

Obituaries

Nancy Jo Bailey

March 8, 1947 – January 28, 2016

Nancy Jo Bailey passed away on Thursday, January 28, 2016 peacefully in her home in Sisters. She was 68 years old.

Nancy was born in North Bend on March 8, 1947, to Floyd and Bessie Hill. She had one sister, Carolyn DeRosa. All preceded her in death.

Nancy received a scholarship out of high school for beauty college. After working as a beautician for many years, she settled down to be a stay-at-home mom. She did not return to the workforce for 13 years, and then went to work for the Tioga Coffee Shop in downtown Coos Bay, where she met the love of her life, Wallace Bailey.

They were married June 13, 1986, in Reedsport. In 1989 they moved to Sisters and were happy to be in an area they loved so much. Wally preceded her in death in May of 2010.

Many will remember her from Coyote Creek Café, where she worked for over 20 years. She was a very hard-working, dedicated employee. She would always go above and beyond to help to make sure co-workers were successful with whatever they were doing.



Nancy was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She was a kind and gentle person who loved spending time with family and friends. Those who had the privilege to know her loved and adored her. She always had a smile for everyone.

A few of her favorite things were her love of books, music, and spending time with good friends.

Nancy is survived by her daughter Michelle Gibbens; two grandchildren, Cory and Brendon Gibbens; and great-granddaughter Isla Jane Gibbens. She was also an important part of the lives of Wally's children, Debra Shingler, Terry Underhill, and Norman Bailey, who also have numerous children and grandchildren.

Nancy and Wally's ashes will be joined together with family on the Coast at a later date.

Florence "Shirley" Beck

February 21, 1930 – February 16, 2016

Shirley Beck, 85, died February 16 at her home in Sublimity.

She was born in Swea City, Iowa, living in Sisters (which she loved) from 1989 until moving to Sublimity in 2015.

Shirley was an accounting clerk for 15 years, last working at Cal State University, Northridge. She married William "Bill" Beck, Sr. on March 15, 1952, in Duluth, Minnesota.

Shirley was a very

devoted mother and grandmother and loved the outdoors. She was a wonderful cook and entertainer, and loved entertaining her family and friends.

She is survived by her husband, William of Sublimity; children: Robin Hedrick of Grants Pass and William J. Beck of Stayton; four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. Shirley was preceded in death by three brothers.

Private family services will be held.

Nordic skiers compete at State

By Charlie Kanzig
Correspondent

The Sisters High School Nordic Ski Team concluded its season with the OISRA State Championships held February 26-27 at Mount Bachelor.

The competition got started with a six-kilometer freestyle race in which Liv Downing of Summit cruised to the individual title in 18:44 among 99 finishers.

Shayla Curtis led the Outlaws with her 25th place in 24:14. Other finishers for the Outlaws included Serena Salisbury (28:52), Anna Bartlett (29:39), and Engracia Diez (30:25).

Sisters finished ninth as a team with 93 points on day one among the 12 squads with complete teams, which included the winning team, Summit, which scored just nine points.

Alex Martin of Summit won the boys race in 15:35. No skiers from Sisters competed in the first-day race.

Central Oregon Radiology was the sponsor of the Saturday race, a 5k classic competition.

Gemma Munck of Bend High School won the girls race in 16:35 among 95 finishers. Serena Salisbury took top honors for the Outlaws with her 39th-place finish in 24:43. Anna Bartlett came through in 25:41 and Engracia Diez cross the line in 25:59.

Sisters placed 10th this time among 13 teams with 96 points. Summit won with 10

points.

On the boys side, Thomas Schoderbek of Summit won in 13:47. Tony Hooks placed 76th in 23:01 as the only Outlaws finisher.

"I think overall the kids finished the season quite well," said Coach Kelly Crowther.

The previous week, on February 18, Sisters hosted the Arbor Builders Hoodoo Night race, the first race hosted by Sisters in three years. Teams from Summit, Bend, Mt. View, Corvallis, Ridgeview and Crook County took part.

Summit won the team race with eight points, followed by Mt. View (23), Bend (34), Corvallis (49), South Eugene (55), Sisters (56) and Crook County (77).

The two-loop course started and finished just outside the doors of the lodge, making the race very fan-friendly.

Liv Downing won the girls race in 12:16, while Shayla Curtis came through with a very strong performance for the Outlaws to place 11th in 15:04 among 63 finishers.

Other finishers for Sisters included Serena Salisbury

(18:43), Engracia Diez (20:29), and Anna Bartlett (21:36).

Alex Martin dominated the boys race in 9:45, which included 73 finishers. Jordan Pollard placed 49th with a time of 16:11.

Bend edged Summit as both teams scored 13 points, with the tie based on the fourth-place skier from each team. Mountain View finished third (42), followed by South Eugene (46), Corvallis (49), Ridgeview (64) and Crook County (88).

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— Kelly Crowther

“Thanks to the hospitality of Hoodoo and the course being almost entirely visible from the lodge, the race turned out to be a very pleasant, enjoyable event for athletes and fans alike,” said Crowther.

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