

Up in smoke

A haystack on a farm along Godley Road west of Union on Friday, Aug. 5, 2022, smolders under the watchful eye of first responders. The fire, which started at about 4:30 p.m., caused no injuries or property damage. It was quickly contained by crews from the Union Rural Fire Department, the La Grande Rural Fire Department and the Oregon Department of Forestry.



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HONORS

Local students' academic efforts pay off

EO Media Group

NORTHEAST OREGON — The following local students were reported to EO Media Group in recognition for earning scholarships, college degrees and places on academic honor rolls.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Nathan Bingaman, Imbler High School — Northwest Farm Credit Services Scholarship, \$2,500 to study at West Point

Haley Brockamp, Wallowa High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$2,000 to attend Lewis-Clark State College to study radiology.

Sophia Espinosa, Enterprise High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$2,000 to attend Western Oregon University to study psychology and pre-med.

Hailey Fisher, North Powder High School — Union County P.E.O. Tri-Chapter Scholarship, \$3,000 to attend Eastern Oregon University.

Willie Gibbs, Wallowa High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$2,000 to attend the University of Idaho to study broadcasting and for-

estry; Enterprise Elks Most Valuable Student Competition, 1st place, \$1,200; Elks Northeast District Most Valuable Student Competition, 2nd place, \$1,600

Ian Goodrich, Joseph High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$1,000 to attend Treasure Valley Community College to study natural resources, agriculture, fish and wildlife.

Jada Gray, Enterprise High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$2,000 to attend Lewis-Clark State College to study dental hygiene.

Aaron Guevara, Enterprise High School — Enterprise Elks Most Valuable Student Competition, 2nd place, \$800; Elks Northeast District Most Valuable Student Competition, 2nd place, \$1,600.

Chase Homan, Joseph High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$2,000 to attend the University of Idaho to study finance and golf course management.

Rosie Movich-Fields, Enterprise High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$2,000 to attend Scripps College to study nonprofit management.

Adelene Royes, Enterprise High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$1,000 to attend North West College to study equine training.

Lannie Stonebrink, Enterprise High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$2,000 to attend Eastern Oregon University to study veterinary science; Enterprise Elks Most Valuable Student Competition, 2nd place, \$800.

Destiny Weeks, Enterprise High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$1,000 to attend Treasure Valley Community College to study agricultural business management and equine science.

Alona Yost, Enterprise High School — Soroptimists of Wallowa County Scholarship, \$2,000 to attend Eastern Oregon University to study ecological or environmental engineering; Enterprise Elks Most Valuable Student Competition, 1st place, \$1,200.

2022 SPRING GRADUATES

Anna Grigsby, La Grande — University of Utah (Salt Lake City): Juris Doctor degree.

Brianna Stavaas-

Jamack, La Grande — University of Utah (Salt Lake City): Master of Science degree in biochemistry.

HONOR ROLLS

Blue Mountain Community College (Pendleton), spring term 2022 President's List (3.75-4.0 GPA): Tulley Bloom, Autumn Daggett, Madison Duker, Elizabeth Durfee, Keegan Glenn, Alexandra Gomes, Ann Hays, Lilly Naiser, McKayley Orton, Laramie Ricker, Romayne Ricker, Brenale Ritter, Alexia Siders, Troy Stever, Kenzie Williams, all of Union County.

Blue Mountain Community College (Pendleton), spring term 2022 Vice President's List (3.5 to 3.74 GPA): Angela Abbott, Lena Eckstein, Katelyn Haney, Mississippi Redwine, Kelly Winebrenner, all of Union County.

Gustavus Adolphus College (Saint Peter, Minnesota), spring semester 2022 Dean's List (3.7 and higher GPA): Anna Gambill, of La Grande.

Linfield University (McMinnville), spring semester 2022 Dean's List (3.65 and higher): Layla Snyder, of Imnaha; Juston Rogers, of Joseph.

DEATH & SERVICE NOTICES

Leland H. Fries

Formerly of La Grande

Leland H. Fries, 77, formerly of La Grande, died July 25, 2022, at his residence in Ellensburg, Washington. The date of his graveside service has been changed to Sept. 10; the service will begin at 11 a.m. at the Summerville Cemetery. Casual dress is preferred by the family. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Margaret Kingman

La Grande

Margaret Kingman, 76, died Aug. 3, 2022, at her home. Arrangements are by Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Halfway.

Annella F. Robinson

La Grande

Annella F. Robinson, 95, of La Grande, died Aug. 4, 2022, at a local care facility. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande, is assisting Bollman Funeral Chapel, Enterprise, with the arrangements.

Walter Shumway

La Grande

Walter Shumway, 81, of La Grande, died Aug. 5, 2022, at a local care facility. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Ernest L. Smith

Formerly of Union

Ernest Leroy Smith, 65, formerly of Union, died July 27, 2022, at a Boise hospital. At his request there will not be a formal service. Arrangements are by Bowman Funeral Directors, Boise, Idaho.

UPCOMING LOCAL SERVICES



Aug. 12 — **SCOTT CHARON**: 1 p.m. graveside service, Island City Cemetery.

Aug. 13 — **BILLY NORMAN**: 10 a.m. military graveside service, Enterprise Cemetery.

Aug. 13 — **ED BOTZ**: 1 p.m. celebration of life and potluck, Rockwall Grange, Elgin.

Aug. 20 — **DORIAN 'DORN' COX**: 2 p.m. graveside service, Union Cemetery (casual dress preferred); a barbecue follows at Georgia Cox's home.

Sept. 3 — **NYLE ROLLINS**: 1 p.m. celebration of life, Fred Beeman Park, Island City.

Sept. 4 — **JEFF BOND**: 1 p.m. celebration of life, Lone Hawk Ranch, 57899 Highway 237, Union.

Sept. 10 — **THORVAL BURROWS**: 2 p.m. celebration of life, Wallowa Senior Center.

Sept. 10 — **LELAND 'LEE' FRIES**: 11 a.m. graveside service, Summerville Cemetery (casual dress preferred).

— Calendar courtesy of Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

Virtual summit focuses on support for caregivers of veterans

WALLA WALLA — The Jonathan M. Wainwright Memorial VA Medical Center, 77 Wainwright Drive, Walla Walla, is hosting the 2022 Caregiver Support Summit, a virtual educational event, on Wednesday, Aug. 10, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The summit is designed to provide assistance, training and resources to support caregivers. This year's summit will include several presentations on the subject of suicide prevention, plus a question and answer session.

Registration is not required ahead of time. To attend the virtual summit, on Aug. 10 at 10 a.m. go to www.bit.ly/Caregiver-Summit-081022 or call 872-701-0185 (use conference code 824404902). For any questions or addi-

tional information, email vhawww-wallawallacaregiversupport@va.gov or call 509-525-5200, ext. 26716.

Volunteers sought for autism walk, family fun day

LA GRANDE — The Autism Society's annual Color the Blues for Autism Walk and Family Fun Day is on Saturday, Aug. 13, 2022, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Union County Fairgrounds, La Grande. All registered walkers receive an event T-shirt and lunch. Participants may also register the day of the event and/or attend without walking.

Also, organizers are looking for volunteers to throw color at the walkers. All ages are welcome — this is a fun activity for children. To sign up to walk or to volunteer, email juliekayd@autismsocietyoregon.org or text 541-786-5087.

Sign up for free summer health challenge at Nature's Pantry

LA GRANDE — Nature's Pantry, 1907 Fourth St., La Grande, hosts two health challenges a year. The summer "Vibrant You" challenge takes place Aug. 21-Sept. 17, with a launch meeting on Thursday, Aug. 18. The free four-week challenge includes discounts, prizes, encouragement and accountability. "It's about learning small habits that lead to big changes and vibrant health for life. It's about progress, not perfection," according to a press release. For more information and to sign up, visit www.naturespantry.life, call Nature's Pantry at 541-963-7955 or stop by the store, open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday-Thursday and 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Sunday.

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

FRIDAY, AUG. 5

10:23 a.m. — Union County sheriff's deputies responded to the 200 block of North Main Street, Union, on a call about a restraining order violation. Deputies took information.

10:32 a.m. — Union County sheriff's deputies responded to same address on the 200 block of North Main Street, Union, for a fight. Deputies took a report.

3:47 p.m. — A caller on the 2800 block of Second Street, La Grande, reported a dog bit someone.

8:15 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1100 block of Y Avenue on a report of a dog bite. Police took a report.

8:35 p.m. — A caller on the 2800 block of Minam Court, La Grande, reported barking dogs. Police responded and the barking stopped.

11:57 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 600 block of 12th Street on a call about a domestic disturbance. The parties involved separated.

SATURDAY, AUG. 6

3:16 p.m. — Union County sheriff's deputies responded to the 800 block of North 15th Avenue for a welfare check. The sheriff's office contacted mental health providers.

3:27 p.m. — A caller reported criminal mischief on the 600 block of Main Street, Cove.

4:35 p.m. — A caller on the 10300 block of South Walton Road, Island City, reported a dog bit someone. A Union County sheriff's

deputy made contact.

10:24 p.m. — A caller reported a theft from a campsite at Wolf Creek Reservoir, North Powder. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and took information.

11:55 p.m. — La Grande police received a complaint about loud music at Pioneer Park.

MONDAY, AUG. 7

3:56 a.m. — La Grande police at a traffic stop at Washington Avenue and 12th Street arrested Liana Jorwoj, 22, for driving under the influence of intoxicants.

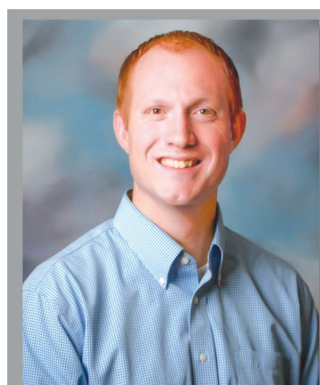
5:29 a.m. — A caller on the 1400 block of Jackson Avenue, La Grande, reported yelling at a female trespasser in the yard and she fled. Police checked the area but did not find the person.

8:24 a.m. — Emergency services responded to a fire call on the 1800 block of G Avenue, La Grande.

8:47 p.m. — A caller at Jackson and W avenues, La Grande, reported two teens were trying to get into a vehicle that was parked on the road all afternoon. An officer found the vehicle was secure and left a message for the vehicle's owner.

9:16 p.m. — La Grande police responded to Safeway, 2111 Adams Ave. on a report of a theft of personal cash. Police took a report.

10:36 p.m. — A resident on the 1800 block of 26th Street, La Grande, reported he fired a weapon in his house. Police arrested a 56-year-old man for illegal discharge of a weapon.



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