

# Grant Union holds all-class reunion

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Alumni from an array of eras shared memories as they attended an all-class reunion at Grant Union High School on Sept. 23.

Many toured Grant Union and the old Blue Mountain Junior High, and over 400 enjoyed dinner at the John Day Elks Lodge No. 1824.

The \$2,200 in proceeds raised from registration fees will benefit the GUHS Alumni Scholarship Fund, and an extra \$260 was donated to the Grant County Food Bank.

Individual classes also met on Friday for their own activities.

The class of '67 held their 50th reunion at the Canyon City Community Hall on Friday with other classes joining them, including '66 and '68.

Leslie Traylor of John Day, a '67 alum who headed up the reunion with a committee of seven other volunteers, said the most exciting thing was seeing classmates speechless as they "hugged and hugged and hugged."

"To see so many reconections after so many years made the work worthwhile," she said.

Some people came from as far away as California and Chicago.

Traylor said in a speech, "We all go out to make our footprint in the world, but our first footprint started in John Day at Grant Union High."



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Joining in for Grant Union High School's all-class reunion are, from left, Jake Conklin, Christy Martin and Cookie Martin, at the Canyon City Community Hall. The Martins' father was a pharmacist in John Day, and Conklin's dad owned a car dealership.



Grant Union High School alumni gather for a dinner at the John Day Elks Lodge No. 1824 during the Sept. 23 all-class reunion weekend.

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# Fossil Beds Cant Ranch open house, volunteer recruitment event planned

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An open house harvest celebration and volunteer recruitment event is scheduled from 12-3 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 4, at the Cant Ranch Historic Home and Museum in the Sheep Rock Unit of the John Day Fossil Beds National Monument.

The Cant Ranch is an intact example of a successful, early-20th century ranch within the John Day River Valley.

Monument staff would like to see the Cant Ranch open more often, but volunteers are needed. People can learn more about volunteer opportunities within the national park at this event.

This is a family-friendly event that includes a tour of the ranch, carding and spinning

wool demonstrations and cider pressing with light refreshments. The tour is limited to 20 people at a time and will occur on mostly level ground.

"We get asked almost daily if the Cant Ranch Historic Home and Museum is open for public viewing. We're asking for your help to make that happen," says Acting Superintendent Chris Collins. "When you volunteer, you'll get a chance to learn more about this slice of history while working in a beautiful, historic ranch. You'll also get to meet people from all over the country and world as you embark on an exciting opportunity as a volunteer with the National Park Service."

For more information, call 541-987-2333 or email joda\_interpretation@nps.gov.

# Climate forum coming up

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The Oregon Stewardship Tour, presented by Citizens' Climate Lobby, is coming to Grant County from 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 26, at the John Day Fire Hall, 326 S. Canyon Blvd.

Volunteers and community members will host an open discussion and a presentation, "Protecting Oregon's Climate with Market-based Solutions." The event is free and open to the public. This fall, Citizens' Climate Lobby volunteers are criss-crossing rural Oregon, visiting 11 towns over 12 days and learning about residents' climate concerns. Volunteers hope to find common ground on a solution that will reduce

carbon emissions and maintain a thriving economy.

The presentation and discussion will be led by Brian Ettling, a National Park Service ranger for 25 years, currently at Crater Lake National Park, where he has experienced climate impacts firsthand.

"These meetings provide CCL an important opportunity not only to share real-world solutions to the impacts of climate change," Ettling said, "but also to listen to the personal stories and concerns from the residents of these communities in Eastern, Central and Southern Oregon."

For more information and updates, visit oregontour.org.

# GriefShare program begins Nov. 4

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Community members who have experienced the death of a family member or friend are invited to register for the GriefShare program held at Strawberry Mountain Christian Fellowship in John Day.

The nondenominational program features Christ-cen-

tered, biblical teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. A DVD seminar features grief experts and real stories, followed by a small group discussion about what was seen on the DVD.

The bereavement experience may be recent or not so recent. The goal is to find

encouragement, comfort and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member or friend. No matter what the cause of a loved one's death, this is an opportunity to be around people who understand the feelings.

People will learn information about facing a new normal in life and renewing

hope for the future. GriefShare will be held Saturdays at 6 p.m. starting Nov. 4 and going through January 27 at Strawberry Mountain Christian Fellowship, 170 SE Dayton St., John Day.

To register or for questions, call Kadie at 541-519-1644. There is a \$15 one-time fee to cover the cost of the workbook.

# 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 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  
**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  
 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