

GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

John Day Seniors

Nicky Essex



I must begin this week with a very humble apology to Larry Schmitz. Mixing up your name with your dad's in last week's column was about the worst imaginable. I am so very sorry. I sincerely beg your pardon.

Since Labor Day was a holiday, there was no news from John Day seniors. But I sure missed lunch.

Thursday, Sept. 7, Jeanette Julsrud and Drew Harmer were our greeters, and the sweet folks from the Nazarene Church were here to serve us. Trace Andrews, Dale and Corinne Stennett and Everett King were our servers, and Joan and Joel Tayles delivered meals to John Day and Canyon City, while Marcus Perkins from Step Forward took the Mt. Vernon route. Altogether, they delivered 32 regular meals and 45 frozen meals. I hope you know how much you drivers and runners are appreciated. Not to mention Shay, Lisa and Danny, who think of those whom will receive those meals every time they make one up.

I also want to give a special thanks to new friends James Hercher and Ethan G. who were here helping with set up. We love our volunteers.

Everett King opened our time together with the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. The drawings produced the following winners: the Valley View meal went to Beth Dunkelberger, the Chester's Thriftway certificate to Betty Sprague and the Harrison

Ranch Produce certificate to Drew Harmer.

Veanne wants to remind any of us (senior or not) there will be a free six-week-long "Living Well with Chronic Conditions" workshop beginning in mid-October. Each participant will receive a free copy of the book, valued at \$30. You need to call Veanne at 541-575-2949 to sign up.

Alma Joslin is in the hospital with a very sore leg. Please remember her in your prayers and go see her.

For our dinner — the entrée sponsored by Dale and Nancy Conlee in memory of Eulala Herbert — we had Salisbury steak, excellent mashed potatoes and gravy, and a yummy zucchini casserole. For dessert, we had chocolate cake for our September birthdays. Thanks go to our friends at Driskill Memorial Chapel.

We had some of our bingo people come to find there was no bingo. Please accept our apologies, and for those faithful from Prairie City, Rhonda and Carolyn, thank you for bringing Rhonda's daughter, Brandi Anderton. Come again, Brandi. We love seeing the Valley View bus roll in. Loaded. Kim Ausland brought Jeri Pasco, Lynda and Larry Christiansen, Chuck Corwin, Genevieve Winkler, Randy Persinger, Betty Sprague, Sharon Bell and Dawn Hindman.

Thursday, Sept. 14, we'll serve chicken a la king and pea salad, and Monday, Sept. 18, we'll have cheeseburgers with fries.

Watch out for the school buses and kids walking. It's that time of year again.

Mark 12:44 "They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything — all she had to live on."

Monument Seniors

Soo Yukawa



For our Tuesday, Sept. 5, meal, we had pulled pork sandwiches, coleslaw, french fries, and peanut butter cookies. Thank you to our very hardworking cooks Terry Cade and Carrie Jewell for preparing our lunch. We appreciate all their efforts. We had 40 guests in the books and 10 takeouts.

Our greeters were Bodean Andersen, Jimmy Cole, and Linda Blakeslee. Bodean led us in the flag salute, made the announcements and prayed the blessing over our meal. Jimmy and Linda collected and counted the money. The free meal tickets were won by Betty Breeding and Linda Abraham.

Here are few announcements that you might want to know about. Wally and Marva Walker have found a place to move to in Oklahoma. We wish them well and best wishes on their move.

Lloyd and Ann Benson were the local supporters who generously offered to match donations to the Monument Senior Center for up to \$1,500 toward the purchase of newer appliances for the kitchen. Well, the contributions have been coming and the match has been made. Thank you to all for your generous support.

Jeannie Strange has been tirelessly helping to sell some items from the senior center rummage sale on eBay. She is also posting auction items for the upcoming Buckaroo event on Sept. 23 on Facebook. If you would like to see what will be auctioned off, look

for the Monument Buckaroo and Fall Harvest page. Thank you to Jeannie for all her hard work.

Monument School has a new principal and superintendent, Ron Frieh. We welcome him to our community and we hope that it will be a smooth transition for him, as well as our students.

We had a little run-in with nature a couple of times this past week. My hubby was outside with our dogs when suddenly one of them came running back and wildly tried to rub himself in the dirt. The horror of horrors, he got skunked. My hubby yelled for me and I opened the back door to see what was the matter. Big mistake, the 5 seconds that I had the door opened, the putrid smell wafted in and permeated the whole house. I got out the hydrogen peroxide, baking soda, and original Dawn dish soap and lathered the dog. Poor boy, he looked so sad. He stood still for me to soap him up, third time's a charm.

Well, my hubby set the live trap after he discovered the skunk's hidey hole, just about 50 feet from the house. One of our cats got caught but no skunk. Sunday morning, my hubby discovered the skunk, in our chicken coop. He just happened to look into the coop and saw it. He carefully opened the nest box top and shot it, but unfortunately, it sprayed. My poor chickens, their house stinks. That skunk was huge. Hopefully he was a loner skunk.

Revelation 12: 1 "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars."

Prairie City Seniors

Rose Coombs



Boy, aren't we glad the smoke waited until after the eclipse to arrive? Also makes the temperatures lower. (Take your blessings where you can.)

We made a tour — again — to check out the road heading north from Prairie City up Dixie Creek. Oh, yeah. Another one of those extremely limited maintenance roads. We did find where we made the wrong turn and came down Bear Creek, so that was proven. So we went to Arch Rock, but didn't climb up to it. Our knees just won't take that exercise anymore. Decided to go to Keeney Camp. But the road to Magone Lake appeared before we could find Keeney Camp. Derrol said he delivered fuel out there back in his Cenex days. (If you didn't know, there was such a fuel stop in Prairie City, just ask him about it.) So that was our Labor Day trip.

Earlier in the month, we went out to see where Land's End Inn is. We found it, but didn't go through the cattle gate. They had a piece of paper with information if you were going there for the eclipse. Best item was if you hear the air horn, get off the runway. Good advice. There was a bent propeller nailed to the tree. Draw your own conclusions. So we drove up — and I do mean up — the road to the top of the ridge. There was another sign: Speed Limit 25 mph. That would not be a good idea. We were lucky to do 15 mph. The map said that you could take the right fork of the road and go down Frank's Creek back to Dayville. At this point we don't put too much trust in maps — if

that is possible, let me know.

Food for thought: Leftovers are food that's here today and here tomorrow. And that's what we had for our lunch, only it was breakfast with leftover supplies from the eclipse breakfast: orange or apple juice, scrambled eggs (some had olives, some had mushrooms), hash browns, sausage, crescent rolls and a smoothie made with bananas and strawberries for dessert. Thanks to Tom, Marjean and Julia for a good meal. Ginger and Julia delivered the juice and milk. The pink lemonade and coffee are self-serve. Ken and Carlos made the home deliveries. Frances did the announcing and led the flag salute. Jack asked the blessing. There were 54 names on the book. There was some more zucchini and squash to give away along with a case of tomato sauce.

Lorna and Krystin brought Marilyn Randall, Joan Metlock, Otho Laurance and Bud Salisbury from the Blue Mountain Care Center.

There will be a Site Committee meeting at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 13.

And speaking of cool, we didn't have to turn on the swamp cooler. But a dragonfly came in because we had the doors open, I guess. Made a few dive bombs and finally landed on the ceiling. Forgot to check if he was still there when I left.

Frances and I attempted to get the new printer to work after we got done counting the money. We thought we were pretty smart to get all the cords hooked up to the correct spot. But it wouldn't print. Finally discovered that the cartridges were only a one-time use for setting it up. Did you know that?

Job 19:25 "I know that my Redeemer lives and... He will stand upon the earth."

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
 (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)
 Eucharist & Sunday School.....10 am
 (2nd & 4th 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 ages9:00 am
 Sunday morning worship10:30 am
 Awana (Oct.-Apr.)3:00 pm
 Youth Group5:30 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.....9:30 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
 Like us on Facebook!

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church
 Corner of S Canyon Blvd and SW 2nd
 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
 1st & 3rd 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 Friday'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
 1st & 3rd Sunday Worship & Communion10 am
 2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday Worship10 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