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Eighty Seven To Graduate May 20

Graduating from Nyssa High School May 20 at the football stadium will be eighty-seven 1976 seniors. The graduation will start at 8:15 p.m. with a reception following at the multi-purpose room, sponsored by the Nyssa PTA.

Diplomas will be presented to all 1976 graduating students who have completed twelve years of school or who have obtained 24 credits in

the required courses. Presentation of diplomas will be given by Mr. W.L. McPartland, superintendent of schools, and Mark Hartley, school board chairman.

Mr. Duane Buchtel, NHS counselor, will make the scholarship and financial awards presentations.

Nyssa's High School band will play four numbers. Which include 'Pomp and Circumstance,' by Edward

Elgar, 'Star Spangled Banner,' by Francis Scott Key, the 'Grand March from Aida,' by G. Verdi and 'Alma Mater' (Blue and White).

John Kouns, president of the class of 1976, will bring a welcome with student speeches from Valedictorian Neal Oldemeyer and Salutatorian Kathryn Kunkel. Mr. Max Brittingham, senior class advisor will present the class of 1976.

An instrumental selection by Mike Parker, Kelly Williams, Tammi Frederiksen, Craig Bair, Joyce Haney, Barbara Haney and Sandi Thomas will include 'Color My World' from Chicago.

A production 'If The Hands of Time' by Chuck Cassey will be performed by Nyssa High School Concert Choir.

Invocation will be given by Father Robert D. Simard, St. Bridget's Catholic Church, with a scripture reading by Rev. Jim Monroe, United Methodist Church, and the benediction by Bishop Vernon L. Lords, 2nd Ward, L.D.S. Church.

Town Crier

By Pat Savage

Twelve years of school will be a thing of the past this evening when eighty-seven Nyssa graduates receive their long awaited diplomas during graduation exercises on the football field. Perhaps they think it has been a long twelve years, but this is only a small part of their lives and these years have been the formative years necessary for this part of life they are now going to be challenged with. Our congratulations go with each one, may you have the initiative, ambition, courage and faith to attain your goals in life. Good luck and best wishes, 'Class of '76'.

Speaking of attaining goals Mrs. Peg Brown, who is the rural cancer chairman, says her workers collected \$715.05 for the American Cancer Fund. Isn't this a goal worth working for? Many thanks to Peg and her workers and those who made contributions.

Coach Glenn Walker will be taking trackmen Clark Kido, David Mitchell, Don Lawrence, Jeff Hipp, John Strickland, Ron King, Pro Escobedo and Greg Moffis to the State Track Meet at Mt. Hood Community College in Portland this Friday and Saturday. Good luck tracksters, we know all of you, including Coach Walker, have worked hard this season and will make supreme efforts at State.

All of us should be aware of the new vehicle code which becomes effective June 1. Everyone should obtain a new drivers manual, especially those persons who will be applying for a drivers permit or a drivers license. These manuals may be picked up at the Nyssa City Hall or the State Police headquarters in Ontario. There are several new changes, so lets all get a head start and read up on these changes before it's too late.

Don't forget to vote Tuesday, May 25. This is your privilege, uphold it. Ballots and the list of polling places are printed throughout this paper for voter information.



Neal Oldemeyer
Valedictorian



Kathryn Kunkel
Salutatorian

Gaining recognition of the highest scholastic honor with a GPA of 3.94, Neal Oldemeyer has been named valedictorian for the Nyssa High School Class of 1976.

Being involved in athletics, Neal has shown excellent talent, ability and leadership in football, baseball and basketball. He was National Honor Society president.

Neal plans to attend Oregon State University and major in engineering.

Earning the Salutatorian position, Kathryn Kunkel has gained the honor through achievement of a 3.92 GPA in her academic studies at Nyssa High School.

Kathy has been accepted at the University of Chicago in Chicago, Ill. She plans to major in Literature. Finishing her high schooling in the seventh semester, Kathy recently toured Europe.

Yraguen Speaks To Chamber

District Attorney Frank Yraguen spoke to the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce Wednesday noon. He is a candidate for Circuit Judge in next week's election.

Yraguen spoke on the proper place of the Circuit Court in coordinating and cooperating within the county government, and showing respect for people in the courtroom.

Winners Named For Window Painting

Judging of window painting by art students of the junior and senior high schools took place Saturday, with the following winners announced by Dennis Francis chairman of the event for the Nyssa Chamber of Commerce.

In the junior high, first place prize of \$20 went to Teri McArthur for her painting at Raggedy Ann's Pad. Second prize, \$15, to Jeff Young and Nathan Mower, U. S. National Bank. Third prize, \$10, Phillip Martinez and Bobby Gomez, Nyssa Merc. Fourth prize, \$5, Nathan Mower and Jeff Young, Gate City Journal. Fifth prize, \$5, Danny Peterson and Bobby Martinez, Sarazin Clinic. Sixth prize, \$5, Allen Wardsworth, Ray's Food Fair.

Senior high winners were: first prize, \$20, Kathy Habur-



EIGHT MEMBERS OF NYSSA HIGH SCHOOL track team will go to Portland this weekend to participate in the Oregon State Class AA Track Championship.

Seated, from left, are Don Lawrence, David Mitchell, Prudencio Escobedo, John Strickland and Jeff Hipp. Standing, from left, Coach Glenn Walker, Ron King, Clark Kido, Greg Moffis and assistant coach Gerald Talbot.

Dorroh Talks To Nyssa Lions

Circuit Judge Jeff Dorroh was the speaker at the Nyssa Lions Club Tuesday noon. He is a candidate for re-election.

Dorroh spoke on the jury system, and discussed how the jury list is selected, and when jurors may be excused.

Vale District BLM Manager Named

Selection of a new district manager for the Vale District, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) was announced by Muri L. Storms, Oregon state director. He is Fearl Parker.

Storms also announced that new managers have been appointed in the Eugene district, Dwight L. Patton; James E. Hart, Roseburg district; and Paul M. Sanger, Coos Bay district.

Parker replaces George R. Gurr in the Vale district. Gurr is currently on an assignment in Saudi Arabia under the

Swimming Pool Will Open June 9

The Nyssa Swimming Pool will open on Monday, June 9, at 1 p.m. with a brand new surface, according to City Manager Henry Schneider. The pool is scheduled for a complete renovation with

sand blasting to be followed by a new plaster coating.

Northwest Gunite Company is scheduled to move in a crew next week to begin the job of sandblasting the old surface, completely stripping it and making minor repairs. Then the Virgil Christensen Company will move in to re-surface the prepared pool. The new surfacing will make the pool easier to maintain and reduce the algae problems.

City Manager Henry Schneider reported that other work is long overdue and will be accomplished at the completion of this season. A new roof and heater is scheduled to be installed after the season closes with renovation or replacement of the filter included in the updating. He anticipated that the completed work will add many years to the life of the pool.

Vern Lords was again appointed manager of the Nyssa swimming pool for the 1976-77 season.

Life guards selected were Kevin Engstrom, Megan Jackson, John Wahlert, Lori Ferrenburg and Carlon Taylor.

According to Lords, Megan Jackson will also assist in coaching the swimming team in conjunction with Julie Anderson and the swim team parents association.

Water Curtailment In Nyssa Requested

Nyssa's new three-million gallon water tank underwent its one year warranty inspection on May 12, according to City Manager Henry Schneider.

Primer coat paint failure was discovered in the top two rings of tank which caused the paint to separate from the metal in the form of bubbles. Some of the bubbles were deteriorating and causing rust spots to show.

Complete deterioration of the paint would leave the metal exposed to the ravages of the water and in time would create a grave rust problem and even possibly holes in the tank in years to come.

Under the Nyssa contract the tank was to be emptied and inspected one year after paint completion, hence to discovery of bubbles.

City officials had the choice of permitting the paint correction or waiving the warranty requirement.

Officials from Pittsburgh-DesMoines Steel and Clark Paint Company as sub-contractor agreed to sand blast and repaint with primer and three coats of protective paint if the City would take the tank out of service.

It was estimated it would take approximately three weeks to do the work. Consequently the tank was emptied and dried so that the work may start during the week of May 17.

This faces residents of Nyssa with a need to drastically curtail their water use until the tank is repaired.

Water Superintendent Ralph Lowe appealed to property owners to restrict irrigation and lawn sprinkling to 6:00 - 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 - 9:00 p.m. "This will give my pumps a chance to generate enough water to recover the tank storage loss. If everyone will restrict water consumption during this scheduled outage we'll get along fine."

City Manager Schneider added that in the event of fire all unnecessary water use must be halted until the emergency passes. "We will hold the filter plant for emergency use only in hopes we can get past this curtailment period."

Lowe has chlorinated and is daily pumping the Ranney Collector to help clear the water in event of a use emergency.

"We've got a good, big tank that should last us at least 60 years if we take care of it and that's what we're going to do. I'm confident our citizen's will help out by restricting their water use," Schneider said.

Nyssa Schools Apply For Title I Funds

The ESEA Title I application for \$105,956 in federal monies for the 1976-77 school year, approved by the district's Board of Education on May 3, has been submitted to the State Department of Education for approval.

This application is designed to provide extra help to students (grades 1-12) who may be bogged down in the areas of reading, written expression, spelling or math.

The proposal, if approved, will provide half the salaries for seven certified teachers, the other half of these salaries is provided by the Title I Migrant Program, full salaries for ten teacher aides, \$4,191 of instructional materials, \$2,162 in equipment, and \$5,569 in supportive services which include bus rental and driver and a part-time cook's salary for the pre-school program.

The specific objectives for each component of the instructional program are

defined. Following an initial pre-test, the progress made by each student is assessed by an end of program post-test. The tabulations are summarized in an evaluation that is sent to the State Department of Education.

The Parent Advisory Councils (PAC) that participated in conducting the Needs Assessment Survey and in planning the proposal are:

Preschool Primary: Mrs. Santiago Gonzales, Mrs. Clayton Hiatt, Mrs. Gard Leavitt.

Elementary School: Mrs. Larry Blackburn, Mrs. Francisco Rodriguez, Mrs. George Saito, Mrs. David Sarazin Junior High School: Mrs. Iona Gregg, Mrs. Elvy Madrid, Mrs. Dorothy Nolan, Mrs. Marilyn Peterson, Mrs. Carlene Savage, Mrs. Cammie Wagstaff.

High School: Mrs. Theodore Castelanos, Mrs. Owen Froerer, Mrs. Dee Garner, Mrs. Ruben Lopez, Mrs. Marcello Soliz.

ASCS Sets Date For Proving Wheat Yields

Russell Fulleton, Chairman, Malheur County Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Service Committee, announced July 1, 1976 as final date to certify wheat acreage. The certification applies to wheat producers who wish to prove wheat yields. Production records over a five year period are required in order

to prove wheat yields. Therefore, Fulleton said, without a 1976 report it would not be possible to prove a yield until five more consecutive years records are accumulated.

Wheat producers who may be interested in proving a wheat yield are advised to contact the county ASCS office for details.

Applicants for ASCS pro-

Students Subject To Workman's Compensation

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Many students will flood the job market again this summer.

According to the Workmen's Compensation Board, employers who are expecting to hire workers for the summer should inform themselves of legal requirements for workers' compensation coverage. The odds are good, if they do not have coverage, that they will be responsible for the payment of thousands of dollars if a worker is injured on the job.

The Board advises employers to protect themselves from costly claims by calling an insurance agent to ask if workers' compensation insurance coverage is required by

workers they plan to hire. If it is needed, employers may obtain it from any workers' compensation insurer in Oregon.



NYSSA BIOLOGY INSTRUCTOR Mary Omberg was named Oregon "biology teacher of the year," and received a research microscope, provided by the American Optical Company. Dr. Ray Theiss, right, science specialist with the Oregon Department of Education, presented the award. They are shown here with high school principal Gene Chester.



POPPY GIRL LISA MORRISON, 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Morrison of Rt. 2, Nyssa is shown with Mayor Don Oldemeyer.

Mrs. Herman Towne, president of the American Legion Auxiliary, said that Nyssa girls will sell poppies all day Saturday in the downtown area.

The poppy was adopted as its memorial flower by the American Legion in 1920. Since then the poppies have been made by veterans in hospitals and workshops in 40 states. These disabled servicemen are paid for each hand-made poppy, and the materials are furnished free by the American Legion Auxiliary. Proceeds from the sale of the poppies goes to help disabled servicemen.

WEATHER

Date	Max.	Min.
May 12	75	41
May 13	91	43
May 14	69	41
May 15	73	41
May 16	83	43
May 17	74	49
May 18	75	47
May 19		42
Owyhee Reservoir Storage	5-19-76 712,710 Acre Feet	
	5-19-75 715,000 Acre Feet	