GRANT COUNTY SENIORS





Hope everyone had a wonderful Easter with your loved ones. He is risen! Our cooks made a special lunch for just the occasion. Terry Cade and Carrie Jewell made roast pork, scalloped potatoes, carrots, dinner rolls and cheesecake for dessert. We thank our cooks for being ever faithful in their duty to feed the hungry people of Monument. Ha.

There were 51 takeout meals ordered. Kristi Guimont took care of all the paperwork. She also helped deliver some meals to some people who have a more difficult time getting out and about. Bob Cockrell collected the and Aubrieanna Osborne helped to deliver the meals to the people waiting in their cars. We thank everyone who volunteers their time and for their help in their physical labor. People who quietly do all these behind the scenes are what makes the backbone of our community. We are so thankful for everyone's help.

Shawnah Clark will be coming on April 22 and May 13 to see patients at the Monument Senior Center. If you would like to make an appointment, please call the Blue Mountain Hospital to set that up.

We have been having very warm weather so I and my family started to do a little work out in the garden. We planted some potatoes. I have to get another wire cage ready to plant some more. My kids and hubby pulled out some weeds and cleaned

up one raised bed. We added a bit of some aged chicken poop, and my oldest and I stomped it down. We did that because if we left the dirt all "fluffy," you know the cats would come calling and thinking, "Ooo, a litter box!"

I am going to have to go through some of my beds because the darn cats have pooped in them, using them as their own personal litter box and I don't want to eat something grown with cat poop in it. Ew.

I saw that my asparagus and rhubarb are growing! I believe we can harvest some asparagus this year, and I am really excited. I am going to try and plant some more asparagus when I move the rhubarb to a different location. Hopefully I will have time this week and be out in the garden a lot.

I went in to the town of Bend a few days ago to pick up a goat milking stand. I found it on Craig's List. I saw that the ad had been up for almost a month, and I contacted the person if it was still available and if the price was negotiable. It was, and I did get the price down a bit.

Only had a little drama because the milking stand was taller than the canopy covering of our truck. Luckily, the woman was really handy with a handheld circular saw and we cut the wood pieces down. The stand was for big nubian goats, and mine are dwarves, so it worked out. I just think I have got to get me one of those saws!

Psalm 91:5-6 "Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; Nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; Nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

Prairie City Seniors **Rose Coombs**



utes. As I write this, it is a beautiful, warm, clear skies kind of day. But it is April. And we have our first flowers a-bloomin' — dandelions. Derrol said he heard a frog over at the cemetery trying out his croak. Was having little problem getting it

tuned up.

Just want to remind you all that we are still in the business of serving a hot meal each Wednesday. You just have to come and pick it up between 11:30 a.m. and 12 p.m. Be sure to call in to make sure you have a meal to pick up. Really helps the cooks if you did it before Tuesday. And if you can donate a dollar more for the unexpected cost of the takeout boxes, that would really help the grocery bill.

So we enjoyed beef stroganoff over noodles, green beans, a slice of garlic bread and a frosted lemon bar. And I am here to tell you that beef stroganoff was srumpdiddlyumptious! And I dearly love lemon bars. Then you put frosting on them and oh, yummy,

yummy. Good job, ladies!

Finally got the utility room project finished. Had to give up and let Son No. 2 do the access hole cover trim. Sure is nice to have him around to do these little tasks for me. He comes from a long line of carpenters. My grandfather was a union carpenter on the Grand Coulee Dam in Washington state before World War II. So mother and I came by it naturally. Joel is the only one of his kids, grandkids or great-grandkids that pursued the building trades. Kind of like music, it's in the blood.

Now that I've gotten the hall project done, I can really get to thinking about my garden this year. And I've done more than think! Made some purchases to that end that are out where I can see them every day in order to remind me to think and plan some more. Since we have no lawn to maintain, all of our water resources can go to make food for the freezer. The formula is to think outside of the box. That means, all the seeds don't have to be planted inside the enclosed garden bed. There are other ways to achieve the same purpose. So progress is being made!

Easter observance was different this year, but the message is still the same: He is risen!

Luke 24:45-48 "Then He opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. He told them, 'This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day and repentance and forgivness of sins will be preached in His Name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

He is risen indeed!

OUT OF THE PAST

75 years ago Kimberly soldier takes part in crucial operation in Philippine Campaign

With the 24th Infantry (Victory) Division in the Philippines - The company of Sergeant Jame H. Cimmiyotti, of Kimberly, Oregon stopped the Japanese suicidal sabotage mission cold.

In a crucial operation in the Philippines campaign the unit, Company "G" of the Victory Division's fighting 34th Infantry Regiment, was sent deep behind enemy lines to block the route which offered the Japanese access to our flanks.

In 28 days of fighting in continuous rain they defeated a program to blow up our artillery, motor pools and supply dumps which had been outlined in secret orders of General Yamashita, that were found on a dead Japanese officer.

The company patrolled the area continuously. Fifteen times the small units flushed suicide squads and dispersed them. The majority carried 20 pound packages of TNT in which hand grenades had been inserted. Not one of the enemy missions materialized.

The Japanese attacked the company's base of operations on a ridge five times, trying to force it to withdraw, but all were beaten. Three of the attacks were in pitch darkness. At times the Japanese were within seventeen feet of the perimeter positions. Once they attacked with bayonets tied to sticks.

One man in "G" Company was killed. Ten were wounded.

25 years ago J.C. Oliver III awarded prestigious AgStar Award

J.C. Oliver III, a fourth generation Grant County cattle rancher from Bear Valley, has been named as this year's individual recipient of the AgStar Award.



J.C. Oliver III

His selection was announced last week by the Agricultural Committee of the Salem Area Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with Oregon AgFest.

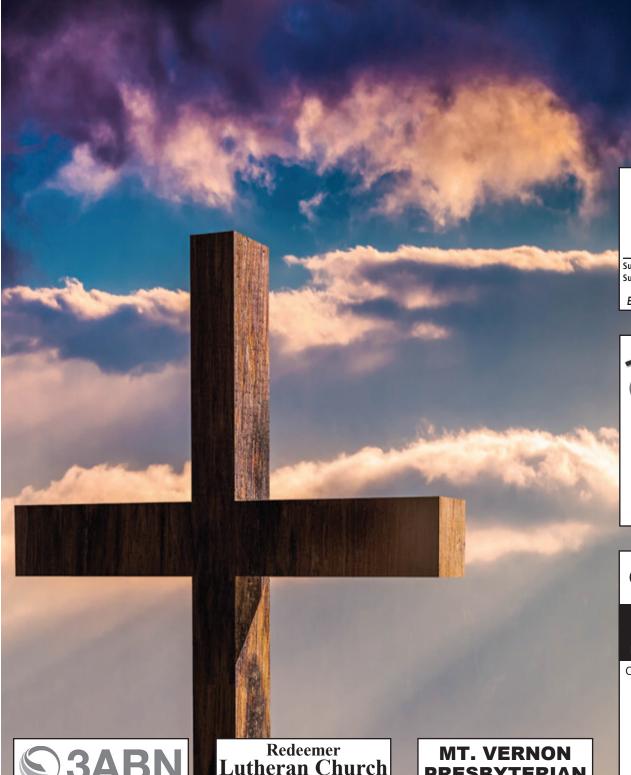
The AgStar Awards are presented annually to individuals and organizations noted for their support of, and contribution to Oregon Agriculture.

In an unusual move, both the individual and organization AgStar awards this year will be presented to eastern Oregonians.

The organization award will be presented to Ed Ziari and IRZ Consulting of Hermiston.

Recipients were selected based on the recommendations from their peers. Nominating Oliver for this year's individual award were the Grant County Chamber of Commerce, the Grant County office of the Oregon State University Extension Service and Mt. Vernon area rancher Rick Page. Oliver's Roots go back to the gold rush days when his great grandfather first came to the John Day Valley. He was able to save enough money to purchase the Crown Ranch east of john Day where he established a dairy farm. In later years, the Oliver brothers moved into sheep ranching.

"You've got to take care of what you have, you can't abuse it," he said of his ranching operations in Bear Valley, east of Seneca. "You treat it right and it will treat you right."



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