

TODAY

On Nov. 20, 1945, 22 former Nazi officials went on trial before an international war crimes tribunal in Nuremberg, Germany. (Almost a year later, the International Military Tribunal sentenced 12 of the defendants to death; seven received prison sentences ranging from 10 years to life; three were acquitted.)

In 1789, New Jersey became the first state to ratify the Bill of Rights.

In 1947, Britain's future queen, Princess Elizabeth, married Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh, at Westminster Abbey.

In 1952, President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower announced his selection of John Foster Dulles to be his secretary of state.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy held a news conference in which he announced the end of the naval quarantine of Cuba imposed during the missile crisis, and the signing of an executive order prohibiting discrimination in federal housing facilities.

In 1967, the U.S. Census Bureau's Population Clock at the Commerce Department ticked past 200 million.

In 1976, the boxing drama "Rocky," starring Sylvester Stallone, premiered in New York.

In 1984, pop star Michael Jackson was inducted into the Hollywood Walk of Fame with the unveiling of his star in front of a horde of screaming fans.

In 1985, the first version of Microsoft's Windows operating system, Windows 1.0, was officially released.

In 2000, lawyers for Al Gore and George W. Bush battled before the Florida Supreme Court over whether the presidential election recount should be allowed to continue.

In 2003, Michael Jackson was booked on suspicion of child molestation in Santa Barbara, California. (Jackson was later acquitted at trial.) Record producer Phil Spector was charged with murder in the shooting death of an actor, Lana Clarkson, at his home in Alhambra, California. (Spector's first trial ended with a hung jury in 2007; he was convicted of second-degree murder in 2009 and sentenced to 19 years to life in prison. He died in January 2021.)

In 2012, former boxing champion Hector "Macho" Camacho was shot while sitting in a car in his hometown of Bayamon, Puerto Rico. (Camacho died four days later after doctors removed him from life support.)

In 2015, Jonathan Pollard, a former U.S. Navy intelligence analyst, was released from prison after 30 years behind bars for spying for Israel. (After five years of parole, Pollard moved to Israel in December 2020.)

Today's Birthdays: Actor Estelle Parsons is 94. Comedian Dick Smothers is 83. President Joe Biden is 79. Singer Norman Greenbaum is 79. Actor Veronica Hamel is 78. Broadcast journalist Judy Woodruff is 75. Singer Joe Walsh is 74. Actor Richard Masur is 73. Opera singer Barbara Hendricks is 73. Former national security adviser John Bolton is 73. Actor Bo Derek is 65. Former NFL player Mark Gastineau is 65. Reggae musician Jimmy Brown (UB40) is 64. Actor Sean Young is 62. Pianist Jim Brickman is 60. Actor Ming-Na is 58. Actor Ned Vaughn is 57. Rapper Mike D (The Beastie Boys) is 56. Rapper Sen Dog (Cypress Hill) is 56. Actor Callie Thorne is 52. Actor Sabrina Lloyd is 51. Actor Joel McHale is 50. Actor Marisa Ryan is 47. Country singer Dierks Bentley is 46. Actor Joshua Gomez is 46. Actor Laura Harris is 45. Olympic gold medal gymnast Dominique Dawes is 45. Country singer Josh Turner is 44. Actor Nadine Velazquez is 43. Actor Jacob Pitts is 42. Actor Andrea Riseborough is 40. Actor Jeremy Jordan is 37. Actor Dan Byrd is 36. Actor Ashley Fink is 35. Rock musician Jared Followill (Kings of Leon) is 35.

LOTTERY

Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2021 Megabucks

13-15-16-28-35-43
Jackpot: \$5.9 million

Lucky Lines
4-6-11-14-18-24-25-32
Estimated jackpot: \$19,000

Powerball
3-16-48-52-60
Powerball: 1
Power Play: 3
Jackpot: \$205 million

Win for Life
1-16-56-74
Pick 4
1 p.m.: 2-6-7-4
4 p.m.: 9-7-9-7
7 p.m.: 3-8-5-5
10 p.m.: 6-1-1-2

Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021 Lucky Lines

1-6-10-13-17-21-28-30
Jackpot: \$20,000

Pick 4
1 p.m.: 4-7-8-8
4 p.m.: 2-4-2-7
7 p.m.: 1-5-7-7
10 p.m.: 4-1-6-9



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Cook Memorial Library in La Grande announced the reception of a new grant from Oregon Rural Action on Thursday, Nov. 18, 2021, which will create a stock of food preservation items available for rentals. The eight preservation items will be available for three-week rental starting on Nov. 22.

Cook Memorial receives grant to rent out food preservation items

By **DAVIS CARBAUGH**
The Observer

LA GRANDE — A recent grant is paving the way to help add more food security in the area.

Cook Memorial Library announced on Thursday, Nov. 18, that it received a grant from Oregon Rural Action in the amount of \$1,620 to create a food preservation library. The project will create a stock of food preservation items that can be checked out from the library, including

pressure canners, fermentation crocks, food dehydrators, water bath canners and books on food preservation.

Community member Meghan Moore came up with the idea for the food preservation library project in La Grande.

"The long and short of the food preservation library is, I really wanted to help local people preserve local food without spending hundreds of dollars on equipment," Moore said in a press release. "The idea of the grant came from attending a food insecurity conference

hosted by Oregon Rural Action."

The eight total food preservation items will be added to the library's "library of things," which is a collection of items other than books that can be rented out. In the summer months, this included yard games and outdoor equipment.

"It was great of Meghan to bring this forward and Oregon Rural Action for granting us this money," said Carrie Bushman, the interim director at Cook Memorial Library.

According to Bushman,

the library will have the food preservation items ready for check-out by Monday, Nov. 22.

The items will be rented out on a three-week basis throughout the year, with no renewals. The library also used the grant funding to add eight books that inform patrons how to use the equipment and preserve food. Any library card holders are eligible to rent out the preservation equipment.

For more information on library programs, the staff can be contacted at 541-962-1339.

Joe Town resigns from Wallowa City Council

By **BILL BRADSHAW**
Wallowa County Chieftain

WALLOWA — Long-time Councilman Joe Town submitted his letter of resignation to the Wallowa City Council at its meeting Tuesday, Nov. 16, citing health reasons.

His letter stated that he wished to step down as council president effective immediately and as a councilman Dec. 31.

"I talked with Joe this afternoon," Mayor Gary Hulse said. "He would like to step down as president of the city council. He is planning on resigning at a later date to give us time to get signatures. He resigned as president of the council effective today. We will have to elect a new president of

the council."

With Town and Councilor Karen Josi absent, only Hulse and Councilors Scott McCrae and Oran McCrae were present to vote. Scott McCrae was elected the new council president.

In another matter as the Christmas season approaches, the council decided the city should hold a Christmas lighting contest with cash prizes in residential and business categories.

City Administrator Carolyn Harshfield said she has heard talk around town suggesting such a contest would be a positive influence on Wallowa.

"There was a discussion among several people



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Hulse

about morale and maybe picking up our town and making it look a little happy and to do a Christmas lighting contest," she said. "But you guys have to decide if the city wants to do it, if we want to have cash prizes and if the city does it, would you exclude anybody affiliated with the city — that was brought up to me by two different people, today. We know what happens around the Fourth of July that people think that stuff is rigged so it might be better if anybody affiliated with the city couldn't be in the contest."

She said she had looked over the economic development budget and the city

can spare \$900 for prize money. She suggested three residential prizes, at \$300 for first, \$200 for second and \$100 for third. She also suggested two prizes for businesses at \$200 for first and \$100 for second.

Hulse said he agreed council members and city employees should be excluded from winning prizes, but he'd like to have someone else take over sponsorship of the contest in future years so city employees don't have to be excluded.

Scott McCrae wasn't so sure that would work.

"Whoever runs it is going to be accused of favoritism," he said.

The council approved the \$900 expenditure with city employees excluded.

Baker City feedlot hopes to expand operation

Permit now allows up to 3,499 cattle; company hopes to boost that to 15,000

By **LYNNE TERRY**
Oregon Capital Chronicle

BAKER CITY — A Baker City feedlot that currently manages fewer than 3,000 head of cattle is seeking permission from the state to expand to 15,000.

The expansion would require approval of a new Confined Animal Feeding Operation permit through the Oregon Department of Agriculture. CAFO permits specify the number of animals a company can have in one location and requires a plan for managing manure.

Baker City Cattle Feeders currently operates under a CAFO permit that allows up to 3,499 cattle. The next step is a Large Tier II permit, allowing 3,500 cows and more.

The Agriculture Department notified the

public earlier this year about the proposed change. A spokesperson said the department has no position on the request. The public can comment on the request by emailing Janet.Short@ODA.Oregon.gov, calling 503-986-4792 or faxing 503-986-4730.

Such permits can be controversial, especially if neighbors are worried about manure running into waterways.

A plan for a large chicken operation for 3.5 million animals a year to be sold to Foster Farms has sparked criticism, with dozens of people commenting on the proposal. It would be located near the Santiam River near Scio.

The Baker City proposal has yet to draw much attention from advocates for small farms.

John Hepton, who operates the feedlot, told the



Baker City Herald, File

Feedlots and ranches in Oregon need special waste permits through the Oregon Agriculture Department. Baker City Cattle Feeders is seeking a permit to increase its operation to allow 15,000 head.

Capital Chronicle in an email that all of the manure from the cattle will be sold to local farmers.

"We have more demand for the organic nutrients in our manure than we could ever produce with the expansion," Hepton wrote.

He said the feedlot receives recently weaned calves and feeds them through the fall, winter and into the spring to

"develop replacement heifers for local farmers and ranchers."

There are currently 70 ranches, dairy farms, feedlots and other operations in Oregon with CAFO Tier I permits. They allow up to nearly 125,000 chickens, nearly 40,000 sheep and up to about 30,000 pigs depending on the weight. Another 35 companies have Tier II permits.

NEWS BRIEFS

One new death, 10 new COVID-19 cases in Union County

SALEM — The Oregon Health Authority released its updated daily report on Thursday, Nov. 18, which showed one new COVID-19 death in Union County.

An 86-year-old man from Union County who tested positive on Nov. 15 died at Grande Ronde Hospital on Nov. 16. The man reportedly had underlying conditions.

The update showed 10 new cases in Union County, which brings the county's total since the start of the pandemic to 3,337. With the one new death, the county's death toll stands at 53 since the start of COVID-19.

In Wallowa County, one newly reported case increased the county's total case count to 736 since the start of the pandemic.

Across Oregon, 1,160 new confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases were reported to bring the state's total to 382,990. The 13 new deaths increased the state's death toll to 4,886.

OHA's weekly breakthrough report revealed that 74.5% of the 5,924 reported COVID-19 cases from Nov. 7 to Nov. 13 were among unvaccinated individuals. There were 1,508 breakthrough cases. Union County has seen a total of 241 breakthrough cases; Wallowa County has 105.

Throughout the state, 419 patients are currently hospitalized with COVID-19. The report showed that there are 65 open adult ICU beds out of 689 in the state. Out of 4,123 adult non-ICU beds in Oregon, 252 are currently open.

Oregon's current seven-day running average of vaccine doses per day stands at 17,986.

No print paper on Thanksgiving holiday

LA GRANDE — In observance of the Thanksgiving holiday, The Observer will not publish a print edition on Thursday, Nov. 25.

The Observer will publish an expanded edition, including additional comics and puzzle features as well as the weekly GO! magazine, on Tuesday, Nov. 23.

An e-edition only paper will be published on Thanksgiving and will be available to paid subscribers through The Observer website, lagrandeobserver.com. The Thanksgiving e-edition will include local stories, an opinion page and sports.

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Health care task force seeks public testimony

LA GRANDE — The public is invited to give personal testimony to the state's Joint Task Force on Universal Health Care, created by Senate Bill 770 in 2019, according to a press release from the Union County chapter of Health Care for All Oregon. The task force is charged with creating an equitable, affordable and comprehensive system of delivering health care to all Oregonians. A task force public meeting will be held online Tuesday, Nov. 23, from 1-4 p.m. Go to www.hcao.org/sb770-1 and click on "Follow the Task Force" to get information about the meeting and how to participate.

— *The Observer*