

WHAT'S HAPPENING

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

FRIDAY, DEC. 18

Winter Whiteout 'Fun-Raiser'

• 5:30-7:30 p.m., Canyon City Community Hall
All ages are invited to the event, hosted by the Creative Life Project. Activities include black-light mural painting, T-shirt and ornament painting, music, lights, dancing, games, prizes and refreshments. There will be a drawing for a cord of wood and a gift basket with art supplies, donated gifts, treats, lights and surprises. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5, and are available at Sue-Z-Q's or from the group's Facebook page. Funds raised will support future Creative Life Project youth activities.

SATURDAY, DEC. 19

35th John Day Christmas Bird Count

• 7 a.m., Outpost Restaurant, John Day
All who are planning to attend the annual count should meet at the Outpost by 7 a.m., earlier if breakfast is planned. Participants should dress for the day's weather and bring binoculars, field guide, lunch and beverages. Most of the groups will be out for the full day and out of town. The compilation and monthly bird club meeting will be at 5:30 p.m. that evening at Cecil and Irene Gagnon's home. Call 541-542-2006 or email ducksouptom@centurytel.net.

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GOURMET & GADGETS SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19
Seasonal Christmas Merchandise Sale

All regular priced seasonal Christmas merchandise 20% off!
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STUDENTS OF THE MONTH DECEMBER — PRAIRIE CITY SCHOOL



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Brianna Zweygardt, left, and Emily Ennis have been named December students of the month at Prairie City School. Brianna was named by teacher Nicole Merchant as an "exemplary student who turns in her work in a timely manner with an honest effort." Emily was recognized by the Prairie City teaching staff "for her hard work, positive attitude at leadership abilities."

IN THE MILITARY

LARMAN COMPLETES BASIC TRAINING

Pvt. Tristan Larman graduated from U.S. Marine Corps basic training in San Diego.

Pvt. Larman is the son of Dodie Melland of Emmett, Idaho, and Dave Larman of Summerville. His grandparents are Jessie Lewis of Canyon City and the late Gerald Lewis. His brother is also in the Marines, Lance Cpl. Bridger Larman.



About Obituaries

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OBITUARIES

Arthur 'AJ' Dickens

June 6, 2002 – Dec. 10, 2015

Arthur "AJ" Wayne Dickens IV, 13, of Mt. Vernon, died Dec. 10 at Blue Mountain Hospital in John Day. A funeral service will be at 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 18, at the Mt. Vernon Community Hall. A private interment will follow the service.

AJ, and his twin sister, Erika, were born on June 6, 2002, in Bend, to Arthur "Art" Wayne Dickens III and Janice Lynn Dickens.

He attended seventh grade at Grant Union Junior-Senior High School in John Day.

He was an avid video gamer, Lego builder and was an excellent fisherman, catching many trophy fish. He was granted a Make-A-Wish trip to San Diego where he visited Sea World and Legoland. He was also able to accompany his family on a trip to England. He attended MDA camp every year in McCall, Idaho, and was a very active 4-H member.

Survivors include his parents Art and Janice Dickens of Mt. Vernon; sisters, Erika Dickens and Megan (Ty) Workman of Bates; two nephews and a niece.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Taner Gilliam. Memorial contributions may be made to Old West Federal Credit Union. Arrangements are under the care of Driskill Memorial Chapel 241 S. Canyon Blvd. John Day, OR 97845.



Merle 'Stocky' Stockwell

Merle "Stocky" Stockwell, 94, of John Day, died Dec. 13 at Blue Mountain Hospital in John Day. A graveside service will be at 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, at St. Andrew's Catholic Cemetery in Canyon City. A reception will follow at the Snaffle Bit Dinner House in John Day.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Seneca School Foundation or the Blue Mountain Hospital Foundation through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.



Eagle photos/Cheryl Hoefler
Six-year-old twins, Jassmin, left, and Sonja Harig of Prairie City shared Santa's lap at Christmas on the Prairie this year.



Harmony Harper, 5, of John Day, shares her wish list with Santa at Christmas on the Prairie this year.

Your Rural Family Health Clinic

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John Day

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• High Risk Infants
• Maternity Case Management

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Cornerstone Surveying
would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas, and a Happy New Year!

Special request from Santa

Help send Christmas cards to a girl who lost her family

By Santa Claus

For the Blue Mountain Eagle

Hi, kids. This is Santa. I need your help. I have a little friend that has suffered a great loss, and she is now the only one left in her family.

She is very sad but still wants to have a Christmas tree. All she has asked for are Christmas cards to decorate her little tree.

Santa would love your help in sending her as many cards as possible. Let's fill her little tree, and all of her walls, with lots and lots of cards.

You can send the cards to: Sa'frye Terry, P.O. Box 6126, Schenectady, NY 12306.

With all my love to all my little and big friends, Santa Claus

John Day Floral

DON'T FORGET to order your holiday center pieces. AND REMEMBER, we have lots of ornaments and gifts made locally in Oregon and the U.S.A. for your last minute shopping needs!

Stop in and sign up for our FREE Christmas Wish Drawing!

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Christmas Greetings

To all of my clients who fill my practice with the spirit of Grant County, thank you for the opportunity of knowing and serving you. May the Peace of this season shine brightly for you throughout the coming year.

Rosalyn Smarr, LMT

Comfort Sips

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LAST WEEK'S TEMPS

JOHN DAY	HI/LO	SHEEP ROCK	HI/LO
TUESDAY	58/50	TUESDAY	62/51
WEDNESDAY	54/36	WEDNESDAY	64/44
THURSDAY	46/37	THURSDAY	56/37
FRIDAY	45/34	FRIDAY	54/33
SATURDAY	40/33	SATURDAY	49/34
SUNDAY	37/31	SUNDAY	46/36
MONDAY	32/28	MONDAY	41/31

24/7 FORECAST

AUTOMATED: 541-575-1122

ROAD CONDITIONS: 511; TRIPCHECK.COM
WWW.BLUEMOUNTAINEAGLE.COM/INFO

NOAA WEATHER RADIO FOR JOHN DAY
162.500 MHZ

WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 16-22

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Chance of snow showers	Snow and freezing rain	Chance of rain	Chance of rain	Chance of rain	Chance of rain	Cloudy
35	37	41	38	37	33	30
27	37	35	21	26	20	14

SKI REPORT — Anthony Lakes: Base 30 inches; 9 inches of new snow.