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THE BULLETIN BOARD

will not publish on
WEDNESDAY,
JULY 6.

We will close after delivering the June 29 issue.

We will reopen Thursday, July 7, to prepare for the Wednesday, July 13, issue.

The next issue
JUNE 29
will include

4th of July activities,
the community calendar,
and so much more.

*Now is the time to get
information submitted
to tell the community
about your events.*

HOMETOWN DAYS PHOTOS INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Willamina Gearing Up for a Fabulous Fourth

Willamina is the place to be this Fourth of July. The dedicated Fourth of July Committee has been meeting and planning for months to ensure residents and visitors can enjoy a memorable celebration.

The West Valley Kiwanis will start the day with a community pancake breakfast to be offered from 7-11 a.m. in the Willamina High School cafeteria.

Also, a 5K walk/run will get underway at the high school at 8 a.m.

New this year, members of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints invites everyone to a flag-raising event at 8:30 a.m. at the church, 900 NW Willamina Drive. In addition, organizers plan to serve refreshments.

Vendors will line NW and NE D Street from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. offering various food and drink, unique items for sale, games, and more.

The car show will be set up at the end of NW C Street. Cars

can register to participate from 9 a.m. until noon on July 4, and judging will occur from noon until 1 p.m. Awards will be presented at 3 p.m.

The Willamina Museum will welcome visitors from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The museum, 188 N. D Street, is one of the oldest buildings in the city. Originally, the building housed Willamina's first church. It was built in 1887, shortly after the town was settled.

Live music by the Old Crow Band is scheduled from 1-5 p.m. at the Garden Spot gazebo, across from Coyote Joe's Restaurant.

The Forest Grove Outlaws, described as a "rural scuzz outlaw country rock" band, will perform from 7:30 p.m. until dusk at the West Valley Community Campus.

Willamina's Free Methodist Church, 253 NE D Street, will offer games for kids and elephant ears from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The annual Fourth of July parade will begin at 6 p.m. from the Conifer parking lot at the east end of town. The parade will travel through town, cross the bridge, and end at the West Valley Community Campus.

Parade registration will take place from 4-5 p.m., with the judging of entries slated for 5 p.m.

Classic car registration is set for 5 p.m. on Oaken Hills Drive.

Willamina's fabulous fireworks display will begin at dusk at the West Valley Community Campus. Organizers ask that those who gather at the campus clean up after themselves and others before leaving the area.

Unfortunately, the logging show and arm wrestling events will not be a part of this year's celebration.

Parking on Main Street in Willamina is not allowed after 4 p.m. on the Fourth of July to accommodate the parade. The Fourth of July Committee advises that violators will be towed.



Hot, Sunny Weather Arrives Right on Time For First Day of Summer

The summer solstice, marking the first official day of summer and the longest day of the year, was Tuesday, June 21. And, as if on cue, the hot sunny summer weather made an impressive appearance.

Sunshine and temperatures ranging from the mid-70s to the low 90s are in the forecast for the area this week. The hottest days, Saturday through Monday, show expected temperatures in the high 80s to low 90s.

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Rummage Sale

Good Shepherd Parish: Multi-family rummage sale, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, June 25, corner of NE Main and Hill Street. Books, clothing, knick-knacks, furniture, and more. Proceeds are for parish improvements.

Garage Sale

Garage Sale: 450 SE Excel Street, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., Friday and Saturday, June 24-25. Clothes, large women's clothes, dishes, tools, and more.

Yard Sale: 51788 Hebo Rd, Grand Ronde. 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday, June 25-26. House items, exercise bike, lumbar board, lawn edger, free couch and other items.

Yard Equipment

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Memories:

Souvenirs our hearts collect throughout the years.

Contributed by a
Bulletin Board Guest Writer

My cousin came to me and told me he was leaving for the Army. He was going to buy a car and thought I should have it. So he took me to check it out; he felt it would serve me well.

It was a 1939 Chevrolet Business coup. No back seat. That is where the salespeople would store their sample cases, etc. It was black and had red and white leather upholstered seats.

For the first time, I contacted my dad for help. Since my brother wasn't ready for a car then, I thought I might have had a chance. But, of course, I had to take care of the insurance and all repairs when needed, and I agreed.

I tried to figure out how many miles I would be able to drive on a gallon of gas. Back then, I could purchase four gallons for one dollar. I was earning a dollar an hour wage at the time, and I was in beauty school. So I didn't figure I would be running around much.

I was excited to show it off, so I called two of my girlfriends I grew up with who were living in Salem. Both of them were working for the State at the time.

I had gassed up, and we headed to the coast. Unfortunately, on our way back, just before Dallas, we ran out of gas. It was just about evening-time; obviously, either my math had been wrong, or we had driven more miles at the beach than I thought.

I walked off to a farmhouse and called the guy I was seeing at the time. He came to our rescue. The girls said, "Jim Dandy to the rescue," which continues to this day. I have Jim Dandy on a CD, and I play it every once in a while just for the memories.

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Janelle Justin Resigns as Logging Show Organizer

Acknowledging the late notice, Janelle Justin said she struggled with the decision to step down as the organizer of the 2022 Willamina Logging Show. However, she said it had been an honor and privilege to be a part of the logging show's history.

As with many events that go by the wayside, she said a lack of 'manpower' was a significant reason for her decision. But, she said, "It takes a village, motivation, and dedication to execute this event. On-the-job training for this volunteer event has been rewarding and challenging."

Janelle wanted to thank community members for supporting the show, whether through participation, sponsorship, volunteer work, or as spectators.

She also acknowledged volunteers and contributors Amanda Mehlhoff, Tom Mills, and Joe and Cathy Steere.

Janelle said she learned a lot from the late Roy Zimbrick: "It was your shoulders that I stood on during my tenure as 'The logging show girl.' I will forever treasure the bond we shared over the years, so thank you for your support."

Janelle said the logging show is a treasured childhood memory and that she is grateful to have had the opportunity to share the event with the community.

Janelle welcomes anyone willing to step up and become the new show organizer to call her at 503-550-0923 for information. She can also provide inventory and sponsorship contracts.

••• Meet Corky •••



He tries to hide inside every issue of The Bulletin Board.

WHAT'S UP IN WILLAMINA

by mary jane

Want some real fun on the Fourth of July? How about being in the parade?

Don't have to do much and there are no entry fees. Can't beat that deal, can you?

All you have to do is decorate yourself, your dog, cat, kid, bike, truck, car, wife (or hubby) or anything else you can move down Main Street.

You can do it alone, or have friends help out. Lots of folks use their business friends to help out or their local church.

Just be down at the "Conifer" lot, that's the big empty area the east side of the firehouse, about 4:30 p.m. and all decorated up. Judging is at 5 p.m. and the parade rolls down Main Street at 6 p.m.

It goes from there, down Main Street, across the bridge and up to Adams, turns left and goes to the West Valley Community Campus and Lamson Street.

It's a very fun time for everyone...those who watch and those who partake of the doing. Being a part of the Fourth of July festivities is "What's Up in Willamina."

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Obituaries

Shelby LeAnn Wren

May 18, 1986 – June 11, 2022

Shelby LeAnn Wren, 36, of Willamina, passed away on June 11 at home, surrounded by her loved ones. Anyone who knew Shelby would describe her as courageous and strong. She lived for family and always had a happy-go-lucky personality. Even during her year-long battle with breast cancer, Shelby continued her positive outlook.

Her family said her favorite quote describes her best, "Life's journey is not to arrive at the grave safely in a well-preserved body, but rather to skid in sideways, shouting "holy hell" what a ride!"

Graveside services will be held at 1 p.m. on Friday, July 15, 2022, at Hopewell Cemetery. Macy and Sons of McMinnville are making arrangements.

A celebration of life for Shelby will begin immediately after the services at 38920 SW Oak Lane in Willamina. A potluck is planned, with the main dish and drinks provided by the immediate family. Those attending are asked to bring their favorite side dish or dessert.

Shelby was born in McMinnville to Scott Wren and Candy Butler on May 18, 1986. She attended Willamina High School and graduated in 2004.

She graduated from Western Oregon University in 2008 with a Bachelor of Science degree. She



worked as a computer user support analyst for Oregon Health and Science University.

Shelby is preceded in death by her grandfather, Doyle Butler of Willamina.

Shelby is survived by her one true love, T; mother, Candy Scranton; father, Scott Wren; sisters, Stephanie Wolfe and Bahley Scranton; brother, Brayden Scranton; niece, Lexi Wolfe; grandparents, LaVerda Butler, Joyce and Patrick Wren. Shelby is also survived by many aunts, uncles, cousins, and dear friends.

Contributions may be directly given to Seeds of Hope and with Courage in memory of Shelby Wren. In addition, the family of Shelby wishes to extend their sincere thanks to Kindred Hospice, Seeds of Hope With Courage, and the local community for all their support and generosity.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

FROM THE DESK OF WILLAMINA
INTERIM CITY MANAGER SARAH FROST

"Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much."

~Helen Keller



I would like to introduce myself as your Willamina interim city manager. Willamina is where I grew up and graduated from high school. I have been the Willamina Public Library director for nearly six years. When I started working with the City, I served as the code enforcement officer. I have spent most of my career in several high-level management positions. I love our community and am very passionate about ensuring that there is a successful transition while we recruit for our next city manager. The work I have overseen at the library has shown me that it takes a community to build community, and I hope to continue building on that during my time in this role. I welcome feedback and am happy to address concerns.

Willamina City Council

At the June City Council meeting, the first agenda item was to discuss and approve the city manager profile for recruitment. Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments will put together the recruitment based on the approved profile, and we will see the advertisement for this position soon. Our Council also took action on several other items, including an appointment to fill the vacant City Council position; approval of the use of city property and parks for the summer lunch program; approval of the Polk County Homeless Response Advisory Board Memorandum of Understanding; authorization of the city manager to secure funding for the upgrades necessary to our lift stations.

Willamina Public Library

Also on the agenda at the City Council meeting was an approval of the Library Board's recommendation to move to a fine-free library model. With the approval of that recommendation, the library will no longer charge late fines associated with books or audio and video materials. The growing items of Library-of-Things will not be included in the removal of late fines. The Library Board provided the Council with a FAQ document which will be available on our website soon. Our library strives to be a community hub. Moving to fine-free will ensure we eliminate barriers to providing free and equitable access to services.

National Night Out

Mark your calendar for Tuesday, August 2, 6-8 p.m., for our second National Night Out event. Bounce houses, ice cones, outdoor games, and a dunk tank for the deputy will be among some of the fun returning this year. We are in the planning phase now and are looking for volunteers to help us during set-up, event, and clean-up. If you are interested, I welcome you to reach out to me.



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Beverly A. (Hulett) Thompson

March 12, 1939 - June 12, 2022

Beverly passed away peacefully on June 12 at a memory care facility in McMinnville after living with dementia for many years. Bev was born March 12, 1939, in Willamina to Glenn and Goldie Hulett.

She was an avid bowler, loved to go fishing, attend sporting events, and family gatherings.

She was preceded in death by her father, mother; husband Deryal Thompson; brothers Rob-



ert Hulett, Fred Hulett, Duane Hulett; and sister Terry (Pickar) Murrow.

Bev is survived by her children, grandchildren, siblings Shirley Thomas, Judy (Pete) Peterson, Butch (Mary Lou) Pickar, multiple siblings-in-law and many nieces and nephews.

The family plans to honor Bev this summer at the annual Turnidge family reunion.

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Daniel Carr, Harry Cooley, and Lizzie Pacquin help out at the Hometown Days information booth. (Photo courtesy of Eric Wagner)

Hometown Days Bike Show Results

Best in show: Jim VanScoyk, (Willamina) in memory of Jack Bailey.

American class: first place, Dusty Ballard (Sheridan); second place, John McCarthy (Newberg).

Foreign class: first place, Jim VanScoyk; second place, Shawn Pike (Sheridan).

Custom class: first place, Bob Wilson (Amity); second place Robin Darrell (Silver Lake).

Mileage winner: Bill Linderman.

High hand: Ryan Fahey

Low hand: Robin Darrell

Slow race: first place, Shawn Pike; second place, Rod Moore.

Ladies toy toss: first place, Addison Atharinikrouh (Perrydale), second place, Emily Atharinikrouh (Perrydale).

Obstacle course: first place, Shawn Pike and Mike Michaelson; second place, Gail and Sim Sears (Willamina).

Weenie bike: first place, Kathy Rommel; second place, Steve Schaff.

50/50 raffle winner: Merlin Burke.



Thieves who broke into the Willamina IGA last week broke glass and damaged both front entryways. They managed to steal 10 packs of cigarettes.



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Coastal Hills Art Tour Seeks Interested Artists

The 30th annual Willamina Coastal Hills Art Tour is scheduled for Nov. 11 and 12, 2022. The annual "Call to Artists" is underway and will continue through Aug. 31. The show is open to all professional artisans, artists, and crafters from the West Valley area.

The Coastal Hill Art Tour sponsorship has changed from the Willamina Economic Improvement District (EID) to the West Valley Community Campus (WVCC).

All art must be the artist's original work and be for sale. Entry fees vary depending on individual or group participation. Those interested can find further information and guidelines in the application and prospectus available at Willamina City Hall, Sheridan City Hall, and the WVCC.

Information is also available by calling or emailing Cris Darr at 503-876-3843 (crisdarr06@gmail.com) or Charlyn Pranger at 503-348-8428 (charlynpranger@gmail.com). The deadline to submit applications is Wednesday, Aug. 31, 2022.

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Permits will only be issued between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday and between 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. on Fridays.

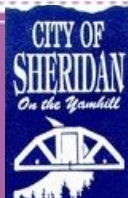


General Regulations:

- **Four Sales** allowed per calendar year; each sale may be three consecutive days with hours between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m.
- Items for sale may not be displayed on any City of Sheridan right-of-way and may not block emergency personnel access.
- All items not sold must be removed right away.
- Sold items must be removed within 24 hours.

Signs:

- **NO signs** allowed on any public right-of-way.
- **NO signs** allowed on utility poles, street signs or traffic control signs.
- **Two signs** (No larger than 6 sq. ft. each) permitted on property where sale is held.
- **Four signs** (No larger than 4 sq. ft. each) permitted on property other than where sale is to be held, provided that the sale property is not on a major thoroughfare (Hwy 18B). Written permission must be obtained from property owners where signs are placed.
- **ALL SIGNS** must be removed once the sale ends.



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Willamina Council Selects New Council Member; Discusses Requirements for New City Manager

April Carothers

The June 14 Willamina Council meeting opened with a public hearing on proposed amendments to the Willamina Development Code regarding the newly adopted Transportation System Plan (TSP) and the Oregon Transportation Planning Rule (TPR). There was no public comment.

On the regular agenda were several items of interest:

The City of Willamina is looking for a new city manager after the departure of Kenna West. The Council felt that Kenna was skilled at networking with other government agencies to obtain the funding needed for multiple City projects and that she had a talent for maintaining rich relationships with groups and individuals who worked with the City to make the area more livable. The Council discussed what to include in the future job post for the position. The position is complex, with enormous responsibility that requires advanced education and experience. Candidates will need a combination of leadership and work experience, education, and training. Residency is not a requirement. The Council is more focused on the best fit.

The Council voted for Vicky Hernandez to fill the vacant position on the Council. Board members had to make a tough choice between two excellent and well-qualified candidates. The candidate not selected will be offered a choice of other ways to serve, such as on the Planning Commission or the Library Board.

Mayor Burr moved on to the Willamina Library, saying, "Our fine library will become a Fine Free Library." The library will no longer impose fines on overdue items. This option has become popular across the country. Why? Because low-income families may choose not to use the

library if they fear it will cost money. There should be no income barriers to library access. The more one reads the more likely one is to be economically successful. The library also offers various materials and services that low-income households might not otherwise have access to, like wifi.

The Council moved on to award acting City Manager Sarah Frost the authority to sign the Land Use Planning Services contract with the Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments. Sarah will also serve on the Homeless Response Advisory Board. The Council acknowledged that homelessness has many causes and has increased enormously since the pandemic began. "The Homeless Response Advisory Board looks primarily at preventative measures for local youth who have suffered from "repet-

itive and systemic homelessness," Frost stated.

Next up was authorizing city parks to be used for school lunches over the summer. These lunches are funded partly by Polk County and provide one meal a day for children up to age 18. Lunch will be served five days a week and is a much-needed service for kids at risk of food insecurity.

The last item on the agenda was a concern over wastewater pumps working too hard during storm events which may cause breakdowns and overflow of wastewater into clean water systems. The solution is to provide backup pumps. The plan is to pursue any necessary funding. In good news, the Old-Fashioned Fourth of July is moving forward. Unfortunately, there will be no logging show this year, but the car show is on the schedule.

Yamhill Early Learning To Host Family Picnic

The Yamhill County Early Learning Hub will host a West Valley picnic from 4-7 p.m. on June 27 at Sheridan City Park, 601 E Yamhill Street.

The picnic will offer an opportunity to learn more about resources that help support West Valley families. The picnic will include food, games, crafts, health screenings, prizes and a live performance by Penny's Puppets.

The picnic is open to all, but activities are targeted for children ages 2-5.

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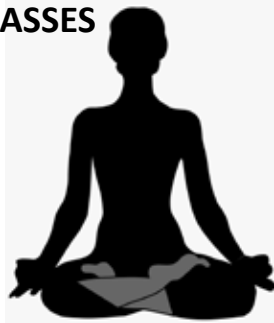
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Willamina's Free Lunch Program Ensures Kids Eat Five Days a Week

April Carothers

Reports indicate that one in seven kids in Oregon go hungry. This is known as food insecurity. This summer, kids in Willamina can get free lunches five days a week at city parks. However, not everyone knows about this program, so spreading the word is essential.

In Polk County, 13.9 percent of children (about 2,600 kids) are food insecure, and at least 73 percent of families are eligible for assistance. Reports say the rate is higher in Yamhill County. Some may not know how to apply.

In 2021, federal and state food program benefit income eligibility increased to 200 percent of the federal poverty level. This means that if an individual makes \$2,147 per month or less or a family of three is bringing in \$3,660 per month or less, they qualify for assistance. That might sound like enough money to get by on, but right now, it may not be enough to cover food, shelter, and other bills. Another recent change is that families who earn less than 300 percent of the federal poverty level (\$69,000) qualify for free school meals. The government recognizes that inflation has made life more difficult financially for those who had previously managed without government assistance.

In Oregon, almost 500,000 people do not know where their next meal will come from. Many families don't realize they qualify for assistance, or they don't know how to apply. As a result, thousands of families can't feed their own kids adequately, which, of course, is something kids themselves have no control over.

Free lunch programs ensure that all children will have at least one meal per day, even throughout the summer.

Children cannot grow, develop, and learn as well without proper nutrition. When children face food insecurity, they may focus on hunger and become traumatized. Some people believe that kids will overcome this trauma if their lives improve. This may be true for some, though others may carry these scars throughout their lives, which could make it more difficult to establish economic security. This, in turn, may create more adults who need assistance.

Free school lunches have been around for decades. President Truman established the National School Lunch Program in 1946,

apparently after complaints that many U.S. men were unfit to fight for their country due to poor nutrition and lack of access to food. Various other programs were established over the years. For example, the Summer Food Service Program started in 1968 as a pilot program but continues today, providing 1.3 billion meals and snacks throughout the U.S. However, money is always limited, so these meals are not always available everywhere.

Contact the Oregon Department of Human Services if you believe your family may qualify for help. In Yamhill County, the office is near the community college at 368 N.E. Norton Lane in McMinnville. Their phone number is 503-472-0311. In Polk County, the DHS office is in The Academy, 182 S.W. Academy Street in Dallas, 503-623-9317. Online applications may be found online at ONE.Oregon.gov.

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Sickle cell disease is a life-long inherited blood disorder that can cause anemia, tissue and organ damage, strokes, and terrible pain. Sickle cell patients often receive blood transfusions on an ongoing basis to help prevent and treat symptoms. A sickle cell patient in need is more likely to find a compatible blood match from a donor of the same race or ethnic group.

Drew, known as the “father of the blood bank,” was an African American surgeon, educator and scientist who helped shape the blood services industry. In the 1940s, he laid the groundwork for today’s modern blood donation program through his innovative work in blood banking. The Red Cross blood program started in 1940, under the leadership of Drew, who became the first medical director for the Red Cross in 1941.

The Dr. Charles Drew Blood Drive occurs at a time when the Red Cross urges donors – especially those who have never given blood before – to make an appointment to give. The Red Cross needs donors of all blood types to help ensure a sufficient supply for patients. Many sponsoring community groups make this event possible through their partnerships, promotion and recruitment efforts.

Donation appointments can be scheduled by using the free Blood Donor app, visiting RedCrossBlood.org, or by calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

All blood types are needed to ensure a reliable supply for patients. A blood donor card or drivers license (or two oth-

er forms of identification) are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age in most states (16 with parental consent where allowed by state law), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

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Sheridan Japanese School Will Not Reopen for 2022-2023 School Year

April Carothers

Many were heartbroken to learn that the Sheridan Japanese School (SJS), once again, plans to close its doors. The school has served students since 1994.

The school narrowly survived closing last year, when overwhelming community support kept the doors open, providing several more months for the students who thrive in this setting.

Covid-19 and the continuing pandemic added to difficulties with attendance and enrollment. Without enough enrolled students, the school faced critical cash flow issues for the coming school year because the State awards funds to schools based on attendance and enrollment. The school cannot pay its teachers or continue to function if enrollment is too low.

There were tears at the latest SJS school board meeting as members voted unanimously to close the doors. Of course, no one in the room wanted this to happen. But even in public schools, enrollment is down as parents turn to home-schooling and online instruction with the continuing pandemic. Countrywide, schools face teacher shortages, adding to the crisis. Another issue may have been a misunderstanding of how SJS operated. SJS is not a private school and does not charge tuition or have specific requirements for entry. It is a charter school, one of many public schools that operate under authorization from a local authority and has more freedom to innovate with a curriculum that meets student needs. Because of small class sizes, SJS could of-

fer instruction tailored to each student. Age groups could mingle, promoting leadership skills and mentoring and minimizing bullying by creating a sense of family and accountability. Students and staff will miss each other and team-building activities such as creative homeroom competitions. Students participated in cleaning the school to build ownership and classroom pride and enjoyed student-driven clubs for activities like gardening, robotics, anime, Taiko drumming, theater, and more. Going forward, the school will do all it can to help students find their next "landing spot" and transition as smoothly as possible to their next learning environment. However, there may be little anyone can do to reduce the pain these students, parents, and teachers will feel as they leave behind the close bonds they created and the classes they loved.

At the somber board meeting, the biggest concern was how to break the news to students and families. So the group carefully considered how they should report the school's closing. News travels fast in small communities, so board members acted quickly to ensure everyone would be notified as soon as possible.

Other considerations at the meeting were "housekeeping" issues such as paying bills and closing out accounts, not to mention making certain that custody of official school records would be transferred to the school district and made readily available to each family as students transition. Board

members wanted to ensure that the close down would be "honorable" and transparent. Steps are in place to ensure that all documents are available to the appropriate people and that proper processes are followed. Charter schools have been around for a long time and sometimes offer a viable alternative to mainstream schools. Children not thriving in a public school environment may do better in a setting that may be better tailored to individual needs. "The Sheridan Japanese School is not considered a failed experiment; it offered a beautiful and rewarding experience to many students throughout the years that it operated," noted a meeting attendee.

Heritage Center to Host Hay Day, Play Day Event

The Yamhill County Historical Society will present "Hay Day, Play Day" from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 25, at the museum, 11275 SW Durham Lane in McMinnville.

Draft animal demonstrations, old-fashioned games, root beer floats, hot dogs, and more will be a part of the event.

In addition, the Second Winds Community Band will play from 1:30-3 p.m. Attendees are welcome to bring a chair for the concert.

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Willamina Fourth of July • 1969



SMOKEY RUSSELL hastens to skidder after setting line to log in the rubber-tired skidder race (bottom photo) in Willamina on the Fourth of July. Noisy, dusty, skidders (top photo) race around the high school track in the first event of this kind ever staged. Beloit models dominated the first three positions among the five rigs raced.

Skidder Race Highlights Carnival

Many hundreds of persons braved threatening skies that opened up for one brief sprinkle as Willamina staged his first Fourth of July Timber Carnival.

In a noisy, spirited opener, the skidder race proved to be a double eventer. Because of two disqualifications in the original race, a rerun was held.

Beloits dominated the track. Smokey Russell piloted a Riverside Lumber Beloit skidder to a blue ribbon victory. He was followed by Don Grim in a rig owned by Dale Grimm, and Jim Maynard in a Beloit owned by Gene Maynard.

Bulk paid off in the final event of the show, a tug of war between the loggers and sawmill employees. The heavier loggers soon out pulled their mill brethren but the Willamina Fire Department was liberal in its dousing. Firemen first hosed the losers, then the winners, and, finally, the crowd that milled about on Willamina

high school's football field.

Other winners for the day:

Choker setting: Ted Kilgore, first; George LaFever, second; Doug Littlejohn, third.

Saws 5.5 hp and smaller: Fred woods, first; Gary Littlejohn, second; Ken Budeau, third.

Over 5.5 hp saws: Dave Fendall, first; Ken Budeau, second; Archie Murray, third.

Axe throwing: Dick Zimbrick, first; Gale Reed, second; Ralph Berg, third.

Splicing: Orval Leon and Dale Langley, first; Dick Zimbrick and Dave Fendall, second; Jim and Dave Glass, third.

Speed climbing: Wayne Glass, first; Bob Grim, second; Dave Fendall, third.

Nail driving, married women: Marilyn Johnson, first; Judy Littlejohn, second; Gwen Schurzinger, third.

Nail driving, unmarried women: Denise Felton, first; Pat Crow, second; Susie Larson, third.

Many Awards at the Willamina Parade

Beating out a rhythm for marchers in the Willamina Fourth of July parade were drummer boys Byron Willis and Keith Wilson who led the procession.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars comprised the color guard.

Chosen queen of the celebration was Myrtle Fendall, a senior citizen, who with her court, reigned at the parade and at the program that followed. In her court were Mrs. Frank Fawk, Pearl Arlidge, Clara Turnidge, and Mamie Edmiston.

The chosen senior couple was Mr. and Mrs. George Colvin.

Grand Ronde was represented by their seniors, Alex Norwest, Mrs. Rose Lockwood, and Mrs. Dolly Baker.

On behalf of the Fourth of July parade committee, Mrs. Lillian Larson presented the queen with a bouquet of roses and other women with rose corsages along the parade route. The men received boutonnières.

Willamina school patrol members Jack Bailey and Mike Langiven was followed by Major and Mrs. Elgin Campbell.

Awards in the parade went to: Floats, non-commercial, Newberg Berrians, first; Sheridan Chamber of Commerce, second; and Buell Grange, third.

Floats, commercial, Shetterly hardware, first; And Willamina Insurance, second.

Other floats: Running Bear, first; and Carlton Fun Days, second.

Children's costume, Little Martians, first; Miss Liberty Bell, second; and Pam Hampton, third.

Children's vehicle, covered wagon, Judy Davidson, first; the bluebird, Cindy Porter, second; and Joy Hill and mule, third.

Children groups: The Firecrackers, first; Campfire group, second; and Community Kids, third. Several ribbons were given for other ideas and efforts.

Cars: Phil Sheridan Days Court, first; Fort Hill Lumber, Harvey Weaver, second; and Model A, Ray Gibbot, third.

Trucks: Mischler Wreckers, first; Zimbrick Skitters, second, and Salmon River, third.

Mounted riders: Sherry Henry, first; Mark Wilmarth, second, and Warren Greenlaw, third.

Other awards went to Elmer Pond and Virginia Pratt.

Novelty: Willamina Fire Department, first; G&G Industries, second, and Sheridan Pioneer Museum, third.

Named sweepstakes winners in the float division where the Christian Church of Willamina with "Fishers of Men," and "The Flintstones," portrayed by a group of children. Seven Eleven Realty of Sheridan and the Hilltoppers Jeep Club with their oversized snake also placed.

A special award was given to Bob Bowman, who rode a high-wheeled bicycle that is 75 years old.



A TUG OF WAR climaxed the timber show at Willamina's Fourth of July celebration. The show started at 11 a.m. and continued through the early afternoon when the final tug was held with the loggers (above) on the winning end of the rope.



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Members of the Sheridan Revitalization Movement will host the Sheridan Chamber of Commerce Breakfast scheduled from 8 to 9:15 a.m. on Friday, July 15, at the Monroe Event Center, 121 SW Monroe Street in Sheridan. The Sheridan Revitalization Movement is the newest member of the Sheridan Chamber, joining recently to strengthen its efforts to improve Sheridan. Sheridan Revitalization will provide a continental breakfast for all members and non-members interested in learning about the two groups. The Chamber meets every other Friday at 8 a.m. for breakfast, networking, and laughs.

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