

# NYSSA GATE CITY JOURNAL

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## Gary Sparks Wins a Pair

Winning two separate rodeos in one weekend is a success rarely gained by most rodeo cowboys. Gary Sparks won first in the Bare Back Bronc Riding at both Prineville, Oregon and Klamath Falls, Oregon this weekend. Competing in Prineville on Saturday afternoon on Johnny Rateries Rough stock, Gary rode Rateries' bare back horse, "Blue Boy" and scored 61 championship points. His younger brother David was traveling with him this weekend. David also tried a bare back horse at Prineville but he failed to spur the horse the first jump out of the chute which resulted in a goose egg or an automatic disqualification.

The two boys then took off for Klamath Falls where they were to compete the following day. In Klamath Falls the two boys were to compete on Sombaro's stock from Sisters Rodeo. There Gary rode the spinning bare back horse "Buttercup" and scored 68 points, five points above his closest competitor, Rich Thomas from Pendleton, Oregon. In Klamath Falls, David Sparks touched his bare back horse with his free hand and was disqualified. Another local boy, Bret Turner won third in the Bull Riding at Prineville on one of Rohny Rateries Hard Twisted Bulls.

## Vale Rodeo Set for July 2-4

More than 200 contestants from throughout the Northwest are expected in Vale for the 64th annual Fourth of July Rodeo July 2, 3, and 4. Publicity Chairman Conrad Bateman said this week. Contestants will be vying for some \$10,000 in entrance fees, plus \$1600 added money. The three-day rodeo events include bareback riding, saddle bronc riding, bullriding, calf roping, team roping, bulldogging and barrel racing. Again, Ralph Stephens of Midvale will supply all rodeo stock and Kenny Hansen of New Plymouth will announce the show. Registration will be open to contestants beginning Friday, June 24, according to Gail Bateman, rodeo secretary. Saturday's events include the popular suicide race from the top of Vale Butte to the

rodeo arena which will be held at 8:00 p.m. A Flea Market will be sponsored all three days by the Senior Citizens at the Senior Citizens Center, beginning at 8 a.m. and continuing until 5 p.m. A water fight in the city park sponsored by the Vale Fire Department will be held at 3 p.m. Grand Marshall George Bain will be honored at a public barbeque at the Vale City Park, Sunday, between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. July 4th a public buckaroo breakfast will be held in the city park under sponsorship of the Vale Lions Club. The annual Fourth of July parade scheduled for 7 p.m. will highlight activities of the Fourth, followed by concluding rodeo events. A carnival sponsored by the Fire Department will be open each afternoon and evening of the three-day celebration.

## Consider Reduction in Deer Permits

The Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission will consider a reduction in antlerless deer permits issued for eastern Oregon management units when it meets Friday, June 24, in Portland. Because of late spring rains in some parts of eastern Oregon which improved winter deer food outlook and pressure from eastern Oregon legislators, the Commission will consider a reduction from the 21,600 controlled unit permits it authorized on May 21 to 10,000 permits. The legislature did not object to a separate group of 1,400 permits issued in specific eastern Oregon areas where there is a history of agricultural damage and the Commission may consider the addition of permits in other areas within management units where agricultural damage is a serious problem. Any reduction would be taken as an emergency action with no public hearing by the Commission at the end of an already scheduled Commission meeting and Columbia River Compact meeting at the Western Forestry Center. The commission meeting is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. with the Columbia River Compact set to meet at 1:30 p.m. and other Commission business, including this action, to follow.

## Some Elk Tags Remain

Hunters who want to pursue bull elk in either the Chesnimus or Sled Springs units of northeastern Oregon this fall may still have time to get a permit, says Don Wilt, who is in charge of permit drawings and controlled hunts for the Fish and Wildlife Department. As one of several new procedures aimed at reducing mounting elk hunting pressure within the state, the Fish and Wildlife Commission this year set quotas on bull hunting in those two units and made their permits available on the first come, first served basis. A lid of 2,500 hunters was set for the Chesnimus Unit and 3,500 for the Sled Springs.

The Department began accepting applications on June 10. Only those sent by mail were accepted to make application equally fair for those living far from Portland and those living near. Applications poured into the office the first day but then quickly tapered off. At this writing there still remain about 650 permits for the Chesnimus Unit and 2,100 for the Sled Springs. Those who wish to hunt either of those units may still have time to obtain a permit. "I'm not trying to talk anyone into hunting these units," Wilt said, "but the bull permit quota is a new procedure this year and I want to be sure people know about it so those folks who have traditionally hunted these units do not get left out." Last year the Department estimates nearly 3,800



**HOSPITAL AUCTION RAISES \$3,400** towards the goal of \$6,000 for the Life Pak 5. The auction was held on the hospital lawn, June 25, by Colonels Roger Baker and Guy Sparks. Various items that the hospital no longer used were auctioned, along with donations from merchants and individuals.

The Hospital Auxiliary sponsored the sale along with holding a refreshment stand. The employees from the hospital furnished the pies, lemonade, sun tea and coffee for the ladies to sell. Auction committee members wish to thank everyone who gave to this Life Pak 5. Thanks.

people hunted in the Chesnimus Unit and almost 5,200 in the Sled Springs.

Information on these hunts as well as on all other controlled hunts in 1977 is available in a regulations flyer that can be obtained wherever hunting and fishing licenses are sold. Also available are the necessary application cards. Hunters are urged to consult the flyer and make out their applications carefully since those which are not correctly filled out can't be entered in the drawing.

There are a number of other regulations changes that will take effect this year including a tag sale cutoff for deer and elk tags at midnight before the general season openings three-point bull regulations in three elk hunting units, shorter general seasons for deer and elk in units where populations are down and longer ones where they are in better shape, a return to controlled antlerless deer harvest in eastern Oregon units where the populations have reached or exceeded the winter range carrying capacity, and others.

Although many hunters do not begin to think of hunting until the first cool nights of fall, application deadlines for all controlled big game hunts occur next month. Anyone who wishes to hunt antelope, cougar, bighorn sheep, or antlerless deer and elk needs to plan ahead and get applications submitted to the Fish and Wildlife Department before the deadlines. July 9 is the deadline for antelope and the Flora elk hunt. The next deadline is July 19 for deer, sheep, cougar, and all other elk hunts.

## Basketball

**BOYS AND GIRLS** from 4th through 12th grade interested in playing basketball are urged to register at McPartland Hall. Registration time will be 6:30 p.m. July 5. There will be a \$5.00 fee to cover insurance, use of facilities and awards. This will be a six-weeks program with practice every Tuesday and Thursday night.

## Judge Engstrom Completes Judicial Education Course

Judge Don R. Engstrom, Nyssa Justice Court, Nyssa, has just completed a two-week course in judicial education for non-lawyer judges conducted by the National College of the State Judiciary located on the Reno campus of the University of Nevada.

During the two-week session, the participants attended 56 hours of instruction and 15 hours of group discussions. The judges spent several hours each day reading textbooks and preparing for class. The National College conducts judicial training and education as an activity of the Judicial Administration Division of the American Bar Association.

## Parma Group to Sponsor Workshop

An unusual opportunity for all artists of the area has been arranged by the Parma Art Group, who will bring a professional artist, John Collier, from California. Mr. Collier, who is a house guest of W. W. 'Brad' Bradford, director of the Parma Art Group, is a well-known artist. He is a member of the American Masters Society of Artists, the Los Angeles Fine Arts Guild, Smithsonian Art Guild and many local guilds in his area. In addition to his own painting, he is noted for restoring all types of antique art. Presently head of adult art for San Bernardino County, Mr. Collier is a judge at the annual art show in Catalina, one of the top shows in the country. Mr. Bradford, the artists' close friend and former student, has planned a workshop and demonstration to be held Thursday, July 7, in the Parma Community House at 1:30 p.m. There will be a charge of \$1.50 per person to defray expenses.

## Support Primary Reforms

Oregon Republican State Chairman, Stephen A. Young spoke on behalf of a measure before the State Legislature to open their primaries to unaffiliated voters.

The Bill, which has passed the House and the Senate, has gone to conference committee to mediate the differences between the House and Senate versions. Young spoke of the merits of the Measure, but cautioned that the Democrat majority at the Legislature would probably not allow the controversial Bill to become law.

The Bill SB 644-B, has been the subject of an intense lobbying effort by the Oregon Democrat party, including a letter form Democrat Party Chairman, Jim Klonoski, urging Democrat Legislators to vote against the bill.

In support of the Bill, Young said: "The strength of this Bill is that it does not require either party, but simply provides that any party may, if they choose, allow the unaffiliated voter to participate in their Primary Election." Young went on to say: "This approach to the open primary question is certainly acceptable to the Oregon Republican party. Despite this, I fear that this important measure will die a quiet death in conference committee because of the partisan concerns of the Oregon Democrat Party, and its Chairman, Jim Klonoski."

"I sincerely hope that the unaffiliated electorate will remember in November which party welcomed their participation and which party feared it," Young concluded.

## FIRE CALLS!

Nyssa Firemen were summoned to the home of Mrs. McConnell at 528 North 1st Street, Saturday, June 25 where they put out a garage fire. There was some roof damage. The fire was apparently started when some youngster threw a burning torch inside the garage.

## WEATHER

Date	Max.	Min.	Prec.
June 22	90	64	
June 23	93	61	
June 24	95	64	
June 25	95	69	
June 26	94	67	
June 27	88	66	
June 28	93	62	
June 29		63	

Owyhee Reservoir Storage  
6-29-77 376,850 Acre Feet  
6-29-76 632 770 Acre Feet

## Steering Committee to Elect Council Members

The Nominating Committee of the Eastern Oregon Health Systems Agency has recommended the following nominees to be considered for election by Council members on June 30, 1977. Additional nominations may be made from the floor at the meeting. Please try to vote for a broad based council to include varied racial, income, employment, age, etc. groups, including adequate representation for women. All members of the public are urged to attend. The meeting will be held at 7:30 p.m. on the TVCC campus, Room AD21.

**Location: Ontario; Consumers, Vote for 4:** Paul Parker, Mary Gonzales, Don Meyer, Juquin Hernandez, Ms. Ralph Cornmesser, O'Neil Holloway, J. W. Leslie. **Providers [Direct] Vote for 3:** Ken Pfaff, M.D., Sandy Oleson, R.N., Clayton McAvoy, M.T., Michael Carney, D.O., C. R. VanPatten, D.C., Richard R. White, D.M.D. **Providers [Indirect] Vote for 1:** Connie McLun, R.N., Ruth Langdon.

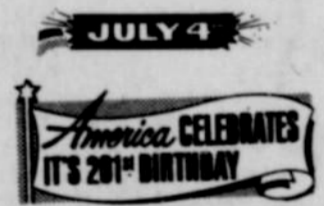
**Location: Vale. Consumers Vote for 4:** Ken Kessler, Thelma Buttice, Hilton Clark, Dudley DeLong, Donna Hale, Maurice Olson. **Providers [Direct] Vote for 3:** John Kopp, M.D., Gary McGraw, Betty DeMonaz, Ina Schafeld. **Providers [Indirect] Vote for 1:** none.

**Location: Nyssa. Consumers Vote for 4:** Harold Pook, Jim Peterson, Burdett Pratt, Chris Valdez. **Providers [Direct] Vote for 3:** Jan Murray, R.N., David Sarazin M.D., David Whipple. **Providers [Indirect] Vote for 1:** Adrianna Kunkel. **County Wide At-Large Vote for three:** Wesley Roberts, Charlie Duval, Frank Nipper.

## Little Leaguers

### Eat Watermelon

All the boys and girls who played Little League baseball this season and their parents are invited to a Watermelon Feed July 7 at the Nyssa South Park at 6:30 p.m. This event is sponsored by the Nyssa Sports Boosters.



MEL AND REBA FISHER, owners of Brownie's Cafe and Lounge celebrated their third anniversary as owners on Saturday. They are shown above with a cake presented to them from Dennis Francis of The Merc Department Store.

## James Monroe Ordained Elder

The Rev. James P. Monroe pastor of the Nyssa United Methodist Church, was ordained an Elder in the United Methodist Church, June 18, 1977.



The Ordination Service was conducted at La Grande, during the final evening worship service of the Oregon-Idaho Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church. The service was conducted by Portland Area Bishop Jack M. Tuell. With Rev. Monroe's ordination, came his full membership in the Annual Conference.

Those participating in the ceremony included Bishop Tuell; the Rev. T. Askew Crumley, Central District Superintendent; the Rev. Collis Blair, Yamhill, Ore.; and the Rev. James Buffington, Ontario.

Rev. Jim has been serving the past two years at the Nyssa U.M.C., as a deacon and probationary member of the Annual Conference. He will continue here in ministry but will, in addition, serve the Huntington United Methodist Church. Bishop Tuell announced the formation of the Nyssa-Huntington Circuit on June 19.

## Horse Judging Contest

The third official 4-H FFA Horse Judging Contest is scheduled for Thursday, June 30, beginning at 5 p.m. Participants should meet at the Bert Hawkins ranch, near Malheur Butte, where the contest will begin. There will be three stops for this judging contest, so leaders and parents need to car pool rides.

There will be five classes to judge, including Arabians, Draft horses, Quarter horses, English Equitation and written reasons.

Participants should bring two sharpened pencils and paper for notes. For questions regarding this activity contact the County Extension Office, 889-9129 or Mrs. Halley Williams 889-5994.



THE OREGON TRAIL RODEO COURT of Vale came to Nyssa Friday to welcome all rodeo fans to attend the Vale Rodeo, July 2, 3, and 4 at 8:15 p.m. each evening. They are Queen Kristie Kolbaba, center, and Intermediate Princess, Darla Hevner, right, and

Junior Princess, Penny Miles on the left. Queen Kristie is from Ontario and her princesses are both from Vale. These girls have reigned for one year and a new court of rodeo royalty will be crowned on July 4.

NYSSA WATER USE				
This chart is a daily pumping record from Wednesday 0900 A.M. through Tuesday 0900 A.M. of each week. According to the national average, Nyssa residents should use 425,100 gallons per day.				
Date	Gallons Used	Pumping Hours	Per Capita	Temp.
Wednesday	1,814,000	23	640	88
Thursday	1,906,000	24	673	87
Friday	1,855,000	24	655	89
Saturday	1,870,000	24	656	93
Sunday	1,844,000	24	651	96
Monday	1,807,000	23	638	95
Tuesday	1,902,000	24	671	94

Date June 28, 1977  
Population 2,834