Bank of Eastern Oregon celebrates 75 years

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Bank of Eastern Oregon is celebrating its 75th anniversary.

The bank was founded in 1945 by a group of farmers and ranchers who saw a need for banking services in Eastern Oregon, according to a company press release. Banding together with others, they formed the Gilliam County Bank in Arlington.

In the 1950s, the bank expanded, opening branches in Heppner and Ione and changing its name to Bank of Eastern Oregon to represent its growth into new rural areas. The headquarters moved to Heppner where it is still located.

"Our current mission hasn't changed from what our founders established in 1945," CEO Jeff Bailey said in the release. "We still serve the needs of our rural communities, our local markets, by providing them financial services. In some areas we're not only

the only bank in town, we're the only bank in the county. And we take pride in that."

Beginning in February, each of the bank's 20 branches will host an open house week to commemorate the 75th anniversary. The Arlington and Condon branches will be the first to host, the week of Feb. 10-14. A historical video can be viewed at each open house. The video link can also be accessed at beobank.com under the "News & Links" tab.

For 75 years BEO Bancorp, holding company for Bank of Eastern Oregon, has grown to operate a primarily rural portfolio of 20 branches and four loan production offices in 12 Eastern Oregon and four eastern Washington counties.

Bank of Eastern Oregon also operates a mortgage division and administers its Washington branches and loan production offices under the name of Bank of Eastern Washington.

Temperatures near normal in January

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Temperatures in John Day averaged near normal during the month of January, according to preliminary data received by NOAA's National Weather Service in Pendleton.

The average temperature was 32.9 degrees, which was right at normal. High temperatures averaged 40.8 degrees, which was 1.7 degrees below normal. The highest was 51 degrees on Jan. 8. Low temperatures averaged 25 degrees, which was 1.6 degrees above normal.

The lowest was 7 degrees on Jan.

17 There were 29 days with the low temperature below 32 degrees. There were three days when the high temperature stayed below 32 degrees.

Precipitation totaled 1.05 inches during January, which was 0.07 inches above normal. Measurable precipitation was received on 19 days with the heaviest, 0.17 inches, reported on Jan. 1.

Since October, the water year precipitation at John Day has been 1.79 inches, which is 2.77 inches

below normal.

Snowfall totaled 1.9 inches with at least 1 inch of snow reported on one day. The heaviest snowfall was 1.5 inches reported on Jan. 14. The greatest depth of snow on the ground was 2 inches on Jan. 17.

The outlook for February from NOAA's Climate Prediction Center calls for near-normal temperatures and near-normal precipitation. Normal highs for John Day during February are 47.4 degrees and normal lows are 23.9 degrees. The 30-year normal precipitation is 0.75 inches.

BTI to provide wilderness first aid training to OTEC employees

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Baker Technical Institute is pleased to announce that Oregon Trail Electric Co-op has partnered with BTI to provide employees from across the OTEC service territory with remote first aid training at its Baker City facility.

BTI will provide a two-day course that focuses on general medical concepts and basic life support for emergencies encountered in remote settings. An emphasis will be placed on hands-on activities, including patient assessment drills as a major tool, in a learning environment that is relevant and realistic.

The course is taught by professional instructors with significant patient care and backcountry experience. Lead instructor Dr. Kaare Tinglestad is a physician who has trained emergency medical service agencies, wilderness guides, military and fellow medical professionals from around the globe how to care for patients who have sustained injuries or illness in remote situations.

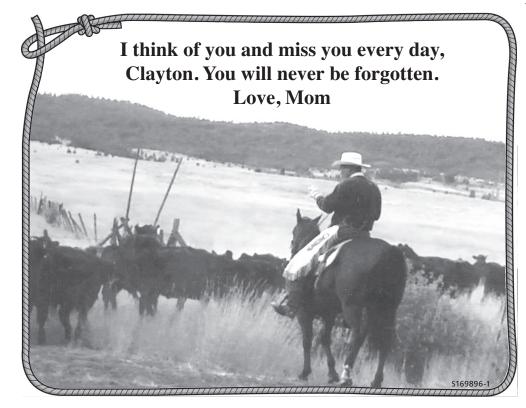
Some of the specific course topics will include the patient assessment system, CPR, circulatory system, nervous system, respiratory system, fractures, stable injuries, splints, hypothermia, heat illness, near drowning, electrical and lightning injuries, wounds and burns, anaphylaxis, lifting, moving extrication, patient carries and backcountry medicine-related other issues.

The course is designed specifi-

cally by BTI for utility workers which includes key details such as items they may have in their service trucks to treat patients, what environments they work in and what emergencies they are most likely to encounter. Additionally, patient assessment drills and simulations will also be specific to this group's operations and their environment in Eastern Oregon to create the optimal training exercise.

Upon successful completion students will receive a three-year international certification in wilderness first aid and adult CPR.

For more information about wilderness medicine courses at BTI or to enroll in one of the various other programs visit bakerti.org or call 541-524-2651.



Free Quickbooks class planned

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The Eastern Oregon University Small Business Development Center is sponsoring a free Introduction to Quick-Books class from 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Feb. 22, in the Integrated Services Building, Room 147, located at 1607 Gekeler Lane, La Grande. Preregistration is required to attend. To register, call 541-962-1532.

OBITUARIES

Warren Friedrich

June 8, 1923 – Jan. 31, 2020 Warren Friedrich, 96, of Mt. Vernon passed away Friday, Jan. 31, 2020, at his residence. Memorial contributions in his name can be made to Blue Mountain Hospice through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845. To offer an online condolence to the family, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

Betty J. Murray

Betty J. Murray passed away Feb. 2 at her home in Hood River. Murray was born in Mitchell on Sept. 7, 1929, and was 90 years of age at the time of her passing. Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center, Hood River. Visit andersonstributecenter.com to leave a note of condolence for the family.

Gandalf O'Daugherty

Gandalf O'Daugherty, 61, of Prairie City, Oregon, died Jan. 11, 2020. He is survived by his partner, Kathleen Evans; sister Linda; and his niece and nephew. He will be missed by all who knew him.

Nadia Lou Schultz

Nov. 8, 1937 — Jan. 24, 2020

Nadia Lou Schultz, 82, of Prairie City, Oregon, passed

away on Jan. 24, 2020, at her residence at the Blue Mountain Care Center in Prairie City, Oregon, Nadia will be interred in the Prairie City Cemetery, and a memorial service will be held at a later date at the Prairie Baptist Church in Prairie City. Details will be announced soon.

Nadia was born on Nov. 8, 1937, in Harper, Oregon, to Basal and Iva (Dooley) Turner. She attended Benton High School and graduated in

1955. On May 16, 1958, Nadia married William Jacob Schultz in Canyon City, Oregon. She worked as a Curator for DeWitt Museum and retired in 2013.

Nadia loved crocheting, quilting, knitting, rock hunting, fishing and Bible study. Genealogy was a real passion of study for many years. She was the founder of the Awana program at Prairie Baptist Church and Commander of Awana for over 25 years. She was also a member of the Grant County Museum Board.

Survivors include her husband, William "Bill" Schultz of Prairie City; children, Darrell Schultz of Hermiston, Oregon, Nila Price of Dallas, Texas, Andy Schultz of Grants Pass, Oregon, and Michael Schultz of Kalama, Washington; brother Biff Turner of Prineville, Oregon; sister La Rue Pryse of Prairie City, Oregon; brother Robert Schultz in Shelbyville, Indiana; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Basal and Iva Turner; and brother, Dale Turner.

Should friends and family desire, memorial contributions may be made to the Prairie Baptist Church through Driskill Memorial Chapel at 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

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CORRECTION

In the Jan. 29 edition, the Blue Mountain Eagle misidentified a wrestler in a photo caption. The Eagle identified the wrestler as McKay Anderson from Baker/Powder Valley. The wrestler in the photo was Heppner/ Ione's Suzy Cason. Additionally, the caption read that Anderson finished third in her bracket. Ashley Henry — not Anderson — finished third in the bracket. The Eagle regrets the errors



Mildred A. Greenwood, 97, of Unity, Oregon and recently of John Day, Oregon passed away at Valley View Assisted Living Facility in John Day on January 27, 2020. There will be a graveside service on June 10, 2020 at the Unity Cemetery, the time of the service will be announced later. There will be a reception at the Unity City Park following the graveside service. Mildred Addie Packard was born in Bartlesville, Oklahoma on March 9, 1922 to Sara Evie McGuire and Silas B Packard. She was the oldest of seven children. She grew up in little towns in the Bartlesville area and went to school there until she was in 9th grade. One weekend, when Mildred was 15 years old, she went to her cousin's community church, and there she met her future husband. Off and on they would see each other at country dances, box suppers, and weekend events. A few years later, Carl Greenwood asked for her hand in marriage when she was 18 years old. Their wedding was on June 10, 1940.

Carl & Mildred lived on his family's farm on the Oglesby area on Hogshooter Creek. After working alongside his dad on the farm for a year, milking cows, farming, and selling the milk and cream, his parents retired and moved to town leaving the ranch to the young couple. Mildred worked alongside her husband, doing the farm chores, drawing water out of a well, washing laundry on a wash board and raising children. Carlene was born May 29, 1941, Jay was born January 18, 1943, and Kay was born April 27, 1945.

In 1947, Carl and Mildred decided to sell the farm, and they sold everything they had, packed up the kids and suitcases, and rode a train and moved to Unity, Oregon. After a year, Carl was homesick and they moved back to Oklahoma. Their youngest son, Joe, was born on January 31, 1949. Their family moved back to Oregon in 1957, and this time they stayed. Carl worked on a ranch in the Unity area for the next 40 years, and eventually passed away from Alzheimer's in 2002.

Mildred & Carl enjoyed almost 60 years together, working side-by-side, farming and country living. Mildred remembered decorating a shoebox for a box supper and filling it with fried chicken and other goodies, and cake or pie. Then, that evening the boxes would be auctioned off at the Box Social and Carl would try to buy Mildred's box so he could eat supper with her!

Mildred also enjoyed playing in her family's band every Saturday night for country dances. Mildred played the guitar, her dad played the fiddle, her brother's played fiddle & base fiddle, and even her husband liked to play the guitar and fiddle. They were a little country band, called the Packard Cowboy Band, that brought great musical entertainment to the community on the weekends. Mildred had many hobbies over the years including sewing, quilting, knitting, crocheting, baking, and she loved reading and crocheting dishcloths for people.

She is survived by her children Jay Greenwood (Eddie June); Carlene Greenwood Herburger (Richard); Kay Greenwood Silva (Lee) and Joe Greenwood (Lea); one sister; two brothers; and numerous nieces and nephews. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and 10 great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Carl Greenwood and her parents, Sara and Silas Packard. Paid for by the family of Mildred A. Greenwood.

To offer online condolences to the family, visit: www.grayswestco.com.

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Saturday	Possible snow	Rain	Cloudy	Possible snow	Mostly sunny	Sunny	Mostly sunny
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