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Logging Show Puts on Performance for 4th of July Crowd

The Logging Show, one of Willamina's longest-running 4th of July events, helped kick off a day filled with family entertainment. Loggers battled it out in 10 events, with Shane Felton grabbing the All-Around Top Logger trophy and the prize of a brand new 36-inch Stihl chainsaw, with Nathan Konovalov taking (2nd) and Joseph Garza (3rd). Winners of each event were:

Chokerman Race - (1st) Shane Felton-20.23 sec, (2nd) Joseph Garza-24.66 sec, and (3rd) Rylen Shelton-29.81 sec.

Stock Saw - (1st) Shane Felton-26.75 sec, (2nd) Joseph Garza-27.30 sec, and (3rd) Andrew Hamilton-32.41 sec.

Wrapper Coil - (1st) Nathan Konovalov-1:35.84, (2nd) Joseph Garza-1:39.66, and (3rd) Elliott Kroker-1:40.72.

Axe Throwing - (1st) Joseph Garza-14pts, (2nd) Nathan Konovalov-13pts, (3rd) Rylen Shelton-10pts

Obstacle Pole Buck - (1st) Shane Felton-26.38, (2nd) Joseph Gar-

za-36.34, and (3rd) Nathan Konovalov-1:00.75.

Wrapper Toss - (1st) Shane Felton-2:12.63, (2nd) Joseph Garza-2:48.58, and (3rd) Nathan Konovalov-2:47.85.

Steeple Chase - (1st) Shane Felton-31.62, (2nd) Rylen Shelton-33.68, and (3rd) Elliott Kroker-36.15.

Open Class Hot Saw - (1st) Shane Felton-23.56, (2nd) Joseph Garza-25.31, and (3rd) Elliott Kroker-33.85.

Working Class Hot Saw - (1st) Shane-Felton-33.37, (2nd) Joseph-Garza 42.63, and (3rd) Elliott Kroker-46.31.

Splicing - (1st) Shane Felton & Joseph Garza-8:29.84 and (2nd) Ken Risseuw & Nathan Konovalov-12:11.34.

A special Chokerman Race was held for kids ages 8-10. Ledger won 1st place with a time of 32.63 seconds. Other finishers of the race were: (2nd) Brian-1:02:37, (3rd) Merrick-1:04:00, (4th) Aaron-1:04.41, and (5th) Kylee-1:21.66.



Second-place All Around logger Nathan Konovalov balances atop the pole in the Pole-Buck.



Shane Felton clears a log in the Chokerman Race. Felton won this event along with the title of All-Round Top Logger during the Willamina 4th of July Logging show held at the WVCC on Friday.



Joseph Garza, took 3rd-place All Round Top Logger during the Willamina Logging Show.



Twins Brian (left) and Aaron face off in the kid's Chokerman Race.



Ken Risseuw (left) chats with an old-timer at the logging show who also has a long history of working in the timber industry.



Kylee gets a little help from Shane during the kid's race.

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Warm Fuzzies

The West Valley Community Campus is extending a special thank-you to those who helped us set up and break down for the 4th of July. These are people who knew we needed help and some who just "happened to be in the area" and pitched in.

To Russ & his dog Sissy, George and Dave Gale, James Carter, Ryan Korn, Isaac Compton, Aaron Yoder from Camp Cooper, and Joe Robinson and his dad, James, who not only lent us their stage, but delivered it!

We want to thank the Grand Ronde Tribal Council and the Delphian School for our much needed portable bleachers.

A big thanks to the Sheridan Rotary for our huge Beer Garden canopies. We have such a great community!

V.F.W. to Host All-You-Can-Eat Breakfast

The Willamina V.F.W. Hall will host an all-you-can-eat breakfast from 7-11 a.m. on Saturday, July 12.

Breakfast will consist of regular and blueberry pancakes, link sausage, ham, scrambled eggs, biscuits, sausage gravy, coffee, tea, and juice.

WHAT'S UP IN WILLAMINA

by mary jane

"What's Up in Willamina?" you ask. How about lots of fireworks? Not everyone saw them. As a matter of fact, one person said they were too noisy. He was trying to get some sleep. However, most people I chatted with thought they were super. Even better than last year. Hearing that makes us happy. We always try to do a bit better each year. The parade was fun, with lots of folks either riding or walking along, and the horses in the color guard that led to the parade were so pretty and well-behaved.

I didn't hear or see any problems, so that was great. Everyone had a good time.

Of course, there were lots of folks enjoying all the activities at the West Valley Community Campus. Maybe, just maybe, next year, we'll be able to use more of it. Meanwhile, we'll just enjoy it as is.

Having fun on the 4th of July is "What's Up in Willamina."



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Summer School in Full Swing, Big Things Ahead!

Summer school is off to a strong start, with students working hard and engaging in hands-on learning experiences. Each week includes either an onsite presentation or an exciting field trip—recent outings have included the zoo, the aquarium, local businesses, and the public library. These experiences are not only fun but deeply enriching for our students.

Meanwhile, our campus is preparing for a major transformation. Though the design process is taking a bit longer than expected, we're looking forward to a summer full of construction and renovation next year. Planned updates include enhanced security at both the elementary and high school entrances, a new counseling center, and flexible indoor and outdoor learning spaces designed for both students and staff. These improvements reflect our ongoing commitment to providing a safe, innovative, and supportive environment for the entire Bulldog community.

We're also excited to welcome new staff members this fall. Keep an eye on future newsletters—we'll be introducing these incredible individuals in the coming months.

In other exciting news, our very own Nutrition Director, Lynne Shore, has received national recognition for her outstanding work. Her initiatives, including the Farmer's Market for Kids and Root Viewer Education Programs, have earned a USDA Healthy Meals Incentive (HMI) Recognition Award for Innovation in Nutrition Education.

Here's an excerpt from the award letter:

"I am pleased to announce that our Farmer's Market for Kids and Root Viewer Education Programs have received a USDA Healthy Meals Incentive (HMI) Recognition Award for Innovation in Nutrition Education!"

The HMI Recognition Awards highlight school food authorities (SFAs) that demonstrate exemplary practices, foster student and community engagement, and utilize strategies consistent with the 2020–2025 Dietary Guidelines for Americans.

This award category specifically acknowledges the successful implementation of nutrition education initiatives that connect the classroom, cafeteria, community, and home for students and their families."

We are incredibly proud of Lynne and our entire cafeteria team for going above and beyond to make nutrition both fun and educational. Congratulations, Lynne and team—what an outstanding achievement!

Sincerely,

Mike Gass, Superintendent

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Obituary

Dale S. Ensign

Dec. 1, 1953 - June 1, 2025

Dale was born in Elmira, Oregon, to Donald and Aloha Ensign. He had two brothers, Darrell and Malin, and all three, and their father, served in the armed forces. During his life, Dale graduated from Sunset High School, married Julie K Wasilla, divorced in May 1978, served 30 years in the Oregon National Guard, and became domestic partner with Chris Gerber in October, 1978. They were together until Dales's death, 46 years.

His interests and hobbies covered horses (riding, training, showing and breeding), photography, and pool playing. He and Chris moved to the ranch in December, 1997.

There will be an open-house celebration of life at the ranch on July 19, from 2 to 4.

West Valley Churches Invited to Singalong

The next scheduled Singalong will be at 6 p.m., Sunday, July 13, at the Grand Ronde Methodist Church, 8703 Grand Ronde Rd., in Grand Ronde.

Maxine wants to personally thank all who participated in their first Palm Sunday. Churches willing to host a future singalong or anyone with questions can contact her at 971-241-2408.

Deputy Involved Shooting Occurs After Response To Stabbing, SE Sheridan Rd.

On July 7, 2025, shortly before 7:00 pm, Yamhill County Sheriff's Office was dispatched to a disturbance call in the 900 block of SE Sheridan Road in the city of Sheridan. Additional 911 callers reported a stabbing had taken place, and a responding Yamhill County Sheriff's Deputy was involved in an officer involved shooting after arriving at the call. Multiple stabbing victims were identified and transported for treatment of injuries. The Yamhill County Major Crimes Response Team was activated, and the Newberg-Dundee Police Department was assigned the lead investigating agency by the Yamhill County District Attorney's Office.

The preliminary information they have gathered is that a Yamhill County Sheriff's Deputy who responded to the disturbance encountered a suspect who had stabbed two victims and was brandishing a knife. The suspect was shot by the Yamhill County Deputy. The stabbing suspect is deceased. Life Flight was activated and transported one victim to an area hospital. The second victim was taken by ambulance to an area hospital. The names of the people involved in the incident will not be released at this time.

Can You Find Corky, Bubbles and Ronzo Hidden in the WV Bulletin Board?




Word Scramble

Use the letters and clues below to unscramble the words related to National kitten Day (July 10). Place the letters from the circles on the dashes at the bottom to solve the last remaining word.

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What do you call a feline that loves to bowl?

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Arm Wrestlers Compete at 4th of July

Over 40 arm wrestlers matched strength and technique at this year's Willamina 4th of July celebration. Winners of each division were:

Open/Pro 243 + Right: Nicholas Mode (1st), Bryan Fry (2nd), and Mark Owen (3rd).

Amateur 243 + Right: Brian Jaquith (1st) and Ororr Chavez (2nd).

Open/Pro 243 + Left: Nicholas Mode (1st), Mark Owen (2nd), and Bryan Fry (3rd).

Amateur 242 Right: Joshua Proctor (1st), Josiah Dauvin (2nd), and Chris Osborn (3rd).

Open/Pro 198 Right: Bryan Fry (1st), Quinton Dixon (2nd), and Doug Elerath (3rd).

Amateur 198 Right: Beau Zunker (1st), Kevin Dill (2nd), and Caleb Proctor (3rd).

Open/Pro 176 Right: Khovany Kem (1st), Leon Landers (2nd),

Gary Alves (3rd).

Amateur 176 Right: Beau Zunker (1st), Kevin Dill (2nd), and Caleb Proctor (3rd).

Amateur 154 Right: Beau Zunker (1st), Caleb Proctor (2nd), and Leon Landers (3rd).

Women 151+ Right: Keli Pimentel (1st) and Phoenix Sanders (2nd).

Women 151 + Left: Keli Pimentel (1st), Dajah Proctor (2nd), and Kasey Proctor (3rd).

Women 150 Right: Dajah Proctor (1st), Kasey Proctor (2nd), and Angel Pederson (3rd).

Youth 13-16 Right: Cannon Fry (1st), Jazmine Dill (2nd), and Anya Shegreiu (3rd).

Youth 9-12 Right: Joey Fiore (1st), Cainan McKinney (2nd), and Mya Smith (3rd).

Youth 0-8 Right: Nova King (1st), Ainsley Jane Dunn (2nd), and Lewis McLain (3rd)



Quinton Dixon (left) worked hard to keep Bryan Fry from winning the Open/Pro 198 Left division at the Arm Wrestling competition.

Results Are in From the Dolly Hoot Night

Last June, the Portland-based nonprofit organization Siren Nation hosted its 19th annual Dolly Parton Hoot Night concert at the Alberta Rose Theatre in Portland, with proceeds going to the Willamina Public Library.

The Siren Nation posted on their Facebook page, "We've chosen the Willamina Public Library in honor of Dolly's devotion to literacy, specifically in rural areas. The Willamina Public Library serves as a resource hub and gathering place for the local community. The resources and services that are offered at the library create opportunities for learning,

support literacy, and education, and help shape new ideas and perspectives that are central to a creative and innovative life."

As the show was going on up in Portland, members of the Love Our Library, a nonprofit dedicated to assisting the Willamina Public Library, held a live-stream watch party at Oddfellows Pizza Co., as they sold fundraising merchandise and raffle tickets for a Dolly-themed basket, books, and puzzles to help raise funding for the library.

The two fundraising events brought in just shy of \$1,900 for the Willamina Public Library.



From left to right, Kepola Napoleon, Marian Lucas, and Rebecca Rice, stand by to greet individuals who attended the Hoot Night.

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Willamina 4th of July Parade Rolls, Trots, and Walks Through Downtown

The city streets of Willamina were lined with onlookers as nearly 70 organizations, businesses, and individuals paraded their way from the Hampton Lumber staging area to the West Valley Community Campus, where the rest of the day's celebrations would culminate in a night of music, food, and fireworks.

With the parade comes a handful of awards for participants. The recipients of the awards are as follows: 4x4 - Iver and Taylor Gustafson (1st) and Total Destruction Racing (2nd). Tractors - Mike Wagler (1st) and Hunter Mendenhall (2nd). Semi's and Log Trucks - Doug Eddy (1st), Ryan Hallett (2nd), and Timothy Allen



Grand Marshal Jerry Bucynski (left) is joined by Bulldogs number one fan Chuck Risseuw (middle) and long-time Willamina resident and volunteer Bob Burr (right, driving) to lead the Old Fashioned 4th of July Parade held Friday.

(3rd). Motorcycles/ATV/UTV - Joshua Smithberg (1st), Jennifer Butler (2nd), Joshua and Hailey Simpson, and Kaylynn Moore (3rd). Fraternal/Veterans - Willamette Valley Marine Corps Family Support (1st), Gary Giddings antique fire truck (2nd), and Emily Molloy (3rd). Classic Car - Greg Moore (1st), Patrick Ryan (2nd), and Richard and Maria Raymond (3rd). Civic - Yamhill County Dairy Princess (1st), Senior Grad Night (2nd), and Willamina Museum (3rd). Church - Free Methodist Church (1st) and Ken Carlson (2nd). Children - Kelsi Jo Ammak with the Shawash-ili?i Skul (1st), West Valley Cheer (2nd), and Etta Oakes (3rd). Business - TNT Motorsports (1st) and Kaylene Barry (2nd). Animal Livestock - Morgan Delain (1st) and Kim Pecyna (2nd)



Sidewalks on Main Street were packed all through Willamina during the Old Fashioned 4th of July Celebration last Friday.



This kid was all smiles as he rode in the back of a Kubota 4x4.



The Yamhill County Fair Ambassador's Chicken high-fives a bystander watching the parade.



This child was a little too busy hanging on to his horse to throw candy to the bystanders.



Debbie Lockwood and the Willamina Free Methodist Church designed this mobile memorial wall. Ron Lockwood (left) placed his hand upon the memorial of the fallen with ties to the West Valley, while Evan Lockwood (right), on the other side of the wall, represented those who have served that have passed. The float won 1st place in the Church Division of the 4th of July Parade.

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Horoscopes July 9-15

ARIES - Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, your confidence is peaking and people are noticing. Even though you are on a roll, don't let it go to your head. Midweek might be a test of your patience, but you'll keep your cool.

TAURUS - Apr 21/May 21

You are craving creature comforts, Taurus. This week you might be happy with keeping things slow and relaxing. You also may want to splurge on a treat.

GEMINI - May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, this week your brain may be best compared to a Wi-Fi signal. In other words, moving fast, seeking new information and maybe a little glitchy. Slow down enough to focus on necessary tasks.

CANCER - Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, you might be feeling tender this week, and others may be realizing that you're giving off warm-and-fuzzy vibes. That will suit you at home, but you may need to be more firm at work.

LEO - Jul 23/Aug 23

Your charisma is showing this week, Leo, and people could be eating it up. You're giving off lead character energy right now, but don't forget to let others share some of your spotlight.

VIRGO - Aug 24/Sept 22

This week you are completely focused on organizing your life, Virgo. Whether you need to use spreadsheets or label makers, do whatever it takes to fix what you think needs it most.

LIBRA - Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, it's time to embrace some social events, or at least get them on the calendar. Practice your small talk and get ready to mingle. You will be ready to be the life of the party.

SCORPIO - Oct 24/Nov 22

Scorpio, if you've been holding on to secrets, one may slip out this week. It could be a confession or a breakthrough, but it will be intense to reveal.

SAGITTARIUS - Nov 23/Dec 21

You may be halfway out the door and ready for some adventure, Sagittarius. Spontaneity will look good on you this week, but reserve some time for your responsibilities.

CAPRICORN - Dec 22/Jan 20

Take inventory of what you have accomplished thus far and enjoy what you have built, Capricorn. You don't need to prove anything because you've been rocking it.

AQUARIUS - Jan 21/Feb 18

What to-do list, Aquarius? Your ability to focus on tasks and knock them off one by one is monumental this week. Your brain definitely has been firing on all cylinders.

PISCES - Feb 19/Mar 20

Someone might surprise you this week with an unexpected compliment or an offer of help, Pisces. Accept either gladly and then figure out how to pay it forward.



Summer Fun



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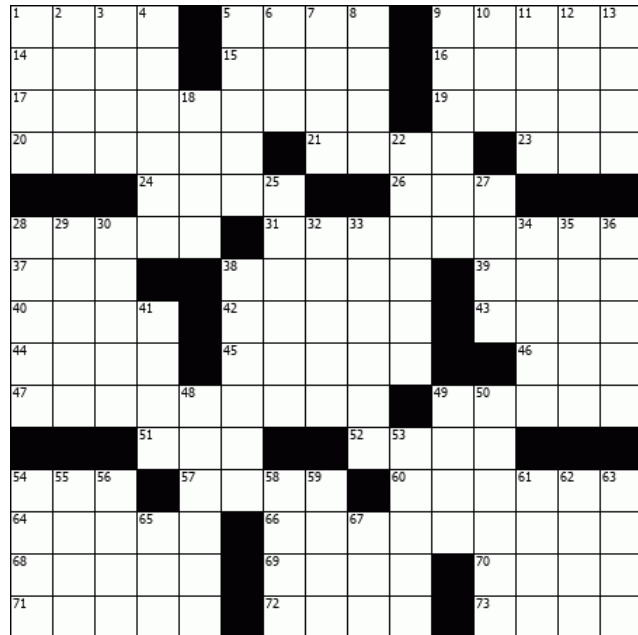
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9. Small pies
14. That hurts!
15. Gumbo veggie
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20. Moscow's country
21. Merge
23. ____ Glory
24. Evils
26. Not home
28. Poke fun at
31. Sweats
37. Eden lady
38. Fathers
39. Copenhagen native
40. Mountain gap
42. Track down
43. Otherwise
44. False god
45. Goes up
46. Baby dog
47. Put money in a bank
49. Fireplace residue
51. Zest
52. British nobleman
54. Birthday count
57. Grateful ____
60. The Grim ____
64. Radio and newspapers, e.g.
66. Tiny
68. Motionless
69. Horse's hair
70. Buffalo's waterfront
71. Compact
72. Spanish cheers
73. Adorn



Down

1. Glide
2. Ballerina's skirt
3. Play divisions
4. Dissertation
5. Entire
6. Go downhill
7. Teen's dance
8. Sensible
9. Occupied (2 wds.)
10. Tack on
11. Remodel
12. Kite feature
13. Sleigh
18. Egyptian river
22. Defeats
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27. Ocean movement
28. Moderately warm
29. Avoid
30. Fable collector
32. Clear the blackboard
33. Move back
34. Designer ____
35. Come afterward
36. Leaks slowly
38. Skunk feature
41. Hog's dinner
48. Placid
49. Precinct
50. Scheduled
53. Zodiac ram
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A "Bang-Up" 4th Of July At WVCC

Submitted by the West Valley Community Campus Board

What a time there was at the West Valley Community Campus on the 4th! People came from near and far to watch and participate in all the fun. It started out with the amazing Logging Show (thank you Tiffany Elliott for making this happen!) and the eye-candy Car Show (Tommy Coblenz, you did us proud!). Horseshoe players kept tossing those shoes all day long (Thank you Ariah Fasana and the Willamina Wrestling Team for that ringer of a game!).

There were vendors with fantastic food, drink and wares: Slow Train Coffee, Handzy Food, Indigenous Unity Our Tool, Fendall Hall's homemade goodies, Little League snacks, Cheers' fundraising fun items, WVCC cold drink stand, and of course, the famous

Beer Garden run by WVCC's own Susan Chamberlain.

The 4th of July Committee gets the biggest thank you. The fantastic fireworks display would not have happened without their year-long hard work at fundraising. Thank you to all who contributed. They were also responsible for so much more, including the little gray boxes we all used to relieve ourselves.

Kudos need to go out to others too. Sheridan Revitalization donated three kegs of beer from Hometown Days; and Center Market not only gave us free ice, but kept those kegs cold in their freezer until the morning of the 4th. Thank you Mr Singh & Raj! Two great bands, Old Crow and Thunder Road, kept our feet tapping all day. We even put our right hand in and did the Hokey Pokey in the football field! And a gigantic Thank You to Old Crow for their generous donation to the campus!

Even though our actual Community Center building is closed down, we were still able to bring the West Valley together for a really fun day thanks to our community and all the help and encouragement you gave us. You deserve the credit!

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Hot Wheels Show Off at Hot Event

The West Valley Community Campus was home to some classic, beastly, and beautiful vehicles during the Old Fashioned 4th of July celebration last Friday. Those walking away with awards were: Best of Show: 30's and older - Rick Rentz (Sheridan, 1930 Ford Model A), 30's - Vince & Pat Meekers (McMinnville, 1933 Ford Coupe), 40's - John Beard (McMinnville, 1940 Ford 2dr Sedan), 50's - Kenny Brown (Otis, 1952 Chev Skyline Delux), 60's - Dawn & John Mueller (Dayton, 1969 Ford Mustang Mach 1), 70's - Bill Mencomen (Salem, 1972 Pontiac Grand Prix), 80's - Ken & Pearl Bronson (Tillamook, 1980 Chev El Camino), 90's - Owen Reid (Willamina, 1994 Ford F700), 2000's - Angie Endres (Willamina, 2015 Ford Mustang GT).

Club Participation - Tillawheels and Tillamook.

Best Bike - Gordon Herigstad (Portland, 1986 Vonda), Wild Ride - Bert Woodward (Otis 1932 Ford Roadster), Best Paint - Harlo Bernert (McMinnville, 1966 Chev Chevelle) Under Construction - Wes & Greg Ashwell (Keizer, 1910 Ford Coupe), Best Pickup - Don Bunden (Tillamook, 1948 Chev Pickup), Best Pickup - Ben Mendenhall (Dallas, 1954 Ford Pickup), Best 4X4 - Bruce Noble (Otis, 1974 Jeep CJ5), Best Combo - Dan & Dot McQuade (1951 Plymouth Suburban Station Wagon), Best Import - R Colgan (Salem, 1966 Sunbeam Tiger), Special Interest - Emery Warnicke (Grand Ronde, 2010 Go-Kart), Best Rat Rod - Dan-ielle Vollman/Chris Deprimo (Willamina, 1941 Buick Rat Rod), Longest Distance - Dusty Moore (Damascus, 182 miles, 1961 AMC Ambassador Super). Kids Choice - Ricky & Rene Russ (Newberg, 1988 Chev Astro Van), Ladies Choice - Travis Sherva (Sheridan, 2020 Chev C8 Corvette), People's Choice - Dave Deacon (Newberg, 1957 Chev 210 Wagon), Best of Show - Craig & Renee Selvidge (Otis, 1939 Ford Woody Custom).

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A 1988 Chevy Astro Van Mystery Machine, owned by Ricky & Rene Russ of Newberg, made an appearance at the 4th of July car show.



This 1930s Chevy Coupe was all fired up for the car show on Friday.



This monster of a vehicle is a 1994 Ford F-700 owned by Owen Reid of Willamina, who took the Best of the 90s award at the car show.



This classic 1959 Chevrolet Corvette didn't take home any awards but still turned a few heads with its baby blue paint job.

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Girls Give Reports Tuesday at Kiwanis

Kay Shetterly and Carolyn Lewis reported to the Kiwanis club this week on their experiences at Girls' State, which was held on the campus of Willamette University in Salem recently. Kay was sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, and Carolyn was sponsored by the FL club; they gave interesting and complete reports on their activities at this patriotic and educational function. Carolyn was honored by being one of the candidates for admission to Girls' Nation.

Other guests at the Tuesday meeting were Fred Muhs, County Assessor Joe Ballas, and John Hampton.

Good Showing Made at Girls' State Meeting

Girls' State closed several weeks ago, with the Willamina delegates making a good showing. Kay Shetterly was sponsored by the Kiwanis Club, and Carolyn Lewis by the FL Club. Carolyn was one of 12 girls selected to try for Girls' Nation and one of the last five to give a speech on which selection was based. Over 200 girls attended the session in Salem.

In the beginning election of officials, Carolyn was nominated for attorney general. The girls all enjoyed a talk by Governor Douglas McKay, one of the features of the Girls' State meeting.

Carolyn's bill to prohibit teenage drug selling was passed by the Girls' State House, and also by the Senate, and signed by the Girls' State Governor. It was selected to be shown to the regular Oregon State Senate to demonstrate what the girls did at the week-long meeting.

The girls visited the Supreme Court and were told of court duties.

The Girls' State Governor and a girl from Coos Bay were selected to Girls' Nation in Washington later this summer.

Soldier Home From Fort Lewis Army Base

Pfc. Lewis Latimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Latimer, has been home on furlough from Fort Lewis. He expects to leave Saturday evening for the East Coast on his way to a station in Europe.

Principal Tells of Student Music Session

An Open Letter:

Just a few lines today in hopes you might let the people of Willamina vicinity know how well we were represented here recently at the University of Oregon's annual high school music summer session. Those attending were Jeannine O'Reilly, Jeanette Singleton, Bonnie Smith, Kay Shetterly, and Peggy Wood. The three-week session gave some 150 of the state's best high school musicians a chance to study in orchestra, band, chorus, and music theory under the direction of ten competent instructors. Two public concerts were given.

The final concert on Friday, July 13, was received by a most appreciative audience and was under the direction of Robert Vagner, Dr. Edmund Cykler, Milton Deitrich, and Miss Evelyn Gibson. Nearly every student took part in two divisions. Peggy Wood played in both band and orchestra, and the other four girls were in band and chorus.

Perhaps as important as the musical knowledge which these students received was the fine impression that the group made upon the teachers, administrators, and other college students with whom they came in contact during these three weeks.

All of them at the Carson Hall dining room and were in close contact with us all three weeks. So far, I have yet to hear any but complimentary remarks (and many of them) about the way in which the students conducted themselves.

Willamina can thus share in the feeling that they have been well represented by these young people. As their principal, I was truly pleased.

I might add in closing that I have enjoyed my college work this summer very much. I also have enjoyed the fellowship with the Eugene and Springfield Kiwanis Clubs while here.

Sincerely yours,

Kenneth A. Stuart.

Friendship Club has Annual Picnic

The Friendship Club enjoyed a potluck picnic at the Dallas Park Tuesday. Attending were Sadie Brock, Ethel Tremblay, Alberta Smelser, Alma Letzn, Edythe Richardson, Bessie Lamson, and a visitor, Ann Call.

Local Items

Return From Trip

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Meeks and boys Elvin and Eddie and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson returned Thursday evening from a four-week trip visiting relatives and friends in Idaho, New Mexico, Texas, and Missouri. They also enjoyed a brief sightseeing tour of Juarez, Mexico.

In Greenland

Mrs. Roy Dent received word this week from her son, Archie Murray, that he is now stationed in Greenland, just 400 miles from the North Pole. He reports that the cold weather does not bother them much, as their clothing is designed for low temperatures.

Get Promotions

The following local members of Company "A," 162nd Infantry, Oregon National Guard, McMinnville, have been promoted to Privates First Class: LeRoy E. Nokleby, George C. Norris, and Kenneth Whitney, Willamina; Donald E. Cooley and Ralph A. Huntley, Sheridan; and Roy J. Brown, Grand Ronde. The National Guard team is leading the McMinnville softball league.

Attends florist's School

Lester Robertson is in Portland this week, attending the Oregon Florists' School of Design. He will be back in Willamina next week and expects to bring with him a number of new ideas for corsage and floral arrangements.

Here from Eastern Oregon

Mr. and Mrs. Jarrel R. Richardson and Carol, Jerry, Lane, and Beth from Ontario, Ore., were overnight guests Monday at the Orval Thompson home. The Thomson and Richardson families and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson enjoyed a picnic at Buell Park Monday evening. Mrs. Richardson and Mrs. Orval Thompson are sisters. The Richardsons were en route to Long Beach, Wash., to take advantage of the "minus" tides and enjoy some clam digging.

Laurice Fox announced this week that his dog had an infected toenail on the right front foot.

LaVerne Misner went to Portland Saturday night and stayed over for the ball game Sunday.

Bobby Hofrichter got a cut on his head, which required three stitches to close while attending the boat races in Delake Sunday.

Agate Society Plans Ninth Annual Show

OCEANLAKE - The North Lincoln Agate Society will hold its ninth annual agate show Saturday and Sunday, July 20 and 21, in the Lions' Club room opposite the theater in Oceanlake.

Doors will open on Saturday from 10 a.m. until 10 p.m. and on Sunday from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. Every visitor will receive a free beach agate as a souvenir of the 1951 show.

The show will feature collections of amateur and commercial exhibitors and will include not only agates and minerals from Lincoln County beaches but also specimens from all over the world. Members of other agate and mineral societies throughout the Northwest have been invited to bring displays. A demonstration of polishing agates will be one of the numerous features of the show.

Fendall-Roger-Sitton Clan has 20th Reunion

The twentieth annual reunion of the Fendall-Roger-Sitton clan was held at Johnston's Park on July 15. Ninety-eight members and friends were registered.

Ward Sitton of McMinnville was the oldest member present. Local people attending were Mr. and Mrs. Guy Fendall, Mrs. Eldon Fendall and Gloria and David, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Mishler and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mendenhall and Mike, Mrs. and Mrs. Glenn Mendenhall and Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Ward Mendenhall, Laurence, Carl, and Walter, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Johnston. Susie and Dick, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dunda, Mrs. Bessie Lamson, and Joe White; Clarence Savage of Sheridan; and P. S. Fisher, Grand Ronde.

Mrs. Kate Johnston, formerly of this community, was among those attending from McMinnville.

Donkey Softball Game Set for Wednesday

A Donkey softball game has been scheduled for next Wednesday evening, July 25, at 8 at the Sheridan Rodeo Grounds. Sponsors are V.F. W. Post No. 4211 and the Willamina Key Club. It is to be a benefit performance.



The Willamina FFA students converted a truck bed into a makeshift pool to beat the heat while in the parade during the Willamina Old Fashioned 4th of July celebration. (Photo by Rebecca Neese)

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Fourth of July Fire Destroys House

Just before midnight of July 4, a residential fire erupted at 1145 W Main St., Sheridan. Although the residents of the house were taking firework safety precautions, the owner stated that initial investigators determined that the likely cause was an ember from a firework that had smoldered without notice. Further investigation is ongoing.

The house was being rented by Kathie Spencer, a graduate and current employee of the Willamina School District. Living with her were her daughter and three dogs.

The owner of the house stated that Kathie relayed that she was up watching television after the family went inside after a night of celebrating the 4th of July holiday, and all spent fire-works were stuffed safely into the container of water.

When Kathie went to the kitchen, she noticed a glow and found the fire in the carport, which had already ignited the patio and was working its way toward the laundry room. She called 911 as she actively worked to get her daughter and the three dogs out of the house. Unfortunately, one animal, a puppy less than a year old, hid in the bedroom closest to the fire, where it was later found deceased.

Sheridan Rural Fire District arrived on the scene. Neighbors took in the other animal to prevent it from going back into the house while firefighting efforts were underway.

The family took safety precautions to minimize risk, and they were very lucky to have made it out of the house.

Additional safety measures can be taken by families to further reduce the likelihood of such an event.

- Wet down the entire area with a



The remains of the door used by the family to exit the fire-engulfed building last Friday.

water hose before and after lighting fireworks.

- Monitor the area 30-60 minutes after the last firework has been ignited.

- Keep metal buckets filled with water at least 15-20 feet away from any building or structure.

Both the owners and the renters had insurance, so the parties will eventually recover losses. The owner stated she learned something new when working with insurance companies, "For insurance records, historically, it's been to write down what you have in your house. Insurance also wants pictures of the inside of your house, of your rooms." This is a quick and easy task for anyone with a smartphone, and storing images in the cloud can prevent the loss of those photos in case the phone is lost or destroyed.

Though the house was a total loss, the owner was impressed and stated her thanks for all the agencies that responded.

Assistance has been set up at gofund.me/20932cf7 to help Kathie and Jillian recover their property loss until insurance helps them.



The aftermath of a fire that burned through this house the evening of July 4. The fire got hot enough to melt the refrigerator.