

A little droning around



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Eva Davis, 12, flies a miniature drone Thursday, Jan. 13, 2022, around the Pendleton Public Library during a "Droning Around" STEM event. Students in grades six through 12 had the opportunity to learn to fly drones under the instruction of assistant library director James Simpson.

Pendleton prepares to reflect on its finest

First Citizens Banquet is Jan. 28

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PENDLETON — A recent announcement from the Pendleton Chamber of Commerce reveals the top three finalists in several categories for the First Citizens Banquet & Business Excellence Awards.

However, the suspense will continue to build as to who will be named the man and woman of the year during the 65th annual event — as the finalists are not being disclosed.

After a one-year hiatus, the event returns to a new venue. With a theme of Pendleton Through the Looking Glass, the celebration begins at 5 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 28, at the Pendleton Convention Center, 1601 Westgate. It features a full dinner and no-host bar.

The nonprofit/volunteer of the year finalists are Altrusa International of Pendleton, Clearview Disability Resource Center and Andy VanderPlaat of Pendleton Cattle Barons. Top nominees for business of the year are Hines Meat Co., Joe's Fiesta Mexican Restaurant and Pendleton Underground



Ben Lonergan/East Oregonian, File
J.J. Spriet emcees the 64th annual Pendleton First Citizens Banquet on Jan. 17, 2020, at Wildhorse Resort & Casino. After a one-year hiatus, the event returns at a new venue on Friday, Jan. 28, at the Pendleton Convention Center.

Tours. Boss of the year is between Brooke Armstrong of Pendleton Underground Tours, Rodney and Kelli Bullington of Oregon Grain Growers Brand Distillery and Gary George of Wildhorse Resort & Casino. And those vying for employee of the year include Francis Arnold of Pendleton Underground Tours, Dylan Smith of Blue Mountain Small Engine Repair and Ronda Thorn-

burg of the Pendleton School District.

Tickets are \$60 per person. The dinner entrees include Pendleton Whisky glazed steak and salmon with a Pendleton Whisky dry rub. Also on the menu is a spring mix salad, a citrus supremes feta salad, twice-baked potatoes

and bacon-wrapped asparagus. And be sure to save room for dessert with tuxedo trifle or chocolate brownie bites hugged with chocolate mousse and topped with white chocolate mousse. For more information or to purchase tickets, call the chamber at 541-276-7411.

John E. Rawlins

June 23, 1950 - December 26, 2021

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the death of Dr. John E. Rawlins of Heppner, Oregon.

John passed away on December 26, 2021, in Gilbert AZ, where he recently moved to be close to his family. John was 71 years old.

He is predeceased by his parents, Bill and Jane, and his brother Tom. He is survived by his sister Carol and brother Charlie, and his life partner Rita Lee, and close lifelong friend Jane Hyland.

John earned his undergraduate degree (B.S.) at Oregon State University in 1972, and his PhD from Cornell University in 1982. John was a professor at the University of Texas in Austin before becoming the Curator of the Section of Invertebrate Zoology at the Carnegie Museum of Natural History (Pittsburgh, PA) in 1985.

For more than 30 years John's research and scholarship around the world's Lepidoptera (butterflies and moths) and his focus on conserving the earth's biodiversity, has enabled major scientific efforts for the investigation of biological diversity and conservation at both national and international levels. John was known and loved by many as the bug man who brought joy and enthusiasm to the subject of the importance of insects and biodiversity. He will be sorely missed by colleagues all over the world, especially Robert Davidson and Chen Young.

To appreciate John's love of the natural world see him at <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=Ypo2ONyLqXs>

Donations in honor of John's memory can be made to The Dr. John E. Rawlins Scholarship and Conservation Fund the following ways:

1. Write a check to The Dr. John E. Rawlins Scholarship and Conservation Fund, mail to: Charles Rawlins, 2764 East Lowell Ave., Gilbert AZ 85296
2. Give to the Dr. John Rawlins Scholarship & Conservation Fund at: <https://gofund.me/3d328194>

All proceeds will be used to impact the research and studies of young scientists, and to aid in conservation efforts in the U.S. and beyond.

Two services are planned; one for the public at Carnegie Museum of Natural History in Pittsburgh, and another private family service in Heppner, Oregon. Information will be available at a future date.



COMMUNITY BRIEFING

All-State Choir takes note of 3 PHS students

PENDLETON — The Oregon All-State Choir features three voices from Pendleton High School.

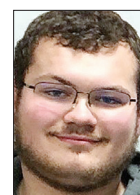
The student musicians are Madison Gruenhagen and Gaignun Smith, both seniors, and Cassondra Bedolla, a junior. In addition, Megan Fleming, also a senior, was selected as an alternate.



Bedolla



Gruenhagen



Smith

An honor music ensemble program coordinated by the Oregon Music Education Association, All-State participants must be recommended by their instructor and pass a rigorous audition process.

The All-State music program is in conjunction with Cultivating Inspiration, the Oregon Music Education Association 2022 State Conference, which runs Thursday through Sunday, Jan. 13-16, in Eugene. Held at multiple venues, the event crescendos with a concert in Eugene's Hult Center for the Performing Arts.

"This is an extremely rewarding experience for students to gather with fellow motivated student musicians from around Oregon and have the privilege to rehearse and perform with renowned guest conductors," Emily Muller-Cary, PHS choir and orchestra director, said in a press release.

The Oregon Music Education Association promotes excellence in music education and serves the professional needs of its membership. For more information, visit www.oregonmusic.org.

Pendleton Lions set sweet fundraiser

PENDLETON — Just in time for Valentine's Day, the Pendleton Lions Club teamed up with See's Candies to provide an online store to purchase special candy for the sweetheart in your life.

To access the online storefront, visit the Lions Club's website at www.pendletonlionsclub.org or search for a link at www.facebook.com/pendletonlions.

Orders must be placed before Friday, Jan. 28. The orders will be received in approximately seven days or they can be shipped directly to the recipient.

Proceeds will be used for local Lions Club projects. For questions, call 541-238-5466.

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Carol Anne Clough nee Cleaver

April 17, 1929-December 31, 2021

Carol Anne Clough nee Cleaver of Arlington, Oregon passed away on December 31, 2021 in Bend, Oregon. She was 92.

Carol Anne is survived by her husband Alfred B. (Bus) Clough and her children Randall Clough (Kathleen), Alison Clough, and Robin Clough; 5 adoring granddaughters and 5 great-grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents Herbert Cleaver and Josephine Cleaver and her siblings Shirley Junker, Paul Cleaver and Robin Cleaver.

Born in Modesto, CA in 1929 to Herbert and Josephine Cleaver, Carol Anne was afforded a well-traveled childhood due to her father's work. Living in Brownsville, TX; Moscow, ID; Dash Point, WA; Lake City, WA; Tacoma, WA; La Grande, OR; Pendleton, OR; Portland, OR; her family finally settled in Albany, OR where she graduated high school. Carol Anne attended a year at Oregon State University and then transferred to the University of Oregon where she was in the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority. Introduced by mutual friends, she met her future husband, Bus, in the summer of 1949, and they were married March 19, 1950 in Albany, OR. After Bus graduated from Oregon State, they relocated to Arlington, OR where Bus assumed a family business.

Carol Anne loved music. As a teenager, she played violin with the Portland Jr. Symphony, then later, the La Grande Symphony and the Walla Walla Symphony. With the La Grande Symphony she was able to tour Europe and several Iron Curtain countries and she cherished those memories. Beyond the violin, Carol Anne sang in the Methodist church choir and took a turn directing both the church junior and senior choirs. But most importantly, the lullabies Carol Anne sang to her granddaughters are now dearly treasured memories.

A generous laughter, Carol Anne was active in her community. Her time working as a library aide at Arlington Elementary School was highlighted by her involvement in the remedial reading program. Carol Anne was a founding member of the Arlington Kindergarten; she served on the Arlington Library Board; she was a dealer for Boise Cascade homes; she owned and operated the Pine Box Company in downtown Arlington; she was a founding member of the Big River Band festival and tended the roses at the Earl Snell Memorial Park. In short, she was a force.

In their long retirement, Carol Anne and Bus often traveled to a family resort in Puerto Escondido, Mexico, where they took classes in Spanish and cooking, and reveled in their time spent with family and Mexican culture.

A celebration of life will be announced at a later time.

Donald Krause

September 17, 1922 – January 6, 2022

Donald Cedric Krause, 99, a long-time resident of Ridgefield, Washington, passed away quietly on Thursday, January 6, surrounded by his family. He was still at home living in the house he built more than half a century ago.

He was born in Bagley, Minnesota on September 17, 1922 to John Krause and Victoria Goedker, as the youngest of ten children. He had six sisters and three brothers. Three of the brothers and one sister died of diphtheria. He was also raised with his niece and nephew Pal and Vicki after his older sister Agnes passed away.

Near the end of World War II, he and his mother moved to Vancouver, Washington to find work in the shipyards. In his words, "they canned the bull and headed west." The war ended about a month after they arrived in Vancouver.

In 1944 he met Geneva Stemmerman at the shipyards and they were married in 1946. They were later divorced but had four children together – Donna (George), of Pendleton, Oregon; John (Nancy), of Cumming, Georgia; Robert, deceased; and Daniel (Denise) of Ridgefield as well as a step-daughter Rose Harshman (John) of Vancouver.

He was primarily a machinist-welder by trade and after leaving the shipyards, created Don's Auto Service, which he operated on the side for many years. After working a year at Alcoa, he worked for Grady's Service Station. He spent the next ten years at Step Motor Company and then moved to Lewis River Motors, before spending time working on the Swift-Merwin Dam.

He became a journeyman millwright at Schurman Machine Works where he spent the last 33 years of his working life. His skills and his work at Schurman resulted in considerable travel in order to keep lumber mills up and running. His specialty was a particular kind of barker created by Schurmans.

He had seven grandchildren – Shannon Bergevin (Robert) of Walla Walla; Bryn Murdock, Hermiston; Megan Grimm (Brian Delano), Ridgefield; Ian Murdock (Lindsay), Echo, Oregon; Nicholas Krause (Tina), Ridgefield; and Terry Peru (Brad) of Vancouver. He had thirteen great-grandchildren.

A graveside service for family members will be held on January 20, 2022 in Ridgefield, WA.

