

EOFF announces plans for 2022 festival

The Observer

LA GRANDE — The Eastern Oregon Film Festival announced the 2022 event will take place over the weekend of Oct. 20-22.

The annual festival, held in La Grande, is working toward holding screenings in the Liberty Theatre, which is under renovation, according to a press release. The Filmmakers Residency Program has been postponed to 2023 while the organization focuses on operations at the theater. The organization also is



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A T-shirt with the Eastern Oregon Film Festival logo hangs in the window of HQ in La Grande on Wednesday, Sept. 8, 2021. The 2022 film festival is slated to show at venues from Thursday, Oct. 20, to Saturday, Oct. 22, in La Grande.

advancing its virtual catalog offerings. In 2022, EOFF will be posting encore screenings of the 2021 festival's short film selections. These monthly screenings will be held in person but may also be viewed online. January's encore presentations have begun. For access and full details, go to www.eofilmfest.com.

Call for entries for the 2022 Eastern Oregon Film Festival begins Tuesday, Feb. 1. Films may be submitted at www.filmfreeway.com/eofilmfest.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

FRIDAY, JAN. 14

9:10 a.m. — A resident at May Park Apartments, 2608 May Lane, La Grande, reported a theft. An officer made contact and took a report.

12:15 p.m. — A caller reported a drug law violation at Highland View Apartments, 801 N. 15th Ave., Elgin. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and took information.

4:31 p.m. — La Grande Middle School, 1108 Fourth St., La Grande, reported harassment.

5:20 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of a sex crime. An officer made contact and took information.

6:5 p.m. — A resident at Sundowner Mobile Park, 1806 26th St., La Grande, reported a burglary. An officer responded and took a report.

10:48 p.m. — A caller reported the possible theft of a vehicle at Green Tree Apartments, 2310 Q Ave., La Grande. An officer responded and took information.

SATURDAY, JAN. 15

3:47 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the 200 block of Fir Street on a report of a disturbance and resolved the situation.

11:44 a.m. — A caller reported the theft of a bicycle from the 300 block of South Second Street, Union. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and logged information.

5:31 p.m. — A caller reported fireworks at Y Avenue and Spruce Street, La Grande. An officer checked the area but found no one setting off fireworks.

6:02 p.m. — La Grande police checked on the welfare of a resident who may have been suffering mental or emotional duress. The person turned out to be OK.

7:43 p.m. — A Union County sheriff's deputy responded to the 1000 block of Galveston Street, Elgin, for a disturbance and separated the parties.

7:49 p.m. — La Grande police received a request for an extra patrol on the 2000 block of Fir Street due to some criminal mischief. An officer made contact and arranged for an extra patrol.

10:17 p.m. — A caller complained about noise from a residence on the 200 block of Fir Street, La Grande. Officers responded and gave a warning.

SUNDAY, JAN. 16

12:24 a.m. — A La Grande police officer responded to a residence on the 1700 block of Glacier Street on a noise complaint and broke up a party.

1:15 a.m. — La Grande police stopped a vehicle on the 3600 block of Second Street and arrested Jeffery Hull, 37, of Elgin, for driving under the influence of intoxicants.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Cove senior lunch served twice a month

COVE — Cove senior lunches are served at Founders Hall on the Ascension School grounds on the first and third Tuesdays of the month. Coffee and tea are available at 11:30 a.m., and lunch is at noon. The menu for Tuesday, Feb. 1, is beef stroganoff, green beans, salad bar, rolls and brownies.

The price is \$5 per meal and reservations are requested to ensure there is food for everyone. If you haven't been contacted or wish to participate, call Betsy Arnson at 541-568-4902 or Virginia Fischer at 1-907-299-6072 by Jan. 25.

Union's food pantry doors open to all on Friday, Jan. 21

UNION — The Union community food bank will be open from 10-11 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 21, at the Catherine Creek Community Center, 667 N. Main St. The food pantry is open to all on the third Friday of each month.

Strengthen your health with free four-week challenge

LA GRANDE — A free four-week "Vibrant You" health challenge will begin with a launch meeting on Thursday, Jan. 27, at 6 p.m. The challenge is about learning the "fundamental health principles that will lead to a strong immune system now and vibrant health for life," according to a press release from Nature's Pantry.

The program begins Jan. 30. Registration is required, but there is no cost to participate. For

more information and to sign up, go to www.naturespantry.life, call Nature's Pantry at 541-963-7955 or stop by the store, 1907 Fourth St., La Grande, by Tuesday, Jan. 25.

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11:38 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the 700 block of Adams Avenue on a report of a domestic disturbance. Officers found it was an argument and separated the parties.

11:53 a.m. — A caller reported a horse was on the loose in the area of 65700 Grays Corner Road, Cove. An animal enforcement officer made contact and took information.

1:53 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 600 block of Y Avenue on a report of a domestic disturbance and counseled the parties.

2:19 p.m. — La Grande police received a complaint about stalking at Eastern Oregon University, 1 University Blvd. An officer made contact.

5:52 p.m. — A caller on the 2100 block of Adams Avenue, La Grande, reported a missing person. An officer made contact, and the person was already home.

8:14 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1000 block of Jackson Avenue on a report of suspicious circumstances. Officers determined there was a misunderstanding.

Kenneth Edward Smith

June 23, 1928 – January 6, 2022

Kenneth Edward Smith, 93, of La Grande, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 6, 2022, at a local care facility. At his request, there will not be a service.

Kenneth was born on June 23, 1928, in North Powder, Oregon, to Charles and Bessie (Gilkison) Smith. He lived in Baker City and moved to La Grande in 2016 to be closer to his daughter. He attended school in North Powder and played basketball and baseball all throughout high school. He was married to Shirley Smith, Pearl Duffy and Naomi Charbonneau.

Kenneth worked with his father as a boy at their logging business pulling logs with a team of horses. He retired from Baker School District Maintenance in 1997. He was a self-taught skilled carpenter and was very proud of the cabinets he made. He could fix just about anything.

Kenneth was a member of the Baker Elks Lodge. He was an excellent dancer and preferred the "good old western music." He enjoyed hunting, fishing, four-wheeling and horseback riding. His favorite place to be was in the mountains.

Kenneth is survived by his daughter, Charmaine Boesch (Emmett) of Cove, Oregon; grandchildren, Amy Brownwell of Newberg, Oregon, Brian Fosnaugh (Amber) of Tigard, Oregon, and Sandra Ward (Ray) of Redmond, Oregon; two great-grandchildren; and five nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, Charles and Bessie Smith; wife, Shirley Smith; daughter, Wanda Dima; and infant daughter, Sandra Smith.

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



Wayne S. Wolfe

August 27, 1918 – December 31, 2021

Wayne S. Wolfe was born in Wallowa, OR, on August 27, 1918 to Elisha and Mary Wolfe. He attended a one room schoolhouse on Allen Canyon Loop through the 8th grade, and graduated from Wallowa High School in 1937.

Wayne worked on his family's ranch until age 21 when he married Verla Thompson on November 2, 1939 in Weiser, Idaho. Wayne went to work for the mill in Wallowa and then moved to La Grande where he worked for Union Pacific Railroad. Wayne and Verla had two children, Alan and Frances.

Wayne was drafted into the Army in June 1944, when Frances was just a baby. He spent 18 weeks in Mineral Wells, TX, in training, then was sent to Biloxi, MS, and back to Amarillo, TX, where he trained in Airplane Mechanics. He contracted rheumatic fever while in Amarillo and spent a month in the hospital. When he was discharged from the hospital he was sent to Ft. Benning, GA, where he was part of the Air/Sea Rescue and then to Myrtle Beach, SC, for the remainder of his military service. He was only able to visit home twice in his two years in the service. After returning from his military service, he and Verla parted, and Wayne moved home to Wallowa County.

Wayne met Edna June Audet at a dance at the Edelweiss dance hall at Wallowa Lake. They were married December 3, 1947, and began their married life determined to build a ranch of their own. They rented the Woods place outside of Lostine and their first son, Gordon was born. A few years later they bought a place outside of Wallowa from which they would grow and expand their ranch. A second son, David, was born completing their family.

Wayne spent his years raising his family

and working hard at building their ranch. They bought range, crop and timberland over the years. Wayne spent many hours riding the range and spotting places where

ponds could be developed and then proceeded to build them. This made for excellent summer range for the cattle. The ranch raises cattle, grain and hay and also has a nice stand of timber on the range. Wayne continued to work ground and work with the cattle well into his 90s, including continuing to sort cattle when he was 94.

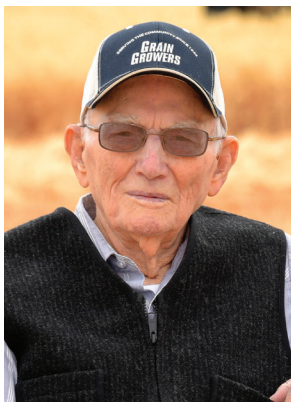
Although he was very busy with his ranch life he found time to be involved in the community.

Wayne was President of the Wallowa School Board, and was able to hand diplomas to both of his sons as well as numerous other graduates of Wallowa High School. He was a member of the Federal Land Bank Board and served many years on the Wallowa County Grain Growers Board. Wayne and his son, Gordon were Oregon Wheat League Conservation Farmers of the Year in 1983.

Wayne died peacefully in his sleep on December 31, 2021. He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Elvyn and Bill; sisters, Lorraine and Frances; his wife, Edna June and his youngest son, David. He is survived by his son, Alan and wife Sharon; and his daughter, Frances of Boise. His son, Gordon and wife, Rebecca of Wallowa. 6 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

Services are Saturday, January 22 at 1:00 p.m., at St. Katherine's Catholic Church in Enterprise, OR.

Burial following at Wallowa Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Wallowa County 4-H Leaders Assoc. or your local FFA Chapter.



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PAID OBITUARY CONTACT INFORMATION

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Deadlines:

Tuesday: Friday by NOON
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Saturday: Thursday by NOON

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Deadlines:

11 a.m. day prior to publication (Monday/Wednesday/Friday)

UPCOMING LOCAL SERVICES



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

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

lowa Cemetery.
Feb. 4 — CECILIA CAMPBELL: 10 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial, Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, La Grande.

March 26 — JUDY HUNT: 3 p.m. celebration of life, La Grande Seventh-day Adventist Church.

— *calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel*

Joyce Ann (Scott) Campbell

March 20, 1943 - January 12, 2022

Joyce Ann (Scott) Campbell was the youngest of six born to Joseph (Joe) and Vinnie Scott, of Summerville, on March 20, 1943. She passed away peacefully at her home in Summerville on Jan. 12, 2022. At her request, there will be no service.

Joyce was a life-long resident of Summerville, while attending the elementary and high schools in Imbler. She married Roddy Campbell Aug. 24, 1960, and they farmed the family farm for many years.

Joyce helped start the first kindergarten in Imbler/Summerville at the Summerville Christian Church and taught there for many years. She was a long-time member of Jewel Rebekah Lodge in Summerville and the Imbler Christian Church.

She and Roddy attended numerous sporting events and 4H/FFA shows and many referred to her as "Grandma Joyce." Joyce loved to cook for her family and others, and no one could leave her house without a meal. She helped numerous families in the area navigate the adoption process after adopting her youngest.

She is survived by her children, Sheri Campbell, Rocky (Diana) Campbell and Heidi (Barry) Bowers, all of Summerville. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Brandon (Whitney) Campbell, of Arizona, Meaghan (Rob) O'Leary, of Summerville, Tiffany (Chad) Rager, of Summerville, Cody (Amanda) Campbell, of Summerville, Amanda Ott, of Chicago, Sarah (Wyatt) Shetler, of La Grande, Elijah Bowers, of Butte Falls, Cole Campbell, of Colorado, Emma Bowers, of Boise, and Jake Campbell, of La Grande. She had 17 great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Roddy, and son, Scott; her parents, two brothers and a sister.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you make donations to Imbler FFA in care of JD Cant, PO Box 164, Imbler, OR 97841.

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

Myra Dean Christenson (Young)

April 4, 1933 – January 7, 2022

Myra Dean Christenson (Young), 88, of La Grande, passed away on Friday, Jan. 7, 2022, at Wildflower Lodge. At her request, there will not be a service at this time.

Myra was born on April 4, 1933, in Enterprise, Oregon, to Russel Young and Clara Aschenbrenner. She resided in Zumwalt, Enterprise, Imnaha, Elgin, and La Grande. She attended schools in Zumwalt and Enterprise. She was 9 years old when she moved from Zumwalt to Enterprise and was nervous about going to a big school. It was at Enterprise Elementary where she met her life-long friend, LaRose McClain Ledford.

Myra married Carsten Christenson on July 15, 1952. She worked in a dentist office in Enterprise, a drug store in Joseph, Merle Norman in La Grande, and she was a homemaker.

Myra loved her chickens, riding her horse, collecting antiques, and spending time with her friends.

Myra is survived by her son, Christen Christenson (Nondas) of Elgin, Oregon; brothers, Ed Young of Lewiston, Idaho, and Doug Young (Sharon) of Clatskanie, Oregon; sister, Keitha Hastings (Kevin) of La Grande; granddaughters, Chandra Christenson of Pasco, Washington, and Ashley Christenson of Richland, Washington; four great-grandchildren; and eight nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Carsten Christenson; father, Russel young; and mother, Clara Shevlin.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made to the American Parkinson Disease Association at www.apdaparkinson.org.

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