



Photo courtesy Katherine Stickroth

Visitors are welcome to review the photographic display "Exit Wounds" at Divide Camp Headquarters in Joseph.

## Divide Camp open house features local author and veteran

Reading, signing in conjunction with Big Read

By Katherine Stickroth  
For the Wallowa County Chieftain

Imnaha author and Vietnam veteran Keith Kirts will read from one of his novels Jan. 13 at Divide Camp headquarters in Joseph.

Kirts will choose a piece, in conjunction with the countywide Big Read event, with Vietnam War as its setting. He will have available several of his books for purchase (\$15 each), including "Okay, Fine!" "Flash, the King," and his most recent release, "The Birth of Acupuncture in America — The White Crane's Gift."

The signing is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the open house, which will run from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at 603 N. Main, Joseph.

Guests are also invited to visit the photographic display "Exit Wounds" by Jim Lommasson. This display is part of Fishtrap's 2017 Big Read event based on the book "The Things They Carried." Veterans from Iraq and Afghanistan answered a request by Lommasson for photos from their deployments.

More than 1,000 photos mounted on wall hangings capture the camaraderie, the work and the paths of serving in combat.

Veterans of all eras, their family members and the public are invited. Drawings will be held for free copies of "The Things They Carried." Refreshments will be served.

# Josephy opens year



Steve Tool/Chieftain

Just a few of several dozen art patrons who attended the Josephy Center's "Places in Wallowa County" exhibit opening on Jan. 6.

First event of 2017 a success, despite weather

By Steve Tool  
Wallowa County Chieftain

The Josephy Center opened 2017 with its new exhibit "Places in Wallowa County," and even inclement weather couldn't keep several dozen art aficionados from attending the Jan. 6 opening.

The exhibition included works from about a dozen artists, in a variety of mediums, depicting various Wallowa County scenes. Tim Norman, vice president of the center's

Board of Trustees, juried the show while local painter Mike Koloski suggested the theme.

Center director Cheryl Coughlan, who had a photograph in the exhibition, said that about 110 pieces of art were submitted for consideration with 35 making Norman's cut.

"(Norman) wanted to make sure there was a wide variety of different types of images and different mediums," she said. She added that winter is an optimum time to promote local artists with local themes.

Joseph Charter School sophomore Tori Suto won the People's Choice award for the show with an ink drawing of a portion of her school.



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This ink drawing by 15-year-old Joseph Charter School sophomore Tori Suto won the People's Choice award at the event.

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**WHERE?** The Cloverleaf Hall in Enterprise  
**WHO?** Livestock Producers and Interested Public

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