

Willamina High School fetes 51 graduates on Saturday, May 29

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Smoke Signals editor

WILLAMINA – Willamina High School graduated 51 seniors during ceremonies held 1 p.m. Saturday, May 29, on the Oaken Hills campus.

Admission to the event was by ticket only. However, a livestream of the graduation ceremony was available on the Willamina School District YouTube channel.

After graduation, there was a parade through Willamina.

The class of 2021 includes Alexis Cheyanne McKune, Alexis Nichole Whitmore, Allison Nicole Ketzner, Amaryssa Lynn Mooney, Amelia Marie Mooney, Anndrea Lynn Eddy, Antonio Hernandez Jr., Ashley Leann Tidwell, Brennan Sage Andersen, Bryce Fisher Mode, Caleb Christopher Dallas Ash, Carmen Nadara-Lee Macias, Chase Edward Bayer, Daniel Andre Portugal, Darien Joann Leno, Dominik Anthony Briant, Drue Maxwel Tuck, Elijah Joseph Roselle, Elias Christopher Scholten, Elizabeth Lynn Rust,

Gabriel Aaron Knight, Hailey Lucinda Sevilla, Isaiah Eugene Barker, Jarleth Walter Anthony Geary, Jasemine Renee Ewing, Jayden Lee Saldivas, Joshua Lee Patrick Henry, Kaleb James Floyd (valedictorian), Kallie Marie Schoenbachler, Kalob Matthew Wertz, Katrina Marie Graham (salutatorian), Kaya Elizabeth McLean, Kira Lee Rankin, Kylie Starr Gonzalez, Logan Robert Wilson, Madison Elizabeth Aaron, Madison Rose Parker, Maleia Marie Clemmer, Matthew Douglas Beggerly, Moses Ray Mercier, Myals Owen Dobie, Parker Michael Cavan, Ruben Laurence Rizo, Samuel Franklin Coates, Steven Timothy LaPoint, Summer Faith Laycock, Tatum Louise Burcham, Theodore Mark Nortness, Tucker Allen Neville, Vincent Zander Alvarez and Vivyan Marie Lopez.

Willamina Middle School will hold its promotion exercise at 6 p.m. Wednesday, June 2. Admission will be limited to students who are being promoted and their families. ■

St. Michael's offers brunch

St. Michael's Catholic Church offers an open house brunch every Sunday following Mass. The brunch is free to the community. Brunch begins at about 11:30 a.m. following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Mass attendance is not required for brunch attendance. For more information or for kitchen and hall rental, contact Janelle Justen at 503-550-0923. ■

ODOT open house seeks input

The Oregon Department of Transportation is hosting an online open house at www.odotopenhouse.org/or-18-and-22-road-improvement that is seeking input on an upcoming project to improve safety and relieve congestion on Oregon highways 18 and 22.

The open house is seeking solutions for the stretch of highway between the eastern portion of the Van Duzer Corridor and Steel Bridge Road east of Wallace Bridge.

Current planning and design aims to improve safety and mobility on both highways, support community and economic development in the area, and improve the route for use during emergency situations.

The online open house is open through Friday, June 11. ■

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EVENT DATE & TIME(S):
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CTGR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

T-SHIRT DESIGN CONTEST

Behavioral Health is holding a contest for a t-shirt graphic that represents GOOD MEDICINE in Grand Ronde. Shirts with the design will be given to the community through the Behavioral Health program.

The winner of the contest will receive a CTGR lap blanket.

Submissions into the contest/questions can be sent to patricia.henry@grandronde.org

SUBMISSIONS DUE JUNE 11, 2021

Contest open for community members of all ages. Designs can be digital or sketch and should be easily transferable to an all-black graphic. An email with the submission title, artist contact info, short description of the graphic, and image attachment of the design are due at time of submission.