

EAGLE ON VACATION — SINTAY



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The George and Susan Sintay family visited Hungary for a reunion with George's extended Szintai family. On July 14, the travelers toured caves in Aggtelek, Hungary, on the Slovakian border. From left: Trevor Brown of Spokane, Washington; Scott Sintay of Kennewick, Washington; Sallie Roberts of Houston, Texas; Sara Jenson of Maple Valley, Washington; George and Susan Sintay of John Day; Drew Brown of Spokane; Brandon and Angela Smith of John Day; and Sonna Smith of Seneca. Take a photo with the Eagle on vacation and send it to editor@bmeagle.com or 195 N. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

Eagle wins general excellence at state convention

Staff earns seven first-place awards

Blue Mountain Eagle

The Blue Mountain Eagle earned the top two honors in the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association 2018 Better Newspaper Contest.

For weekly newspapers with a similar circulation size, the Eagle earned the Elmo Smith Award of General Excellence, the top award judged on over-

all newspaper quality.

The Eagle also earned more individual awards in its circulation group in the contest than any other weekly earned their circulation group to earn the sweepstakes award for weekly newspapers.

The Eagle won seven first-place awards, five second-place awards and nine third-place awards.

Editor and General Manager Sean Hart placed first in best writing, editorial, editorial page and coverage of business and economic issues. He placed third in local column, headline

writing and government coverage.

Former reporter Rylan Boggs placed first in feature photo. He placed second in headline writing and third in spot news coverage, photo essay, sports photo and news photo.

Reporter Angel Carpenter placed first in sports photo. She placed third in writing.

Eagle designer Randy Wriighthouse placed first in page one design.

The staff placed second in web design, photo essay, enterprise reporting and spot news coverage and third in special section.

Firefighters make progress on Wilson Prairie Fire

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Firefighters made significant progress Monday night building fireline around the Wilson Prairie Fire, located in the southwest corner of Morrow County, according to an Oregon Department of Forestry press release.

The fire originated on lands protected by ODF and spread onto the Umatilla National Forest. The fire is estimated to be 120 acres, burning in grass, brush, and timber.

Monday, firefighters were challenged with the fire spotting in pockets of dead white fir. Monday night, the fire held inside the existing retardant lines used to "box in" the fire

and check the spread. There are currently no evacuations or closures in place around the fire. The cause of the fire is under investigation.

Tuesday, additional resources were arriving to relieve firefighting personnel who worked throughout the night to stop the spread of the fire. Firefighters were able to use dozers to build fireline around most of the fire Monday afternoon. Firefighters worked Tuesday to complete the fireline, building handline in steep rocky ground where dozers were unable to work.

Resources assigned to the fire Tuesday included two contract crews, two Oregon Department of Corrections crews, three dozers, two water tenders,

eight fire engines from ODF and three initial attack modules from the Umatilla National Forest's Heppner Ranger District. Work also began Tuesday mopping up fire and heat adjacent to the fireline, strengthening these lines to reduce the risk of fire moving outside the perimeter.

Aerial resources will support the firefighting effort as needed. These aerial assets include two Type 2 helicopters used to drop water and cool hot spots. These helicopters are specially funded by Oregon's legislature to reduce impacts from large fires on landowners and Oregon's natural resources including water and air quality. A Type 1 helicopter was expect-

ed to arrive Tuesday to support the extended attack firefighting for this fire. Single-engine air tankers and large air tankers are available if the fire moves outside the fireline.

Dry fuel conditions throughout the region combined with continued hot and dry weather in the forecast have the potential for rapid fire growth.

Regulated closure is in effect for ODF's Central Oregon District. Specific restrictions, intended to reduce human caused fires, can be found at odfcentraloregon.com.

For regulations on the Umatilla National Forest, visit bmdc.org. For regulations on the Malheur National Forest, visit fs.usda.gov/malheur.

EAGLE ON VACATION — LYSNE



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From right, Mark and Millie Lysne of John Day took the Eagle on vacation with their 12-year-old grandson Ronin Lysne and his mother, Tara Lysne, from Clarkston, Washington, to a zipline tour with Timberline Adventures in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, June 23. Take a picture with the Eagle while on vacation and send it to editor@bmeagle.com.

BIKE RIDERS NORTHWEST TOURS GRANT COUNTY



The Eagle/Angel Carpenter

Bike Riders Northwest participants take a journey through the picturesque Malheur National Forest, descending from Dixie Summit, westbound on Highway 26 Monday. The eight-day event that started July 21 travels through Seneca, Mt. Vernon, John Day, Sumpter, Baker City, Catherine Creek, Unity and Long Creek.

Cliff Knox Project released for public scoping

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The scoping period for the Cliff Knox Project on the Prairie City Ranger District of the Malheur National Forest began July 20.

The public will have 30 days to submit comments, with the period ending Aug. 20, according to a Forest Service press release. People who submit specific written comments during this designated opportunity to comment, or the future 45-day comment period on the draft environmental impact statement, will have standing to object to the project.

The Cliff Knox Project proposes 27,000 acres of fuels treatments, 1,045 acres of fuels reduction along strategic roads, 40,000 acres of landscape underburning and about 5,000 acres of wildlife habitat designations.

Road activities, including construction of 15 miles of temporary road for log haul, closing 14 miles of currently open roads, opening 2.5 miles of currently closed roads, decommissioning 9.5 miles of currently open and closed roads, decommissioning and relocating about 2 miles of roads and confirming closure of 28 miles of past administrative-

ly closed roads, are proposed. Additionally, typical road maintenance activities designed to meet forest plan standards and guidelines would be performed.

The Cliff Knox Scoping Package containing the proposed action and maps can be accessed on the Forest Service website at fs.usda.gov/project/?project=50433, or a hardcopy may be requested by contacting Kathy Schneider at 541-820-3821 or kschnider@fs.fed.us. Comments should be submitted to Ed Guzman, c/o Kathy Schneider, Prairie City Ranger District, P.O. Box 337, Prairie City, OR 97869 or to comments-pacificnorthwest-malheur-prairiecity@fs.fed.us.

The Prairie City Ranger District will host two open house-style meetings where the public is invited to share information, ideas or concerns, and discuss the proposal with members of the project's interdisciplinary planning team.

The first will be held from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Aug. 14 at the Prairie City Senior Center, 204 N. McHaley St.

The second is from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Aug. 14 at the Harney County Chamber of Commerce, 484 N. Broadway Ave. Burns.

OBITUARIES

Clyde 'Michael' Euteneir

Clyde "Michael" Euteneir, 71, of Sumpter passed away July 22 surrounded by his loving family. Arrangements have been entrusted to Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel. To leave an online condolence, visit grayswestco.com.

BLUE MOUNTAIN HEALTHCARE FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER SCRAMBLE 2018 SATURDAY JULY 28TH

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NUMBER OF PLAYERS \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$75 EACH (GOLF AND DINNER) TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
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 PLAYER #2: NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ HANDICAP OR AVG PLAY \_\_\_\_\_  
 PLAYER #3: NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ HANDICAP OR AVG PLAY \_\_\_\_\_  
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| DAY              | H/I/L |
|------------------|-------|
| JOHN DAY TUESDAY | 98/60 |
| WEDNESDAY        | 92/61 |
| THURSDAY         | 92/55 |
| FRIDAY           | 89/52 |
| SATURDAY         | 88/52 |
| SUNDAY           | 91/49 |
| MONDAY           | 96/56 |

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WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 25-31

| Wednesday    | Thursday  | Friday        | Saturday  | Sunday     | Monday     | Tuesday      |
|--------------|-----------|---------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------------|
|              |           |               |           |            |            |              |
| Mostly sunny | Very warm | Plenty of sun | Sunny     | Hot        | Very hot   | Mostly sunny |
| <b>96</b>    | <b>95</b> | <b>93</b>     | <b>94</b> | <b>100</b> | <b>101</b> | <b>98</b>    |
| <b>53</b>    | <b>58</b> | <b>58</b>     | <b>61</b> | <b>66</b>  | <b>55</b>  | <b>56</b>    |