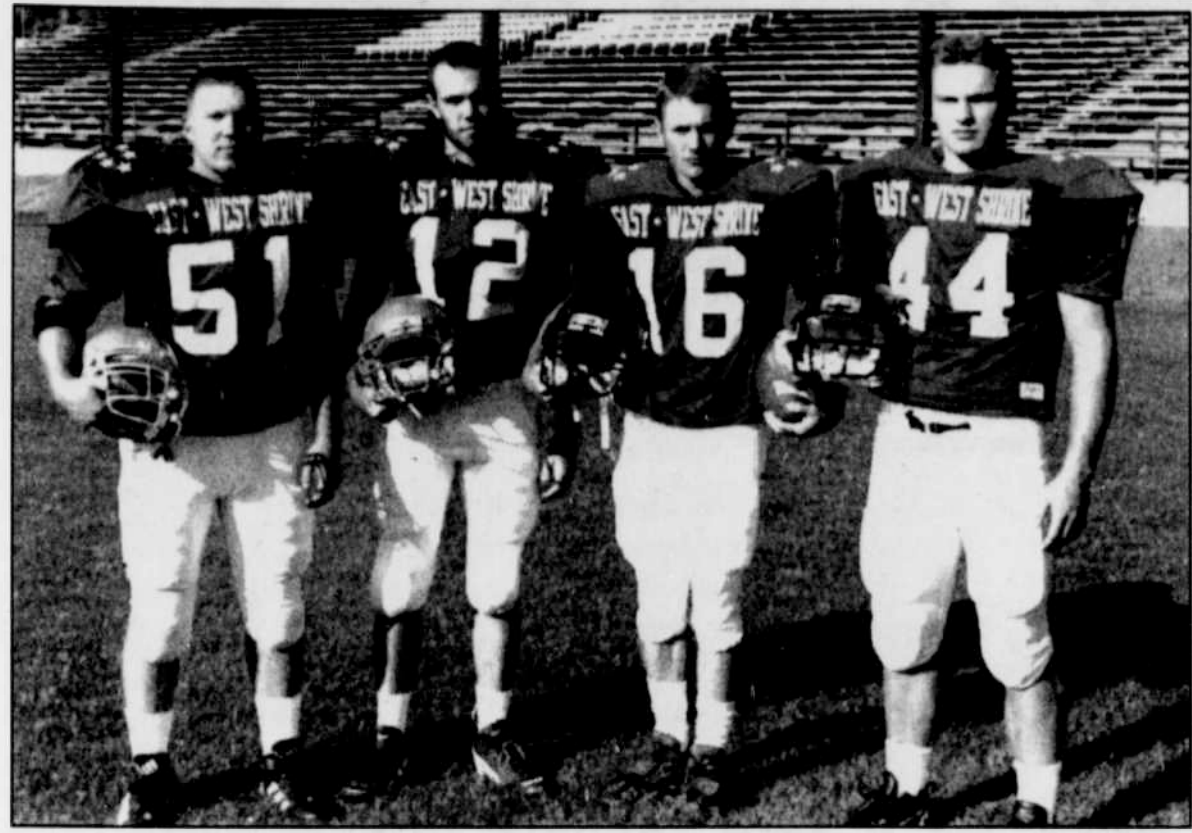


## East wins Shrine game, third year in a row Brent Gunderson offensive guard, defensive linebacker



L-R: Brent Gunderson, Heppner; Josh Dilley, Umatilla; Casey Perkins, Weston-McEwen; Tim Sicocan, Milton-Freewater

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The East used a ball control offense in the second half to post a 22-12 victory over the West in the 45th annual East-West Shrine All Star Football Game Saturday (Aug. 9).

After gaining just 25 yards in total offense in a scoreless first half, the East kept the ball for more than 22 minutes on eight series in the second half at Bulldog Memorial Stadium (Baker City).

The East got on the scoreboard first about five minutes into the second half, recovering a West fumble at the West 38.

Phoenix's Sean Escobar gave the East a first down on the West 28 when he scooted 10 yards after taking an option pitch from Weston-McEwen quarterback Casey Perkins.

Mac-Hi's Tim Sicocan scored on the next play, when he bounced off a pile of blockers in the middle of the line and sprinted 28 yards down the left sideline for the touchdown. Josh Harrison of Junction City added the conversion kick.

The East boosted its lead to 14-0 a little more than three minutes into the fourth quarter. It did so on a broken play.

Facing second-and-goal on the West 6, Perkins faked a handoff up the middle, rolled right, faked a pass while on the run, swept around the right end and dove into the end zone. The play brought a roar from the East sideline, especially since the play that had been called was supposed to have been an option around the other side of the field.

Harrison's kick gave the East a 14-0 cushion with 11:45 left in the game.

The West's offense, which had rolled up 184 first-half yards, continued to sputter. But, the West special teams made things interesting with 6:21 left.

The East was forced to punt from its own 37. Pine-Eagle Joseph Farley got off a short kick, but the ball took an East bounce. Or so they thought.

The West's David Russell, of Eddyville, fielded the ball at his own 25 and headed for the right sideline. He evaded at least four East tacklers and raced down the sideline for a 75-yard touchdown.

The East maintained a 14-6 lead when the West bobbled the conversion snap.

The East then mounted what was the only sustained drive by

either team, from its own 24.

With Sicocan and Escobar sharing the ball-carrying load, the East moved to a third down on the West 33.

There, Perkins faked the entire West defense when he appeared to hand off to Sicocan bulging up the middle. But, Perkins kept the ball hidden on his right hip on a naked bootleg and rolled around the right end for 25 yards to the West 8. Harrison supplied a key open field block near the 15.

Three plays later Perkins found tight end Nick Sibernagel of Lost River on a 10-yard TD pass. Sibernagel also caught the conversion pass from Glendale's Eric Hayden.

Waiting 22-6, the West had one more spurt left on the game's final series.

Taking over on his own 36, quarterback Eric Acker of Rainier kicked in a West aerial attack. Two passes to LaSalle's David Mueller and Seaside's Tony Putman moved the ball to the East 34.

Then, after a long incomplete attempt, Acker found Camas Valley's Cimeron Kormendi streaking toward the center of the end zone. Acker fired up a 'Hail Mary' pass that Kormendi made a diving catch on in the end zone with four ticks left on the clock.

The West controlled the game's first half, keeping the ball almost twice as long as the East. But, despite moving the ball up and down the field, the West managed just one scoring try. That try started when the West took the ball on the East 47 with 1:19 left in the first half.

Keyed by Knappa's Mike Oien, the West moved the ball inside the East 1, but couldn't punch it in. Putman got the ball inside the 1 with about four seconds left in the half. But, the West had run out of timeouts, and couldn't get another play off before the horn sounded.

Sicocan led the East with 98 yards on 17 carries. Perkins added 42 yards on seven carries, and Escobar 40 yards on 11 tries. The East rolled up 253 yards total offense.

Oien led the West ball carriers with 75 yards on nine carries. St. Helens quarterback Jesse Haagensohn was 6 of 15 passing for 91 yards. Acker was 3 of 4 for 64 yards on the final West drive. Mueller caught five passes for 76 yards.

The West finished with 317 yards total offense.

The East win evens the overall series at 21-21-3. The East has

won three straight games and four of the past five (the teams tied 14-14 in 1994). The East has won nine of the 12 games played since 1986.

Proceeds from the game go to the Portland Shriners Hospital for Children.

Brent Gunderson of Heppner played the entire game at offensive guard and about half the game as defensive linebacker. Gunderson made several unassisted tackles and blocked extremely well.

Wk East 0 0 0 12 -12  
E - Sicocan 28 run (Harrison kick)  
E - Perkins 8 run (Harrison kick)  
W - Russel 75 punt return (Run failed)  
E - Sibernagel 10 pass from Perkins (Sibernagel pass from Hayden)  
W - Kormendi 34 pass from Acker (Pass failed)

	West	East
First Downs	15	13
Passing Yards	42-163	47-238
Rushing Yards	154	20
Total Yards	317	253
Passing	11-24-0	21-21-1
Fumbles-Lost	6-3	2-2
Punts-Avg	3-39.0	7-36.9
Penalties-Yards	6-50	7-45
Time of possession	27:17	32:27

Individual statistics  
Rushing - West: Oien 8-75, Schindler 5-27, Haagensohn 10-25, Russel 8-21, Putman 6-8, Crowson 2-6, Eddy 2-1. East: Sicocan 17-98, Perkins 7-42, Escobar 11-40, July 9-20, Harrison 5-22, Thompson 1-11, Hills 2-0, Platt 1-3.  
Passing - West: Haagensohn 6-15-0-91, Acker 3-4-0-64, Oien 2-5-0-1. East: Perkins 2-10-1-20, Hayden 0-1-0-0, Escobar 0-1-0-0.  
Receiving - West: Mueller 5-76, Kormendi 2-48, Putman 2-31, Eddy 2-1. East: Hayden 1-10, Sibernagel 1-10.  
Interceptions: West: Haagensohn

## Meeting slated on painting workshops

The Morrow County Creative Arts and Crafts Club will meet Thursday, Aug. 28 at 1:30 p.m. at the Yaw's Restaurant banquet room to discuss upcoming painting workshops.

On the agenda will be workshops by artist Tina Reeve Tharp with landscapes and indians as the subject matter; and Betty Crosswhite (formerly of New Zealand) in oils, with english cottages and landscapes as the subject matter planned for October.

All members are asked to attend so the club can find out local interest without the phone calls and extra time it takes for the chairperson to put the classes together, said club member Betty Mills.

Class size is limited to 10 people on a first-come basis. "Make this meeting a must if you plan on painting this fall with a professional artist," said Mills.

A no-host lunch will be served at 1 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

## Council to form strategic plan

The Lexington City Council has decided to move forward in the development of a strategic plan for the community of Lexington.

According to a Lexington Council news release, the community must form a broad-based team of community members who are committed to the future of their area. A strategic plan concentrates on selected issues which are most important to the community, considers resource availability and how resources can be used most effectively; assesses the community's strengths and weaknesses; considers major events and changes occurring outside the community, and the impact they can be expected to have on the community; and is action-oriented, with an emphasis on implementation and the achievement of practical results.

The Lexington Strategic Plan will be facilitated by the Morrow County Economic Development coordinator. Members of the Lexington community interested in participating in the strategic planning process are invited to contact Rick Minster at 989-8200, or stop by the Morrow County Public Works office in Lexington for more information.

## Ray Grace joins Anderson-Perry



Ray Grace

Anderson-Perry & Associates, Inc., has announced that Ray Grace has joined their staff as a construction administrator and project representative.

He will be responsible for both administration and on-site observation of construction projects. He joins Anderson-Perry & Associates, Inc., after having retired from construction work both here in the region and overseas. His previous work included 10 years of recent work in Hawaii, work in both Venezuela and Saudi Arabia, as well as serving as the manager of the co-generation plant for

Kinzua in Heppner and other assignments in the wood products industry.

Grace and his wife, Nona, now reside in Heppner where he is active as a director of the Columbia Basin Electric Cooperative and landscaping the yard at their new home.

Grace's initial assignment with Anderson-Perry & Associates, Inc., is on a water supply, transmission, and storage project for the Ice Fountain Water District near Hood River. This project will be constructed over the next two construction seasons and involve the development of a

large spring on the upper middle fork of Hood River and construction of a nine-mile long transmission line to bring that spring water to the users within the Ice Fountain Water District.

Anderson-Perry & Associates, Inc., is a consulting engineering firm with offices located in La Grande and Baker City and Walla Walla, Washington. The firm recently opened a "field services" office in Hermiston to better serve the Western Umatilla and Morrow county areas, said an Anderson-Perry news release. The firm offers engineering, surveying, and materials testing services.

## Over 60 past Morrow County rodeo queens and princesses attend parade, luncheon

Over 60 past queens and court members attended the 75th anniversary celebration of the Morrow County Rodeo held Saturday, August 16, in Heppner.

The queens and princesses rode on flatbed trucks in the parade Saturday morning and were honored guests at the 1997 Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Queen's Luncheon held at St. Patrick's parish hall following the parade.

Attending were: 1924 Queen Eva Padberg Griffith; 1933 Queen Dorothy Doherty; 1938 Princess Evelyn Kirk;

1941 Queen Kathryn Thompson Webb and Princesses Pat Emert Pettyjohn and Frances Wilkinson Oslund; 1945 Princess Dorothy Bergstrom Stefani; 1946 Queen Darlene Biddle Hoskins and Princesses Gwen Coleman Healy and Jean Hanna Bennett; 1947 Queen Merlyn Kirk Robinson and Princesses Shirley Wilkinson Rugg, Laurel Palmateer Cannon; Corabelle Nutting Norene; 1949 Queen Shirley Wilkinson Rugg, Princesses Ingrid Hermann Crawford, Betty Walker Edwards, Faye Cutsforth and Dorothy Wigglesworth Graham;

1950 Princesses Betty Graves Carlson; 1951 Queen Ingrid Hermann Crawford; 1953 Princess Patricia McMillan; 1956 Queen Patricia Wright Anderson; 1958 Princesses Annie Coleman Schwarz, Joan Bronsan Weister; 1960 Queen Susan Partlow Stanhope and Princesses Marjorie Peck Church and Charlene Jones; 1961 Queen Joan Moe Hudson; 1963 Queen Sandra Eubanks Dooney and Princess Sharon Barrick Princess; 1965 Princess Susan McCoy and Ginger Majeske O'Brien; 1966 Queen Erna Lynn Winchester; 1968 Queen Bernice Matthews Thorton; 1969 Queen Sheila Luciani Cozad;

1971 Queen Michelle Miller Burns; 1972 Queen Susie French Ward and Princesses Patty Luciani Matheny, Ann Hoskins, Kerry Coppock and Debbie McCoy; 1974 Queen Sherry Kemp; 1976 Queen Patricia Van Schoiack Maben and Princess Bonnie Schiller Grant; 1977 Queen Mary Ann Proctor Munkers and Princess Teresa Proctor Reece; 1978 Queen Donna Palmer Rietmann and Princess Kim Pettyjohn Thompson;

1980 Queen Lori Edwards

McCabe; 1981 Queen Nancy Miller Weinke; 1982 Queen Anita Palmer Pranger; 1984 Queen Sylvia Ladd Sanford; 1986 Princess Sandra Wright Putman; 1987 Princess Kathleen Brazell Roberts; 1989 Queen Nancy Bailey Gorham;

1991 Queen Jodee Ashbeck Swanson; 1992 Queen Jennie

Ashbeck Benedict; 1993 Queen Elizabeth Doherty McGuire and Princess Rondi Robinson; 1994 Queen Staci O'Brien and Princess Jossie Evans (currently on the Pendleton Round-Up Court); 1995 Queen Rondi Robinson; 1996 Queen Brenda Holtz and Princess Beth Hermans.

## Letter home from Bosnia

(Editor's note: The following letter from Bosnia was written by Morrow County District Attorney Earl R. Woods, who is serving in Bosnia with his National Guard unit.)

This will be my last letter to the Gazette from Bosnia. God willing, we will be moving out of Camp Sava North by convoy in about eight days bound for Tzar Hungary. We will spend a few days in Hungary and Germany outprocessing and then we will be headed back to the states. Based upon our ratings with the 1st Army Division and 5th Corps, the 82 RTOC, Oregon National Guard has done a terrific job during the nearly seven months that they have served Operation Joint Guard in Bosnia. It has not been, fun.

For seven months we have worn hehnets, flak vests and battle dress while building barriers and gun emplacements, filling sand bags, staging convoys, billeting soldiers, fueling vehicles, doing maintenance and maintaining a vigil. We have lived in tents when the temperature was zero and the there was snow on the ground. We're still in the same tents today and the temperature is 90 degrees and the humidity is staggering. We've endured insects, dust, mud, slush, fought the effects of heat exhaustion, sleep deprivation and athlete's foot and through it all we've continued to march.

I'm proud to be a member of the 82 RTOC, the Oregon National Guard and the United States Army. In spite of the problems you read about in the newspapers and in the media we are the best Army in the world. I believe, based upon this experience that I've had in Bosnia, that the citizen soldier, i.e. the Guard and the Reserve, are not only an important part of the Army but a necessary part. Without the infusion of skills acquired through civilian employment this operation would not be successful as it has. This unit has helped Croatian, Serb and Muslim to not only rebuild but tolerate one another. We have done this in partnership with the active Army and done it well. I hope you all are as proud of the United States Army, the Oregon National Guard and the 82 RTOC as I am.

-LTC Earl Woods

## St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

There were 81 present for the senior dinner Aug. 13 and 13 meals were home delivered. Members of All Saints Episcopal Church served. The Senior Board met following the meal.

The menu for the birthday dinner Aug. 27 will be oven fried chicken, baked beans, coleslaw, carrot sticks, muffins and mixed fruit. Members of the First Christian Church will serve.

The menu for the breakfast Aug. 22 will be biscuits and gravy, fruit, hot and cold cereal, orange juice, milk, tea and coffee. The breakfast menu for Aug. 29 will be waffles, fruit, hot and cold cereal, orange juice, milk, coffee and tea.

The breakfasts have been well attended. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Two tables of pinochle were in play Friday afternoon. Gerald Bergstrom drove the bus to take the nursing home patients and senior citizens out to the fair Thursday. The bus is scheduled to go to Pendleton to take seniors to the Round-Up Dress Up Parade. The time and date will be set soon.

The drawing for the afghan was held after the parade Saturday. Fr. Frank Hebert was the lucky winner.

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