



Photos contributed by Kristi Smalley

The Currents, a 3 v. 3 team from Special Olympics Hermiston/Pendleton Local Program #510, received a gold medal March 18 during competitions held in Beaverton. The team and coach include Cal Harris, Kristy Barnhill, Jennifer Williams, Marsha Ochoa, Camron Goldie, Willie Bowling and Jessica Sexton.



The Circuits of Special Olympics Hermiston/Pendleton Local Program #510 competed in the Individual Skills Competition March 18 in Beaverton. The team and coaches include (back) Remick Arey, Lyall Arey, Misty Larsen and Ray Trotter (front) Arta Jones, Jerry Hansen, Mary Ann Wright, Mary Jones and Jolynn Smutz.



The Thunder, a 3 v. 3 team from Special Olympics Hermiston/Pendleton Local Program #510, received a bronze medal March 18 during competitions held in Beaverton. The team and coaches are Martie McQuain, Jonathan Wilson, Daniel Tucker, Jill Smalley, Cassidy McQuain, Jeff McEachran and coach Kristi Smalley.

Special Olympians bring home medals

The Hermiston/Pendleton Local Program #510 revived its Special Olympics powerlifting program this winter with training at the Boardman Recreational Center.

Coached by Jason Bartman, four athletes attended competition March 17 at McArthur Court in Eugene. Jose-Angel "JoJo" Ramos earned two gold and two silver medals, Camron Goldie received three bronze medals, Jeff McEachran garnered a bronze medal and Timothy Tichy took home four silver medals.

The powerlifters joined 31 additional teammates to participate in a variety of basketball competitions March 18 in the Beaverton area. The 5 v. 5 team coached by Mark Smalley, Jason Bartman and Midge Harris earned gold. The team



The Shockers, a 5 v. 5 team from Special Olympics Hermiston/Pendleton Local Program #510, received a gold medal March 18 during competitions held in Beaverton. The team includes Sean Boyd, Jason Cargill, Andrea Eiden, Jose-Angel Ramos, Andi Sue Reid, Mike Saguraro, Rob Stewart, Timothy Tichy, Justin Winter and coach Mark Smalley.

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Also earning a gold medal was the Currents, a 3 v. 3 team of Kristy Barnhill, Jennifer

Williams, Marsha Ochoa, Camron Goldie and Willie Bowling.

Earning bronze medals were the Lightning, coached by Kris Neustel and Jennifer Reed, and Thunder, coached by Martie McQuain and Kristi Smalley. Lightning



The Volts, a 3 v. 3 team from Special Olympics Hermiston/Pendleton Local Program #510, placed fourth and received a sportsmanship award March 18 during competitions held in Beaverton. The team and coaches include Lindy Thompson, McKayla Thompson, Valeria Mendez, Vivian McEachran, Kari Hall, John Bryant and Stu Bance.

team members include Jeremy Dickens, Chris Moore, Steven Reed, Jasiel Tostado and Christina Williams; and the Thunder includes Jonathan Wilson, Daniel Tucker, Jill Smalley, Cassidy McQuain and Jeff McEachran.

Earning a fourth place finish and a sportsmanship award were the Volts, including McKayla Thompson, Valeria Mendez, Vivian McEachran, Kari Hall, John Bryant and coaches Lindy Thompson and Stu Bance.

Rounding out the competition were the six members of the Individual Skills Competition team, the Circuits, who are coached by Remick Arey, Ray Trotter and Arta Jones. Jolynn Smutz and Mary Ann Wright earned gold medals, Lyall Arey and Mary Jones received silvers, Misty Larsen garnered a bronze and Jerry Hansen placed fourth.

Special Olympics provides year-around training and athletic competitions for people of all ages with intellectual disabilities. There is no charge to participate.

Practice for the summer sports season, which includes athletics (track and field events), bocce and golf, begins in April. If interested in participating, call Angela Scheider at 541-314-0166.

County lieutenant graduates FBI academy

Lt. Jon Terland of the Gilliam County Sheriff's Office recently completed one of the toughest challenges available to local law enforcement officers: the FBI National Academy.

There is a highly competitive process local law enforcement officers must go through to be selected for the honor. That process includes a nomination by a supervisor, interviews with the candidate and co-workers to determine leadership skills and abilities, a background check, a determination of physical fitness, and the support of former national academy graduates within the candidate's organization. In mid-March, Terland and two other Oregon law enforcement officers completed a 10-week training session at the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia.

Renn Cannon, special agent in charge of the FBI in Oregon, said the national academy provides a unique opportunity that allows participants to learn best practices, share their experiences and build life-long relationships with other leaders.

"We are proud to sponsor Lt. Terland and our other Oregon partners in the National Academy this year," Cannon



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Lt. Jon Terland, right, of the Gilliam County Sheriff's Office, recently completed a 10-week training session at the FBI National Academy in Quantico, Virginia.

said.

Terland started his law enforcement career in 1996 as a reserve and corrections deputy in Idaho. In 1998, he was hired as an officer for the Fairbanks Police Department where he was a SWAT team member and field training officer. In 2003, he was hired by the Sherman County Sheriff's Office and held the positions of traffic safety deputy, certified commercial motor vehicles inspector and speed determi-

nation device instructor. A few years later he became a law enforcement ranger for the Bureau of Land Management and graduated from the Federal Law Enforcement Training Program. Missing rural Eastern Oregon and local law enforcement, Terland returned in 2009 and was hired as a deputy for the Gilliam County Sheriff's Office. He was promoted to sergeant in 2014 and to lieutenant in 2017.

Gilliam County Sheriff Gary Bettencourt said Terland's commitment and professionalism is evidenced by his willingness to travel across the country to participate in the training.

"The sacrifice of being away from his family is not one many are willing to make," Bettencourt said. "I am proud of Jon for his commitment and leadership. With the training Lt. Terland received, the Gilliam County Sheriff's Office will have more resources to draw from that will better serve the county with its law enforcement needs."

Each year, the FBI sponsors four sessions of the national academy. Each session includes about 220 local law enforcement officers from across the United States and around the world.

Education builds 'Promise' for future

Alejandro Escovedo, a student in the Umatilla School District, is featured this week as part of "The Promise of Oregon," a statewide public education support campaign.

"I want to be a video game designer who builds three-dimensional worlds," he said.

The Clara Brownell Middle School student has high hopes for the future. Escovedo knows that in order to achieve

his goals he needs to stay focused on his education.

The Promise, which debuted in November

2014, aims to create support for public education, including raising student achievement and graduation rates. The campaign also showcases districts whose cutting-edge programs are preparing students for careers and college. To view all students in the campaign, visit www.promiseoregon.org.



Escovedo

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

MARCH 29, 2018

BALL — Amanda M. Tyer and Jordan L.R. Ball of Pendleton: a boy, Bhodi Calvin Joseph Ball.

NORMAN — Melinda Walchli-Norman and Levi Norman of Hermiston: a girl, Oaklyn Reign Norman.

MARCH 30, 2018

MOSS — Alexis J. Heird and Zachary W. Moss of Pendleton: a girl, Raelynn Sawyer Moss.

APRIL 3, 2018

FLORES — Danielle Poulson and Saturnino Flores of Pendleton: a boy, Matteo Lawrence Flores.

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

MARCH 29, 2018

GRAJEOLA — Lluly Gaspar and Noe Grajeola of Hermiston: a boy, Mateo Grajeola.

MARCH 31, 2018

MAGANA — Brandi Sullivan and Alex Magana of Hermiston: a boy, Xavious Demetri Magana.

APRIL 2, 2018

GOLDIE — Maxine S.J. Goldie and Dustin W. Goldie of Hermiston: a girl, Kendalynn Jean Goldie.

BMCC tunes in with national radio award

Blue Mountain Community College was recently honored for excellence in advertising at the National Council for Marketing and Public Relations annual conference.

BMCC received a Gold Paragon Award for excellence in radio advertising during the March 18 event in Las Vegas. Its ad, "In A World," ran on regional Elkhorn Media Group stations in fall 2017. It provided a unique way to let the community know about an upcoming registration period at BMCC.

NCMPR is the only organization of its kind that exclusively represents public relations and marketing professionals at community and technical colleges in the country, and is an affiliate of the American Association of



Photo contributed by Casey White-Zollman

Representatives from Blue Mountain Community College, including Jeffrey "JJ" Hill, recruitment program coordinator; Casey White-Zollman, vice president of public relations; and Anne Livingston, director of marketing.

Community Colleges.

Casey White-Zollman, vice president of public relations, Anne Livingston, director of marketing, and Jeffrey "JJ" Hill, recruitment program coordinator (who voiced the advertisement and came up with its concept) were on hand to receive the

award in Las Vegas. This is the first N C M P R Paragon Award BMCC has received.

In October 2017, BMCC's Public Relations and Marketing Office was honored

with five Medallion Awards at the NCMPR District 7 Conference in Bend. The event included community and technical colleges from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Alaska and Canada. The district-level awards included gold for the "In

A World" radio ad; a silver award for brand video, a silver award for digital advertising (ad series on the Industrial Systems Technology program), a bronze award for logo design (for BMCC's new Timberwolf logo) and a bronze award for print advertisement (for a Precision Irrigated Agriculture ad that ran in *Grow Oregon*.)

In 2016, BMCC was honored with three NCMPR District 7 Medallion Awards, the first NCMPR awards for the College.

Ione student to compete at the national level

Grace Ogden, an eighth grader at Ione Community School, will represent Oregon this fall at the National FFA Convention in creed speaking.

Creed speaking is the first level of competitive public speaking in FFA. It's estimated that nearly 500 first-year FFA members in Oregon recite the creed each year. The FFA Creed was written by E. M. Tiffany in the early 1900s as a declaration of belief of agricultural education.

FFA advisor Erin

Heideman compared Ogden's effort to that of a basketball bracket. She moved on from districts, made it through the semifinal round into the Elite 8 and then won the whole thing, the advisor said.

"There are two big differences, however," Heideman said. "One, you're public speaking, the number one fear of most people; and two, there are no school size classifications. Big or small school doesn't matter and Grace rose above it all."



Photo contributed by Erin Heideman

Grace Ogden, an eighth grader at Ione Community School, will represent Oregon in creed speaking this fall at the National FFA Convention.

Pet of the Week

This is Sultan he is a 4 year old Siamese. Sultan is very sweet, he loves to cuddle and play. Sultans favorite thing to do is to eat fish treats. He will come neutered and up to date on vaccines.

168 Pets Adopted in 2018!

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