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Over the Tee Cup

Pat Edmundson took low gross of the field at the May 10 ladies' play day at Willow Creek County Club. Loa Henderson brought in the low net of the field and Carol Mitchell took least putts of the field.

Loss gross standings went to Luvilla Sonstegard in flight A, Virginia Grant in flight B and Lorrene Montgomery in flight C.

Betty Carlson took low net in flight C.

Chip-ins were awarded to Mitchell on hole #8 and Henderson on hole #5.

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Valby holds confirmation and dedications

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discharged. He married and built a fine home in Nevada and was a professional musician. After his wife died, Lundell moved to Heppner for his final days. He resided in the St. Patrick's Apartments until his death in 2003.

Lundell left, in his will, a substantial financial gift to Valby Lutheran Church for the purpose of developing educational scholarships for Valby graduating high school seniors.

The principal has been invested and the interest will be used as assistance for continuing education. The "Bud Lundell Scholarship Fund" invites other contributions through outright donations or from the estates of those affiliated with the Lundells of Valby Lutheran Church. A stone plaque was commissioned on behalf of Lundell and will hang in the Valby complex.

OSAA to vote on classifications

The OSAA Classification and Districting Committee for 2006-2010 four-year time block met May 9 to consider options for the committee recommendations to be received by the executive board in October.

The proposals are being evaluated using the following criteria in the order of priority listed: improve competitive balance within a league; minimize travel/expense for schools; and maintain current league alignments.

The committee unanimously agreed not to support the "hybrid" five classification proposal due mainly to the fact that the felt it did not support competitive league balance.

The unanimously agreed that the six classification proposal would do a better job of improving league competitive balance. The committee will be forwarding the proposal for consideration of member schools. The proposal however is not the final recommendation of the committee. Adjustments may still be made.

The six classification proposal sets the classes at 6A- 1500 plus; 5A- 876 to 1500; 4A- 376 to 875; 3A- 226 to 375; 2A- 116-225 and 1A- 1 to 115. In the new classification, Heppner will remain a 2A school, but Riverside High School and Irrigon High School will become 2A schools. Under the old classification, Riverside High School had been a 3A school. Ione High School will remain a 1A school.

Any school wishing to "play-up" to a higher classification than indicated in the proposal must notify OSAA by June 15, 2005.

The next public meeting of the Classification and Districting Committee will be at 9 a.m., Monday, Sept. 26, 2005 at the OSAA office in Wilsonville. The committee will make its final recommendations to the OSAA Executive Board at the Oct. 24, 2005 special classification and districting executive board meeting.

A full list of meeting dates, committee roster, charge to the committee and previous updates are available at the OSAA website: www.osaa.org.

Ione Schools honored for achievements

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student and parents will be liable for the entire amount expended for the class, including tuition, fees and books. Tuition costs for each course are estimated at around \$200-\$300. The district sees this program as a way to expand course offerings to Ione District students. "This is a great recruiting tool," said board member John Rietmann. The district plans to send a copy of this policy to each student's parents to advertise the program's availability.

-learned that the school earned over \$3,000 by making and selling flower pots for Mother's Day with \$3 per pot going to the Outdoor School fund.

-learned that Ione students attended Outdoor School last week.

-learned that Ione Schools will not receive Title 1A funds because the school does not have 10 students below the census poverty level.

-was advised of staff changes for the 2005-06 school year as follows: all-day kindergarten-Barb Collin; first grade-Linda Neiffer; second/third grade-new hire; fourth/fifth grade-Michelle Stone/Karen Holland. Stone and Holland will each teach a half day in their specialty classes.

-learned that the school has been flooded twice in the last month due to rain. Motors that burned up in the power surges in the first flood were replaced by Apollo. Joel Barnett worked on the smaller motors.

-learned that the art classroom will be moved to the shop classroom so that teacher Tom Shear can use the darkroom in that building. The weight equipment will be moved to the Rietmann building and the walls will be power washed before painting. Two utility sinks will be plumbed into the classroom.

-learned that next year students will create murals in the hallway between the cafeteria and the gym. Administrator Bryn Browning said the murals will show athletes, musicians, theatre and various other academics. Also, each class in grades seven-12 will choose a motto to be painted by students in the high school hallway.

-learned that the schedule for the last day of school has been changed. An all-school barbecue will be held during the regular lunch time followed by a dodge ball tournament (using Nerf balls) to be held after locker and desk cleanout.

-heard a report from board member and Student Success Committee member Anne Morter on the value of a BMCC staff member meeting with students concerning college preparation.

-learned that the shop and music program each received a \$500 donation from Western Precision Products to recognize "Ione's efforts in building community, supporting its school in hard times and setting a good example for the students and children in our town." Western Precision Products is owned by the sons of Howard Mullins of Ione.

-learned that the next board meeting and budget hearing will be held on Monday, June 13.

Three HHS tracksters qualify for state

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third place girls' 400-meter relay team. Rietmann ran a season's best of 12.89 seconds earlier in the season.

Sophomore Zach Kurtz was the hard luck athlete of the meet as he collected a trio of third place finish ribbons (the top two places qualified for state). He set a new school record in javelin with a throw of 154 feet 6 inches. (In 2002, a rule change modified the size of the javelin because athletes were throwing the old javelin so far.) He was also on both relays and placed fourth in the 200-meter dash, running 24.52 seconds. Kurtz' best in the 200-meter this season was 23.98 seconds.

Also earning a third place finish was Brendan McElligott running a 2 minute 12.14 second clocking in the 800-meter run. McElligott teamed with Kurtz, Van Cleave and Rory Kilkenny to post a time of 3 minutes 44.16 seconds in the 1600-meter relay, a season's best by eight seconds.

Noah Fleischer was third in the 3000-meter run, posting a time of 10 minutes 14.22 seconds, a personal record by 11 seconds. He was also fifth at 1500 meters, running 4 minutes 39.20 seconds, a personal record by four seconds.

Placing fifth at district was freshman Cyde Coil with a leap of 4 feet 8 inches in the high jump. She also teamed with Rietmann, Sarah Price and Terra Wilson to place third in the girls' 400-meter relay with a time of 54.64 seconds, a season's best for this group of girls.

Another fifth was Casey O'Neal in the high jump with a leap of 5 feet 8 inches. He teamed with Kurtz, Van Cleave and Boyer in the 400-meter relay for a 46.40 clocking and third place, a season's best time.

Also competing at district but not placing where Nathan Van Cleave, shot put and discus; Caleb O'Neal, high jump and 100-meter dash; Gordon Wegwerth, discus and 200-meter dash; Justin Delveaux, long and triple jump; and Jason Houweling, 800-meter and 1500-meter runs.

Catering business has not been sold

In last week's Gazette-Times it was incorrectly stated in a city council story that Angie Hanson of Heppner had purchased the catering business Pudding On The Ritz from current owner JoAnn Tingle.

Hanson has not purchased the business. In an earlier letter to the Heppner planning commission requesting a zoning variance to allow her to place a 11.5 foot by 32 foot mobile kitchen on her property at 395 N. Gale, Hanson said she is "considering" and "hoping to be able to buy" the business.

Both Hanson and Tingle told the Gazette-Times last week that the business has not been sold.

Correction

In last week's article about Joann Byrd and her story about Heppner and the flood, the contact e-mail address was misprinted, the correct e-mail address is joannbyrd@bronline.com.

INWM to hold dinner and auction

Symphony Safari is the theme chosen for the Inland Northwest's fifth annual dinner and auction fund raiser. A Baron of Beef and salmon buffet will be served at 6:30 p.m. Held at the Pendleton Convention Center on Saturday, June 11, the dinner for \$20 per person includes the opportunity to attend the silent auction. The silent auction begins at 5:30 p.m. The oral auction with auctioneer, Sandy Gross of Hermiston, will start at 8 p.m. and is open to the public. For dinner reservations and more information, kindly call (541) 564-7664 or write info@inwm.org.

Donations are being accepted for the auction. Auction items might be crafted items donated by Inland Northwest Musicians orchestra members or chorale members. Businesses in the many towns where the orchestra has performed have also been generous contributors. Chambers of Commerce in those cities have prepared gift baskets that are unique to their own city. Other items include weekend get-aways, art works, tools, jewelry and quilts. "Many more donations are expected yet: call (541) 564-7664 to add to the already excellent selection," says Jill Jespersen of Hermiston, bassoonist in Inland Northwest orchestra

and dinner auction committee member.

Delanne Ferguson of Pendleton, President of Inland Northwest and violist in the orchestra expects a good turnout for the growing dinner auction. "We are proud of the selection of auction items and appreciate all the donors for their wonderful contributions." She goes on to explain that the dinner and auction is the only fund raiser held by Inland Northwest Musicians. The organization has four ensembles that perform approximately 22 free concerts each season. "Our mission is to provide orchestral and chorale music and music education to northeast Oregon/southeast Washington communities which would not otherwise have the opportunity to experience live classical music."

INWM has chosen this theme because during the Young People's Concerts in Echo this season performed by the Willow Creek Symphony, a preparatory INWM orchestra, there was a walk-through, called a "safari," while the orchestra played. Children who attended were invited to walk a path through the orchestra and see the performers closely and experience the sounds and sights of walking among them. It is great fun and sometimes, the ones who are

equally impressed by the safari experience might be the adults who are with the school children. The safari gives youngsters a different impression of the sound since they can hear the instruments so close and they see how instruments are played. "They feel the energy and intensity of music first hand," said R. Lee Friese, Music Director and Conductor of INWM and Willow Creek Orchestras and chorales.

The decorations of Symphony Safari Dinner will be complete with collections of elephants and monkeys on the tabletops, jungle leaves, drums and trunks that are attendant to a safari that helps "Keep the Beat Going" for Inland Northwest Musicians.

Gun Club shoot rescheduled

Due to scheduling problems, the Morrow County Gun Club shoot being held at Ruggs Ranch Sporting Clay Range has been rescheduled to Sunday, June 12, starting at 9 a.m.

The shoot is open to club members and the general public. Participants will shoot a variety of challenging stations, including the "Star Wars" team shoot. A barbeque lunch will be available.

For more information contact 676-5042.

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