

COMMUNITY

Meetings

• **LA GRANDE** — The La Grande School District Budget Committee will be meeting for its first budget meeting Wednesday, June 2, at 6:30 p.m. and its second budget meeting the following Monday, June 9, at 5:30 p.m. Both meetings will take place in the Willow gym, 1305 N. Willow St. The public may attend in person or view the livestream at www.lagrandesd.org (go to the School Board tab for further information).

• **ELGIN** — A budget meeting for the Wallowa Union Railroad Authority will begin at 4 p.m. Thursday, June 3, at the Elgin Depot, 300 Depot St. The Budget Committee will discuss and approve the budget for the fiscal year 2021-22. To attend via phone, call 1-888-520-8955 (code 89625#).

Briefs

Little League parade canceled

LA GRANDE — The La Grande Little League season is underway, but the annual parade in downtown La Grande will not be held. The Little League board voted to cancel the parade as it could create COVID-19 concerns "and we just want the kids to play without their season being affected," according to a press release. For more information go to www.lagrandelittleleague.net.

Creating Memories plans open house

WALLOWA LAKE VILLAGE — Creating Memories for Disabled Children is having a Founder's Day Celebration at its camp (the former Boy Scout camp on Pollock Road) Saturday, May 29, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The community is invited to come learn about the organization and its plans for the future. Shuttle service will be provided from the Wallowa Lake marina's parking lot. The event will include free lunch from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., door prizes, games, face painting, live music and karaoke. Call 541-398-0169 or visit www.creatingmemoriesfordisabledchildren.com for more information.

Lottery

Megabucks: \$3 million

14-16-17-19-39-47

Powerball: \$218 million

3-19-27-37-40 — PB 8 x2

Mega Millions: \$515 million

6-9-17-18-48 — MB 8 x3

Win for Life: May 22

6-8-39-60

Pick 4: May 23

• 1 p.m.: 7-4-3-0; 4 p.m.: 0-5-3-9

• 7 p.m.: 5-5-3-2; • 10 p.m.: 0-5-3-9

Pick 4: May 22

• 1 p.m.: 6-0-1-4; • 4 p.m.: 7-4-8-8

• 7 p.m.: 4-9-4-1; • 10 p.m.: 4-3-4-1

Pick 4: May 21

• 1 p.m.: 6-6-8-2; • 4 p.m.: 3-6-6-8

• 7 p.m.: 3-0-3-2; • 10 p.m.: 0-0-7-3

DELIVERY ISSUES?

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

FRIDAY, MAY 21

8:32 a.m. — La Grande police responded to a residence on the 1900 block of Cove Avenue for a domestic disturbance. Police separated the parties.

10:10 a.m. — A caller reported criminal mischief on the 2400 block of Riddle Road, La Grande. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and took a report.

1:33 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of a dog on the loose in the area of Island and Monroe avenues, La Grande. An animal enforcement officer responded but did not find the dog.

2:22 p.m. — A caller reported finding a dog at Benton Park, La Grande. An animal enforcement officer responded and took the dog to the Blue Mountain Humane Association, La Grande.

3:34 p.m. — A caller reported a dog on the loose at Third Street and D Avenue, La Grande. Dispatch advised the animal enforcement officer.

3:58 p.m. — A caller complained about dogs at large in the area of West Arch and North 10th streets, Union. Then the owner called in so say they were picking up the dogs.

4:10 p.m. — And one more call about a dog. This time a caller reported finding a dog on the 1600 block of Alder Street, La Grande. An animal enforcement officer responded and returned the dog to its owner.

6:26 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of people being careless with all-terrain vehicles at O Avenue and Cherry Street, La Grande. An officer responded, found the juveniles at their home

and counseled them.

10:20 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1500 block of 21st Street on a report of a disturbance. Officers resolved the situation.

SATURDAY, MAY 22

6:26 a.m. — A caller reported a dog at large in the area of 63200 Highway 203, La Grande.

7:37 a.m. — Yes, another report of a dog on the loose, this one in the area of Sixth Street and O Avenue, La Grande.

10:03 a.m. — A caller reported animal abuse at a location in Elgin. An animal enforcement officer contacted the caller and took information.

10:19 a.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of goats at large on Courtney Lane, Summerville. An animal enforcement officer contacted the owner about the goats.

4:21 p.m. — A caller complained about a dog at Riverside Park, La Grande. An animal enforcement officer took information.

8:07 p.m. — A caller reported a possible violation of a no-contact order on the 1400 block of X Avenue, La Grande. An officer responded and arrested Katherine Danielle Ibarra, 39, for violating a no-contact order.

9:40 p.m. — A caller reported a suspicious person near the Dollar Tree at the La Grande Town Center, 2212 Island Ave., La Grande. An officer responded and had the person leave.

11:22 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1600 block of Seventh Street on a report of a loud party. An officer counseled the subjects, who moved the gathering indoors.

SUNDAY, MAY 23

7:25 a.m. — La Grande police responded to report of a burglary at a residence on the 2500 block of Ash Street. An officer determined the call was unfounded.

11:56 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the 2200 block of Gekeler Lane for a two-vehicle collision. Officers took a report.

3:22 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Team received a report of two children, ages 6 and 9, who had become separated from their family off of the U.S. Forest Service 4305 Road west of Ladd Canyon, and the family's search for them had been unsuccessful. Patrol deputies, search and rescue and Forest Service law enforcement responded. The SAR team reported the children found their way out to the family's vehicle just prior to units arriving on scene. The team on its Facebook page reminded adults to talk to children about what to do if you get separated and make sure they are prepared with appropriate clothing and a signaling device, such as a whistle.

7:13 p.m. — A caller reported juveniles caused a disturbance on the 600 block of Elm Street, Cove. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded and will follow up.

10 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1500 block of Adams Avenue on a report of a domestic disturbance. Officers found people were arguing and the circumstances did not rise to the level of a mandatory arrest.

11:44 p.m. — A caller reported the theft of a vehicle from the 400 block of North 10th Avenue, Elgin. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded and took a report.

OBITUARIES

Betty V. (Williams) Alam

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Betty Verle Alam, 96, of La Grande, died May 18, 2021, at her home. A memorial graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. June 5 at Grandview Cemetery. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.



Betty was born Nov. 4, 1924, in Silverton to Arthur B. and Hallie D. (George) Williams. She graduated from Silverton High School. She worked as a private secretary to Spud Olson at CP National/OTEC for many years. On Feb. 7, 1977, she married George Alam in St. Anthony, Idaho.

Betty loved crocheting, tating, knitting and sewing. She enjoyed the outdoors, four-wheeling and snowmobiling. Surviving relatives include her children and their spouses, John and Kim Satterlee of Anacortes, Washington, and Karen and Dennis Fenn of La Grande; two grand-

children; and three great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her husband and one brother.

Memorial contributions may be made to Heart 'n Home Hospice, 2104 Cove Ave., Suite A, La Grande 97850.

Audrey S. Simer

La Grande

Audrey S. Simer, 81, of La Grande, died May 23 at a local care facility. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Esther Rickert

Union

Esther Rickert, 85, of Union, died May 22 in Baker City. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Beverly A. Ledridge

Formerly of Island City

Beverly Arlene Ledridge, 83, formerly of Island City, died Oct. 15, 2019, in Richland, Washington. A graveside memorial service will be held May 29, 2021, at 1 p.m. at the Summerville Cemetery.

Upcoming local services



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

May 29 — BEVERLY LEDRIDGE: 1 p.m. memorial graveside service, Summerville Cemetery.

May 30 — CANDY WILLIAMS: noon to 2 p.m. celebration of life, Elgin Community Center.

June 5 — BETTY ALAM: 11 a.m. memorial graveside service, Grandview Cemetery, La Grande.

June 5 — BARBARA "BOBBY" BUCE:

11 a.m. memorial service, Damascus Road Community Church, La Grande.

June 6 — ERMAL GOUCHER: 11 a.m. celebration of life, Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande; reception immediately follows at Island City City Hall.

June 14 — GERALD RIMBEY: 10 a.m. graveside service, Island City Cemetery; reception follows at 11 a.m. at La Grande Christian Church.

June 26 — SALLY TOUCHE-MOSER: 1-3 p.m. celebration of life open house, 404 Depot St., Enterprise. — calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande

Local students earn academic distinction

KADEN MCCLURE, ELGIN

ELGIN — William Kaden McClure, son of William Kirt and Misty McClure, was awarded a \$2,500 renewable scholarship (total value \$10,000) by Boise Cascade.

The Elgin High School student plans to attend George Fox University as a pre-med student and to pursue a career in pediatric cardiology. According to a press release, Kaden has been involved in sports and many after-school organizations and has learned the value of working on a team and living a healthy lifestyle.

MADDISON HARVEY, ELGIN

UNION COUNTY — Maddison Harvey, Elgin High School, has been selected as the recipient of the 2021-2022 Union County PEO Tri-Chapter Scholarship. This \$3,000 scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating senior girl who will be attending Eastern Oregon University. Scholarship applications are evaluated for academic achievement, community service, financial need and commitment to higher education.

The scholarship is funded by the three local chapters of PEO, a philanthropic organization dedicated to the education of women.

SOPHIA PETTIT, COVE

OGDEN, Utah — Weber State University awarded Sophia Pettit of Cove with the honor of Academic Excellence for the spring 2021 semester. Pettit is studying family studies in the Moyes College of Education and gar-



Boise Cascade/Contributed photo **Kaden McClure of Elgin has received a \$2,500 scholarship from Boise Cascade. McClure plans to attend George Fox University.**

nered the distinction by maintaining a GPA of at least 3.50.

The achievement of earning Academic Excellence is difficult under normal circumstances but was made especially challenging with the added pressure of handling the mental and emotional impact of a global pandemic, political unrest and an unusual learning environment, noted the press release. Less face-to-face instruction and interaction, as well as limited engagement with peers,

meant students had to demonstrate their grit and determination to maintain their high academic standards.

CERA MYKALE KING, JOSEPH

ADELPHI, Maryland — Cera Mykale King of Joseph earned a bachelor of arts in graphic communication from University of Maryland Global Campus (UMGC). The university held a virtual stateside commencement May 15.

A pioneer in distance education since 1947, University of Maryland Global Campus (formerly University of Maryland University College) meets the learning needs of students whose responsibilities may include jobs, family and military service. UMGC now offers classes to military service personnel and their families at more than 175 locations in more than 20 countries. More than half of the university's students are active-duty military personnel and their families, members of the National Guard and veterans.

— The Observer

Creating Memories
YOU ARE INVITED TO OUR FOUNDER'S DAY —BBQ—
Sat. May 29, 2021 • 10am - 4pm
 Creating Memories Camp @ Wallowa Lake

Tour our camp property, hike the waterfall and enjoy a FREE lunch (11am-1pm). PELASE park at the Marina parking lot. We will provide shuttle service to the camp property! Due to COVID-19 guidelines physical distancing will be maintained.

Door Prizes, Games, Face Painting, Live Music and Karaoke!

Marlon W. Bryant

December 9, 1938 - December 3, 2020

Celebration of life will be held Sunday, May 30, 2021 beginning at NOON, Irish Wake style at the ranch. Dinner will be ready - bring a dish if you'd like.

Marion was born Dec. 9, 1938 at home in Princeton, Ca. and passed Dec 3, 2020 home at the ranch where he wanted.

Marlon graduated from Princeton High School in 1957. He was a supply sergeant in the National Guard for two years.

He married Susie Roper in Reno, NV. Their meeting happened when he was dating her boss and one day, she was busy and suggested that Marlon and Susie go out instead and that was that.

Marlon lived in Princeton for the first part of his life and then in Lostine in Eastern Oregon. He spent the rest of his life on his ranch in Elgin. He worked for Boise Cascade as a millwright (or millwrong as he put it) for 30+ years until he retired to the ranch with Carmie Bunde who loved it as much as he did.

Marlon loved to hunt. He had elk camp with a special group of guys. His love of hunting even took him up to Canada where he bagged a moose and a lifelong friend Mary Dirkatch. He fished, went to the coast for tuna and loved being with the coast crew. He loved Nascar and rodeo and attended Pendleton Round-Up for 50 years, "Let 'er Buck".

He did a lot of gardening and tree farming and hunting and just watching the wildlife. He loved and celebrated St Patty's Day and Memorial Day in the spring.

He would love to be remembered for: his Children, his Grandchildren, family and



the Ranch he created for all, and for his love for all people. If he wasn't your friend you hadn't met him yet.

Marlon loved 3 women in his life - Susie Roper, Mary Dirkatch and Carmie Bunde.

With Susie he had 4 children; 2 daughters, Lani Russell and Katherine Carradine and two boys; Juvi Bryant (deceased early), and Rowy Bryant.

Marlon's parents were Robert "Duke" and Jessie O (Chandley) Bryant. His grandparents: Wesley and Henrietta (Franks) Bryant, Bert and Tina (Williams) Chandley.

He is survived by his brother Dwace; his daughters Katherine and Lani; his son Rowy and 4 beautiful grandchildren; Jessie, Faith, Beulah and Haven.

He was preceded in death and will be welcomed by three brothers; Brenhard, Rymun, and Lennard who died at birth; one sister, Sandra, who died young, both of his parents; one son and all of his grandparents; his two wives, Susie and Carmie; many friends and his beloved pets Grik (a border collie who rounded up the kids) and a parrot, Jojo, who rounded up the grandkids.

For information or directions call

Lani at (971) 226-9057 or Katherine at (702) 860-1857

He loved Us and we love Him More, More, More