

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.



WEDNESDAY, OCT. 25

Democrats meeting

• 6:30 p.m., Canyon City Community Hall
Topics will include the Get America Covered campaign and the highway cleanup. Local Democrats are encouraged to attend. For more information, call 541-542-2633.

THURSDAY, OCT. 26

Mad Hatters meeting

• Noon, Outpost Restaurant
All are welcome to attend the Mad Hatters luncheon. For more information, call Diane at 541-820-4462.

Oregon Stewardship Tour forum

• 7-8:30 p.m., John Day Fire Hall, 316 S. Canyon Blvd.

The Oregon Stewardship Tour, presented by Citizens' Climate Lobby, will hold an open discussion and a presentation titled "Protecting Oregon's Climate with Market-Based Solutions." The Citizens' Climate Lobby invites anyone who has an interest in climate change and its effects to attend. The event is free and open to the public. For more information, visit oregontour.org.

SATURDAY, OCT. 28

Farmers Market Harvest Festival

• 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. – SW Brent St., John Day.

In addition to the usual offerings, a cider press will be available. Bring apples and a container to make apple cider. For more information, call 541-792-0958 or email johndayfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

AARP Driver's Safety class

• 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., John Day Senior Center
The class is open to all ages and is a nationally recognized defensive driving course. Participants may qualify for an insurance discount. The cost is \$15 for AARP members and \$20 for nonmembers. Sign up at the John Day Senior Center or call Ron Dowse at 541-575-4268 or 541-792-0587.

Mckalee's Halloween fun run/walk

• 10 a.m., Canyon City city park
Proceeds will benefit the March of Dimes Foundation. Registration will start at 9 a.m., and the cost to enter is \$35, which includes a T-shirt, or \$15 without a T-shirt. Participants are encouraged to wear costumes. Registration forms can be picked up from and returned to Timbers Bistro, Len's Drug or Java Jungle. For more information, call Cody Jo Madden at 541-620-2955 or find the event on Facebook under "Mckalee's Run/Walk. March of Dimes Fundraiser."

TUESDAY, OCT. 31

Trunk or Treat

• 6-8 p.m., Humbolt Elementary School
Elementary students are invited to wear costumes and trick or treat while viewing decorated cars in the school parking lot. Set up starts at 5:30 p.m. For more information or to reserve a spot for a decorated vehicle, contact Kailee Cherry at Kailee.Johnson@gmail.com or sign up via the online sign up sheet on the Humbolt PTA page.

TUESDAY, NOV. 7

Public meeting on greater sage grouse

• 5-8 p.m., Harney County Community Center, 484 N. Broadway Ave., Burns
The Bureau of Land Management will host a meeting to provide information and solicit comments and feedback on greater sage grouse land management issues. An overview will be followed by an open house, and participants are encouraged to speak with BLM staff on various topics related to the greater sage grouse.

WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY, NOV. 8-10

Annual church Christmas sale

• 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday
• 9 a.m. to noon, Friday
• Methodist Church, John Day
Members of United Methodist Church's "Ye Old Thrift Shop" will hold their annual Christmas sale in the church's fellowship hall. Items such as Christmas decor, ornaments, kitchen items, holiday tins and clothing will be for sale.

Events set for Halloween

Blue Mountain Eagle

A variety of events are planned for Halloween in Grant County.

The John Day Elks Lodge is hosting three different events for different ages at the lodge, 140 NE Dayton St., John Day. Admission is \$1 or donation of a can of food. The first is an adult party at 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28. Next is a kids party for ages 0-12 at 6 p.m. Monday, Oct. 30. A teen party will take place at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31.

In Prairie City, a free, family Trunk or Treat event will take place from 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31, at Prairie Baptist Church, 238 N. McHaley St. Hot dogs and apple cider will be available.

A Trunk or Treat event will also take place from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 31, at Humbolt Elementary School. Elementary students are invited to wear costumes and trick or treat while viewing decorated cars in the school parking lot. Setup starts at 5:30 p.m.

The Ugly Truth Bar & Grill is hosting a Halloween party with a DJ and special drinks, starting at 9 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, at the bar, 145 E. Main St., John Day. A costume party with prizes will take place at 11 p.m.

The Outpost Restaurant will also host a party at 10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 28, with a DJ, drink specials and prizes.

SENIOR Outlook



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Rose Coombs



Fall has arrived. Got your garden put to bed and the foundation vents covered? Find the snow shovel and the weight for the pickup bed? Be happy that you don't have to shovel a path to the

privy or chop ice to get drinking water. We do have a lot to be thankful for... Someone brought in some cans of cranberry jelly, tuna fish, and pinto beans to give away. And there was only one bag of beans left at the end of the day, so that was good. Thank you, whoever you are. We appreciate such offerings. Frances had to have help to get the crowd's attention to do the announcements. Everyone was having such a good time visiting. Then when we all had our meal in front of us, it got really quiet. 'Twas a great meal and deserved undivided attention. Cook Marjean and assistant Tom are doing a great job. Chester Willis led the flag salute. (Have you ever just stopped and listened while that is happening? All those voices repeating the meaningful words in unison will make your heart be thankful, too.) Jack Retherford asked the blessing. Larry, Ken, and Carlos made the home deliveries. There were 63 names on the registration book tended to by our faithful greeter Pam Howard. Pete Currier was the

winner of the gift certificate donated by Chuck's Little Diner. Then we got down to business. Our meal was baked chicken, rice pilaf, kale salad, bread sticks, and peach cobbler for dessert. Yummy, yummy in the tummy. Lorna and Krystin brought Marilyn Randall, Alma Joslin, Joan Metlock, and Bud Salisbury from the Blue Mountain Care Center. After dinner Lorna tested the new exit doors and ramp with Marilyn's wheelchair. Worked fine. But I noticed that cars were parked in such a way to block the pathway to the ramp for any handicapped vehicle. Please remember to avoid that area. I know it's a new thing, so try to get it programmed in your being. And be thankful it's there.

Derrol is doing well on his recovery. Just a matter of adjusting medications to meet his changed chemical levels. Had to spend a night at Blue Mountain Hospital to get sodium levels raised. This required an IV and not much drinking water. Too much water flushes out too much sodium, but don't try to replace the sodium by eating super-salty foods. That won't work. When they did the blood test to determine his levels, I asked the lab tech if she knew who it was who figured out how to draw blood. No, that wasn't included in the training. You know me, I always want to know the history of anything... Derrol's most important question is "When can I drive again?" Answer: at least one month from surgery. Cardiologist exam said everything looked good. Just keep walking. *Isaiah 40:31 "...those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not faint."*

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Nicky Essex



These weeks seem to speed by. Summer is gone and I never got a tan. At the John Day Senior Center, things are hopping. If you hurry, you can give your Halloween costume a debut at lunch tomorrow, Oct. 26 at noon. (Please be here by 11:45.) On Monday, Oct. 20, Don Porter opened with the flag salute. Corinne Stennett won the free meal and Roberta Dowse won the Len's Drug certificate. Ron Dowse gave the blessing for our meal. We had one of my favorites for lunch. Breakfast burritos with hash browns, sausage and, for National Oatmeal Day, Lisa's blueberry oatmeal bake. This was all sponsored by Emily Carrick and Kristin Joseph from Pacific Source Insurance. Thanks so much. We were served by Dusty and Yog Harris, Karen Barrieta and Jan Ellison. Rick Rhinehart and Ray Rickerd delivered meals to John Day and Canyon City and Marcus Perkins from Step Forward took the meals to Mt. Vernon. Altogether they delivered 27 regular and 28 frozen meals. Well done. We served 29 meals here in the dining room. Thanks to our kitchen crew. On Thursday, Oct. 19, while Merry Henry and Bonnie Kocis manned the desk, the Methodist folks were here to serve. It was a

light crew and we had a large group, so many hands made light work when our diners got up to help. Jeanne Willey and Jeanne Makes served at tables and Dennis and Linda Dickenson took the home deliveries to John Day and Canyon City while Marcus Perkins did the Mt. Vernon route. Total of meals delivered was 38. Veanne opened our time together with the flag salute. Mauggie Hood won the free meal at Valley View and Sharon Smith won the Chester's Thriftway gift card. Becky Carey said the blessing on our meal of ranch chicken, hamburger harvest soup, cowboy pasta salad and rolls. It was "Pie Social" and we were treated to a wide variety of pies, cut by Jeanne Willey and Jeanette Julsrud. It was wonderful. Our entrée was sponsored by Billie Bullard who was still in the hospital with what they now believe is cellulitis. Very painful and thought to be a spider bite at first. She spent her 96th birthday there. The crew at the hospital did throw her a birthday bash and really surprised her. Please pray she will be well enough to go home soon. Our dear chef Shay seems to finally be getting answers about his health, please pray for him too. If I have missed or misspelled your name, I am sorry. Those of you who volunteer to serve need to check in for our volunteer hour credits. I like to be able to thank you for your help, and that is where I get my information.

Proverbs 15:1 "A kind answer soothes angry feelings but harsh words stir them up!" I need to meditate on this one, do you?

Monument Seniors

Soo Yukawa



We had a fabulous meal of tacos, all the fixings, and chocolate mousse for our dessert. The cooks Carrie Jewell and Sahara Hyder did a great job of preparing it for us. Terry Cade, we hope that you are ok and we missed you, although we are thankful for Sahara's help in the kitchen. Yes, I piled it on (I think mostly lettuce) and I ate every last bite. Tuesday was a gorgeous day too, we had beautiful blue skies and the sun shone brightly. 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. We had 50 guests on our books and four takeouts. The winners of the free meal tickets were Linda Abraham and Olivia Hootenpyle. Our prayers go out to several people in our community. First, Judy Harris who had knee surgery. Everything went well and she will be at the John Day Blue Mountain Hospital for a bit. We all wish her quick healing and that she will be coming home soon. Patty Johnson had some bleeding in the brain and was taken by ambulance. We pray for her recovery and that the Lord would bring healing and wisdom to the doctors. One of our newest members to our community, Jay Ball, was taken to the VA hospital in Boise. He is a diabetic and in a coma. We

pray for the Lord's healing and protection over him. The Monument Senior Center and community wants to thank everyone who volunteered their time and helping hands during our freezer breakdown. This also includes Mike Voight (resident of Prairie City and is working on the senior center roof) and his crew for their assistance in unloading the freezer and stove. Just a reminder, there will be Bingo for the last Saturday of October. It starts at 6pm and there is a potluck dinner to share. Another event to remember is the Halloween costume day at the senior center. This is on October 31 and it will start at 4pm. All are welcome. We had some rain this past week and the weather has definitely changed to fall. Oh you should see the colors! The trees are beautiful. The leaves are gorgeous shades of red, copper, orange, brown, gold, and yellows. It's still dark at 7 in the morning and is getting dark earlier and earlier during the day. Which reminds me, Daylight Savings time is on November 4th. Don't forget to turn BACK your clocks one hour. I can't believe that the month of October has just whizzed by. Soon, it will be the holiday festivities taking over the next two months. I'm looking forward to seeing the snow soon. I love seeing the four seasons here in Monument. It's a breath of fresh air after all year-long sunny CA. I will have to continue my previous story for the following week. *Ecclesiastes 5: 12 "The sleep of a labouring man is sweet whether he eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep."*