

RAISING AWARENESS FOR SEXUAL ASSAULT, CHILD ABUSE



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Gathering in downtown John Day, about 70 people joined in a short walk during a candlelight vigil Friday to mark Child Abuse and Sexual Assault Prevention Month. The event was organized by Heart of Grant County and CASA representatives, including Heart's executive director Shelly Whale and CASA executive director Tracey Blood.



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Tyler Blood, McKeely Miller and Kristin Cantrell recite "The Fence or the Ambulance" by Joseph Malins at the candlelight vigil Friday in John Day. The event, organized by Heart of Grant County and CASA representatives, brought attention to Child Abuse and Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month.



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Grant County Deputy District Attorney Matt Ipson and his wife Mandy, along with dozens of other Grant County residents, "plant" pinwheels in downtown John Day as a symbol of child abuse prevention.

Talents & Treasures & the Prairie City Senior Center Present

The 6th annual Evening of Entertainment!
Comedy and Music

Saturday, April 23
Prairie City Senior Center
204 N McHaley
Finger Foods & Desserts
6:30 pm
Showtime at 7:00 pm
\$6 per person
\$15 per family of three or more

OBITUARIES

Barbara Jean Davis Brainard

May 10, 1939 — March 17, 2016

GRAPEVIEW, Wash. — Barbara Jean Davis Brainard, 76, formerly of Grant County, died March 17 at her daughter's home in Grapeview, Washington, with family at her side.

A memorial service will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, May 28, at Davis Mothers Creek Ranch in Bear Valley. Her ashes will be scattered at the cemetery there. A memorial for her husband, Miles, and brother-in-law, Randall "Perk" Perkins, both of Grant County, will be held at the same time. All are welcome to a potluck meal afterward; meat will be provided.

Brainard was born May 10, 1939, in Brooklyn, N.Y., to Kathleen "Peggy" Burk Davis and Carl Davis.

She attended grade school in Izee and graduated from Grant Union High School in 1958.

That same year, she married Miles Brainard of Prairie City. She made several trips to Ireland to visit cousins and other family in County Down. She loved Ireland and felt as if she was home there.

She enjoyed being around family and family reunions at her brother Bill's ranch in Bear Valley. She also enjoyed creating beautiful table covers and pillowcases. She was proud of her grandson, Noah, who is on the SWAT team in Seattle and was selected to stand at President Barack Obama's inauguration, and her granddaughter, Roxann, who is a police officer in Seattle.

Survivors include her daughter, Dawn (Mike) Zeck; son, Ben Brainard of Washington; grandchildren, Noah (Kristin) Zeck and Roxann Zeck, both of Seattle; great-grandchildren, Eathen and Ruby of Seattle; brother, Bill (Bev) Davis of Bear Valley; sisters, Jo (Jim) Sproul of Canyon City and Libby Thompson of Irrigon; brother, Dave (Rita); sisters-in-law, Carol (Karl) Voigt of Prairie City, Jeannie Perkins of Port Orchard, Washington; and lifelong friend, Millie (Frank) Beaver of Canyon City.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Miles Brainard; brothers, Buddy Davis, Ken Davis and Jim Wyllie Davis; and sister, Lennis Bezona.

Katherine Louise Cyrus

Jan. 5, 1951 — April 7, 2016

Katherine Cyrus, 65, of John Day passed away April 7 at Blue Mountain Hospital. No service will be held at this time.

Cyrus was born on Jan. 5, 1951, to Arlie Behrens and Carolyn Steelman in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Arrangements are under the care of Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

Donna J. Hancock

Donna J. Hancock, 84, a longtime resident of John Day, died April 6 at Settler's Park Assisted Living Community in Baker City. A celebration of her life will be held at a later date.

Arrangements are under the care of Gray's West & Company Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave., Baker City, OR 97814.

For condolences, visit www.grayswest.com.

Molly Lee Olp Magee

Molly Lee Olp Magee, 64, formerly of Grant County, died March 29 at her Adrian home.

Arrangements are under the care of Nampa funeral home Yraguen Chapel, 415 12th Ave. S., Nampa, ID 83651.

Stanley Bill Branstetter

Oct. 17, 1954 — April 7, 2016

Stanley Bill Branstetter, 61, of New Meadows, Idaho, unexpectedly passed away on April 7, 2016.

Stan was born to Oscar and Doris Branstetter on Oct. 17, 1954, in Council, Idaho. He grew up on the Branstetter family ranch in Meadows Valley. He graduated from Meadows Valley High School in New Meadows, Idaho, with the Class of 1973.

Stan married Mary Sproul on December 31, 1988. They were married for 27 years and have three children, Ward, Niles, and Amanda. Stan had two previous marriages from which he had three children, Toby, Becky and Nicolette.

Stan spent his working life in the ranching and logging industries. After graduating from high school he went to work for J.I. Morgan Logging, Inc., in New Meadows, Idaho. It was during this time that he decided to become a diesel mechanic. He attended school in Phoenix, Arizona, and upon completion returned to work at J.I. Morgan Logging. Stan eventually started his own mechanic business, Idaho Diesel, based out of New Meadows, Idaho, and was self-employed for several years. In 1985, Stan became the shop foreman for Iron Triangle Logging, Inc., in John Day, Oregon. He worked at Iron Triangle for 11 years before leaving the logging industry. Stan returned to his roots in ranching as the manager of the Gander Ranch in Bear Valley, Oregon, previously owned by the Sproul family. In 2003, Stan and Mary bought the Oscar Branstetter ranch property in Meadows Valley, Idaho, where he spent the rest of his life.

Stan was actively involved in the communities where he lived. While in Oregon he served as president of the Seneca PTA, where his children attended elementary school. Stan was also involved in the local 4-H clubs and athletic activities that his children participated in. When he returned to Idaho, Stan served on the board for the Goose Lake, Granite Twin Lakes and Goose Creek Canal irrigation districts, the Adams County Soil Conservation Board and the Adams County Natural Resources Committee. Stan had recently been appointed to the Meadows Valley Cemetery Board. He was a lifetime member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

Stan loved spending time in the outdoors, hunting, fishing, camping and he especially enjoyed sitting around a campfire with family and friends. He spent countless hours in his John Deere tractor, Willy's Jeep and riding his horses in the mountains.

Stan is survived by his wife Mary; children Ward, Niles, Amanda, Toby Simmons (Suzanne), Becky Munoz (Leo) and Nicolette; several grandchildren; brothers and sisters Ron (Linda), Diana Holbrook (Bob), Jim (Gaye), Phil (Mikkie), Carol Moore (Rick), Wes (Kelle), Kenny (Kelley); aunts and uncles Bill (Neva), Helen Heath, Nita, Melvin, Don (Teri), Rebecca Fleet, and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends.

Stan is preceded in death by his parents Oscar and Doris, many aunts, uncles and close friends.

The family is making arrangements for a memorial service to be held at the Meadows Valley Cemetery on Saturday, April 16, 2016, at 2 p.m.

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Bates building topic of town hall

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PRAIRIE CITY — A public informational town hall meeting will be held Monday, April 18, at Prairie City School regarding the future of the Bates School building, located at the school.

The building will be open for tours from 5-6 p.m., fol-

lowed by the meeting from 6-7 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

People are invited to learn about plans the school district has for the building and action the district has taken. Public comments will be limited to five minutes per person or 15 minutes per group.

The school is located at 740 Overholt St.

Genealogy seminar on tap

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MT. VERNON — The Grant County Genealogical Society presents a "Spring Genealogy Seminar" on Saturday, May 7, at the Mt. Vernon Community Center.

Registration starts at 8:30 a.m. and the seminars at 9 a.m.

Four seminar topics will be covered: "Navigate FamilySearch Like a Pro," "Put Your People in Their Place," "Exploring Your Roots: In American Land Records"

and "Exploring Your Roots: In the Courthouse Records."

Featured presenters will be Connie Lenzen, CG, a board certified genealogist who has lectured at the national, state and local level, and her husband Gerry Lenzen.

Advance registration is \$35 a person, or \$40 at the door. The cost includes lunch.

For more information, call Jeannette Harrison at 541-932-4718 or email geg-society94@yahoo.com.

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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, Elmo 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/O
TUESDAY	56/32
WEDNESDAY	74/35
THURSDAY	81/42
FRIDAY	81/46
SATURDAY	77/41
SUNDAY	71/40
MONDAY	76/49

RIVER FLOWS ON APRIL 4

	Discharge	Last year	Avg.	% of Avg.
JD River near John Day	487	170	320	152
Middle Fork @ Ritter	1140	298	713	160
North Fork @ Monument	4980	1320	3390	147
JD River @ Service Creek	6630	2000	4930	137
JD River @ McDonald Ferry	6770	2580	5530	122
Canyon Creek @ Thissells Ranch Bridge	241	New	243	99
Canyon Creek @ Adams Drive Bridge	69		384	99

WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF APRIL 13-19

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
A couple showers	Cloudy with showers	Mostly sunny	Partly sunny	Pleasant with clouds and sun	Possible afternoon showers	Possible showers
57	51	55	64	72	73	73
37	38	37	40	32	40	42