



Troy teacher snags D.C. trip

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Troy School teacher Fred Byers didn't know what his chances were when he earned a place on a week-long program that affords the opportunity for Oregon schoolteachers to learn and examine the geography of Washington, D.C. The Center for Geography Education in Oregon, under the auspices of Portland State University, sponsored the competition in celebration of the 100th anniversary meeting of the National Council for Geographic Education.



Byers

"You had to write a paper for this class conference/workshop. It was a competitive sort of thing and they (CGEO) selected 10 teachers from around the state, and I was one of them. It was a surprise to me that only ten teachers were selected from around the state and about thirty were left on a waiting list. I learned they selected me in late March," Byers said.

Byers' paper explained how he would use the opportunity to supplement his geography teaching in the classroom. "In my case, the school, since it only has four kids," Byers added.

The trip gives Byers the opportunity to not only bring back photos from the trip, but also have first-hand knowledge of the geography of the D.C. area. "The Geographic Center tries to focus on things most people are unaware of. I'm going to spend a day on the B&O canal, which they still use. Another thing we'll be looking at is the 40-mile-long wall that goes around Washington, D.C. There are all kinds of things out there that are really important to history and geography that doesn't come up in textbooks," Byers said.

The opportunity affords Byers the chance to work with archaeologists studying the wall. Byers said the wall was built in 1798 to encircle the 100 square miles cut out from Maryland and Virginia to make up Washington, D.C.

The trip is not all fun and games for Byers. "I have to put in about 20 written pages of hand-written paperwork for it. Things are kind of up in the air for what our duties are going to be for all these studies that are going to be done, but I'm sure we'll be busy," Byers said.

As it stands, Byers is the only teacher from eastern Oregon selected for the trip, which is slated for Aug. 2-9. He plans to spread out the knowledge he gains to other schools. "I'm hoping to share what I learn with the other school districts in Wallowa County," Byers said.

Locals shine at state track

Joseph girls place third; Outlaws Lathrop, Kohlhepp wrap up careers

EUGENE — Joseph's track and field women finished third in state among 1A teams, and Enterprise men and women were sixth and 13th, respectively, in division 2A at the OSAA track and field championships held May 21-22 at the University of Oregon's Hayward Field.

Led by a pair of young runners — sophomore Isabelle Tingelstad and freshman Alexis Sykora — and by senior javelin thrower Karianne Zollman, Joseph High School girls piled up an impressive 42 points, only a dozen points behind state champion Damascus Christian, which had 54. In all, 39 1A schools were represented at the state championship meet.

Tingelstad won the 3000 meters and finished third in the 1500. Sykora took second place in the 800, and Zollman produced the meet's third-place

javelin throw. Pole vaulter Raymond Seal, Joseph's only boy athlete at the state meet, placed sixth in his event.

Enterprise boys, who earned 41 points in a field paced by Central Linn with 65 points, had first-place finishes from senior Kaden Lathrop in the 300-meter hurdles and Nathan Perren, a junior, in the high jump. Senior Daniel Kohlhepp was second in the discus, and the EHS boys' 4x100 relay team came in fourth.

The Lady Outlaws, meanwhile, who totaled 19 points, got fourth-place finishes from junior Dawn Mist Movich-Fields in the 1500 meters, and from the 4x400 relay team. Movich-Fields finished fifth in the 3000.

Enterprise boys' sixth-place team finish is undoubtedly low-



Courtesy photo/Kimberly Tingelstad

Enterprise's Dawn Mist Movich-Fields running in the 1500.

er than what the team would have attained if injuries hadn't hit two top performers late in the season. Kaden Lathrop, who was routinely finishing first or second in the triple jump through most of the season, suffered a slight hamstring injury a few weeks ago that knocked him out of that event. And senior Micah Fuller, a gifted athlete from Wallowa who joined

the Outlaws track and field squad, suffered a foot injury that ended his season just before the district meet. Fuller was the team's best javelin thrower and shot putter, and also a strong sprinter who provided a good option in the 4x100 relay.

Results in finals, Joseph girls:

800 meters: 2. Alexis Sykora 2:30.23.

1500 meters: 3. Isabelle Tingelstad 5:09.29.

3000 meters: 1. Isabelle Tingelstad 11:09.92.

4x400 relay: 6. Johnelle Suto, Alexis Sykora, Ally Cooney and Isabelle Tingelstad 4:31.68.

Javelin: 3. Karianne Zollman 115'6"; 8. Ally Cooney 98'4".

High jump: 5. Ally Cooney 4'10".

Pole vault: 7. Sarah Thiel 7'6".

Triple jump: 7. Ally Cooney 31'3".

Joseph boys: Pole vault: 6. Raymond Seal 11'6".

Enterprise girls: 1500 meters: 4. Dawn Mist Movich-Fields 5:04.68.

3000 meters: 5. Dawn Mist Movich-Fields 11:19.43.

4x400 relay: 4. Gwen Nohr, Reagan Bedard, Riley Gray, Eliza Irish 4:20.40.

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JUDGMENT CALL



Courtesy photo

Forty-four 4-H members took part in Wallowa County's annual Spring Livestock Judging Contest.

4-H members assess livestock in annual spring competition

The Annual 4-H Spring Livestock Judging Contest was held this year at the completion of Swine weigh-ins held at the Wallowa County Fairgrounds on May 2. A barbecue was hosted by the Ever Cool Originals (ECO) 4-H Club, enjoyed by over 60 4-H members, parents and supporters prior to the Livestock Judging contest.

Forty-four 4-H members participated in the contest. They judged one class of market pigs, two classes of sheep (provided by Kane & Nancy Maasdam), a class of steers (provided by the Wightman and Rinehart families), one class of heifers (provided by Jay McFetridge and Stephanie Schofield), one class of goats (provided by Cyndi Diggins) and one class of hay. Todd Nash was the official judge for the contest and helped the members understand what to look for when judging

livestock. Oral Reasons judges were Todd Nash, Jill Arbogast and John Williams. 4-H members will be able to utilize their judging skills at Eastern Oregon Livestock Show in June and the Wallowa County Fair in August.

Ashley Starner, was the high-scoring individual with 355 points out of a possible 400. Chloe Birkmaier placed second overall, and Aubrina Melville placed third. The youth judged well, showing their understanding of the livestock.

Ashley Starner was the top Senior (ages 15-19) judge with 309 points. Bryce Melville placed second (344), and Jakob Hoffman was third (320).

Chloe Birkmaier was the top intermediate (grade 12-14) with a score of 351. Cole Gomes placed second (340), and Jake Coggins was third (338). Other intermediates judging were: Gracie

Niezen, Deidre Schreiber, Michael Diggins, Karli Bedard, Madison McDowell, Brianna Micka, Katelynn Diggins, Alex Wightman, Timmy Wells, Avery Bedard, Jacob Falk and Ashlyn Gray.

The top Junior members (ages 9-11) were Aubrina Melville (351), Willie Gibbs (345) and Kasey Duncan (330). Other Juniors judging were Bailey Vernam, Samantha Wightman, Greta Carlsen, Isaak Hoffman, Johanna Wells, Craig Burch, Cadney Bacon, Ian Goodrich, Chance Arbogast, Casidee Harrod and Jada Gray.

Top First Year Juniors were Lane Tanzey (337), Emma Starner (331) and Caden Fent (327). Other First Year Juniors participating included Maclane Melville, Cody Fent, Chase Duncan, Amelia Starner, Mason McDowell, Dakota Delyria, Devin Schreiber, Josi Coggins and Katharina Hoffman.



Courtesy photo/Keith Wellens

Wallowa golfer Karl Wellens tees off during the state tournament, where he finished with a two-day score of 184.

Wellens, Oliver lead WHS golfers at state

BANKS — Senior boys' golfer Karl Wellens led his Wallowa High School team with a two-day score of 184 at Quail Valley Golf Course, site of 4A/3A/2A/1A boys' championships, May 18-19.

Wallowa, which can also include golfers from Joseph High, shot 804 as a team, placing the Cougars 10th in the 11-team field. Cascade Christian won the state tourney with a 592 score.

Although Wellens' overall individual total was lowest on the WHS squad, teammate Kai Oliver, a sophomore, actually turned in the Cougars' top score on day two, shooting a 92 as compared to Wellens' 94.

Also noteworthy was the consistency of team alternate Thomas Jamerson, who shot a 118 and a 119. His first-day score figured into the team total, replacing Caevan Murray's 126. Murray, a freshman, bounced back on May 19 to finish in 106 strokes.

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Wallowa County sunrise and sunset May 28 - June 3 (from the U.S. Naval Observatory)

Thursday, May 28	Friday, May 29	Saturday, May 30	Sunday, May 31	Monday, June 1	Tuesday, June 2	Wednesday, June 3
Rise 5:07 Set 8:26	Rise 5:06 Set 8:27	Rise 5:05 Set 8:28	Rise 5:05 Set 8:29	Rise 5:04 Set 8:30	Rise 5:04 Set 8:31	Rise 5:03 Set 8:32

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