

GRANT COUNTY SENIORS

John Day Seniors

Elsie Huskey



elves: It is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."

Monument Seniors

Soo Yukawa



We had a great meal of hamburgers, french fries, pasta salad and a cinnamon cookie for our dessert. We thank our cooks Terry Cade and Carrie Jewell for blessing us with our lunch.

Our volunteers were Kristi Guimont, who filled out the paperwork. Bob Cockrell and Jan Ensign counted up the money. Sylvia Cockrell delivered the meals and received the money from the patrons at the door. We thank all our help for their time.

I have some good news to share. The Monument Senior Center will be holding a potluck bingo night on May 29 at 6 p.m. If you have more questions about the event, you may contact Bodean Anderson at 541-934-2100. There is a limit of 50 people. If you are planning on attending, you might want to let Bodean know, so that she can have a head count.

More exciting news to proclaim is that, on that same weekend, the Monument rummage sale will be going on during the

day. The rummage sale will be going on May 28 and May 29 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 30 from 9 a.m. to noon will be the clearance and cleaning sale.

The items for sale will be on display outside the storage area on the lawn and under the back porch to provide safe distancing while shopping.

If you have any good, clean, usable items that you would like to donate, they are still being accepted. You may drop off your items at the Monument Senior Center until Tuesday, May 25, before noon.

All donated proceeds — 100% — will be going to the Monument Senior Center operation fund. If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Sylvia Cockrell at 541-934-2220.

I am asking all prayer warriors to join me in praying for rain for our parched land. We need to cry out to our Father in heaven for his blessing of moisture for our crops, our animals and our water sources. The Lord is always good and he hears the cries of his people.

I don't know why I did not think of this before. I moved my baby goats and nannies to my hog pen. Since there are no hogs, the grass and weeds had grown considerably, and it's quite lush in there. The goats have been trampling and mowing down the grass. I did find

a bull snake in the tall grass. I grabbed it by the tail and considered tossing it over the fence and thought better of it. Instead I let it slither away between the fence openings. I did not want to somehow smack my face with it trying to toss it over the 8-foot fence. Ha.

I sometimes sit in there with the goats, and Kidd came along and put a chunk of my hair in his mouth and yanked.

He keeps trying to nibble on my gloves and fingers too. I must say, they are doing a fine job of eating up the grass and weeds, less work for me!

Psalms 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



The transplanted tulips have bloomed! My, how they have bloomed! They are so big and bright! Certainly helps to have the proper place to grow, I guess. This space is well watered, no weeds and ample sunlight. Ahem. And the transplanted peonies are going to be

in bloom soon too. It has been 10 years since I had peonies in my yard. These are red. If anyone has some white ones that need a new home, call me. Special thanks to hubby for putting up the "deer fence" that seems to have worked quite well. Without it, there would be no tulip blossoms to see! One comment I heard is that, to deer, tulips are just like candy!

Started weeding the garden bed. Seems that I can only work two hours or less a day on that. Gee, wonder why. Anyway, I discovered a couple of volunteer sunflowers coming up. Hooray! We had such fun watching the birds do their upside-down acrobatics getting at the seeds last year.

Hope you had a happy Mother's Day. I got a couple of pansy plants from church and got them in the ground. Thanks to Better Blooms for doing this for us every year. Then we went down to son No. 2's place so daughter-in-love could get online and help me renew my driver's license. The letter the DMV sent said I would have to go in to the office, so I thought I would need to make an appointment. But the site just asked me some questions and renewed my license! Okey, dokey! What was interesting to me (since I don't do this online stuff) was that every so often the program would ask if I was a robot. Won-

der if that has anything to do with the phone calls I got that insist that I am! Oh for the good ol' days.

We had a meal today that was absolutely fabulous! Sweet and sour chicken over rice, fruit salad, green beans (I gave mine to Derrol), a lemon cupcake and a fortune cookie. Mmmm, mmmm, was it ever good! Thanks to Pam and Laura for the repast. Pam had to tend to her other job of school bus driver, so Angie came to help get the meal put together. Ginger and Carol packed the bags and gave them to the people who came. Carlos took care of the home deliveries. Pam H. did her job at the reception desk. And Del did his job of greeter. Thanks to one and all for your service.

Question for the day: Why do film and video producers think that all dialogue must have a musical background? The actors don't speak loud enough to start with and talk too fast anyway. Then they put loud music with it! And I have my hearing aids turned up! Stage plays usually don't have music behind the voices. Just wonderin'.

1 Corinthians 14:7,8 "... how will anyone know what tune is being played unless there is a distinction in the notes? ... if the trumpet does not sound a clear call, who will get ready for battle?"

OUT OF THE PAST

75 years ago June 8th is date set for '62 Days at Canyon City

The date for the annual '62 Days at Canyon City has been set for June 8, it was announced this week by J. W. Finlayson, manager of the Whiskey Gulch Gang, sponsors of this yearly old-time fiesta, which celebrates the discovery of gold on Canyon Creek in June 1862.

The celebration, this year, as it has been for the past three years will be confined to one night, with dancing taking the spotlight, and as usual there will be the gaming tables, bar room and other activities depicting the early days of the historic mining

camp. The event will be held in the big '62 auditorium.

50 years ago John Day youths have Vietnam reunion

Two local boys stationed in Vietnam have had the opportunity to get together during their tours of duty overseas.

Ronnie Belcher, son of Mrs. Julius Farmer, Long Creek, and Cliff Belcher, John Day, and Jerry Dairymp, son of Bill Dairymp of John Day, managed to meet May 8 although stationed at different bases.

Dairymp, who is stationed at Cat Lai, had heard that Belcher was at Phu Loi, which is 37 miles from Sai-

gon. He was able to reach Phy Loi base and visit all day. The boys had set up another meeting for May 15. Dairymp will return to the states on June 1 and after leave will be e-assigned to Mare Island, CA, on the U.S.S. Long Beach.

In a recent letter to his grandmother, Mrs. E. H. Rehder of Mt. Vernon, Belcher mentioned hopes of getting a transfer so that he could be at the same base with Frank Stinnett, also a local boy. His one regret was that Stinnett will also be returning to the states in three months. Belcher has been in Vietnam since January 4, so he still has quite a bit of his overseas time left.

25 years ago The fossil record

Could the largest condor-like bird ever discovered come from the John Day Basin?

Our research team is collecting interesting new fossils in the badlands these days. Some of the most remarkable things, though, were collected before any of us were born (yes, even before Ben). Many of these fossils were unrecognized as important when they were collected, so they were stored, and have just been collecting dust, until someone happens to re-discover them.

An example: Almost 100 years ago, the first expedi-

tion to the John Day from the University of California at Berkeley was started during the hottest part of the summer. A small but hard working crew of students, under the direction of Professor J. C. Merriam, traveled through the area.

June 19, 1899 Turtle Cove "The view of the large bed is a most wonderful sight. The cliffs are not less than 400 ft. high from top to floor. Cut and furrowed into chasms and pinnacles bare as a tombstone. The first impressions I receive was that of Dante's illustrations of the inferno. To heighten the impression some of the strata are of a dull dirty green color most repul-

sive in tone. What a place for bones of ancient monsters of a long passed age."

They collected dozens of good fossils and carted them off in wagons. Today these specimens are available for study at the new Life Science Building, on the campus in Berkeley. There, under the watchful eye of a mounted skeleton of Tyrannosaurus rex, qualified investigators are issued a clip-on pass and guided through locked doors into the collections.

On one of my last visits to these collections, I opened a drawer and saw an odd-shaped bone that was catalogued as "an unidentified mammal."

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