

**TODAY**

In 1945, President Franklin D. Roosevelt died of a cerebral hemorrhage in Warm Springs, Georgia, at age 63; he was succeeded by Vice President Harry S. Truman.

In 1955, the Salk vaccine against polio was declared safe and effective.

In 1961, Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first man to fly in space, orbiting the earth once before making a safe landing.

In 1963, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr. was arrested and jailed in Birmingham, Alabama, charged with contempt of court and parading without a permit. (During his time behind bars, King wrote his "Letter from Birmingham Jail.")

In 1981, former world heavy-weight boxing champion Joe Louis, 66, died in Las Vegas, Nevada.

In 1985, Sen. Jake Garn, R-Utah, became the first sitting member of Congress to fly in space as the shuttle Discovery lifted off.

In 1988, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office issued a patent to Harvard University for a genetically engineered mouse, the first time a patent was granted for an animal life form.

In 1990, in its first meeting, East Germany's first democratically elected parliament acknowledged responsibility for the Nazi Holocaust, and asked the forgiveness of Jews and others who had suffered.

In 1992, after five years in the making, Euro Disneyland (now called Disneyland Paris) opened in Marne-La-Vallée, France, amid controversy as French intellectuals bemoaned the invasion of American pop culture.

In 2015, Hillary Rodham Clinton jumped back into presidential politics, announcing in a video her much-awaited second campaign for the White House.

In 2018, police in Philadelphia arrested two black men at a Starbucks; the men had been asked to leave after one of them was denied access to the restroom. (Starbucks apologized and, weeks later, closed thousands of stores for part of the day to conduct anti-bias training.)

In 2020, Christians around the world celebrated Easter Sunday isolated in their homes by the coronavirus. St. Peter's Square was barricaded to keep out crowds. Pope Francis celebrated Easter Mass inside the largely vacant basilica, calling for global solidarity in the face of the pandemic and urging political leaders to give hope and opportunity to people who had lost jobs.

**Today's Birthdays:** Playwright Alan Ayckbourn is 83. Jazz musician Herbie Hancock is 82. Rock singer John Kay (Steppenwolf) is 78. Actor Ed O'Neill is 76. Actor Dan Lauria is 75. Talk show host David Letterman is 75. Author Scott Turow is 73. Actor-playwright Tom Noonan is 71. R&B singer JD Nicholas (The Commodores) is 70. Singer Pat Travers is 68. Actor Andy Garcia is 66. Movie director Walter Salles is 66. Country singer Vince Gill is 65. Model/TV personality J Alexander is 64. Rock musician Will Sergeant (Echo & the Bunnymen) is 64. Rock singer Art Alexakis (Everclear) is 60. Country singer Deryl Dodd is 58. Folk-pop singer Amy Ray (Indigo Girls) is 58. Actor Alicia Coppola is 54. Rock singer Nicholas Hexum (311) is 52. Actor Retta is 52. Actor Nicholas Brendon is 51. Actor Shannen Doherty is 51. Actor Marley Shelton is 48. Actor Sarah Jane Morris is 45. Actor Jordana Spiro is 45. Rock musician Guy Berryman (Coldplay) is 44. Actor Riley Smith is 44. Actor Claire Danes is 43. Actor Jennifer Morrison is 43. Actor Matt McGorry is 36. Actor Brooklyn Decker is 35. Contemporary Christian musician Joe Rickard (Red) is 35. Rock singer-musician Brendon Urie (Panic! at the Disco) is 35. Actor Saoirse Ronan is 28.

**LOTTERY**

**Friday, April 8, 2022**

**Megamillions**

8-11-29-32-40

Megaball: 2

Megaplier: 3

Jackpot: \$106 million

**Lucky Lines**

2-6-10-15-19-23-26-32

Jackpot: \$19,000

**Pick 4**

1 p.m.: 8-1-7-6

4 p.m.: 4-4-3-2

7 p.m.: 3-3-2-3

10 p.m.: 6-7-1-8

**Saturday, April 9, 2022**

**Powerball**

6-16-31-62-66

Powerball: 18

Power Play: 2

Jackpot: \$288 million

**Megabucks**

6-20-27-30-43-44

Jackpot: \$4 million

**Lucky Lines**

4-8-12-16-19-24-25-31

Jackpot: \$20,000

**Pick 4**

1 p.m.: 9-3-8-4

4 p.m.: 9-0-3-9

7 p.m.: 1-4-3-1

10 p.m.: 0-3-5-1

**Win for Life**

1-24-58-74

**Sunday, April 10, 2022**

**Lucky Lines**

3-8-12-13-18-22-27-30

Estimated jackpot: \$21,000

**Pick 4**

1 p.m.: 2-5-9-0

4 p.m.: 9-3-0-3

7 p.m.: 8-5-2-3

10 p.m.: 8-3-7-9

# Celebrating diversity with CEAD

Conference offers on-campus diversity, equity workshops

The Observer

LA GRANDE — Now in its 11th year, the Celebrate, Educate & Appreciate Diversity (CEAD) Conference has become a signature event at Eastern Oregon University.

This half-day conference, scheduled for Saturday, April 23, invites students, staff and community members across Eastern Oregon to network and explore important issues around diversity and student leadership.

The conference provides a safe space where participants can engage in thoughtful and informative conversations.

"I look forward to the conference being back in person because it will allow us to have conversations and interactions in a different way than we would virtually," said Frances Santos, a senior studying anthropology and sociology who serves as coordinator of the Student Council for Multicultural Affairs and co-chairs the CEAD Planning Committee.

The conference offers diversity training and education for participants, equipping them to "lead



Eastern Oregon University/Contributed Photo

**Eastern Oregon University, La Grande, is hosting its annual Celebrate, Educate & Appreciate Diversity Conference on Saturday, April 23, 2022. Now in its 11th year, the conference offers diversity training and education for students, faculty and community members.**

responsible and reflective action in a diverse and interconnected world." Those who attend the CEAD Conference gain a greater awareness and understanding of power, privilege, biases and stereotypes, as well as a broader understanding of differences in groups, backgrounds, cultures, practices and worldviews through meaningful dialogue.

Attendees will hear from keynote speaker Bushra Amiwala, who will speak about empowering youth voices and intersectionality. Amiwala is a community organizer, a social justice advocate and the youngest

Muslim elected official in the United States, serving on the Skokie School Board. As a first-generation child of Pakistani immigrants, Amiwala will share her wealth of experience and different perspectives to discuss a variety of impactful and timely topics around diversity, equity and inclusion.

The in-person conference will feature diversity and inclusion presentations with an emphasis on empowering youth voices, healing, unpacking identity and more. Two workshop sessions will be offered immediately following the keynote address. The conference will conclude with

closing remarks and lunch served at the Mountie Cafe, on the second floor of Hoke Union Building. All activities take place in Badgley Hall on EOU's campus in La Grande. Participants receive a certificate identifying that they have completed four hours of diversity training.

This year's CEAD workshop presenters also include 2021 Oregon Teacher of the Year Nicole Butler-Hooton (Siletz/Apache) and Health Equity Advocate Jaylyn Suppah (Confederated Tribe of Warm Springs). Closing remarks will be offered by Chicano artist and scholar Jake Prendez.

# Mount Glen Road widening planned

Traffic delays will be limited

By DICK MASON

The Observer

LA GRANDE — The widening of a portion of one of the busiest roads maintained by Union County is set to begin soon.

The work will involve a 3.5-mile stretch of Mount Glen Road, running from Booth Lane to Standley Lane. The work will widen both sides of this portion of the road, which is north of La Grande.

"We will add a foot to both sides of the road," said Union County Public Works Director Doug Wright.

Crews working on the project will grind a portion of both edges of the roadway, which are deteriorating, during the first part of the project.

"They will be ground

to create straight edges," Wright said.

The ground asphalt will be removed and then new asphalt will be installed to widen the road. The old asphalt will be added to the shoulder of the road and compacted. In the process of doing this the shoulder of Mount Glen Road will be expanded by compressing its soil and gravel.

The work will be a continuation of the widening of Mount Glen Road that started a year ago with the repaving of a 5-mile stretch of North Powder River Road in southern Union County.

Union County will be paying 10% of the funding for the project and the remainder will be provided by the federal Forested Lands Access Program.

The goal of the Federal Lands Access Program is to improve transportation facilities that provide access

making it one of the most heavily used roads maintained by Union County.

Wright said it is important to maintain the road, not only because of its heavy traffic but because it also is a popular bike route.

**North Powder River Road project**

The Mount Glen widening work is one of two road projects Union County will be involved in over the next five months. The second will be the repaving of a 5-mile stretch of North Powder River Road in southern Union County.

Union County will be paying 10% of the funding for the project and the remainder will be provided by the federal Forested Lands Access Program. The goal of the Federal Lands Access Program is to improve transportation facilities that provide access

to, are adjacent to, or are located within federal lands, according to its website.

Wright said that maintaining North Powder River Road is critical because it receives so much use.

He said, "A lot of traffic accesses it to reach Anthony Lakes Highway," which is the route used to reach Anthony Lakes Mountain Mountain Resort.

The paving project is expected to take four or five months to finish.

"We anticipate that the project will start in June and should be finished in October," Wright said.

The Union County Public Works director said there will be traffic delays during the repaving of North Powder River Road. Traffic control devices and flaggers will be present for a portion of the time work is being done.

# State Rep. Levy visits Wallowa History Center

Center received \$500,000 grant for renovation

Wallowa County Chieftain

WALLOWA — A \$500,000 grant recently received from the state will help renovate and restore the former U.S. Forest Service Compound into the Wallowa History Center, according to a press release.

The former Bear Sleds Unit Office is owned by the city.

The grant was secured by state Rep. Bobby Levy and state Sen. Bill Hansell, both of Umatilla County, with the assistance of Rep. John Lively, a Wallowa native and now a state representative from Eugene.

Earlier this month, Levy and her chief of staff, Whitley Sullivan, vis-



Debbie Lind/Contributed Photo

**State Rep. Bobby Levy visited the Wallowa History Center on Friday, April 1, 2022, to see the subject of a \$500,000 grant she and others helped secure. From left are Wallowa Mayor Gary Hulse, Wallowa History Center board member Marilyn Hulse, WHC Board Chairman David Weaver, Levy, Levy's Chief of Staff Whitley Sullivan, WHC Board member Jenny Hawkins and WHC Board member Joseph Goebel.**

ited Wallowa County and stopped in Wallowa to see the compound and the center.

The Wallowa History Center Board of Directors has several new projects nearing comple-

tion. They plan to work with photographer Ellen Morris Bishop to photograph remains of wagon roads in the Wallowa River Canyon area and publish the Findley family papers edited by John Gotterud, of Wallowa.

The board has been asked to supply historic photos of natural resources for the Doug McDaniel Stewardship Center in Enterprise. Preserving the natural resource history of the county is another goal, as is publishing the board's quarterly, magazine-style newsletter under the editorship of Mark Highberger, of Wallowa.

The History Center's website, www.wallowa-history.org, interactively ties together old newspaper formats, holds the archived photos and connects with other historical resources using current technology.

# Wallowa County declares drought emergency

By BILL BRADSHAW

Wallowa County Chieftain

ENTERPRISE — Another year of drought was declared by the Wallowa County Board of Commissioners during its meeting Wednesday, April 6.

"We don't have a lot of information other than we're in D4," Commissioner Todd Nash said, referring to the most-extreme drought condition.

The county was listed as D4 all summer until the fall.

"We've been in D3 since, over a good portion of our county," Nash said, referring to a less-severe designation. "So there is reason enough there to declare drought. We have somewhere between 50% and 70% snowpack in the mountains."

The commissioners issued a drought declaration in May 2021, a full month later than this year.

"Most of our soils, especially in the northern portion of the county, are extremely dry," he said. "Reports vary on watering conditions for livestock from full capacity in the pond storage to not so much. It does vary from site to site throughout the county. The bearing it has, I think, we have some potential wet weather coming. May and June are really the critical times for Wallowa County and so we could be getting ahead of ourselves a little bit, but for where we are right now, 88% of Oregon is in a drought condition."

Nash recommended moving toward a drought declaration.

"I think it would be responsible for us to pursue declaring a drought. I don't want to do this every year, but we're still recovering from last year, too," he said. "Those soil conditions and I think even into what is going to be our groundwater conditions are going to continue to recover for a while. With that, it would be my recommendation that we pursue declaring a drought."

Commission Chair Susan Roberts asked if the county needs more information from a Soil and Water Conservation District, but Nash said that isn't necessary.

"We don't at this point because the U.S. Drought Monitor shows us in D3," Nash said. "I did take a bit of a survey around the county and got varying responses and I've tried to articulate most of those."

The U.S. Drought Monitor is a map that is updated each Thursday to show the location and intensity of drought across the country. As of the latest report, taken April 5 and released April 7, nearly half of Wallowa County (49.13%) was in D3, or extreme drought.

Roberts explained the declaration is the first step toward obtaining state or federal assistance for those plagued by drought.

"What that does is we send in a form to the state through our emergency manager and then the state recognizes our declaration and approves it and then forwards the request to the secretary of agriculture for a consideration of a drought declaration for Wallowa County," she said. "Then, if people need assistance or if the county does, we're eligible for it, but we have to make the declaration in order to get the assistance."

Roberts asked for a motion, which Nash made, and the board approved.

**NEWS BRIEF**

**Governor candidate Pulliam to visit Union County as part of gubernatorial campaign**

LA GRANDE — Stan Pulliam, mayor of Sandy and candidate for Oregon governor, will visit Union County Wednesday, April 13, during a campaign tour of Eastern Oregon.

Pulliam will be at Urban Vine, 10107 W. First St., Island City, at 12:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

"We're excited to continue meeting with Main Street business owners, community leaders, and concerned Oregonians at the next few stops of our bus tour," Pulliam said. "We're going to keep highlighting

Main Street Heroes, including small business owners, veterans, law enforcement, and first responders who are truly the backbone of our local communities."

Pulliam will also make stops in Baker City, Ontario, John Day and Burns.

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