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# SPORTS



Todd McGuire getting the tip in the game with Ontario last Sat. night where the White Buffaloes went on to win a very important game to give the Buffs the undisputed championship of the Greater Oregon League for 1986-87, basketball season. The Buffs face North Valley of Grants Pass in first round action at the state tournament on March 18, 1987.

## Buffs win GOL crown, on to state

For the sixth year in a row the Madras White Buffaloes have won the Greater Oregon League basketball championship, this year with a convincing win over the Ontario Tigers.

It wasn't until the last minutes of the game before the Buffs could put the "Noose," on the tough Ontario Tigers, last Sat., March 7, before a near capacity hometown crowd. Well, nearly a hometown crowd because there were several Ontario backers on hand cheering their chargers on in a tough game which could have gone either way.

This was a do-or-die game for the Buffs. If they had lost the game there would have been a four way tie for first place and who knows which team could have come out No. 1. But the win over Ontario gave the Buffs the undisputed championship of the GOL with a 9-3 final standing. Leaving Baker, McLaughlin and Nyssa tied for second each with a 8-4 record.

This was one of the coldest nights, shooting wise for the Buffs, as several shots would hit the rim and bounce astray. It looked as though they couldn't even buy a basket at times. The Buffaloes put up a tough zone defense forcing the Tigers to

shoot from the perimeter which they did with accuracy jumping out to a 14-6 first quarter lead.

In the second quarter the Buffs came charging back scoring eight points before Ontario could collect a field goal from the out side. Ontario only managed just six points in that quarter and were leading 20-15 with under a minute remaining in the first half. The Buffs moved the ball down court and scored. The Buffs picked up a loose ball and scored again making it 20-19, when the Tigers tried to go for the last shot when they lost the ball and the Buffs lost no time in getting the ball down court to score as time ran out giving the Buff the lead at half time 21-20, and their first lead in the game.

It was a nip-n-tuck ball game from the moment go, and as the third quarter got under way the Tigers turned the tables by muscling their way by taking over the lead once again as they outscored the Buffs 12-7, and were ahead 32-28 going into the final stanza. In the final quarter the Buffs came out cool and collected as they slowly plucked away at the Tiger lead allowing them only four points

while they steadily closed the door on the Tigers. Somehow the Tiger shooting went cold as Lowman and Donahue each missed two apiece at the foul line and they only scored four points in the entire quarter. To pour salt into the wound their big guy Hudges fouled out and a few minutes later their top guard Donahue picked up his fifth and final foul and had to leave the game. The Buffs went on to win the game and the championship of the GOL for the sixth time in a row.

Leading the way for the hometown boys was Todd McGuire making his final appearance in the Blue Red and white colors of the Buffaloes. He topped all scorers with 14 points. Mark Williams another senior contributed nine points for the winning cause. Brett Whipple added eight, Steve Cordill six and Tony Stacona rounded out the scoring with four points.

What would the state tournament be like without Madras listed in the brackets. This year going to state the No. 1 seed from the GOL, they play the No. 2, from the Skyline league, North Valley. The State tournament will get underway March 17, at Mac Court, in Eugene.

## Burns outmanned by Buffaloes

The Buffaloes started out real cold after alternating the starting lineup a little. At times the Buffs had to play catch up on the Burns team as things couldn't work just right. The Hilanders led at the end of the first quarter 14-11. As the second quarter started the Buffs started to get things together where Todd McGuire got a basket and

Mark Williams two and he missed four free throws. Cordill got one basket while Ron Blincoe came in to score one of two at the free throw and one basket to give the Buffs a tie with the Hilanders at the intermission.

In the third quarter the regular starters came on the floor and things looked a little different where

the Buffs took command and out scored the Hilanders 24-8, and then on it was all down hill for the Buffs. The bench was emptied during the final quarter and the Buffs coasted to a comfortable 60-38, win over the Burns Hilanders.

This win gave the Buffaloes one more in toward's the Greater Oregon league basketball championship.

## Smith elected as WHRA Rep.

Local wild horse racer Buck Smith was recently elected to serve as the representative for the Wild Horse Racers of America (WHRA) Timber Region (Oregon, Washington and Northern California). He will be one of six members who will steer the WHRA for the next three years.

The WHRA is the association which governs wild horse racing at Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) rodeos in this country. Members join and compete for the top six positions for each year and at the end of the year they compete for the championship title.

Warm Springs presently has one WHRA team qualified to compete at the WHRA National Finals which will be held in Las Vegas, Nevada

May 2-5, 1987 for the 1986 championship title. The team consists of Jason Smith, Edison Yazzie and Anson Begay.

Any wild horse race team who is interested in joining the WHRA can write to WHRA, P.O. Box 811, Santa Ynez, California 93460. Cost for membership is \$75 per team member.

## Wednesday night bowling league

The men's Wednesday night bowling league is starting its final round for the season and after two weeks the boys of the VFW share the lead with the Warm Springs Chevron, each having a 10-2 record to date; Kah-Nee-Ta 9-3; Warm Springs Athletic Assoc. 7-5; Madras Auto Parts, Zane Jackson Logging and Pelton Lanes each have a 6-6 record; Snuff-Ross Trucking 5-7; Rogers Drug and Inter Tribal Sports 4-8; Insurance Mart 3-9 and 3-N Livestock 2-10.

Ray Shike, Jr. rolled a 234 to take the high individual game for the night. Ray Rangila rolled a 225 for second high and Claude Smith, Sr. and Ray Calica rolled a 222 each for third high for the night.

Ray Calica turned in a 584 for the high three game series, followed by Ray Shike, Jr 577 and Marvin Ike with 573. The Warm Springs Chevron rolled a total of 3035 for high team three game series while Kah-Nee-Ta rolled 3021 and Warm Springs Athletic Assoc. and the Boys of VFW rolled 2885 for third high.

For the high team game Kah-Nee-Ta rolled a 1088, a 1056 for first and second while Madras Auto Parts third with 1046.

The match up for the night of March 11, on lanes 1 and 2, 3-N Livestock vs Insurance Mart; 3-4 VFW vs Zane Jackson logging; 5-6 Rogers Drug vs Warm Springs Chevron; 7-8 Pelton Lanes vs Madras Auto Parts; 9-10 Snuff-Ross Trucking vs Inter-Tribal Sports and 11-12 Warm Springs Athletic Assoc. vs Kah-Nee-Ta.

## New race rules for Pendleton Round-Up

The Pendleton Round-Up Association earlier this month announced a new race rule for the annual September races held in conjunction with the rodeo. The rule states, "All race participants will be required to wear proper race helmets during all races at the 1987 Pendleton Round-Up. Anyone

not complying with this rule will not be allowed to participate."

Each team will receive a card which needs to be read and signed that the team knows and understands the new rule if they intend to take part in the races this year.

The Round-Up Association has

had some difficulty locating some of the race teams. Each team that has not been notified or needs additional information should contact the Pendleton Round-Up Association, P.O. Box 609, Pendleton, Oregon 97801 or phone in Oregon 1-800-824-1603 and out of Oregon 1-800-524-5984.

## Youth urged to be drug-free

The name Jim Thorpe creates the image of a tall, slim Sac and Fox Indian athlete in many minds. Many could make the same statement as the King of Sweden did when he presented Jim Thorpe the Olympic Gold Medal and stated: "Sir, you are the greatest athlete in the world."

Today the impact of spectacular athletic achievements are still felt. Two years ago, Inside Sports (Sports Magazine) rated Jim Thorpe as the top athlete of all time. Just last year, Sports Illustrated rated Jim Thorpe as the number one athlete of the Century.

To the American Indian athlete the name Jim Thorpe is like a spirit that drives him to compete by digging deep down within himself to bring out his best athletic skills.

What Jackie Robertson was to the American black athlete, Jim Thorpe was to the American Indian Athlete. They both broke the racial barrier for their people in athletics.

The success of Jim Thorpe went beyond his drive to compete and

his athletic skills. It was his over all control of abstaining from unathletic activities.

Mr. Thorpe knew that good athletic performance demanded a self-disciplined lifestyle that included good training habits, a good diet, proper rest, and to abstain from the use of alcohol and drugs. The results would be improved skills, a high sense of awareness, controlled behavior and a positive concept of life.

Competition causes the athlete to get in touch with himself, which creates a positive self image of himself, and a better communication level with himself. His goals are to compete and to perform at his best. Athletes know that a good diet means good nutrition and high powered fuel for the body to perform well. Junk food does not offer that.

Substance abuse is not the lifestyle of any true athlete, for he knows that alcohol will not sharpen his skills, nor will drugs improve his timing.

The Iroquois Indians on the East Coast have a game called "Indian LaCrosse." Before the game, in the locker room, the coaches observe each player, and if alcohol is detected on one player, that player is pulled from the roster for that game.

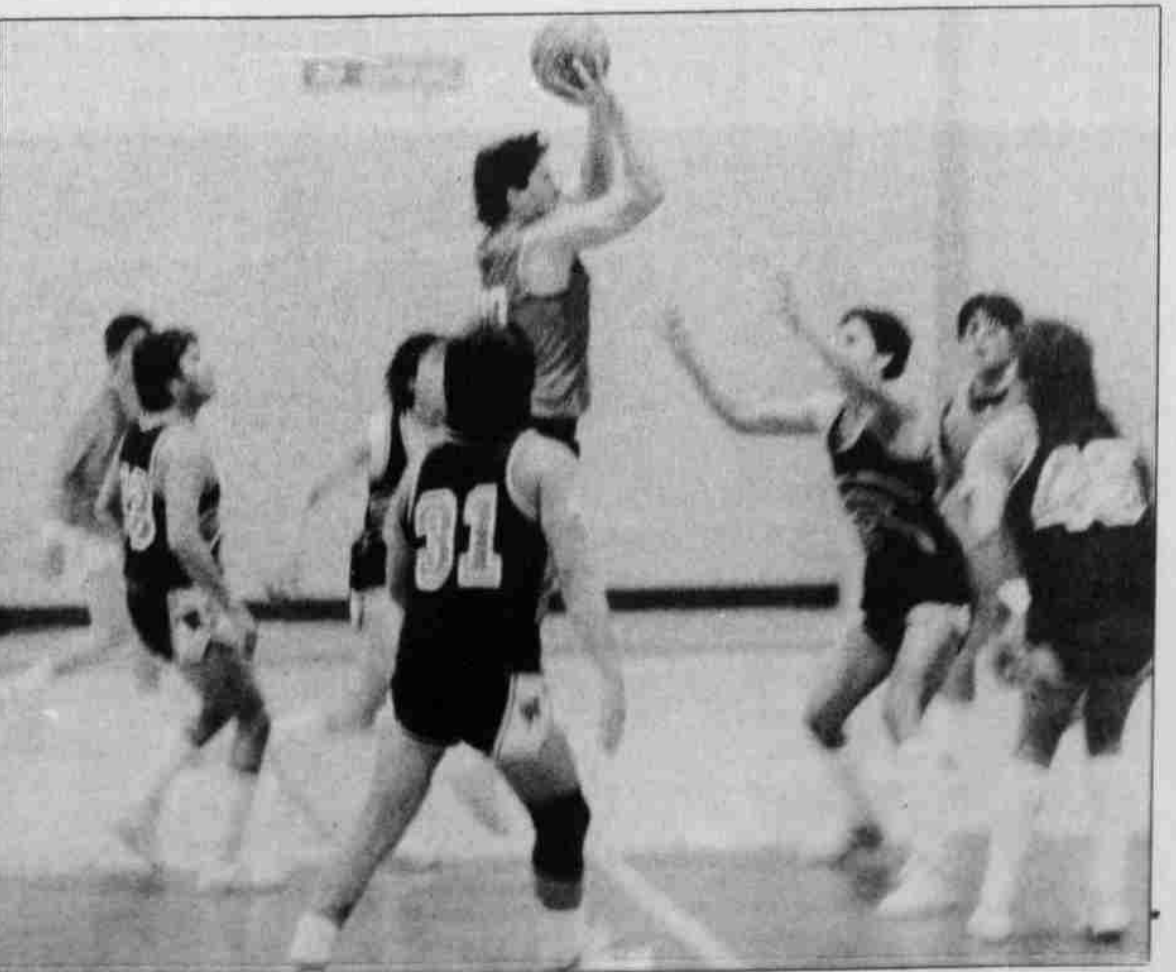
It is not Indian culture, nor an athletic value or lifestyle to be a victim of substance abuse. The athlete knows the negatives of substance abuse, plus, if injury should occur, proper healing may not take place.

Warm Springs youth have a lot of athletic energy, and great athletic skills, but in order for athletic achievements, there must be a good life pattern of self-discipline abstaining from substance abuse. The athletic lifestyle is almost a culture in itself. So follow the rules and principals of a good lifestyle and athletic success will be at your finger tips.

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Tony Valde, 8th grade guard puts the pressure on an unidentified Sisters player. The Jr. high went on to trounce the Sisters team for the win on their floor.



During the six feet and under tournament held recently the Ft. Hall team put up a scrappy battle with the Maggies before they fell to defeat. The Simnasho Travelers won the championship by beating the Maggies in the finals.