

## GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

### John Day Seniors

Nicky Essex



nice to see the folks from St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church. David Turner (incognito at times), Agnes and Walt Hall, Jimmy Maple and Father Christie served us well. David and Jimmy delivered meals to John Day and Canyon City, while David and his crew took meals to Mt. Vernon. Altogether, they delivered meals to 34 friends. Walt opened our time together with his passionate leadership in honoring our flag with the Pledge of Allegiance. Father Christie won the Chester's Thriftway gift card, and Bob Meador won the Valley View meal. Thanks to Ansel Krutsinger, who sponsored our meal of Greek chicken, savory rice, Caesar salad and strawberry cr me truffe for dessert. We filled almost seven tables.

Kathy Cancilla was with us to get input for the health department. We filled out anonymous surveys for the community health assessment that is going on right now. I hope they give us the results of the seniors' input. It seems to me that diet is one very serious problem for seniors, who don't get raises and can't stretch to meet the constantly rising cost of local groceries.

We will be enjoying Swiss steak with mashed potatoes and gravy Thursday, Aug. 30. Haven't seen the menu for next month yet. Monday, Sept. 3, surprise! Watch for kids going to school. Drive carefully!

*1 Samuel 16:7 "But the Lord said to Samuel, 'Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.'"*

Monday, Aug. 20, found Everett King and yours truly at the greeter's desk. Realizing again, this place could not continue to run without volunteers. Specifically on my heart, those who deliver Shay and Lisa's specially prepared home delivery meals. Once again, our Step Forward "angels" took out all 28 regular and 32 frozen meals to our homebound friends. Their leader, David Gill, usually has a group of helpers, including Rodney. These guys aren't even seniors, but they care for our seniors. Thank you all for your faithful service.

Our friends from the First Christian Church, Jan Ellison, Karen Barrietua and Roberta and Ron Dowse, were on the job, with sweet service to the tables. I think I saw Jean Willey helping out too. Jan opened our time together leading us in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American flag. The drawing winners were Olivia Cornell, who won the Len's Drug gift card, and Chris Labhart, who won the free meals. Ron Dowse gave the blessing, and we tore into our lunch with gusto. We made our own BLT sandwiches and had potato salad and pickled beets. Lisa's lemon bars were the bomb. We served four full tables. Kris and Chris Labhart had their granddaughters with them. We had a very inspired tai chi group. Thanks for your help, Ron Flores.

On Thursday, Jeanette Julrud and Everett King served at the greeter's desk. It was so

### Monument Seniors

Soo Yukawa



There has been a dramatic change in our weather. One of the mornings this past week, the temperature at our place went all the way down to 38 degrees Fahrenheit! I was quite shocked at the coldness. It seems a bit early. The sudden change gave me a sinus cold — at least that's what I think, or maybe it's the smoke from all the fires?

But, one thing is constant and that is our Tuesday lunch. Those of us that come every Tuesday are very grateful. It's so nice to get out, visit with friends and have a nice meal. Our cooks Carrie Jewell and Teawna Jewell prepared for us a salad bar with all sorts of toppings. We had such items as mushrooms, fresh tomatoes, broccoli, cauliflower, sliced turkey, sliced ham and other such yummy things. It was nice to have a refreshing salad during the hot weather. We thank our cooks.

Our greeters at the desk were Jimmy Cole, Linda Blakeslee, Kristi Guimont and Judy Harris. Judy led us in the flag salute and made the announcements, and yours truly prayed the blessing over the meal. Jimmy and Linda collected and counted the money.

We had 45 guests on the books and two takeouts. The winners of the free meal tickets were Miranda Hoodenpyl and Gary Doland. Max Breeding was the lucky winner of the Len's Drug gift card. We also celebrated a few birthdays this week. Among the birthday people were Bodean Andersen, Jerry Cowger and Sue Cavender. We also had a couple of visitors

from out of town. Sue Cavender had her daughter Jenny and her granddaughter Sierra with her. We hope the ladies had a nice visit with each other.

We received the first installment check for \$20,000 from the Joyce Miller Owens Charitable Foundation. Bruce Hansen, from Sauvie Island in Portland, helped to make it possible. We are indebted to his kindness and love for our town of Monument. We thank and appreciate the board for their generous support. This money will be used toward updating some of the building's infrastructure, such as the bathroom flooring and issues with the plumbing.

Some of you might have gotten a call at 10 p.m. during the fires and some of you didn't. It was an emergency notice telling us where the fire was and what level of emergency they considered it to be. Lonnie Lawrence did not receive such a call and was concerned so she called Sheriff Palmer. He directed her to the emergency website gcoregonlive2.com for information. It is an open app to get information for fires. So, if you need and want to know what is going on with the fires in Grant County, you may look into the website.

I was out the other early evening trying to pick some raspberries. Something had been nibbling on all the ripe ones. I finally saw the nasty culprits. They were those wasps! Grrrr. Those things have been into everything. I flicked some off with my fingers. Hmm, what to do about them?

*Luke 10:22 "All things are to me of my Father: and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son, and he to whom the Son will reveal him."*

### Prairie City Seniors

Rose Coombs



The unusual news: There is a beautiful pink-purple petunia blooming in my poor dried-up garden bed. A fulfillment of "bloom where you are planted" I guess. Except I didn't plant it! Derrol poured out a cup of water from the pitcher and an earwig came out too. Yup, it's dry. But the most peculiar thing we saw was a four-wheeler being loaded into a horse trailer. That is just not right. Someone needs to write a poem about that.

I did harvest the carrots and froze five quarts. They are also sweet. The broccoli and cauliflower did make heads, so I am encouraged there. Just need to get them planted earlier. The tomatoes bloomed mightily, and the deer ate nightly. Still thinking about that greenhouse.

Drew Harmer led the flag salute, and Jack Retherford asked the blessing. We sang happy birthday to head cook Marjean. This being her last day, we thanked summer helper Ellie for her good work. (And she got reserve champion for her turkey.) Veeann and Lisa came to help, also. We need an assistant cook. Please. Someone help us out.

Larry, Carlos and Ken made the home deliveries. We had 61 on the book. And Ken will be archery hunting for most of September, so we need some able bodies to fill in for him next month.

The gift certificate donated by the Postup was won by Bonnie Pickle. Kendra and Christine brought Donna Cox,

Mary Crawford, Thelma Kite, Dorothy Braendlin and Arleta Arnet from the Blue Mountain Care Center.

For the repast we had salmon/potato patties, pasta salad, beets, cantaloupe, rolls and banana pudding cake with ice cream for dessert. Can you tell that Marjean is having a lot of fun with the menus? And it is all delicious. You should come and try it out.

There was at least one person who was dismayed when she went to get some new reading material from the library. It wasn't where it was last week. And it will not be in the condition she found it next week. Get that? By the time for our August birthday recognition day, the library will finally be in its new dedicated, carpeted, well-lit room. Have fun!

Son number one's Polish in-laws made it back to Poland without any problems. Son number two did a great thing for his wife for their upcoming 18th anniversary: On the trip to Portland, he got a super dishwasher for a super-low price and installed it while she was at TKD as a surprise. Only bad part was that he threw his back out while doing it and so couldn't move or fix our light switch in the kitchen, which quit working. My, it's dark in there. Rigged up a hanging lamp for the duration, but one bulb sure doesn't equal four. Makes you thankful that we don't have to rely on candle-power nowadays.

*Luke 8:16 "No one lights a lamp and hides it in a jar, or puts it under a bed. Instead, he puts it on a stand, so that those who come in can see the light."*

*Luke 12:35 "Be dressed ready for service and keep your lamps burning..."*

# Church Services In Grant County

You are Invited

## CALVARY CHAPEL

SUNDAYS AT 10AM

John Day, Oregon

WWW.STRAWBERRYFELLOWSHIP.ORG  
170 SE DAYTON ST. JOHN DAY, OR 97845  
541.406.0277

**3ABN**  
Three Angels Broadcasting Network

TV & Radio Networks  
Tune into **KSPL 98.1 FM**  
Valley View Broadcasting  
PO Box 540 John Day  
Antenna: Digital Channel 15  
Blue Mountain Cable Channel 2

**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

**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

**MT. VERNON PRESBYTERIAN Community Church**

SUNDAY SERVICE.....9 am  
SUNDAY SCHOOL.....9 am

541-932-4800  
EVERYONE WELCOME

**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

**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

**Prairie Baptist Church**

238 N. McHaley St., Prairie City • 541-820-3696  
www.prairie-baptist-church.com  
Pastor David Hoeffner

Sunday School (all ages).....9:00 a.m.  
Sunday morning worship.....10:30 a.m.  
Awana (Oct.-Apr.).....3:00 p.m.  
Youth Group.....5:30 p.m.

**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  
Food Pantry Friday 3-4p.m.

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**Cornerstone Christian Fellowship**

139 N.E. DAYTON STREET, JOHN DAY  
541-575-2180

Sunday Worship Service 10 am  
Sunday Youth Group 3 pm  
Thursday Celebrate Recovery 6 pm  
Pastor Levi Manitsas  
cornerstonejohnday@gmail.com  
ccfd.org

**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  
Holy Days Mass: Noon & 6 pm

Confession: Saturday 4:00-4:45 pm  
Anytime by appointment  
541-974-8638

**St. Anne**  
Monument -  
2nd and 4th Sundays 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  
Jr./Sr. High  
Youth Connection  
Contact the office for current schedule

**Overcomer's Outreach**  
Fridays 6:30pm

**House on the Lawn**  
A Christ Centered, 12 Step  
Recovery Support Group

**Pastor Sharon Miller**  
541-932-4910  
www.livingwordcc.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

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH**

Sunday School.....10 am  
Church.....11 am  
Afternoon Service.....2 pm  
No Mid-week Services

**Pastor Jesse Gosnell**  
300 W. Main, John Day  
541-575-1355

**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

**FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

Sunday School.....9:45 am  
Sunday Worship.....11 am  
Sunday Evening Bible talk.....6 pm  
Saturday Men's Study.....6 pm

**Full Gospel- Come Grow With Us**  
541-575-1202 Church  
311 NE Dayton St, John Day  
Pastor Al Altnow  
www.fcjohnday.com