

## 1933 Ford Roadster declared best of La Grande Classic Car Show

The Observer

LA GRANDE — A record number of vehicles lined Adams Avenue on Saturday, July 16, as the Timber Cruisers Car Club held its annual La Grande Classic Car Show.

Amid the dozens of outstanding classic cars one vehicle stood out from the rest and was awarded the Best of Show trophy made by Matt Babbs of La Grande, according to a press release. The winning car: a 1933 copper and champagne Ford Roadster owned by Wally and Judy Belt, of Salem.

Mary Ann Miesner, a member of the Timber Cruisers, said the Belts have owned several winning cars. According to Miesner, Judy said this is the last car they will purchase, but Wally just smiled.

The members of the Timber Cruisers Car



Timber Cruisers Car Club/Contributed Photo

**This 1933 copper and champagne Ford Roadster, owned by Wally and Judy Belt, of Salem, took home the Best of Show award Saturday, July 16, 2022, at the annual La Grande Classic Car Show, held during Crazy Days on Adams Avenue. Next to the car is the Best in Show trophy, made by Matt Babbs, of La Grande.**

Club in the press release expressed their appreciation of the sponsors who make the annual car show possible: M.J. Goss Motors, The Market Place, Les Schwab Tire Center, La

Grande Auto Repair, Richardson's Paint & Performance, Ziply Fiber and Union County Tourism.

The club also acknowledged the local merchants and individuals who

donated raffle items and purchased and presented Cruise Favorite plaques.

A complete list of winning cars and pictures can be found soon at [www.timbercruiserscarclub.com](http://www.timbercruiserscarclub.com).

## COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

### MEETINGS

ISLAND CITY — The quarterly meeting of the Northeast Oregon Housing Authority Board of Commissioners will be held on Tuesday, July 26, at 10 a.m. at the Blue Springs Crossing Community Room, 10801 Walton Road, Island City.

The meeting is open to the public and the location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to Laurie Girard at 541-963-5360, Ext. 21. TDD (Hearing Impaired): 541-963-2465.

### BRIEFS

#### Cool down at Veterans' Memorial Pool

LA GRANDE — Veterans' Memorial Pool, at Pioneer Park in La Grande, now is open for seasonal summer hours.

- Recreational swim times are Monday through Friday from 1:30-5 p.m. The splash pad is open depending on the weather. Rec swim is also open Wednesday and Friday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m.

- Lap swims are Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5:30-8:00 a.m., Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 5-7 p.m.

- The small pool for water exercise

and classes is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 5:30-8 a.m. and Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

#### .22 rifle trail shoot set for July 30

LA GRANDE — All veterans, military, law enforcement, first responders, fire department crews and volunteers are invited to the inaugural .22 rifle trail shoot on Saturday, July 30, at the La Grande Rifle and Pistol Club Range on Rankin Road. Register that morning before 9 a.m. Tickets are \$15 and are also available in advance. For full information, call Darrel Plank at 541-910-4132 or Larry Forrest at 541-805-1762.

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## UNION COUNTY SENIOR LUNCH MENU

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.

Dine-in meals are served from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.; suggested donation is \$4 for age 60+, \$7 for all others. Takeout meals are picked up

from noon to 1 p.m. at the kitchen's back door; cost is \$7 for all. The menu for July 25-29 is:

**Monday:** meatloaf, red potatoes, brown gravy, pea salad, fresh fruit, apple pie.

**Tuesday:** handcrafted pizza, Caesar salad, fresh fruit garnish, orange sherbet.

**Wednesday:** chicken and dumplings, steamed vegetables, spinach salad, sliced cantaloupe, pie.

**Thursday:** BBQ country ribs, baked beans, coleslaw, fruit cobbler.

**Friday:** spaghetti and meatballs, Caesar salad, Italian breadsticks, winter blend veggies, fresh fruit garnish.

## PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

6:31 a.m. — Union County sheriff's deputies responded to the 1000 block of Galveston Street, Elgin, on a call about a domestic disturbance. Deputies arrested Thomas Jay Leonard, 45, of Elgin, for fourth-degree domestic violence assault.

10:42 a.m. — A resident on the 2800 block of Spruce Street, La Grande, reported mail theft. An officer responded and took a report.

5:01 p.m. — A caller at Walmart, 11619 Island Ave., Island City, reported a dog was locked in a vehicle. Union County sheriff's deputies responded and resolved the situation.

7:59 p.m. — A caller reported a horse was loose on the 2600 block of Bearco Loop, La Grande. Local law enforcement responded and located the owner of the horse.

8:52 p.m. — A caller reported the theft of clothes from Bubbles Laundry, Adams Ave., La Grande. An officer made contact and will follow up.

9:54 p.m. — La Grande police responded to Bud Jackson's Eatery & Taps, 2209 Adams Ave., on a report of a subject with a false ID. Police trespassed the person from the establishment.

### THURSDAY, JULY 21

2:58 a.m. — A caller reported a person was looking in vehicles in the parking lot of the Super 8 by Wyndham, 2407 R Ave., La Grande. Police responded and arrested a 23-year-old man for trespassing.

7:11 a.m. — Union County sheriff's deputies responded to Fourth and E streets, North Powder, on a complaint about trespassing. Deputies arrested Mariam Everson Collard, 22, for two counts of felon in possession of a firearm, felon in possession of a restricted weapon, unlawful possession of a firearm and carrying a concealed weapon. The sheriff's office also arrested her on warrants.

7:47 a.m. — A Union resident reported identity theft. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and explained options.

9:33 a.m. — A caller reported animal abuse on the 10200 block of West Railroad Avenue, Island City. An animal enforcement officer responded and took a report.

12:21 p.m. — A caller at the Orchard Motel, 2206 Adams Ave., reported the theft of a vehicle. An officer responded and took a report.

10:06 p.m. — La Grande police responded to a complaint about noise at the high school, 708 K Ave. An officer counseled the subjects.

### Dekker Dane Adams

December 3, 2008 - July 13, 2022

Dekker Dane Adams, 13, of La Grande, passed away on Wednesday, July 13, 2022, at his residence. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, July 23, 2022, at 10 a.m. at the Imbler High School.



Dekker was born on Dec. 3, 2008, in La Grande, Oregon, to Dustan and Megan (Voigt) Adams. Dekker lived in Island City, Oregon, until he moved to his "forever" home on Orchard Road at the age of 7. He attended Heidi Ho Preschool and Imbler Elementary and Junior High School.

Dekker enjoyed working with his grandparents on the family ranch anytime he got the chance. He was an Imbler FFA Greenhand member. Dekker competed at the Oregon State FFA convention and won his division in the Agriscience Fair Program.

Dekker was born to be a farmer and a rancher. He loved all aspects of agriculture and he loved the outdoors, including deer and elk hunting with his dad. He played junior high basketball and ran track for the Imbler Junior High. Dekker was involved in the Imbler FFA, and Imbler Pitchfork Gang 4-H Club. He was passionate about his 4-H projects and raised and sold four Imbler 4-H steers.

Dekker is survived by his parents, Dustan and Megan (Voigt) Adams, and his siblings, Kinley and Kahler Adams, of La Grande, Oregon; grandparents, Shannon and Wanda Voigt, Brian Adams and Donita Griffith; and aunts and uncles, Ben and Mindy Stinnett, Levi and Shae Voigt, Jay and Kristen Adams, Casey and Erika Adams and Rian Adams. He was preceded in death by his great-grandparents, Helen Ricco and O.L. Adams.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Imbler FFA, Imbler High School P.O. Box 164, Imbler, OR 97841, in memory of Dekker Adams.

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

### Jacqueline "Jackie" Preston

September 1, 1950 - July 11, 2022

Jacqueline Preston, age 71, died Monday, July 11, 2022, at her home in Union. A service was held Saturday, July 16, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Union.



Jackie was born on Sept. 1, 1950, in La Grande, the daughter of LeRoy Junior "Bill" and Dianne Mary (Carlgen) Carlyle. They eventually moved to Portland, where Jackie graduated with the Wilson High School class of 1968. She later returned to the Grande Ronde Valley and worked for the Union Market, The Hut Cafe and Community Connection. She worked many years as a housekeeper for the Grande Ronde Retirement Residence, where she really enjoyed the interaction with the residents and staff.

Jackie was active in the Union Ward of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and really enjoyed family history. She also enjoyed participating in the Union County Historical Society and worked for a time at the Union County Museum. Jackie liked gardening, cooking, sewing, photography and especially spending time with family.

Surviving family include her children, Benjamin Witten, Andrew Witten of Union, Margaret Hetterley of La Grande and LaRee Smith of Cove; several grandchildren, one great-granddaughter; sister, Jennifer Jones of Mason, Ohio; brother, Randolph Carlyle of Soldotna, Alaska; and other relatives.

Besides her parents, Jackie was preceded in death by a son, Matthew Witten; a daughter, Katharine Witten; and brothers, Bill Carlyle and Robert Williams.

Contributions in memory of Jacqueline Preston may be made to the Parkinson's Foundation of the Pacific Northwest, the Muscular Dystrophy Association of America or the National Federation of the Blind, all charities that were near and dear to her.

## BIRTHS

### GRANDE RONDE HOSPITAL, LA GRANDE

**DENIG:** Aspen Denig, born July 7, 2022, to Alicea Denig and Travis Ramirez, of La Grande.

**MENDOZA:** Alexander Martin Mendoza, born July 6, 2022, to Kaila Mendoza and Ricky Mendoza, of Elgin.

## DEATH & SERVICE NOTICES

### Christina M. Howell

Imbler

Christina M. Howell, 55, of Imbler, died July 21, 2022, at her residence. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

### Micheal R. Ruth

La Grande

Micheal Ray Ruth, 79, of La Grande, died July 19, 2022, at his home. A celebration of his life will be held July 30 at 11 a.m. at Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

## UPCOMING LOCAL SERVICES



**July 23 — DEKKER ADAMS:** 10 a.m. funeral, Imbler School.

**July 23 — RICHARD CARLSON:** 10 a.m. celebration of life, Wallowa Lake State Park picnic area.

**July 30 — MILDRED McMURPHY:** 10 a.m. memorial service, La Grande Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints Stake Center.

**July 30 — MIKE RUTH:** 11 a.m. celebration of life, Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

**July 30 — TIFFANY GIRRARD:** 1:30 p.m. Rosary, 2 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial, Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, La Grande.

**July 30 — CLARENCE WILSON:** 2 p.m. celebration of life, Lighthouse Pentecostal Church, Island City (casual dress preferred).

**Aug. 5 — JOHN CEDERHOLM:** 2 p.m. funeral, La Grande Church of the Nazarene (casual dress preferred).

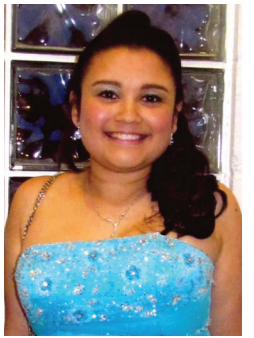
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### Tiffany Marie Girrard

March 1, 1998 - July 14, 2022

Tiffany Marie Girrard, 24, of La Grande, passed away on Thursday, July 14, 2022, at her residence. A Rosary will be held at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church on Saturday, July 30, 2022, at 1:30 p.m., and a Mass of Christian Burial at 2 p.m.



Tiffany was born on March 1, 1998, in La Grande, Oregon, to Brian and Juliet (Catolong) Girrard. She attended schools in La Grande where she was an honor roll student, and graduated from Treasure Valley Community College with a degree as a medical assistant. Tiffany was employed by Grande Ronde Hospital.

Tiffany enjoyed all kinds of arts and crafts. She was very talented and loved to draw and paint. She also enjoyed baking and playing soccer and basketball. Her favorite pastime was going shopping with her mom and friends.

Tiffany is survived by her parents, Brian and Juliet (Catolong) Girrard of La Grande, Oregon; grandfather, Steve Girrard of Ellensburg, Washington; and uncles, Ken (Patty) Girrard of Ellensburg, Washington, and Dave Girrard of La Grande, Oregon. She is also survived by her grandmother, Felonila Restauero; uncle, Jeffrey Restauero; aunt, Michelle Restauero; and cousins, Jefferson Restauero, Meljef Restauero and Lawrence Restauero - all from the Philippines. She was preceded in death by her grandfather, Maximo Restauero, and grandmother, Lola Suitter.

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

### Dianne Delight (Bartsch) Hefner

November 25, 1941 - July 12, 2022

Dianne Delight Bartsch Hefner, 80, of Union, died Tuesday, July 12, 2022, at her home near Union. Private interment will be with her father at the Union Victorian Cemetery. Arrangements are entrusted to Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center of La Grande.



Dianne Delight was born on Nov. 25, 1941, in Silverton to Harold and Myrtle (Sitz) Bartsch. She grew up in Pendleton, where she graduated with the class of 1960. She loved to ride horses and was a princess on the Pendleton Round-Up Court. In 1969 the family moved to Medical Springs, where they managed a ranch.

In 1976, Dianne moved to Union, where she became very involved in the Eastern Oregon Livestock Show. She spent many long hours working in the kitchen. In her later years she enjoyed playing bingo at the Veterans of Foreign Wars and visiting with her friends.

Surviving relatives include her daughter, Wendy Langford and her husband, Rob, of Union; son, Jeff McClaskey of Touchet, Washington; two grandchildren, Kaci George and Kyle Langford both of Union; and three great-grandchildren.

Contributions in memory of Dianne Hefner may be made to the High Valley Post 4060 Veterans of Foreign Wars, 518 N. Main St., Union 97883.