

Six named Elks free-throw competition winners

Enterprise Elks

Enterprise Elks Lodge #1829 recently held their annual free-throw competition in Quinn Court at Enterprise High School, on Thursday, Dec. 16. The following students from Enterprise, Joseph, and Wallowa Schools competed for a chance to advance to the Northeast District hoop shoot that was later held on Jan. 9 in Hermiston, and. Winners at district reached the state hoop shoot, which was held Feb. 26 in Silverton.

8-9 year-old boys: Declan Stangel, Sorrin Bronson, Swade Shetler. Stangel was the winner, making 12/25 free throws. Declan, from Enterprise, also was the district winner at Hermiston, shooting 7/25, and 3/5 in the tiebreaker with Joel Wilson of Heppner Lodge #358. Stangel competed at the state hoop shoot.

8-9 year-old girls: Selah Mildrexler, Paizly Grover, Mila Alexis. Mildrexler was the winner, making 14/25 free throws. Selah, from Enterprise, also was the district winner, advancing to the state hoop shoot.

10-11 year-old boys: Tilden Botts, Hayden Wood,



Pictured from left to right are Ashlee Meyers, Tilden Botts, Nate Cameron, Declan Stangel and Teagan Tillery, five of the six winners of the Enterprise Elks free-throw competition.

Caleb Beachy. Botts was the winner, shooting 9/25. Tilden, from Enterprise, also was the district winner, shooting 17/25, advancing to the state hoop shoot.

10-11 year-old girls: Teagan Tillery, Haillie Dun-

can. Tillery was the winner, shooting 7/25. Teagan, from Wallowa, competed in the district hoop shoot, placing 2nd, shooting 5/25.

12-13 year-old boys: Nate Cameron, Quinten Arellano. Cameron was the winner,

shooting 15/25. Nate, from Enterprise, competed in the district hoop shoot, placing 3rd, shooting 8/25.

12-13 year-old girls: Ashlee Meyers, Owyhee Har-guess, Kaydance Payne. Meyers was the winner,

shooting 11/25. Ashlee, from Joseph, was also the district winner, shooting 13/25, advancing to the state hoop shoot.

At the state hoop shoot, two of the local competitors took second and two took



Contributed photo Selah Mildrexler won her age group locally and at the district level, and took second in the state in the 8-9 year-old girls hoop shoot.

fourth. The winners of state advanced to regionals. State results were:

8-9 year-old girls: Selah Mildrexler was 2nd in state, with 13/25 free throws

8-9 year-old boys: Declan Stangel was 4th in state, with 12/25 free throws

10-11 year-old boys: Tilden Botts was 4th in state, with 11/25 free throws

12-13 year-old girls: Ashlee Meyers was 2nd in state, with 15/25 free throws.

Four student scholars to receive Elks scholarships

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ENTERPRISE — The Enterprise Elks recently held their 2021-22 Most Valuable Student Competition, and selected Willie Gibbs of Wallowa High School, and Alona Yost of Enterprise High School, as their 2022 Most Valuable Student Scholars.

Each student receives a \$1,200 scholarship from Enterprise Lodge #1829 to use next fall for college.

Placing second, and receiving \$800, are Aaron

Guevara and Lannie Stonebrink, both of Enterprise High School.

All four students advanced to the Elks Northeast District Judging on Jan. 4, 2022, where first place receives \$1,800, second place receives \$1,600, and third place receives \$1,400. Gibbs placed second in the boy's competition for our district, receiving \$1,600 additional dollars, and Yost placed second at district, also earning \$1,600 additional dollars.



Gibbs Yost Guevara Stonebrink

Both Gibbs' and Yost's applications advanced to the state competition in February, in Ashland. Because the 14 first-place district winners automatically advance to the Grand Lodge Scholarship contest, Oregon also is allowed to

send an additional three applications to the Grand Lodge competition, so all second-place district winners are advanced to the state level for further judging. If they advance to the Grand Lodge level, they will join 486 other schol-

arship winners across the country, for a chance to earn a \$50,000 scholarship for four years.

Gibbs is the son of Marvin and Jennifer Gibbs. He plans to attend the University of Idaho and study computer programming. Yost is the daughter of Tony and Donna Yost. She plans to attend Oregon State University and study chemical engineering. Stonebrink is the daughter of Melvin and Dena Stonebrink. She plans to attend Eastern Oregon University and study vet-

erinary science. Guevara is the son of Aaron and Sasha Guevara. He plans to attend the University of Idaho and study communications.

Last year the Elks National Foundation provided more than \$3.65 million in college scholarships to graduating seniors. This year's amount will be similar, but as yet, is not known. The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks is second only to the federal government in scholarships awarded to seniors in high school.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK
GREG OVESON
 We're going to step to the sideline again this week and honor another coach, Wallowa girls basketball coach Greg Oveson. The coach led a young Cougar squad to the team's best season in a decade, going 16-9 and reaching the first round of the state playoffs. He was honored for that effort with the distinction of Old Oregon League girls coach of the year. Congratulations on a fine season!
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