

## PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

9:18 a.m. — A caller reported a kitten in traffic at South McAlister Road and Leonard Lane, Island City. An animal enforcement officer responded and retrieved the kitten.

10:05 a.m. — A caller on the 71800 block of Palmer Junction Road, Elgin, asked to speak to local law enforcement regarding possible animal neglect. An animal enforcement officer made contact and took information.

1:43 p.m. — A caller asked to speak to an animal enforcement officer regarding threats about cats. An animal enforcement officer made contact and took information.

3:48 p.m. — La Grande police received a request to check on a person having mental issues. An officer made contact and found the person was fine and explained options.

9:15 p.m. — La Grande police received a tip that juveniles were planning to fight at Greenwood Street and Adams Avenue. Local law enforcement checked out the area but did not find any fighting.

11:09 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of a theft at Cook Memorial Library, 2006 Fourth St. An officer made contact and took a report.

## THURSDAY, JULY 15

6:09 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1100 block of Jefferson Avenue on a report of a car prowler. An officer checked the area but did not find a prowler.

8:45 a.m. — A caller reported possible animal neglect on the 300 block of Inverness Street, Summerville. An animal enforcement officer made contact and took information.

11:08 a.m. — A caller reported animal neglect on the 700 block of North Bellwood Street, Union. An animal enforcement officer made contact and planned to follow up.

11:12 a.m. — And a caller reported possible animal neglect on the 2000 block of First Street, La Grande. Dispatch logged information for animal enforcement.

4:53 p.m. — A caller told La Grande police someone stole clothes from Blue Mountain Coin-op Laundry, 712 20th St., La Grande. An officer made contact and took information.

8:30 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of juveniles riding bicycles in the road at Cove Avenue and Willow Street. An officer responded but did not find the riders.

10:37 p.m. — A caller reported a possible intoxicated driver on the 1500 block of Adams Avenue, La Grande. Officers responded and found everything was fine.

## UPCOMING LOCAL SERVICES



**July 17 — JERRY RICKMAN:** 1 p.m. celebration of life, Johansen residence on Miller Lane, Union.

**July 18 — RAY STINNETT:** 10 a.m. celebration of life, Ray and Patti's ranch on Morgan Lake Road, La Grande.

**July 23 — GLENNIS PHILLIPS:** noon to 5 p.m. memorial gathering, Catherine Creek Community Center (the

former Methodist Church) in Union; food will be provided.

**July 24 — MARYLYN SUAREZ:** 11 a.m. celebration of life, Enterprise Christian Church.

**July 24 — JAMES THOMPSON:** 2 p.m. celebration of life, Cove Ascension School.

**July 31 — PAUL & OZIE SMITH:** 11 a.m. joint memorial service, Summerville Baptist Church (casual dress preferred).

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

## COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

## MEETINGS

• **UNION** — A regular session of the Union Rural Fire Protection District Board will begin at 7 p.m. Tuesday, July 20, at the fire hall. For more information, contact Kim George, Union RFPD clerk, at 541-910-3114 or union.rfpd@outlook.com.

• **IMBLER** — The Imbler School District Board of Directors will meet Tuesday, July 20, at 7 p.m. in Room 1 of the high school. The agenda includes the swearing in of new board members Jason Beck and Joe Fisher and an executive session for the purpose of labor negotiations. The public is welcome to attend all open sessions of the Imbler School Board.

## BRIEFS

## Side A Brewing hosts one-man band Saturday

LA GRANDE — Side A Brewing, 1219 Washington Ave., La Grande, is hosting free live music in its outdoor back patio this summer. The Side A-lley Concert on Saturday, July 17, begins at 7 p.m. featuring Travelin' Miles, described as a "one-man-suitcase band." A solo act utilizing guitar, banjo, harmonica and a homemade suitcase percussion kit, Travelin' Miles is a Boise-based multifaceted performer.

Next Friday, July 23, at 7 p.m., Jamie Nasario of Echo takes the patio stage. Nasario's soul-driven voice and bluesy repertoire is backed by gui-



travelinmiles.com

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tarist Luke Basile.

## Weekly walk-in art workshop features printmaking

JOSEPH — The Joseph Center for Arts and Culture, 403 N. Main St., Joseph, is offering a weekly "Walk-in Wednesday Workshop" from 10 a.m. to noon.

A new painting or drawing art project will be introduced each week. From July 21 to Aug. 4, the focus will be on printmaking. The cost is \$20

per session. For more information or to sign up, call 541-432-0505 or visit [www.josephy.org](http://www.josephy.org).

## Art center seeks teaching artists with diverse talents

LA GRANDE — Most in-person classes will return at Art Center East, La Grande, in the fall, the art center announced. Teaching artists are sought to fill the calendar with a diverse selection. If you have an artistic skill that you would like to share, ACE invites you to fill out a class proposal outlining your unique artistic talents and perspective

"Our definition of art includes more than just the visual arts: music, dance, cooking, writing, traditional arts (like welding, blacksmithing, knitting, quilting, and basket weaving), healing arts, digital arts, and much more," stated the center's press release.

Frequently requested mediums include painting, ceramics, fiber arts, glass, jewelry, writing, drawing, kids' classes, culinary and photography. Specific requests include macrame, felting, embroidery, beading, shibori, watercolor, card making, meditation/mindfulness, batik, sculpture, foreign language, international cooking, stained glass and collage.

If you have questions or would like help developing your idea for a class, call ACE at 541-624-2800 or email [programsdirector@artcentereast.org](mailto:programsdirector@artcentereast.org).

— *The Observer*

## DEATH &amp; SERVICE NOTICES

Melvin L. Elder  
Formerly of La Grande

Melvin L. Elder, 97, of Sisters and formerly of La Grande, died July 14, 2021, at a care facility. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Marilyn Y. Davis Suarez  
Joseph

Marilyn Y. Davis Suarez, 76, of Joseph, died June 1, 2021. A celebration of her life will be held July 24 at 11 a.m. at the Enterprise Christian Church. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

## BIRTHS

## GRANDE RONDE HOSPITAL

**BLANCHARD:** Cason Lane Blanchard, July 5, 2021, son of Julia Michelle Souther and Joel Daniel Blanchard, of Baker City. Grandparents are Tammy, Russell, Geri and Alan.

**REDES:** Ella Redes, July 2, 2021, daughter of Angela Redes and Jefferson Redes, of La Grande.

**WELLEY:** Vivienne Blaire Welley, June 26, 2021, daughter of Sarah Katherine Welley and James Angelo Welley, of La Grande.

**YILMA-KENNY:** Sitiana Yilma-Kenny, July 3, 2021, daughter of Emily Helen Yilma-Kenny and Paulos Yilma-Kenny, of La Grande. Grandparents are Tom and Leslie Kenny.

## ON THE MENU

Union County Senior Center  
takeout lunch menu

Served 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.

## July 19-23

**Monday:** fish and chips, baked beans, cabbage slaw, fruit garnish, dessert.

**Tuesday:** Mandarin chicken over rice pilaf, salad greens, baked bread, fresh fruit.

**Wednesday:** roast beef, red potatoes, brown gravy, spinach salad, rolls, fresh fruit, dessert.

**Thursday:** hand-crafted pizza, salad greens, fresh fruit, cookie.

**Friday:** shrimp croissant sandwich or turkey sandwich, pasta salad, fresh melon, lemon chiffon ice cream.

Union County kids  
free summer  
grab-and-go  
lunch menu

Free grab-and-go lunch for anyone ages 1-18, served Monday-Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Riviera Activity Center, 2609 Second St., La Grande.

Lunch for adults is \$4. Milk is available with all meals.

## July 19-23

**Monday:** fish and chips, coleslaw, fresh fruit, ice cream.

**Tuesday:** orange chicken with noodles, cabbage slaw, fresh fruit, dessert.

**Wednesday:** super dogs, salad, veggie sticks, fresh fruit, cookie.

**Thursday:** pizza, green salad, fresh fruit, dessert.

**Friday:** corn dogs, steak fries, veggie sticks, fresh fruit, cookie.

## Summer Lunch in the Park a huge hit with children

## By RONALD BOND

Wallowa County Chieftain

ENTERPRISE — The summer lunch program in Wallowa County is booming.

In the first four weeks, which is the midway point of the eight-week program, there have been 1,658 lunches distributed to youths at three locations throughout the county, an average of about 415 each week, according to Susie Polumsky, coordinator of the free Summer Lunch in the Park program organized by Building Healthy Families.

"Just as families rely on school lunches during the school year, summer lunches help families stretch their food budgets while providing nutritious healthy meals for their children," Polumsky said.

The program, which BHF has been running since 2016, started this year on June 14 and runs through Aug. 5.

"The summer lunch program has so many positive impacts. Not only does it put healthy meals into the hands of kids, it also provides an opportunity for positive connection, getting kids outside and building community," said BHF Executive Director Maria Weer. "It is definitely one of my favorite programs that Building Healthy Families offers."

Due to the lingering COVID-19 pandemic, the lunches are being distributed in a grab-and-go fashion. Polumsky said each meal has to meet a required list of items: meat, grain, fruit, vegetables and milk.

Polumsky said the number of kids who pick up lunches at Enterprise City Park varies daily. On Wednesday, July 7, 30 youths had lunch in Enterprise through the program,



Ronald Bond/Wallowa County Chieftain

Andrea Mildrexler with Building Healthy Families, right, passes lunches to Trinity Schoeszler, left, and her sister, Tessaray, on Wednesday, July 7, 2021, at Enterprise City Park.

and more than 100 were given out across the county. She said the highest number in one day at Enterprise this summer has been 56.

"It's a slower day here today, but some are like that," she said July 7. "But we're getting kids food."

In all, 600 lunches have been distributed in Joseph, 544 in Enterprise and 514 in Wallowa so far this summer.

Paul Schoeszler, of Enterprise, was with his daughters, Tessaray and Trinity, as the girls picked up their lunches July 7.

He said the girls usually get lunch there a couple times each week.

"The benefit of it is (it's) organized, healthy food versus on-the-fly food," he said. "They love it."

Schools across the county also used the pro-

gram to serve lunch to students who were in their summer enrichment programs.

"The families are

really grateful to have this service is the message we get back," Polumsky said.

Weer noted that while the USDA provides reimbursement for the program, food costs are the primary source of that refunding. Donations make up the difference.

"Staffing, transportation and activities require extra funding. Summer Lunch in the Park would not be possible without the amazing support of our community," she said. "Each year civic groups, partner agencies and individuals provide monetary donations that allow us to feed kids across Wallowa County."

She said many families — and children — are glad to have the option during the summer.

## Grande Ronde Hospital and Clinics proudly welcomes:

## Anna Lanman, FNP-C, DNP

To the GRH Union Clinic team as a Family Nurse Practitioner

Join us in welcoming Family Nurse Practitioner Anna Lanman to the GRH Union Clinic team of primary care providers! After relocating to La Grande from rural southwest Montana, Anna attended Eastern Oregon University, after which she completed a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN),



Anna Lanman, FNP-C, DNP

Master of Science in Nursing (MSN), and most recently, her Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) with an emphasis in rural health care through Oregon Health & Science University. She has additional nursing experience in pediatric critical care, adult hospice care, and child welfare services. Anna has particular interests in rural health care, and full-spectrum family medicine including pediatrics, palliative care, and advance care planning. Outside the realm of health care, Anna loves all outdoor activities, attending sporting events, art and design, and spending time with her family and dogs. Call the clinic to make an appointment with Anna today!

## GRH Union Clinic

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To learn more about Anna and the rest of the Union Clinic team, take a look at our online provider directory at [grh.org](http://grh.org).



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