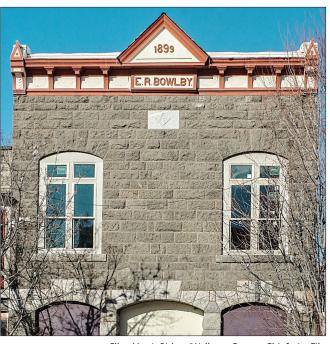
# Historic building will soon be Fishtrap's new home

ENTERPRISE — Fishtrap will soon be moving into its new headquarters on Enterprise's Main Street. The former Lear's Grill in the historic Bowlby Building is under the final stages of renovation and soon a kitchen, conference room, office and event space will serve Fishtrap's staff and guests.

The nearly 1,500-squarefoot event space that takes up much of the former Lear's dining room will be used to host popular Fishtrap events like The Big Read, Winter Fishtrap and the monthly Fishtrap Fireside series featuring local writers, according to Shannon McNerney, Fishtrap's executive director. Local nonprofits and community organizations will be invited to use the space for anything from music to lectures to fundraisers.

The room, which holds 100 people seated and is designed to be flexible, is being wired for sound and has ample room for bookshelves and large televisions to be used for streaming events or movie nights. In addition to flexibility, the facility is accessible to all due to its level entrance and ADA-compliant bathrooms.



Ellen Morris Bishop/Wallowa County Chieftain, File

The Bowlby Building on West Main Street in Enterprise, as seen in this 2019 photograph, is among the oldest buildings in the city. Built in 1899, it is composed of "Bowlby stone" blocks — a durable volcanic tuff quarried locally. The building in 2022 is nearing the end of renovations to become the new headquarters of Fishtrap.

Proceeds of the sale of Fishtrap's former home in the Coffin House on Grant Street will support programs and staff. The added amenities like the sound system, furniture, kitchen appliances and technology are being funded through grants and fundraising. Staff plans to move into the Bowlby Building in the beginning of April, and a

grand opening is scheduled for May 19.

#### What is Fishtrap?

Fishtrap was founded in 1988, when Wallowa County bookstore owner Rich Wandschneider, future Oregon Poet Laureate Kim Stafford and the award-winning journalist and historian Alvin Josephy organized the first Summer

#### **BOWLBY BUILDING CAMPAIGN**

Fishtrap is in the final stretch of raising the needed \$55,000 to make its new home in the Bowlby Building a space that the whole community can enjoy. A recent matching grant from the Roundhouse Foundation doubles campaign donations up to \$25,500, so donations to help the organization cross the finish line will pack twice the punch. Donations may be made at www.fishtrap.org/ bowlby-building-campaign.

Fishtrap Gathering of Writers at Wallowa Lake.

The weeklong Summer Fishtrap conference led to new programs like Winter Fishtrap, The Big Read, and the Outpost wilderness writing program. More recently, Fishtrap has expanded to include youth programming, the Fishtrap Fireside reading series, and several in-person and online workshops throughout the year.

Wandschneider and Stafford continue to be closely associated with Fishtrap as advisers and the organization remains true to its mission to "promote clear thinking and good writing in and about the West."

# **DEATH & SERVICE NOTICES**

## Teresa J. Higley

Elgin

Teresa J. Higley, 66, of Elgin, died March 17, 2022, at home. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

## Helen F. Kohl

La Grande

Helen F. Kohl, 77, of La Grande, died March 17, 2022, at Grande Ronde Hospital, La Grande. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

# Sandra R. Mathson

La Grande

Sandra R. Mathson, 68, of La Grande, died March 18, 2022, at a local care facility. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

# Todd K. McCoy

**Wallowa County** 

Todd K. McCoy, 60, of Wallowa County, died March 11, 2022. A graveside service will be held May 7 at 1 p.m. at the Prairie Creek Cemetery, Joseph. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

# **UPCOMING** LOCAL



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 — ANNETTE LECKENBY: 1 p.m. memorial service, Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

March 26 — JUDY HUNT: 3 p.m. celebration of life, La Grande Seventh-day Adventist Church; followed by reception at La Grande Adventist Christian

April 2 — DIANNA BRAY: noon memorial service, Calvary Baptist Church, Cove; followed by reception and meal.

April 2 — ROBERTA TRUAX: 1 p.m. celebration of life, Island City Cemetery; followed by reception at 209 S. 18th St., La Grande.

Calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande.

## Charles Wallace 1942 - March 5, 2022

Charles Wallace, born in 1942, passed away at home with his family on March 5th, 2022, after a short battle with cancer. He was born in Colorado to Marvin and Lena Wallace, joining two sisters. He began his work life with Union Pacific Railroad and later GTE, where he met his wife, Carolyn. They made their home in La Grande in 1974 until they moved to be closer to family in 2014.

In the late 1970s, Charles gave his heart to Jesus and continued his walk as a faithful Christian for the rest of his life. He attended La Grande First Baptist and served in numerous ways. He sought to share his faith with many he met, even during the week he spent in the hospital before his death.

Charles was preceded in death by his parents and his sisters. Besides his wife, Carolyn, he is survived by his daughters: Loree (Nathan) DeBoer, Valerie (John) Curalli, and Holly (Russell) McPhetridge; 8 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

A celebration of life will be held at Eastmont Baptist Church, East Wenatchee, WA, at 1 p.m. on Saturday, April 2, 2022.

# COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

### **BRIEFS**

#### Warming station ends season with appreciation lunch

LA GRANDE — An appreciation lunch for Union County Warming Station volunteers and their guests will be held on Saturday, March 19, from 1-2:30 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church, 902 Fourth St., La Grande.

#### Potential members welcome at **GRH Auxiliary gathering**

ISLAND CITY — Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Grande Ronde Hospital Auxiliary is invited to attend the organization's meeting on Monday, March 21, at the city hall in Island City. Refreshments are available at 9 a.m. and the meeting begins at 9:30 a.m.

## **SENIOR CENTER LUNCH MENUS**

LA GRANDE — Lunch is served at the Union County Senior Center, 1504 N. Albany St., La Grande, on weekdays. The meal is open to the public and both sit-down and grab-and-go options are available. For information on having lunches delivered by Meals on Wheels, call 541-605-5556.

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. Cost: Age 60+, \$4 suggested donation; all others, \$7.

#### **MARCH 21-25**

Monday: shrimp croissant sandwich or turkey sandwich, pasta salad, fruit, cookie.

Tuesday: tender beef, mashed potatoes and gravy, steamed green beans, garden salad, fresh fruit.

Wednesday: chicken cordon bleu over rice pilaf, steamed vegetables, salad greens, fresh fruit, cobbler.

Thursday: chef salad, potato chowder, fresh fruit, lemon bar.

Friday: orange-sesame chicken over rice, spring roll, sweet-and-sour cabbage slaw, fresh pineapple, fortune cookie.

- The Observer

# PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

# **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16**

8:13 a.m. — A caller on the 400 block of South Bellwood Street, Union, reported an aggressive dog. An animal enforcement officer responded.

11:03 a.m. — Gilmore Logging, 10105 Wallowa Lake Highway, La Grande, reported fraud. An officer responded and took a report. 12:59 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a complaint of harassment on the 300 block of Ruckman Avenue, Imbler.

A deputy responded and explained options. 1:20 p.m. — The Union County school resource officer received a request to contact La Grande High School, 708 K Ave., regarding

suspicious circumstances.. 1:35 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 2100 block of Fir Street on a report of a disturbance. Police cited a 59-year-old woman on a Union County warrant charging failure to appear on a charge of menacing.

2:54 p.m. — La Grande police responded to a vehicle crash at Jefferson Avenue and Greenwood Street. Police cited a 57-yearold La Grande woman on four Union County warrants for failure to appear on various misdemeanor charges.

3:57 p.m. — A caller on the 1500 block of Jefferson Avenue, La Grande, reported the theft of a catalytic converter. An officer made contact and took a report.

6:48 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of a burglary to a cabin and shop in the area of 76300 Bowman Lane, Elgin. A deputy made contact and took a report.

9:58 p.m. — A caller reported a person walking around the North Powder School, 333 G St., North Powder, was checking doors. Dispatch advised a Union County sheriff's deputy.

# **THURSDAY, MARCH 17**

9:33 a.m. — A resident in the area of 69000 Craig Loop, Summerville, reported possible fraud. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and gave options.

### Floyd James Canup July 3, 1937 - March 2, 2022

Floyd James Canup, 84, of Imbler, passed away on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, at a local care facility in La Grande. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

Floyd was born on July 3, 1937 in San Bernardino County, California to Edward and Minnie Canup. He lived for many years in Southern California, where he met his



wife, Joyce. They married on October 30, 1965. After building homes in California, Arizona and Idaho, they moved to settle in La Grande in 1983.

Floyd worked for Union County, then opened John's Repair and Sales, a small engine repair shop. He owned his own tree spraying company in his later years, something he was very proud of and worked hard at accomplishing. Floyd always enjoyed mechanical repair and automotive work, though he also had a passion for gardening, canning fruits and vegetables, and sourdough

Floyd is survived by his daughter, Cindy Lott of Arnoldsville, GA; grandson Sebastian and nephew David Canup. He was preceded in death by his wife, Joyce; parents, Edward and Minnie and brother, Alvin.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Foundation For Angelman Syndrome Therapeutics, https://cureangelman.org

3:29 p.m. — A caller reported a civil issue on the 1900 block of O  $\,$ Avenue, La Grande. An officer made contact and provided options.

4:56 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a complaint about possible animal abuse on the 40 block of South 11th Avenue, Elgin. An animal enforcement officer made contact and will follow up.

6:40 p.m. — A caller in the area of 67200 Timberline Road, Summerville, reported a dog was in an area with livestock. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded and took the dog into custody.

6:41 p.m. — A resident on the 700 block of South Bellwood Street, Union, reported fraud. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and explained options.

6:46 p.m. — A resident on the 26600 block of Bird Lane, La Grande, reported possible fraud and theft. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded and took a report.

#### James 'Jim' E. Roe June 8, 1953 - March 13, 2022

James "Jim" Enoch Roe, 68, of La Grande, passed away on Sunday, March 13, 2022, at Grande Ronde Hospital. A memorial service will be held at the La Grande Presbyterian Friendship Center on Friday, March 18, 2022, at 2 p.m. Casual dress is

preferred by the family. Jim was born on June 8, 1953, in Huntsville, Alabama, to James

Enoch Jenkins and Bettye Jean (Owens) Jenkins. When Jimmy was 3 years old, his mother married Floyd J. Roe and they moved to his stepdad's home in the Grande Ronde Valley, where Jimmy Roe was raised. Jim attended school in La Grande and in 1971 graduated from La Grande High School, where he played football, basketball and baseball for the La Grande Tigers. He attended Eastern Oregon State College and was the quarterback from 1973-1975 for the Mountaineers. In 1975, he married Lanette Temple and they made their life together for 47 years and raised their two children in this valley.

Jim was a self-employed locksmith. He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, fishing, camping, gardening and canning. He had a passion for sports and kids and a gift for coaching. Many hours were spent coaching his son and teammates in AAU basketball and Little League baseball. Jim had a talent for building confidence and character in his players.

The highlight of Jim's life was his children, grandchildren and his pets. He played an active role as a dad and papa with unconditional love embedded with humor and silliness that made them laugh. In his later years, he thrived on spending time on the mountain property with his dad, son and all of the family, including the dogs. Jim appreciated the simple pleasures. He was a loyal and kind man who loved his life.

James is survived by his wife, Lanette; children, Teala Sunderman (Brad) and Preston Roe (Lilly); grandchildren, Jack Sunderman, Aspen Roe and Gwen Roe; brothers, Lonnie Jenkins (Eileen) and Theron Roe (Marlene); sister, Katie Moran (Jason); stepfather, Floyd Roe; many nieces and nephews; mother- and fatherin-law, Ora and LaVonna Temple; and sisters-in-law, DeeAnn McAlister (Ralph), Toni Hand (Lawrence) and Carol O'Connor (Grady). He was preceded in death by his parents, James Jenkins and Bettye Roe.

Online condolences may be made to the family at

www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com.

# Charlotte V. (Frazier) Stonebrink July 22, 1931 - February 6, 2022

Charlotte Viola Stonebrink, 90, was born July 22, 1931, at Paradise, Oregon, and died Feb. 6, 2022, at her winter home in Yuma, Arizona. Her parents were William (Crooks) Frazier and Mattie Ann (Miller) Frazier. When Charlotte was 5 years old her parents were asked if she could start school because they needed her for the Christmas program, so



off she went on her horse. Later the family moved to Lostine, where Charlotte graduated as valedictorian of her class of seven students, the only girl.

Charlotte married classmate Cyril Long and they had two children, Larry and Bonnie. Cyril was killed in a farm accident at age 39. Charlotte remained on the farm and married Don Stonebrink in 1972. The family grew by leaps and bounds with Don's five children and one more child added to this union, Melvin.

Charlotte was the proverbial farm wife, a devoted member of the Lostine Presbyterian Church and a wonderful mother.

Survivors include her husband, Don; son, Larry Long (Pam) of Walla Walla, Washington; daughter, Bonnie (Elwayne) Henderson of Wallowa, Oregon; son, Melvin Stonebrink (Dena) of Wallowa, Oregon; stepchildren, Kathy Stonebrink of Murray, Iowa, Diana (Dennis) Harvey of Lostine, Oregon, and John Stonebrink of Ontario, Oregon; 14 grandchildren; 17 great-grandchildren; niece, Betty (Jim) Banister of Nampa, Idaho; and many great-nieces, great-nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Cyril; sister, Hattie Nedrow; stepsons, Gary and Corey Stonebrink; niece, Ruby Wren; and a baby sister who died at birth.

Private burial has taken place at the Lostine Cemetery. A memorial service is being planned for late spring.