

## GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

### John Day Seniors

Nicky Essex



won lunch at Valley View, and Drew Harmer won the Chester's Thriftway gift certificate, and then we drew for oldest mother, most grandkids and many more. Gene Essex got a "mother's" coffee mug, so he doesn't have to buy me anything.

Larry and Jan Sanderson brought friends Bill and Joan Quant as guests. Larry led the flag salute and Levi asked the blessing on our meal, which was chicken Milano, buttered and parsleyed baby reds, veggies, fresh bread and mini cheesecake, topped off with strawberry lemonade. We served 61 diners.

The annual Seneca Oyster Feed will be held May 20. People Mover will be carrying people to and from the feed and, what a deal, \$5 for those under 60 and \$4 for seniors (each way). Also, the day before the Oyster Feed, May 19, the People Mover is celebrating customer appreciation with free rides.

Please let Shay know if you can help serve brunch each morning (three days) during the solar eclipse in August. The parking lot will be closed that Monday due to the eclipse campers.

Please arrive at the center by 11:45 a.m. so the servers can start on time. Don't forget we play bingo at 1 p.m. Thursdays after a great meal.

Next week, we'll have chicken pasta salad and creamy turkey soup Monday and meatloaf and baked potatoes Thursday. Hope to see you then.

Ron Dowse will receive his bone marrow transplant today, so please remember to pray. We miss you and Roberta, Ron. Get well soon.

*1 Corinthians 2:9 "However, as it is written: 'What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived the things God has prepared for those who love him.'"*

### Monument Seniors

Soo Yukawa



We were a bunch of gluttonous people on our May 9 meal. Terry Cade and Carrie Jewell prepared for us a very hearty and yummy meal of nachos with all the fixings, rice, beans and nacho cheese. Before I knew it, my plate was piled high. Another fellow diner behind me followed my lead and looked down at his plate only to find that it too was piled to the full. I'll have you know that both of us ate it all, to the very last bite. Thank you to our marvelous cooks.

Our greeters were Bob Blakeslee, Bodean Andersen and Marva Walker. Bob led us in the salute to the flag. Bodean made announcements and prayed the blessing over our meal. Marva counted the monies and recorded the books. There was only the announcement of a board meeting for the senior center after the lunch.

The winners for this week's free meals were Jan Ensign, Judy Cavendar and yours truly. There were 40 guests on the books and one takeout.

We've had all sorts of weather conditions again this past week. Our place went down to 32 degrees one morning. We've had reports of snow from all over, nothing that stuck but when it came down, it came down as snow. There was one day that was sunny, and then we've had some pouring rain. The grass around the Monument and surrounding areas are a

beautiful green.

Well, my pain in the butt goats have run away. Remember a while back when they ran and followed a neighbor's visiting daughter-in-law that looked like me with a cap and ponytail? They were visiting again, and she was jogging. The goats saw her and ran after her. Then, they headed for the hills. I don't know where they are, and I haven't seen or heard them. I did go looking for them, but no luck. Maybe it's a blessing in disguise? I could care less about evil Perry and Felix. I would like Steve, Dolly and Jill back though. So if anyone out there sees a group of goats, I may claim ownership of them, maybe. Ha.

I discovered terrible slugs in my little hoop house. Apparently, some slugs hijacked a potted plant I got from someone and then multiplied and devoured some of my peas, spinach and precious pak choy. I discovered them when I was harvesting some pak choy, and they were in the soil, ewww. I was contemplating on what to do when my smart daughter suggested I use diatomaceous earth. Yes. That was an awesome suggestion. Food grade DE was sprinkled all over. It's safe, organic and nontoxic. I think the DE solved the problem. I harvested some more pak choy a couple days later and did not find any slugs in the dirt. Yahoo. FYI, DE is tiny fossilized remains of diatoms, a type of hard-shelled algae. Because of its abrasiveness, it cuts the slugs, and they die. Happy gardening, everyone.

*Ecclesiastes 3:1 "To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven."*

### Prairie City Seniors

Rose Coombs



Well, phooey. The current Grant County crud that is making its rounds finally caught up with me. Derrrol has been working on it for a couple weeks, and the three days in the vehicle with him didn't help me escape the bug. So I think there will be some days of watching old movies while nestled in the recliner.

We had our Mother's Day meal of apple juice, baked chicken thighs with creamy spinach sauce, pasta salad, kale and cabbage slaw, rolls and a Portuguese tart for dessert. And only 49 people registered. Since it was a nice summer day, I guess that there was lots of yard work taking place — or they had the Grant County crud. The Blue Mountain Care Center ladies — Lorna and Krystin — brought Dorothy Blasing, Lois Hill, Marilyn Randall and Otho Laurance. It was also great to see Nancy Viggers back. And so was head cook Iva, PTL. Le-one Meador won the \$5 in trade donated by Prairie Hardware & Gifts. Bruce led the flag salute, and Jack asked the blessing. Frances called for another meeting about eclipse projects, and this time a whole table full of people attended. Good show. Speaking of the eclipse, the notion that it is such a "spiritual experience" is a great way to explain about the preciseness that has to take place in order for any eclipse to happen. I'll get off my soapbox now.

Stepped on the bathroom scale last week, and it did not do anything. Stepped off and it said "error." So tried again.

This time it showed "overload." Well, now I know I don't weigh over 300 pounds, so that was also an "error." So got out the instructions and noted that there was a five-year guarantee. Guess when the five years were completed: January 2017. Boy, talk about planned obsolescence. Reading further, it states that cleaning chemicals in close proximity to the scale could foul up its delicate electronics. So, we got a new scale, one that doesn't have "delicate electronics" and is made in China to "exacting Taylor specifications." So there. Hope it will last a lot longer.

Re: the smell of grass and allergies. ... The smell of freshly mown grass or newly cut hay is actually the odor of a set of chemical compounds called green leaf volatiles, which are given off by the plant when it is injured. Some of the chemical secretions rush to the injury to bind the wound and protect against fungal infections. Other chemicals act as airborne messengers, signaling predatory insects such as wasps, who prey upon grass-munching caterpillars. And some chemicals merely taste bad, in order to discourage animals and insects from continuing to eat the plants. Plants downwind of the injured grass will also begin to produce these bad-tasting chemicals to protect themselves in advance of being eaten. So that is why some people are allergic to lawns being mowed. Their bodies are reacting to those airborne messengers of injury. Guess the odor doesn't bother the cows. ... Ahem.

*Gen. 1:24 "And God said, 'Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock... 1:30 ...I give every green plant for food.' 2:20 So the man gave names to all the livestock... 3:18 ...you will eat the plants of the field."*

# Church Services In Grant County

**Historic Remnant Church**  
 Preparing for Jesus to come  
 Meets Saturday at Mt. Vernon Grange Sabbath School.....9:30 am  
 Church Services.....11:00 am  
 541-620-0340

**GRACE CHAPEL**  
 Evangelical Methodist  
 154 E. Williams St.,  
 Prairie City • 541-820-4437  
 gracechapl@ortelco.net  
 Pastor Michael Harvey  
 Early Worship ..... 8:45 a.m.  
 Sunday School ..... 9:45 a.m.  
 Worship ..... 11 a.m.  
 Evening Worship ..... 6:30 p.m.  
**WEDNESDAY**  
 Prayer ..... 8 a.m.  
**THURSDAY**  
 Bible Study ..... 6:30 p.m.

**Cornerstone Christian Fellowship**  
 139 N.E. DAYTON STREET, JOHN DAY  
 541-575-2180  
 Sunday Worship Service  
 10 am  
 Pastor Levi Manitsas  
 cornerstonejohnday@gmail.com

**John Day Valley Mennonite Church**  
 Meeting every Sunday  
 at Mt. Vernon Grange Hall  
 Sunday School.....9:30 a.m.  
 Sunday Morning Worship...10:50 a.m.  
 Pastor Leland Smucker  
 Everyone Welcome • 541-932-2861

**St. Thomas Episcopal Church**  
 Morning Prayer.....10 am  
 (1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays)  
 Eucharist & Sunday School.....10 am  
 (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays)  
 139 S. Washington, Canyon City  
 541-620-1436

**New Life Bible Church**  
 2 Corinthians 5:17  
 Every Sunday in the L.C. Community Center  
 (Corner of Second & Allen)  
 Contact Pastor Ed Studtmann at  
 541-421-3888 • Begins at 4:00pm

**MT. VERNON PRESBYTERIAN Community Church**  
**SUNDAY SERVICE.....9 am**  
**SUNDAY SCHOOL.....9 am**  
 541-932-4800  
**EVERYONE WELCOME**

**Prairie Baptist Church**  
 238 N. McHaley St.  
 Prairie City  
 Pastor David Hoeffner  
 541-820-3696  
 www.prairie-baptist-church.com  
 Sunday School for all ages ..... 9:00 am  
 Sunday morning worship ..... 10:30 am  
 Awana (Oct.-Apr.) ..... 3:00 pm  
 Youth Group ..... 5:30 pm

**VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 KJV Independent  
 Fundamental • Premillennial  
 Terence K. Crabb, Pastor  
 A Bible-believing Church  
 "He that hath the Son hath life ... " 1 John 5:12  
 Sunday School 9:45 am • Sunday Preaching 11:00 am  
 Junior Church 11:00 am • Sunday Evenings 3:30 pm  
 Wednesday Bible Study & Master Club 7:00 pm  
 Saturday Men's Prayer Meeting 7:00 pm  
 108 S. Washington Street, Canyon City  
 541-575-2688 or 541-575-0844

**JOHN DAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
 Sunday Worship • 9AM  
 (541) 575-1326  
 johndayUMC@gmail.com  
 126 NW Canton, John Day  
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**St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church**  
 Corner of S Canyon Blvd and SW 2<sup>nd</sup>  
**Mon. - Fri. Mass - 12:05 pm**  
**Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm**  
**Sunday Mass - 9:00 am**  
 Confession: Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm  
 Anytime by appointment 541-575-1459  
**St. Anne**  
 Monument - Sunday at 12:30 pm  
**St. Katherine**  
 Dale  
 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays at 2:30 pm  
**Office Hours**  
 Monday - Friday 9 am - 12 Noon

**Living Word Christian Center**  
 Hwy 26 Mt. Vernon  
**Celebration of Worship**  
 Sundays 5:30pm  
 Youth: 0-6th grade  
**Healing School**  
 Thursdays 6:30pm  
 Youth: 0-6th grade  
**Overcomer's Outreach**  
 Saturday's 8:00am  
 House on the Lawn  
 A Christ Centered, 12 Step  
 Recovery Support Group  
**Pastor Sharon Miller**  
 541-932-4910  
 www.livingwordcc.com

**CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE**  
 Sunday School.....9:30 am  
 Sunday Worship Service.....10:45 am  
 Sunday Evening Service.....6:00 pm  
 Children & Teen Activities  
 SMALL GROUPS CALL FOR MORE INFO  
 Weekdays: Sunshine Christian School  
**Pastor Randy Johnson**  
 521 E. Main • John Day • 541-575-1895  
 www.johndaynazarene.com

**Redeemer Lutheran Church**  
 Come Worship with us at  
 627 SE Hillcrest, John Day  
 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Worship  
 & Communion .....10 am  
 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Worship .....10 am  
 Wednesday Evening Bible Study.....6 pm  
 For information: 541-575-2348

**Seventh-Day Adventist Church**  
**SATURDAY SERVICES**  
**JOHN DAY**  
 110 Valley View Dr. - 541-575-1216  
 Head Elder.....541-575-2914  
 Bible Classes (all ages).....9:30 am  
 Worship.....11 am  
**LONG CREEK**  
 E. Main Street - 541-421-3033  
 Head Elder.....421-3468  
 Bible Classes (all ages).....2 pm  
 Worship.....3 pm  
**Tune into**  
**3 ANGELS BROADCASTING**  
 KSP1 98.1 FM  
 Blue Mountain Cable, Channel 2  
 Antenna; Digital Channel 15  
 & UHF Channel 8

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**  
 Sunday School..... 10 am  
 Church.....11 am  
 Afternoon Service..... 1 pm  
 No Mid-week Services  
**Pastor Jesse Gosnell**  
 300 W. Main, John Day  
**541-575-1355**

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
 Sunday School.....9:45 am  
 Sunday Worship.....11 am  
 Sunday Evening Bible talk.....6:30 pm  
 Saturday Men's Study.....7 pm  
**Full Gospel- Come Grow With Us**  
 541-575-1202 Church  
 311 NE Dayton St, John Day  
 Pastor Al Altnow  
 www.fcjohnday.com