### PUBLIC **MEETINGS**

Thursday, Jan. 14

Joseph Číty Council, 7 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 18 · Wallowa County Commissioners, 9 a.m. at Thornton Room at the court house.

Wednesday, Jan. 20 • Hells Canyon Scenic Byway stakeholders, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at GC Fusion Restaurant, 1116 Adams Ave., La Grande. Please RSVP to East Oregon Visitors Association at eova@eoni.com. www.VisitEasternOregon.com

Monday, Feb. 1

 Wallowa County Commissioners, 9 a.m. at Thornton Room at the court house.

• Enterprise school board, 7 p.m. at the high school home-ec room

Tuesday, Feb. 2

· City of Enterprise Planning Commission, 7 p.m. at Enterprise

Wednesday, Feb. 3 Lostine City Council, 7:30 p.m. at City Hall.

Thursday, Feb. 4 Joseph Čity Council, 7 p.m. at City Library, City Hall or Com-

munity Center Monday, Feb. 8

 Joseph School Board, 5:30 p.m. at the school library. · Wallowa School Board, 7

p.m. at the high school library.

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# Chorale seeks new members

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The Wallowa Valley Chorale, delighting audiences for over 50 years, is seeking additional singers of all ages and voice ranges — particularly baritone, bass and tenor — to join in the fun and enjoyment of singing.

The Chorale will perform a concert in March and again in the fall. Rehearsals are usually held on Sunday afternoons.

It is an eclectic group they perform secular and sacred music in various venues around Wallowa County. Recently the group performed a Christmas concert at the OK Theatre. The Chorale is conducted by local musician Randy Morgan, former musical director at Enterprise High

For more information, call Randy at 426-3593 or Betty Cosgrove at 432-8181.

If you are interested, simply stop by rehearsal at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 17 at Lostine Presbyterian Church.

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However, it is not possible to say exactly how that easement document would read, according to Ellen Bishop, outreach coordinator for the LLC.

"I think it's too early to say, exactly," she said.

Nevertheless, it is clear that the easement would protect ecologically important lands adjacent to the Kokanee spawning grounds, wetland areas and old-growth habitat. The easement would make it impossible for development in those areas, even if the new owners of the lodge sell at a future time.



The audience at the Lostine Tavern on listens to the last local presentation put on by Lake Wallowa Lodge LLC.

"It's tempting to say that things never change," said "The mountains

have looked like this for thousands of years. But things do change; communities grow, communities disappear. This is our opportunity to manage those changes in the way we want them to be managed."

The potential (given the zoning of the property) was that a purchaser would doze the lodge and put up 128 condos or 18 trophy homes on the property, and a graphic depicting such a scenario initially was published in the auction document when the lodge first went up for sale.

Just as soon as the LLC completes the purchase of the

lodge, plans are underway to expand kitchen service, add numerous special events to the calendar, and open the historic Cowboy Bar in the lodge basement.

The lodge currently is closed for the winter.

The LLC has a close association with Eastern Oregon Legacy Lands Fund (EO-LLF), a 501c3 tax-exempt conservation organization. EOLLF is a shareholder and member of Lake Wallowa Lodge LLC. Because of this association, individuals who wish to donate toward the purchase and preservation of the lodge may make contributions to EOLLF and designate the money be used to purchase more shares.

For more information on that option, call 541-263-1663 or email ellen@wallowology.org

Shares will still be available after the \$1.5 million goal is reached, as that goal simply qualifies the LLC to seek a bridge loan to make up the balance of the purchase price by the deadline.

For a comprehensive investors packet with prospectus, call 541-398-0305 or send and email to info@lakewallowalodge.com.



Saturday, Jan. 16 Old-Time Community

Dance, 7-10 p.m. Hurricane Creek Grange Hall. • The Hit Men, 9 p.m. Stubborn Mule, Joseph.

Wednesday, Jan. 20

Free movie at Arrowhead Chocolate in Joseph, 7 p.m. "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory". Free admission and free popcorn. Limited space, call 541-432-2871 to reserve a spot.

Thursday, Jan. 21 • The Big Read Kickoff, 7 p.m. Hurricane Creek Grange

Hall • Free showing of "We Ride to D.C.," a film by David Michael Lynch, 7 p.m. at the

Friday, Jan. 22 Brian Bovenizer & the Koala Cowboys, 7 p.m. at

OK Theater in Enterprise.

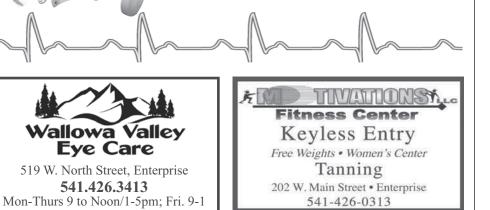
Terminal Gravity. Saturday, Jan. 23 · Great Red Shark, 7 p.m.

at Terminal Gravity. Friday, Feb. 5 • Open mic, 7 p.m. at

**Terminal Gravity** Friday, Feb. 12

 Fishtrap Fireside, 7 p.m. at Fishtrap Sunday, Feb. 14

• Open mic, 4-6 p.m. at the Josephy Center



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He said he and Pagano are "very tired" and described the atmosphere in Harney County as "pretty tense."

Rogers said he may be rotating back into the Harney County patrols within one or two weeks.

"We're trying to keep three to four sheriffs here at all times to do the normal day-today sheriff stuff to free Sheriff Ward up to do what he's got to do. Right now there's five of us here, so I should be able to bug out (Tuesday) morning sometime."



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