## **COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD**

### Wyden to host virtual town hall for **Union County residents**

LA GRANDE — U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden is hosting a virtual town hall for residents of Union County on Wednesday, April 20, at 10 a.m. To join the discussion, go to www. facebook.com/events/457957056069185.

According to a press release, the senator has hosted more than 1,000 town halls during his time in office, and has hosted at least one in each county in Oregon each year.

### Live theater returns to Lostine

LOSTINE — Local actors will read three pieces out of E.M Lewis' repertoire Sunday, April 24, in Lostine when Fishtrap and the MidValley Theatre Co. host the playwright, who is Fishtrap's current writer-in-residence. The readings will begin at 3 p.m. at the South Fork Grange, 317 Rosewell St. Admission is free and light refreshments will be provided.

Local actors will be reading three pieces out of Lewis' vast repertoire: the new one-act "Dorothy's Dictionary," as well as two shorts, "Drop-Off Day" and "The Last Four Things My Father Held Against Me."

### Final school district bond Information Night is April 21

LA GRANDE — The La Grande School District is conducting Bond Information Night programs in April on the \$4.485 million bond the district will ask voters to approve in the May 17 election.

Money from the bond would be used to

replace the district's aging Annex building with a new academic and athletic center.

The final Bond Information Night begins at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 21, in Island City Elementary School's library.

People who cannot attend in person can watch the session virtually by using the Google Meet link on the La Grande School District's Facebook page.

### Learn all about bugs at Earth Day **Extravaganza**

LA GRANDE — Children can learn about chemistry during a free Earth Day event Friday, April 22, from 3-5 p.m. at Cook Memorial Library, 2006 Fourth St., La Grande. Hands-on activities will be provided by the chemistry club at Eastern Oregon University in the library's community room. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

This event, called "Chemists Celebrate Earth Week," is promoted by the American Chemical Society, said Anna Cavinato, EOU chemistry professor. "It is designed to communicate the positive role that chemistry plays in solving major challenges faced by the world," Cavinato said.

This year's theme is "The Buzz About Bugs: Insect Chemistry." The club will set up three stations. At one, kids will make a natural dye using cochineal insects. Another station will have participants pretend to be bugs and identify common aromas from natural fruits, flowers and products that use scents as part of their ingredients. The third station will feature Dr. Laura Mahrt from the

EOU biology department with displays of bugs from all over the world.

### Cove senior lunch served twice a month

COVE — Cove senior lunches are held 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, May 3, is Swedish meatballs over egg noodles, green beans, salad bar, rolls and oatmeal jam bars.

The price is \$5 per meal and reservations are requested to ensure there is food for everyone. If you haven't been contacted and

wish to participate, call Betsy Arnson at 541-568-4902 or Virginia Fischer at 907-299-6072 by April 26.

### Zumba and seedballs make for unique Earth Day celebration

LA GRANDE — Liv Fit and Dance is putting on a Zumba dance party celebration of Earth Day on Friday, April 22, from 4-5:30 p.m. at Max Square, corner of Adams Avenue and Fourth Street, La Grande. In addition to the Zumba, participants can choose to make seed balls and environmental testers.

— The Observer

### Jo Bollman April 5, 1920 - April 2, 2022

Jo Bollman died April 2 at her home at Wallowa Lake just 3 days shy of her 102nd birthday, which family was going

Greenwood at Centralia, Washington, on April 5, 1920, the daughter of Charles Herbert Greenwood Margaret Henrietta "McPherson" Greenwood. Jo grew up in logging camps in the Northwest because her dad was an engineer for Weyerhaeuser. She graduated from Stadium High in Tacoma in 1938 and attended college at Puget Sound for two years before transferring to OCE in

Monmouth. Her father took a job for Polk & Talbot which relocated the family to Dallas, Oregon.

Upon graduation, Jo became a teller at the local bank until she found employment as a librarian. There was a gentleman in Dallas that Jo's mother always said "you will marry him" and strangely enough, on leave from the military, Lenthal Azel Bollman proposed. They were married Nov. 13, 1942, before he again was deployed. Of this union Lenthal A. III (Lennie) was born 1944.

Jo was very active in the war efforts supporting and volunteering in the USO and local drives to support the troops. After discharge from the military Lenthal & Jo settled in Dallas as Lenthal worked for the family funeral home. Lenthal & Jo decided to venture out to found their own funeral home, finally purchasing the Booth Funeral Home in Enterprise, Oregon, in 1949. Lenthal and Jo raised 3 other children: Lee A. born in 1950, Linda Ann born 1952, and Lori Alene, the Christmas baby, born 1955 all were raised in an apartment above the now Bollman Funeral Home. Lenthal & Jo purchased property at Wallowa Lake in the 50s to eventually have a new home on Ice Creek Lane. They continued to operate the funeral home until their son Lee purchased it in 1980 when they truly retired to Wallowa Lake and became snowbirds, settling in Salome, AZ, during the winter months.

She was active with the PEO, receiving her 73rd-year pin, becoming a life member of the VFW 4307 Auxiliary at her 100th birthday, Very active in the Enterprise Community Congregational Church (The Big Brown Church) and in 1990 took on the monumental task of organizing 50 years of newspaper clippings, photos and minutes of the church which are now housed in the church library.

Jo was active in the Stover Circle,

Women's Fellowship, Safe Harbors, Senior Meals and Wallowa County Museum. It wasn't until Lenthal's death in 1999 when to celebrate that day. Born Frances Jo Jo really blossomed. Her passion as a

librarian had her waking up in the middle of the night to get lost in a new novel, reading it in one sitting. Lenthal A. III (Lennie) worked for the Bollman Funeral Home, opening up a new adventure with Jo to learn the computer (email, Facebook, and word processing), to travel and explore all the cemeteries Wallowa in County. locations Documenting and pictures not only of

the cemetery but all the folks that were buried in that cemetery. She and her son Lennie published their findings of all these cemeteries which still remain at the Wallowa County Museum. After Lennie's departure to take employment elsewhere, Jo continued her passion on these cemetery works but now explored the family trees of each of the folks buried in each cemetery until her eyesight failed, and in 2021, at 101 years old, turning all of her works over to the Wallowa County Museum and the Wallowa History Center. She loved the visits from family and friends keeping her up dated on all the happenings. She never forgot a holiday or birthday or special event in these peoples lives always sending them a card or just a quick note to say hi.

She is survived by her children, Lenthal A. (Lennie) and wife Donna of The Dalles, Lee A .and wife Renita of Enterprise; daughters Linda and husband Bill Josi of Tillamook, Lori Bollman of Wallowa Lake; 12 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren.

She is proceeded in death by a granddaughter, Megan, great-grandson James, her brother Jack Greenwood, and sister Jane Woods.

Graveside services will be held at the Enterprise Cemetery April 23, 11 a.m., with Vault Interment to follow. Because of Jo's affiliation with many organizations we feel you could donate to the charity of your choice, and if you do send flowers we will donate them to our local care facilities. Bollman Funeral Home entrusted with the arrangements.

In the last year of her life she and the family were most appreciative of all the affection the community showed, Especially Traci Frye and her staff for the home visits, and Lori her daughter for the 24-hour attention she gave. It seemed like two old maids sharing life together and life's stories until the end

# **PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT**

#### **FRIDAY, APRIL 15**

12:27 a.m. — A caller reported a disturbance on the 2700 block of Island Avenue, La Grande. Officers responded and requested medical help. Police took a report.

10:35 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the 2800 block of Spruce Street on a report of gunshots. An officer did not find anyone shooting.

12:38 p.m. — A resident on the 100 block of Fir Street, La Grande, reported fraud. An officer responded and will follow up.

3:30 p.m. — La Grande police received a complaint about a disturbance involving juveniles on the 2300 block of Island Avenue. Officers looked but found no disturbance.

5:43 p.m. — The Union County Sheriff's Office received a complaint about fraud on the 1100 block of North Main Street, Union. A deputy made contact and explained options.

8:59 p.m. — A caller reported a restraining order violation at C Avenue and Fourth Street, La Grande. An officer made contact and explained

## **SATURDAY, APRIL 16**

12:17 p.m. — A Union County sheriff's deputy responded to the 63200 block of Highway 203, La Grande, on a report of a disturbance. The sheriff's office arrested a 41-year-old man for disorderly conduct and harassment.

1:04 p.m. — A caller on the 1200 block of Hall Street, La Grande, reported a male tried to get him to enter his car. An officer made contact and attempted to find the car and driver.

1:07 p.m. — Legacy Chrysler Jeep Dodge Ram, 10705 Island Ave., Island City, reported the theft of fuel from a vehicle. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and arranged for more

1:35 p.m. — A caller reported a possible domestic disturbance on the 1500 block of

Adams Avenue, La Grande. An officer responded and found a small child was having a tantrum.

5:07 p.m. — A resident on the 1800 block of G Avenue, La Grande, reported harassment from a neighbor. Officers responded, resolved the situation and told the subject not to drive.

5:12 p.m. — A caller reported a person on the 61200 block of Pierce Road, La Grande, was shooting a coyote from a vehicle. The Union County Sheriff's Offie referred the report to Oregon State Police fish and game troopers.

6:29 p.m. — A caller on the 2100 block of Adams Avenue reported a person was using drugs in a vehicle. Police checked but did not find

10:40 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 2600 block of Island Avenue on a report of a disturbance. Parties reported they will work on a plan to separate.

### **SUNDAY, APRIL 17**

2:11 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1900 block of Adams Avenue on a report of a vehicle crash. Police arrested Rebecca Remay Wherley, 24, for driving under the influence of intoxicants.

10:32 a.m. — Union County sheriff's deputies responded to an Elgin residence on a report of a person in mental or emotional crisis. The person received additional assistance from crisis staff with the Center for Human Development Inc.

3:56 p.m. — A caller reported two cows were in the road at Riverside Park, La Grande. A Union County sheriff's deputy responded and contacted the cattle owner, who retrieved the cows.

5:21 p.m. — La Grande police warned an intoxicated male at Birch Street and U Avenue for disorderly conduct.

8:20 p.m. — A Union County sheriff's deputy responded to the 200 block of South Third Street, Union, on a report of a fight and trespassed three

## **DEATH NOTICE**

Philemon A. Redman

La Grande

Philemon A. Redman, 67, of La Grande, died April 15, 2022, at Grande Ronde Hospital. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

## **UPCOMING** LOCAL **SERVICES**



April 19 — COLLINS TUCKER: 2 p.m. celebration of life, La Grande Nazarene Church. **April 22 — RUSTY & DONNA BRODHEAD:** 11 a.m. joint memorial service, North Powder Cemetery

April 23 — JO BOLLMAN: 11 a.m. graveside service and vault interment, Enterprise Cemetery.

April 24 — MICHAEL ROBINSON: 2 p.m. celebration of life, Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande; followed by reception at Riverside Park Pavilion, La Grande.

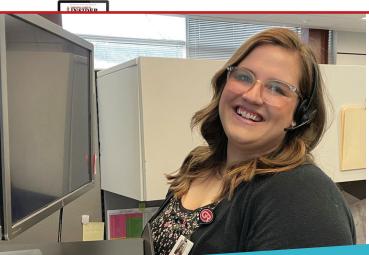
May 7 — TODD McCOY: 1 p.m. memorial service, Grace Lutheran Church, Enterprise. May 19 — ORVA MURRILL: 2 p.m. graveside

service, Union Victorian Cemetery. May 21 — MARY SCOTT: 11 a.m. celebration of life potluck, Elgin Community Center.

June 23 — DAN KRAMER: 2 p.m. memorial service, Grandview Cemetery, La Grande.

— Calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande





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