

YEAR

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she was walking her dog in Canyon City. Grant County Sheriff's Office investigated the incident, and District Attorney Jim Carpenter said she acted in self-defense. No charges were filed.

- The Prairie City/Burnt River Panther/Bulls made a powerful showing in their first league game of the season with a 56-6 win over the Monument/Dayville Tigers.

October

- The Grant County Court passed an ordinance allowing patients to purchase medical marijuana at dispensaries in Grant County.

- It's a Dirty Shame Saloon closed its doors, and Ali Lenz, a former bartender at the Grubsteak, bought the bar when it went up for sale. She renamed it The Ugly Truth Bar and Grill.

- The Canyon City Community Hall was packed for a presentation covering the ongoing "patriot" movement in Oregon given by Jessica Campbell, organizing director for the Rural



The Eagle/Rylan Boggs

Nine-year-old Riley Gregg looks out the window of Frank Stinnett's Cessna 172 XP during the annual Fly-In at the Grant County Regional Airport on Sept. 10. "It's just so bizarre," Gregg said after the flight.

Organizing Project.

- John Day resident Jim Spell returned from South Carolina, where he managed and worked in Red Cross relief shelters, providing aid to those affected by Hurricane Matthew.

- The cities of John Day and Canyon City feuded over sewer payments.

- Grant County Justice of the Peace Kathy Stinnett was

elected president of the Oregon Justice of the Peace Association.

- Bobbee Hueckman and Kori Martin opened the BLVD Salon and Spa in John Day.

- Blue Mountain Hospital hired Derek Daly as chief executive officer.

November

- The Grant Union Pros-

pector football team, undefeated in league, claimed the Wapiti League championship title after a 48-18 victory over the Union Bobcats.

- The people of Grant County re-elected Sheriff Glenn Palmer.

- Sharon Livingston of Long Creek was named Agriculturalist of the Year by Oregon Ag Link.

- A judge dismissed the



The Eagle/Robby Bullock

Prairie City resident Frances Preston, formerly of Bates and who is leading the effort to save the 40-year-old school building, points out details in the structure's woodwork on April 18.

public records lawsuit filed by The Oregonian newspaper against Grant County Sheriff's Office and Sheriff Glenn Palmer but stated The Oregonian could still seek attorney fees.

- Joan Bowling of Canyon City received the President's Volunteer Service Award for

21 years of service as coordinator of the local American Red Cross blood drives.

- Following months of disagreement, Canyon City and John Day reached a wastewater agreement.

- A dog being walked off-leash at the Seventh Street Complex in John Day by Claws and Paws owner Chris Labhart attacked and killed another dog off its leash.

December

- The Oregonian submitted a request for \$78,000 in attorney fees from Grant County Sheriff Glenn Palmer after the public records lawsuit.

- The 23rd annual Carrie Young Memorial drew a crowd of close to 350 people and raised nearly \$24,000 for local seniors.

- Grant County Sheriff's Office corrections deputy Joseph A. Hutchison, 25, was arrested by Oregon State Police detectives on gun and domestic violence charges, following an incident at his home in John Day.

- William Allen Goodwin III was sentenced to 68 months in prison after pleading guilty to a sex crime involving a person younger than 12.

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John Day Seniors
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JOHN DAY – On Dec. 19 we had approximately 25 diners present plus 31 meals were delivered by Dovie Wood and Erin

Hodges and 26 frozen meals to shut ins went out by Veanne Weddle.

Greeting us at the front desk were Bonnie Kocis and Jeanette Julsrud. Our servers were from the First Christian Church. Ron Dowse led the flag salute and I asked the blessing. Servers were Roberta and Ron Dowse, Jan Ellison and Karen Barrietua.

The only announcements were Christmas things that will be over by the time you get your paper.

Roberta Dowse won the Len's Drug gift card and Ben Leuthe won the meal for two at Valley View.

On Dec. 22 we had a full house for our Christmas dinner. We had over 100 diners in the center. We enjoyed a meal consisting of apricot glazed ham, scalloped potatoes, harvard beets and dinner rolls. The cooks had cheeseballs with crackers on the tables and then peanut butter cup cheesecake for dessert. The entree was furnished by Boyd and Bonnie Britton.

Greeting us at the front desk were Ron Dowse and Dave Pasko.

David Turner and Jim Maple delivered 43 meals and another 24 frozen meals went out to shut ins. WOW! That's approximately 165 people served a meal - Merry Christmas - that's what it's all about.

The following members of the Catholic Church served us: David Turner, Jim Maple, Walt and Agnes Hall,

Joan Vetter and Jean Madesh. Walt let the flag salute and Jim asked the blessing. Veanne wished everyone a Merry Christmas. She then thanked Denise Seebart and Betty Holznagel along with Linda Stoltz for all the Christmas decorations. Good job, gals. She also talked about the dinner put on by Glenn and Roseanne Palmer which was on Christmas day here at the center. Chris Labhart, on behalf of the Senior Center, presented bonus checks to Shay Lewis, Lisa Pereira, Linda Stoltz and Danny DePriest in appreciation for the great job they do.

Kim Ausland brought five people from Valley View for lunch and I noticed a few other Valley View residents present. Shay's wife and daughter also joined us. Judy Nelson brought her grandson, Reuben, to lunch with her. There were 20 door prizes but I'm not sure of all the names. They are called faster than I can write but here's the ones I got. Maria Straum, Jan Holt, Jon Vetter, Karen Barrietua, Norm Fowl, Angela Binchus, Richie Colbeth, Sherri Feieger, Walt Hall, Helen Bogart, Ron Dowse, Jan Ellison, Bonnie Britton, Jeanette Julsrud, Bill Choate, Buzz Harris, Jeanette?, Anna Lewis, Gloria Kulis and Nikki Essex.

Jacob Reeves won the Chester's Thriftway gift card and I won the Valley View lunch for two.

Dec. 29 will be our New Years dinner. It will be pot roast with potatoes, stuffed mushrooms and faux mimosas.

Jan. 2 we will have German pork chops with sauerkraut and mushroom sauce served with black eyed pea salad. *Romans 12:1 Offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God - this is your true and proper worship.*

- Cataract
- Glaucoma
- Macular Degeneration

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Monument Seniors
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MONUMENT – For our December 20 meal, our cooks Terry Cade and Carrie Jewell made us chicken and vegetable Yakisoba, fresh green salad,

and pudding for dessert. I had the privilege of assisting them in making the Yakisoba and we had fun. I'll have to get Terry Cade to like tofu one of these days! Ha.

Our greeters were the faithful trio, Bob Blakeslee, Bodean Andersen, and Marva Walker. Bob led us in the flag salute and Bodean made the announcements and prayed the blessing over our meal. Judy Harris won the Len's Drug gift card. Ed Bustardo and Dave Clift both won free meals. We had a total of 44 guests in attendance and eleven takeouts.

We have some very relieving news. Rose Howe was present to announce that the Monument/Long Creek Ambulance service will be up and running again. Yay! Apparently, there is a new CEO, new Ambulance director, and a new Human Resources director for the Blue Mountain Hospital. Many of our previous emergency volunteers will be returning to their posts along with Rose Howe who is back to wearing her pager, praise the Lord! We are all hopeful that a fresh start will result in everyone working together to give everyone the care that we should receive in the event of an emergency in a timely manner.

As a way to thank and appreciate the people of our community of Monument, Judy Harris had created a beautiful Christmas wreath to be won by a drawing. Anyone and everyone who showed up for lunch had their name put in a bucket for chance to win the wreath. Sharon Falls was the lucky winner. I swear that woman has the Midas touch! She wins at just about everything, you name it, Bingo, raffles, and Mexican Train.

Well, I don't know about the rest of ya'll but we've been having a quiet Christmas holiday. There's just too much snow on the ground to go anywhere. Where I am, I'd say there's a good two ft of snow. Some of the places that I've walked on, the snow came up to my knees. Our driveway was horrible. We were slipping and sliding in our 4 wheel drive truck, of course it doesn't help that all the studs on the tires are gone. Not growing up in snow country makes me a little nervous about driving in it. My kids on the other hand are just loving it and having a ball. After playing in the snow for several hours, they come back in soaked and a little cold.

The snow all around is just gorgeous. If you were to visit Monument right now, you would see parts of the John Day River frozen. The pine trees have snow weighing their branches down. On a sunny day, which by the way is quite deceiving because one would think it's warm but it isn't, the snow just sparkles like diamonds. I love seeing the four seasons, it's such a blessing. Happy New Year everyone!

Psalm 107:1 O give thanks unto the LORD, for he is good: for his mercy endureth forever.

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