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PHS class of 1948 reunion

Classmates of the Pendleton High School class of 1948 met in September, marking their 67th year since turning the tassel. The class reunion was held at the Plateau at Wildhorse Resort & Casino. Front row: Francis Kopp, Chuck Farrell, Pat Keown, Bill Norton, Carol Greer Gadaire. Back row: Ed Bell, Don Webb, Jack Peterson, Emile Holeman, Pat Foley Terjeson, Thelma Oliver Echanis, Joan Barnett Rugg, Kathryn Lazinka Thorne, Patty Burlingame Michael, Pat Davis.



Photo by FIRST Robotics marketing team

The Umatilla School District robotics team, No. 4125 Confidential, won the Chairman's Award (FIRST Robotics' highest honor) in Spokane during the 2014 season. The district recently received a grant for the team for \$18,100 from Daimler Trucks North America.

Umatilla robotics drives away with grant

The Umatilla School District recently received a grant for \$18,100 from Daimler Trucks North America for its FIRST Robotics Competition team.

The grant will cover registration fees, robot construction supplies, a laptop, practice field and pit construction, tools, team uniforms and more.

"This is a great boost of support for our robotics team, making it possible for them to continue the great work and accomplishments they have been realizing," said Heidi Sipe,

district superintendent.

The district's robotics team, called No. 4125 Confidential, has more than 40 student members and has been competing for five years, qualifying for the World Finals twice. The robotics program is the foundation of the school district's after-school program, Sipe said.

The team's head coach is Kyle Sipe. In addition, Shawn Franks, Tess White, Stephanie Klucas, Zach Dohman, Miguel Tejeda-Zepeda, Caden Sipe and Heidi Sipe

serve as assistant.

FIRST, which stands for First Inspiration and Recognition in Science and Technology, was founded in 1989 by Dean Kamen. His goal is to encourage the spread of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) to youth in the United States through friendly competitions against fellow students from around the world.

Through FIRST robotics competitions, students work alongside professional engineers, build and compete with a robot of their own

design, learn and use sophisticated hardware and software and employ teamwork and strategic thinking during the project.

Daimler Trucks North America awarded a total of \$225,000 to fund FIRST robotics programs in Oregon and southwest Washington. A total of 30 elementary, middle and high schools received grants, with nearly 100 schools submitting applications.

For more information about the Umatilla School District robotics program, call 541-922-6500.



Photo contributed by Nick Bejarano

Lucas Bradshaw, Sheila Edmundson, April Link, Amy Serna, Tony Garberg, Malissa McDonald, Jennie Wedding, Teddi Armstrong, Alex Medvedskiy, and Terri Shorter, employees of Good Shepherd Health Care System, show off food donations collected during the holiday season for Agape House.

Good Shepherd staff spread holiday cheer

During the 2015 holiday season, Good Shepherd Health Care System clinical staff participated in an inter-departmental competition to collect food for those in need.

The group's focus was to bring holiday cheer to families in the community that might not have enough to eat during the season. According to Acute Care Services

Manager Lucas Bradshaw, the employees rallied to give 5,173 non-perishable food items to Agape House, who provide support to those in need.

THANK YOU

AAUW thanks community for support

The American Association of University Women would like to thank the community for its support of our grapefruit sale. We would also like to give a special thanks to Pendleton Grain Growers for letting us use their building and staff.

Your support directly benefits our community as it is used to fund scholarships at Blue Mountain Community College, support projects such as the Pioneer Park Playground rebuild, and help to fund educational programs such as the robotics program at Pendleton High School. These are just a few of the projects that this money has helped AAUW support. Again thank you.

Kathy Ward, grapefruit chairman
AAUW Pendleton Branch

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, JAN. 16
WHITE EAGLE GRANGE POTLUCK AND MEETING, 5:30 p.m., grange hall between Pendleton and Pilot Rock on Highway 395. Public welcome. (Gail Wilson 541-276-3778).

PENDLETON EAGLES STEAK AND LIVE MUSIC, 6-8 p.m. dinner, music 8 p.m. to midnight, Pendleton Eagles Lodge No. 28, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Open to members and guests. (541-278-2828).

SUNDAY, JAN. 17
HERMISTON EAGLES BREAKFAST, 8-11 a.m., 160 N.W. Second St. Members and guests welcome.

PENDLETON EAGLES BREAKFAST, 9 a.m. to noon, Pendleton Eagles Lodge #28, 428 S. Main St., Pendleton. Open to members and guests. (541-278-2828).

MONDAY, JAN. 18
BLUE MOUNTAIN PIECE-MAKERS, 12 noon, Thimbles Fabric-N-More, 1849 Westgate Place, Pendleton.

PENDLETON ROTARY, 12

noon, Pendleton Elks Lodge, 14 S.E. Third St.

HERMISTON TEEN LIBRARY ADVISORY COUNCIL, 4-5 p.m., downstairs Hermiston Public Library, 235 E. Gladys Ave.

OREGON TRAIL GEM & MINERAL SOCIETY, 6 p.m., First Church of God, 712 S.W. 27th St., Pendleton. (Steve Fisher 541-276-1509).

BLOOMER GIRLS GARDEN CLUB, 7 p.m., meeting site varies, Hermiston. (Marge Timmons 541-567-4069).

INLAND NORTHWEST MUSICIANS CHORALE, 7 p.m., Harris Jr. Academy gym, 3121 S.W. Hailey Ave., Pendleton. (RaNeil Dunn 541-289-4696).

TUESDAY, JAN. 19
PENDLETON TOASTMASTERS No. 154, 6:45 a.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave. (toastmasterdarlene-sue@gmail.com).

TOPS CHAPTER OR 1110, 8 a.m. weigh-in, meeting starts at 8:45 a.m., Missionary Baptist Church, 125 E. Beech St., Hermiston. (Margaret Wetterling 541-720-0276).

Focus on kidney cancer

Some of the risk factors for kidney cancer include smoking, obesity, workplace exposures, high blood pressure, some medications and Birt-Hogg-Dube (BHD) syndrome, a rare hereditary condition. In addition, twice as many men as women get the disease and blacks and American Indians//Alaska Natives have slightly higher rates.

Symptoms include blood in the urine, low back pain on one side not caused by injury, a lump on the side or lower back, fatigue, loss of appetite, unexplained weight loss, fever not related to an infection that doesn't go away and anemia.

Among the treatment are surgery, active surveillance, radiation therapy, immunotherapy and chemotherapy.

Research on the treatments for renal cell carcinoma is now being done at many medical institutions across the nation. The American Cancer Society supports research into the causes, detection, diagnosis and treatment of kidney cancer.

New approaches to local treatment includes high-intensity focused ultrasound. A fairly new technique, it's being studied for use in kidney cancer. It involves focused ultrasound beams to destroy the tumor. Ablation with cryotherapy or radiofrequency ablation is sometimes used to treat small kidney cancers. Research is underway to determine how useful these techniques are in the long term and to refine them further.

For more information about kidney cancer, visit www.cancer.org or call 800-227-2345.

Information contributed by Gert Hawthorne, who is on the committee for Pendleton's Relay for Life. The signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society, the Pendleton relay is June 17-18 at Sunridge Middle School. For more information, call Hawthorne at 541-215-9767, event lead Carol Preston at 541-379-6294 or visit www.pendletonrelay.org.

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

JAN. 6, 2016

TARTER — Jamaica Y. Tarter and Sean A. Tarter; a boy, Jared Jameson Tarter.

JAN. 8, 2016

COX — Ashley L. Sellers and Walter S. Cox of Pendleton; a girl, Emery LeAnn Cox.

WILSON — Jennifer A. Wilson and Jeremy J. Wilson of Pendleton; a boy, Jaxon Wyatt Wilson.

JAN. 9, 2016

EMMONS — Stephanie L. Emmons of Pendleton; a boy, Atlas James Emmons.

JAN. 10, 2016

CARTER — Maggie M. Carter and Justin L. Carter of Pendleton; a boy, Hudson Edward Carter.

LEMMON — Amber L. Starliper and Richard D. Lemmon of Pendleton; a boy, Javari Sydney-Daniel Lemmon.

PARKS — Taylor A. Parks and Ethan L. Parks of Hermiston; a girl, Palmer Anne Parks.

JAN. 11, 2016

BURGESS — Peggy Turk and Dennis Burgess; a boy, Blake Martin Burgess.

JAN. 12, 2016

LEWIS — Wendy L. Lewis-Boyer and Travis B. Lewis of Adams; a boy, Liam Henri Lewis.

JAN. 5, 2016

WILLIAMS — Michelle N. Darlington and Warren Z. Williams of Umatilla; a girl, Lillian Michelle Williams.

JAN. 6, 2016

STAHL — Jennifer Stahl and Mark Stahl of Stanfield; a girl, MaryBeth Reanna Stahl.

JAN. 8, 2016

BLEVINS — Cheridy A. Edgmand and Trey M. Blevins of Stanfield; a boy, Carter Michael Blevins.

TEJEDA GUTIERREZ — Brissa Gutierrez and Daniel Tejada of Hermiston; a boy, Dariel Emiliano Tejada Gutierrez.

SUBMIT YOUR EO NEWS

Submit Your EO News information and high-resolution photos to: community@eastoregonian.com or drop off to the attention of Tammy Malgesini at 333 E. Main St., Hermiston, or Renee Struthers-Hogge at 211 S.E. Byers Ave., Pendleton. Call 541-564-4539 or 541-966-0818 with questions.



Pet of the Week



Domestic Short Hair/Mix - Brown/White - Tabby - 1 Year Old

Rapunzel likes people and other cats, and is good at hanging out in the background. She likes to do her own thing, but likes to cuddle sometimes, too. She doesn't like small children, but we're told she does OK with dogs. She is spayed, up to date on vaccinations, and tested negative for FeLV.

Visit Rapunzel at the Pioneer Humane Society/PAWS
517 SE 3rd St., Pendleton, OR
541-276-0181 • pendletonpaws.org

Check out the PAWSABILITY Thrift Store

Call Terri at 541-215-0447 to sponsor a pet

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