

'Peace is in all of us,' proclaims state poster contest winner



Gerald Hopkins/Contributed Photo

The theme of Avery Brown's poster, winner of the Lions regional and state Peace Poster Contest, is "Peace is in all of us, but it is up to us to let it show." The Pendleton 13-year-old's poster has been entered in the international competition, according to Gerald Hopkins, chair of the regional District G's contest, which gives youth an opportunity to promote peace, tolerance and international understanding. "Our local Lions were quite excited about Avery's winning poster, and our Elgin club gave an enthusiastic applause when we heard of Avery's success," Hopkins said.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

FRIDAY, JAN. 7

3:21 p.m. — La Grande police responded to Cimmaron Manor Apartments, 1904 H Ave., La Grande, on a report of a disturbance and took information.

4:26 p.m. — La Grande police received a complaint about a careless driver on the 1500 block of Albany Street. An officer responded and issued a citation.

5:38 p.m. — A caller reported the theft of a vehicle on the 1500 block of Jackson Avenue, La Grande. An officer made contact and will follow up.

6:15 p.m. — A caller reported an assault on the 900 block of Second Street, North Powder. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and took a report.

6:38 p.m. — A Union County sheriff's deputy responded to the 1100 block of Alder Street, Elgin, on a report of harassment and counseled the parties.

8:10 p.m. — La Grande police responded to a residence at Thunderbird-Cove Apartments, 307 20th St., on a report of harassment. An officer made contact and explained options.

SATURDAY, JAN. 8

7:52 a.m. — A caller reported the theft of a vehicle from Court Avenue and North Depot Street, La Grande. An officer made contact and took a report.

10:16 a.m. — La Grande police responded to a residence on the 200 block of Terrace Avenue on a report of domestic disturbance and counseled the parties.

2:29 p.m. — La Grande police and medics responded to The La Grande Inn, 2612 Island Ave., on a report of a person who died in a room.

3:46 p.m. — La Grande police responded to a residence on the 1800 block of G Avenue on a complaint of harassment. An officer made contact and requested both parties to cease contacting the other.

4:53 p.m. — A caller reported an unattended death at a residence on the 2100 block of Pine Street, La Grande.

4:59 p.m. — A caller reported a dog knocked down a jogger in the area of 60500 Foothill Road, La Grande. An animal enforcement officer responded and took information.

8:19 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of a dog bite victim from Elgin at the emergency department at Grande Ronde Hospital, La Grande. A deputy responded and took a report.

SUNDAY, JAN. 9

9:02 a.m. — Union County sheriff's deputies responded to a report of a disturbance at a residence on the 100 block of Seventh Street, Imbler. Deputies arrested James Kenneth Dyke, 29, for harassment and interfering with a firefighter.

11:36 a.m. — A resident on the 2300 block of Q Avenue, La Grande, reported a theft. An officer made contact.

6:16 p.m. — A caller reported two suspicious subjects may have buried something in the snow on the 1200 block of Cedar Street, Elgin. A Union County sheriff's deputy checked the area and did not find anything buried.

7:33 p.m. — A caller reported animal abuse on the 1500 block of Seventh Street, La Grande.

7:39 p.m. — Local law enforcement received a report of a wrong-way driver on Island Avenue at Riddle Road, La Grande. A Union County sheriff's deputy found the driver, who had no signs of impairment.

DEATH NOTICES

Barbara A. Ashburn

La Grande

Barbara A. Ashburn, 91, of La Grande, died Jan. 8, 2022, at Grande Ronde Hospital. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Cecelia B. Campbell

La Grande

Cecelia B. Campbell, 73, of La Grande, died Jan. 8, 2022, at her residence. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Catherine Fletcher

La Grande

Catherine Fletcher, 56, of La Grande, died Jan. 8, 2022, Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Wanda Lowe

Island City

Wanda Lowe, 86, of Island City, died Dec. 18, 2021, at a care facility in Washington. A graveside service will be held Jan. 14 at 2 p.m. at Grandview Cemetery, La Grande. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

OHSU study: COVID vaccine can affect menstrual cycles

By **LIZZYACKER**

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PORTLAND — A study out Thursday, Jan. 6, from Oregon Health and Science University found that while vaccines for COVID-19 did affect menstrual cycles for some people, that impact was minimal and generally resolved itself quickly, as soon as the next cycle.

Dr. Alison Edelman, the lead author of the study that was published Thursday in the journal *Obstetrics & Gynecology*, called the findings both reassuring to people who were concerned about the vaccine affecting their cycles and validating to those who experienced some changes.

"Just like we tell people, 'You are going to get a headache with the vaccine,' 'You are going to get a low-grade fever for a couple

days,'" Edelman, who works with OHSU's OB/GYN and Family Planning group, said, "we can tell them, 'You may have a slight change in your menstrual length.'"

Researchers used data compiled with user consent from the Natural Cycles app of nearly 4,000 vaccinated and unvaccinated people tracking their cycles in the United States. For the vaccinated, it took into account cycles both before and after vaccination doses.

The average change the study found was less than a one-day increase in length between periods in menstruating people.

According to the study's authors, "the increase in cycle length for both the first and second vaccine cycles appears to be driven largely by the 358 individuals who received both vaccine doses within a single cycle."

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

MEETINGS

• **LA GRANDE** — The La Grande Gun Club will have its annual meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 12, at 6 p.m. at the clubhouse. All members are encouraged to attend. Call Katie at 541-663-6193 for more information.

• **LA GRANDE** — The La Grande Landmarks Commission will meet for a virtual work session on Thursday, Jan. 13, at 6 p.m. via Zoom. Peter Meijer Architects will give a presentation, which will be reviewed and discussed. For more information, email mboquist@cityoflagrande.org or call 541-962-1307.

• **COVE** — The Cove City Council will have a League of Oregon Cities Council Roles and Responsibilities Training on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at 7 p.m. at Cove City Hall, 504 Alder St. No city business will be discussed, and public comment will not be taken. The public can attend the meeting virtually at <https://www.gotomeet.me/CityofCove>. To join by phone, dial 1-877-309-2073 and use access code 566-891-733.

BRIEFS

Grande Ronde Community Choir rehearsals begin Jan. 13

LA GRANDE — Due to weather conditions, the Grande Ronde Community Choir did not resume rehearsals last week. Instead, winter term rehearsals will begin on Thursday, Jan. 13. The choir rehearses on Thursdays from 7-8:30 p.m. in Room 123 of Loso Hall on the Eastern Oregon University campus, La Grande.

This community music ensemble is open to people age 14 and older. All vocal/music skill levels are welcome. For full details and to register, go to www.artcentereast.org/music/community-music/grande-ronde-community-choir.

Art center launches Little Pinecones Book Club

LA GRANDE — Little Pinecones Book Club — a new, free, monthly activity for children ages 5 and younger at Art Center East, 1006 Penn Ave., La Grande — begins on Friday, Jan. 14.

Each session will run 10-11:30 a.m. and feature a story reading followed by an art-making activity related to the month's book, which is inspired by a work of art displayed in one of ACE's current exhibits. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Early registration for Little Pinecones is highly recommended. Sign up by clicking on the event at www.artcentereast.org/calendar.

— *The Observer*



UPCOMING LOCAL SERVICES



FUNERAL CHAPEL AND CREMATORY

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

Jan. 11 — BARBARA WEISHAAR: 2 p.m. graveside service, Island City Cemetery; casual dress preferred.

Jan. 14 — WANDA LOWE: 2 p.m. graveside service, Grandview Cemetery, La Grande.

Jan. 15 — AUDREY BEAN: 9 a.m. viewing, 10 a.m. funeral; Island City Church of Jesus

Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Jan. 15 — MAMIE McCRAE: 11 a.m. funeral, Bollman Funeral Chapel, Enterprise.

Jan. 15 — JIM LUNDY: 2 p.m. memorial service, Gilbert Center, Eastern Oregon University, La Grande.

Jan. 22 — WAYNE WOLFE: 1 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial, St. Katherine Catholic Church, Enterprise; vault interment follows at Wal-lowa Cemetery.

— *calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel*

Betty Olive Trump

December 11, 1923 - December 31, 2021

Betty Olive Trump, 98, of Elgin, OR passed away on Friday, December 31st, 2021. A Celebration of Life and Dinner will be held in her honor on Wednesday, January 12th at 2:00pm at the Elgin Stampede Grounds.

Betty was born on December 11th, 1923, in La Grande, OR to Richard Lane and Blanche Combes. She lived and attended grade school in Summerville, Sumpter, Union, John Day, La Grande, Baker, and finished her schooling in Elgin. She was married to James E. (Pete) Trump on January 17th, 1941. They were married for 66 years.

Betty worked at a variety of places including Bob's Empire Market, the Stella Mayfield Elementary Cafeteria, The LaGrande Livestock Sale Yard, and as an assistant Brand Inspector Clerk. Betty was a Grand Marshall for the Elgin Stampede in 1989. She was inducted as a Legend of the Elgin Stampede in 2011, the first year they held the inductions. Betty was a member of the Stampede Organization since the second year it was founded. She was also a 25+ year member of the Pythian Sisters. Betty was

also a member of the Blue Mountain Quilters Society and the Union County Historical Society.

Betty enjoyed traveling to Utah with a group of women every year for a painting retreat. After retirement, Betty and Pete spent a month each year enjoying the beaches of Mexico. She was an avid quilter and gardener. Betty loved spending time with her family, tending to her chickens, and ice cream.

Betty is survived by her children, Linda Moore of Elgin, Judie Stark (Bill) of Hermiston, Bill Trump of Kelso Washington; 6 grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her mother Blanche; her father Richard; her sisters Alma Comstock and Neomia Terry; her brother Maurice Lane; her husband Pete; and her great-grandson Payton Steinbeck.

If you would like to make donations in Betty's honor, please send them to the Elgin Stampede Organization for the new building fund, PO Box 397, Elgin, OR 97827.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com.

