

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

FRIDAY, AUG. 3

6:03 a.m. — La Grande police responded to a complaint about criminal mischief at Community Connection's Public Transit, 1504 N. Albany St., and arrested Brandon Louis Buckley, 24, transient, for a stalking order violation.

1:54 p.m. — La Grande police returned to Community Connection's Public Transit on a report of indecent exposure. An officer resolved the situation.

3:13 p.m. — A Union County sheriff's office responded to Interstate 84 near milepost 253 for a domestic disturbance. The deputy separated the parties.

3:30 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 2400 block of Century Loop on a report of a disturbance and arrested Rodrick Warren Smith, 53, for fourth-degree assault and second-degree trespass.

10:03 p.m. — A caller reported harassment at a business at La Grande Town Center, 2212 Island Ave., La Grande. An officer responded and contacted the Center for Human Development, La Grande.

SATURDAY, AUG. 4

10:47 a.m. — A caller reported animal abuse on the 600 block of North Sixth Avenue, Elgin.

12:47 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of a resident who was suffering a mental or emotional crisis. Officers responded and gave the person resources to contact.

8:17 p.m. — La Grande police responded to Wendy's, 2304 Island Ave., La Grande, on a report of two males yelling at each other. An officer found they were arguing and resolved the situation.

8:44 p.m. — Local law enforcement received the first of numerous calls reporting fireworks. The first report came from the vicinity of 66200 Hunter Road, Summerville. The second call came in at 8:52 p.m. from the 1000 block of Galveston Street, Elgin. Another a couple of minutes later reported fireworks at East Fulton and West Harrison streets, La Grande. Calls also came in from Terra Lea Court and the 2300 block of Jefferson Avenue, La Grande, and from the 600 block of Detroit Street, Elgin.

SUNDAY, AUG. 5

1:40 a.m. — La Grande police arrested Damian A. Bernard, 57, for driving under the influence of intoxicants, two counts of reckless endangering and one for driving while suspended.

10:47 a.m. — A caller reported animal neglect in the area of 63200 Highway 203, La Grande.

2:56 p.m. — La Grande police responded to a residence on a report of a person suffering a mental or emotional crisis and provided resources.

6:18 p.m. — A female screamed and threw items at Bubbles Laundry, 2001 Adams Ave., La Grande. Police responded and trespassed the woman from the business.

8:10 p.m. — A resident on the 2800 block of Minam Court, La Grande, complained about an ongoing problem with barking dogs.

11:52 p.m. — A call from the 1400 block of Cedar Street, La Grande, reported someone threw something at a house but there was no damage. An officer responded and arranged for extra patrols.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

MEETINGS

• LA GRANDE — The Union Soil and Water Conservation District's monthly board meeting will be held virtually and via call-in on Wednesday, Sept. 8, at 7 p.m. To view the access instructions, go to www.unionswcd.org, or contact the Union SWCD staff at 541-963-1313 for more information. Principal subjects to be discussed are monthly financial statements, staff reports and partner agency reports.

BRIEFS

Free grab-and-go meals available to all children

LA GRANDE — This school year, the La Grande School District will continue to provide grab-and-go meals at Island City Elementary and Central Elementary schools from noon to 12:30 p.m. each school day. Breakfast and lunch will be included in each bag. Meals are free for children up to 18 years of age, regardless of where or if they attend school. In addition, students on La Grande campuses will receive both breakfast and lunch free of charge this year.

—The Observer

Patti J. (Leonard) Comstock

1953-2021
La Grande

Patti Jean Comstock, 68, of La Grande, died Aug. 16, 2021. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

Patti was born July 24, 1953, in La Grande, where she was raised and educated. In her youth she was on the diving team, a sport at which she excelled. In junior high she volunteered as a candy striper at the hospital. After graduating from La Grande High School in 1971, she attended Treasure Valley Community College.

Patti worked as a waitress for more than 40 years and enjoyed it very much. Her last and favorite waitressing job was at The Plaza in Ontario, after which she retired and returned to the La Grande she loved. She later worked as a caregiver for Adult and Family Services for a few years until retiring again.

Patti was a private but spiritual person and enjoyed reading scriptures. Everyone who knew her was aware she loved watching Judge Judy on TV and was an avid Broncos fan, both Denver and Boise State. She also enjoyed racing stock cars and bowling.

Mostly she loved spending time with her family, children and grandchildren, and special friends Lonnie Wade and Roberta Cochran.

Surviving relatives include her son, Mike Cathey of Jerome, Idaho; daughters, Tracy Churchill of Alaska and Tammy Skinner of Vancouver, Washington; brothers, Gordon Leonard of Valencia, California, Bobby Leonard of Boise and David Leonard of Battleground, Washington; sister, Mary Ann Creson of Cove; 11 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

She was preceded in death by her siblings, John Leonard and Priscilla Croner.

Memorial contributions may be made to Camp Elkanah in care of the La Grande First Baptist Church, 1110 Spring Ave., La Grande 97850.



Comstock

DEATH NOTICES

Sally J. Barrow
La Grande

Sally J. Barrow, 74, of La Grande, died Aug. 31, 2021. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

Arthur 'Art' R. Gruis
Formerly of La Grande

Arthur "Art" R. Gruis, 92, formerly of La Grande, died Aug. 25, 2021, in Portland. There will be a family graveside service at a later date.

Glen Henry
La Grande

Glen Henry, 101, of La Grande, died Sept. 5, 2021. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

Beverly Kleng
La Grande

Beverly Kleng, 92, of La Grande, died Sept. 4, 2021, at her home. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

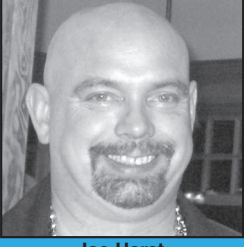
Teresa Miniard
La Grande

Teresa Miniard, 62, of La Grande, died Sept. 3, 2021, at Grande Ronde Hospital. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Mary P. Trump
Elgin

Mary Pearl Trump, 78, of Elgin, died Aug. 29, 2021. A celebration of her life will be held Sept. 11 at 1 p.m. at the Elgin Community Center. Arrangements are by Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Halfway.

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OBITUARIES

Verna M. Feik
1935-2021
La Grande

Verna May Feik, 85, of La Grande, died Aug. 28, 2021, at Grande Ronde Hospital. A service will begin at 11 a.m. Sept. 11 at the Island City Cemetery. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

Verna was born Dec. 17, 1935, in Council, Idaho, the first child of John "Norman" Feik and Eliza Arline (Hansen) Feik. The family moved shortly thereafter to La Grande, where she was raised, educated and lived for the remainder of her life. She attended Riveria Elementary, La Grande Junior High School and graduated from La Grande High School with the class of 1954.

Verna worked for many years at the Sacajawea Annex, operating the elevator and doing laundry and house-keeping until the hotel closed. She then worked for Eastern Oregon University as a custodian until her retirement.

Verna was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and was active in the fourth ward for many years but most recently in the third ward. She was an avid reader and had an extensive collection of books.

Verna wasn't much of a joiner and was more of a loner, but she did attend a club that was started with her mother called Sew & So. During World War II they made bandages, etc., for the war effort and did their mending and sewing.

Later the club did more catching up on each other's families and community happenings.

Surviving relatives include her daughter and son-in-law, Joyce and Ray Arp of Twin Falls, Idaho; siblings and their spouses, Marianne and Gene Fulmer of La Grande, Norma and Rodney Kohler of Meridian, Idaho, Lory Feik of Gresham, and John E. and Marilyn Feik of Camas, Washington; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a grandson, Jason Robert Arp.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Humanitarian Aid Fund, LDS Philanthropies, 1450 N. University Ave., Provo, UT 84604.



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Judy Fay LacQuaye (Patton)
February 27, 1957 - August 21, 2021

Judy Fay LacQuaye of McMinnville, Oregon, formerly of La Grande, passed on August 21, 2021 at Willamette Valley Medical Center in McMinnville, Oregon. Family will hold a private memorial.

Judy was born on February 27, 1957 in Morganfield, Kentucky, to the late Robert Bowman and Diamond Fay Gross. Mrs. LacQuaye was retired from Summitview Healthcare Center in Washington, where she was employed for many years as a Certified Nurse's Assistant making a positive impact on the residents and families under her care.

Undoubtedly, you wouldn't be with her long before you heard all about her wonderful children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She consistently praised the mother that her daughter has become, and was thankful that she absorbed the role as glue of the family. Furthermore, she was proud of her boys' service in the United States Air Force, ever speaking of their journeys across the globe.

Those who preceded her in death include her parents, Robert Bowman and Diamond Gross; husband, Robert LacQuaye.

Those left to forever cherish her memory are her brother, Robert (Nanci) Bowman of New Hampshire; daughter, Kamie (Chris) Chenoweth of McMinnville; sons, Anthony (Erica) Molina who is stationed in Germany, Christopher (Samantha) Patton who is stationed in England; grandchildren, Carleen (Isaac) Wooten, Hannah Chenoweth, Andrea Chenoweth, Hunter Molina, Tanner Molina, Scarlett Patton, and Bryce Patton. She is also survived by two great-grandchildren, Nathaniel Wooten and Brielle Wooten. To leave online condolences, please visit www.macyandson.com.



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