

## COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

### BRIEFS

#### Rummage sale set for March 12

LA GRANDE — Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church will have a rummage sale Saturday, March 12, 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Enter through the door at Fifth Street and K Avenue. A \$1 bag sale starts at noon. Offerings include home decor, baby items, toys, bedding, kitchen items, clothing, jewelry, collectibles and more.

#### Community African Drumming group returns in Spring Term 2022

LA GRANDE — Art Center East in La Grande announces the return of Community African Drumming. The group meets Tuesdays at

6 p.m. from March 29 to May 31 in Loso Hall Room 123 on the Eastern Oregon University campus. The group is open community members ages 12 and older, and no drumming experience is required. Join the dynamic group for a fun exploration of traditional West African music. Register online at [www.artcentereast.org](http://www.artcentereast.org).

#### Seeking Meals on Wheels volunteers

LA GRANDE — Community Connection is seeking volunteers to help with the Meals on Wheels program in Union County. For more information, call Sydney Gleeson at 541-963-7532, ext. 1104, or stop by 1504 N. Albany St., La Grande.

— The Observer

## Vehicle fire in downtown La Grande



The La Grande Fire Department responds to a vehicle fire on Jefferson Avenue, outside MJ Goss Motors, at around 5:40 p.m. Saturday, March 5, 2022. Nobody was injured in the fire, and the cause of the fire is unknown according to LGFD.

Alex Wittwer/EO Media Group

# ACE celebrates 45 years in March

By Lisa Britton  
Baker City Herald

LA GRANDE — Art Center East is celebrating its 45th birthday this month, but its roots lie with a different name.

The Eastern Oregon Regional Arts Council formed in 1977 to help disperse federal dollars to support the arts and support emerging art centers, such as Crow's Shadow in Pendleton and Fishtrap in Enterprise.

When the council disbanded, ArtsEast emerged to provide art services, in partnership with Eastern Oregon University, across a 10-county region. It was located on the campus of EOU and focused primarily on supporting art education in schools.

In 2015, ArtsEast merged with the Union County Arts & Culture Center to become Art Center East, located in the Carnegie library building at 1006 Penn Ave.

"I think it was a benefit to our community when that happened," said Nancy Knowles, ACE board president.

Combining the organizations also helped pool resources in Union County.

"(Before merging) they



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Art Center East, 1006 Penn Ave., La Grande, is celebrating its 45th birthday throughout the month of March 2022 with a membership drive and other specials.

were vying for the same membership and same volunteers," said Darcy Dolge, ACE executive director.

Class offerings grew after the merger, and today ACE provides workshops in various art techniques, music lessons, drumming, community choirs and much more.

"We have such a giant roster of talented, creative

people," Dolge said.

ACE also hosts shows in its galleries to showcase artists from around the region.

In a continuation from its ArtsEast days, ACE provides art-related outreach as well with the AiRS program — Artists in Rural Schools. This program pairs teaching artists with schools around Eastern Oregon to enrich

the regular art curriculum.

To see a full class schedule, or to view current art shows, visit [artcentereast.org](http://artcentereast.org).

#### Birthday specials

Although the official birthday is March 2, Art Center East is celebrating throughout the month with a membership drive, new merchandise commemorating the milestone and weekly promotions announced in its online newsletter (sign up at [artcentereast.org/our-story/newsletter](http://artcentereast.org/our-story/newsletter)). Members receive discounts in the ACE gift gallery and certain activities and 20% off class fees.

For the Household level (\$50 per year) or higher, members receive a limited edition print. This tradition started in 2013 — Susan Murrell, associate professor of art at EOU, selects a print made by an EOU senior.

"Each time you renew your membership, you get a new print," Dolge said.

ACE is a nonprofit organization and depends on grants, memberships, business sponsorships and individual donations.

"We are very much a community-centered organization," Knowles said.

## PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

### FRIDAY, MARCH 4

12:19 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1600 block of Fourth Street on a noise complaint. Officers determined the cause of the noise was fireworks.

8:19 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the 2700 block of Ash Street on a noise complaint and issued a warning.

10:01 a.m. — La Grande police responded to La Grande Inn, 2612 Island Ave., on a report of suspicious circumstances. An officer counseled parents.

12:20 p.m. — A caller on 100 block of Jackson Avenue, La Grande, reported a disturbance involving a juvenile. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and provided options.

3:11 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 3300 block of Union Street on a complaint about a juvenile disturbance. An officer counseled the party involved.

3:23 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of a burglary at Duckett's Hydrographics, 1509 R Ave. An officer responded and took a report.

9:44 p.m. — A caller reported cars racing near Walmart, 11619 Island Ave., Island City. A La Grande police officer responded in place of a Union County sheriff's deputy but did not find the racers.

10:42 p.m. — La Grande responded to a residence on the 400 block of Meadow Court and arrested Amber Renee Magee, 32, for domestic violence assault and driving under the influence of intoxicants.

### SATURDAY, MARCH 5

1:52 p.m. — A caller reported an aggressive dog on the 200 block of South Bellwood Street, Union. An animal enforcement officer responded.

3:39 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1300 block of M Avenue and arrested Michael Shawn Saling, 54, for violating a restraining order.

5:35 p.m. — La Grande fire and police responded to Jefferson Avenue and Fir Street for a vehicle fire.

11:06 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of a sex crime in Elgin. A deputy took information.

11:46 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of a possible sex crime at Anthony Lakes Mountain Resort. A deputy took a report.

11:59 p.m. — A caller reported a male was pursuing his girlfriend in a vehicle after a disturbance at an Elgin residence. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded and resolved the situation.

### SUNDAY, MARCH 6

1:29 a.m. — A caller complained about a loud truck engine running on the 1200 block of Adams Avenue, La Grande.

1:41 a.m. — A resident on the 600 block of Bearco Loop, La Grande, reported a person was knocking on the door and would not stop. Police responded and trespassed one person from the residence.

1:54 a.m. — A caller reported someone slashed vehicle tires on the 2200 block of Pine Street, La Grande. An officer responded and took a report.

2:14 a.m. — La Grande police responded to Penn and Washington avenues on a report of a hit-and-run. Police arrested Mikenna Jo Rasmussen, 20, for DUII.

9:40 a.m. — La Grande police received a complaint about telephonic harassment. An officer contacted both parties and gave warnings for harassment.

10:13 a.m. — A caller reported vandalism on the 10900 block

of South E Street, La Grande. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded.

11:54 a.m. — A caller reported seeing a cougar with cubs in the area of 73000 Gordon Creek Road, Elgin.

4:23 p.m. — A caller complained about a dog at large on the 500 block of East Birch Street, Union. An animal enforcement officer responded and counseled the dog's owner.

6:44 p.m. — A caller reported horses were in the road in the area of 69100 Summerville Road, Summerville. The owner of the horses retrieved them before a Union County sheriff's deputy arrived.

10:19 p.m. — A resident of NK West Apartments, 1208 Adams Ave., La Grande, made a complaint about a noisy upstairs neighbor. An officer contacted the neighbor and advised the person to keep down the noise.

11:51 p.m. — A caller at Gekeler Lane and 12th Street, La Grande, reported subjects in a vehicle were shooting a BB gun at another car. Police found the subjects, who were using a splatter ball gun that fires water bead gel balls. Police counseled them for disorderly conduct.

### Dalton Stuart Jones

March 31, 1996 – February 23, 2022

Dalton Stuart Jones, 25, of La Grande, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday, Feb. 23, 2022. A memorial service will be held at the former Valley Fellowship Church building, 507 Palmer St., La Grande, on Saturday, March 12, 2022, at 2 p.m.

Dalton was born on March 31, 1996, in La Grande, Oregon, to Becky (Edmonds) Jones.

Dalton excelled at doing construction work. He was a volunteer firefighter for PVFD and helped save several homes during the Brattain Fire in Paisley, Oregon. He loved fishing, hiking, camping and mushroom picking, and he was a talented woodworker. He would say his greatest achievements were being a father to his daughter, Oaklee, and being a loving uncle. He found a second family in the Living Clean N/A group.

Dalton is survived by his mother, Becky Edmonds Jones; father figure, Tony Magee (Pops); daughter, Oaklee Erin Jones; sisters, Kara Johnson (Earl Henry), Chelsea Jones, and Hannah Jones (Mike Grace); grandparents, Stuart and Janann Edmonds; nieces and nephews, Skylar, Gavin, Regan, Jayden, Leon, Charlie, Aspen, River and Elliot; aunts and uncles, Mark and Margaret Edmonds, Kathy and Don Dalebroux, Tim and Shannon Seery, and Danny and Kristina Martens; numerous cousins; and countless friends he called his family, they know who they are. He was preceded in death by his grandparents, Karen Vickaman, PAPA Dennis Pierce and Dwayne Jones; uncle, Leon Jones; cousin, Felicia Serry; and brother, Cadence Giese.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com](http://www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com).



## DEATH NOTICES

### Arabella 'Ella' G. Carr

Truckee, California

Arabella "Ella" G. Carr, 20, of Truckee, California, died March 5, 2022, at Anthony Lakes Ski Resort, North Powder. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

### Jeffrey L. Hardy

Elgin

Jeffrey L. Hardy, 66, of Elgin, died March 6, 2022 at his residence. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

### Oval D. McBride

Formerly of La Grande

Oval D. McBride, 61, formerly of La Grande and Baker City, died March 2, 2022, at home in Irrigon. A celebration of life gathering will be held at a later date. Arrangements are by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

## UPCOMING LOCAL SERVICES



**March 11 — GEORGE RUSH:** 10:30 a.m. memorial service, Catherine Creek Community Center, Union.

**March 12 — DALTON JONES:** 2 p.m. memorial service, former Valley Fellowship Church building, 507 Palmer St., La Grande.

**March 26 — PATRICIA LEWIS:** 10 a.m. graveside service, North Powder Cemetery; followed by 11 a.m. celebration of life, North Powder Grange.

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

**May 19 — ORVA MURRILL:** 2 p.m. graveside service, Union Victorian Cemetery.

Please follow guidelines regarding face coverings and social distancing at gatherings. Calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande.



### Jack Daugherty

October 24, 1927 - February 13, 2022

Jack Daugherty, brother, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend, passed away at age 94 on Feb. 13, 2022, in Murrieta, California. He is survived by his daughter, Sheri Elliott and her husband, David; his daughter, Karen Daugherty; his son, Michael Daugherty; his wife, Susan; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia; his parents, Beatrice H. Daugherty-Crimmins and Jack A. Daugherty; stepfather, Delbert Crimmins; stepmother, Una Daugherty; and siblings, Darrell A. Dews and Patricia M. Rakestraw.

Family was everything to Jack and he cherished every moment he could spend with his extended family. He was engaged with his community and took leadership roles grounded in public service. He was a youth softball and basketball coach, Boy Scout troop leader and active member of his church, and he provided decades of dedicated service and leadership from Exalted Ruler to District Deputy for the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks throughout Northeast Oregon. He was a role model and father figure to scores of young men over the years, but above all else he loved his family. He was a hero to his children.

Jack had a long and productive career in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers that spanned continents. He worked out of Pasco, Washington; Walla Walla, Washington; the Mediterranean Division in Italy; San Francisco, California; and Washington, D.C. Upon retirement he immediately relocated to Northeast Oregon to be closer to his family. In his later years he moved to Southern California to be closer to his daughters and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Jack was proud of his service to his country in the U.S. Navy, which he joined immediately after graduating from high school. He was a submariner and patrolled the waters along the coast of Alaska in the waning days of World War II. He was a lifelong sports addict and was an athlete playing basketball in high school and baseball for the Army Corps of Engineers. He loved attending high school and college sports events and was notorious for his loud expressions of support for his teams.

Jack will long linger in the memory of those who knew and loved him. He will forever be missed.

A private family graveside service will be held at Mountain View Cemetery in Walla Walla, Washington, at a later date.

To leave an online condolence, visit [www.munsellerhodes.com](http://www.munsellerhodes.com).

