



BIRTHS



ZOEY LANEÉ ROSEBERRY

Janelle Martens and Aaron Roseberry of Prairie City announce the birth of their daughter, Zoey Laneé Roseberry, at 8:45 p.m. on Aug. 3, 2016, in John Day. She weighed 7 pounds, 3 ounces and was 19.5 inches long. Grandparents are Rob Gibson of Mesa, Arizona, Lonnie Keith of Canyon City and Mike Martens of Rathdrum, Idaho. Great-grandparents are Earlene Durant of Prairie City and Carolyn Roseberry of Peoria, Arizona. Zoey joins one sister and four brothers: London, 10, and Kayden, 9, of Arizona; Dominik, 5, Brayden, 3, and Jarrett, 2, of Prairie City.



OBITUARIES

Chester Allyn Bennett Jr.

Chester Allyn Bennett Jr., 84, of Hermiston died Monday, Sept. 26, while visiting friends in Pine Top, Arizona. He was born Jan. 6, 1932, in Corvallis. Arrangements are pending with Owens Livingston Mortuary in Show Low, Arizona.

Bear Creek fire contained

By Rylan Boggs
Blue Mountain Eagle

The Bear Creek fire north of Seneca was held at 19 acres and is 100% contained according to Forest Service public affairs specialist Shiloh Burton. Crews are mopping up the blaze with the goal of having it fully contained earlier this week, according to Burton.

While it is no longer summer, officials urge everyone to be aware of fire dangers and

make sure their fires are "dead out" and not left unattended.

Firewood cutting is allowed all day on the north half of the forest consisting of the Blue Mountain and Prairie City ranger districts. On the south half, firewood cutting is only allowed until 1 p.m. Both require a one-hour fire watch once chainsaw operations cease.

For more information, please contact the Malheur National Forest at 541-575-3000.

Putting Grant County on the Tesla map

By Sean Hart
Blue Mountain Eagle

The Grant County Chamber of Commerce hopes one of its newest projects will provide a jolt to the local economy.

The chamber recently installed a 100-amp Tesla electric vehicle charging station at its office, 301 W. Main St., John Day.

The high-powered outlet will quickly charge Tesla batteries, and Chamber President Jerry Franklin said he hopes the free, 24/7 availability of the service will bring some people into Grant County who otherwise may have avoided the area.

"It's the wave of the future," he said. "If people know it's here, they might change their route to come through Grant County."



The Eagle/Rylan Boggs

From left to right: Chamber President Jerry Franklin, Doug Watson and Stacy Stemach ride in Stemach's Tesla after charging it at the new charging station at the John Day Chamber of Commerce Sept. 14.

Franklin said charging stations have been available in Bend, Baker and Burns for a while. He said the Harney County Chamber of Commerce has reported the station

in Burns is used "quite a bit" and the cost of the electricity is negligible.

He said Historic Hotel Prairie in Prairie City also has a charging station, and 1188

Brewing Company plans to have charging available as well.

The charging station now appears with others in the network on the computer console in Tesla vehicles, Franklin said.

"It's just another tool to draw people to John Day and Grant County," he said.

Stacy Stemach and Doug Watson, who were here to help promote the charging station, were the first people to use it. Stemach said the Tesla vehicles can travel about 260 miles on average before recharging.

"I think the technology is just going to keep improving, so what is possible in this car today wasn't possible 10 years ago," Stemach said. "I think they're just hoping to keep improving the batteries and keep getting higher and higher capacity and faster charging."



From left to right: Laurie Montgomery, Eric Amstad, Nick Green, Russ Comer, Shannon Winegar and Mike Cosgrove examine a map of a proposed trail near Magone Lake on Friday, Sept. 30.

TRAILS

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around Magone Lake. Funding for the trails would come from the ODOT Active Transportation Section and the Recreational Trails Grant administered by Oregon Parks and Recreation.

A finalized plan for the trails will likely be released later in October, according to Laurie Montgomery, a Forest Service writer and editor.

One of the proposed trails would run from the 7th Street Complex in John Day up to Magone Lake and service a network of proposed trails around the lake.

City Manager Nick Green said it's typical to see peo-



Eagle photos/ Rylan Boggs

A trail marker indicating a bike route on a tree near Magone Lake. Taken Friday, Sept. 30.

ple with thousands of dollars of bikes on their cars come through John Day and never stop, adding these trails would give them a reason to stop, eat lunch and experience the community.

The proposed trail would cross two different sections of private land requiring memorandums of understanding to be signed by the landowners.

The trail would be anchored by a BMX and moun-

tain bike flow course built north of the complex.

The proposed site would cover 11 acres, seven of which are owned by school district and four of which are owned by the parks and recreation department.

The flow course would be a collaborative effort between the city, COTA and the Grant County Economic Council. Funding for the projects would come from 80 percent

grants while the other 20 percent would be local fundraising.

Another proposed trail would be a paved path running from Prairie City to Mt. Vernon. The trail would get cyclists off of Highway 26, and allow better access to the river.

This trail would help ease tensions between motorists and cyclists as well as help attract Cycle Oregon, an annual road bike ride that brings cyclists from across the country, back to the area.

Green said the new projects would appeal to young families and retirees looking to settle in the area, bring tourists in and paint the city as progressive and forward looking. The developments would be low cost and high reward and could even be built by prison labor, according to Green.

The trail system could be done in time for next year's solar eclipse, according to Green.

ATTENTION GRANT COUNTY VETERANS:
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See your Grant County Veteran Services Officer today for more information, located at Grant County Courthouse.
Open Mon, Wed, & Fri, 10 am - 4 pm, by appointment. Call 541-575-1631

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Cowboy Chapel Hour
KJJDY,
Sunday, 7 a.m.
"From Beginning to End"

I think of you and miss you every day,
Clayton. You will never be forgotten.
Love, Mom

Are you part of a **NONPROFIT** in Grant County?
We need your help!
The Blue Mountain Eagle is working to create a master list of nonprofits in Grant County. We are looking for the NAME of the nonprofit, CONTACT PHONE NUMBER, EMAIL, ADDRESS and WEB SITE if available to be added to or updated on the list for this year's Grant County Giving Back section, coming out in October.
Either call the information into the Eagle office at 541-575-0710 or email office@bmeagle.com.
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LAST WEEK'S TEMPS

JOHN DAY	H/I/LO
TUESDAY	63/36
WEDNESDAY	89/55
THURSDAY	86/56
FRIDAY	78/49
SATURDAY	66/45
SUNDAY	58/48
MONDAY	60/38
TUESDAY	58/42

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 OCT. 5-11

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Spotty showers	Mostly cloudy, a shower, cool	Mostly cloudy	Pleasant with clouds, sun,	Sunny and pleasant	Cloudy	Cloudy to partly sunny
56	60	69	74	76	75	69
47	41	48	51	49	37	37