

On The Record

U.S. Air Force Band cancels concert

Due to the increase in COVID-19 variant cases, the Aug. 25 concert of the U.S. Air Force Band of the Golden West in Cottage Grove has been canceled.

The Department of Defense has established mask requirements for indoors and other restrictions to help prevent cases among the troops.

The U.S. Air Force has canceled or postponed all California and Oregon performances of the USAF Band of the Golden West.

It is hoped the third scheduling will be successful as continuing contact with the USAF Band of the Golden West officials will secure a concert rescheduled in the community.

Oakridge evacuation notices downgraded to Level 1

On Aug. 16, the Level 2 "Be Set" evacuation notice for the Oakridge area was downgraded to the Level 1 "Be Ready" status regarding the Kwis Fire.

The fire is roughly two miles east of Oakridge and is part of the larger Middle Fork Complex of fires being fought in the area.

The following areas are being reduced to a Level 1 "Be Ready" evacuation notice: High Prairie, Fish Hatchery, Oakridge north of Roberts Road, and Oakridge east of Salmon Creek.

This means that the Oakridge / Westfir community is all at a Level 1 evacuation level.

An evacuation map is available at www.LaneCountyOR.gov/Middle-ForkComplex.

Level 1 means you

should continue to be aware of the danger that exists in your area, monitor local media outlets and telephone devices to receive further information.

Residents should also continue to prepare for the precautionary movement of persons with special needs, mobile property, pets and livestock should conditions worsen.

If conditions worsen, public safety personnel will make contact again using the emergency notification system.

More information is available at www.LaneCountyOR.gov/Middle-ForkComplex.

More information about evacuation levels and what they mean can also be found at www.LaneCountyOR.gov/evacuation.

Local students named by Eastern Oregon University

LA GRANDE, Ore.- Eastern Oregon University (EOU) has named 556 students to the dean's list for the 2021 spring term.

Courtney Riedel from Cottage Grove, majoring in Arts, Humanities & Social Science and Communication Studies, made the list at EOU.

Qualifying students achieve and maintain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale while completing a minimum of 12 hours of graded EOU

coursework.

Meanwhile, EOU awarded 389 degrees during the 2020-2021 academic year.

Cottage Grove local Michael Becerra earned a Bachelor of Science in Fire Services Administration from the university this year.

As Oregon's Rural University, EOU serves students at its main campus in La Grande, as well as online and at 11 regional centers across the state.

Visit eou.edu for more information.

City releases July 2021 Building Inspection Services Report

For the month of July, the Building Division of the Public Works and Development Department issued 44 permits, one for a new single-family home, and performed 121 inspections in Cottage Grove.

In Creswell, 24 permits were issued, two for a single-family home, and 101 inspections were per-

formed.

In Veneta, eight permits were issued, and 51 inspections were performed.

In Coburg, three permits were issued, and 34 inspections were performed.

Staff reviewed and approved 23 plan sets in July and 23 plan sets are in review or on hold for additional information.

Burnerdene "Bernie" Martin 1930-2021



Bernie Martin passed away peacefully on July 31, 2021, at Blue Haven Memory Care in Independence Oregon, surrounded by family. She was 90 years old.

Bernie was born September 22, 1930, to parents Charles and Lizzie Harper in Stonewall, Mississippi. In 1952 she moved to Bandon, Oregon and then to Cottage Grove in 1953 where she resided until 2017 when she relocated to Independence Oregon to be closer to family.

She worked for many years in the Cottage Grove High School cafeteria and helped by

selling tickets at the high school basketball games and wrestling matches until her retirement in 1998. She truly enjoyed her job and especially loved the students. She was always happy to make a special salad for a staff member or sneak an extra cheese roll or french fries to the kids. Bernie was a wonderful baker and cook and was always preparing pies or cookies for family and friends. She enjoyed spending time with her family, reading, walking, sewing, and having coffee with friends.

Bernie is survived by her son Dan Martin of Cottage Grove, daughter Carolyn White and son-in-law Rick of Carlton, daughter Staci Steele and son-in-law John of Dallas, Oregon, and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son Dennis and daughter Fay.

Bernie was a wonderful mother, grandmother, and friend. She will truly be missed by everyone who knew and loved her.

Alice Y. Miller 1935-2021



Alice Y. Miller, 86, of Creswell, Oregon passed away August 12, 2021. Alice was born May 11, 1935, to Leon and Ruby Weddel in Holly, Colorado. Alice married Richard Miller on December 12, 1953, in Reno, NV. Over the years Alice owned several businesses, Ashby's Ice Cream Parlor in Eugene, Walkups Market in Creswell, and Old Mill Farm Store in Cottage Grove. After retirement, she focused on quilting and loved spending time in her garden among her

roses and vegetables. She was a dedicated volunteer at the Church of Christ in Creswell, where she was a member.

Alice is survived by her husband, Richard, their children Kristine Hisey of Cottage Grove, OR., Kelly Lehto of Sweet Home, OR., and Tatiana (Kraig) Miller of Springfield, OR., and her siblings Patricia Hefner of Dorena, OR., Joyce Starr of Cottage Grove, OR., Nancy Geissel of Portland, OR., Sandra Jensen of Fall River Mills, CA., along with seven grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren.

A Celebration of Life will be held on August 28, 2021, at 1PM at the Christ of Christ in Creswell, Oregon. Private Inurnment, Fir Grove Cemetery, Cottage Grove, OR. Arrangements are in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel of Cottage Grove, OR.

A Celebration of Life will be held for Mike Pershern Saturday, Aug. 28, 2021



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DEATH NOTICES

SOLESBEE—Robert Victor Solesbee of Cottage Grove passed away August 9, 2021. Arrangement in care of Smith Lund Mills Funeral Chapel.

COCHRUN—Carl Wayne Cochrun of Cottage Grove passed away August 12, 2021. Arrangement in care of Smith Lund Mills Funeral Chapel.

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