

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 26

8:01 a.m. — A caller on the 69600 block of Sanderson Road, Summerville, reported a dog bit someone. An animal enforcement officer made contact and took a report.

9:24 a.m. — La Grande police received a report of vandalism on the 2900 block of Second Street.

9:38 a.m. — Local law enforcement received a report of the theft of a vehicle from Heart 'n Home Hospice & Palliative Care, 2104 Cove Ave., Suite A, La Grande. Police arrested Jesse Middlemiss Allen, 28, for unauthorized entry and use of a vehicle.

12:19 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of a person who died on the 69600 block of Haefler Lane, Cove. A deputy responded and took a report.

4 p.m. — La Grande police responded to a residence on the 1900 block of H Avenue on a report of a domestic disturbance and separated the parties.

5:09 p.m. — A Union County sheriff's deputy responded to Walmart, 11619 Island Ave., Island City, on a report of an assault. The deputy gave a warning for harassment.

5:37 p.m. — A caller reported someone left a dog in a car for more than two hours on the 1100 block of Adams Avenue, La Grande.

THURSDAY, JAN. 27

3:55 a.m. — La Grande police received a complaint about loud music at a residence on the 1200 block of Adams Avenue. Officers responded and resolved the situation.

7:59 a.m. — La Grande police responded to a residence on the 1900 block of H Avenue on a report of a domestic disturbance. Police arrested a 36-year-old man for second-degree trespass and disorderly conduct.

8:42 a.m. — A caller reported the theft of a motorcycle on the

2300 block of Q Avenue, La Grande. An officer responded and took a report.

12:23 p.m. — A caller complained about dogs in the area of 62500 Fruitdale Lane, La Grande. An animal enforcement officer responded and gave a warning for dogs at large.

2:05 p.m. — A caller on the 67600 block of Booth Lane, Cove, asked to speak to an animal enforcement officer about feral cats. The officer explained options.

4:01 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of a suspicious person at Community Bank, 2313 Adams Ave., La Grande. Police responded and arrested Amy Lynn Loza, 35, of Richland, Washington, for unauthorized entry into a vehicle, second-degree theft from a vehicle and identity theft.

4:24 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of a restraining order violation on the 2300 block of Q Avenue, La Grande. An officer made contact and took a report.

7:33 p.m. — A resident on the 1200 block of Adams Avenue, La Grande, asked to speak to an officer regarding a restraining order violation. An officer made contact and explained options.

8:02 p.m. — A Union County sheriff's deputy responded to the county jail, 1109 K Ave., La Grande, on a report of drug paraphernalia in the jail. The deputy took information.

11:06 p.m. — A caller reported suspicious circumstances at a residence on the 3200 block of Spruce Street, La Grande. Union County sheriff's deputies made contact and relayed information to the Oregon Department of Human Services.

RECENT OREGON STATE POLICE ACTIVITY

Jan. 22, 12:55 p.m. — A trooper responded to a vehicle that slid off the eastbound side of Interstate 84 near milepost 274 and arrested the driver, Orlando Castro, 46, of El Paso, Texas, for driving under the influence of intoxicants (alcohol).

DEATH NOTICES

Wilmerth Bates

Cove

Wilmerth Bates, 91, of Cove, died Jan. 26, 2022, at her home. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Albert Dixon

La Grande

Albert Dixon, 93, of La Grande and formerly of Union, died Jan. 25, 2022. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

Warren Evans

Formerly of La Grande

Warren Evans, 70, formerly of La Grande, died Jan. 24, 2022, at his home in Oregon City. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

William Harmon

La Grande

William Harmon, 85, of La Grande, died Jan. 27, 2022, at a local care facility. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Michael Jacobs

La Grande

Michael Richard Jacobs, 68, of La Grande, died Jan. 24, 2022, at his home. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Ruth Regnier

La Grande

Ruth Regnier, 92, of La Grande, died Jan. 27, 2022, at her home. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

UPCOMING LOCAL SERVICES



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

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

La Grande.
Feb. 4 — DONNA BROWN: noon celebration of life, Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande; graveside service follows at 2 p.m., Hillcrest East Cemetery.
— calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel

Author talks philosophy, sports at Feb. 1 event

The free lecture will be held on Zoom and will include a time for questions

The Observer

JOSEPH — On Tuesday, Feb. 1, at noon, one of Wallowa County's newest residents, John Frohn-mayer, will be the featured speaker at the Josephy Center's virtual Brown Bag.

A retired attorney and former chairman of Oregon Humanities and director of the National Endowment for the Arts, Frohn-mayer will talk about his passions, philosophy and sport.

Frohn-mayer came to Wallowa County with his skis and his single rowing scull — and his golf clubs.

He's written a book about each

sport and some aspect of philosophy: golf and ethics, skiing and mysticism.

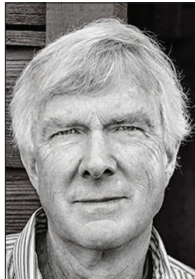
"Rowing, and especially competitive rowing," he said, "teaches us about teamwork, community, courage, steadfastness, and a host of other qualities that have been the subject of philosophical musing for all of recorded history."

In COVID times, the Josephy Center is producing its Brown Bag lecture series online via Zoom.

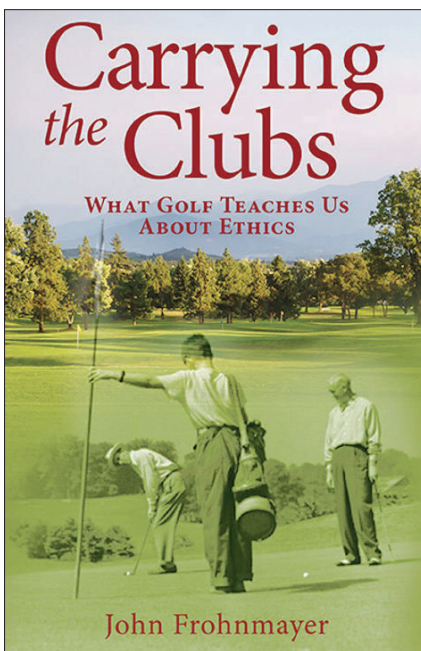
The programs are still free for all participants and include the opportunity to question and talk with the presenters.

To access the Zoom link, go to www.josephy.org/brown-bags and click on the Feb. 1 event.

For more on Frohn-mayer, his passions and his books, visit www.john-frohn-mayer.com.



Frohn-mayer



Josephy Center for Arts and Culture/
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"Carrying the Clubs" is one of author John Frohn-mayer's three books about sports. Others focus on skiing and rowing.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

MEETINGS

• **UNION** — The Union School Board will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 1, at 6 p.m. in the high school athletic complex. Bond projects will be one of the items discussed at the meeting.

• **LA GRANDE** — The Union County Democratic Party's February membership meeting will be held virtually, via Zoom, beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 2. To register for the meeting, call 541-562-6289 or email a request to rknop@eoni.com with your address and phone number.

BRIEFS

Scholarship available for EOU-bound senior girl

LA GRANDE — The 2022-2023 Union County P.E.O. Tri-Chapter Scholarship is now open for applications. The \$3,000 scholarship is awarded annually to a graduating senior girl who will be attending Eastern Oregon University. Scholarship applications are available at each of the Union County high schools by contacting your high school counselor.

Scholarships are evaluated for academic achievement, community service, financial need and commitment to higher education. The scholarship is funded by the three local chapters of P.E.O., a philanthropic organization dedicated to the education of women. The deadline for submitting an application is March 31, 2022.

MENUS

Union County Senior Center lunch menu

Dine-in meals: Served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; use front entrance and observe social distancing.

Takeout meals: Pick up from noon to 1 p.m. at kitchen's back door.

Too tough to hibernate



Alex Wittwer/EO Media Group

A squirrel out and about watches from a tree branch at Riverside Park in La Grande on Wednesday, Jan. 26, 2022. Fun fact: Squirrels don't hibernate.

Cost: Age 60+, \$4 suggested donation; all others, \$6 (new prices for 2022).

JAN. 31-FEB. 4

Monday: fish and chips, baked beans, potato wedges, coleslaw, dessert.

Tuesday: chicken pot pie, vegetable salad, fruit, light dessert.

Wednesday: beef stroganoff over rice pilaf, spinach salad, cottage cheese and fruit, cookie.

Thursday: Reuben sandwich, potato wedges, fruit garnish, cookie.

Friday: clam chowder in a bread bowl, layered salad, fresh fruit, light dessert.

David "Dave" Paul Kennedy

November 27, 1949 - January 29, 2022

David "Dave" Paul Kennedy, 72, of Elgin, passed away on Thursday, Jan. 20, 2022, at his home. A service will be held at a later time.

Dave was born on Nov. 27, 1949, in La Grande, Oregon, to William and Mildred (Phillips) Kennedy. He lived in Elgin, Oregon, and attended grade school and high school in Elgin. He was married to Shelley Martin Kennedy.

Dave was self-employed as an auto body technician. He enjoyed car racing, hunting, fishing, mushroom hunting and reading. His favorite moments were spent with family, whom he loved very much.

Dave is survived by his wife, Shelley Kennedy of Elgin, Oregon; children, Brent Kennedy of Pennsylvania, Trina Heuchert (Greg) of Wenatchee, Washington, Devan Kennedy of Elgin, Oregon, and Courtney Pitman (Derek) of Boise, Idaho; brother, Dick Kennedy of Pendleton, Oregon; 10 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Mildred Kennedy, and his siblings, Ken Kennedy, Bruce Kennedy, Barbara Prince, Joyce Beck and Rex Kennedy.

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



Marjorie Ellen (Gulick) Harris

December 24, 1926 - January 14, 2022

Marjorie Ellen Harris died on Friday, Jan. 14, 2022, surrounded by her children and Ira at her home in Richland, Washington. A celebration of her life is planned for Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend 2022 at the Presbyterian Church in Halfway, Oregon.

Margie was born on Dec. 24, 1926, to Charles and Ellen Gulick at the Gulick Ranch on Pine Town Lane in Halfway, Oregon.

One of Margie's fondest memories was riding horseback behind "Grammy" Gulick, who would often say, "Hang on, Sissy, and away we go!"

She rode horseback to Pine Town School, a one-room schoolhouse not far from the ranch, and kept her horse at Grandpa Koopman's house across the road from the school during the day. Frequently, she and her sisters, Opal and Barbie, would all ride the one horse to school. When she got into high school, she would meet her cousin Norm Koopman on her bicycle and they biked together to high school in Halfway.

An accomplished horsewoman, she spent countless hours practicing with Bessie, "Auntie Bea" Greener, mastering her reining skills. In 1940 at the age of 13, she and her horse, Duke, competed against several much older girls at the annual reining competition in Baker City, where she won a Hamley saddle. On that day, she was especially proud of beating a girl, aged 18, who had declared to all that she was going to win.

She was married Aug. 10, 1946, to R. Darwin Harris. Although the day itself may not have started well, with temperatures soaring over 100 degrees and three flat tires later, Marjorie and Darwin eloped to Pasco, Washington, and were happily married for 46 years.

In the winter of 1949, there was a terrible snowstorm that dumped feet of snow in Pine Valley. Margie and Darwin at that time were living in Jim Town with newborn son, Randy, and Darwin was out of town buying cattle. Margie's parents, Charles and Ellen, grew concerned that Margie and Randy were stranded, so had their hired men hitch the team to the sleigh and bring them safe home to the ranch. Margie and Randy spent quite a lot of time at the home place when Darwin was out of town.

In 1960, Margie and Darwin set out to complete their family by adopting a little girl. After all was said and done, they found themselves the proud parents of not one, but two little blond-haired, blue-eyed girls, ages 2 and 1, Dana and Marcie.

They moved to Ontario, Oregon, in

1965, where Darwin began his insurance business, then again to La Grande, Oregon, in 1970 where Darwin's business flourished.

In 1977, with the kids out of the house, Darwin realized that Margie would need an outlet for her excess energies, so bought her Margie's Sweet Shoppe. Margie grew the business and was a successful business owner for several years.

After Darwin passed away in 1992, Margie spent many hours perched on a stool, "looking like the Queen of England," with partner Rick Gately at La Grande Gold and Silver.

Margie and Darwin were always fun to be around and had many fond memories of times spent with Barbie and Jim Bob DeMastus at insurance conventions.

In 2011, Margie moved back to Halfway, where she and her sister-in-law, Grace Gulick, were known to terrorize the town while having pie and coffee at Wild Bill's and Stockman's. Margie spent quite a lot of time in the company of her sister and brother-in-law, Opal and George Matile, and her brother Stan Gulick and Becky Davis. They were all very good to her and loved her so much.

The sisters, Margie, Barbie and Opal, were honored as Grand Marshals of the Baker County Fair and Rodeo Parade, wearing beaded vests on loan from Hamley's - a very proud day for all.

Margie spent her remaining eight years at Guardian Angels Homes in the Tri-Cities, regaling her caregivers with happy stories of her time as a child growing up in Pine Valley, speaking fondly of her horses and her hope to ride once again in the Baker County Fair and Rodeo Parade.

She was preceded in death by her husband, R. Darwin Harris, and brother, Charles "Buzz" Gulick.

Margie is survived by son Randy Harris and fiancée Ira Ames; daughter, Dana Ryneason and husband Bob; daughter, Marcie Uptegrove and husband Mike; grandchildren, Jessica, Tiffany, Kimberly and Adam, plus eight precious great-grandchildren; brother, Stan Gulick and Becky Davis; sister, Opal Matile and husband George; and sister, Barbara DeMastus and husband Jim Bob.

For those who would like to make a memorial donation in memory of Margie, the family suggests the Pine Valley Presbyterian Church through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home, PO Box 543, Halfway, Oregon 97834. Online condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.