

STANFIELD

# Class of 2018 urged to address what's wrong with the world

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The 29 graduates of Stanfield's Class of 2018 were ready to head out into the world, but not without some final words of wisdom from their peers and parents.

At Stanfield Secondary School's graduation ceremony Saturday morning, students heard from Rev. John Hurty, who asked students to consider one question.

"What's wrong with the world?" he asked.

Citing quotes from philosophers and leaders throughout history, he told students that the idea that something is wrong in the world only makes sense if there is a standard of rightness.

He told students that the problem, and solution, is with everyone.

"You might never be famous, but all of you will exercise influence," he said. "I hope you will exercise that influence for good."

Students also heard from valedictorian Caleb Walker, and salutatorian Lydia Hurty.



Stanfield seniors wait to receive their diplomas at graduation on Saturday.

Staff photo by Jayati Ramakrishnan

Walker asked students to keep their background in mind as they consider where they want to go.

"It's only by learning from the past that we can hope to improve the future," he said.

Students enjoyed a slideshow, featuring each graduate's baby and senior photos. Each graduate was also given a rose, which they then presented to a family member or friend who had supported

and encouraged them.

After receiving their diplomas, graduates filed out of the gym, where eager families and friends received them on the school's front lawn.

WESTON

# Pioneer Days to host 126th annual picnic

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In its 126th year, the community of Weston will celebrate Umatilla County Pioneer Days.

The event kicks off Friday with the queen's coronation and an introduction of the grand marshal. The gathering starts at 6:30 p.m. at Weston Memorial Hall.

Shirley Kirk Wait is the 2018 Pioneer Picnic queen. In addition to being the daughter of a past queen, she has driven past royalty during the parade. Organizers with the Umatilla County Pioneer Association indicate Wait is quick to welcome people into her home with a wonderful smile, big hug and contagious laugh.

Dusty Hearn, who has

deep roots in the community, is serving as grand marshal. He is often seen riding around town in his ATV with a big smile and a wave. Also, he attends many events to support his kids and grandkids. Hearn is known to visit with people and share a story or two.

Fun for the whole family is featured before and after the Pioneer Picnic. The activities kick off Saturday with a firemen's breakfast at 6 a.m. at Charles Elliott Memorial Park. A special kids' parade gets rolling just prior to the main parade at 10 a.m. An announcer's booth will be set up on the corner of Main and Water streets, providing information about parade entries as they pass by.

After the parade, the

fourth annual car show will be held on Main Street. Day of event entries are \$20. More than a dozen trophies will be presented, including a people's choice award and pair of judge's choices. Be sure to stop by the main car show tent to vote for your favorite car or register for a walking tour of some of Weston's historic buildings.

The car show officially begins at 11 a.m., however, car show entrants that wish to participate in the parade are asked to line-up at 9 a.m. For more about the car show, contact Robert Hill at 541-379-3737, roberthillbob@yahoo.com or Doug Harrel at 541-969-4909 or silveradok5blazer@gmail.com.

Also on Saturday, the park will be filled throughout the day with vendor booths,

concession stands, activities and games for all ages. The barbecue picnic will benefit the Pioneer Days event. And there will be stage entertainment until 5 p.m. Saturday evening closes out with a 9 p.m. performance by Matt Borden at the Long Branch Cafe & Saloon, 201 E. Main St. There is a \$10 cover charge.

For more information, contact Contact Bob Gilliland at bobg@bmi.net, 541-566-9473 or Trish Neal at westonoregon@hotmail.com, 541-404-0724 or search Facebook for "Umatilla County Pioneer Association."

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BRIEFLY

## Old Iron Show gears up for 15th year

PENDLETON — People who own everything from antique farm equipment and automobiles to engines and fixtures are invited to display them during the Old Iron Show.

In its 15th year, the event is the first weekend of June at Roy Raley Park, 1205 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton. It runs Friday, June 1 and Saturday, June 2 from 8 a.m. to dusk and Sunday, June 3 from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. There is no fee to exhibit items or to view the displays. In addition, people are invited to present demonstrations with their equipment.

For more information, contact Kari Brooks of Heritage Station Museum at 541-276-0012, membership@heritagestationmuseum.org or visit www.heritagestationmuseum.org.

## Fishing derby offers outdoor fun

HEPPNER — Youths who are 14 and under can participate in free fishing during the Youth Fishing Derby sponsored by Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife and Morrow County Parks.

In its 13th year, the event is Saturday, June 2 from 8:30-11 a.m. at Cutsforth Park, which is about 20 miles southeast of Heppner. Also, lunch is provided free of charge to youths.

For more information, contact 541-989-9500 or mcparks@co.morrow.or.us.

## Benefit event to help HHS sophomore

HERMISTON — People have a chance to win some great items as well as helping a local family in need.

Jasmine Ellwood, daughter of Hermiston police officer Mike Ellwood, was recently diagnosed with Ewing sarcoma. Money is being raised to help the family with expenses related to her cancer treatments. Jasmine is a sophomore at Hermiston High School.

The benefit dinner and auction is Saturday, June 2 from 5-9 p.m. in the commons at Hermiston High School, 600 S. First St. The silent auction ends at 6:45 p.m. and the live auction starts at 7:30 p.m. The cost

is \$15 per person or \$40 for a family of four (with an additional \$5 per child).

Items up for bid include an a walleye fishing trip courtesy of Angling Oregon, a 2-night stay for two with several rounds of golf at Silvies Ranch, a hunting rifle, jewelry and more. Also, there will be a raffle for a Yeti Cooler.

In addition, people can donate through www.gofundme.com/ellwood-medical-fund. For more information, contact jmarcum@ucfd1.com.

## HHS volleyball team digs upcoming fundraiser

HERMISTON — The Hermiston High School volleyball team will cruise with a promotion sponsored by the Ford Motor Company.

The fundraising event invites qualified drivers to take a short test drive. Ford will donate \$20 — up to \$6,000 in total — that will go to help support the HHS volleyball team.

Drive 4 UR School is Saturday, June 2 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the parking lot at Hermiston High School, 600 S. First St. Also, volunteers from HHS will provide free drinks and hot dogs for everyone who takes a test drive. In addition, a bouncy house will be available for kids and representatives from PAWS will be on hand for a pet adoption event.

For more information, contact Maria Duron at 541-667-6036 or maria.duron@hermistonisd.org.

## Library offers prizes for reading

HERMISTON — Area kids are invited to "Catch the Reading Bug" at the Hermiston Public Library.

Children can read picture books or chapter books to fill up their reading log. The logs can be turned in before the end of the month to win a prize.

For more information or to pick up a reading log, stop by the library Monday through Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. or Friday/Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library is located at 235 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston. For questions, call 541-567-2882.

PENDLETON

# Fire destroys Riverside garage

East Oregonian

A fire consumed a Riverside Drive backyard garage near Pendleton late Monday morning.

The Pendleton Fire Department responded to the fire at the 4000 block of Riverside around 11 a.m., according to Capt. Dan Hergert.

Besides extinguishing the fully engulfed garage, firefighters also needed to try to protect the house it was behind.

Hergert said the fire spread to the attic and some of the house's second floor, but the department was able to put out the fire before it did extensive damage.

The fire also sparked a fire in a backyard two houses down, which destroyed a decorative well in the

yard, but was otherwise extinguished. Hergert estimated the department finished extinguishing all fires by 12:30 p.m.

Hergert said he didn't know how many occupants lived on the originating property, but no one was hurt.

The cause of the fire is undetermined, but Hergert said authorities suspect it started at an electrical panel in the garage.

Although the property was outside city limits, the Pendleton Fire Department was the lead agency through the Riverside Fire District. Umatilla Tribal Fire Department, the East Umatilla County Rural Fire Protection District, and the Pilot Rock Rural Fire Protection District all assisted the Pendleton Fire Department.

# Rain washes out Wallowa highway



Photo contributed by Oregon Department of Transportation

Heavy rains caused landslides that shut down Highway 350 in Wallowa County on Friday and through Saturday. The road was reopened to a single lane Monday and ODOT said in a news release it hoped to have the highway fully reopened by Monday night.

MEETINGS

**TUESDAY, MAY 29**  
MORROW COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Port of Morrow Riverfront Center, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman. (Stephanie Loving 541-922-4624)

HERMISTON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Hermiston City Hall council chambers, 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston. (541-567-5521)

**MONDAY, JUNE 4**  
STOKES LANDING SENIOR CENTER BOARD, 6 p.m., Stokes Landing Senior Center, 195 N.W. Opal Place, Irrigon. (Karen 541-922-3137)

HEPPNER PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Heppner City Hall, 111 N. Main St., Heppner. (541-676-9618)

MILTON-FREEWATER PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library Albee Room, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave., Milton-Freewater. 6:30 p.m.

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