

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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

FRIDAY, JUNE 26

Cycling Classic visits Prairie City

• 12:30-5:30 p.m., from Sumpter to Prairie City
Spectators can watch bicycle racers in action as Baker City Cycling Classic participants race from Highway 7 at Sumpter to Highway 26 at Austin Junction on to Prairie City, then back again over the same highways. Motorists can expect delays during the race. The race continues the next day in Baker City and Sunday through Medical Springs, Union and North Powder.

Mark Witty's China visit chat

• 7 p.m., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, John Day
Grant School District No. 3 Superintendent Mark Witty will share details of his trip to China last spring. He completed a 10-day administrative job shadow exchange in March to Shiquan in Shaanxi Province. Information about a new exchange program with students from China visiting Grant Union Junior-Senior High School will also be explained. There will be a slideshow and refreshments. All are invited. Call Joan Bowling, 541-575-1248, for more information.

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

Cinnabar Mountain Playday

• 9 a.m., Burton Arena, Mt. Vernon
This is the second playday of the season. Registration is at 9 a.m. and the rodeo starts at 10 a.m. Events include barrel racing, pole bending, goat tying, dummy roping, keyhole, flag race and figure 8. Membership cost is \$30 a person or \$45 per family. Entry fees are \$2 per event or \$10 for the day. For more information call 541-571-8591 or 541-620-4158, email cmlplaydays@gmail.com, or visit Cinnabar Mountain Playdays on Facebook.

Stained glass unveiling

• 11 a.m., First Baptist Church, John Day
The church at 300 W. Main St. will unveil a new stained glass addition. There will be special music, and children will be able to complete a stained glass art project. For information, call 541-575-1355.

SATURDAY, JULY 4

Fourth of July festivities

• Dayville, Monument and Prairie City
Three Grant County communities are preparing a bang-up good time for this year's Fourth of July celebration. All three will offer parades, contests, family activities, plenty of food and, of course, fireworks. Parade times are: Monument, 10 a.m., Dayville, 10:30 a.m.; and Prairie City, noon. Dayville's celebration is a three-day affair in which live music and fireworks will be Friday night, and the second annual Dayville Dash 5K Walk/Run on Sunday. Details on the 5K are on Page A18.
Full schedules and more information on all the Fourth of July celebrations will be in the July 1 issue.

OUTDOORS

SolWest menu has plenty for children, adults

Longtime leader Barker will offer kids' sessions

Blue Mountain Eagle

LA GRANDE – Jennifer Barker will present a couple of children's workshops on Saturday, June 27, during the 17th annual SolWest Fair in La Grande.

She will offer two workshops, one on renewable energy for children ages 7-11, and a story hour for children ages 3-8. Both workshops will focus on alternative energy and the environment.

Barker was the long-time executive director for EO Renew and coordinated the SolWest Fair for 15 years when its home was in John Day. She was also in charge of the John Day Solar Tour as well as energy presentations for children of all ages.

Barker's workshop is just one of many at this year's SolWest Fair, which will run June 26-28 at the Union County Fairgrounds.

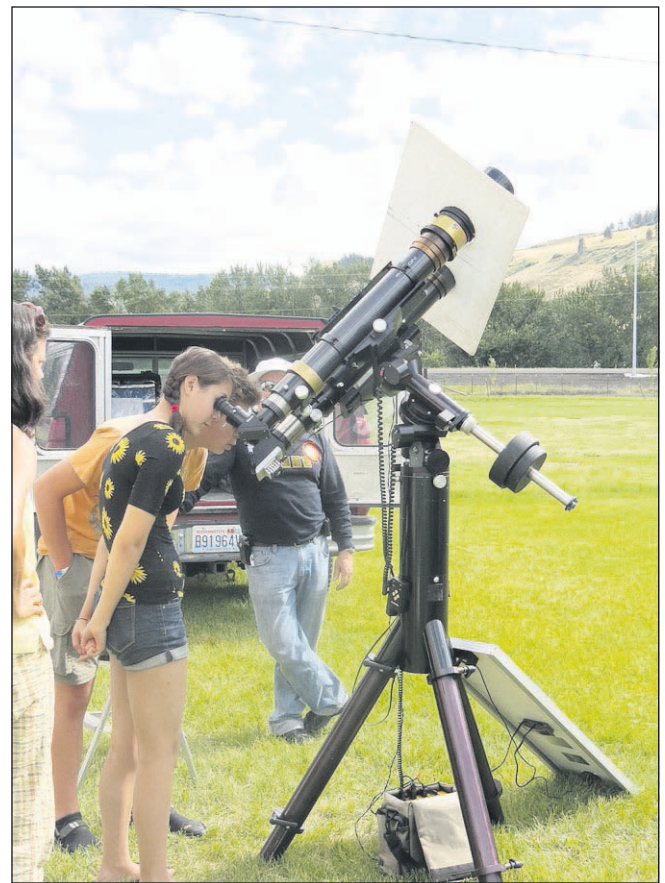
This is the fair's second year in La Grande, after the shift in sponsorship from EO Renew to Oregon Rural Action. Organizers say most of the traditions of the fair are retained while the scope of activities has been broadened.

SolWest's workshop topics include the basics of going solar, building with cob, training cart goats, electric cars and off-grid food storage. The fair will also offer four classes that qualify for Continuing Education Credits from Oregon Department of Energy. Classes are open to anyone attending the fair and a full list of workshops can be found on the SolWest website.

Volunteers have also organized fun and engaging children's activities to compliment Barker's workshops. On Sunday, June 28, the La Grande Parks and Recreation Department will host a Renewable Family Fun Day from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Activities will include recycled crafts, fuel-cell cars, and learning how wind-mills work.

Fair tickets can be purchased online at www.oregonrural.org/solwest or at the gate. Weekend passes are \$15 for adults, \$10 for children and \$30 for a family. Presale discounts will be offered for weekend passes until June 20. Day passes will also be available at the gate.

For more information about the SolWest Fair, including a full schedule of workshops, visit www.oregonrural.org/solwest.



Contributed photo

A fair-goer gets a closeup glimpse of the sun using a special telescope during the 2014 SolWest fair in La Grande.

ATTENTION GRANT COUNTY VETERANS:



Did you know Grant County Veterans Services Officer is available to assist YOU in applying for all VA benefits you may be entitled to? See your Grant County Veteran Services Officer today for more information, located at Grant County Court House.

Open: Mon, Wed, & Fri 10 am - 4 pm, Appointment available at other times Call 541-575-1631

Wyden plans JD town hall

Blue Mountain Eagle

JOHN DAY – U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden will hold a town hall meeting in Grant County on Thursday, July 2, as part of a swing through four eastern counties.

The July 2 event will be at 4 p.m. at the Grant County Regional Airport in John Day.

The public is welcome to get an update on legislative issues and ask questions at the event.

Also on Wyden's schedule are town hall meetings at 1 p.m. June 27 in Hood River, noon July 2 in Mitch-

ell, and 2 p.m. July 3 in Joseph.

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Debbie Corwin, 21 yrs with GSD NO. 3 says, "I love all the kids and they are like family to me. If anything ever happened (to any of them) I would be devastated."

Pam Woodworth, 10 yrs with GSD NO. 4 says, "I love driving the bus... It's interesting to watch these kids grow and see all the different personalities... I like to think I can make a kid cheer up if they are a little down, or make a kid feel good about something they might have done. I love seeing them smile as they get on or off the bus."

Here's to our Bus Driver Heroes who don't always get the recognition they deserve!

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MOVIE SCHEDULE JULY 23 - JULY 2

INSIDE OUT PG
Disney/Pixar Animation. After young Riley is uprooted from her Midwest life and moved to San Francisco, her emotions conflict on how best to navigate a new city, house and school.
FRI - THURS (4:20) 7:20 9:30

JURASSIC WORLD PG-13
22 years after the events of Jurassic Park, Isla Nublar now features a fully functioning dinosaur theme park, Jurassic World.
FRI - TUES (4:00) 7:00 9:40

INSIDIOUS: CHAPTER 3 PG-13
Horror. A prequel set before the haunting of the Lambert family. FRI - TUES 7:10 9:35

SPY R
Comedy. Desk-bound CIA analyst volunteers to go undercover to infiltrate the world of a deadly arms dealer. FRI - TUES (4:10) () = Bargain Matinee

\$9 Adult, \$7 Senior (60+), Youth

Day 2015 ~ Let FREEDOM RING!

Friday, July 3rd

8:00 p.m. Happy Hour with no host bar, Dayville Community Hall

9:00 Dance with Live Music provided by The NeverCanEvers, Community Hall

10:00 Fireworks
Fireworks can be seen east of town, near Red Barn area.

After Fireworks – Dance Resumes

Saturday, July 4th

8:00-9:30 a.m. 15th Annual Community Breakfast, Dayville Community Church. By Donation.

10:30 Parade, Franklin Avenue

Grand Marshal Marina Martin
(Line up on the east end of Dayville. Judging begins at 9:30. Numerous Divisions with top entries receiving ribbons. Pre-entry is recommended, but not mandatory. Contact City Hall for more information.)

City Park Activities

11:00 Jakeburger Stand, Proceeds benefit Dayville Volunteer Firefighters Association.

11:30 Horseshoe Tournament, Prize Money Awarded, Hosted by Dayville Volunteer firefighters Association.

Noon* Pie Contests
Most Delicious Pie Contest
Bring your favorite pie to enter!
Pie Eating Contest
Pie in the Face Toss

12:30* Baked Good Auction, Proceeds benefit Community Hall Renovations

1:00* Duck Race, Ducks - \$5 each
1st Place Prize-\$200, 2nd Place Prize-\$100, many additional prizes

1:30* Scavenger Hunt, Digital camera or cell phone that takes pictures mandatory. Teams of 2, all ages welcome. No cost to participate. Prizes for top teams.

10:00-11:00 p.m. Stargazing, Dayville Football Field. (Come take a look at the stars and moon through a telescope. Bring binoculars, if you have them.)

* - After the parade is over, these events will run consecutively-listed times are approximate.

Sunday, July 5th

9:00 a.m. Dayville Dash 5K Walk/Run
Registration forms are located at City Hall, Post Office Bulletin Board & Local Businesses or contact City Hall (contact info below)
Race day registration begins at 8:00 a.m. at the Dayville School.
Cost \$10 for race. Souvenirs will also be available for an additional cost.
Participants will be bussed up South Fork, with route following scenic South Fork Road.

Events subject to change.
Updated schedules will be posted at the Dayville Post Office.
A current PDF can be emailed to you.
Contact City Hall for more information, 541-987-2188 or dville@ortelco.net.

The Class of 2015

would like to extend a big **thank you** to the businesses who donated gifts & items that made our Grad Night such a huge success!

We would also like to the **John Day Elks Lodge** once again for graciously offering their facilities.

Without the support of our community this night wouldn't be possible.

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