## Blue Mountain Eagle

## GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

Community





PRAIRIE CITY - Can you believe this weather? How many times has this happened in Grant County? Watch out for February and March, we old-timers warn. Larry and Carla are off to cruise the Caribbean area. It might be a little warmer than here.

We are trying to help Mother Nature remember this is winter by putting out snowthemed ceramic centerpieces on the tables. We can always dream

The set-up crew laid eight tables for dinner on Jan. 28, and there were people at all of them. We still have two more we could put place settings on, so there is still room for you. The registration book had 75 names.

Buzz led the flag salute, and Darrell Johnson asked the blessing. Our servers included Sandi Rennels, Joann Phippen and Lana Abarr. Donna Adams and Pam Howard helped before and after the meal, along with Del and Bonnie Lake. Jim swept the floors after Joe washed down the table covers.

January birthday people included Helen Emmel. Gloria Kulis. Ben Luethe. Betty Retherford and Donna Adams. Gloria won the \$10 in trade from Huffman's Market, and newcomer Charlotte Wright won the \$5 in trade from Prairie Hardware and

salad, an entrée of sauerkraut

toes, rolls, and Milky Way chocolate cake with vanilla ice cream for dessert. Won't need much for supper.

The Blue Mountain Care Center ladies, Lorna and Patty, brought Dorothy Blasing, Lois Hill, Floyd Morgan and Gerry Pearl.

We made the long haul to Bend on Jan. 26 for Derrol's examination by the surgeon who replaced his shoulder joint. Have to return every year for three years and then every two-three years after that. All is well. But I found it odd this is the first time he's had to return for a check-up of this nature. The surgeons who did his ankles, wrists and back don't keep such close tabs on him. Concluded that the ankles and back are fused and not supposed to move, but the shoulder has to, so they want to be sure it's moving correctly.

After that, we wanted to go to Shari's restaurant on Highway 97 north for lunch. This is the "mall" where the Sears store just left. Guess who moved in? Hobby Lobby. And everyone in central Oregon wanted to shop there. There were no parking places in the entire lot for hungry eaters. We could see lots of seats inside the restaurant, but no place to park. We even observed people coming out of Hobby Lobby with their purchases and walking to their cars in Shari's parking area. So we gave up that lost cause and traveled to another establishment where they had a special menu for "experienced diners." Smaller portions and smaller price, too. Twas serendipitous, don't ya



MONUMENT - I think I jinxed the weather when I wrote about our sunny and warm weather. It seemed as if I was thinking of putting away my summer clothes and then it got very warm. Then, when I commented how it was so beautifully warm and sunny, the weather got quite cold. Yes, maybe I control the weather - not!

We had a bit of trouble with our oven at the Jan. 27 lunch. It was acting up, so our clever cooks improvised on the menu. We had spaghetti, garlic bread, fresh salad, and Oreo pud-

We were blessed by our cooks, Carrie Jewell and Christy Howell, for their quick thinking and dealing with the situation. Marva Walker and Bob Blakeslee were our greeters. Bob led the flag salute, and yours truly the blessing over the meal. Bob Cockrell won the Chester's Thriftway gift card, Wally Walker won the Len's Drug gift card and Judi Bustardo won a free meal. We had 48 attendees and four take-outs.

There was a surplus in the food bank, so bags of rice and pasta were available at the back table for anyone who wanted to

cated her hip last week while preparing the bus for a medical trip to Bend. She was incapacitated on the ground for over four hours in the cold because no one could hear her calls for help. This is her third dislocation within a year. She will continue to do the scheduling and the bookkeeping.

Marva is asking for four-five people to each sign up a five-day week; that would cover the needs and that it would not be such a huge commitment and burden on any one person.

The bus seldom runs on weekends. Your commitment would be one to two trips. The riders are asked to schedule trips as soon as they have an appointment. This would allow some advance notice for when drivers would be needed. Would you please give this some thought and consideration on volunteering to be a driver? It would be much appreciated and would be a great help to your neighbors in getting to their medical appointments. Thanks!

We are already in the month of February! I cannot believe that we have gone past one month of the new year already. Oh goodness, I better not blink. I must not squander my time. So many things to do. Enjoy the day, enjoy your loved ones, have a blessed week everyone!

Numbers 6:24-25 "The Lord bless thee, and keep and thee ...

John Day **Seniors** Alma Joslin

JOHN DAY - On Jan. 26. we had taco salad with all the trimmings, with brownies and rainbow sherbet for dessert. Margaret Glass and Susan Fowle greeted us at the desk. The servers were from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Darlene Nodine led the flag salute, and Mary Jane Allen gave the blessing. Darlene Nodine, Mary Jane Allen and Veanne Weddle delivered 20 meals along with eight frozen ones. Robert Widell won the free meal, and Mary Jane Allen won the Len's Drug certificate.

Veanne announced there would be an AARP driver's safety class from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, at the John Day Senior Center. People attending should bring a lunch.

There is also bingo here every Thursday after lunch. We are still giving out some door prizes that have been donated by local merchants.

On Jan. 29, we had ham and beans with corn bread and coleslaw, and cake for

Margaret Glass and Susan Fowle greeted us at the desk. The entrée was sponsored by Buzz and Margaret Glass. The servers were from Cornerstone Christian Fellowship. Sherry Nance led the flag salute, and Carla Anderson gave the blessing.

way certificate, and Don Caldwell won the free meals for two at Valley View.

Veanne again announced about the AARP Driver's Safety Class on Feb. 7. There is a sign-up sheet on the wall at the Senior Center, or contact Ron Dowse at 541-575-4268. The cost is \$15.00 for AARP Members and \$20.00 for non members. Those attending should bring a lunch.

On Feb. 2, we had hash for our meal. On Thursday, Feb. 5, we will have pork chops. That meal will be sponsored by Tootie Cernazanu, in memory of Jim Cernazanu.

The John Day Senior Center greatly appreciates everyone who comes in for lunch. We need for everyone to be seated at the table at ll:45am. That's when the cooks portion out the serving based on the number of tables occupied. If we send out food for seven tables and then more people come in, we have no food for that table. Thank you for your consideration.

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