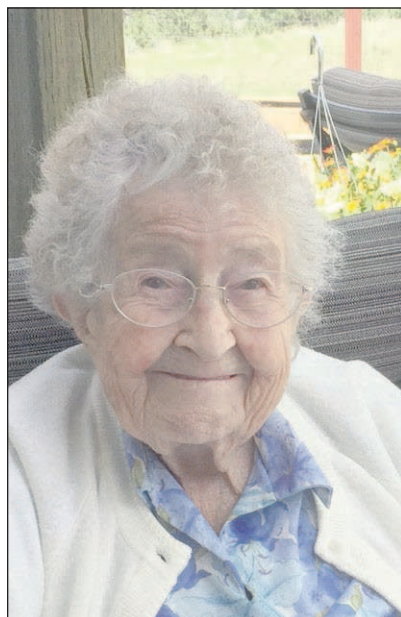


105TH BIRTHDAY — EULALA HERBERT

John Day resident Eulala Herbert's 105th birthday is Monday, Nov. 14. Her son Alva Conlee said a small, private gathering is planned.



Eulala Cummings Herbert



Bob Cummings, left, visits his older sister Eulala Cummings Herbert in John Day recently to wish her a happy birthday. Herbert's 105th birthday is Nov. 14.

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OBITUARIES

**Earlene Rose Durant**  
March 7, 1938 - Oct. 30, 2016



Earlene Rose Durant, 78, of Prairie City passed away Sunday, Oct. 30, at her home surrounded by family. A memorial service will be held at noon Saturday, Nov. 5, at the Assembly of God Church in Prairie City.

Durant was born on March 7, 1938, to William and Lois (White) Hale in Boise, Idaho.

She was a musician and enjoyed singing, playing guitar, bass, piano and accordion. She was a member of the Assembly of God church in Prairie City and John Day.

She is survived by her daughters, Sherry Zacharias of Pendleton, Lonnie Keith-Specht of Canyon City, Lisa Keith (Tommy) of Prairie City, Angie Gibson of Prairie City, Tammy (Eddy) Mercado of Baker City; son, Leland (Jodi) Keith of Prairie City; four sisters; five brothers; 21 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents; husband, Frank Durant; daughter Jan; three grandchildren; three sisters; and one brother.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Earlene Durant memorial fund at the Old West Credit Union. Arrangements are under the care of Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

**Robert 'Bob' M. Lesley**

Robert "Bob" M. Lesley, 91, of John Day passed away Saturday, Nov. 5, at Blue Mountain Hospital. No public serves are planned at this time.

Lesley lived a rich and full life. He is survived by his wife, Mary Lee Cork Lesley; his three children, Newton, Harold and Jerri; two grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the care of Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845. To leave a condolence, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

**M. Gregg Smith**

Feb. 9, 1940 - Oct. 31, 2016

M. Gregg Smith, 76, passed away on Monday, Oct. 31, in Keizer. A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 19, at City View Funeral Home in Salem.

Smith was born in Prairie City on Feb. 9, 1940, grew up in Bates and Portland and graduated from Prairie City High School. After studying at the University of Oregon and joining the Peace Corps with service in Nepal, he received a master's degree in international relations at Johns Hopkins University in Washington, D.C. Joining Tom McCall's administration as the first director of the Oregon State Housing Division, he stayed active in Oregon politics for the rest of his life, including as an avid supporter of Grant County. In 1983, he left state government for the private sector to work as a real estate developer and built retirement homes around the country.

He loved Jungian psychology and studied in Zurich for a doctorate, remaining active in the Oregon Friends of Jung until his death. He is survived by son Brian Smith; daughter Lee Anne Burton with grandson Lucien Burton; former wife Carole Lee Smith; and sister Marcia Lynn Johnson.

**Elmer Lyle Thompson**

Elmer Lyle Thompson, 95, of Mt. Vernon passed away Monday, Nov. 7, at Blue Mountain Care Center in Prairie City. Services are pending. Memorial contributions may be made to Blue Mountain Care Center, John Day Elks or the Bates State Park through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845. To leave a condolence, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

Bennett wins Dayville scarecrow contest

Blue Mountain Eagle

There was nothing scary about Dayville's fourth annual scarecrow contest.

Sixteen friendly scarecrows lined the main street through Dayville with a variety of themes.

Ilah Bennet won first place with her Minion scarecrow. She and other top-place winners were announced at the Oct. 20 Fall Festival Community Potluck.

There were 90 in attendance at the dinner, held at the Dayville Community Hall. A cake walk and silent auction raised \$400, and all proceeds will benefit renovations to the community hall.

**Contest results: Scarecrow contest**

Ilah Bennett, first place  
Michael Ashley's preschoolers, second place  
Blue Mountain Care Center, third place and People's Choice Award  
Shilo Fretwell's kindergarten through second grade, fourth place

**Dessert contest**

Dana Brooks, first place  
Jody Winkelman, second place



Contributed photo

Ilah Bennett won first place in Dayville's fourth annual scarecrow contest with this Minion-themed creation.



Contributed photo

Michael Ashley's preschool class helped assemble this second-place scarecrow.

CORRECTION

The Nov. 2 edition of the Eagle contained a story stating Columbia Basin

Helicopters had been awarded a \$104,000 contract for snow removal. The correct

amount awarded for the contract is actually \$60,000. The Eagle regrets the error.

Honoring Our Veterans

For their courage, hard work and dedication to their country, we salute the men and women of our Armed Forces past and present. It is because of their sacrifice that America remains the land of the free, and we thank them for protecting our citizens and our country.

Wishing all of our veterans a very happy Veterans Day.

Keith J. Thomas, MD, FACS  
Board - Certified General Surgeon  
Blue Mountain Hospital  
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THANK YOU

The family of Mary Jane Allen would like to express their heartfelt gratitude for the outpouring of love and support that we received during the illness and loss of our Mother. We have always known our Mom was wonderful, but to see firsthand the lives she touched and so many people that claimed her as their own moved us deeply.

Our thanks go out to Blue Mountain Hospital and the nurses that lovingly cared for her, the staff at Valley View who made her feel welcome in her last few days, the members of the Church of Jesus Christ who supplied us with meals and support and all the friends and family that took the time to visit, provide meals, send flowers and cards and let her know that she made a difference in their lives.

Life will never be the same without her, but it gives us peace to know that she loved and was loved by so many.

With sincere thanks,  
**John, Mindy, Stephi and Renee**

LAST WEEK'S TEMPS

JOHN DAY	H/I/LO
TUESDAY	53/39
WEDNESDAY	63/37
THURSDAY	64/41
FRIDAY	68/40
SATURDAY	69/40
SUNDAY	59/44
MONDAY	64/44

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 NOV. 9-15

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Mostly sunny and mild	Partly sunny and nice	Overcast and mild	Sunshine and some clouds	Periods of clouds and sun	Decreasing clouds	Plenty of sunshine
<b>63</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>54</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>31</b>