

EAGLE ON VACATION — SUTTON



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Tom and Sandra Sutton of John Day took the Eagle on the road this fall when they traveled east to see the fall colors. The Eagle was on the road for 88 days and traveled 17,000 miles through 30 states and three Canadian provinces. This photo was taken in Sutton, West Virginia.

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60TH ANNIVERSARY — MARTIN



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The Martin family gathered in Lincoln City for Leo and Sharon Martin's 60th wedding anniversary, Nov. 15. They were joined by Sharon's brother and wife, Tom and Myrna Dade, Sharon's brother-in-law Ted and Joan Fuller, another grandmother. Another son and daughter-in-law live in South Dakota and couldn't attend but made an appearance on Skype. Sharon also celebrated her 78th birthday Nov. 12. Leo worked for Willamina Lumber for 43 years and retired in 1998.

December colder than normal

Blue Mountain Eagle

According to preliminary data received by the National Weather Service in Pendleton, temperatures in John Day averaged colder than normal during December.

The average temperature was 27.2 degrees, which was 4.8 degrees below normal. High temperatures averaged 37.1 degrees, which was 4.6 degrees below normal. The highest was 53 degrees on Dec. 30. Low temperatures averaged 17.3 degrees, which was 5.1 degrees below normal. The lowest was 2 degrees, on Dec. 24.

There were 31 days with the low temperature below 32 degrees. There were seven days when the high temperature stayed below 32 degrees.

Precipitation totaled 0.40 inches during December, which was 0.84 inches below normal. Measurable precipitation was received on four

days with the heaviest, 0.21 inches reported on Dec. 16.

Precipitation in 2017 totaled 11.34 inches, which is 1.83 inches below normal. Since October, the water year precipitation at John Day has been 3 inches, which is 0.58 inches below normal.

Snowfall totaled 7.2 inches with at least 1 inch of snow reported on three days. The heaviest snowfall was 4 inches reported on Dec. 23. The greatest depth of snow on the ground was 4 inches on Dec. 23.

The highest wind gust was 43 mph, which occurred on Dec. 19.

The outlook for January from NOAA's Climate Prediction Center calls for near-normal temperatures and near-normal precipitation. Normal highs for John Day during January are 42.5 degrees, and normal lows are 23.5 degrees. The 30-year normal precipitation is 0.98 inches.

OBITUARIES

Robert Thomas Shoun
Feb. 28, 1949 - Dec. 29, 2017

Robert Thomas Shoun, 68, passed away Dec. 29 in Bend. A graveside memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Jan. 20 at the Prairie City Cemetery.

Shoun was born in Prairie City on Feb. 28, 1949, to Georgia Rose (Martin) Shoun and Howard Shoun. He grew up in Prairie City with his four siblings, Mike Busby, Mary (Busby) Hancock, Richard Shoun and Daniel Shoun. He is a graduate of Prairie City High School, where he excelled in track and field. One of his favorite activities was going camping and exploring the mountains around Prairie City with his family and his grandparents.

Shoun served in the Army as a radio operator and chauffeur from June 1981 to June 1985. During part of his service, he was stationed in Turkey where he spent time at the local university helping students learn English, and he was well-liked by his students. After his time in the Army, he lived in Scappoose, and he worked a variety of jobs, the last one being in security. His diagnosis of MS in 2004 ended his working career. He lived with his sister Mary in Woodburn and then in Tigard from 2005 to 2014 and moved back to Bend in 2014.

Along with enjoying the outdoors in Eastern Oregon, Shoun also enjoyed square dancing, playing pool and going on walks, even as his MS advanced. He made friends easily, and often people would comment on what a kind man he was. He laughed easily, loved to make others laugh with a funny and engaging story. He was a lottery winner and loved driving his new red Toyota truck that he purchased with his winnings. He will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Shoun was a loving father, grandfather, great-grandfather, brother and uncle. He is survived by his two children, Paul Shoun and Kristen (Aaron) Malinowski; nine grandchildren; two great-grandsons; four siblings; and numerous nieces and nephews. He was so proud of his family and would show any visitors pictures of his family and especially his great-grandsons.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Charles Hospital Hospice of Bend. To leave a condolence for the family, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.



Jami Gail (Evans) Brazille
Sept. 9, 1958 - Dec. 30, 2017

Jami Gail (Evans) Brazille, 59, of Bates passed away on Dec. 30 in Vancouver, Washington. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13, at The Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 303 S. Humbolt St., Canyon City, with Randy Pearson officiating.

Brazille was born in Ontario, California, to James and Anna Mary Evans on Sept. 9, 1958. She was the youngest of five. They moved to Grants Pass in the late '60s.

She attended Grants Pass High School and worked as a medical assistant for many doctors in Grants Pass including James Sloan, Thomas Turek, John Ermshar and Grants Pass Surgical Associates. She retired to Bates and enjoyed her grandchildren, family, hunting and the New England Patriots. She was very involved in her faith as one of Jehovah's Witnesses.

She is survived by her husband of 40 years, Charles (Bo) Brazille; son Jacob Brazille; daughter Heather Brazille; step-daughters Deanna Stancliff and Laurie Appling; sister Brenda Bell; 10 grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and countless nieces and nephews.



Samuel E. Howell Sr.
Feb. 23, 1946 - Dec. 28, 2017

Samuel E. Howell Sr., 71, of Monument died Dec. 28 in Heppner. A celebration of life and potluck will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13, at the Old Elkhorn Tavern in Monument.

Howell was born Feb. 23, 1946, in Heppner, the son of Clifford and Charlotte Wilhelm Howell. He was raised and attended school in Monument. He met Joan Miller in high school, and they were married on Dec. 24, 1964, in Canyon City.

He worked as a timber faller for 53 years, then worked at the Cross D Ranch in Monument until his retirement.

Howell loved playing sports in high school. Basketball was his favorite. He was an avid hunter and loved to trap in the winter months, selling enough hides one year to buy a new pickup. He killed 69 bull elk, but never killed a four-point. In his younger days, Howell and his brother Bill enjoyed riding bulls in rodeos. Howell won the Sisters Rodeo in 1963.

Survivors include his wife, Joan, of Monument; brother Paddy Howell of Baker City; daughter Sandy McKinney of Prineville; son Sam Jr. of Monument; three grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by brother Bill Howell and numerous aunts and uncles.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pioneer Memorial Hospice, P.O. Box 9, Heppner, OR 97836. Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Ethelyn Joan (Funk) Metlock
Aug. 30, 1934 - Dec. 30, 2017

Ethelyn Joan (Funk) Metlock, 83, of John Day passed away Dec. 30 at Blue Mountain Hospital in John Day. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 13, at the John Day Church of the Nazarene, with Pastor Randy Johnson officiating.

Metlock was born to Harold Funk and Lucille (Myers) Funk on Aug. 30, 1934, in Decatur, Illinois. She graduated from Cerro Gordo High School in Cerro Gordo, Illinois. She married Burl Franklin Meyerholz on Jan. 25, 1953, at the Cerro Gordo Methodist Church. They were married until his passing on July 8, 1967. She then married David Richard Metlock at the New Methodist Church in Cerro Gordo, until his passing on May 3, 1993.

She worked for many years as a bookkeeper, first for two years at Millikin National Bank, then for eight years at Irish Behne & Co. Insurance and then for 10 years at Sleeper, Naleski & Catlin Tax Office.

Metlock enjoyed singing, painting, drawing and gardening. She was a member of Eastern Star, Nazarene Church, American Legion Auxiliary and Old Time Fiddlers. She accomplished many things in her life, such as singing for those in need.

She was preceded in death by husband Burl Meyerholz; husband David Metlock; daughter Joni Meyerholz; and brother Larry Funk.

She is survived by her son Jeff Myerholz and wife, Sherri, of Canyon City; sister Helen Allen and husband, Dick, of Denton, Texas; and three grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845. To leave a condolence for the family, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.



Katherine J. Quimby Carter Jensen
June 24, 1948 - Jan. 1, 2018

Katherine J. Quimby Carter Jensen, 69, of Hermiston died Monday, Jan. 1, at her home. A celebration of life service was Jan. 6. A graveside committal service was held Jan. 7, at the Long Creek Cemetery.

Jensen was born June 24, 1948, in Prairie City to parents Philip and Alice Case Quimby. She was raised in Grant and Umatilla counties, graduating from Long Creek High School. She married Douglas Carter, and they had two sons, Samuel and Daniel, and later divorced. She moved to Hermiston and married Noel Jensen. They moved to McMinnville, where they owned and operated the Saw Filing Company before settling in Shelton, Washington, where they owned and operated Shelton Saw Works for many years. She moved to Hermiston in 2017. She was a member of Hartsine Island Women's Club. She enjoyed playing cards, flowers, gardening, traveling and cooking. She was very social and never knew a stranger.

Jensen is survived by her sons, Samuel Carter (Alicia), Edmonds, Washington, and Daniel Carter, Boardman; step-daughters Kim Wilson, Julie Young and Angie Jensen; brother Donald Albert, Hermiston; six grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

People may sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in charge of arrangements.



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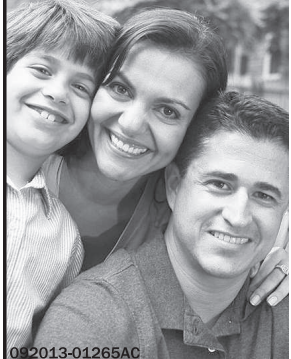
CORRECTION

The Grant County Court approved hiring Funtime Carnival Co. of Payette, Idaho, for the 2018 Grant County Fair, not Cascade Amusement of Portland.

The city of Seneca plans to run conduit to homes in preparation for a future fiber network and proposes using funds from the \$1.8 million provided to John Day by the legislature for a new broadband network in Grant County. HECO Engineers of Payette, Idaho, is working on the projects in the city.


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LAST WEEK'S TEMPS

JOHN DAY	H/I/LO
TUESDAY	31/21
WEDNESDAY	41/23
THURSDAY	50/25
FRIDAY	55/41
SATURDAY	45/32
SUNDAY	47/32
MONDAY	50/35

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WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF JAN. 10-16

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
						
Cloudy	Possible showers	Mostly cloudy	Mostly sunny	Partly cloudy	Increasing clouds	Morning snow
38	47	44	47	47	43	44
33	31	28	28	28	26	27