Question for the day: Who is your hero and why?



Aaron Heath

"George Talman, he is a great inspiration. He likes working with kids and is a great teacher who likes to help out a lot."



Destry Begay

"Lesa Fernandez. She's plays third base on the USA softball team."



Austin Arthur

"My dad, because he saves me from people picking on me."

More Letters to the Editor

All Stars

We would like to take this time to thank all of the local companies who sponsored the jackets for the Jefferson County Junior Boys All Star Team. It's great to know that our community and people stand behind all our youth in their activities. Again, thank you goes out to:

Warm Springs Composite Products, Warm Springs Power Enterprises, Warm Springs Forest Products Industries, Frank and Willie Trimble.

Teams coaches, Ricky Walker and Kevin Beardsly, team manager Doug Jackson, Jefferson County Junior Boys All Star Team.

Appreciated

I would like to send a very special thank you to Connie Johnson and Lolly Jackson for their prayers, words of encouragement, and support that they gave me during a time in my life Alcohol always lied to me. when I needed it the most. You guys don't know how much it meant to me to know that you were there. Thank you very much. Su-Yenn Smith-Walker.

Choir

The Jefferson County Middle School Choir has had the honor of being one of 12 groups selected nationwide to perform for the Benjamin Franklin 300th Birthday Commemoration. This American Musical Salute will take place April 7-9, 2006, in Philadelphia. Not only will we be representing our area, but the state of Oregon as well.

Our choir has five different nationalities, so well represents the area's ethnic and cultural diversity, and also has several challenged youths. This is a golden opportunity for all choir

Since Jefferson County is a small agricultural community, and our fundraising resources are very limited, we are seeking monetary donations. We have 32 students in our choir, and have decided that we must all attend. Therefore, we are seeking to raise \$27,000 before February 2006, when our last installment is due. We appreciate any help, whether it be a donation or supporting our fund-raisers.

As you can see, we have an enormous amount of work ahead of us but hopefully, with the help from friends like you, we can achieve this goal and make Oregon proud of our musical accomplishments. Thank you for your time. Respectfully, Meagan Fine, choir president.

I drank for courage and

woke up night after night horri-

fied. I drank for sophistication

I drank to find peace and ignited a war within myself.

I drank to be friendly and be-

came argumentative and nasty.

I drank to be sexy and turned

I drank so that I could relate

to others and I babbled. I drank

to put down loneliness and

found myself retreating more

I drank to relax and woke up

tense. I drank to be entertain-

ing and became an obnoxious

clown. I drank to live more fully

I drank for adventure and

I drank to be more honest

and insulted my friends. I drank

to quiet my nerves and woke up

and contemplated suicide.

discovered disaster.

and more into my shell.

Alcohol

and became crude.

people off.

with hangover jangles.

I drank to feel better and ended up sick and throwing up.

I drank to have fun and passed out in the middle of the party. I drank to pep myself up and ended up exhausted.

I drank to feel successful, a big shot, but ended up a failure. I drank for security and be-

came afraid of my shadow. I drank to feel better about myself and ended up hating me.

I drank to prove I could handle alcohol and ended up knowing it controlled me.

A friend asked, "But surely, now that you've been sober awhile, it would take a lot of alcohol to put you back in that condition."

"Just one drink," I answered. Author unknown.



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