2
Mega Millions: \$220 million
10-15-19-45-68 — MB 9 x2
Win for Life: April 14
31-41-65-67
Pick 4: April 15
• 1 p.m.: 8-9-8-1; • 4 p.m.: 0-2-3-0
• 7 p.m.: 3-1-1-4; • 10 p.m.: 8-7-7-4
Pick 4: April 14
• 1 p.m.: 4-9-7-5; • 4 p.m.: 3-8-5-4
• 7 p.m.: 7-4-6-6; • 10 p.m.: 2-3-4-5

DELIVERY ISSUES?

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OBITUARIES

Alice M. (Randolph) Literal

1959-2021 • Union

Alice Marie Literal, 61, of Union, died April 2 at Grande Ronde Hospital. A celebration of her life was held April 10.



Alice was born April 26, 1959, in Boise, Idaho, to Robert and Elizabeth (Churchill) Raldolph. She resided in Boise, Idaho, and in Union.

Alice was a devoted wife and mother. She was an avid hunter, fisher, camper, gardener and seamstress. She also enjoyed coaching T-ball.

Surviving relatives include her children, Rochelle Hammond and husband, Matt, of Union, Raychelle McLean of La Grande, and Jerry Keagle Jr. of North Powder; sister, Lillian Smith; brother, Frank Randolph; and 18 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Elizabeth; brothers, Blair Randolph and Mike Randolph; and sister, Amy Randolph.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.lovelandfuneral-chapel.com.

Edward F. Stradley

1960-2021 • North Powder

Edward F. Stradley, 60, of North Powder, died March 5 at his residence. At his request, there will not be a service.

Edward was born April 18, 1960, in Caldwell, Idaho, to David and Katherine (Stapton) Stradley. In high school, he was on the football and baseball teams.

One of his favorite things to do was draw, and he also played pool.

Surviving relatives include his father, David; brothers, Harry and Gregory of North Powder; and uncles, Fred Halbreg and Eddie Halbreg.

He was preceded in death by his siblings, David, Scott, Rick, Duane, Terry, Sherie and Sue.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.lovelandfuneral-chapel.com.

Joseph Perez

1956-2021 • La Grande

Joseph Perez, 64, of La Grande, died March 30. A celebration of his life will be held May 1 at 11 a.m. in Corona Del Mar, California. A local celebration of life will take place at a later date.

Joseph was born Dec. 25, 1956, in Manhattan, New York, to Ana and Eaulalio Perez. He entered the U.S. Marine Corps in 1975 and obtained the rank of sergeant. Due to an injury he was unable to continue his service in the Marine Corps as he had planned.

After his honorable discharge from the Marine Corps, Joseph started his career at Lockheed Martin, Ontario, California, in 1985 as an aerospace engineer. As he continued his education he was then transferred to Lockheed Martin Skunk Works and worked on many classified projects as a mechanical engineer.

On Nov. 11, 1978, Joseph married Bonnie Jean Renault. They raised

two daughters: Jennifer Lynn and Erica Renee. Joseph and Bonnie have lived in La Grande since 2014.

Joseph had passion for family, hunting, fishing, music, shooting, martial arts, motorcycles, poker and so much more. He was an avid collector of skulls, guns, cars and Threes Stooges memorabilia.

Joseph was an excellent role model and shared his love for all things with his family and anyone he came in contact with. He was known for his quick wit and infectious smile and was cherished by many as a father figure.

Surviving relatives include his mother, Ana Perez; brother, Jorge Perez; wife of more than 42 years, Bonnie Perez; daughters, Jennifer Grace and Erica Perez; and eight grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Walter G. Haldenwang

1939-2021 • La Grande

Walter George Haldenwang, 81, of La Grande, died March 3 at his home. A



virtual memorial service will be announced at a later date. Burial will be at the Hartwick Cemetery in Hartwick, New York. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life



Celebration Center, La Grande.

Walter was born Dec. 12, 1939, in Jersey City, New Jersey, to Walter and Agnes (Mayer) Haldenwang. He was raised in New York and helped plant many trees on

Upcoming local services



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

April 18 — LARRY ROBBINS: 2 p.m. virtual celebration of life; contact family for details.

April 24 — RICHARD BIDWELL: 2 p.m. graveside service, Elgin Cemetery.

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

April 29-30 — ROBERT STALEY: 10 a.m. April 29 Recitation of the Rosary and 10:30 a.m. Mass of

Christian Burial, Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, La Grande; 2 p.m. April 30 graveside service, Juniper Haven Cemetery, Prineville.

May 1 — MICHELLE SANDOVAL: 10 a.m. celebration of life, Riverside Park Pavilion, La Grande.

May 17 — JERRY BROOKSHIRE: 2 p.m. graveside service, Union Historic Cemetery; reception follows at Catherine Creek Community Center, Union.

June 26 — DAVID COUNCIL: 1 p.m. celebration of life, North Powder City Park.

— calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande

the family property. After high school graduation he served in the U.S. Army. During his service he was stationed in Germany and was able to connect with family members there.

After his honorable discharge Walter went to forestry school in Munsville, New York. He worked as a forestry tech for the state of New York until his retirement in 1981. He continued to have a love of trees and the woods his entire life. He enjoyed hunting for deer and liked music.

In 2010 Walter moved from New York to La Grande to be near his dear friends and caretakers, Patricia and Michael Corcoran.

Walter was a member of the Jehovah's Witnesses in both New York and La Grande. He was a member of the North Side Jehovah's

Witnesses and was loved by many.

Surviving relatives include cousins in Germany and New York.

Robert J. Staley

La Grande

Robert J. Staley, 93, of La Grande, died April 10 at his residence. A Recitation of the Rosary will begin at 10 a.m. followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m. April 29 at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, La Grande. A graveside service will be held April 30 at 2 p.m. at Juniper Haven Cemetery, Prineville. Attendees must wear a mask and practice social distancing to meet COVID-19 guidelines at both locations. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Heritage Train rolls through La Grande



Alex Wittwer/The Observer

The Union Pacific Railroad Heritage Train passes along Adams Avenue outside La Grande on Friday, April 16, 2021, as it leaves the area. This train and its crew, which inspects track, were in La Grande for a few days. Union Pacific retired the City of Los Angeles passenger dining car from service in 1971 after Amtrak took over passenger train operations in the United States.

Lunch is on us



Alex Wittwer/The Observer

Rebecca Wortman of La Grande poses Wednesday, April 14, 2021, with the gift card she won to Side A Brewing, La Grande, for providing the top entry in The Observer's April Fools' Day contest.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 14

8:37 a.m. — A caller reported goats were loose on the 1300 block of South Third Street, Union.

1:46 p.m. — A caller reported the possible theft of a companion animal on the 100 block of West Arch Street, Union.

4:02 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of illegal dumping of garbage on the 1400 block of Fourth Street. An officer responded and located a suspect, who removed the trash.

4:25 p.m. — A caller on the 1600 block of Carolyn Terrace, Elgin, reported an ongoing problem with a teen burning garbage along

the ditch line. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded and did not observe any burned garbage but advised the caller to report when it happens.

5:34 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of an aggressive dog on the 800 block of North First Street, Union. An animal enforcement officer responded and warned the dog owner.

7:11 p.m. — A resident on the 1100 block of Bryan Street, Cove, reported youths shooting airsoft guns at a house. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded, contacted the parents of the juveniles and

resolved the situation.

9:45 p.m. — A Union County sheriff's deputy responded to the Summerville Store and Tavern, 301 Main St., Summerville, for a male who was out of control. The deputy trespassed the subject, who left.

10:41 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 700 block of Adams Avenue on a complaint about loud music and people yelling in the street. Officers did not hear any loud noises but contacted the tenant who said they would keep it down.

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

3:44 a.m. — A La

Grande police officer responded to the 800 block of 14th Street to check a building that had a light on inside. The officer found no problems at the site.

8:36 a.m. — A caller asked to speak to an officer about an assault at the Pioneer SK8 Park. An officer made contact and took a report.

11:49 a.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a request for a welfare check on a Cove resi-

dent. A deputy responded and everything was fine.

7:13 p.m. — A La Grande resident reported possible stalking. An officer made contact and referred the situation to the courts. Police also agreed to provide extra patrol.

8:50 p.m. — Law enforcement responded to the 600 block of Second Street, Cove, on a report of a disturbance. Police found the matter did not rise to a level of mandatory arrest.

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.

APRIL 19-23

Monday: lemon chicken, rice pilaf, sliced tomatoes, fruit, dessert.

Tuesday: taco salad with beef or chicken, chips and salsa, flan.

Wednesday: stuffed cabbage rolls, fresh fruit salad, sliced vegetables, cookie.

Thursday: chicken stir fry over noodles, salad greens, Italian breadsticks, fresh pineapple slices.

Friday: hand-crafted pizza, hearty garden salad, melon slices, cookie.

Children's free takeout

breakfast and lunch menu

Free breakfast and lunch for anyone age 18 and younger, available on days school is in session. Pick up 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at any La Grande elementary school. Fresh vegetables, seasonal fruit

and 1% milk are offered daily. To-go meals are handed out at La Grande schools for on-campus students.

APRIL 19-23

CENTRAL AND ISLAND CITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

Monday: BREAKFAST: cocoa puffed rice cereal bar, cheese stick, fresh fruit; LUNCH: crispy chicken sub, warm cinnamon apples.

Tuesday: BREAKFAST: cherry frudel, canned fruit; LUNCH: ham and cheese bagel sandwich.

Wednesday: BREAKFAST: pancake on a stick, fresh fruit; LUNCH: BBQ rib sandwich, baked beans.

Thursday: BREAKFAST: ham-egg-cheese bagel, orange juice; LUNCH: chicken Caesar salad, dinner roll.

Friday: BREAKFAST: cinnamon-cream-cheese-filled bagel, canned fruit; LUNCH: corn dog, tater tots.

GREENWOOD

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Monday: BREAKFAST: breakfast muffin, cheese stick, fruit or juice; LUNCH: BBQ rib sandwich.

Tuesday: BREAKFAST: mini French

toast, fruit or juice; LUNCH: sloppy joe, cucumber-ranch salad.

Wednesday: BREAKFAST: cinnamon roll, fruit or juice; LUNCH: beef tacos, black-bean salsa.

Thursday: BREAKFAST: breakfast burrito, fruit or juice; LUNCH: chicken waffle sandwich, warm cinnamon apples.

Friday: BREAKFAST: mini pancakes fruit or juice; LUNCH: pizza!

LA GRANDE HIGH AND MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Monday: BREAKFAST: strawberry yogurt, graham crackers, fresh fruit; LUNCH: Philly sandwich.

Tuesday: BREAKFAST: apple frudel, canned fruit; LUNCH: beef taco salad, black-bean salsa.

Wednesday: BREAKFAST: French toast sticks, fresh fruit; LUNCH: crispy chicken sub.

Thursday: BREAKFAST: breakfast burrito, orange juice; LUNCH: sloppy joe.

Friday: BREAKFAST: strawberry toaster pastry, cheese stick, canned fruit; LUNCH: fish sandwich with cheese, coleslaw.