

WHAT'S HAPPENING

The deadline for What's Happening items is 5 p.m. Friday. Call Cheryl at the Eagle, 541-575-0710.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

Senior Advisory Council meeting

• 10:30 a.m., John Day Senior Center  
The purpose of the meeting of the Grant County Senior Advisory Council is to finalize recommended by-laws for the Council. The public is welcome. Call 541-820-3530 or 541-575-2949.

Community potluck

• 6 p.m., Dayville Community Hall  
All are welcome to the Dayville community potluck, "A Pop of Spring." Bring a main or side dish to share, and an entry for the "Favorite Salad" contest. Table service will be provided. Balloons will also be available for purchase, each one with a number inside that will correspond to a prize. Those who donate to the renovation efforts of the Dayville Community Hall can choose from a selection of mouth-watering desserts. All proceeds go toward the renovation fund.

Special Olympics vs. law enforcement

• 6:30 p.m., Grant Union gym, John Day  
Don't miss all the action – and laughs, too – as local law enforcement personnel and Special Olympians take to the court in the annual basketball fundraiser. Participants from the audience will also have a chance for points and prizes at the halftime individual skills contest. Admission is \$3 a person or \$10 per family. There will also be a donation jar, bake sale and a dessert auction. For more information, call Sue-Z-Qs thrift store at 541-575-0715.

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

Government contracting workshop set

• 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Forest Supervisor's Office, 431 Patterson Bridge Road, John Day  
The Government Contract Assistance Program is offering a workshop on contracting with federal public lands agencies. Topics will include small business set-asides, aid to small businesses, networking opportunities, marketing to agencies and how the program can help. To register, contact Sue LaCroix, slacroix@gcap.org or 541-786-7344.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

Bird watching field trip

• 7:30 a.m., John Day Elks Lodge parking lot  
Those interested should meet in the Lodge parking lot by 7:30 a.m. The itinerary and route include heading east to Bates State Park, County Road 20 through Galena to Highway 395, and south through Long Creek back to John Day. Bring a lunch and beverage, binoculars, and clothing appropriate for the day's weather.

'Evening of Entertainment'

• 6:30 p.m., Prairie City Community Center  
The fifth annual "Evening of Entertainment" will showcase a variety of local talent – musical acts, comedy skits, cowboy poetry and more for an evening of pure family fun. Desserts will be served at 6:30 p.m. and the show will start at 7 p.m. Presale tickets – \$5 a person or \$15 for a family of three or more – are available at Bar WB, Prairie Trading Post or Prairie Hardware and Gifts. To get your act listed on the lineup, call 541-820-4878.

MONDAY, APRIL 20

Healthy Together project

The theme for this month's gathering is "Aging Gracefully." Topics will include how aging impacts individuals, family and friends, staying healthy and home health care. Free dinner and childcare will be offered, as well as door prizes. The event is free and open to the community. For more information or transportation help, call 541-620-8261.

TUESDAY, APRIL 21

Genealogical Society luncheon

• Noon, Outpost Restaurant, John Day  
Beth Spell will be the featured guest, speaking on her recent trip to Haiti. For more information, call 541-932-4718.

SATURDAY, APRIL 25

Rocky Mountain Elk banquet

• 4 p.m., Grant County Fairgrounds, John Day  
This is the 25th anniversary banquet for the John Day Chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation. The event includes raffles with several prizes up for grabs. Guests are welcome, but must be accompanied by a current RMEF member. For information on ticket package prices, reserving a sponsor table, RMEF membership and more, call Georgia Boethin, 541-620-0697.

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

Down Under Golf Scramble

• 8 a.m., John Day Golf Course  
Registration starts at 8 a.m. and tee-off is at 9 a.m. The cost is \$40 a person or \$150 per four-person team, which includes green fees and cart. Proceeds go toward expenses for Nathan Gehley, who will compete on the Oregon State Golf Team at the upcoming Down Under Sports International Games in Australia. A by-donation hamburger feed will follow. Several items will be on the auction block, including firewood and a 32-inch flat-screen TV. Payment may be made out to Down Under Sports and sent to Krista Gehley, P. O. Box 36, John Day, OR 97845. For more information, email NateGSDU@gmail.com.

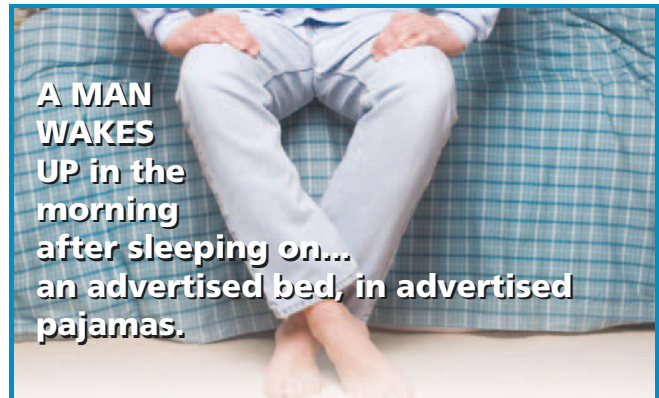


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From left, Long Creek students Timo Goebel, Cody Baker, Curtis Pery, Bow Rattanakulwattana, Massimo Basconi, and Lilly Cave are ready to serve at the Long Creek event.

Long Creek folks dig in for volunteers

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There were drawings for gift baskets, gift certificates and prizes, along with an auction of artwork and special items – including a baby goat – to round out the evening.  
The April 4 event raised more than \$5,000 for the Long Creek Volunteer Fire Department and Ambulance Service. Proceeds will help buy safety equipment and pay for training expenses.  
LONG CREEK – The second annual Long Creek volunteer appreciation dinner packed the house, drawing more than 160 people to the school to honor local fire and ambulance volunteers.  
The crowd dined on trip dinner, prepared by local cooks and served by students at the school.



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Tourism workshop coming up in JD

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JOHN DAY – Registration is underway for a local workshop on tourism to connect visitors with local ranches, local foods, and recreation.

The John Day River Territory, Travel Oregon and the Eastern Oregon Visitors Association are offering the Agriculture & Culinary Tourism Business Workshop in two locations: May 5-6 in Condon and May 20-21 in John Day.

The John Day session will be held at the Malheur National Forest Supervisor's Office, 431 Patterson Bridge Road.

The workshop is free. It will offer information on agritourism experiences and opportunities, successful ventures, business structure, marketing strategies, and promotion.

People can register online at JohnDayRiverTerritory.com or by contacting Janet at janetd@eoni.com.

Woodlands session to focus on fire

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JOHN DAY – A fire workshop for Blue Mountains woodland owners is set for Tuesday, April 28, at the Oregon Department of Forestry, 415 Patterson Bridge Road, in John Day.

The session is one of three offered this month, with the others set for April 29 in Baker City and April 30 in Dayton, Wash.

Daniel Leavell, an Oregon State University forestry, natural resources and fire sciences

agent, will be the instructor.

The program, in both classroom and field visits, will cover fire behavior, fire prevention treatments, fire weather tools, basic firefighting techniques and more. Participants should bring lunch and water, dress for the weather, and wear footwear appropriate for uneven terrain.

At the workshops, ODF, Washington Department of Natural Resources and rural fire district personnel will discuss their role in wildland fires and

regulations and policies that affect landowners.

Registration is due by Friday, April 24. Contact OSU Extension Forester Bob Parker at 541-523-6418 to sign up.

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