

Community Connection seeks Grant County board members

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Community Connection is recruiting for two new board members from Grant County.

Established in 1969, Community Connection is the Community Action Agency and Area Agency on Aging for Grant, Baker, Union and Wallowa counties.

This private, nonprofit corporation provides food, housing, transportation and

senior programs, many of them administered by the staff at the John Day Senior Center.

The board of directors meets about four times per year in Baker City and La Grande.

"Grant County is fortunate to have a lot of people willing to give of their time and expertise to organizations like ours," Executive Director Margaret Davidson said. "County Judge Scott

Myers is one of our members, and, until recently, Ruth Hamilton of Monument was a member. This is an opportunity for someone new to get involved in shaping the services in the county."

For more information, visit ccno.org or call 1-800-838-3186 by Oct. 14.

A simple application form is required.

Scarecrows will soon decorate Dayville

City officials seek creative submissions

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Residents of Dayville, and visitors, will soon be welcomed by a host of friendly scarecrows lining the downtown area, during the fourth annual October scarecrow contest.

City officials are asking county residents, including individuals, groups, classes and businesses for entries.

Last year, 12 entries decorated Franklin Street, the main street in town.

The top winners were Blue Mountain Care Center

of Prairie City, first place; Prairie Springs Fish Farm of Dayville, second; and Linda Hand of Twisted Treasures and Gnarly Goods in Dayville, third.

Submissions are due Monday, Oct. 3.

Judging will take place later that week, and the scarecrows will be displayed on the lamp posts in town through the month.

Prizes will be awarded during the October Fall Festival, which includes a town potluck at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, at the Dayville Community Hall.

To enter the contest, contact city hall at 541-987-2188 or email dville@ortelco.net. A wooden stake will be provided to attach the decoration.



Eagle file photo

Blue Mountain Care Center took first place in last year's scarecrow contest in Dayville.

Special Youth Hunt

YOUTH SPIKE ELK ONLY

Nov. 5 - Nov. 13, 2016

General 2nd Elk Season Tag Required

Morrow County Public Works

365 W. HWY 74, P.O. Box 428
Lexington, Oregon 97839
Phone: (541) 989-9500
Hours: Mon. - Fri. 8:00am to 5:00pm

Morrow/Grant County OHV Park Youth Spike Elk Hunt
Youth Ages 12 - 17

*Youth need to be between ages 12 - 17 at time of hunt or be participating in the ODFW Mentored Youth Hunter Program

Morrow or Grant County youth that have their hunters education or are participating in the ODFW Mentored Youth Hunter Program.

Application **MUST BE RETURNED** to the Morrow County Public Works office by **Friday, October 7, 2016 3:00pm**

Prairie Trading Post

Unique, Handcrafted Gifts

- ◆ Juniper Tables & Floor Lamps
- ◆ Coffee Tables, Sofa Tables & End Tables
- ◆ Beautiful Handcrafted Jewelry
- ◆ Candelabras, Salt & Pepper Shakers
- ◆ Napkin Rings, Toothpick Holders
- ◆ Business Card Holders
- ◆ Cribbage Boards & Buttons
- ◆ Gifts Of All Kinds
- ◆ Western & Native American Arts & Crafts

Home of the Great Basin Art Obsidian Knives by Dale Duby

10 am - 5 pm
Wed. - Sat.
**147 SW Front St.
Prairie City
541-820-4123**

www.greatbasinart.com/prairie-trading-post.html

Beef, freezer raffle set for 2 p.m. Sept. 30

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The Greater Smiles freezer and beef raffle drawing will take place at 2 p.m. Friday, Sept. 30, at the Squeeze In Restaurant in John Day.

Coffee and cake will be served at about 1:30 p.m.,

which will also be the last chance to enter the raffle. Tickets are \$10 each, three for \$25, seven for \$50 or 17 for \$100.

The Voigt Ranch donated the beef, and Russell's Custom Meats donated the wrapping.

Greater Smiles is a project of Christian Communication and Ministry, a public charity based in John Day. Greater Smiles aims to provide assistance to veterans, domestic abuse victims and those who are working but can't afford dental care.

GEODC appoints new director

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Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation announced Susan Christensen has been appointed executive director.

Christensen was hired in March as a community and economic development offi-

cer and has been the acting interim executive director since April.

She earned her master's degree in public administration, planning, public policy and management from the University of Oregon. Christensen brings 20 years of experience and connec-

tions to GEODC and is excited to continue serving Eastern Oregon and building relationships with business partners.

GEODC is a nonprofit organization that supports job creation and economic growth by helping create, keep and grow businesses.

Free special parks and public lands passes available for 4th-graders

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All fourth-graders can now pick up their Every Kid in a Park passes, which will give them access to more than 2,000 federally managed national parks, forests and public lands nationwide.

The ongoing program targets fourth graders, as research shows that kids ages 9 to 11 are beginning to learn about the world around them, are open to new ideas and are likely to connect to nature and history.

Students can obtain their free permit by visiting everykidinapark.gov, and follow instructions to obtain and print the paper voucher, then bring the paper voucher to any National Forest Office to claim the free pass.

The website also contains information on how the pass works and resources for planning trips.

For more information on the Malheur National Forest, please visit www.fs.usda.gov/malheur.

Obituary for William H. "Bill" Deist

William H. "Bill" Deist, 66, of Winnemucca, NV passed away Thursday September 15th at the University of Utah Hospital in Salt Lake City. A memorial service will be held on Friday September 30th at Driskill Memorial Chapel at 10:00 AM.

Bill was born on December 6, 1949 to Howard and Mary (Ryan) Deist in Boise, ID. He attended school in Prairie City, and graduated from Grant Union High school in John Day. He went on to college and attended Willamette University in Salem where he majored in Law. He then transferred to Oregon College of Education Majoring in Criminal Law with a minor in Psychology, he graduated in 1972. A year before graduating he married his high school sweetheart Patti J. Officer in John Day on September 18, 1971. After college he worked for ECOAC in Pendleton as a Law enforcement planner, then the Mid-Willamette Council of Government in Salem.

He was the John Day City Administrator for 19 years, and the City Administrator for Carlin, Nevada for 3 years. Most recently he was the Humboldt County Administrator, retiring in February 2012 after 13 years.

He enjoyed golf, hunting, and his grandchildren; he loved following them in sports. He was a trustee for the John Day Elk's #1824 and a member of the Elks for 45 years. He was a 4-H leader and member of the 4-H leaders association, a member of the John Day Golf Course, a member of the Grant County Chamber of Commerce, and served as President for a time. He was also part of the League of Oregon Cities, and a board member.

He is survived by his wife Patti Deist of Winnemucca, NV, daughter Jeanna (Pat) Kiser of Council, ID, son Dan (Cheri) Deist of Pilot Rock, OR, 7 grandchildren, Kain, Kelsei, Kole, Laramie, Lavina Kiser, Kayla and Jada Deist, sister-in-law Sue Richardson of Springfield, Missouri, nieces Evelyn Kirby of Manassas, VA, Jackie Keys of Fort Leonard, Missouri, half sister Barbara Oravec of Umatilla, OR, and several nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his grandparents Dan and Emogene Ryan, Grandmother Bessie Deist, parents Howard and Mary Deist, brother Dave Richardson, and sister Bessie Jean Deist.

Memorial Contributions may be made to the Elk's Scholarship, Youth Activities, or Grant County Family Heritage Foundation through Driskill Memorial Chapel 241 S. Canyon Blvd. John Day, OR 97845.

Paid for by the family of Bill Deist

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Happy Birthday Helen Ricco

Helen celebrated her 98th birthday on Sept. 26, with her family and friends. I hope your day was as special as you are to all of us.
Love, your family & friends

LAST WEEK'S TEMPS

JOHN DAY	H/I/O
TUESDAY	67/44
WEDNESDAY	76/46
THURSDAY	50/43
FRIDAY	62/41
SATURDAY	67/44
SUNDAY	82/43
MONDAY	89/53

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 SEPT. 28 TO OCT. 4

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Sunny and very warm	Mostly sunny	Partly sunny and pleasant	Not as warm with some sun	An afternoon shower	Cloudy and cool	Possible showers
89	86	78	66	58	60	60
55	56	49	45	48	38	35