



Eagle file photo

From the April 7, 1966, issue of the Eagle: A rarity? A two-headed calf with two tails but with only four feet was born at the Bob Sproul ranch west of Mt. Vernon Thursday afternoon. The calf was alive at birth but died shortly after being born. It was thought at first that two calves were being born, but only two feet could be found. The calf was born feet first. The backbone of the animal is connected at the shoulders. Holding the calf are Bob Brooks, left, and Sproul. Looking on is Beth Brooks.

## OUT OF THE PAST

**April 6, 1916**  
**Grant County Journal**  
**100 years ago**

### Bids for Buttermilk

Bids will be received by the Prairie Creamery Co. for all BUTTERMILK going for feed purposes for one year commencing May 1st, 1916.

Address all bids to the Prairie Creamery Co. before May 1st, 1916.

**April 4, 1941**  
**Blue Mountain Eagle**  
**75 years ago**

### Up With the Times

Little Mac's Pastime at John Day has installed a new modern Frigidaire cooler. It is of the most modern type. Bottled drinks are ice cold, although the bottles never touch the ice. It has a capacity of 600 bottles which are dry cooled through electric refrigeration.

**April 7, 1966**  
**Blue Mountain Eagle**  
**50 years ago**

### 'Man's Best Friend' Serves In John Day

A new member has been added to the John Day police department. His name is Ernie. He is a golden retriever and serves as a guide dog for Robert Shoun, radio dispatcher for the city police.

Shoun and Ernie have just completed a month's training course at the Guide Dogs for the Blind, Inc. school in San Rafael, California.

Robert, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Shoun, managers of the Benson Hotel, is a 1962 graduate of Mt. Vernon high school. Blind since birth, he works as a radio dispatcher during the night shift from 6 p.m. to 3 a.m. He prefers the late hours because "there's more action" at that time.

Ernie was especially chosen for Shoun after three days of observation by his instructors to achieve the best possible match in temperamental and physical characteristics between master and dog.

Once assigned, Ernie lived in the same dormitory room with Shoun. The two

were together 24 hours a day.

Practice together began in the residential district of San Rafael and proceeded to the heavier traffic of nearby San Francisco. Students received experience in riding on buses, entering stores and restaurants, and negotiating revolving doors and obstacles in their paths.

In crossing streets, Shoun must listen for the flow of traffic and give the command to cross when he hears that it is moving in his direction. If a car crosses in front, Ernie will pull back until it is safe to proceed.

Shoun was one of nine persons who completed the recent training.

The dogs are carefully selected for the training. Training begins when the dog is one year old. The dog will be able to serve a blind person for eight to 10 years.

Both dog and instructors are provided free of charge. There is no charge made for the trainees while living at the school. The entire program is financed by private, voluntary contributions.

Shoun urges anyone wishing to send a contribution to the school to do so.

"I wouldn't trade Ernie for a million canes," said Shoun.

**April 4, 1991**

**Blue Mountain Eagle**  
**25 years ago**

### Purnell captures second

John Day's own Dustin Purnell, who won the Elks District Hoop Shoot in Redmond on Jan. 26, finished second in the state free throw championship which was held in Corvallis on March 2.

"I only made 22," said Purnell of his effort at the state championship. The first-place winner succeeded in making 24 out of a possible 25 free throws.

Purnell, who is in fourth grade at Humbolt Elementary School, advanced to the state championship after he succeeded in making 24 out of 25 free throws at the district competition.

other specialists.

Participants can sign up for up to four courses. The daylong event will include vendors and exhibitors, snacks and lunch.

The cost is \$50 a person or \$20 for youth 18 and younger when attending with an adult family member.

The deadline to register is Friday, April 8. No walk-ins will be allowed.

For more information, call the Baker County OSU Extension office at 541-523-6418 or visit extension.oregonstate.edu/baker.

## Tree School East offers natural resources classes

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BAKER CITY — Bird habitats, local geology, fruit tree pruning and climate change — those are among the natural resources classes offered at Tree School East 2016 on Saturday, April 23, at Baker High School.

The mini-college is offered by Oregon State University Extension, and includes 25 classes on a variety of topics, both classroom and field sessions taught by Extension educators, professional land managers and



## Community HEALTH BEAT

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#### SEASONAL ALLERGIES

Dana Shuey, DNP

Many people have seasonal allergies in the spring. Symptoms of seasonal allergies include: runny nose, itchy eyes, sneezing, and a scratchy throat. These may be worsened by being around whatever you are allergic to. If you know what you are allergic to and can avoid it that is the best option. But sometimes, we cannot avoid the allergy triggers.

These allergy triggers are called "allergens." Many different things can be allergens, such as dust, pollen, hay, pets, smoke, and mold. These allergens can often be in the air we breathe, and can irritate our eyes, nose, and throat.

Many people take medications for their allergies. Some of these medications are available over-the-counter. There are some symptoms, however, for which you need to see your healthcare provider.

These symptoms include:  
Shortness of breath  
Wheezing  
Waking up at night with trouble breathing  
Face swelling

You may also want to see your healthcare provider for any allergy symptoms which are interfering with work, school, or other normal activities.

#### ASTHMA

Dana Shuey, DNP

Asthma is a serious, chronic lung disease. It is characterized by difficulty breathing. Sometimes this difficulty happens at night, or during exercise, or when a person is ill. Difficulty breathing can be constant, or can occur intermittently during an asthma attack.

Some patients carry a rescue medication in an inhaler to use during an attack or when they are short of breath. Some patients use long-acting medications to control their symptoms.

If you have asthma, make sure you are taking your medication as prescribed by your healthcare provider. Even if you are taking your medication, your asthma may occasionally act up if you are ill or exposed to things that irritate your lungs.

If you think that you might have asthma, you should see your healthcare provider. Some concerning symptoms are:  
Cough that doesn't go away  
Wheezing  
Shortness of breath  
Chest tightness

If you have these symptoms, you need to see a healthcare provider.

If you ever feel like you cannot get a breath or like there is something heavy on your chest, seek immediate medical help.

#### BLUE MOUNTAIN CARE CENTER Resident of the Month JERRY MOORE



Jerry was born on September 28, 1929 in Hermiston, to Ernest "Pat" and Elma Moore. He has one brother and three sisters.

Jerry married Patty Moore on July 27, 1979. He has two daughters, two sons, three step-sons and five step-daughters. He also has numerous grandchildren.

Jerry retired from the Air Force after 22 and a half years as a Master Sergeant and computer technician. He won many awards. While in the Air Force, he lived in England for three years and served in the Philippines.

Jerry coached bowling in Labrador and holds a 189 average. He loves to bowl, golf and fish. He is also a member of the Elk's club.

Jerry came to Blue Mountain Care Center on Oct. 10, 2007.

Residents of Grant County, don't forget to sign up for AlertSense emergency alerts. This is a great way for private cell phone users to opt into the system and receive customized emergency alerts.

It's easy, and free. Just type the link below to get onto the Grant County signup page and select signup. There are no user names, codes or passwords to remember. Just follow the prompts and answer a few basic questions.

You can customize the alerts you want to receive, just check the appropriate boxes.

To sign up, go to this link:

<http://public.alertsense.com/signup/?regionID=1170>



**Blue Mountain Hospital District Presents**

For the **month of April** Blue Mountain Hospital and Strawberry Wilderness Community Clinic are offering a **20% discount on all patient balances paid in full.**

Please contact the Business Office for more details at 541-575-1311.



**April Visiting Specialists**

**Apr. 6<sup>th</sup>**  
Dr. Takla - Bend Urology  
**Apr. 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Dr. Rushton - Baker Podiatrist  
**Apr. 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Dr. McLellan - Bend Cardio  
**Apr. 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Dr. Riddock - Bend Cardio  
Dennis Sell - Bend Hearing  
**Apr. 25<sup>th</sup>**  
Dr. Rushton - Baker Podiatrist  
**Apr. 27<sup>th</sup>**  
Dr. McLellan - Bend Cardio