

AWANA announces awards, Grand Prix results

The local AWANA Bible Club concluded its club year with an awards ceremony and grand prix car races on Sunday evening, April 17, at Willow Creek Baptist Church in Heppner.

AWANA Club is the joint effort of leaders from several local churches to teach children about the Bible. Preschool-age Cubbie members who received recognition were Frank and Sofia Di Salvo, Mikalie and Hadlie Duncan, Aaron and Zethan Humphreys, Joshua Montano, Jude Smith, and Gabriel Sanchez.

In the Sparks group for kindergarten through second grade, Book 1 Ribbons went to David Asbridge, Moira Di Salvo, Tucker Epperson, Carter Eyenetich, Lizzie Finch, Faith Holsinger, Zariah Martin, Zaleta Masterson, Angel Mey-

ers and Brady Williams. Book 2 Ribbon winner was Hannah Smith. Attendance awards also went to Moira Di Salvo, Carter and Tucker Epperson, Lizzie Finch and Hadley Wright.

In the Truth & Training Club (grades three through six), Medals of Merit and Bibles were given out to seven club members who memorized all 20 "Roots of Faith" Bible passages this year—Ty Boor, Dylan Christian, Joe Sherman, Jacob Finch, Hannah Finch, Anthony Rankin and Aubry Smith. T & T attendance awards went to Dylan and Makiyah Christian, Hannah and Jacob Finch, Aubry Smith and Nikolas Wenberg.

There were more than 40 members who each raced a five-ounce derby car in the Grand Prix Race.



Above left: Grand Prix Race fastest car winners (L-R): First place, Jude Smith; second place, Frank Di Salvo; and third place, Hannah Finch.

The first place trophy for the fastest car of the night went to Jude Smith, second place to Frank Di Salvo, third place, Hannah Finch.



Above right: Car Design Contest Winners (L-R): First place winner Sam Smith's car, displayed by AWANA Commander Dale Bates; second place, Hannah Smith; and third place, Jolene Serrano.

Trophies were also awarded to the most creatively designed cars. Sam Smith of Heppner took first place for his creative bird-shaped car.

Second was Hannah Smith of Lexington with a red and yellow arrow car, and third place went to Jolene Serrano of Lexington with

turquoise and pink flowers and butterflies.

AWANA will start up again in September.

Creative Care preschool gets rural community grant



Front (L-R): Kole Strzelewicz, Amelia Shaw, Nate Sorte, Allison Crum, Ally Barnett, Violet Cabrera and Haryss Padberg. Back (L-R): Aidden Ramos, Bentley Smith, Brodie Ogden, Northwest FCS Pendleton Branch Manager Andy VanderPlatt, CCP Head Teacher Alison Ogden, Madelyn Campbell, Sophia Sorrano and Lakelie Thompson.

SPOKANE, WA— Northwest Farm Credit Services has awarded Creative Care Preschool in Ione a \$1,000 Northwest FCS Rural Community Grant.

"Ione Creative Care preschool and the Ione community are so thankful to Northwest Farm Credit Services for awarding us this grant to purchase new outdoor play equipment," said Alison Ogden, head teacher. "One of our goals is to provide students an excellent, well maintained outdoor gross-motor skills area with equipment that

addresses a variety of abilities. The existing play equipment was in dire need of replacement and this money will help us accomplish our goal quickly.

"Our preschool has served Ione and surrounding communities for generations. In fact, many former students have grown to become Farm Credit Services customers and even a few Northwest FCS employees. This grant is an example of Northwest Farm Credit Services' commitment to rural communities and we are proud to have

been selected."

Northwest FCS awarded more than \$99,000 during the first rural grant cycle of 2016. Since the program's inception in 2007, the company has presented 527 rural grants totaling more than \$1,047,000.

The next rural grant deadline is June 1. Anyone who thinks they may have a rural project eligible for a grant should visit northwestfcs.com/Stewardship/Rural-Communities for more information and an application.

Wranglers play-day results

Wranglers Riding Club held its first play day of the year Sunday, April 17. Results are as follows:

- Stick-Horse Race**
- Three & Under*
- 1st Morgan Milligan
- 2nd Savvy Joy Hall
- 3rd Ella Mullins
- 4th Callahan Baker
- Four- & Five-Year-Olds*
- 1st Axton Hendricks
- 2nd Mary Ashbeck
- 3rd Peyton Weygandt
- 4th Ryker Rauch
- Six- & Seven-Year-Olds*
- 1st Reese Weygandt
- 2nd Quaid Jensen
- 3rd Brooklyn Hendricks
- Barrels**
- Lead-line*
- 1st Peyton Matheny 27.38
- 2nd Pearl Miller 32.60
- 3rd Peyton Weygandt 32.84
- 4th Ryker Rauch 34.15
- Ages Seven & Under*
- 1st Healy Hisler 30.07
- 2nd Savanna Greenup 30.88
- 3rd Quaid Jensen 36.75
- 4th Reece Weygandt 38.43
- Ages Eight-10*
- 1st Brock Hisler 18.34
- 2nd Hallee Hisler 18.75
- 3rd Sierra Greenup 18.81
- 4th Serena Echols 23.37
- Ages 12-15*
- 1st Kiersten Holz 19.72
- 2nd Chelsea Echols 25.50
- 3rd Rebekah Ehmer 35.97
- 4th Asher Hall 39.09
- Poles**
- Lead-line*
- 1st Peyton Matheny 50.36
- 2nd Tate Turner 53.03
- 3rd Peyton Weygandt 56.57
- 4th Savvy Joy Hall 1:01.41
- Ages Seven & Under*

- 1st Healy Hisler 36.94
- 2nd Quaid Jensen 43.40
- Ages Eight-11*
- 1st Brock Hisler 23.19
- 2nd Halle Hisler 23.81
- 3rd Serena Echols 33.78
- 4th Shane Sifford 40.32
- Ages 12-15*
- 1st Jessica Cain 26.91
- 2nd Chelsea Echols 41.22
- 3rd Rebekah Ehmer 45.21
- 4th Asher Hall 50.94
- Figure 8**
- Lead-line*
- 1st Peyton Matheny 21.72
- 2nd Tate Turner 24.94
- 3rd Peyton Weygandt 26.09
- 4th Kathryn Knowles 27.69
- Seven & Under*
- 1st Healy Hisler 21.22
- 2nd Quaid Jensen 24.66
- 3rd Reece Weygandt 25.22
- 4th Hadley Wright 30.25
- Ages Eight-11*
- 1st Brock Hisler 14.50
- 2nd Hallee Hisler 15.09
- 3rd Isela Echols 16.35

- 4th Serena Echols 18.87
- Ages 12-15*
- 1st Kiersten Holz 14.65
- 2nd Jessica Cain 15.07
- 3rd Chelsea Echols 19.66
- 4th Rebekah Ehmer 25.12
- Goat Untying (pull ribbon off goat's tail)**
- Lead-line*
- 1st Tate Turner 9.12
- 2nd Morgan Milligan 9.82
- 3rd Pearl Miller 10.34
- 4th Brooklyn Hendricks 11.12
- Seven & Under*
- 1st Quaid Jensen 8.38
- 2nd Hadley Wright 21.40
- Goat Tying**
- Ages Eight-11*
- 1st Isela Echols 53.32
- 2nd Shane Sifford 59.53
- 3rd Holden Sifford 1:01.41
- 4th Serena Echols 1:05.12
- Ages 12-15*
- 1st Jessica Cain 24.94
- 2nd Kiersten Holz 32.46
- 3rd Chelsea Echols 40.22
- 4th Rebekah Ehmer 57.53

Eastern Oregon roads to see signage upgrades

Morrow County contains two of the more than a dozen areas in six Eastern Oregon counties that will see transportation signs upgraded this summer. Upgrades include stop, curve warnings, traffic direction arrows, street name and other signs changed or improved at select locations.

In Morrow County, new signage will be added on Tower Rd. and Willow Creek Rd.

Oregon Dept. of Transportation personnel say the work is needed to ensure signage meets current federal standards. This may include replacing damaged signs, adding new signage such as additional curve warnings, relocating signs

to improve site distance/safety, or upgrading existing signs to comply with changed sign requirements.

According to an ODOT release, the project will go to bid in late May, with work performed during the 2016 summer construction season and completed by fall 2016.

Travelers can expect lane closures, flaggers, and up to 20-minute delays at times near work areas, depending on location.

Some minor impacts for pedestrian traffic, such as sidewalk closures or detours may also occur.

The estimated \$550,000 is being funded through the Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program.

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