

Grant County offices open by appointment only, but circuit court remains open

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All Grant County public offices are open by appointment only.

A county-wide email said, "Due to circumstances beyond our control, effective Friday, April 30, 2021, all county offices will be closed to the public and accepting appointments only. The situation will be re-evaluated on or around May 6th."

A subsequent press release from Circuit Court Judge Rob Raschio's office said, while the county would be limiting access to offices to appointment-only, the Grant County Courthouse would be open, and the circuit court would be open to the public.

"The Grant County Circuit Court remains open to the public for all matters including filings for civil matters, emergency hearings to protect citizens and any other matter," Raschio said. "The staff is prepared and



The Grant County Courthouse on Sept. 15.

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ready to assist members of the public. The vast majority of our hearings are being held over video recorded in the courtroom with parties appearing remotely."

County Commissioner Jim Hamsher said Thursday that he is trying to get more guidance from the state on guidelines while the county remains in extreme risk.

PERKINS EARNS FIREFIGHTER CERTIFICATION



Marcus Perkins of the Canyon City Fire Department received his NFPA Firefighter 1 certification on April 15, 2021.

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Training dates announced for national rappel certification

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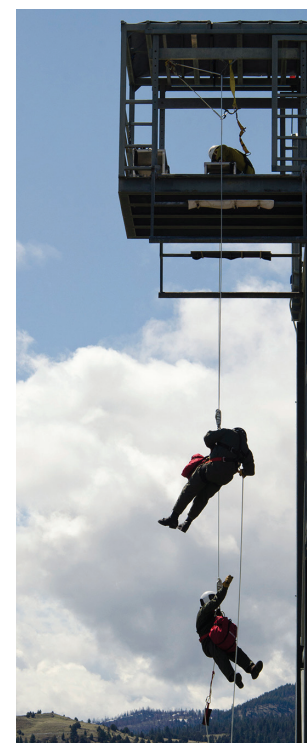
The Malheur National Forest announced on April 29 that the rappel certification training will run May 3 through May 8 and continues on May 24 through May 28, according to a press release.

Starting May 3, the John Day Airbase will host a weeklong annual certification session for returning rappellers.

During the May 5 session, approximately 50 rappellers and training cadre will utilize the 50-foot high rappel tower, two rappel simulators and helicopters to accomplish their required annual certification. The training sessions are also refreshers for helicopter rappel spotters and pilots, according to the press release.

Classes will be training in small groups to assist in maintaining social and physical distancing. Returning rappellers sessions are held for re-certification purposes; the sessions involve safety review, tower training, helicopter mockups and live rappels.

The May 24 session is an initial certification event to train approximately 35 new



Two rappellers descend from a training platform at the Grant County Airport in 2017.

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rookie rappellers. Each rappeller must complete equipment review, ground and tower training, and finish with eight error-free live rappels to be certified as a helicopter rappeller with the U.S. Forest Service.

GRANT UNION STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



Seventh grade
Madisen Underwood
Parents: Jennifer Smoot and Mark Underwood



Eighth grade
Logan Randleas
Parents: Lucas and Katrina Randleas



Ninth grade
Quinlan Taylor
Parents: Ken and Kimberly Taylor



10th grade
Katelyn Rigby
Parents: Vardan and Megan Rigby



11th grade
Katelyn Hughes
Parent: Nate Hughes

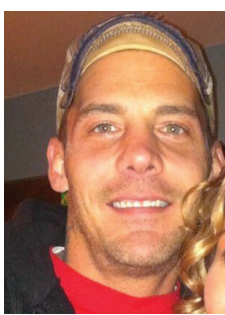


12th grade
Ashleigh Ostberg
Parents: Fred and Shilo Ostberg

OBITUARIES

Nick Ballou

A celebration of life service for Nick Ballou was held Friday, April 30, at Blue Mountain Baptist Church in Baker City.



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The lifesaving care and life-changing support our nation's nurses provide are being felt more than ever, as communities everywhere continue to confront the COVID-19 pandemic. During National Nurses Week, we honor these dedicated professionals and celebrate their vital role in our community and healthcare system. For providing critical caregiving in our time of need with skill, courage and compassion, we encourage everyone to thank a nurse today!

Jenny Workman

Jessica Winegar

Nancy Jimenez

Crystal Stuebner

Last Week's Temps

John Day	HI/LO
Tuesday	62/32
Wednesday	72/37
Thursday	83/46
Friday	76/48
Saturday	63/46
Sunday	58/40
Monday	66/33

24/7 FORECAST

AUTOMATED: 541-575-1122

ROAD CONDITIONS: 511; TRIPCHECK.COM

NOAA WEATHER RADIO FOR JOHN DAY
162.500 MHz

WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 5 - 11

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Sunny	Mostly sunny	Slight chance of showers	Slight chance of showers	Slight chance of showers	Mostly sunny	Mostly sunny
76	79	56	57	59	64	71
49	40	35	37	37	35	38