

Class of '53 celebrates 65 years



The Pendleton High School class of 1953 held its 65th reunion May 10-11 at Wildhorse Resort & Casino. Front: Gayle Grilley Ray (who served as emcee), Virginia Reese Sperber, Doris Denning, Anna Hart Prideaux, Marge Garret Teague, Joan Pearson Corley, Joyce Meyersick Gustafson, Marilyn Dodge Murray, Corinne Long Swearingen. Back: Arlen Jenkins, Antone Minthorn, Gary Guyll, Mike O'Harra, Pete Temple, Don Lieuallen, Jack Hoffman, Bruce Lorenz, Doug Warnock, Dale Crow, Kent Larabee, Charles Hoeft, Gary Mansker.

River cleanup organizers S.U.R.E. appreciate volunteers

Thank you to the 50 volunteers who helped clear more than 420 pounds of trash from the Umatilla River Parkway and riverbank in Pendleton on May 19!

Special thanks to Clifford Smith and Roger Rasico of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 922, who staffed the grills for our barbecue lunch after the cleanup. At this event, a number of homeless folks pitched in to help and enjoyed the barbecue lunch as well.

The Stewards of the

Umatilla River Environment (S.U.R.E.) is a volunteer organization open to everyone who has an interest in enhancing the riparian environment along the parkway. We hold river cleanups at least once a year, which is a great opportunity to meet new people and spend time along our beautiful river.

Wildlife abounds along the Umatilla, even right through town. Mink, deer, white pelicans, great blue herons and yellow warblers were all spotted that morning, along with bull

and garter snakes (both nonvenomous).

Volunteers found dozens of Polar Pop cups and other beverage containers, a bag of cannabis, a bicycle, a shopping cart, a gas tank, a football and baseballs.

If your business or organization would like to sign up for the Adopt-A-Parkway program, to help keep the parkway clean year-round, give Pendleton Parks & Recreation a call at 541-276-8100.

Before the Adopt-A-Parkway program began,

S.U.R.E. volunteers would sometimes remove over 2,000 pounds of trash from the riverbanks in a single morning.

If you would like to receive an email about future S.U.R.E. cleanup events, email kbbrown@eastoregonian.com to be added to our email list.

Kathryn B. Brown, organizer Stewards of the Umatilla River Environment
Michael Ward, executive director Umatilla Basin Watershed Council

Hermiston man powers on with community service

Bryan Wolfe was recently recognized with the Northwest Public Power Association's top honor for community service.

The Hermiston man, who is a longtime member of the Umatilla Electric Cooperative board of directors, was honored with the Paul J. Raver Community Service Award.

Wolfe received the award May 22 at the NWPPA's annual conference in Boise.

The award honors an individual or company who has demonstrated superior leadership in the betterment of cities, states or regions. It was first presented to Paul J. Raver (posthumously) on April 18, 1963. Raver was one of the first leaders of Bonneville Power Administration and later served as superintendent of Seattle City Light.

Wolfe, a rancher and farmer, was cited for championing his city, state and region through 40-plus years of volunteer service. In the public power industry, Wolfe has served on local (UEC), state (Oregon Rural Electric Cooperative Association) and national (National Rural

Electric Cooperative) boards of directors.

Three Oregon governors, in three separate decades, have recognized Wolfe's leadership by appointing him to the Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council, the Hanford Cleanup Board and the Oregon Board of Forestry. His alma mater, Oregon State University, named him to its Agricultural Hall of Fame. Most tellingly, the people who know him best — his friends, neighbors and colleagues — honored Wolfe as Hermiston's Man of the Year in 1999.

NWPPA is an international association representing and serving about 150 customer-owned, locally controlled utilities in the western United States and Canada. The association also serves approximately 300 associate members across the nation and Canada who are allied with the electric utility industry.

For more information, contact Steve Meyers, UEC member services administrator, at 541 289-1344 or steve.meyers@umatillaelectric.com.



Wolfe

Where in the world are the Hutchins?

Patti Hutchins is hoping to revive "Where in the World is the EO?"

Years ago, readers were asked to submit a photo of friends and/or family with an edition of the East Oregonian while they were traveling out of the area. Patti found the picture perfect opportunity to snap a photo of her son, Craig Hutchins, a 1994 Pendleton High School graduate who now

resides in Beaverton, with her husband, Francis Hutchins, a retired building official with the city of Pendleton.

Over the Memorial Day weekend, the avid fishermen enjoyed Kokanee fishing at Paulina Lake, which is located at Newberry Crater, northeast of LaPine, Oregon, the pair said, has some of the best high lake fishing in the United States.



Francis Hutchins of Pendleton and his son, Craig Hutchins, of Beaverton brought an edition of the East Oregonian along with them while fishing for Kokanee at Paulina Lake, located at Newberry Crater near LaPine.

ANNIVERSARY



Robert and Shirley Michael in 1948.

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An open house celebration honoring the 70th wedding anniversary of Robert and Shirley Michael will be held Saturday, June 9 from 3-5 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church, 201 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. The celebration will also mark Shirley's 90th birthday.

The Michaels grew up in Pilot Rock and were married June 6, 1948, on Shirley's 20th birthday. Robert retired from Pendleton Grain Growers, where he worked as a truck driver for the petroleum department. Shirley is a retired administrative secretary for the Pendleton School



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District.

The couple has been active in the VFW Post 922 and VFW Auxiliary, and each was honored as a Pendleton First Citizen. Robert was an active member of the Pendleton Elks Lodge until

it closed. Shirley is a member of the Pendleton Presbyterian Church.

The Michael's children are David Michael of Weston and Susan Platt of Pendleton. They have six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

'Little White Man' gets big award

Prineville-based Western author Rick Steber recently received an International Beverly Hills Book Award for "Little White Man — Shoyapo Shoyapo."

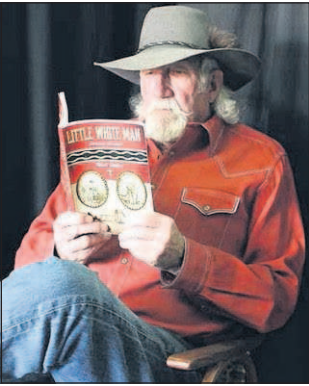
"Of the thousands of books entered, we felt this book in the West Region was very deserving of our highest award based upon a very compelling story and excellence in writing. It is my personal hope this worldwide award will raise awareness of the painful history forced upon Native Americans in the name of Manifest Destiny," said Jeffrey Keen, CEO of The Beverly Hills Book Award.

A true story, the book is set in American Indian country and pits two strong-willed men against each other in an epic David-and-Goliath battle over the dominance of the white man's religion. A full half-century

after Dr. Marcus and Narcissa Whitman were killed — a pivotal event igniting the disastrous Cayuse Indian War — Jimmy Cornelison is assigned as the new missionary. He faces a skeptical congregation made up of the descendants of those who committed the murders.

The Indians name this young man, fresh out of seminary school, Shoyapo Shoyapo — Little White Man. His authority is swiftly challenged by Chief Peo, a powerful and fearsome leader among his people. The chief denounces the Bible-toting minister and the God he has brought to replace the traditional belief system of Washat.

"I hope everyone will read 'Little White Man,' and that they will learn from what it has to say," said Jesse Jones Jr, chief of the Cayuse tribe.



Contributed photo Western author Rick Steber recently received an International Beverly Hills Book Award for "Little White Man."

Steber has more than 40 titles under his belt. He has won many awards and is the only Oregon author to have been presented with the prestigious Western Writers of America Spur Award — Best Western Novel. For more information, visit www.ricksteber.com.

Ione library shelves new books

The Ione Public Library was selected as one of 25 libraries statewide to receive books from Literary Arts.

The 16 books provided to the library include adult fiction and non-fiction, juvenile fiction and books for young readers. All of the books were written by Oregon authors and are finalists of the 2018 Oregon Book Awards.

New books on the shelves are juvenile fiction books "Shake a Leg" and "Egg and Hereville - How Mirka Caught a Fish." Young readers' books are "This is How it Happened" and "The Tragically True Adventures of Kit Donovan," an Oregon

Book Awards winner, and "Homeward Bound: the Life of Paul Simon" is an adult nonfiction selection.

More books will be shelved as soon as they're cataloged. Also new to the library and ready to be checked out are "Farewell to the Horse" and "You All Grow Up and Leave Me."

The Ione library is open Mondays and Wednesdays from 1-6 p.m. and Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. It's located at 385 W. Second St. For more information, call 541-561-9828 or visit www.ione-publiclibrary.com.

For more information about programs through Literary Arts, visit www.literary-arts.org.

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton
MAY 21, 2018

GRANGOOD — Ariel M. Grangood and Austin D. Grangood of Pendleton: a girl, Elizabeth "Ellie" May Grangood.
MAY 25, 2018

VERDIN — Susana M. Argueta and Maxwell B. Verdin of Pendleton: a girl, Aullie Maria Verdin.

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

MAY 22, 2018

CHRISTENSEN — Alexis Carin Ashcraft and Dylan Jonathon Christensen of Hermiston: a boy, Rykyr Mayson Christensen.

MAY 25, 2018

LEPE-LANDEROS — Victoria Landeros and Jose Lepe of Umatilla: a girl, Ariana Sophia Lepe-Landeros.

MAY 29, 2018

BAILEY — Kourtney Dawn Bailey and Devin Shane Bailey of Stanfield: a girl, Reigni Dawn Bailey.

Frank is a very sweet adult cuddle bear who enjoys being indoors.

271 Pets Adopted in 2018!

Visit Frank at the Pioneer Humane Society/Paws
Tues - Sat • Noon - 4pm
517 SE 3rd ST, Pendleton
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