

# Chris Knight delights in John Day

Performing arts center plans to host more shows

By Rylan Boggs  
Blue Mountain Eagle

Chris Knight played to a delighted crowd at the Madden Brothers Performing Arts Center on Monday night.

Both Knight and opener Andy Good played acoustic sets to the roughly 300 attendees.

Knight got into the music game later in life than most. Prior to his music career he

spent over a decade working with his hands.

"I was a strip mine inspector for five years, and before that I worked for six years around coal mines," he said.

Knight said he left the mining industry for music.

"If I don't do it now, I'm never going to do it," he said of his thought process.

He feels coming into the music industry later in life has made him more independent. He said if he came into the industry at a younger age he likely would have done anything anyone told him to.

"That might be one of the reasons why I wasn't a com-

mercial success, because I wasn't willing to do everything everybody wanted me to do," Knight said.

Knight's music celebrates hard-working, rural Americans, something the Monday night crowd thoroughly appreciated.

His influences and interests include artists such as John Prine, Steve Earle, Jackson Browne and Lynyrd Skynyrd.

"If it's good music, I listen to it," he said. "I wouldn't walk across the road to hear myself play, if you want to know the truth."

Venue owner Jesse Madden said they sold roughly 300

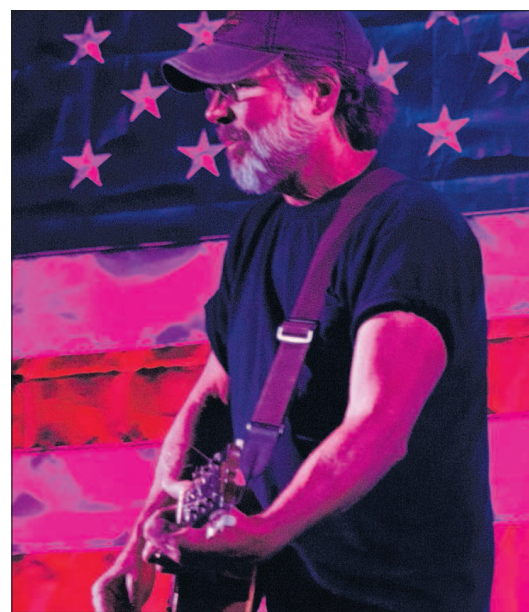
tickets to the Monday night show.

"Our max is 400, but 300 is a good number for us," Madden said.

He said the crowd was a great audience, and at times they were singing along louder than Knight.

"We were pretty fortunate to have Chris come in and do an acoustic show," Madden said.

They plan on hosting shows in the future but don't have anyone booked at the moment. John Day's remoteness is one of the biggest issues with getting someone to play, he said.



The Eagle/Rylan Boggs  
Chris Knight plays at the Madden Brothers Performing Arts Center on Monday, Aug. 21.

The deadline for What's Happening items is 5 p.m. Friday. Call the Eagle, 541-575-0710, or email editor@bmeagle.com. For meetings this week, see our list in the classifieds on Page A17.

## SATURDAY, AUG. 26

### John Day Farmers Market

• 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Southwest Brent Street, John Day  
The market features crafts, baked goods, produce, kids activities, entertainment and information booths. For more information, call 541-792-0958 or email johndayfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

### Grant County Fair Kids/Junior Rodeo

• 10 a.m., Grant County Fairgrounds in John Day  
Admission is free for spectators. Entries for the Kids/Junior Rodeo must be received by Aug. 24 at the Grant County Fair office, 411 Bridge Street in John Day. There is a fee of \$5-12 for each event. For more information, call chairperson Jim Hamsher at 541-620-2861.

## SUNDAY, AUG. 27

### Annual past members memorial trap shoot

• 9:30 a.m., Seneca Trap Range  
The Seneca Range will host a trap shoot honoring past members Myrtha Fields and Dale Rushton. The shoot has five trap events, and the cost is \$35. Money prizes will be awarded in each event and in the all events category. Sign up is at 9:30 a.m., and the event starts at 10 a.m. All ages of trap shooters and



File photo  
Children compete in the stick horse race in a previous youth rodeo after the Grant County Fair. The Grant County Fair Kids/Junior Rodeo is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 26, this year.



File photo  
Shooters take aim at a previous memorial trap shoot at the Seneca Range. The annual past members memorial trap shoot is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 27, this year.

spectators are welcome. Shells and food will be available. For more information, call Nancy Chase at 541-575-0243.

## FRIDAY, SEPT. 1

Evaluating groundwater resources presentation  
• 2-6 p.m., Grant County Regional Airport

Aquageo Frameworks will have geologists and geophysicists present to explain how to understand and evaluate local groundwater resources, aquifers and their recharge capacity. The John Day Resource Center, Tomorrow's Water and the Grant County Citizen Water Group are sponsoring the presentation, and all are welcome to attend.

# 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

**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

**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

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

**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

**John Day Valley Mennonite Church**  
Meeting every Sunday at Mt. Vernon Grange Hall  
Sunday School.....9:45 am • Sunday Preaching 11:00 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship...10:50 a.m.  
Pastor Leland Smucker  
Everyone Welcome • 541-932-2861

**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  
Midweek Service  
Thursdays 6:30pm  
Youth: 0-6th grade  
Overcomer's Outreach  
Tuesday's 7:00pm  
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