TODAY

Today is Wednesday, March 3, the 62nd day of 2021. There are 303 days left in the year.

Today's Highlight in History:

On March 3, 1931, "The Star-Spangled Banner" became the national anthem of the United States as President Herbert Hoover signed a congressional resolution.

In 1791, Congress passed a measure taxing distilled spirits; it was the first internal revenue act in U.S. history.

In 1845, Florida became the 27th

In **1863**, President Abraham Lincoln signed a measure creating the National Academy of Sciences.

In 1887, Anne Sullivan arrived at the Tuscumbia, Alabama, home of Capt. and Mrs. Arthur H. Keller to become the teacher for their deaf-blind 6-year-old daughter,

In 1943, in London's East End, 173 people died in a crush of bodies at the Bethnal Green tube station, which was being used as a wartime air raid shelter.

In 1945, the Allies fully secured the Philippine capital of Manila from Japanese forces during World War II.

In 1960, Lucille Ball filed for divorce from her husband, Desi Arnaz, a day after they had finished filming the last episode of "The Lucille Ball-Desi Arnaz Show."

In 1974, a Turkish Airlines DC-10 crashed shortly after takeoff from Orly Airport in Paris, killing all 346 people on board.

In 1991, motorist Rodney King was severely beaten by Los Angeles police officers in a scene captured on amateur video. Twenty-five people were killed when a United Airlines Boeing 737-200 crashed while approaching the Colorado Springs airport.

In 1996, Israel declared "total war" against the militant group Hamas after a bus bomb in Jerusalem killed 19 people, including the bomber, the third such suicide attack in eight days.

In 2001, a plane carrying members of a National Guard engineering crew crashed in heavy rain near Macon, Georgia, killing all 21 people on board.

In 2019, a tornado roared into the small community of Beauregard, Alabama, killing 23 people; it was the nation's deadliest tornado in nearly six years.

Ten years ago: Seeking to repair damaged relations, President Barack Obama and Mexican President Felipe Calderon agreed during a White House meeting to deepen their cooperation in combating drug violence and declared a breakthrough in efforts to end a long-standing dispute over cross-border trucking. Soldiers backing Ivory Coast's defiant leader, Laurent Gbagbo, mowed down women protesting his refusal to leave power in a hail of gunfire, killing seven.

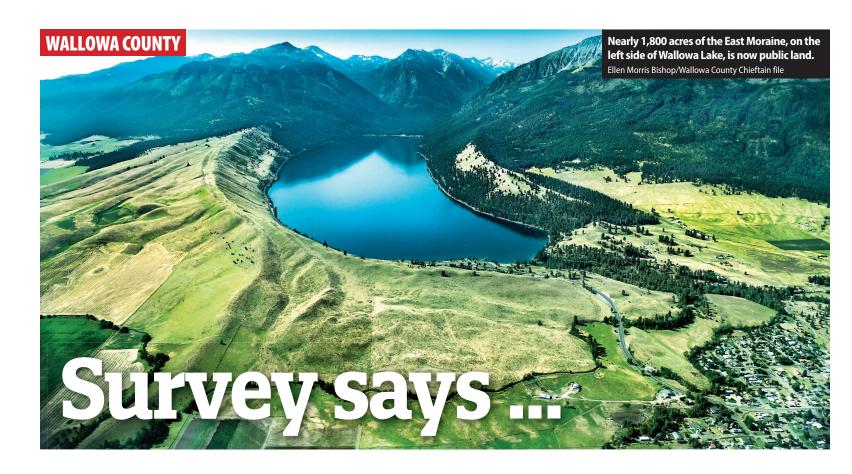
Five years ago: Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz leveled withering criticism at Donald Trump's "flexible" policy positions and personal ethics during a Republican presidential debate in Detroit. North Korea fired six short-range projectiles into the sea hours after the U.N. Security Council approved the toughest sanctions on Pyongyang in two decades.

One year ago: In a surprise move, the Federal Reserve cut its benchmark interest rate by a halfpoint, its largest cut in more than a decade, to support the economy in the face of the spreading coronavirus. Stocks rallied briefly on the news, then went into another steep slide.

Today's Birthdays: Singer-musician Mike Pender (The Searchers) is 80. Movie producer-director George Miller is 76. Actor Hattie Winston is 76. Singer Jennifer Warnes is 74. Actor-director Tim Kazurinsky is 71. Singer-musician Robyn Hitchcock is 68. Actor Robert Gossett is 67. Rock musician John Lilley is 67. Actor Miranda Richardson is 63. Rock musician John Bigham is 62. Radio personality Ira Glass is 62. Actor Mary Page Keller is 60. Olympic track and field gold medalist Jackie Joyner-Kersee is 59. Former NFL player and College Football Hall of Famer Herschel Walker is 59. Actor Laura Harring is 57. Contemporary Christian musician Duncan Phillips (Newsboys) is 57. Rapper-actor Tone Loc is 55. Actor Julie Bowen is 51. Country singer Brett Warren (The Warren Brothers) is 50. Actor David Faustino is 47. Gospel singer Jason Crabb is 44. Singer Ronan Keating (Boyzone) is 44. Rapper Lil' Flip is 40. Actor Jessica Biel is 39. Rock musician Blower (AKA Joe Garvey) (Hinder) is 37. Musician Brett Hite (Frenship) is 35. Pop singer Camila Cabello is 24. Actor Thomas Barbusca (TV: "The Mick") is 18. Actor Reylynn Caster is 18.

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LOCAL, STATE & REGION



Keep the East Moraine — nearly 1,800 acres of land near Wallowa Lake — 'as it is'

The Observer (La Grande)

NTERPRISE — Cooperation from recreationists and local land managers is helping guide the management of Wallowa County's recent acquisition of the Wallowa Lake East Moraine.

More than 450 people responded to an online survey in the spring that asked about their interests and concerns for the future management of the nearly 1,800 acres, now in Wallowa County ownership. County and Wallowa Land Trust staff followed up the survey during the summer with focus groups to gain further information on the moraine's many uses, according to a press release from the trust.

Eric Greenwell, the trust's conservation director, said the data is helping the Wallowa Lake Moraines Partnership, which includes the county, the trust and Wallowa Resources, develop a multiple-use management plan, particularly as it relates to recreation.

"In developing the management plan the partnership is seeking to keep all uses in balance and keep people safe," Greenwell said in the press release. "The survey and focus group questions were designed to gather input regarding specific values and uses, which the partnership has already acquired funding for and committed to preserving."

The majority of respondents stated they use the property near Joseph for recreation, but input came from people who grazed, hunted, gathered roots and harvested timber on the property in the past. The survey questions were qualitative and quantitative, according to the press release.

Of the survey respondents, 63% were full-time residents, 16% part-time residents, and the remaining 21% were visitors. Approximately 35 people participated in the seven focus groups all but one live in the county full time.

For the focus groups, recreation was broken down into equestrian, pedestrian and mountain bike uses.

Katy Nesbitt, Wallowa County natural resources director, said the focus group members gave insight into not only the popular uses of

the moraine when it was in private ownership as well as some of the potential conflicts. She said the feedback also showed little conflict among

While the management plan is in development, the partners agree educating the public will be an ongoing endeavor.

According to the release, not all respondents were convinced that balancing multiple uses was

'Setting clear expectations with the community and following through will be critical especially in the beginning," Greenwell said. This is a huge community achievement, but again and again respondents echoed the sentiment, 'keep it as it is, or expressed concerns for a future of increased use, use conflicts and overdevelopment."

The East Moraine Community Forest Survey results are on the Campaign for the East Moraine website, www.morainecampaign.org. The link to the survey report and the full raw data are just beneath the main banner and aerial shot of Wallowa Lake.

OREGON | PUBLIC SAFETY STANDARDS & TRAINING

Retired FBI agent to lead state police training agency

BY MAXINE BERNSTEIN The Oregonian

Gov. Kate Brown has appointed a retired career FBI agent to lead the state's police safety certification and training agency.

Jerry Granderson, who retired in April after nearly 23 years with the FBI, will start as director of the Oregon Department of Public

Safety Standards and Training on March 22. The appointment comes at a time when police training and

certification is under heightened scrutiny Granderson amid a social movement to reform law enforcement in the wake of the May 25 killing of George Floyd, a Black man who died after a Minneapolis police officer knelt on his neck.

The agency director oversees an agency budget of more than \$55 million and works with a board to develop training and certification/licensing standards for more than 41,000 public and private safety professionals. The annual salary range for the director's job is \$146,844 to \$176,796, the posting for the job said.

The state agency certifies and licenses police officers, corrections officers, parole and probation officers, liquor control regulatory specialists, emergency dispatchers, criminal justice instructors, private security providers, private investigators, and polygraph examiners in the state. It also runs a basic police academy.

Granderson, 57, served as a FBI field agent in Illinois, working on narcotics, domestic terrorism and organized

crime investigations and as a program manager for the FBI's international law enforcement training academies in Botswana, Hungary, El Salvador and the United Arab Emirates.

He also had been an FBI academy instructor focused on leadership, ethics and contemporary policing courses,

according to the governor's office. He was assigned to the FBI National Security Branch's Foreign Terrorist Tracking Task Force, where he supervised intelligence analysts in detecting and obstructing

terrorists from entering the United States. He also has provided civil rights and leadership courses to local police departments that have been under federal consent decree for civil rights violations, according to his LinkedIn pro-

After retiring, he worked as a senior police adviser for SAIC Corp., a defense, aviation, information technology and biomedical research com-

"His background in law enforcement and public safetywith a blend of field, training, program management, and leadership experience makes him uniquely suited for this position," Brown said in a statement. "I look forward to his leadership, especially as we work collaboratively to improve the training and certification of Oregon law enforcement officers and as we answer the resounding calls from Oregonians for muchneeded racial justice and police accountability reforms."

