

Better nutrition coming to food bank

By Kathleen Ellyn
Wallowa County Chieftain

In the last two weeks, more than 1,600 pounds of food has been collected from Safeway in Enterprise for the Wallowa County Food Bank.

This addition of mostly fresh produce is the result of the merger of Albertsons and Safeway, which took place earlier this year.

The new corporate management is a big supporter of the Fresh Alliance Program, which seeks to rescue food and get it into the hands of individuals who need the assistance.

In larger cities this means that Oregon Food Bank collects products that have been pulled from the shelves and takes them to a central, refrigerated warehouse for distribution to food banks.

In Wallowa County it means that Community Connection picks up the food from our local Safeway and takes it immediately to senior meal sites and food bank donation sites in the county.

Seventy percent of that food was fresh produce, including melon salads, fresh green salads, individually



This selection of food, donated by Safeway of Enterprise to Wallowa County Food Bank, went home with seniors Nov. 6.

Kathleen Ellyn/Chieftain

packaged lunch salads and more. Safeway also is donating meat and dairy products in addition to packaged foods and bread.

According to Community

Connection manager Connie Guentert, Wallowa County Food Bank served 356 people in the county in October. In all, 145 boxes were distributed last month. That number is

expected to rise from November through March.

"They are the toughest months in Wallowa County and historically we serve more people," Guentert said.

Sometimes people don't meet the financial guidelines but they have something come up — we never turn them away."

Community Connection

— in concert with other members of the Wallowa County Food Council — is keen to help individuals understand that both giving and accepting help are part of what makes a community.

"Our financial guidelines are very generous, broader than the SNAP guidelines," said Guentert. "We encourage people to come in. We never turn anyone away."

"There are people in the community that have food insecurities that don't use the food bank due to perceived stigma. There shouldn't be a stigma. At one point or another, everybody needs a helping hand."

Food Bank collection sites:

- Community Connection 702 NW 1st St, in Enterprise: 8 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m. Monday through Friday
- Old VFW Hall in Wallowa: 1-3 p.m. the second and third Tuesday of each month

To view a film produced by Oregon Food Bank that features a Wallowa County family, visit <https://youtu.be/ojDVgdGZSOs>. The film emphasizes ways a working family can sometimes meet with circumstances that require them to seek food assistance.

Severely injured, abandoned dog recovering, awaiting new home

By Steve Tool
Wallowa County Chieftain

A dog that recently was abandoned with severe injuries is recovering and in search of a new home, thanks in part to the generosity of Cherlyn Underwood of Joseph.

Underwood received a call from her daughter, Maia Underwood of Pendleton, who said she found a dog that was hit by a car along I-84 near Meacham, about 25 miles west of La Grande. The dog had no identification tags.

Cherlyn Underwood called Carol Vencill of the Wallowa County Humane Society in Enterprise to help with the animal and promised Vencill she would foster the animal if the Humane Society would help with expenses.

Maia Underwood returned to the scene with a truck and a carrier to collect the dog, a Staffordshire Bull Terrier. She transported the dog to Double Arrow Veterinary Clinic in Enterprise, where Dr. Randy Greenshields primarily treated the dog, which had a dislocated hip and also had to be neutered because of other trauma.

After a terrible experience the dog's fate has turned positive, so Cherlyn Underwood



Courtesy of Cherlyn Underwood

Chance was found abandoned and with a dislocated hind leg on I-84 near Meacham.

decided to name him Chance.

"He's black and white and very friendly," Underwood said, adding that Chance is well-behaved on a leash and loves children but shouldn't be around other animals.

Underwood is fostering Chance while the Humane Society tries to find him a home and raise funds to pay his vet bill.

"He's a beautiful dog, two years old and friendly," Underwood said. "I'd like to find a

forever home with a yard for him."

Since Underwood is already fostering six kittens for the Humane Society, she finds her resources taxed.

"I don't know how much longer I can do this," she said. "We didn't know this dog. We just jumped in to rescue him because we're animal lovers."

To learn more about Chance, contact the Wallowa County Humane Society at 541-426-4170.

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Grande Ronde Symphony set to open season

Wallowa County Chieftain

Two kickoff concerts for the Grande Ronde Symphony Orchestra's 68th season are slated for Nov. 18 in the McKenzie Theater at Eastern Oregon University in La Grande and Nov. 21 at Baker High School in Baker City. These are the opening concerts under the baton of conductor Zeke Fetrow and will feature pieces by Beethoven, Grieg and others. As an added feature, the Baker High School Choir will perform with the symphony during both events.

Tickets cost \$10, with reduced tickets of \$8 for seniors, \$2 for college students and \$1 for students in grades 8-12. Students in 7th grade and younger will be admitted for free. Tickets are available at Direct Music Source at 1010 Adams in La Grande or at Betty's Books, 1813 Main St. in Baker City. Tickets are also available at the door of the McKenzie Theater.

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The Oregon Attorney General filed a lawsuit against certain manufacturers of liquid crystal display ("LCD") flat panels. The lawsuit alleges that LCD manufacturers illegally agreed upon the pricing of LCD-flat panels. The Attorney General filed this action in her law enforcement capacity and on behalf of the State of Oregon, Oregon natural persons, and all political subdivisions in Oregon and sought equitable relief, restitution, civil penalties and injunctive relief.

Oregon has settled with all defendants for a total of \$21,505,000 ("Settlement Fund"). The State of Oregon, political subdivisions and Oregon natural persons may be entitled to a portion of the Settlement Fund. "Political subdivisions" includes all Oregon counties, cities, municipalities, public universities, school districts, special districts, and all other local government entities. "Oregon natural persons" means a human, not a business.

Who is Included?
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To opt-out, complete the opt-out registration online at www.OregonScreenSettlement.com or send a written letter stating that you want to be excluded from the case: *State of Oregon, ex rel Ellen F. Rosenblum v. AU Optronics Corp. et al.*, case no. CV 10-933 MO. The letter must include the case name, your name, address, telephone number, and signature. A letter on behalf of a political subdivision must include the entity's name, and the name, title, and signature of the person authorized to sign on behalf of the entity. The letter must be **postmarked on or before January 15, 2016**, and mailed to: Oregon LCD Settlement, c/o GCG, P.O. Box 10240, Dublin, Ohio 43017-5740.

File a claim: Only Oregon natural persons need to file a claim to obtain benefits in this settlement. Claims can be completed online or by mailing the claim form, available for download at www.OregonScreenSettlement.com, to the Settlement Administrator. A deadline for filing claims has not yet been established. The State of Oregon and political subdivisions that are owed money under the distribution plan will be contacted and sent payment without any further action on their part.

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