

GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

John Day Seniors
Dusty Harris



Well, I guess summer is yet to come.

I have news! I don't know about you, but I'm ready to sit down with friends and have a wonderful lunch and draw names for door prizes and, yes, the silent auction. Wow, I saw one of the auction pieces and thought I need to bid on that! I thought about making up stories to fit if we were there, but names slip my mind. Aren't you glad I remember by person? I do miss you all.

On Monday, June 15, we had barbecue ribs, veggie salad, oven-roasted potatoes and apple pie bars. Yum, yum.

On Thursday, June 18, we will have egg salad croissant, corn chowder and lemon sandwich cookies, sponsored by Blue Mountain Hospital Auxiliary. Thank you.

On June 22, we will have baked chicken, cornbread dressing, veggies and rhubarb-berry crumble.

Stay safe and enjoy your week.

Monument Seniors
Soo Yukawa



Terry Cade and Carrie Jewell made for our lunch this week chicken fajitas with corn tortillas, refried beans, Spanish rice and brownies for our dessert. We all enjoyed eating it so we thank our cooks! It is so nice that we can still enjoy our one meal that we don't have to cook.

Kristi Guimont and Jan Ensign helped to count the money and do the paperwork. Bob Cockrell collected the money from the patrons. Aubreianna Osborne collected the money from everyone who came

in their cars to pick up their lunch. We truly are blessed for having this meal available to us every week. I hope that we can get together soon. I am pretty sure that everyone wants to be able to come to the senior center, have a nice meal and sit and visit with everyone.

A bunch of us folks were really blessed this week. Our friend Bruce Hansen brought down for us fresh-picked strawberries from the Portland area, and oh they were so good. My family and I were just gobbling them up. Thanks so much for taking the time to pick those up for us and driving them down to us Bruce. We sure do appreciate you! My family and I almost ate up a whole flat. The rest, my daughter and I washed and froze. I hope to make some jam this week.

A lot of my zucchini, Armenian cucumbers and even my Korean melon seeds that I planted are coming up! Whoo hoo! Anyone need some plants? Ha.

I have a praise report that I must share. Do you remember that a couple of weeks prior that I had written that my family and I were woken up at about 3 a.m. in the morning because of the loud thunder and lightning storm that was passing through? I also wrote that everyone went back to bed, but I felt led by the Holy Spirit to pray, and I prayed in the Spirit for about an hour before falling asleep again. You know, the Lord burdens our hearts to pray and so we do it out of obedience.

While we were outside working around the gardens, my son said he found a tree near our house that he thought got struck by lightning. Well, my hubby, one of our girls, my son and I went to go investigate. That tree was indeed struck by lightning, and it had shattered with a radius of about 50 feet. I would say that it was maybe around 150 yards from our home. I believe that through the prayer prompted by the Holy Spirit caused that rain to fall, and praise God, for that tree had black burn marks. I am pretty sure

that it would have started a fire, but the Lord put it out with his rain. Sometimes we don't know what we need to pray over, but the Holy Spirit does, and if we allow him to lead us and we obey, God can put out fires in our lives.

Psalm 40:5 "Many, O LORD my God, are Thy wonderful works which Thou hast done, and Thy thoughts which are to usward: They cannot be reckoned up in order unto Thee: If I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered."

Prairie City Seniors
Rose Coombs



Did you realize that there are seven dining out businesses in Prairie City? That is remarkable! Being as how they are not all open 24/7, they all manage to keep going. So we make eight — once a week. To help us out, there are some faithful donors to our entree program. Last week was Huffman's Market. This time it was the city of Prairie City's turn. So what is the entree program, you may ask. Very simply, it is a donation to our food budget so that we can prepare hot meals especially for those seniors in the community who may not have the means to do it for themselves. This is a federal program to assist senior citizens primarily, but the meals are available to all. The bonus is the social engagement. At least it was until March. But we have not missed preparing and delivering meals during the shutdown. And if you call in, you can pick up a delicious meal at our front door and take it home to eat. An extra expense since the pandemic is the cost of the take-out boxes. So the meals cost \$5 and the box \$1. Again, that is the suggested donation. If you really want a meal each week, but can't afford it, there is another program called Meals on

Wheels that you can apply for. Since most seniors are on a limited, fixed income, that is why this program was established 50 years ago. So come on down and join us!

Our meal was a very generous helping of meatloaf, cheesy potatoes, green beans, a roll and delicious upside-down cherry cake. You may pick up your meal beginning at 11:30 a.m. So don't plan on waiting until noon, because there might not be any left then. To make sure you get a meal just call in on Tuesday. The answering machine will record your call.

For the first time in several years, I did get the garden all planted before June 10, and it all came up! Even the carrots! And all these nice rains have really helped. PTL. Saw that there were some big disturbances in the plot after one rain. Not sure what kind of critter left their hoof prints, but doesn't look like anything was eaten. Hmm. Working on deer fencing that won't look like — as Dad would say — some widow woman's project. (Ahem.) So all that's needed now is sunshine, water and weeding.

The new grapevine starts have taken off and are climbing toward the sky. And the surprise violet is just a-blooming all over itself! The transplanted peonies are still growing. I put sunflowers between them on the south side of the shed. They should like that!

Meanwhile back in the shop: Got one coat of super tough varnish on the old Forest Service table. So it's still in progress. But when I get that done, that will be two projects that have been completed this year after many years of delay. Better watch out, huh?

Got to watch the old Tom Hanks movie "Big" finally. Have seen clips of the floor piano and wondered what it was all about. Now I know. Be careful what you wish for.

Numbers 11:29 "... I wish that all the LORD's people were prophets and that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!"

OUT OF THE PAST

50 years ago
Event makes reading real to Grant County youths

Take 52 kids just out of school, put them in a mountain valley retreat with a pond, deer, good food and few distractions like piano lessons or baseball games, mix with five teachers, also just out of school, six friendly counselors to try and keep track of the kids, add a program of reading instruction that emphasizes fun and what do you have?

A summer fun-shop at Lake Creek recreation area called "Reading Makes It," that's what. During the first two weeks of June, youngsters from all over Grant County have participated in a federally funded special program designed to help bright children read better by reading for enjoyment not a grade.

Program director Bob Batty said the aim of the camp was to provide a non-competitive experience in reading where the children could receive more individual attention and set their own pace.

Each day, for instance, a contract would be made between the students and the teachers, with the children deciding how much was to be read during the day, from five books to five pages. Rewards of free time were made when contracts were fulfilled by each part. The students were given the opportunity to judge their own performances, too.

25 years ago
Fishing isn't all glamour

Sometimes fishing means getting down and grubby to save your tackle if it gets snagged, as Miles Allen, 5, son of Terry and Janice Allen of Prairie City learned this past Saturday at the Trout Farm, site of this year's fishing derby. Saturday was the annual statewide Free Fishing Day, held in conjunction with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, U.S. Forest Service and Oregon State Police. The free fishing lured about 50 people to the Trout Farm Campground, approximately 16 miles south of Prairie City on County Road 16 to try their luck.

Prairie Baptist Church
238 N. McHaley St., Prairie City
541-820-3696
www.prairie-baptist-church.com
Pastor David Hoeffner
Pastor Keith DeHart

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

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live Sunday 10am

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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

JOHN DAY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday Worship • 9AM
(541) 575-1326
johndayUMC@gmail.com
126 NW Canton, John Day
Food Pantry Friday 3-4PM

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New Life Bible Church

2 Corinthians 5:17

Every Sunday in the L.C. Community Center
(Corner of Second & Allen)
Contact Paster Ed Studtmann at 541-421-3888 • Begins at 4:00pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Sunday School..... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.. 10:50 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship.. 10:50 a.m.
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 & 4th Sundays at 12:30 pm

Office Hours
Monday - Friday 9 am - 12 Noon

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

Living Word Christian Center

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
Contact the office for current schedule

Overcomer's Outreach
Fridays 6:30pm

House on the Lawn
A Christ-Centered, 12-Step Recovery Support Group
Pastor Sharon Miller
541-932-4910
www.livingwordcc.com

3ABN
Three Angels Broadcasting Network

24/7 Inspirational Christian Broadcasting

Tune into KSPL 98.1 FM

For more information, call 541 620-0340

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 Worship..... 10am
Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6pm

For information: 541-575-2348

MT. VERNON PRESBYTERIAN Community Church

SUNDAY SERVICE 9 am

541-932-4800
EVERYONE WELCOME

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

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

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 Manitas
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