

John Day and Grant County to host virtual work session

By Steven Mitchell
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The city of John Day and the Grant County Court will host a joint virtual work session at 1 p.m. Oct. 14 at the Grant County Regional Airport.

The list of items to be discussed includes the transient lodging tax, infrastructure improvements and a Gleason Pool replacement.

According to the public notice, the city and court plan to evaluate the transient tax rate and weigh the pros and cons of increasing the rate within John Day city limits to provide local government decision-making authority to disperse the revenue.

The city, according to notice, will propose to fund a broadband increase to the courthouse in exchange for financial assistance from the county

ATTEND VIRTUALLY

Web access: global.gotomeeting.com/join/333257157

Phone access: 646-749-3122

Access Code: 333-257-157

As ordered by Governor Brown, face masks are required for entrance to the building and social distancing guidelines will be maintained for participants. Seating is limited and preference will be given to those on the agenda. If seating is unavailable, participants will be asked to wait outside the building and may join by phone or computer using the information provided above.

to make repairs to the airport and Fourth Street.

With Gleason Pool permanently closed and Mt. Vernon and Canyon City's decision to opt out of the proposed taxing district, the city wants to go back to the drawing board and devise a new plan, according to the

agenda.

"We believe the voters need a chance to vote on whether to build it, but we have to have an operating plan that works. We would like to discuss how to re-evaluate this in light of the decision made by those cities," the agenda states.



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Gleason Pool in John Day is closed. The city and Grant County Court will discuss future options in a meeting Oct. 14.

Painted Sky Center for the Arts now has office hours

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The office at Painted Sky Center for the Arts is now open from 9 a.m. to noon Mondays through Thursdays at 118 Washington St. in Canyon City.

October classes include beginning and intermediate oil painting; life drawing or painting sessions; knit and purl; Friday Art Club; Young Writers Club; and music lessons.

Sculpting, leatherworking, pottery and additional music lessons will be coming soon.

College Talk Tuesdays offer community members information on schools

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In Grant County, residents interested in learning about college are welcome to join weekly virtual discussions hosted by the Grant County Oregon State University Extension Office.

OSU Open Campus Coordinator Didgette McCracken said the discussions, "College Talk Tuesdays," cover everything from college housing to filling out college applications and financial aid paperwork from 7-8 p.m. every Tuesday at the Extension Office.

McCracken said the talks feature experts and



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Didgette McCracken, campus coordinator, Grant County Oregon State University Extension Office.

representatives from different colleges or trade schools to talk about various educational

options and careers.

"It is about connecting people with resources vir-

tually because of the situation that we're in with COVID and then just bringing in experts that can talk about different programs that relate to college or a trade school," she said.

Last week covered the application process for community colleges and private and public universities and tips and tricks for applying.

The most recent session, McCracken said, covered the Free Application for Federal Student Aid process.

She said anyone could access previous sessions and sign up for future sessions by visiting gateway.oregonstate.edu/college-talk-tuesdays.

McCracken said the FAFSA application process can be overwhelming, and the information sessions online and the Extension Office are both a valuable resource for anyone looking to attend college or a trade school.

"You certainly don't have to do (the FAFSA application) today or tomorrow or the next day, but it's a lot better to do it in the month of October than it is in May or June," she said. "There's no reason to not do it right now and just get it over with, and have it off your plate because there's other scholarships, there's other applications, there's just way more things to do if you're a senior in high school."

Wayne Stewart Scholarship winners announced

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The Wayne Stewart Scholarship awarded \$644,800 to 97 students this year.

The following students received \$6,700: Jennie Adams Vertz Purcell, Taylor Allen, Beau Bigo, Kade Blood, Tyler Blood, Fallen Bolman, Aubrey Bowls, Gage Brandon, Sydney Brockway, Rylee Browning, Erin Cantrell, Joshua Carpenter, Hailey Carter, Amy Charette, Victoria Coalwell, Caroline Colson, Andrea Comer, McKinzie Dawson, Christopher Deiter, Tanner Elliott, Kyla Emerson, Rilee Emmel, Samantha

Floyd, Virginia Frazier, Nathan Gehley, Mason Gerry, Stephanie Gilbert, Cameron Hallgarth, James Hercher, Cassandra Hire, Cherise Holmstrom, Trinity Hutchison, Aidan Johnston-Bromeling, Nicole Jones, Marcia Judd, Ellie Justice, Maggie Justice, Stefan Kelly, Mya Kilby, Teela Kilby, James Kreamier Jr., Soren Larson, Avery Lenz, Grant LeQuieu, Shaine Madden, Daven Mauseth, Opie McDaniel, Carson McKay, Baylee Metcalf, McKeely Miller, William Molt, Alcie Moore, Alondra Moreno, Tristan Morris, Heather Mosley, Mariah Moulton, Katie Nicolato, Jeffrey Parolini, Jay Patel, Haley Pfeffer-

korn, Savanna Randleas, Meggan Russell, Tiffnie Schmadeka, Reagan Shelley, Tina Shorts, Donovan Smith, Marissa Smith, Emily Springer, Nicholas Springer, Natalie Stearns, Duane Stokes, Macy Strong, Maya Thomas, Jandy Torland, Denali Twehues, Fallon Weaver, Wyatt Weaver, Lindsey Webb, Averie Wenger, Drew Wilburn, Breanna Wilson, Charlee Wolf, Carleanne Wright, Hailie Wright, Kaylee Wright, Mariah Wright, Reitta Wyllie and Brianna Zwegyardt.

The following students received \$5,000: Brogan McKrola, Dinorha Vidrio Landin and Tiler Voigt.

American Legion Auxiliary birthday calendars coming Oct. 22

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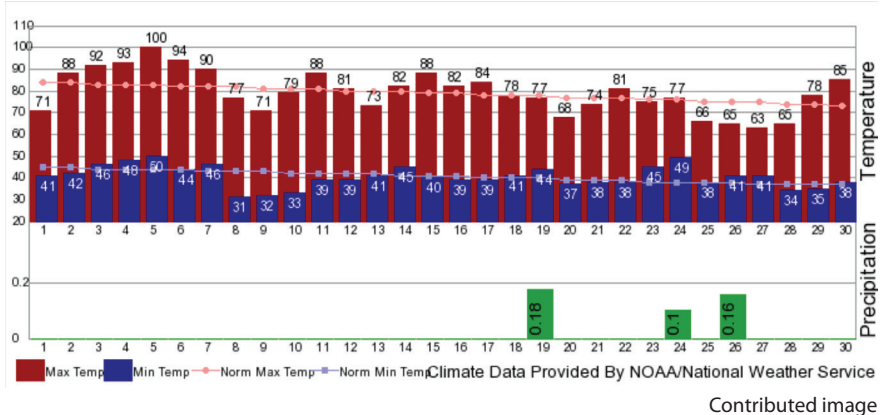
American Legion Auxiliary birthday calendars will be available Oct. 22.

People can pick them up from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Oct. 22 at the American Legion Auxiliary Hall, 307 SW Front St., Prairie City.

For more information, call Pam Howard at 541-820-3794 or the hall at 541-820-3692.

Preliminary data show John Day temperatures were near normal in September

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Temperatures were near normal in John Day in September.

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

The average temperature was 60 degrees, which was 0.2 degrees above normal. High temperatures averaged 79.5 degrees, which was 0.7 degrees above normal. The highest was 100 degrees on Sept. 5. Low temperatures averaged 40.5 degrees, which was 0.2

degrees below normal. The lowest was 31 degrees on Sept. 8.

There was one day with the low temperature below 32 degrees. On four days, the temperature exceeded 90 degrees. It was at least 100 degrees on one day.

Precipitation totaled 0.44 inches during September, which was 0.19 inches below normal. Measurable precipitation was received on three days with the heaviest, 0.18 inches, reported on Sept. 19.

Precipitation this year has

reached 9.43 inches, which is 0.16 inches below normal. Since October, the water year precipitation at John Day has been 10.17 inches, which is 3 inches below normal.

The outlook for October calls for above-normal temperatures and near- to above-normal precipitation. Normal highs for John Day fall from 73 degrees at the start of October to 57 degrees at the end of October. Normal lows fall from 36 degrees to 31 degrees. The 30-year normal precipitation is 0.99 inches.

Clifford Allen Monchamp

04/07/1950 ~ 09/26/2020

Clifford Allen Monchamp born April 07, 1950 in Alturas, CA is now at peace following a 19-month battle with cancer. He passed away in his home in John Day, Oregon on Saturday September 26th at 70 years old. Anyone who knew Cliff, knew the real him; he was the same no matter the setting or people around him and couldn't have possibly cared less about superficial things. He was a man of absolute integrity, valuing honor, truth, and kindness ahead of personal gain. Cliff spent most of his early childhood on the family ranch in Lookout, CA where he developed a lifelong love of the outdoors and horses. After graduating from Big Valley High School in Beiber, CA, Cliff served in Vietnam.

Stoic in nature, he seldom spoke about his service, his medals, nor his status as a veteran; but he never missed an opportunity to quietly thank a veteran for their service when he saw one. In 1970 Cliff married his high school sweetheart Cindy Henning. Two years later, in December of 1972, just days before they were expecting their first child, Cliff got the surprise of a lifetime - he was going to be a father to twins. A devoted and loving father, even though he was a man of few words, he was never short of words to talk about his sons to anyone that would listen. After returning from the war and becoming a farmer, Cliff became a farmer. By 1980 he had moved his young family to two different farms, ultimately settling in Culver, Oregon where his sons were raised and later graduated high school. Once his sons left home, Cliff, newly divorced, set out on a life of adventure, traveling, moving multiple times, and making several career changes. He was never afraid to fail and looked back on all of his endeavors as successes with the fondest of memories.

In his later years, he was an avid hiker, hunter, golfer, and cyclist; often combining his love for golf and cycling by pulling his clubs behind his bike on the course with a device he personally engineered. Not the type of man to fully retire, when he wasn't enjoying time on the golf course or in the mountains he worked as a certified Equine Dentist, helping horses throughout the northwest. After 30 years of adventuring as a bachelor, he met Anita and fell in love. They dated for several months before marrying on September 16, 2017 and were able to celebrate their 3rd anniversary a week before he passed. Other than unwavering support and love of family, his signature mustache will be remembered as his enduring legacy.

He leaves his mother Donna Mae Monchamp, son Dale Monchamp and husband Ryan Brown; son Clint Monchamp and life partner Shannon O'Doherty; bother Bob Monchamp and wife Betsy; brother Gary Monchamp and wife Nancy; granddaughter Kaitlyn Monchamp Oldham and husband David Oldham; granddaughter Hannah Monchamp; granddaughter Chloe Brown Monchamp; wife Anita Monchamp; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were held Friday October 2nd at 2PM at Living Word Christian Center 59357 Hwy 26 Mt. Vernon, OR 97865. A Celebration of Life luncheon to follow immediately after. Condolences can be sent to his sons at 6950 NE 11th St Redmond, OR 97756 or wife at 27781 Blue Heron Rd, John Day, OR 97845.

Paid for by the family of Cliff Monchamp. 5210262-1

OBITUARIES

Helen Marie Frazier

Feb. 26, 1934 - Aug. 11, 2020

Born in Quincy, California, Helen Marie Frazier had four brothers and one half-brother. She married Dean on April 11, 1952. Together they had three children: Deeann Negus, David Frazier and Donna Baughman.

Helen owned and operated a fabric store in John Day for 11 years. After Dean retired, they bought a time share and traveled. They rented a winter apartment in California, where they joined a local golf club for 12 years. Helen made a hole-in-one and received a trophy for it.

During the summer months, Helen worked at the John Day Golf Course. As ladies club president, she cooked many dinners for the club and tournaments to raise money for updates to the clubhouse and golf course. No service is planned.

She will be greatly missed by family and friends.



David O. Tripp

David O. Tripp, 76, of Mt. Vernon passed away Oct. 5, 2020, at Blue Mountain Hospital with his family by his side. Arrangements have been entrusted to Driskill Memorial Chapel.

Last Week's Temps

John Day	HI/LO
Tuesday	89/49
Wednesday	88/51
Thursday	90/50
Friday	88/52
Saturday	86/51
Sunday	78/48
Monday	81/46

24/7 FORECAST

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NOAA WEATHER RADIO FOR JOHN DAY

162.500 MHZ

WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF OCT. 7 - 13

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Haze	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny	Rain likely	Chance of rain	Chance of rain	Cloudy
85	79	76	64	59	62	63
46	45	46	40	40	34	35