

A View from the Green

WCCC men golf

Fourteen participated in men's play on Sunday, July 11, at Willow Creek Country Club. Low net went to Jerry Gentry with 57. John Edmundson and Gene Orwick tied for second.

The low gross winner was Duane Disque with 63. Charlie Ferguson was second with 64 and Dennis Peck placed third with 67. Rick Johnston got KP

on #4-13 with 11' 1" and Duane Disque got long putt on #5-14 with 10' 10".

The next Sunday men's play will be held July 18 with Delbert Binschus, Rick Johnston and Greg Greenup hosting. The men's club championship will take place Saturday and Sunday, July 24 and 25. For additional information contact a club member.

Over the Tee Cup

The Willow Creek ladies held their playday, hosting 12 participants, on July 6. Low gross of the field winner was Virginia Grant, low net was Pat Dougherty and least putts winner was Carol Mitchell.

Flight A low gross winner was Karen Thompson. Flight B low gross was Pat Edmundson and Shirley Martin took first in low net. Shirley Rucker was

the flight B winner for least putts.

Bunnie Lindsay had low gross for flight C and Sharon Harrison took low net. Lorene Montgomery had the least putts for flight C.

Lorene Montgomery and Jeannie Creswick had chip-ins. Virginia Grant got a birdie on #18 and Sarah Rucker did the same on #16.

SAGE Center selected as Think Big Space

The Port of Morrow's Sustainable Agriculture and Energy (SAGE) Center in Boardman, OR, has been selected as the site of a new AWS Think Big Space. The new K-6 classroom and school visitation program is funded by Amazon Web Services (AWS) and will be overseen by the Morrow County School District. An AWS Think Big Space is an enhanced classroom for students to explore and cultivate science, technology, engineering and math (STEAM)-related interests with labs that encourage a hands-on approach where students think big to solve real-world problems. This collaboration brings to-

gether regional partners that include early childhood education, post-secondary schools and community sponsors.

The AWS Think Big Space serves as an "educational incubator" utilizing cloud computing, AWS technology, and Amazon's Leadership Principles. Students and teachers are encouraged to "Think Big" as they explore cloud computing to solve problems using creativity and imagination. The AWS Think Big Space is an integrated environment where everything from the furniture, technology and curriculum work together to support interactive hands-on learn-

Umatilla National Forest moves to Phase C Public Use Restrictions

Campfires and chainsaw use prohibited

Due to continued hot temperatures, lack of moisture and extreme fire danger, Umatilla National Forest officials have announced that on Saturday, July 10, 2021, the Umatilla National Forest moved to Phase C of public use restrictions (PURs).

With concern for public safety and the increased potential for human caused wildfires, officials remind forest visitors to use extreme caution when visiting the forest; under current conditions, even a spark can rapidly become a large wildfire.

Phase C PURs is the third level of restrictions and includes:

-Campfires are prohibited on the Forest. Use liquid and bottle (propane) gas stoves only.

-No internal combustion engine operation (in-

cluding chainsaws), except for motorized vehicles.

-Electrical generators operated under the following conditions are allowed:

-in the center of an area at least 10 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material, or;

-when fully contained within a pickup truck bed that is empty of all flammable material, or;

-when factory installed in a recreational vehicle and the generator exhaust discharge is located in the center of an area at least 10 feet in diameter that is barren or cleared of all flammable material.

-No off-road/off-trail vehicle travel or travel on roads not cleared of standing grass or other flammable material. Vehicle travel is never permitted on cur-

rently closed forest service roads where access has been impeded or blocked by earthen berms, logs, boulders, barriers, barricades or gates, or as otherwise identified in a closure order.

-Smoking is allowed only in enclosed vehicles and buildings, developed recreation sites, or in cleared areas.

Please remember that it is your responsibility to know what restrictions are in place when visiting public lands.

Regulated closures may be in effect on state and private lands protected by Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) in northeast and central Oregon. Please check with your local Oregon Department of Forestry office for PURs on lands protected by ODF. For more complete information, contact a local Oregon Department of Forestry office or

visit one of the interagency dispatch center's webpages: Blue Mountain Interagency Dispatch webpage: www.bmidec.org or John Day Interagency Dispatch webpage: <http://bicc-jdidec.org/index.shtml>

Similar restrictions may also be in effect on state and private lands protected by the Washington Department of Natural Resources (WA-DNR). More information can be found on the WA-DNR website at: <http://www.dnr.wa.gov/>.

For more information about the Umatilla National Forest's Public Use Restrictions, please contact the Umatilla National Forest Information Hotline at 1-877-958-9663 or visit our website at www.fs.usda.gov/umatilla. More information about the Umatilla National Forest is available at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/umatilla>.

ing. The space prioritizes personalized learning to engage students of all ages, interests and abilities.

Morrow County School District is hiring an instructional lead that will oversee the new space. The instructional lead will implement a practice of self-directed learning. "We know students thrive when they have an environment that supports creative learning and innovation. We are grateful to have partners like AWS and The Port of Morrow who share the same vision. This is a great opportunity for Morrow County students," shared Dirk Dirksen, Morrow County School District Superintendent.

AWS selected the SAGE Center as the first AWS Think Big Space on the West Coast. Ryan Neal, Executive Director at the Port of Morrow, is looking forward to expanding opportunities for students. "This partnership is an investment in our youth and their future. We see the AWS Think Big Space as a catalyst for supporting students as they develop new solutions and ideas

that will make our world a better place."

Construction is underway at the SAGE Center where the new AWS Think Big Space will be located. It is expected to open in Q4 2021.

The AWS Think Big Space was named after one of Amazon's 14 Leadership Principles which states, "Thinking small is a self-fulfilling prophecy. Leaders create and communicate a bold direction that inspires results. They think differently and look around corners for ways to serve customers."

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Working on an outdoor project? Careless digging poses a threat to people, pipelines and underground facilities. Always call 8-1-1 first. Here are five easy steps for safe digging:



1. NOTIFY

Call 8-1-1 or make a request online two to three days before your work begins. The operator will notify the utilities affected by your project.

2. WAIT

Wait two to three days for affected utilities to respond to your request. They will send a locator to mark any underground utility lines.



3. CONFIRM

Confirm that all affected utilities have responded to your request by comparing the marks to the list of utilities the 8-1-1 call center notified.



4. RESPECT

Respect the markers provided by the affected utilities. The markers are your guide for the duration of your project.



5. DIG CAREFULLY

If you can't avoid digging near the markers (within 18-24 inches on all sides, depending on state laws), consider moving your project location.



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