

Stockgrowers raise \$8,000 for scholarships

Huckleberry cake sells for \$710 at auction

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The 2018 Stockgrower's Scholarship banquet brought in more than \$8,000, and featured great fun. The event is a primary fundraiser that will allow the group to give scholarships worth at least \$1,000 to students going on to college-level agricultural courses. Last year, the group gave \$6,000 to four students.

After a prime rib dinner prepared by Randy Garnett's AppleFlat Catering, the crowd of 119 gathered at Cloverleaf Hall in Enterprise to get busy with the dessert auction.

Daarla Klages' dessert "took the cake" this year. The huckleberry sour cream creation sparked a bidding war between Bruce Dunn and Harold Hartley, both of Enterprise, and ended setting a record — \$710.

The crowd was on its feet, clapping and whistling encouragement as the bidding war progressed.

Friendly competition was the name of the game and the "cowboy table" of Tio Simmons of Wallowa, Greg Schaf-feld, Rawley Bigsby of Joseph and Dan and Cynthia Warnock of Imnaha packed their table with a dessert dish for each.



Tio Simmons (left) of Wallowa and Dan Warnock of Imnaha get ready for the spirited Heads or Tails fundraising contest at the Stockgrowers Scholarship Banquet on Jan 23. The "cowboy table" also went all in on the bidding, ending with an individual pie, cake or cheese cake for every man at the table before the bidding was done.

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The 19 desserts sold for an average of \$208 each, bringing in \$3,690 toward scholarships.

The heads or tails coin-toss competition was a nail-bitter, as well. Forty bright red shoulder-length recital exam gloves were sold for the competition, and contenders pulled those

on, chose their respective resting places for hands (top of head or back pocket) and then watched in astonishment as emcee Randall Eschler threw heads every time.

The game was stopped to examine the coin, but it passed muster and the competition

resumed. Eschler continued to throw heads until only three contenders remained.

The final three were forced into an elimination competition of "rock, paper, scissors"

to choose one to voluntarily opt for tails.

Brittanie Ely, 11, of Imnaha had her scissors crushed in the final throw and reluctantly placed her gloved hand on her pants pocket in what she thought was the loser's position. Then Eschler threw the only tails toss of the night. Ely won a pizza every month for a year from Embers in Joseph.

WALLOWA SCHOOL DISTRICT HONOR ROLL SECOND QUARTER 2017-18

Seniors

Daniel Delancey, 3.929; Teagan Miller, 3.929; Chance Goebel, 3.929; Ethan Burns, 3.708; Brianna Poulson, 3.708; Daniel Araya, 3.542; Patrick Ritthaler, 3.542; and Josie Scott, 3.5.

Juniors

Riley Ferré, 4.0; Rylee Goller, 4.0; Wyatt Prince, 4.0; Grace Pendarvis, 4.0; Ashley Wilson, 4.0; Zane Mallory, 3.929; Lily

Cabral, 3.917; Ryan Hafer, 3.917; Austin Brockamp, 3.792; Logan Payne, 3.75; Michael Diggins, 3.714; Zane Hermens, 3.714; Gus Ramsden, 3.5; Kristin Craig, 3.464; and Alex Wightman, 3.375.

Sophomores

Ashlyn Young, 4.0; Quinten Tillery, 3.750; Alani Sang, 3.875; and Logan Waldron, 3.607.

Freshmen

Ella Moeller, 4.0; Shanna Rae Tillery, 4.0; Zeb Hermens, 3.929; Jace Fisher, 3.750; Samantha Wightman, 3.679; Tristin Bales, 3.643; Kyla Hook, 3.5; Brody Tippet, 3.464; Zeb Ramsden 3.429; Bailey Hafer, 3.393; Owen Mallory, 3.393; and Frank Westerman, 3.333.

Eighth Grade

Willie Gibbs, 4.0; Abby Tippet, 4.0;

Jesse Duncan, 3.929; Ian Foster, 3.929; Haley Brockamp, 3.821; Ryder Goller, 3.643; and Kolby Mandal, 3.607.

Seventh Grade

Libby Fisher, 4.0; Roan Flynn, 4.0; Mad-die Nordtvedt, 4.0; Lute Ramsden, 4.0; Pay-ton Tippet, 4.0; Justin Bales, 3.857; Gage Goebel, 3.857; Maleah Murray, 3.821; Kevin Plew, 3.714; and Matthew Reynolds, 3.464.

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