

Cultural Trust gives boost to local arts

Juniper Arts Council hands out awards

By Angel Carpenter
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CANYON CITY – Juniper Arts Council officials awarded \$6,400 in Oregon Cultural Trust grants to local residents at a March 19 meeting.

Juniper Arts president Kris Beal and members of the council awarded six grants at the meeting held at the Grant School District No. 3 conference room.

Grant recipients were Lonnie Lawrence and Jamie Schafer, representing the Monument Fourth of July Jubilee, \$1,000; Kyle Cline, Friends of Kam Wah Chung, \$2,000; Ken and Jayne Primrose, Friends of Grant County Historical Museum, \$600; Raymond Field, Prairie City School art department, \$900; Linda Cook and Jeannette Harrison, Grant County Genealogical Society, \$500; and Rebecca Bogardus, Summer at the Youth Arts Program, \$1,400.

Beal explained the Oregon Cultural Trust gives grants to each county with a cultural coalition through tax deductible donations the Trust receives.

Each representative told



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Recipients of this year's Cultural Trust grants distributed by the Juniper Arts Council are front row: Lonnie Lawrence, left, and Jamie Schafer, Monument Fourth of July Jubilee; Jeannette Harrison and Jeanne Day, Grant County Genealogical Society; back row: Rebecca Bogardus, Summer at the Youth Arts Program; Ken and Jayne Primrose, Friends of Grant County Historical Museum; Kyle Cline, Friends of Kam Wah Chung; and Raymond Field, Prairie City School art department.

the audience how they intend to use the funds they'll receive.

For example, Bogardus said the money benefits a two-week summer art camp she coordinates. The program will run four hours a day, July 6-17, in Dayville, and include classes for Grant County students, ages 5-18, who want to learn art, drama or an instrument – the music students will receive instruction from a teacher who

specializes in their instrument.

"It's a quality arts program for everybody," she said, regardless of where they live in the county, the size of their school, or their income level.

The cost to the students is \$15 for a T-shirt.

In the near future, the Juniper Arts Council also will award \$4,500 in grants funded by the John and Linda Shelk Foundation for projects that

benefit the public in Grant County.

The council also offers a \$300 college scholarship for a student interested in pursuing a major or minor in the visual or performing arts, including, but not limited to music, art, dance and drama. Applications are due May 11.

Anyone interested in joining Juniper Arts can contact Beal at 541-932-4892.

ECONOMY

State sees job gain in Grant

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Preliminary estimates from the Oregon Employment Department show the seasonally adjusted unemployment rate continued its decline from January to February in the six-county Eastern Oregon region.

Every county except Grant showed the lowest unemployment rate since 2008, but Grant was near its post-recession low.

Officials said Grant County experienced the largest increase in nonfarm payroll employment of the eastern counties, adding 100 jobs over the year.

Both the public and private sectors added jobs, with leisure and hospitality experiencing the largest change, adding 40 jobs.

The county's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for February, the latest figure available, was 10.1 percent, unchanged from January. The rate was only slightly better one year earlier, at 10 percent.

Grant County's non-adjusted rate, while improved from over a year ago, is the highest in the state at 13.8 percent, followed by Wallowa at 12.1 percent and Harney at 10.5 percent.

Other notes from the department's report on the six-county region:

• Harney County's non-farm payroll employment

increased by 60 jobs over the year. Job gains were in the private sector as the public sector was unchanged. Strength in goods producing industries and leisure and hospitality largely spurred the growth.

• Baker County experienced over-the-year job losses in nonfarm payroll employment, losing 10 jobs. Job losses in the private sector were partially offset by gains in the public sector. Strength in construction and retail trade were offset by weakness in educational and health services and other services.

• Malheur County experienced over-the-year job losses in nonfarm payroll employment, losing 30 jobs. Losses in the public sector were partially offset by gains in the private sector. Local government experienced the largest change, losing 70 jobs.

• Union County's non-farm payroll employment remained virtually unchanged, losing 10 jobs in preliminary estimates. Gains in state government, leisure and hospitality, and educational and health services were offset by weakness in professional and business services and retail trade.

• Wallowa County experienced over-the-year job gains in nonfarm payroll employment, adding 30 jobs. Net gains were in the public sector as the private sector was unchanged. Strength in local government, manufacturing, and professional and business services were partially offset by weakness in leisure and hospitality.

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MEETING NOTICE
UPPER MAINSTEM AND SOUTH FORK JOHN DAY RIVER AGRICULTURAL WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT AREA PLAN

The Biennial Review of the Upper Mainstem and South Fork John Day River Agricultural Water Quality Management Area Plan will be held Monday, April 6, 2015 at 4:00pm at the USDA Conference Room at 721 S. Canyon Blvd., in John Day.

Contact
Jason Kehrberg or Pat Holliday at 541-575-0135 with any questions.

ACADEMIC REPORT
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Homeschool senior Miranda Hoodenpyl, of Kimberly, has been chosen to be a member of the National Society of High School Scholars.

She is the daughter of Elizabeth and Dean Hoodenpyl of Kimberly.

The Society recognizes top scholars who have demonstrated outstanding leadership, scholarship and community involvement. Benefits available to qualified members include scholarship opportunities, academic competitions and member-only resources.

We are celebrating the resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ
March 30th to Easter Sunday



<p>United Methodist 126 NW Canton John Day 541-575-1326 9:00 am Easter Sunday</p>	<p>First Baptist 300 W. Main John Day 541-575-1355 11:00 am Easter Sunday</p>	<p>Living Word Christian Center 59357 Hwy. 26, Mt. Vernon April 5th Resurrection Celebration 5:30 pm <i>Come and join us as we exalt the GIFT God gave us</i></p>
<p>Victory Baptist Church 108 S. Washington St. Canyon City 541-575-2688 11:00 am Easter Sunday</p>	<p>Strawberry Mountain Christian Fellowship Sunrise Service 7:30 am Ampitheater 24956 Hwy 395 Canyon City <i>Just before mile marker 7 John Day Service 10:00 am</i></p>	<p>Cornerstone Christian Fellowship 139 NE Dayton, John Day Community Prayer Mon-Fri, 6-7 pm Good Friday April 3rd at 7 pm April 5th Easter Breakfast at 9 am Easter Service at 10 am</p>
<p>First Christian Church 311 NE Dayton, John Day Easter Service April 5th at 11 am <i>With a special communion and Easter message</i></p>	<p>Prairie City Community Easter Service Prairie City School Old Gym 10:30 am <i>Refreshments following Good Friday Walk through Prayer April 3, 11am Teen Center</i></p>	<p>Church of the Nazarene 521 E. Main, John Day 541-575-1895 10:45 am <i>Special Easter message & music</i></p>
<p>St. Elizabeth Catholic Church Holy Thursday 6:30 pm Good Friday 6:30 pm Saturday Vigil 6 pm Easter Service 9 am St. Anne's 12:30 pm St. Katherine's 2:30 pm</p>	<p>St. Thomas Episcopal Church 139 S. Washington Canyon City 541-620-1436 Easter Service April 5th at 10 am</p>	<p>Community Services April 2nd at Redeemer Lutheran Church Thursday Seder Meal 5 pm Maundy Service 7pm</p> <p>Good Friday Services April 3rd at 7 pm United Methodist & Redeemer Lutheran</p>
<p>Grace Chapel Join us for the Good Friday Service April 3, 6:30pm <i>Scripture reading and song</i> 154 E Williams St., Prairie City 541-820-4437</p>	<p>Community Sunrise April 5th at 6:30 am Crisp Heights 467 W. 4th St. Parking off Airport Way <i>Breakfast following at First Christian Church</i></p>	