

GRANT COUNTY SENIORS



Prairie City Seniors
Rose Coombs

PRAIRIE CITY – You might think because we live in a little-bitty town in the wilds of Eastern Oregon that no one cares what happens here. I am here to tell you the Blue Mountain Eagle gets around. I got a call last year from a lady in La Pine who subscribes to the paper. Last week, I got a call from a lady in Montana who read about her old friend Billy and his current difficulty. So, she got information so she could call and give him get well wishes. You just never know.

Then I heard a line from a song about a town so small you could stand on the sidewalk, look both ways and see all the town. Right! Isn't it wonderful?

So March is here. And spring. That's when I start feeling better due to more sunshine. Inspected the flower beds and found the tulips poking through. Also the wild roses are beginning to bud. Haven't noticed anything on the transplanted grape vine yet, but it's in a shaded area, so maybe later. Decided how to make more flower beds with our abundant supply of used bricks, so that's on the agenda. Stay tuned.

At our March 4 meal, we had a new selection of spring and St. Patrick's Day table centerpieces, thanks to Donna Adams. We had a discussion about when Easter comes and why. We'll see if Bruce remembers

next week. Yes, you need to listen; there may be a test. Ahem.

The Blue Mountain Care Center ladies didn't get to come, but Nancy Viggers brought her daughter, Nancy Anderson. Did I get that right? Have to check on that. We had 56 names on the book, including Grant County Commissioner Chris Labhart and wife, Kris.

Buzz Harris led the flag salute, and Darrell Johnson asked the blessing. Our servers included Pam Howard, Sandi Rennels, Gary Jacobson and Dusty Harris. They served cranberry juice, broccoli-tomato salad, fried spuds, chili beans with onions and/or cheese, rolls, and a delicious Mexican wedding cake for dessert. Some who like hot stuff put more chili pepper on their chili beans. It was hot enough for me, thank you.

Almost forgot: Lois Bidasolo won the \$5 gift certificate from Prairie Hardware and Gifts.

I'm telling you, you'd better mark your calendar for April 18 so you won't miss the Evening of Entertainment. There are several new "acts" for your enjoyment. And I know there are other people in the area who can do a presentation, but we haven't persuaded them. Maybe someday.

Here's a word for all you Scrabble players: phthisic. Refers to a wasting disease, such as tuberculosis. You're welcome. Came across it in some of my reading.

Son No. 2 got moved into their new home on Saturday, Feb. 28. Laurel wrote she is able to get meals cooked and has Internet so all is well!

Proverbs 12:14 "From the fruit of his lips a man is filled with good things as surely as the work of his hands rewards him."



John Day Seniors
Alma Joslin

JOHN DAY – On March 2, we had a different and delicious lunch: ham-and-cheese quiche with Tater Tot crust, served with dinner rolls and green salad. For dessert, we had homemade banana pudding with vanilla wafers. Good job, cooks.

Ron Dowse and Kris Labhart greeted us at the desk. Virginia Miller and Mary Lou Horton delivered 23 meals, plus eight frozen to shut-ins. They represented the Blue Mountain Hospital Auxiliary and also did the serving. Virginia led the flag salute, and Ben Leuthe asked the blessing.

The only announcement Veanne had was the gun and knife show March 14 and 15, and the spring bazaar March 14, both at the fairgrounds. She also told us a real cute spring joke. You need to come for lunch so you can hear her sometimes funny, sometimes corny jokes. Just kidding, Veanne.

Austene Hendrix joined Karen Bailey and Jan Ellison for lunch. Haven't seen her here for quite a while – Welcome back.

Lisa Miller won the Len's Drug gift certificate, and Deda Porter got the free meal.

On March 5, we had ham-

burger steak with onions and mushrooms, cheesy potatoes, cottage cheese-vegetable salad, dinner rolls and birthday cake for dessert, furnished by Driskill Memorial Chapel and Blue Mountain Hospice. The entrée was furnished by several John Day firefighters.

Bonnie Kocis and Marianne Morris greeted us at the desk. Carl and Rhonda Metler delivered 26 meals. Our servers were also the local firefighters. Great job guys, we appreciate you.

Carl Metler led the flag salute, and I asked the blessing. Veanne announced a reminder to everyone to "spring ahead" with their clocks. Also remember to check your smoke alarms. They could save your life.

There will be a dance here at the senior center from 1-4 p.m. Saturday, March 28. Up River Country Band will be playing and there will be refreshments.

We had a few guests: The activity director from Valley View brought a couple residents down for lunch, Myrtha Fields and Fred Jisha. Joining Fred were his son, Kent, and his wife, Remy, from Mt. Vernon, along with their daughter, Sky. Welcome folks; hope you come back again. The bridge players also joined us, so we had over nine tables. Good turnout for a great lunch.

Janet Lee won the Chester's Thriftway gift certificate, and I won the lunch for two at Valley View. Lunch on March 12 will be corned beef and cabbage, and Monday, March 16, it will be fish served with a pasta salad. Hope to see you there.

"He leadeth me! O blessed thought! O words with heavenly comfort fraught! What e'er I do, where e'er I be. Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me." By Gilmore.



Monument Seniors
Soo Yukawa

MONUMENT – Well, that Spring Forward time really messed me up, as I had to frantically type this article to meet my deadline within an hour! Cheryl from the Blue Mountain Eagle called, and when I heard it was her, I gasped and shouted, "My article!" It completely slipped my mind.

My hubby keeps saying I should type it up the next day after the senior lunch. I might have to go with his suggestion, so I don't have incidents like this. That would be the wise thing to do; my hubby is the best in keeping me in line. I am the free spirit and a little scattered-brained, where he is my opposite – analytical and methodical.

For our senior lunch on March 3, we had delicious roast beef sandwiches, coleslaw, baked beans, fruit and cookies. I love red meat; cannot live without it. Our cooks, Terry Cade and Carrie Jewell, did a fabulous job.

Our greeters were Bob Blakeslee, Bodean Anderson and Marva Walker. Bob led the flag salute, and Bodean prayed the blessing over our meal. We also had some visitors: Ray Martin from Long Creek, and Ray

and Sandy Davis from Monument joined us.

Just wanted to give a shout of thanks to Rose Howe and Sylvia Cockrell for our CPR class arrangement. It was an awesome and informative class. Rose did such a great job instructing 10 of us, and we appreciate her hard work and passion for this service to the community. You never know when someone might need help, and out where we live where help is hours away, it can make a difference.

Sylvia Cockrell arr'ing a wonderful job of arranging this class for us and her delicious and hearty minestrone soup with homemade bread for our lunch was wonderful.

From 9 a.m.-noon Friday, March 27, the Monument Service Club will hold the "Spring Fling" fundraiser. The meal will consist of the main dish, bread and drinks. The potluck item for people to bring is the salad.

After the lunch, there will be a Dutch auction. The Service Club is asking for people to donate items. Donations, which should be new or gently used items, may be left at the senior center. For more information, call Sylvia Cockrell at 541-934-2220.

Whew! I think I made my deadline. Nothing like a good kick in the pants to motivate you in a hurry, that's for sure. I hope you all have a wonderful week. Go out there and enjoy the warm sunshine!

Psalm 92:1 "It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord, and to sing praises unto thy name, O most High."

Church Services in Grant County

GRACE CHAPEL
Evangelical Methodist
154 E. Williams St.,
Prairie City • 541-820-4437
gracechpl@ortelco.net
Pastor Michael Harvey
Early Worship 8:45 a.m.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship 11 a.m.
Evening Worship 6:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY
Prayer 8 a.m.
THURSDAY
Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

Historic Remnant Church
Preparing for Jesus to come
Meets Saturday at Mt. Vernon Grange
Sabbath School.....9:30 am
Church Services.....11:00 am
541-620-0340

Seventh-day Adventist Church
SATURDAY SERVICES
JOHN DAY
110 Valley View Dr. - 541-575-1216
Head Elder.....541-575-2914
Bible Classes (all ages).....9:30 am
Worship.....11 am
LONG CREEK
E. Main Street - 541-421-3033
Head Elder.....421-3468
Bible Classes (all ages).....2 pm
Worship.....3:00 pm
Tune into
3 ANGELS BROADCASTING
KSPL 98.1 FM
Blue Mountain Cable, Channel 2
Antenna; Digital Channel 15 & UHF Channel 8

JOHN DAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
541-575-1326
Marcie Collins, Pastor
JOHN DAY, 126 NW Canton
Sunday Worship 9 am

MT. VERNON PRESBYTERIAN Community Church
SUNDAY SERVICE.....9 am
SUNDAY SCHOOL.....9 am
541-932-4800
EVERYONE WELCOME

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church
Corner of S Canyon Blvd and SW 2nd
Mon. - Fri. Mass - 12:05 pm
Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm
Sunday Mass - 9:00 am
Confession: Saturday 3:30 - 4:30 pm
Anytime by appointment 541-575-1459

Redeemer Lutheran Church
Come Worship with us at
627 SE Hillcrest, John Day
1st & 3rd Sunday Worship
& Communion4:30 pm
2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday Worship10 am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study.....6 pm
For information: 541-575-2348

St. Anne
Monument - Sunday at 12:30 pm
St. Katherine
Dale
1st & 3rd Sundays at 2:30 pm
Office Hours
Monday - Friday 9 am - 12 Noon

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School.....10 am
Church.....11 am
Afternoon Service.....1 pm
No Mid-week Services
Pastor Ray Isenberger
300 W. Main, John Day • 541-575-1355

Cornerstone Christian Fellowship
139 N.E. DAYTON STREET, JOHN DAY
541-575-2180*
Sunday Bible School (for all ages) 8:45 am
Sunday Worship Service 10 am
Pastor Levi Manitsas
cornerstonejohnday@gmail.com

Prairie Baptist Church
238 N. McHaley St.
Prairie City
Pastor David Hoeffner
541-820-3696
www.prairie-baptist-church.com
Sunday School for all ages 9:00 am
Sunday morning worship 10:30 am
Awana (Oct.-Apr.) 3:00 pm
Youth Group 5:30 pm

Living Word Christian Center
Hwy 26 Mt. Vernon
Celebration of Worship
Sunday 5:30pm
Kids Classes 0-6th grade
Youth Connection
Thursday 5:30-7:15pm
Kids K-6th Grade
YOUTH GROUPS
Friday 6:30pm
Jr Hi 7th-8th & Sr Hi 9th-12th
PASTOR SHARON MILLER
541-932-4910

Strawberry Mountain CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Calvary Chapel Outreach Fellowship
Sunday Services10 am
Seneca Outreach.....11 am
Midweek Services also available
170 SE Dayton, John Day
2nd & Ave. D, Seneca
541-575-2006

John Day Valley Mennonite Church
Meeting every Sunday
at Mt. Vernon Grange Hall
Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.....10:50 a.m.
Pastor Leland Smucker
Everyone Welcome • 541-575-5507

VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH
KJV Independent Fundamental • Premillennial
Terence K. Crabb, Pastor
A Bible believing church
"He that hath the Son hath life..." 1 John 5:12
Sunday School 9:45 am • Sunday Praching 11:00 am
Junior Church 11:00 am • Sunday Evenings 3:30 pm
Wednesday Bible Study & Master Club 7:00 pm
Saturday Men's Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm
108 S. Washington Street, Canyon City
541-575-2688 or 541-575-0844

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Sunday School.....9:30 am
Sunday Worship Service.....10:45 am
Sunday Evening Service.....6:00 pm
Children & Teen Activities
SMALL GROUPS CALL FOR MORE INFO.
Weekdays: Sunshine Christian School
Pastor Ron Roberson
Associate Pastor Brad Williamson
521 E. Main • John Day • 541-575-1895
www.johndaynazarene.com

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
Sunday School.....9:45 am
Sunday Worship.....11 am
Sunday Evening Bible talk 6:30 pm
Saturday Men's Study 7 pm
Full Gospel- Come Grow With Us
541-575-1202 Church
311 NE Dayton St, John Day
Pastor Al Altnow
www.fcjohnday.com

St. Thomas Episcopal Church
Morning Prayer.....10 am
(1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)
Eucharist & Sunday School.....10 am
(2nd & 4th Sundays)
139 S. Washington, Canyon City
541-620-1436