

GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

John Day Seniors

Alma Joslin



JOHN DAY – On April 27, we had breakfast for lunch – link sausage, pancakes with honey butter, scrambled eggs and tropical fruit. Billie Bullard and Marianne Morris greeted us at the desk.

Ineta Carpenter and Gloria Stratford delivered 19 meals, with Veanne doing the Mt. Vernon run. Ron Dowse delivered eight frozen meals to shut-ins. Our servers were from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Gloria led the flag salute, and Ineta asked the blessing.

Small turnout – must not be many people who like breakfast for lunch, but those of us there really enjoyed it. Lorna Askew and Kendra Joslin from Blue Mountain Care Center brought Idamae Tussing, Dave Herberger, Donna Cox and Robert Riddell.

Veanne announced the AARP drivers course on Saturday, May 9, here at the Center. Bring a lunch.

Janet Lee won the Len's Drug gift certificate, and Don Porter won the free meal.

On April 30, we celebrated Cinco de Mayo. We had southwestern soup, enchiladas, Spanish rice and refried beans, topped off with a dish of ice cream with blueberry crumble topping. One of my favorite meals of all time. Best Western in John Day/Patel Inc. furnished the entrée.

Margaret Glass and Billie Bullard greeted us. Buz and Margaret Glass delivered 25 meals to homebound people. Our servers were from Cor-

nerstone Christian Fellowship, joined by two new helpers, Andy and Dawn Salanti. Donna Johnson led the flag salute, and Pastor Levi Manitsas asked the blessing after telling a few Mother's Day stories.

We had a large crowd and several guests – Jan and Larry Sanderson of Bend, who are maintaining the grounds at Clyde Holliday State Park, and Joan and Bill Quant, hosts at Kam Wah Chung. They'll all be here for the summer, so I hope they will eat with us again.

The bridge players also joined us. Amber Wright and Tracy Raymond from Step Forward brought Ron Jerome, a member of the group.

Veanne announced it was National Blueberry Pie Day, which accounted for our dessert. She and the cooks are having fun with the national "whatever" days Veanne finds on the computer.

Margie Parker's birthday is May 2, but she didn't tell us how many. Jim Lound, who was a regular here, has moved to an assisted living facility in The Dalles. Veanne has his phone number and address. I'm sure he would love to hear from friends.

Helen Bogart loaned us the Mexican dress on the back wall to help with our Mexican decor. Note the new water dispenser, too, which has both hot and cold water. The old one was quite a challenge to hit your glass.

Nadine Smith won the Chester's Thriftway gift certificate, and Buz Harris won the lunch for two at Valley View. Everett Swayne won the drawing for a flower arrangement.

Thursday, May 7, we'll

have our Mothers Day lunch – turkey dinner with rice pilaf. Monday, May 11, we'll have French bread pizza with broccoli cheese soup. Join us!

Five paintings by former Grant County resident, the late Ila North, will be on display at the Center during the May 7 meal.

*James 1:2,3 "My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience."*

Prairie City Seniors

Rose Coombs



PRAIRIE CITY – First, I want to report that I got Derrol a box of candy with his \$5 gift certificate from Prairie Hardware. Second, I am pleased to let you know the Grant County sign has been restored on Highway 26 west of Picture Gorge. Thank you to whoever got it done.

Third, I am more than pleased to report we had 80 names on the book on April 29. And there is still room for you.

It was April birthday recognition day. In the running for the \$10 gift certificate from Huffman's Market were Ila Newman, Bonnie Lake, Kimberly Teague and one other I can't remember – sorry. Anyhow, I picked first-timer Michael Shockley to draw the winning number, which went to Kimberly Teague. Joni Jones won the Java Jungle certificate. The Prairie Hardware winner was – drum roll, please – Nancy Viggers. If you want to know why we wait so long before doing the drawings, it's because we wait until Nancy gets there so

she has a chance, too.

Our volunteer servers were JoAnn Phippen, Ginger Kendall and Julia Davis. Pam took Helen's place in the kitchen, so I took Pam's place at the desk. Buzz led the flag salute, and Darrell Johnson asked the blessing. Was glad to see Ivan Nance and Lauren Hulse, accompanied by Michael Shockley. Ivan got to visit with lots of old friends. And doesn't his yard look nice? He sent some flowers over to the Blue Mountain Care Center a few weeks ago; I have never seen such huge tulips!

For our special meal, we had grape juice, apple salad, baked potatoes, cream gravy, baked chicken, rolls, and the dessert was a 'Magic cookie bar' and ice cream. It was all delicious.

The Blue Mountain Care Center ladies, Lorna and Joni, brought Dorothy Blasing, Eula Thompson, Lois Hill, Donna Cox and Dollina Humphreys. Some friends of Dollina's came in late to visit her, and we had enough food to feed them, too!

So, Derrol got his long-awaited injection for his cervical arthritis pain and movement. So far, so good. The journey down past the Old Mill District in Bend went very smoothly. He couldn't drive after the injection, due to being sedated, so I managed to get back through all the roundabouts without missing any turns. Another 12-hour day. That's what we have to put up with for living in God's country, huh?

Here comes Mother's Day, graduation and Memorial Day. Hope each celebration is joyous and meaningful.

*Ps. 145:7 "They will celebrate Your abundant goodness and joyfully sing of Your righteousness."*

Monument Seniors

Soo Yukawa



MONUMENT – I dared to pull out some of my summer clothes. It has been pretty warm and delightfully beautiful. The flowers and other living things are blooming and active. A hummingbird whizzed by my head the other day. I guess they are back from their migration. So much to do around here! Love the sun still being out at 7 p.m.

My boy complained to me, though, that it wasn't right for him to go to sleep at 8:30 p.m. because the sun was still out and bright. I might have to put up my blackout curtains, another task to add to a never ending and seemingly long list of things to do.

Where does the time go? I remember as a kid, thinking "It's going to take forever for me to grow up! Time sure goes very slow!" Now my life just seems like it's on full speed ahead and not slowing down anytime soon.

We had quite a few visitors join us on April 28 – Dick and Pam Wanous, and Frank and Melba Cecil, all from Spray, and Bodean Anderson's grandkids and great grandkids, Shannon Anderson, Cole, Garret and Jayden, from Alaska.

Our greeters were Bob Blakeslee, Bodean Anderson and Marva Walker. Bob led the flag salute, and Bodean prayed the blessing over our meal. Frances Arneson won the Chester's Thriftway gift card, Gary Doland won the Len's Drug gift card and

Melba Cecil won a free meal. Our hardworking cooks made some fabulous baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, bread rolls, and some moist cake. If you weren't there, you missed out. We had 60 attendees and seven take-outs.

I wish I was a better organized and disciplined person. I guess most free-spirited people are that way. An example: I was doing well balancing my checkbook until I got behind. I got so frustrated I went to the bank and told them they needed to close my account so I could open a new one and start fresh! They wanted me to bring in all my statements so they could help me. I insisted they couldn't and frankly, I didn't have all my statements anyway or know where they were. They finally granted my request, closed the account and gave me a new one. I'm sure they must have thought I was crazy.

I really think it's because we aren't taught to balance our finances in schools. Look at our national debt. Our country is in dire straits because we don't know how to balance our budget. Too bad we, as a nation, can't say to close the account and start fresh!

*Proverbs 22:7 "The rich ruleth over the poor; And the borrower is servant to the lender."*

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Evangelical Methodist  
154 E. Williams St.,  
Prairie City • 541-820-4437  
[gracechpl@ortelco.net](mailto: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.

**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 pm  
Tune into  
3 ANGELS BROADCASTING  
KSPL 98.1 FM  
Blue Mountain Cable, Channel 2  
Antenna; Digital Channel 15  
& UHF Channel 8

**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](mailto:cornerstonejohnday@gmail.com)

**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

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

**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

**Prairie Baptist Church**  
238 N. McHaley St.  
Prairie City  
Pastor David Hoeffner  
541-820-3696  
[www.prairie-baptist-church.com](http://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

**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 Preaching 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

**New Life Bible Church**  
Corinthians 5:17  
Every Sunday in the L.C.  
Community Center  
(Corner of Second & Allen)  
Begins at 4:10pm  
Contact Pastor Ed Studtmann at  
541-421-3888

**St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church**  
Corner of S Canyon Blvd and SW 2<sup>nd</sup>  
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  
**St. Anne**  
Monument - Sunday at 12:30 pm  
**St. Katherine**  
Dale  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 2:30 pm  
Office Hours  
Monday - Friday 9 am - 12 Noon

**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

**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: Sonshine Christian School  
Pastor Ron Roberson  
Associate Pastor Brad Williamson  
521 E. Main • John Day • 541-575-1895  
[www.johndaynazarene.com](http://www.johndaynazarene.com)

**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

**Redeemer Lutheran Church**  
Come Worship with us at  
627 SE Hillcrest, John Day  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Worship  
& Communion .....4:30 pm  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Worship .....10 am  
Wednesday Evening Bible Study.....6 pm  
For information: 541-575-2348

**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

**Strawberry Mountain CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP**  
Calvary Chapel Outreach Fellowship  
Sunday Services .....10 am  
Seneca Outreach.....2 pm  
Midweek Services also available  
170 SE Dayton, John Day  
2nd & Ave. D, Seneca  
541-575-2006

**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.fccjohnday.com](http://www.fccjohnday.com)