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The High Desert Museum thrills and educates with its raptor program.

High Desert Museum exhibit features raptors

The High Desert Museum’s signature outdoor avian flight program, Raptors of the Desert Sky, begins on Saturday, May 25, with daily shows through Labor Day, Monday, September 2.

Hawks, owls, falcons and turkey vultures soar from perch to perch directly over the crowd seated in a natural amphitheater nestled in the Museum’s pine forest. A Museum expert narrates the action and shares about the hunting strategies and natural behaviors of these spectacular birds of prey.

“The outdoor flight program is a highlight of the High Desert Museum experience in the summertime,” said Museum Executive Director Dana Whitelaw, Ph.D. “It’s an event we

take great pride in sharing with visitors, learning about the raptors, their ecology and flight dynamics, is nothing short of a thrilling experience.”

The program takes place daily at 11:30 a.m. except for July 4, weather permitting. The Museum website will be updated to reflect any time changes, such as an earlier start time to accommodate for high temperatures. Tickets are separate from Museum entry (\$3 for members, seniors and children ages 3-12, \$5 for non-members, free for children 2 or younger) and must be purchased by 11 a.m. They are not available online.

Learn more at www.highdesertmuseum.org/raptors-of-the-desert-sky.

Groups sue to block grazing permit renewal

PORTLAND (AP) — Three environmental advocacy groups are suing to block the restoration of grazing rights to two Oregon ranchers who were convicted of intentionally setting fires on public land.

The Oregonian/OregonLive reports the Western Watersheds Project, the Center for Biological Diversity and Wildearth Guardians filed the federal lawsuit Monday against the Bureau of Land Management and an agency district manager.

Former Interior Secretary

Ryan Zinke in January ordered the renewal of a 10-year grazing permit for Dwight Hammond Jr. and his son Steven Hammond.

The lawsuit claims the renewal violates administrative regulations because it failed to consider the ranchers’ unsatisfactory record.

President Donald Trump pardoned the Hammonds last year. Their case prompted the weekslong standoff with anti-federal government protesters at Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in Oregon in 2016.

The Nugget Newspaper Crossword

By Jacqueline E. Mathews, Tribune News Service

- ACROSS**
- 1 Little jumps
 - 5 Egyptian dam
 - 10 Shine
 - 14 Cosmonaut Gagarin
 - 15 Rent long-term
 - 16 Molten rock
 - 17 Experts
 - 18 Competitive runner
 - 20 19th letter
 - 21 20th-century U.S. president
 - 22 Chris with a racket
 - 23 Deserves
 - 25 Daisy __; L'il Abner's love
 - 26 Holy
 - 28 Large marine mammal
 - 31 Cease-fire
 - 32 Chess pieces
 - 34 Carping spouse
 - 36 Part of B.A.
 - 37 Paddled boat
 - 38 Old Maid or Parcheesi
 - 39 Word meant to startle
 - 40 Thinks deeply
 - 41 Private teacher
 - 42 Yuletide decoration
 - 44 Small, feisty rooster
 - 45 Commit perjury
 - 46 Sri __
 - 47 Colorado resort
 - 50 Anthem
 - 51 ABC competitor
 - 54 Rice or Brown
 - 57 Equestrian's command
 - 58 Mum to Prince George
 - 59 Vital artery
 - 60 Steerer's place
 - 61 Stretch across
 - 62 Boxer Mike
 - 63 Probability
- DOWN**
- 1 Excessive publicity
 - 2 “__ is not to reason why...”
 - 3 District attorney
 - 4 Lisa, to Bart
 - 5 __ Joy; candy bar
 - 6 Department store chain
 - 7 Beaver's dad
 - 8 As flat __ pancake
 - 9 Trawler's item
 - 10 Actor Danny
 - 11 “Penny __”, Beatles song
 - 12 __ easy; egg orderer's request
 - 13 Reason to buy Compound W
 - 19 Makes well
 - 21 Unrestrained
 - 24 Circle portions
 - 25 Create
 - 26 Puncture
 - 27 As straight as an __
 - 28 Wines and dines
 - 29 Not connected to anything
 - 30 Pacific island nation
 - 32 Measles symptom
 - 33 Small number
 - 35 Bit of bacteria
 - 37 As __ as a button
 - 38 Disgusting residue
 - 40 Northeastern U.S. state
 - 41 Orangey drink
 - 43 Soccer team
 - 44 Sprawling tree
 - 46 Game of chance
 - 47 Diving seabirds
 - 48 In a __; instantly
 - 49 Pocket bread
 - 50 Gentlemen
 - 52 Daring
 - 53 Snead & Waterston
 - 55 Traitor
 - 56 __ sauce; teriyaki marinade
 - 57 “He __ hesitates is lost”

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— Last Week's Puzzle Solved —

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