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PUBLIC NOTICE

City of Joseph is accepting sealed bids on a red Toyota Tacoma VIN 4TAPM62N-5WZ134243 (app. 197k miles) until February 28, 2022. Please submit sealed bids to City Hall at P.O. Box 15, or 201 N Main. Please contact City Hall with any questions.

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NOTICE TO INTERESTED **PERSONS**

Krag D. Norton has been appointed Personal Representative ("PR") of the Estate of CLARÈNCE L. NORTON, Deceased, Probate Case No. 22PB01026, Wallowa County Circuit Court, State of Oregon. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the PR or the Attorney for the PR. All persons having claims against the estate must present them by mail or in per-

son to the PR at: Alyssa D. Slater, P.C. Alyssa D. Slater, Attorney for PR 107 Depot Street; PO Box 729 La Grande, OR 97850 (541)663-8300 within four months after the first publication date of this no-

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tice or they may be barred.

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF WALLOWA

In the Matter of the Estate of **GAIL L. WOLFE** Deceased. Case no. 21PB10474

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative in care of Paige Sully PC, 213 W. Main Street, Enterprise Oregon 97828, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyers for the personal representative, Paige Sully PC, 213 W. Main Street, Enterprise, Oregon 97828.

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> Laura Moore Personal Representative

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Dry January aggravates drought concerns

By KATY NESBITT For EO Media Group

PENDLETON

December and January storms set up the winter of 2022 to be cold and wet, but several weeks without significant snow or rain are creating concerns of another drought year.

Northeastern Oregon is faring better than Central and Southern Oregon, with cold temperatures preventing the early January snowfall from melting. Snow in the last few days has helped inch up snowpack and snow-water equivalent levels for the Blue and Wallowa mountains.

According to the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service website, monthly streamflow and reservoir conditions for January in the Umatilla-Walla Walla-Willow Basin were above average. Two bodies of water In the southern region of the basin near Heppner are considerably higher than the rest of the basin: Willow Creek is at 187% and Rhea Creek is at 142% of the 30-year median.

Farther south, the North Fork John Day River at Monument is recording 83% of its 30-year median. The basin has one stronghold for water: Camas Creek near Ukiah at 346% of the median.

Grande Ronde-The Burnt-Powder-Imnaha Basin is averaging between 83% and 95% of the 30-year median with one anomaly: Bear Creek, outside of Wallowa, is at 216%.

Snowpack has been holding up, despite the lack of precipitation in the last



Weeks of subfreezing temperatures have held snow in the higher elevations of Northeastern Oregon, as is evident in this February 2022 photo of the Wallowa Mountains. Despite reasonable snowpack levels in the high country, however, most of the region is still facing severe drought conditions.

five weeks.

In the Blue Mountains between La Grande and Pendleton, Emigrant Springs has 45 inches of snowpack and is 148% above average with 10% snow-water equivalent.

High Ridge Snotel east of Pendleton has 52 inches of snowpack, 5% below its average, but with 33% snow water equivalent. Milkshakes SNOTEL on the Washington state line has 71 inches of snowpack, which is 87% of normal with 35% snow-water equivalent.

In the Wallowas, Mount Howard has 27 inches of snowpack, 25% below average with 32% snow-water equivalent. On the south side of the range, Moss

Springs SNOTEL is recording 49 inches of snowpack, which is 15% below average with a snow water equivalent of 32%. In Baker County, Schnei-

der Meadows Snotel is recording 22% below normal precipitation and has 55 inches of snowpack with a 33% snow-water equivalent.

While the snowpack and water levels look pretty good right now, Northeastern Oregon is facing down the barrel of another drought year, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. According to www.drought.gov, Wallowa County was down 0.69 inches of precipitation in January. The entire county is considered to be in severe drought status, and 44.36% of the county is experiencing extreme drought conditions.

Union County is down 0.27 inches of its average precipitation. The entire county is considered to be under severe drought conditions while 4.3% is experiencing extreme drought. And Umatilla County is down 0.2 inches of precipitation from a normal January. This puts all of the county under severe drought conditions, with 33.77% considered to be under extreme drought conditions.

The extended forecast for Northeastern Oregon calls for 33% to 40% below normal precipitation with a 40% to 50% chance of above normal temperatures.

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Meal sites are open for in-dining! Meal site information: Wallowa 886-8971, Enterprise 426-3840, Home delivered meals 426-3840.

Mon. Feb. 28: Baked fish, rice pilaf, California vegetables, coleslaw & lemon bar (sponsored by Joe & Maxine Town)

Wed. Mar. 2: Quiche with spinach, mushrooms & onions, sausage patty, fruit, tomato juice and biscuit with honey & butter (sponsored by Wallowa Senior Advisory Group)

Pork ribs & sauerkraut, roasted red potatoes, Fri. Mar. 4: apple Waldorf salad, grape juice and orange cake (sponsored in memory of Gayle Lyman, her dad Abe Lyman, and brother Dan Lyman by Arlene Lyman and family.

ENTERPRISE SCHOOLS

(Milk, fruit & vegetables served with all meals)

Mon. Feb. 28: Breakfast: French toast **Lunch:** Beef stroganoff & green beans

Tue. Mar. 1: Menu not available Wed. Mar. 2: Menu not available

Thur. Mar. 3: Menu not available



Girls:

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Imbler led 8-5 after one. but struggled after the first as three starters spent a large part of the second on the bench. Imbler had a scoring drought of more than six minutes spanning the first and second, and managed just a 19-foot jumper from Joelle Treat in the second.

"Today one of the biggest differences was we had a lot of foul trouble," Sweet said. "When our best scorer is on the bench it changes our dynamic, and when you build a hole at halftime. they're hard to overcome. But the girls never quit."

The Eagles broke the game open in the third. Nave connected on a 3-pointer for



Ronald Bond/Wallowa County Chieftain

Players battle for a loose ball during an Old Oregon League District Tournament game Thursday, Feb. 17, 2022, in Baker City. Joseph defeated Imbler, 40-28.

a 26-10 advantage, and later scored on a twisting jump shot on the block to extend the margin to 33-12 late in the third, the largest lead of the contest.

"They played really calm until the end and really took care of the ball for the most part," Homan said. "They're getting it."

Imbler, which managed

just three field goals in the second and third quarters combined, finally found a rhythm in the fourth. Rachael Stirewalt, who led the way for Imbler with 13 points, regained her form from the first quarter to close the gap, but the Panthers got no closer than 12.

Stirewalt's play on offense and the Panthers' defense carried Imbler early. Stirewalt had all eight of the Panthers' first-quarter points, with her drive to the hoop giving Imbler its first lead at 6-4 with 3:01 to play in the quarter, and a steal and layup with 51 seconds to go doubling the lead to four.

But Stirewalt, as well as Audree Treat and Elidia Rivas, spent either most or all of the second quarter on the bench in foul trouble, and Joseph took advantage.

Boys:

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didn't rotate very well on defense in the third quarter, they got some looks at the baskets and some kickout 3s. We didn't match them on our end. We got great looks, we just didn't get anything to fall."

The teams traded the lead just three times in the first half, but neither team gained a major advantage. Imbler's largest lead was 8-3 on a Wyatt Burns 3-pointer, and Joseph gained its larg-

est first-half lead at 26-18 on a layup by Hite that ended a run of him scoring eight points in less than two minutes.

Joseph's hot-shooting third quarter resulted in a 52% second half from the floor, and the Eagles were 45% for the game. Imbler, conversely, shot just 29%. The Panthers also turned the ball over 25 times.

Burney and Besotes both added 10 points for Joseph, with Besotes also collecting a game-high nine rebounds.

Justin Frost scored 13 points and added eight rebounds to lead Imbler.



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Joseph's James Burney works against the defense of Imbler's Wyatt Burns during an Old Oregon League District Tournament game Thursday, Feb. 17, 2022, in Baker City. Joseph defeated Imbler, 60-34.



