### **GRANT UNION STUDENTS OFTHE MONTH**



Seventh grade **Gracey Kenyon Parent: Sheree Kenyon** 



Eighth grade **Charley Knowles Parent: Jessica Knowles** 



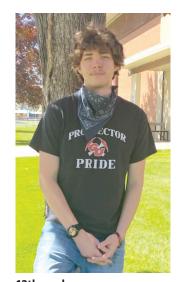
Ninth grade **Landon Bovd Parent: Jonathan Boyd** 



10th grade **Majik Leigh Myers** Parent: Gina Leigh



11th grade **Katelyn Hughes Parent: Nathan Hughes** 



12th grade **Mason Kidd** Parents: Danny and Jasmine Kidd Sr.

# Prairie City kindergarten registration set for May 26

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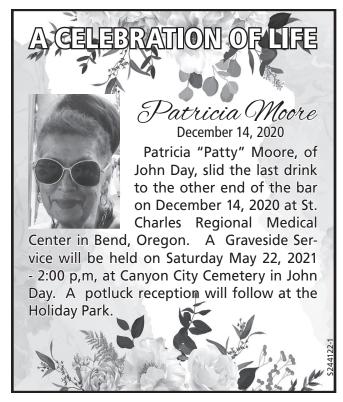
Kindergarten registration for Prairie City School will take place at 3 p.m. Wednesday, May 26, at the baseball field on the south side of the

A child must be 5 years old by Sept. 1 to join the kindergarten class for the 2021-2022 school year.

Parents should bring their child's immunization record and a copy of their birth certificate.

Registration packets will also be available in the school's office and can be

For more information, contact Becky Sharp at 541-820-3314 or sharpb@grantesd. k12.or.us.



# Prescribed fires planned

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Prescribed fires are planned on the Malheur National Forest.

Emigrant Creek Ranger District fire crews successfully completed Silvies 12, approximately 800 acres, according to a press release. Crews were tentatively planning to begin ignitions on Silvies 7, 500 acres, early this week. Silvies 7 is south of Forest Road 31.

Prairie City Ranger District fire crews successfully completed 250 acres on Elk 16 C, with approximately 50 acres to complete this week. The unit is located east of Forest Road 16 and Forest Road 1675 and west of the North Fork of the Malheur River. Crews will tentatively begin ignitions on Elk 16 unit QA, 100 acres, the week of May 24.

Blue Mountain Ranger fire crews completed ignitions on 1,600 acres on Murderers Creek 6 and will continue monitoring through the week. The unit is off the South Fork of Murderers Creek and adjacent to John Young Meadows. Crews are considering ignitions on Galena 30, 41, 40c and Soda Bear 4a for later in this week or early the week of May 24.

Additional information is available on Inciathttps://inciweb. nwcg.gov/incident/7426. For more information, call 541-575-3000.



Contributed photo/Tony Randall Fire burns along the ground in the Soda Bear prescribed

# Watershed council receives grant

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fire area in 2019.

Water-The Oregon shed Enhancement Board awarded funding to the South Fork John Day Watershed Council for Stakeholder Engagement at their March 9-10 board meeting.

The award was one of 85 grants totaling \$10,095,681 provided to local organizations statewide to support fish and wildlife habitat and water

quality projects. The South Fork John Day Watershed Council received funding to work with private landowners on restoration efforts in conjunction with the recently awarded South Fork John Day Regional Conserthrough the Natural Resource Conservation Service.

Projects that can be funded through the South Fork John Day RCPP need to be located within the South Fork John Day Watershed priority areas and practices include Juniper removal, cross fencing, upland water developments and forest health treatments.

The council is also looking for input from landowners regarding projects they need to improve their agricultural operations.

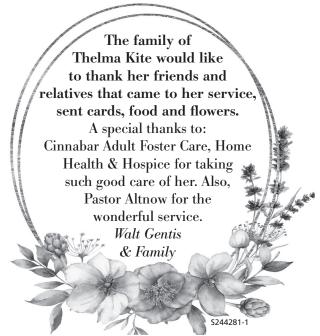
If any landowners are interested in signing up, have questions or would like to provide feedback, contact Amy Stiner, astiner@out-

### EOU announces winter term dean's list

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Eastern Oregon University named 629 students to the dean's list for the 2021 winter term. Qualifying students achieve and maintain a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale while completing a minimum of 12 hours of graded EOU coursework.

Local students named to the dean's list include Heather Mosley, Canyon City; Avery Lenz, John Day; James Hercher, Long Creek; Rachel Henry, Teela Kilby and Andrew Lusco, Mt. Vernon; and Brianna Zweygardt, Prairie City.



# Grant County Senior Citizens **Advisory Council to meet**

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The Grant County Senior Citizens Advisory Council will meet at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 2, at the Prairie City Senior Center, 204 McHaley Ave., Prairie City.

The purpose of the semi-annual meeting is to

introduce new members of the council appointed by the Grant County Court, and entertain new business pro-

posed by council members. Board training will be provided. There will be information sharing on senior pro-

gram funding for 2022. The public is welcome.

# **OTEC** holds annual meeting

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Trail Electric Oregon Cooperative held its virtual annual meeting May 15 at OTEC's Baker City Headquarters.

Board President Charlene Chase and CEO Les Penning provided reports on the status of the cooperative, then turned it over to OTEC's attorney Ron Williams, who announced the election results of three Board of Directors positions.

For Position 4, Union County, G. Austin Bingaman received 2,569 votes, and Charles Gillis received 806

For Position 5, Baker County, Wayne Overton received 3,120 votes.

For Position 6, Grant County, Gary Miller received 3,021 votes.

OTEC member-owners can watch a recording of the meeting livestream on otec.coop/ annual-meeting-board-elections. Member-owners can also view OTEC's 2020 Annual Report on the same

#### **OBITUARIES**

## **Robert Douglas Blakeslee**

March 5, 1937 – May 10, 2021

Robert (Bob) Blakeslee of Monument, Oregon, passed away the evening of May 10

with his family at his side. Bob was born in Livingston, Montana, March 5, 1937, to proud parents Donald and Edith (Foddness) Blakeslee. He joined an older sister, Suzanne. They lived on the family ranch at the base of Emigrant Peak on Six Mile Creek in the Paradise Valley, Montana. He was a graduate of Park County High School in Livingston, and afterward he joined the Army Reserves and served for two years.

On June 7, 1958, he married Linda Burnett. They raised three children, Charlie, Debbie and Larry, on the family ranch, and in 1975, they moved their family to a ranch on Rudio Creek in Kimberly, Oregon. In 1982, they moved to Long Creek where he started his carpentry business building beautiful log homes and later retired in Monument, Oregon, where he spent his remaining years.

Bob's first love in life was fly fishing. He was a master at the barbecue and an avid outdoorsman. He had a warm smile and a twinkle in his



Contributed photo **Robert Douglas Blakeslee** 

eye; he was well known for his sense of humor. He was an active member of his community, serving on the school board and as a member of the Elks Club for over 20 years, as well as the chairman of the Monument Senior Center.

Bob is survived by his wife of 63 years, Linda; his children, Charles Blakeslee, Deborah (John) Cole and Lawrence (Bonnie) Blakeslee; and his sister Suzanne (Jim) Girdler; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his mother and father and his grandson, Seth Logan Blakeslee.

A small private family service will be held at a later date.

### Patricia 'Patty' Moore

A graveside service for Patricia "Patty" Moore will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 22, at Canyon City Cemetery. A potluck reception will follow at Clyde Holliday Park. For those who would like to make a memorial donation in

memory of Patty, the family suggests Hope 4 Paws through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, P.O. Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences may be shared at tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com.



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### **Last Week's Temps**

HI/LO John Day Tuesday ...... 71/39 Wednesday ...... 78/42 Thursday...... 77/46 Friday ...... 77/46 Saturday ...... 77/45 Sunday...... 81/46 Monday...... 82/48

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24/7 Forecast

## Weather Forecast for the week of May 19-25

Wednesday **Thursday Friday** Saturday Sunday Monday **Tuesday** 

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