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Deanna Robbins



Shane Seward



Andy Wolf



Warren Goodwin



Diana Martinez



Gary South

Six Happy Youngsters Win 10 Speed Bikes

Six 10-speed bicycles were awarded to six happy winners of the Gate City Journal subscription campaign, after the final votes were tallied last Saturday evening.

The top vote winner was little Deanna Robbins with a total of 117,000 votes. She competed in District No. 1, outside the city limits. Runner-up was Shane Seward of Parma with 99,000 votes also District No. 1. Andy Wolf topped District No. 2, inside the Nyssa City limits with 90,000 votes followed by Warren Goodwin District No. 1 with 75,000. Diana Martinez, District No. 2 took fifth place with 67,000 votes and Gary South also District No. 2 received 66,000 votes.

The remainder of the contestants all received cash commissions for their work. District No. 1 winners in order of their standing were: Julie Sillonis, 74,000; Shari Field, 62,000; Albert Hammar, 57,000; Darlene Carroll, 55,000; Xavier Leos, 53,000; Holly Buck, 37,000; Andrew Castro, 33,000; Julian Almaraz, 31,000; Irma Rodriguez, 31,000; Frankie Rhodes, 25,000; Marco Rodriguez, 24,000; and LeAnn Gonzales, 20,000.

District No. 2 contestants were: Elisabeth Zink, 51,000; Jim Looney, 35,000; Leslie Jessop, 33,000; Pedro Camero, 32,000; Randy Wade, 31,000; Karen Webb, 30,000; Elizabeth Apodada, 30,000; Todd Hatch, 28,000; Pedro Hernandez, 28,000; Lupe Vasquez, 27,000; Manuel Valero, 25,000; Ronny Dudley, 23,000; Martin Castellon, 21,000; Drew Morrison, 19,000; and Johnny Ybanez, 14,000.

Candidates winning \$10 bills for turning in the most subscriptions, new and renewals for a period of one week were Warren Goodwin and Diana Martinez, who tied for the week of March 8 to 13, each received \$10; Deanna Robbins for the period of March 15 to 20; and Shari Field, for March 22 to 27.

This year topped last year and in both new subscriptions and renewals in a highly successful campaign.

Congratulations to all who walked in the Walkathon. I think this is a nice gesture and is certainly for a worthy cause. Thanks to Mrs. Barbara Ulrey, Nyssa chairman, and Larry Blackburn, Malheur County March of Dimes campaign chairman, for taking their time to make this event a success. The National Guard, who manned the check stations, deserve a pat on the back too.

The third nine weeks is over, not much school left. The Junior High and the High School kids are out of school Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons this week so that the teachers and parents may have conferences. This is a great time to see your child's teacher or teachers, because you must pick up their report card anyway. Drop in for a visit, if the teachers care enough to set aside this special time for parents, we parents, should be concerned enough about our children to find out how they are doing. Don't take it for granted that your child is doing well, or not doing so well. Find out you owe it to your child to be concerned.

Was pleased to learn that former Nyssa High graduate Ted Joyce is manager for the Mount Hood Community College baseball team. It's rewarding to see so many of our hometown youth going to college.

Don't forget the PTA Chili Feed this Saturday at the Nazarene Church (Manley Hall). Help support our local PTA because it supports our children and our schools.

If you want an evening of springtime entertainment and a preview of what the Nyssa band will be playing at Disneyland, plan on attending the Spring Concert in the Multi-purpose Room, Tuesday, April 6 at 8 p.m. The concert choir and prep choirs will be singing the new selections they are preparing for a group festival. Come see and hear what our young people are doing.

The Owyhee Riding Club is sponsoring a dance this Saturday evening and will donate all the proceeds to the Nyssa Band for their Disneyland trip. "Sweet Country" will provide the music and dancing will begin at 9 p.m. at the Oregon Trail Hall. Sounds like an evening of fun. Disneyland isn't looking so far away now, and I think the community response to help our band get there is tremendous. These kids are working hard and they deeply appreciate everyone's efforts to help.

The Nyssa baseball team has won their first three games. Sounds great doesn't it? Our varsity team will host the Baker Bulldogs in a double-header on the Nyssa field Friday beginning at 2 p.m. Lets all go to the ballgame.

County Proposes Budget Outside 6%

The Malheur County Budget Committee met Monday to receive the budget message prepared by the County Court and to listen to any comments or requests concerning the budget for the 1976-77 fiscal year.

In the total county budget proposal of \$1,617,200, the sum of \$1,513,141 will come from taxes within the six percent limitation and other sources. Another \$104,059 will be needed over the six percent limitation. That amount the county budget committee will need to ask the voters for at the May 25 election.

Resources for the county road fund are \$500,800 with \$41,734 being raised by taxes for a total road budget of \$542,534.

The budget message signed by Roy Hiral, Malheur County Judge, said, in part, the document is relative to the final budget and is only a guide. It provides information for the consideration of the six member budget committee which shall determine the final budget for recommendation to the County Court.

"Due to inflation," the message continues, "such costs as insurance, auditing,

heating oil, utilities and office supplies have risen considerably more than the six percent limitation used the last few years. The unexpended cash carryover from all departments is getting smaller.

"The federal general revenue sharing act expires at the end of the calendar year, December 31, 1976. We are hoping the Congress will enact a similar general revenue sharing act for five more years. Funds that Malheur County will receive for the balance of 1976 have been prioritized in the budget. Should the funds be available after 1976, there will be a supplemental budget and hearing later.

"Due to Oregon 1973 legislative laws on collective bargaining, the county and the budget committee have met with the county employees bargaining committee several times. The 10 percent salary proposal offered by the county has been rejected by the employees and they are standing on an 18 percent proposal.

"Since this year's county budget has to be taken to the voters on May 25, time is of the essence," the message concludes.

Nyssa High Band Seeks Funds For Disney Trip

Donations from Nyssa and the surrounding area keep coming in and it appears that the Nyssa High School Band will have a very successful auction to add to funds for their trip to Disneyland in June, where they will play in concert.

The auction will be the highlight of the day, Saturday, April 10 when Auctioneers Guy Sparks and son Gary will auction off all the numerous items of furniture, household items, meat, gift certificates, clothing, produce and lots of miscellaneous on the First National Bank parking lot. There will be something for everyone so plan to attend.

A parade will start the day's events at 12 noon. There will be concessions, games, a car wash, horse and buggy rides and a horseshoe tournament with trophies. The \$3 entry fee for the horseshoe tournament will be donated to the band.

Those donating to the auction are: US National Bank, Newhouse Chevrolet, Texaco Station, Bass Union 76, Spic and Span Cleaners, Nyssa Auto Parts, Owyhee Beauty Shop, Twilight Cafe, Stout Appliance, Arrowhead Rock Shop, Ideal Gas, Coast to Coast Store, Stunz Lumber, Bauman Equipment Company, Blackers Furniture, Carney's Nursery, Evelyn's Fabrics, Davis Jewelry, Wilson's Department Store, Palmers Equipment, The Sugar Bowl and Growers Produce, plus the many previously mentioned donors.

The Owyhee Riding Club is sponsoring a dance Saturday, April 3 at the Oregon Trail

Hall at 9 p.m. and will donate all the proceeds to the band. "Sweet Country" will provide the music and refreshments will be served. Tickets are \$2 per person.

Brownies Cafe will have a buffet dinner on May 2 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. and will give the proceeds to the band. Tickets are \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12.

Everyone in the valley is helping to make this California trip possible and there is still a lot of help needed to attain the goal of \$7,600. If you can help in any way, please call Boyd Haney, 372-3342 or Carl Linegar, 372-3441 or Dave Savage, 372-2711.

There will be a meeting of the band committee Monday, April 5 at the Neill Mathews home at 7 p.m.

Nyssa Band Spring Concert

The Nyssa High School Bands and Choirs will present a Spring Concert in the multi-purpose room Tuesday, April 6 at 8 p.m.

The bands, under the direction of Ralph Werner, band instructor will play selections in the Bicentennial theme. They plan to play the same selections where they go to Disneyland in June.

The concert choir and prep choir under the direction of Steve Howe, choir director will present several new selections. Mr. Howe reports that the concert choir is preparing for the large group festival to be held in Ontario on April 15.

MIT Accepts Scott Engstrom

Scott Engstrom has been accepted for graduate study at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) at Cambridge, Massachusetts, and has been granted a fellowship for \$8,500.



Scott is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Don Engstrom, and a 1972 graduate of Nyssa High School. He was class Valedictorian, winner of the Bosch & Lomb Science award, was named outstanding student in Chemistry, and represented Nyssa at Boys' State.

In addition he lettered in three sports, was in the all-state honor band two years, and in the SRV Honor Band. He played in the East-West Shrine game, and was a member of the mile relay team which placed first in state. He has been active in the LDS church, and has served in many leadership positions.

He is currently attending Brigham Young University on a four-year scholarship, and will graduate in August with a degree in Chemical Engineering. Scott was named outstanding student in Chemical Engineering by the American Society of Chemical Engineers.

PTA Dinner To Be April 3

The Nyssa PTA Chili Feed will be Saturday, April 3 at the Nazarene Church (Manley Hall) instead of the LDS Church as previously scheduled. Chili, salad, home-made pie and punch will be served from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Tickets will be sold at the door and the proceeds will help further the PTA scholarship funds. Tickets are: Adults and students over 12, \$1.50; children thru 12 years of age, \$1.00 and family tickets are \$6.00.

Everyone is invited to attend.

WEATHER

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
Mar. 24	57	33	.23
Mar. 25	50	34	.06
Mar. 26	55	29	
Mar. 27	50	29	
Mar. 28	49	30	.03
Mar. 29	54	29	
Mar. 30	62	25	
Mar. 31	28		
Owyhee Reservoir Storage	3-31-76	677,250 Acre Feet	
	3-31-75	648,730 Acre Feet	

Hours Changed For Spring Term

The Nyssa school board authorized Superintendent W. L. McPartland to change school hours for the rest of the spring term.

School will start five minutes earlier, at 8:40 a.m., instead of 8:45, cut ten minutes from the junior and senior high school lunch times, and dismiss at 3:15 instead of 3:30 p.m. This would make it possible for students taking part in baseball games, track meets and tennis matches to complete their school day before getting ready for their home events.

The activities that are at nearby schools will allow the athletic teams to compete while missing not more than one period of class work.

The elementary school program will start five

minutes early and cut only five minutes from the noon hour. The elementary school has been dismissing at 3:25, so a 3:15 dismissal would not effect their classroom time.

Further information will be given parents at conferences held Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoon the week of March 31, April 1 and 2.

Local Writers Form Club

Fourteen writers from Parma, Payette, Vale, Nyssa and Ontario met Wednesday evening at Treasure Valley Community College and formed a writers' club. Although they have not yet chosen a name for their organization, the group elected officers, set dues and meeting agendas and will publish their first newsletter this month. Allan Carr of Ontario was elected president, Dr. Brandon Adams of Nyssa, vice president, and Laura Ure of Nyssa, secretary-treasurer.

The regular meeting will be at 7 o'clock the third Monday of each month. The next meeting will be April 19,

on the TVCC campus. Dues for a year will be ten dollars.

According to Allan Carr, the purpose of the group is to bring together people who have an interest in writing for mutual edification and encouragement. Currently members have projects going in poetry, short stories, articles and novels. One member has a novel submitted to a New York publisher. Every other meeting will feature a program utilizing speakers and topics of interest to writers. The other six monthly meetings will be workshops where members may discuss work in progress and get constructive criticism from other members.

County, City Officials Meet

The City of Nyssa hosted the monthly Malheur County-Cities Meeting of Mayors and City Managers on March 29. Turner Bond, Malheur County Land Conservation Development Commission Co-ordinator and Bill Clark, newly appointed LCDC Planner, briefed the officials on the latest developments on Land Use Planning, placing the emphasis on Citizen's participation.

Clark, who's position is funded by LCDC money plus a pro-rated share by Ontario, Vale and Nyssa provided an outline of five facets required.

Urbanization was agreed upon as the most common ground in as much as the County relates to all of its cities in problem while few if any problems exist between the cities.

Solid Waste was determined to be the area of dire impact which needs to be resolved at county level.

Historical preservation, while important, was the lowest on the discussion scale.

Internal programs included planning and LCDC compliance were stressed as areas needing citizen's involvement at city and county levels.

Rural programs for planning and development will be administered by Malheur County for the smaller cities of Adrian, Jordan Valley, Juntura and Agricultural Districts.

A short budget discussion was reported wherein it appears that due to inflation and mandated costs Nyssa, Vale, Ontario and Malheur County Budgets will all exceed their current .06% limitations.

Democrats Plan Meeting

The Malheur County Democratic Central Committee will meet Monday, April 5, at 8 p.m. at Treasure Valley Community College in the Administration Building, Room 7.

Garden Clubs Observe Arbor Day

District Garden Club No. 11 declared Friday, March 26 as Arbor Day. The seven garden clubs in this area planted trees and shrubs on that day.

The ANK Garden Club replaced two winter-killed trees at Malheur Memorial Hospital by planting a blue ash and a red maple. They also planted two spreading yews. Town and Country Garden Club planted a

Carrie Hawthorn. Following the Arbor Day ceremonies, the ladies took part in a general clean-up of the hospital grounds.

This spring the ANK Garden Club made another contribution to the nursing home end of the hospital. A raised type flower bed has been placed in the concrete floored patio. In it, presently, are tulips planted in cans and set in soil-aid bark. As the

tulip season fades, other plants will be put in their place, making a never-ending beauty spot for patients, visitors and hospital personnel to enjoy.

Mrs. Adam Focht of the ANK Garden Club has made a special project of keeping up the planters in the nursing home dining room, adding new plants as needed, and making special decorator touches.



ARBOR DAY WAS OBSERVED IN NYSSA at Malheur Memorial Hospital, with garden clubs planting new trees, and cleaning up the hospital grounds.

In the top photo the Town and Country Garden Club is shown planting a hawthorne tree. Members, from left, are Myrtle Sasser,

Laurie Worrall, Eva Chadwick, Madge Thomson, Alice Payne, Mae Schierman and Laura Craner.

The ANK Garden Club is planting a red maple in the bottom photo. Members shown are Dorothy Bock, Agnes Ashcraft, Dorothy Dail and Gladys Newbill.