

GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

Prairie City Seniors

Rose Coombs



PRAIRIE CITY — Pray for rain and the safety of the firefighters!

Son Bert sent word from Poland he and family are all ill, and they have shared it with the other members of Agata’s family — including the bride and groom whose wedding was scheduled for Aug. 29. Oh, dear. This is one of those events that will bring a chuckle in later years.

We had lots of donations toward the Aug. 26 meal. JoAnn Wilson contributed to the cost of the meat in honor of hubby Ralph’s birthday. Julia Davis, Donna Adams and Ken Kincaid brought vegetables. And Del Lake picked more peppers and zucchinis to give away. The food bank had a part, too, I think, and there are also some grocery bags available.

We have a good pool table to sell. The family who donated it years ago has no place to put it, so it’s available for purchase. It has cue

sticks and balls and even instructions on how to set it up.

We decided to put the price of one meal each week into the bike helmet fund. If you would like to contribute, the donation can is on the desk. The American Legion Auxiliary is collecting the pop-off tabs from cans to support Ronald McDonald House.

The August birthday people were Ralph Wilson, Del Lake, Julia Davis and MarJean Koser. MarJean won the \$10 in trade donated by Huffman’s Select Market. Leone Meador got the \$5 in trade from Prairie Hardware & Gifts.

Our volunteer servers were Lana Abarr, Sandi Rennels, Pam Howard and Linda Boyer. They served pineapple juice, marinated cukes, baked potatoes, grilled mixed veggies, chicken-fried steak, rolls and Helen’s famous North Dakota salad for dessert. This time it was chocolate. Great meal! Helen asked the blessing, too. We had 78 names on the book.

Patty and Jonie Jones from Blue Mountain Care Center brought Dorothy Blasing, Dollina Hum-

phreys, Lois Hill, Ralph Wilson and Marilyn Randall.

“Being retired means you don’t get a day off.” A quote from Jack Viggers. Nancy Viggers helped count the money and was afraid that I would put something she said in this missive. And I did.

Eph. 4: 16 “From Him the whole body, joined and held together ... grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.”

John Day Seniors

Alma Joslin



JOHN DAY — On Aug. 24, we had breakfast for lunch – my favorite meal.

We had French toast with strawberry/cream cheese topping, scrambled eggs, bacon and cantaloupe.

We had approximately 32 diners, and Susan Sintay and Ineta Carpenter, from The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, delivered 19 lunches and, with Veanne Weddle’s help, delivered eight frozen ones to shut-ins.

Ron Dowse and Marianne Morris were at the desk. From the LDS church, Carole Zirkle-Bygness led the flag salute, and Susan Sintay asked the blessing, and did the serving and cleanup.

Veanne announced people were receiving letters from Air Med Care saying their subscriptions were expiring.

This company does not service our area. We are covered by Air Life and Life Flight.

Fire victims need tools, including ax and shovel handles, and monetary donations – no more clothing or household items for now.

Our winners were Gloria Kulis, Len’s Drug gift certificate and Helen Bogart, free meal.

On Aug. 27, there were approximately 55 diners present and 28 meals delivered. We had sweet-and-sour chicken, rice, egg rolls, vegetable chow mein over Chinese noodles, fortune cookies and key lime cheesecake ice cream. Jim Maple and David Turner did the deliveries.

Don and Deda Porter furnished the entrée in honor of Fred Stoltz. Marianne Morris and Billie Bullard greeted us at the desk. Our servers were from St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. Walt Hall led the flag salute, and Jim Maple asked the blessing.

September is Senior Citizens Month so the center is planning a few things. If you have any needlework or art work, etc. you would like displayed, bring it in.

Thelma Kite’s son, Walt Gentis, has an article in the *Blue Mountain Eagle’s* hunting section. She would like extra copies.

Jim and Toddie Stovall have an anniversary, and Wally Wedde has a birthday.

Lou Thoemke has hurt her knee again, so she would like your prayers, and assis-

tance from anyone who can help.

Winners were Andrea Martinez, Chester’s Thriftway certificate, and Marianne Morris, Valley View lunch for two.

Thursday, Sept. 3, we’ll have barbecued pork ribs with cheesy au gratin potatoes. Monday, Sept. 7, the center will be closed.

Lunches are free to those who have been displaced by the fire.

1 Timothy 1:14 “The grace of our Lord was exceedingly abundant, with faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.”

Monument Seniors

Soo Yukawa



MONUMENT — We had a nice rain after church on Aug. 23. This cooler weather is most agreeable to me. I heard the news about Prairie City over the weekend. We are praying! Senior correspondent Rose Coombs helped in lightening the sad happenings with her humorous stories if only for a little bit. Laughter is good medicine in times like these.

Some Monument and Long Creek ladies will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9, at the Monument Senior Center, for a potluck lunch and to tie down and sew quilts for people who have been displaced by the fires. If you like to sew, come join us. You don’t necessarily have to live here. For more

information, contact Sylvia Cockrell.

For our Aug. 25 lunch, we had a full house. I apologize I don’t have the number of attendees, but we did have 11 take-outs. We enjoyed baked chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, dinner rolls and chocolate cake. Our greeters were Bob Blakeslee, Jimmy Cole and Marva Walker. Bob led the flag salute, and Bodean Anderson gave the announcements and prayed the blessing over our meal.

Our winners were: Diane Ganger, Len’s Drug gift card; Max Breeding, Chester’s Thriftway gift card; and Linda Abraham, free meal.

I feel the slowing down of the season. Maybe it’s an illusion due to the sudden change in the weather. I definitely have learned a few things this year on what I would do differently for next year’s planting. I’ll remember to write down exactly the names of certain plant varieties. I planted this particular cucumber, but I have no idea its name, and I could just kick myself because I really liked that cucumber. It has a smooth skin with no prickles and you don’t have to peel the skin off to eat it. You just have to wash it and cut it up to eat. I shall have to save some of its seed to ensure I get some next year.

Joel 1:14 “Sanctify ye a fast, call a solemn assembly, gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the Lord your God, And cry unto the Lord.”

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MOVIE SCHEDULE SEPT. 4 - 10

THE TRANSPORTER REFUELED PG-13

Former special-ops mercenary encounters a femme-fatale looking for revenge against a sinister Russian kingpin.

FRI-SUN (4:20) 7:20 9:35

MONDAY (4:20) 7:20

TUES-THURS 7:20

STRAIGHT OUTTA COMPTON R

The group NWA emerges from the mean streets of Compton in Los Angeles, California, in the mid-1980s and revolutionizes Hip Hop culture with their music and tales about life in the hood.

FRI-SUN (4:00) 7:30

TUES-THURS 6:30

NO ESCAPE R

In their new overseas home, an American family soon finds themselves caught in the middle of a coup.

FRI-SUN (4:10) 7:10 9:30

MONDAY (4:10) 7:10

TUES-THURS 7:10

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

County quilt show canceled

Blue Mountain Eagle

JOHN DAY — The annual Grant County Quilt Show, scheduled for Friday through Sunday, Sept. 11 through 13, has been canceled, due to the recent wildfire.

The Grant County Piecemakers Quilt Guild made the decision at a recent gathering. The event will be rescheduled next spring.

The guild is striving to create quilts to donate to each family whose home was

Brothers Run



The Brothers Run 2015 will be canceled due to the Canyon Creek Complex Fire. Look for us next year!

destroyed in the fire. Shiny Thimble in Mt. Vernon is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays for anyone interested in helping. Cash and fabric donations are also welcome.

Shiny Thimble is at 100 E. Main St. in Mt. Vernon. Call 541-792-0670 for more information.

DAR plans dedication, meeting

Blue Mountain Eagle

BAKER CITY — The Lone Pine Tree chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is planning a dedication of a marker in the historic Wingville Cemetery northwest of Baker City.

The dedication will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday, Sept. 11, led by Ellen Hopkins, DAR honorary regent and state historic preservation chairwoman.

After the ceremony, the group will gather at Sunridge Restaurant in Baker City for lunch at 11:30 a.m., followed by a meeting at noon.

Anyone interested is welcome to attend. Call Meshelle Cookson, 541-523-4248, or Joan Smith, 541-963-4861.

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Nominate Your Educational Hero

Educators play an extremely important role in our community and are often underappreciated.

This year, Doug’s Motor Vehicle Repair is saying “Thank you, educators” by honoring an “Educator of the Month.”

Each month one local educator will be highlighted in the *Blue Mountain Eagle* and will receive a \$50 gift certificate from Doug’s Repair. Educator of the Year will receive \$1,000 to be donated to school of their choice.

Nominate your Local Hero by picking up a nomination form at the *Blue Mountain Eagle* or Doug’s Repair, or download a copy from the *Blue Mountain Eagle’s* website –www.bluemountaineagle.com.



Prairie Springs Fish Farm, Boyd Britton Welding & Blue Mountain Eagle

Best July Fishing Photo Contest WINNERS!

Week 6



Carson McKay

Week 7



Kaitlyn Charette

Week 8



Jade Hilliard

Week 9



Kara-Jane Hilliard

There is still time to win weekly, or the grand prize of \$100!

Photos will be judged for quality, content, viewer appeal. Remember, it’s not the biggest fish – but the best fishing photo that takes the prize! Photos must be taken this summer in Grant County. Digital format is best - e-mail to kristina@bmeagle.com or bring in a disc to the Eagle office, 195 N. Canyon Blvd., John Day. Please include the following information: Fisherman’s name, where the fish was caught, date taken, fish species, weight and length, a contact phone number, and email address. Deadline for submissions: Sep. 21, 2015 for the grand prize. For more info, call the Eagle at 541-575-0710 - and happy fishing!