#### What's Happening

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

# THURSDAY, AUG. 20

#### Learn about volunteering with CASA

• 5:30 p.m., Outpost Restaurant, John Day Learn about the many ways and benefits involved in being a volunteer with Grant-Harney County CASA.

# SATURDAY, AUG. 22

Folk concert in Prairie City • 7 p.m., Prairie City Community Center

Donnie Macdonald and James Keigher, of the folk music group, "Men of Worth," will perform in concert. Admission is \$15 per person; proceeds go toward updating the kitchen and electrical systems at the community center. Tickets are available at Bar WB, Roan Coffee Company, Dr. Norm De-Jong DDS, Prairie Trading Post and Prairie City Antiques. For more information, visit www.menofworth.com. Sponsored by the Prairie City Community Association, 541-620-1492.

# SATURDAY-SUNDAY, AUG. 22-23

#### **Cinnabar Mountain Playdays**

• 9 a.m., Grant County Fairgrounds, John Day

These are the last playdays of the 2015 season. Registration is at 9 a.m. and the rodeo starts at 10 a.m. Membership cost is \$30 a person or \$45 per family. Entry fees are \$2 per event or \$10 for the day. Call 541-571-8591 or 541-620-4158, email cmplaydays@gmail.com, or visit Cinnabar Mountain Playdays on Facebook.

# **SUNDAY, AUG. 23**

#### Fox church benefit

• Noon, Fox Community Church

All are welcome to a by-donation benefit for the restoration of the Fox Community Church, built in 1889. John Day Pickers will provide music, Jackie Johns a brief history on the church and Jack Retherford will offer a short service. Long Creek Historical Society will head up a potluck lunch at the old school across the highway from the church. Handicapped-accessible transportation will be available. Call 541-575-1927 or 541-421-

### **MONDAY, AUG. 24**

#### **Healthy Together project**

5:30-7:30 p.m., Canyon City Community Hall

The topic will be how our homes, relationships and even wildfires can threaten our personal safety. The discussion will include identifying personal safety strategies to avoid situations that impact our health. Everyone is welcome to attend the free event. Dinner and child care are free, too, and there will be door prizes. For more information or help with transportation, call 541-620-8261.

# **TUESDAY-WEDNESDAY, AUG. 25-26**

#### **Red Cross blood drive**

• 1-6 p.m. Tuesday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday, Church of Jesus-Christ of Latter-day Saints, John Day

For an appointment, call 1-800-RED-CROSS. The church is at 944 E. Main St.

# Veterinary center offers microchip \$15 discount

JOHN DAY — The current wildfire is a reminder of the importance of animal identification, and John Day River Veterinary Center will offer discounts on animal microchipping during the next two weeks.

JDRVC will offer \$15 off the service, resulting in a cost of \$30 per animal. Dogs, cats and even horses and birds can be microchipped.

"Microchips are a permanent form of identification that have aided many animals in returning home whether lost while camping, hunting, herding or during an evacuation," said Julie Stafford, a veterinarian at the center.

Owners of microchipped animals can go online and

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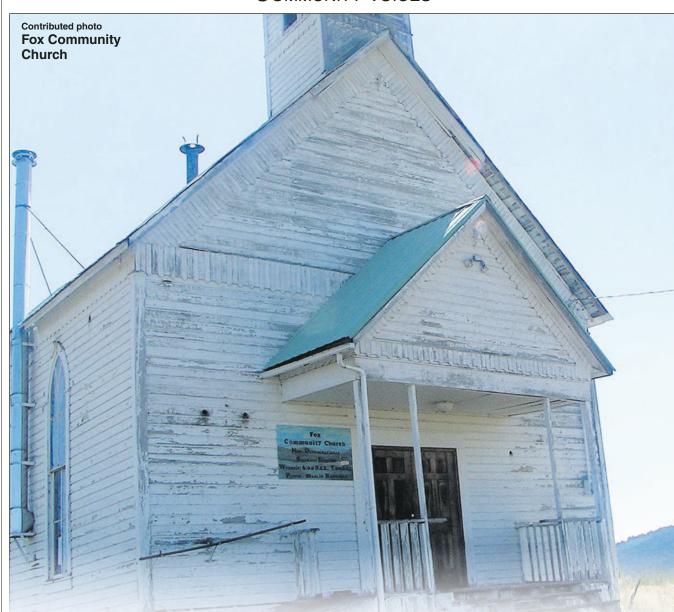
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list their contact information. Animals that are picked up by animal control, police or citizens and brought to any vet clinic or animal control, are scanned for microchips, and the company is called. The owner's contact information is used to help reunite them with their animal.

For more information, call the veterinary center at 541-932-4428.

# COMMUNITY VOICES

Community



# Restoring a Fox landmark

By Reiba Carter Smith and Gaye Pruit

To the Blue Mountain Eagle

The old church in Fox has long been a landmark in the valley, but the tides of time have taken a heavy toll on the once-stately structure.

After walking around in its shadow and peering through its windows a person might feel the chuch is hallowed. One thinks of the long-forgotten joys and sorrows of weddings, births and deaths that seem to linger in the silent whisper of the breeze. Only the cries of birds nesting in the broken siding and damaged steeple offer any homage.

A few have become more than Ron Phillips, 541-575-1927, or

aware of the plight of this oncegrand old church, established in the 1800s, and are launching a restoration campaign.

The John Day Pickers will perform at noon, Sunday, Aug. 23, at the church. There will also be a brief history presentation on the church. The Long Creek Historical Society will sponsor a potluck prior to the music at the old school house across Highway 395 in Fox. Everyone is welcome to attend.

All donations will be used for repairs to the church. Any interest in helping, or material to make repairs would be greatly appreciated.

For more information, call

Pat McGirr, 541-421-3379.

Gaye Pruit are members of the Reiba Carter Smith and Long Creek Historical Society.



**Grant County** 

**Fairgrounds** 

Events include:

Barrel Racing, Pole Bending, Goat Tying, Dummy Roping, Keyhole, Flag Race, and Figure 8 Membership: \$30 individual / \$45 family ~ Entry Fees: \$2/ event or \$10/ day

# For more information, contact:

• Didgette McCracken - 541-575-3520

• Janet Plocharsky - 541-792-0077 • Shilo Burton - 541-620-1617

• Emma Winkleman - 541-620-1199

# reunion postponed til the weekend of Sept. 25 to 27, Blue Mountain Eagle

Grant Union class

JOHN DAY — Because of the wildfire, a reunion of the Grant Union High School class of 1965 has been postponed unat the John Day Golf Course.

The reunion had been planned for this coming weekend. For more information, call 509-301-4440 or 541-928-2961.



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Let's Get HEALTHY Together!

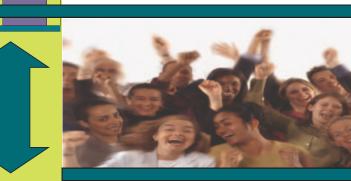
Our Homes, Relationships, and even Wildfires can threaten our Personal Safety.

How can we be prepared?



available





Who?

Grant County residents who want to become more healthy!

When?

Monday, August 24, 2015, 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Where?

**Grant County Health** 

528 E Main, Suite E

Phone: 541-575-0429

John Day, Oregon

Department

Canyon City Community Hall, Canyon City

What?

Identifying personal safety strategies to avoid situations that impact our health. <u>And</u>



# **Healthy Together Project**

In partnership with the Community Advisory Council, the

**Grant County Health Department, Strawberry Wilderness** 

Community Clinic, Blue Mountain Hospital, and local medical providers to improve community health

Funded by a Transformation Grant from the Eastern Oregon Coordinated Care Organization received by Community Counseling Solutions.

Call Kathy 541-620-8261

Transportation available, just call