

**PYKES: Film deals forthrightly with issues of mortality**

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And in learning to love the simple and mundane tasks, we gain the skills and the patience necessary to undertake bigger projects.

“Yes, follow your dreams. Pursue your passions. But expect hardship and bumps in the road. Expect discouragement. Expect failure. And, remember, it is not the destination that counts,

but the journey. It is not the finished product that is the true reward, but the making of it.”

Eli reminds himself often that, “it is far too easy to wish for the end of a hard season, when it is the experiencing of every moment within that season which is the gold, and which cultivates the character to handle the bigger dreams.”

A link to the teaser trailer for “The Far Green Country 2: At Road’s End” may be found with the online version of this story at [www.nuggetnews.com](http://www.nuggetnews.com).

**TENNIS: Squad returns ace player from last season**

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finished with a 13-6 record.

Click said, “Drew got more and more aggressive with his powerful forehand as the year went along.”

Click noted that Petterson played basketball in the winter, and Mayes and Bates went to State in swimming, but they all love tennis and find a way to get outside and work on their tennis game when the weather permits.

Senior Colton Seymour returns for a third year on the varsity squad. Colton was the Outlaws utility man last year. He played doubles with four different partners and won four of five singles matches.

“Colton has a great calm about him that helps lead any doubles partner he plays with, and he never gets rattled when he’s out there in a singles match on his own,” said Click.

Junior KJ Sweet also returns for his third season with the team.

“KJ had never played tennis when he started with us as a freshman and had a long way to go, but he’s earned two varsity letters and plays a lot with family in the off season to keep improving,” said Click.

Four new players joined the team this year: senior Gator Haken, sophomore Jaxson Berry, freshman Matthew Riehle, and sophomore Ty Cross, a transfer from Crook County. Cross played tennis for the Cowboys as a freshman, but the other three players are all new to tennis and are giving it a try for the first time.

“That’s the great thing about tennis at Sisters High School,” said Click. “Everybody makes the team. It’s a simple enough game that newcomers learn and

improve quickly, and everyone will contribute to varsity success.”

Currently, the Outlaws have 11 players on their roster. They are hoping for a few more as they need 12 players to field a full varsity match.

The Outlaws will open their season with a match at home against Ridgeview on Monday, March 16.

**Obituary**

**Allen Lee Lompa**

May 16, 1930 – February 21, 2020

Allen Lee Lompa, “Big Al,” was a devoted husband, father, brother, grandpa, uncle and friend. He died peacefully in his sleep three months before his 90th birthday while in the compassionate care of the Hospice House staff at Partners In Care, Bend.

Al was born and raised in Hollister, California, to Mary and Emile “Snake” Lompa. He met the love of his life in 1952, Bonnie Rae Brooks, and they married on March 1, 1952. They raised their three sons, Bob “Tony,” Dave and Steve in the Santa Cruz area. He enjoyed watching his San Francisco Giants and ’49ers and fishing for salmon in the Monterey Bay. A hard worker all his life, retirement allowed Bonnie and Al to do what they loved — travel! Not only did they spend many summers fifth-wheel camping in the Camp Sherman/Sisters area, they also, to name a

few places, floated through the Panama Canal, slept in a thatched roof hut in Costa Rica, and enjoyed many visits to Branson, listening to music legends.

Relocating to Central Oregon 17 years ago, Al and Bonnie have resided at the Bend “docked cruise ship,” Whispering Winds, for the last 5 years. It is there that Al enjoyed the company of many close friends, skiing and dog sled rides at Mt. Bachelor, and B-I-N-G-O!

He leaves behind his loving wife, Bonnie; their three sons Tony (Katie) of Sisters, Dave (Julia) of Soquel, California and Steven (Juliet) of Walnut Creek, California; and three grandchildren, Emaly, Charley and Kendall. He is preceded in death by his parents, Mary and Snake, and his sister, Barbara.



The family wishes to thank all his wonderful doctors and medical staff that have helped him through his health challenges over the last few years.

A private family gathering will be held at a later date.

To post condolences online, please sign the obituary guestbook at [www.bairdmortuaries.com/obituary](http://www.bairdmortuaries.com/obituary).

Contributions can be made in Allen’s name to:

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