

GRANT UNION STUDENTS OF THE MONTH — FEBRUARY



**Clara Carr**  
Grade 7  
Parents: Nancy Wilcox and Mike Carr



**Makenna Culley**  
Grade 8  
Parents: Brandon and Christal Culley



**McKeeley Miller**  
Grade 9  
Parents: Jason and Robyn Miller



**Zack Deiter**  
Grade 10  
Parents: Chris and Windi Deiter



**Nick Springer**  
Grade 11  
Parents: Mike and Shannon Springer



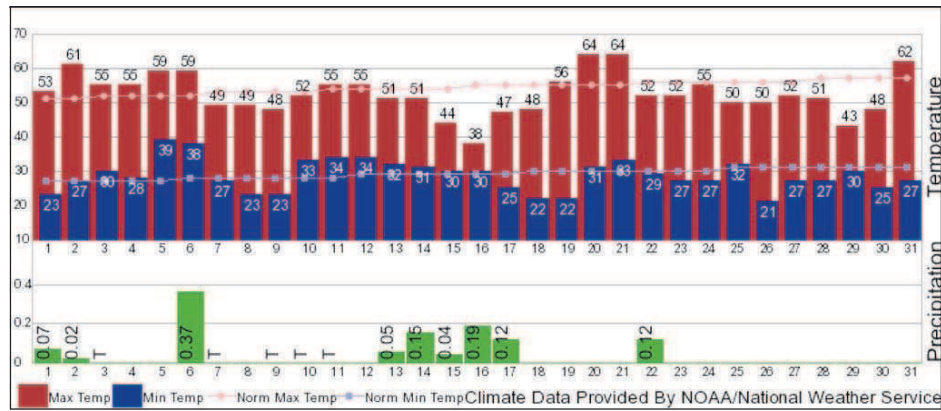
**Jaiden Kerr**  
Grade 12  
Parents: Lori and Steven Kerr

CORRECTION

An article about the Grant County Road Department's office hours in last week's Eagle listed an inaccurate opening time. The office is open from 6 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays at 27941 Lower Yard Road.



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John Day colder than normal during March

Blue Mountain Eagle

PENDLETON — According to preliminary data received by NOAA's National Weather Service in Pendleton Oregon, temperatures in John Day averaged slightly colder than normal during the month of March.

The average temperature was 40.6 degrees which was 1.1 degrees below normal. High temperatures averaged 52.5 degrees, which was 1.8 degrees below normal. The highest was 64 degrees on March 20. Low temperatures averaged 28.6 degrees,

which was 0.5 degrees below normal. The lowest was 21 degrees, on March 26.

There were 23 days with the low temperature below 32 degrees.

Precipitation totaled 1.13 inches during March, which was 0.14 inches below normal. Measurable precipitation — at least .01 inch — was received on nine days with the heaviest, 0.37 inches reported on March 6.

Precipitation this year has reached 2.32 inches, which is 0.68 inches below normal. Since October, the water year precipitation

at John Day has been 4.83 inches, which is 1.75 inches below normal.

The highest wind gust was 46 mph which occurred on March 1.

The outlook for April from NOAA's Climate Prediction Center calls for above normal temperatures and near normal precipitation. Normal highs for John Day rise from 57.0 degrees at the start of April to 64.0 degrees at the end of April. Normal lows rise from 31.0 degrees to 36.0 degrees. The 30-year normal precipitation is 1.39 inches.

EAGLE ON VACATION



Contributed photo

Otis and Kay Ricker of Mt. Vernon took the Eagle on vacation to Las Vegas to visit daughter Edie Cowell and her husband, Steve, and to Tuscon, Arizona, to visit Otis' sister, Mae Armstrong. While in Vegas, the Rickers took in The Strip, Fremont Street and a rock shop, where they found a rose quartz that measures 6 feet in diameter and weighs 16,000 pounds.

Take a photo with the Eagle (print or mobile editions) while on vacation, and email it to cheryl@bmeagle.com or bring it to the Eagle office.

- Stanley Boyd Mitchell -

4/9/1926 - 3/20/2016



Stanley Boyd Mitchell was born April 9, 1926 in Rathdrum, Idaho, to parents Fred Earl Mitchell and Daisy Littleton Davis Mitchell. Stan was one of nine siblings: Walter, Dale, Gordon, Earl, Irene, Margaret, Louise and Ida. As a child his family traveled around a lot. He graduated high school in Portland Oregon. After high school he worked in the shipyards before going into the Navy at the age of 18. He served in the fifth fleet on a destroyer escort. After the navy he went to work as a welder with the Union Pacific Railroad and retired 33 years later. He was one of the first welders to ever use an arc welder. Many of his favorite stories are from his years working on the railroad. He remained a bachelor all of his life but was extremely active with all of his extended family. His hobbies included hunting, fishing, carpentry work and attending ballgames for all of the young children in the family. He spent a lot of free time with his brother Gordon. Stan is preceded in death by his parents, his brothers, Walter and Earl, sisters Irene, Margaret and Louise. He is survived by his brothers, Dale and Gordon, his sister Ida, numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews and even great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews. Stan passed away in John Day, where he has spent the last 19 years.

Paid for by the family of Stanley Mitchell

ENGAGEMENT

Patten — Jepsen

Russell and Muffett Ricco of Prairie City, Stephen and Synda Patten of Troutdale and Bill and Nancy Jepsen of Hepner announce the engagement of their children, Caitlin Patten and Eric Jepsen.

The bride-to-be is a 2010 graduate of Prairie City High School. She is completing her senior integrated learning practicum in Boise, Idaho, and is scheduled to graduate in June with a bachelor's degree in nursing from Oregon Health and Sciences University and Eastern Oregon University.

The prospective groom graduated in 2010 from Ione High School. He earned a bachelor's degree in multidisciplinary studies, with a minor in music in 2013, and a master's in teaching (MAT) degree in 2015 from Eastern Oregon University. He teaches middle and high school science at Ione Community School.

The couple will be married June 18 at Prairie Baptist Church in Prairie City.



OBITUARIES

Kenneth Lawrence Harvey

Kenneth Lawrence Harvey, 50, died March 27 at his Seneca residence. A funeral service was held on April 2 at Seneca School. Interment was at the Keller Cemetery on the Jack Southworth Ranch in Bear Valley.

Harvey was born Feb. 7, 1966, in Redmond to Neal and Shirley (Weatherford) Harvey. He graduated from high school in Anchorage, Alaska, in 1984.

He had a strong faith in God and enjoyed spending time with his family and helping others. His favorite hobbies included riding dirt bikes, hunting, fishing and camping. He especially liked hunting elk, mountain lions and bobcats.

He loved wrenching on anything with a motor and was even known to have modified his own tricycle at the age of 2. He had an unconditional love for his children and others who were important in his life. He played hard, loved hard and lived hard with a tremendous love for life. He had a knack for making everyone, from young to old, feel special and sincerely important to him.

Survivors include the love of his life, Corey Fultz; his children; Reuben Harvey, Collin Harvey, Kaitlyn Harvey-Bullard; his children's mother, Margaret Harvey; a granddaughter, Torren Bullard; his mother, Shirley Harvey; brothers, Steven and Ross Harvey; and sisters, Patricia Canady, Linda Harvey and Rachel Christiansen.

He was preceded in death by his father, Neal, in 2013.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Kenneth Harvey Memorial through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

For condolences, visit [www.driskillmemorialchapel.com](http://www.driskillmemorialchapel.com).



Lola O'Rourke-Kastl

Sept. 21, 1931 — March 26, 2016

Lola Arlene O'Rourke-Kastl, 84, of Prairie City died March 26 in Yakima, Washington. A graveside service was held on April 2 at the Canyon City Cemetery with Darrell Johnson officiating.

O'Rourke-Kastl was born on Sept. 21, 1931, in Weiser, Idaho, to Oscar and Sarah (Andrews) White.

In 1937, the family moved to Bates. She attended Prairie City High School, and after graduating, she attended beauty school in Eugene.

In 1954, she married John Peter O'Rourke. After his death, she married Miren Woodley in 1976, and after his death, she married Orien Kastl in 1992.

She worked as a beautician, drove mail on the Middle Fork for many years and was a rancher. She officially retired in 1991.

She enjoyed ranch work, antiques, crocheting, watching elk and other wildlife and hunting with her son, Charles. She was affiliated with the Catholic Church.

Survivors include her sisters, Julia Ileta Hicks of Prairie City and Marilyn Randall of Mt. Vernon; daughter-in-law, Janice "Jan" O'Rourke of John Day; grandson, Jake O'Rourke of Beaverton; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, John Peter O'Rourke; second husband, Orien Kastl; son, John Charles O'Rourke; grandson, Peter Jacob O'Rourke; brother-in-laws, Noble Hicks and Vern Randall.

Memorial Contributions may be made to Blue Mountain Care Center in Prairie City through Driskill Memorial Chapel 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

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Thank you

to all the considerate and gentle people who offered their condolences regarding the death of my friend and companion, Elmer Calkins. I have known him since the third grade.

He was loved and will be missed.

Sincerely, Jennie Roller

LAST WEEK'S TEMPS

JOHN DAY	H/I/LO
TUESDAY	49/34
WEDNESDAY	62/32
THURSDAY	65/32
FRIDAY	69/38
SATURDAY	73/40
SUNDAY	70/41
MONDAY	55/41

RIVER FLOWS ON APRIL 4

	DISCHARGE	2015	AVG.	% OF AVG.
JD RIVER NEAR JOHN DAY	339	245	306	111
MIDDLE FORK @ RITTER	914	393	655	140
NORTH FORK @ MONUMENT	3520	1790	3140	112
JD RIVER @ SERVICE CREEK	4340	2450	4430	98
JD RIVER @ McDONALD FERRY	4950	3020	4820	103
CANYON CRK. @ THESELLS RANCH BRIDGE	207	RECORD	226	92
CANYON CRK. @ ADAMS DRIVE BRIDGE	305	85	260	117

WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 6-12

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Slight chance of showers	Partly sunny	Partly sunny	Rain and snow
74	77	79	68	64	65	59
40	45	41	38	37	36	35

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