Seniors





Monday, Oct. 8, Merry Henry and Everett King were greeters. Merry and her husband, Ken, are "snow birds" and were preparing to take off for Utah the next day. Have a safe and happy time! I will really miss you. Betty Holznagel, Jeanette Kile and Buzz and Bobbie Gilmore from Redeemer Lutheran Church provided our table service. Prior to that, Bobbie and Buzz delivered meals to John Day and Canyon City, while Mo Delano and the Step Forward crew took the Mt. Vernon route. Altogether, they delivered 28 regular meals and 36 frozen meals, as well as serving 27 meals here in the center. Betty Holznagel opened our time together by leading us in the salute to our flag, Bob Meador won the \$5 Len's Drug gift certificate and Dale Stennett won the free meal. Dale then led us in the prayer of thanks for our meal. We welcomed visitors, Gary Wilson and Nancy Collins. Taco soup was on the menu, as well as tacos with refried beans, seasoned meat, lettuce, tomatoes, salsa and sour cream, corn salad and stuffed churros; it was incredible and very filling. Afterward, we went to tai chi with full tummies. Great

On Thursday, Oct. 11, Olivia Cornell and Jeanette served as greeters while Cornerstone members Linda Sprouffske, Donna Johnson, Chris Finley and Zola Pike served us at the tables. Linda and Larry Christiansen did

meal, Shay and Lisa!

meal deliveries to John Day and Canyon City while David Gill and Rodney, from Step Forward, delivered to Mt. Vernon. Altogether they delivered 35 meals to our friends at home.

Thank you so much for volunteering. Donna Johnson led us in the Pledge of Allegiance to our flag. Then Heather Swank won the Chester's Thriftway \$5 gift card, and Ron Dowse won the free meal. Linda Sprouffske blessed our meal, and we were also blessed by the family of Marianne Morris, who sponsored our meal in memory of our dear friends; daughters Laura Christman of Baker and Sue DeRosier of John Day and son Tim Morris and his wife, Donna, of Boardman shared our meal of spinach artichoke chicken, pasta, veggies, green salad, rolls and for dessert. Lisa satisfied my huge need for calories with pumpkin

Our tai chi group is growing, but there is plenty of room for you. We are enjoying ourselves and learning some new skills that help with physical balance (I haven't fallen for quite a while) and concentration (something I need to continue to improve upon). We also find tai chi to be very good exercise. Bingo is maintaining a solid group, and we look forward to the next \$200 winner soon. Next Thursday, Oct. 18, we'll have sweet and sour pork and Monday, Oct. 22, beef stew. Please be here by 11:45 a.m. so we can begin serving on time at noon.

1 Peter 2:16 "Live as free people, but do not use your freedom as a cover-up or pretext for evil; but (use it and live) as bond-servants for



GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

Terry Cade and Teawna Jewell served us wonderful spaghetti for our meal along with garlic bread, a fresh green salad and cookies for dessert. I think many of us were pretty famished because I either saw people pile it on or they went back for seconds; I plead the fifth.

Our greeters were Jimmy Cole, Linda Blakeslee, Kristi Guimont and Jan Ensign. Jan made the announcements and led us in the flag salute, Jimmy and Linda collected and counted the money, Kristi checked in the guests and yours truly prayed the blessing over our meal.

There were 42 guests on the books and one takeout. The free meal tickets were won by Betty Richards and Linda Abraham. Betty Breeding received the Len's Drug gift card.

For any ladies out there that desire to study the word of God and to be a part of a fellowship, we would love to have you join us at Kristi Guimont's house on Friday mornings from 9:15-10:45 a.m. If you would like more info, you can shoot an email to sooy333@gmail.com.

Well, this was not such a busy week, so I will continue my story from a couple of weeks ago.

When I moved the nesting boxes, there jumped out a mama mouse, and I think it was about seven or eight baby mice. They took me by surprise, and I screamed. But, hey, this former city girl started pounding the mice with a shovel. I was so glad that I had cleaned everything else out prior to moving the nests so the mice literally had nowhere to hide.

My scream drew the attention of my son. He came running over to see what was the matter, in which case I yelled that there were mice in the chicken coop, and I was killing them with a shovel. Now, him being a boy and all, he wanted to pound the mice with the shovel too, so I indulged him. I tried to bring a couple of our many kitties to catch them but they freaked out about being in the coop and ran away.

We killed the mice quickly and humanely in case there are any animal lovers out there. I did not let them go to waste and we fed them to the cats. Yup, I picked them all up by their tails and threw them to the cats.

Of course, I was wearing gloves; otherwise, that would have been gross.

These mice got in because there was a little gap in the door on the bottom. I've been leaning a big heavy cinder block to keep it closed. Hopefully that will prevent future vermin from getting in.

I think I graduated from fearful mouse killer (back in California, I found a nest in a planter and tried to kill them with a broom and screamed every time I tried to hit one) to a fearless and merciless mouse killer.

Ha. I'd say that I am getting countrified, or am I already? I'm really embracing the country life.

Psalm 8:9 "O LORD, our LORD, How excellent is Your name in all the earth!

Prairie City Seniors Rose Coombs



Tom's thought for the day: What a big difference there is between giving advice and lending a hand." Always helps if you know what you are talking about, too. Several of our volunteers lent a hand today. Margie, Tom, Dick, Veanne, Pam, Carla, Ginger, Delores, Del, Bonnie and Carol helped before and after the meal. Carlos, Larry and Ken took care of the home deliveries. That was just the meals.

Jessica Winegar from the Grant County Health Department came and administered flu shots to those who wanted them. After the meal, Crish Hamilton had her group of tai chi participants going through their paces. And if you still wanted something to do, Ginger said that the SMART reader program could use some volunteers for their endeavor. And "they" say there is nothing to do in this little burg. Ha.

Drum roll, please: The new front door is in! Soon the doors between the entry and the dining hall will be installed. Then we won't have to remind anyone to close the door, because they will close automatically. Why? Because they will have special double-swinging hinges. And you will be able to see if anyone is on the other side due to a 2-foot square of plexiglass window in the door. Oh, are we getting modern or what?

Ginger led the flag salute, and Jack asked the blessing. The winner of the gift certificate donated by Valley View Assisted Living was me.

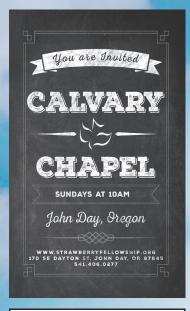
We had 56 names on the

registration book for our meal of baked ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans (and, because they were a special recipe, I had a spoonful. Yes, they were good), a roll and a pumpkin/ cheese dessert bar. The Prairie City High School government class is holding a forum to meet the candidates who are running for Prairie City mayor and council positions at 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 18, in the old gym. I think this is wonderful. When I was in PCHS 57 years ago, I had no idea who was in charge of the city. All I knew was the city recorder Zelma Wood, because she took the money for the water bill. This is a great opportunity for us as Prairie City residents to participate in our community government. So how do I know all this? Because the members of the class hand-delivered a letter to my house — and I assume to all the houses in town. I applaud their efforts. And you can even write a question for the candidates to answer. Aha. Citizen participation. Don't sit at home and complain. Find out from the "horse's mouth."

We certainly enjoyed the "gully-washer" that came through Tuesday morning. The vehicles are all clean now. Knocked a lot of leaves off the trees. The tree at the southeast corner of the church was a beautiful red extravaganza on Monday. On Tuesday night, there was a circle of red all around on the ground below it. The voters' pamphlet has appeared, so the ballots will be coming soon. Use your liberty.

Romans 13:1 "Everyone must submit himself to the governing authorities, for there is no authority except that which God has established. The authorities that exist have been established by God.'

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541-575-1355

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