



Photo contributed by Kathryn Youngman

Pendleton High School Foreign Language Club students participated in the University of Oregon's Foreign Language and International Studies Day in Eugene.

PHS students attend conference in Eugene

Students in the Pendleton High School Foreign Language Club recently returned from Eugene after participating in the University of Oregon's Foreign Language and International Studies Day.

Kathryn Youngman said about three dozen PHS students joined 1,000 students from across the state to attend the 41st annual event. Students attended a variety of presentations, workshops and performances during the May 2-3 trip. The students, Youngman said, had

a great time on the U of O campus. Youngman expressed appreciation for funding for the trip, which was supported partially by grant awards from the Education Foundation of Pendleton and Altrusa International of Pendleton.

Special Olympics celebrates successes, support

Special Olympic athletes, coaches, volunteers and supporters had multiple reasons to cheer recently as Hermiston/Pendleton Local Program #510 celebrated during its annual awards event.

More than 75 people attended the April 23 gathering. Held at The Arc Building in Hermiston, it featured an ice cream social. Those recognized were nominated based on exemplifying the spirit of Special Olympics.

Male Athlete of the Year was presented to Ben Spinden by longtime bowling coach Doris Boatright. Female Athlete of the Year was Arielle Shaver, who received her award from bowling coach Karrington Lucas. Coach of the Year recognized Kristi Smalley, who was presented the award by basketball and bocce coach Jessica Sexton. Volunteer of the Year was accepted by Robert Longoria on behalf of The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Angels Council



Photo contributed by Mark Smalley

The local Special Olympics program recently celebrated during its annual awards event. Those receiving recognition included Kristi Smalley (coach of the year), Jennifer Cecil for the Hermiston Noon Kiwanis Club (organization of the year), Robert Longoria for The Knights of Columbus Our Lady of Angels Council (volunteers of the year), Arielle Shaver (female athlete of the year) and Ben Spinden (male athlete of the year).

#3999. Special Olympian Rian Middleton presented the Organization of the Year award to Jennifer Cecil on behalf of the Hermiston Noon Kiwanis Club.

The local Special Olympics program currently has approximately 90 athletes participating in bocce, golf

and athletics (track and field events). The athletic training and competitions are offered to individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities at no charge. For more information about the local program, contact Angela Schneider at 541-314-0166.

Hermiston Lions Club supports community

The Hermiston Lions Club recently contributed money to several community organizations and/or projects.

Club president Phillip Spicerkuhn said the contributions were given to the city of Hermiston (\$6,500) to support projects to improve the city; the Hermiston Education Foundation (\$1,000) to enhance educational opportunities through the Hermiston School District, and to Hermiston/Pendleton Local Special Olympics Program #510 (\$1,000) to support athletic programs for individuals with intellectual disabilities.

The money disbursed was generated from proceeds during the annual Don Horneck Memorial Dinner through the support of many local farms and businesses. Don Horneck was a Lions



Photo contributed by Phil Hamm

Phillip Spicerkuhn, Hermiston Lions Club president, presents a check to Karen Sherman on behalf of the Hermiston Education Foundation.

Club member and an avid supporter of youth programs in general, and the community as a whole.

While the Hermiston Lions Club's main mission is to help provide eyeglasses and hearing aids to those in

need, they also contribute to other important organizations or projects within the Hermiston community.

For more information about the Hermiston Lions Club, call Phil Hamm at 541-567-6281.

BIRTHS

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton
MAY 21, 2019
JUAREZ — Kylie V. Crosky and Gabriel R. Juarez of Pendleton: a girl, Emma JoAnn Juarez.
MAY 24, 2019
CARDENAS-ANGEL — Shante Cardenas Burns of Pendleton and George L. Angel: a boy, Legend Lee Cardenas-Angel.
Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston
MAY 21, 2019
SANCHEZ RAMIREZ — Ilenia Ramirez and Mario Sanchez of Hermiston: a girl, Mariana Sanchez Ramirez.

MAY 24, 2019
CALVILLO — Sarah E. Silvani and Noe A. Calvillo of Irrigon: a girl, Amelia Rose Calvillo.
COX — Arraceli M. Flores and Kenneth H. Cox III of Hermiston: a boy, Kenneth Harold Cox IV.
MAY 25, 2019
MEZA-OLIVAS — Claudia Meza and Santiago Meza of Hermiston: a girl, Isabel Meza-Olivas.
MAY 27, 2019
CHURCH — Kara M. Church and Tyler D. Church of Hermiston: a boy, Hayven Doyle Church.

Liscom thanks 'village' for help raising son

Because of the outstanding teachers in Kirk Liscom's life — he has amazing opportunities ahead of him. A heartfelt thank you to:

My parents, aunts and uncles who have over 230 years of combined service to our country and to their communities as educators. They taught all of us Smith kids about honesty, integrity, and the honor of public service.

Yolanda, Mare-Mare and Mrs. Nitz for providing safe early learning environments.

Teachers Yoshioka, Levy and Christensen for teaching him to read.

Coaches Davis, Phillips, Linehan and Armstrong for teaching him about leadership, teamwork and strength. Through football they taught Kirk that everyone in a system must accept and fulfill his role if that system is to have any chance of success.

Teachers Oja, Jones, Bixler and Cooper for Kirk's instruction in math and science and

exciting his curiosity to learn more.

Mrs. Youngman for meeting "Thomas" at the door every day and challenging his mind with her quick paced lessons and high expectations.

Kelly, Pam, Becky, Barb and Kimi for being a substitute mom during each school year.

The Goodwins, Pitzers, Soreys, Demianews, Bakers, Porters, Simpsons, Rosenbergs and Cooleys for making Kirk family. They taught him about the rewards of hard work, the fun of horsemanship, and the ups and downs of farming.

My brothers for demonstrating unending family love and honor in caring for our aging parent.

Kirk's dad, his first, most important teacher who spent hours and hours building, fixing, working, hunting and playing with him.

Love, Kirk's mom, Shelley Liscom, Pendleton

Hale twins celebrate 90th birthday

The Hale twins, Juanita Mary Proctor and Margaret Frances Pieper, were born May 22, 1929, in Heppner, to Vier and Mary Hale.

Recently turning 90, the twins are currently living at Avamere of Hermiston. Family and friends recently celebrated with Juanita and Margaret during a birthday gathering held at the Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church parish hall in Hermiston.

The twins grew up in McDonald Canyon on a 3,500-acre ranch with their mom, uncle Charlie, and Irish grandparents Phil and Mary Hirl. They attended their first seven years of school in a one-room schoolhouse near their home, and later went to school in Heppner, graduating in 1947. After graduation, Margaret and Juanita both moved to Hermiston.

In 1950, Nita married Leroy "Rocky" Proctor. Nita and Rocky raised five children, Clarence, Pat (Smith), Mike, Mary Ann (Munkers), and Theresa (Proctor-Reece) from which they had 11 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. They built a wonderful life working together on their ranch in Irrigon where they raised beef cattle, grass hay, chickens and horses until Rocky's death in 2011.

In 1951, Margaret met and married the love of her life, Bill Bunten, while working at the Umattilla Army Depot. He died in 1965. In 1968, Margaret married Arnie Pieper (who died in 1982). They bought a farm on Buttercreek, which is now West-



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Hale twins — then



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Juanita Mary Proctor and Margaret Frances Pieper — now

winds Nursery. Margaret is especially proud of her children, Pam, Sally, Billy, John, Jim and Lori, along with her 15 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

The twins enjoy hanging out for lunch and dinner while visiting with friends and family at Ava-

mere of Hermiston. They enjoy reminiscing about the old days and love spending quality time with their families.

For a full story about the twins written by Theresa Proctor-Reece, search www.eastoregonian.com.

Pet of the Week

Betty is 3 year old spayed Pitbull with a huge heart. Betty is house broke, up to date on shots, does great on a leash, and knows commands. Betty is easy going, playful, has lived in a home with other dogs, kids under 5 to adults. Betty loves to go for walks, car rides, and being a lap dog. Who ever adopts Betty will be very lucky. She is amazing!

243 Pets Adopted in 2019!

Visit Betty at the Pioneer Humane Society/Paws
 Tues - Sat • Noon - 4pm
 517 SE 3rd ST, Pendleton
 541-276-0181
 Check out the PAWSABILITY Thrift Store



BETTY



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