

Grant County Fair celebrates first day



Friends Kaila Shaffer, 7, of John Day and Alana Spence, 8, of Prairie City enjoy a cool treat Wednesday at the fair.

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Sydnie Brandon, front, and Abbie Justice of John Day had turkeys at the fair. Brandon won Grand Champion in Showmanship Turkey and Reserve Champion in Market. Justice won Champion in Market and Reserve Champion in Intermediate Showmanship. Both 13-year-olds are members of the 4-H Strawberry Riders, Etc. club.



Emma Field, 10, of Prairie City combs her Peidmontese hereford cross on Wednesday in preparation for the Grant County Fair in John Day.



Drew Lusco of Mt. Vernon grooms his market goat with help from Laura Brown of John Day Wednesday on day one of the Grant County Fair.



Skylar Watson, 16, and his cousin Keilon Watson, 11, are having fun Wednesday at the Grant County Fairgrounds pavilion.



Lauryn Pettijohn, 15, of Seneca and Katelyn Hughes, 16, of Mt. Vernon walk across the grassy field where the Party Works inflatables are being set up for the fair. Hughes had a steer in the fair.

REPORTER

The Blue Mountain Eagle, a family-owned weekly newspaper in a stunningly beautiful Oregon community, seeks an energetic, dedicated reporter.

The Eagle is located in John Day, where seeing deer in front yards is normal and traffic is unheard of, just three hours from Bend and Pendleton. Surrounded by scenic forests and dissected by mountain streams, the location offers year-round recreational opportunities, including fishing, hunting, backpacking, camping, snowmobiling and horseback riding.

Despite the picturesque environment, the community is at the center of an evolving natural resource restoration economy, which gains statewide and even national attention.

Despite the small-town charm, the residents are engaged and politically active in local and national debates, and hard-hitting stories are never hard to find. Ongoing topics include state and federal policies, forest health, logging, public lands grazing, water supply, wildlife habitat improvements and wildfire resilience, in addition to coverage of small-town life and local government. The position offers a wealth of breaking news and enterprise opportunities.

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