

GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

John Day Seniors

Dusty Harris



with sweet red pepper pesto over pasta, spring vegetables, frog eye salad, baguettes and old-fashioned molasses cookies for dessert. It's fun when our cooks venture into different parts of the cookbook to help us try new things. It seems they always find something that I have never heard of, let alone tried! I honestly cannot express how thankful we are to have such lovely people helping us. The winner of the free meals was Don Porter with the free sundae donated by Dairy Queen won by Marie Station.

This week we have several individuals to thank including Tracy, who donated eggs for the meal again, and Don and Deda Porter, who wash the silverware every day. I bet their hands are smooth.

There are so many wonderful angels in our community who are always so willing to make our lives easier by volunteering their time, mental capacity and muscle. As the weather gets warmer, I can't wait for new things to start happening and for the constant sunshine keeping us warm and happy. I don't really think people understand how dampening the cold, dreary weather can be on someone's mood. Hopefully most by now have learned to see the silver lining in all situations, because that's what I have learned to do, and it makes life a whole lot better.

Philippians 4:8 "And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise."

Prairie City Seniors

Rose Coombs



The old saying about April showers certainly held true for Grant County so far this month! Monday night's journey to YAP class was slowed by two bridges across Canyon Creek being closed off, but we had almost everyone in attendance! Anyone who had to get to Bend had to take a longer detour. Have you ever thought about the scarcity of escape routes we have? We have to be prepared for any eventuality, whether fire or flood.

Juan led the flag salute, Jack asked the blessing and Carlos and Jay made the home deliveries. Louise LaBaugh was the winner of the free meal donated by Valley View Assisted Living.

The table centerpieces today were rabbits and baby chicks, i.e. Peeps. The table with a blue Peep went first to the serving table, and what were they served? Macaroni and cheese, chicken tenders, green salad and a roll, with pickles and olives on the tables. Our head cook, Amber, brought out the dessert first, which was peach cobbler, so those who were waiting could eat their dessert first! Ha, ha, it was delicious! Those who had to be gone surely missed a great meal.

We regret to inform you that our assistant cook, Barbara, is leaving to assume the same position in John Day. We thank her for her excellent service to us here and wish her much success in her new position.

The piano man, David Seacord, has returned for the summer and came and played "dinner music" for us. As he was playing, I was thinking about how that particular piano came to be here. In the late '60s, Bible Baptist Church (as it was known then) was offered this piano by Robert (Bob) and Donna Kimberling. I played it for years in the old sanctuary until it got moved to the Teen Center, and then it was donated to the senior citizens. It still sounds good!

We made two trips out of town for medical appointments and had to drive through snow flurries over Dixie both times! The snow measure pole still shows at least 3 feet on top of the pass. April — the month of any kind of weather. We drove through rain, almost hail, snow, wind and sunshine on the way back from Ontario.

The big news from that trip is that I finally had to submit to progress, get out of the car and fill up my own gas tank. After 60 years of driving, I guess that's a milestone. The paradox is that when gas was 30 cents a gallon, there was all kinds of service. Now at \$3, there is none. Something isn't computing in that equation. Then I saw that the day I did that was "walk on your wild side" day. No comment.

Some trivia for your consideration: Inventor and businessman Thomas Edison only received three months of formal education, no comment. Babe Ruth held the record for most home runs, but he also held the record for most strikeouts. Ponder that.

Psalm 111:2 "Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them."



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Guided wildflower hikes are planned on Mother's Day at the Painted Hills.

Ranger-led wildflower hikes planned at Painted Hills for Mother's Day

Wildflowers at Painted Hills typically peak in mid-May, just in time for a Mother's Day hike. The heavy winter snows and deluge of spring rain may make this wildflower season at Painted Hills one to remember.

Ranger-led hikes will take place on Mother's Day, May 12.

"The channels within the hillsides will be abloom with yellow rivers of wildflowers including the golden bee cleome and John Day Chaenactis," Superintendent Patrick Gamman said in a press release. "Take a guided hike this Mother's Day to revel in these views."

Wildflower photography enthusiasts can join a walk from 7-9 a.m. with frequent and potentially long stops.

Ancient Oregon's past will be the focus from 10 a.m. to noon, with designated stops along the path for discussion and discovery.

Both hikes will journey through areas of the park that are normally off-limits to the public. This free program takes place along uneven terrain with varying surfaces. The trail gains 400 feet in elevation, traverses steep, vegetated hills and is about 2 miles in length. Children should be at least 5 years old to attend.

Participants are encouraged to wear long pants and sturdy shoes with ankle protection. Bring plenty of water, sun protection, snacks and a camera. Pets are not allowed on these guided hikes, and children cannot be carried or pushed in a stroller.

Each walk is limited to 20 people, and spots can be reserved by calling 541-987-2333 or e-mailing joda.interpretation@nps.gov. Last year, both hikes filled to capacity.

The summer's full schedule of daily walks and talks begins on June 1. Additional special events are planned throughout the summer. Visitors should check the monument's website at nps.gov/joda or call the visitor center at 541-987-2333 for more information.

Church Services In Grant County



TV & Radio Networks
Tune into KSPL 98.1 FM
Valley View Broadcasting
PO Box 151, Mt Vernon, Or 97865
Antenna: Digital Channel 15
Blue Mountain Cable Channel 2

Prairie Baptist Church

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

St. Thomas Episcopal Church

Morning Prayer.....10 am
(1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)
Eucharist & Sunday School.....10 am
(2nd & 4th Sundays)
139 S. Washington, Canyon City
541-620-1436



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

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

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



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



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
Tuesdays at 6:30PM

Overcomer's Outreach
Fridays 6:30pm
Use Main Entry Front Doors
A Christ Centered, 12 Step Recovery Support Group
Pastor Sharon Miller
541-932-4910
www.livingwordcc.com

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 Evening 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

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

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church

Corner of S Canyon Blvd and SW 2nd
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

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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Redeemer Lutheran Church

Come Worship with us at
627 SE Hillcrest, John Day
1st Sunday Worship/Communion.....10am
3rd Sunday Worship/Communion/Potluck...4:30pm
2nd, 4th & 5th Sunday Worship10 am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study.....6 pm
For information: 541-575-2348

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

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: Sonshine Christian School
Pastor Randy Johnson
521 E. Main • John Day • 541-575-1895
www.johndaynazarene.com

MT. VERNON PRESBYTERIAN Community Church

SUNDAY SERVICE.....9 am
SUNDAY SCHOOL.....9 am
541-932-4800
EVERYONE WELCOME

FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday School.....9:45 am
Sunday Worship.....11 am
Fox Community Church.....3 pm
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