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The addition of the Youth Arts Showcase also brought rave reviews and encouraging feedback from festival goers. Many of the adult artists agreed that some of the youth artwork easily could hold its own with the adult's juried artwork on display in the next room, according to Costello. He added that the artist's observations were proved out when several of the youth art pieces also sold to festival-goers (see sidebar).

The festival displayed more than \$300,000 worth of art while artists sold in the neighborhood of \$16,500 to festival attendees. The festival itself awarded \$5,000 in prizes to the artists. Costello said several of the art gallery owners on Main Street told him their walk-in traffic also was up due to the many visitors in town for the event.

Local woodturner Tom Clevenger donated a one-of-a-kind vase as a raffle item — 775 raffle tickets were sold at \$5 each as a fundraiser for the event.

When the drawing for the vase came, about 200 people crowded into the Joseph Community Center to witness the

ART STUDENT'S PAINTING FINDS A BUYER

By Steve Tool
Wallowa County Chieftain

Joseph Charter School senior Addie Kilgore wasn't sure what to think when the school's art teacher told her to paint something other than horses. Kilgore ultimately decided to paint a gemsbok, a large African antelope, because it was the animal that most closely resembled horses in her eyes. The decision paid off.

After winning prizes for her art during May's Youth Arts Festival, Kilgore received an invitation to enter several paintings at the youth section of the Wallowa Valley Festival of Arts last week. Kilgore took home the Judge's Choice Award for the gemsbok piece as well as the People's Choice Award for a horse painting.

Adult exhibitor Rindie Mills and her husband Brian of Snohomish, Wash., were immediately taken in



A smiling Addie Kilgore holds up her gemsbok painting beside buyers Rindie and Brian

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by the painting while perusing the youth section and offered to buy it.

The couple said they weren't looking to purchase any art during the

festival. "My wife and I were sitting there looking at it,

thinking, 'Those are both (including the horse painting) real good,' Brian Mills said.

They started talking to a woman who was also in the room — who just happened to be JCS Principal Sherri Kilgore, Addie's mother.

"This is the first year the festival has invited the school to have exceptional student work shown, and it's quite an honor to have the artwork shown, and have Addie win both the awards as well as having her artwork sold," said JCS fine arts teacher Jennifer Connolly.

Kilgore, 18, herself took her first art sale in stride.

"I was pretty surprised they were interested in it since it didn't have a price on it," she said.

The Joseph senior said the sale doesn't change the way she looks at her art.

"I love doing art, but it's more like a hobby to me than it would be a career choice."

event as Clevenger's wife Denise pulled the winning ticket. The vase went to a woman

from Clarkston, Wash.

Costello attributed the success of the show to the new

festival additions as well as the 100-plus festival volunteers and several galleries

around Joseph spreading the word abroad.

"I feel so fortunate to

work with such a committed, competent and fun group of friends and neighbors."

FIRES

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"We need to do this to make sure we have fire protection for everyone," said Wallowa County Commissioner Susan Roberts during Wednesday's meeting in En-

terprise, which was attended by about 20 landowners. "It's a question of equability. We need to have equitable payment across the board for the whole county."

The ultimate decision lies with the County Classification Committee, a five-member panel formed according to state statute. Wallowa Unit forester Matt Howard was

appointed by the state forester, and the OSU Extension Service appointed its Wallowa County co-leader, John Williams. The other three members — Chris Cunningham, Roy Garten and Bruce Dunn — were appointed by the county commissioners.

The last comprehensive forestland classification took place in 2010 and increased

the county's overall acreage under ODF fire protection from 448,000 to 605,000 — 270,000 acres considered timberland and another 335,000 acres of grazing land. The 2010 classification did not assess grasslands within the Conservation Reserve Program, land in environmentally sensitive areas where landowners have agreed not to farm. It also left some private grazing land within the donut hole untaxed.

After much discussion, the committee recommended adding the assessment to all

CRP land as well as the currently untaxed grazing land. The new classification would tax approximately 152,000 additional acres, bringing the county's total taxed acreage to about 757,000.

The increase in taxed land won't necessarily lead to a larger fire-suppression budget for ODF. That number is determined by a regional budget committee, which includes landowners from throughout Northeast Oregon. Once a budget is set, half of the money comes from the state's general fund and the other half is paid for

by landowners — the more land that is assessed, the lower the fire-protection rate for individual landowners. That rate currently sits at \$1.50 per acre each year for timberland and 40 cents per acre for grazing land. On average, the rate increases by about 3 percent each year due to inflation, according to District Forester John Buckman, who attended Wednesday's meeting.

The fire-protection assessment is added to a landowner's annual tax bill, which is mailed in October. The proposal, if adopted, wouldn't go into effect until October 2017. The Classification Committee will hold a formal meeting Oct. 20 at the county courthouse to potentially finalize the decision.

Definitions

Forestland is defined as "any woodland, brushland, timberland, grazing land or clearing that, during any time of the year, contains enough forest growth, slashing or vegetation to constitute, in the judgment of the forester, a fire hazard, regardless of how the land is zoned or taxed."

There are three classifications of forestland:

- Class 1: Timber class, including land suitable for timber production, possibly including structures (Class 1 applies only to Western Oregon).

- Class 2: Timber and grazing class, including land suitable for joint use of timber production and livestock grazing, possibly including structures. This is land that is assessed a fire-protection tax.

- Class 3: Agricultural class, including land suitable for grazing and other agricultural use, possibly including structures. This land also is assessed the fire-protection tax.

All land within city limits and land that is actively farmed (and therefore irrigated) is exempted from the tax.

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- Employee stock ownership plan
 - Teaspoon
 - Type of IRA
 - Restore courage
 - Pet Detective Ventura
 - Discount
 - Where rockers play
 - Light Armored Reconnaissance (abbr.)
 - Computer manufacturer
 - Nomadic people
 - Liquefied natural gas
 - Steps leading to a river
 - Benign tumors
 - In an early way
 - Type of wall
 - Pop folk singer Williams
 - Greek Titaness
 - Expresses purpose
 - Type of school
 - Least true
 - Delighted
 - Church building
 - Replacement worker
 - A sign of assent
 - Semitic gods
 - Ancient kingdom near Dead Sea
 - Partly digested food
 - Fevers
 - Genus of trees
 - Midway between east and southeast
 - Jewish spiritual leader
 - Gallivant
 - Hideaway
 - Source

- CLUES DOWN**
- Major division of time
 - Withered
 - Portends good or evil
 - Single sheet of glass
 - More long-legged
 - Scrutinized
 - Archway in a park
 - Oliver __, author
 - Ancient Greek City
 - Type of shampoo
 - King Cole
 - Adventure story
 - Satisfy
 - Disappointment
 - Evergreen shrub
 - Parts per thousand (abbr.)
 - Young snob (Brit.)
 - Midway between northeast and east
 - Chinese surname
 - Poplar trees (Spanish)
 - Electron scanning microscope
 - Actor DiCaprio
 - Equal (prefix)
 - Cartoon Network
 - Revealed
 - Remove lice
 - Supervises interstate commerce
 - Whale ship captain
 - Baited
 - Bleated
 - Swedish rock group
 - Air pollution
 - Carbonated drink
 - Swiss river
 - Ottoman military commanders
 - Type of job
 - One point east of southeast
 - Sex Pistols bassist Vicious

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