

Long Creek raises funds for first responders

By Eric Sines
To the Blue Mountain Eagle

This year's Long Creek annual volunteer appreciation dinner was a huge success, raising thousands to provide additional training for volunteers and allow for the purchase of safety equipment.

The community-wide event had over 150 people turning out to support the Long Creek Ambulance Crew and Volunteer

Fire Department.

The dinner was hosted by the Long Creek School Booster Club and the city of Long Creek. Long Creek students served the meal, which was prepared by the best cooks in town.

A raffle of gift baskets, handmade items, gift certificates, toys and other prizes, along with an auction of artwork and other treasures filled the evening with generosity and community pride.



Funds were raised for Long Creek first responders during a dinner and auction April 27.

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Runners jump into fun at Bunny Hop 5K

45 enter the race in Dayville

By Angel Carpenter
Blue Mountain Eagle

Runners, joggers, walkers of all ages, and even some stroller riders, competed in the sixth annual Bunny Hop 5K held April 20 in Dayville.

There were 45 participants divided fairly evenly into four age groups.

Mark Thomas, a sophomore at Monument High School, was the fastest runner overall with a time of

21:57. He ran in the 14-26 division.

Prizes awarded to first-place finishers included a medal and an Amazon Echo Dot, donated by Oregon Telephone Corporation.

Second-place finishers received a medal and a water bottle.

Reid Dole won the Buddy Award of \$50 as the first runner in the 0-13 age division to cross the finish line. He had a time of 32:31.

The prize is in honor of a tame elk, fondly referred to as "Buddy

the Elk," that joined the race with children back in 2016.

The prize money was donated by Old West Federal Credit Union.

Proceeds from this year's race benefit future city of Dayville events such as the Fourth of July celebration.

At the conclusion of the race, an Easter egg hunt was held at Dayville's city park.

Emma Winkelman spearheaded the 5K with help from city recorder Ruthie Moore and others.



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Bunny Hop 5K runner Reid Dole, picture, was the first-place finisher with a time of 32:31 in the 0-13 division at the race in Dayville. He won the Buddy the Elk Award, including a \$50 prize.

BUNNY HOP 5K RESULTS:

0-13 Division	Emmaleigh Larson, 54:06
Reid Dole, 32:31	27-49 Division
Kellen Fretwell, 33:01	Taylor Schmadeka, 26:08
Carson Thompson, 33:02	Molly Carter, 29:47
Ethan Thompson, 33:02	Tiffnie Schmadeka, 37:37
Preston Fretwell, 36:11	DeeDee Kluser, 38:33
Everleigh Schmadeka, 37:37	Treila Osborne, 41:47
Riley Gregg, 50:14	Valli Hettinga, 43:33
Hallie Jean Larson, 54:06	Marley Winkelman, 49:19
Miles Ashley, 56:51	Nathaniel Ashley, 56:51
Adelynn Ashley, 56:51	Michael Ashley, 56:51
Grayson Schmadeka, 37:37	50 and up Division
14-26 Division	Cheri Cook, 30:30
Mark Thomas, 21:57	Nancy Crisley, 32:05
Cyrus Ward, 23:10	Lori Smith, 37:51
Aubrianna Osborne, 26:25	Charlene Morris, 41:33
Cheyenne Perkins, 26:57	Babette Larson, 46:50
Justin Larson, 29:21	Robert Waltenburg, 47:29
Riley Walker, 32:27	Janet Plocharsky, 49:19
Mary Cade, 34:42	Ed Winkelman, 49:35
Renee Ward, 35:06	Jody Winkelman, 49:45
Jaydon Hoffman, 36:54	Cindy Streeter, 49:45
Treiquella Osborne, 41:45	Cindy Inscore, 56:34
Jamie Waltenburg, 47:29	Nicki Cohoe: 1:14.03
DarylAnn Waltenburg, 47:29	

OBITUARIES

Kenneth Lloyd Moore

April 7, 1926 — April 21, 2019

Ken Moore, age 93, of Mt. Vernon, Oregon, passed away, due to a stroke, on Easter Sunday, April 21, at Blue Mountain Hospital. Ken was born in John Day, Oregon, on April 7, 1926, to Tod and Julia (Lemons) Moore, being their only child.

He attended Cummingsville School, a one-room building still standing about a mile west of his home between Mt. Vernon and Dayville. Out of school, he worked with his dad in local construction projects until he got on with the Forest Service in the late 1950s. Starting out part time and then full time in fire control and then later as a shop mechanic retiring in 1990.

His first marriage to Dona Lee Janney produced two sons, Wesley and Fred. His second marriage was to Irene (Officer) Stockman in 1969, and he was happily married for 35 years until her death in 2004. After her death, he and Millie Belshaw became very close and were companions up until his death.

Ken is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Fred and Cherie Lyn Moore of Fox; five grandchildren; and several great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; wife, Irene; and son, Wes.

He was a wonderful father and grandfather, a loyal husband and an avid outdoorsman as he had been hunting and fishing in Grant County his entire life. He is known to many and liked by all. He will be dearly missed; he was a good man.

At his request, there will be no service.

To leave an online condolence for the family of Ken, please visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

Daniel Thomas Driscoll

Daniel Thomas Driscoll, 68, of Dayville, Oregon, passed away at his residence on April 27. A visitation will be held on Friday, May 3, from 2-4 p.m. at Driskill Memorial Chapel in John Day, Oregon, with the recitation of the rosary immediately following. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, May 4, at 10 a.m. at the St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in John Day. Interment will follow at the Dayville Cemetery. Following the interment, friends are invited to join the family for a celebration of life potluck at the Dayville Community Hall. To leave an online condolence for the family, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

John Earl Robison

November 28, 1944 — April 22, 2019

John Earl Robison, 74, of John Day died April 22 in Bend, Oregon, following a short battle with cancer. No services are planned at this time. John was born on Nov. 28, 1944, in Erie, Pennsylvania, to Russell Lee and Mary Lou (Davis) Robison. He joined the United States Marine Corps and served during the Cuban Missile Crisis. John attended Clackamas Community College and later went on to work for the city of John Day Waste Water Treatment for seven and a half years. He retired in 2013.

John married Catherine Carmichael on April 24, 1993, in Hood River, Oregon. She remembers him as the best friend she has ever had and the world's most perfect person. John could do just about anything he set his mind to. Cathy was often surprised at the things he accomplished and was sure to express how proud she was.

"I was so blessed to be by his side for 27 years and to remain there as he went to heaven to be with his mother, who also died of cancer. I know they are having a nice talk right now and I told him to tell her hi for me," she said.

John leaves behind his wife, Cathy; four stepdaughters; and one stepson, who are all devastated by this loss. Memorial contributions may be made to the Ronald McDonald House in Bend through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845. To light a candle in John's memory or to offer his family online condolences, please visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

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Edith Helen Gooding

Feb. 23, 1923 — March 30, 2019

Edith Helen (Downing) Gooding was born Feb. 23, 1923, in Toledo, Ohio, to Alfred and Loretta Downing. She had a brother, Bud Downing (Alfred Downing II). She lived in the Cincinnati, Ohio, area until 1933. She moved with her parents, brother and grandparents (Millers) on Aug. 1, 1933, in a touring car, settling in Mayor, Arizona, then moved to Prescott in 1936 and then to Cottonwood, Arizona, in 1938.

At age 15, Edith went away to the Phoenix, Arizona, Academy for her high school years. In 1940 she met and married Jim Nash with whom she moved to Sisters, Oregon. They had a daughter, Evelyn Jean Nash (Haberly), who was born April 4, 1941, in Walla Walla, Washington. In 1941 they moved to Laurelwood, Oregon, and in 1945, moved to Dayville. In 1952 Edith and Jim were divorced.

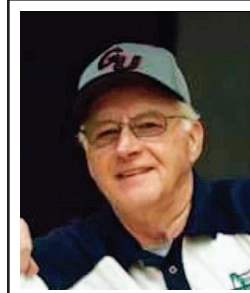
On Oct. 20, 1952, she married the love of her life, Harold Gooding. In 1954, they moved to John Day, Oregon, where she waited tables and worked at Rutter's Stationary Store. At the time they had the telegram service there. She then went to work for Dr. George Morse until he moved out of the area. Later, she went to work for Rexall Drug Store until she retired in 1976.

She had a strong faith and was a devout member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. She loved her family and her animals. She thoroughly enjoyed people, her friends and family. She passed peacefully at home on March 30 at the age of 96.

She's preceded in death by her husband, Harold Gooding; daughter, Evelyn Jean Haberly; parents, Loretta (Crook) Downing and Alfred Downing; and brother, Alfred "Bud" Downing.

Survivors include her son-in-law, Byron Haberly; grandson, Gregg Haberly; granddaughter, Lisa Russell (Haberly); four great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

To leave condolences for the family, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.



Leslie "Les" Guttu, 76, of John Day, died at his home Wednesday, April 17. A celebration of life will be held May 3 at 2 p.m. at the John Day United Methodist Church.

Les was born in Bottineau, North Dakota, July 18, 1942 to parents Sam and Sally Guttu. He lived in Missoula, MT until seventh grade. He then moved to Superior, MT and graduated from Superior High School in 1960.

Only months after graduation, he married Sonja (Sonic) Felstet, his high school sweetheart, November 11, 1960. They had attended all four years of high school together. They had four children, two boys and two girls.

Les worked at Diamond International Lumber Mill in Superior, MT. He became a certified lumber grader and eventually the Quality Control Supervisor, where he worked for 20 years. He then moved to John Day, OR in 1986 where he worked for the Malheur Lumber Company for 20 additional years. Les changed career paths and began working for Winner's Choice making custom bowstrings. He did this for 10 years before retiring in 2004.

Les coached shot put and discus at Grant Union High School for over 20 years. He had some great athletes that he helped turn into champions. He loved watching all of his grandchildren excel in whatever sport they enjoyed playing. Even after his grandchildren graduated, he still supported Grant Union athletics.

Les enjoyed hunting and fishing with his boys, sometimes even the girls got to go. In his later years, he enjoyed gardening, bowling and golfing and even made custom golf clubs. Les was also a dedicated and loyal fan of the Seattle Seahawks. He had a great sense of humor and enjoyed telling stories.

Memorable dates included the day he married the love of his life and December 25, 2018 when his son Russell woke up from his heart transplant surgery.

Les is survived by his wife of 58 years, Sonja Guttu of John Day; sons, Russell (Lydia) Guttu of League City, TX, Eric (Jamie) Guttu of Hayburn, ID; daughters Jodi (Robie) Ranft of John Day, OR, Darcy (Jason) Dawson of Cascade, ID; brothers Greg and Dave Guttu of Tacoma, WA; 9 grandchildren, Hannah, Stockton, Chalais, Hayden, Jake, Austin, Tressa, Rylan and Samantha; and one great-grandchild, Hazel LilyMac.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Sandy; and sister, Ave Rundquist.

For those who would like to make a memorial donation in honor of Les, the family suggests Grant Union Track and Field through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home PO BOX 543, Halfway, Oregon 97834. Online condolences can be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com
Paid for by the family of Les Guttu.

1st Friday

Are you witty, good with the rhyme, then this scavenger hunt is for you! This month for First Friday, grab your friends and head downtown for a friendly competition of the minds. The winner will receive a gift basket with something from all the participating businesses.

While you're out enjoy sales and specials plus food, fun, shopping and so much more!

Participating this month are: etc.; A Flower Shop N' More; The Ugly Truth Bar & Grill; Java Jungle; House to Home; High Desert Office Equipment; Radio Shack; The Grant County Chamber of Commerce; I 188 Brewing Co.

Special Note: This event is geared towards adults but is family friendly.

Last Week's Temps

John Day	HI/LO
Tuesday	71/47
Wednesday	66/43
Thursday.....	73/37
Friday.....	62/42
Saturday.....	63/33
Sunday.....	54/31
Monday.....	53/32

24/7 FORECAST

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162.500 MHZ

WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 1-7

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Sunshine and patchy clouds	Mostly sunny	Plenty of sunshine	Plenty of sunshine	Sunny to partly cloudy	Partly cloudy	Showers possible
61	62	70	74	73	72	65
32	32	39	42	43	37	42