



District speech winners to represent BSHS at state meet are Bob Skinner, Lynn Cartmill, Pat Higgins, Carl Sell, Steve Webb, Ramona Walton, and Mark Clarambeau.



Karen Morton, Miss Central Oregon will represent Central Oregon in the Miss Oregon Pageant in Seaside.

# BEAR FACTS



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## Speech Squad Ready For State Tourney

Bend Senior High climaxed a successful season of speech competition by sweeping eight of ten first places in the District 14 Speech Tournament here this past weekend. First and second place finishers in the district competition qualify for a trip to State Finals to be held at the University of Oregon on April 18-19-20. Third place finishers will travel with the team as alternates.

The state is divided into 14 districts, of which District 14 encompasses all of Central Oregon, north to and including The Dalles, south to and including Gilchrist.

The winners of the District 14 Tournament last Friday and Saturday, March 22-23, who will be attending the State Tournament are:

After Dinner Speaking: 1st—Steve Webb, Bend Senior High, junior; 2nd—Pat Cashman, BSH, senior; 3rd—Mark Clarambeau, BSH, sophomore.

Lincoln-Douglas Debate: 1st—Ramond Walton, Bend Junior High, freshman; 2nd—Daria Wood, BSH, sophomore; 3rd—Wes Hare, Bend Junior High, freshman.

Oxford Debate: 1st—The team of Carl Sell and Mark Clarambeau, BSH, sophomores; 2nd—The team of Bruce Newton and David Lansing, Bend Junior High, freshmen.

Radio Commentary: 1st—Pat Cashman, BSH, senior; 2nd—Steve Bailey, BSH, junior.

Extemporaneous: 1st—Pat Higgins, BSH, senior; 2nd—John Gillhousen, The Dalles High School; 3rd—Bob Skinner, BSH, senior.

Humorous Interpretation: 1st—Lynn Cartmill, BSH, sophomore; 2nd—Nancy Anderson, The Dalles High School; 3rd—Steve Webb, BSH, junior.

Impromptu: 1st—Pat Higgins, BSH, senior; 2nd—Steve Lashier, BSH, senior; 3rd—Steve Bailey, BSH, junior.

Poetry Reading: 1st—Bob Skinner, BSH, senior; 2nd—Mark Clarambeau, BSH, sophomore; 3rd—Sheila Ballard, BSH, junior.

Original Oratory: 1st—Becky Baker, The Dalles High School; 2nd—Karen Lundgren, BSH, senior; 3rd—Steve Lashier, BSH, senior.

Serious Interpretation: 1st—Karen Lundgren, BSH, senior; 2nd—Jan Putnam, BSH, junior; 3rd—Debby Johnson, BSH, sophomore.

Traveling with the District 14 team will be Mrs. Clifford Rich, Bend Junior High coach, Miss Diana Gervais, The Dalles High coach, and Mrs. Ray McCormack, Bend Senior High coach.

The results of all tournaments this year have been most satisfying, according to Mrs. McCormack, Bend Senior High coach. Starting in October the Bend Speech Squad has re-

turned with winning trophies from each tournament they have attended. Tournaments in this year's program have included: Oregon Water and Soil Conservation, Pacific University, Bend Invitational Debate.

## New Furniture Arrives For Cafeteria

After many weeks of waiting, the new furnishing ordered by the student council have arrived. The majority of the students seem to be pleased with the new chairs and tables.

The cafeteria chairs are of the same style that are in most classrooms. They are made of a durable plastic that is almost impossible to break. If a chair is broken, not maliciously, the manufacturers will replace it free of charge. The chair colors are beige, green and red.

The table tops are of plastic with a design and color that resembles walnut. The table legs are of a strong metal.

Jim Bishop, student body president, commented that when they year-book staff was working during spring vacation, the janitors were seen putting the new furnishings through some very odd tests to determine their strength and durability.

The old cafeteria furnishings will be put to new uses around the school.

## Karen Morton Wins Beauty Queen Title

Karen Morton, a senior here at Bend High, was named Miss Central Oregon at a colorful ceremony attended by an estimated 800 people in the auditorium.

The contest was held Saturday, March 8th in the evening. Karen was chosen from a large field of 12 finalists.

The basis for selection of winners was mostly on talent which counted 50 per cent. Also taken into consideration were poise, personality, integrity, etc. Karen presented an original patriotic speech for the talent segment of the contest.

In the fall Karen plans to attend Southern Oregon College where she will major in education. She has been active in drama here at Bend High by participating in many plays. She hopes to teach drama after she leaves college. While she is at college in Ashland, Karen would like to participate in the Shakespearean Theater.

Jollie Waller was first runner-up in the contest, Shirley Haun, a senior, was named second runner-up. The 12 finalists named Karen Lundgren, a senior, Miss Congeniality.

In July Karen will be at Seaside to compete with other winners for the title of Miss Oregon. Among the many prizes that Karen won were a \$500 scholarship to any accredited college or university, a \$200 scholarship to a charm school, a \$200 wardrobe with accessories, and several hundred dollars in various prizes awarded by Bend businessmen.



## Furniture Provides Clean Easels

With the recent arrival of the new furniture in the cafeteria, the inevitable will, without doubt, begin to take place shortly.

All of the school's handy little engraving - minded students will set to work carving, writing, etching, their names and other clever little sayings into the tops of those beautiful new tables. Such witticisms as "John loves Sharon", or "Ski Vietnam" will be left in their forever for all who follow us to look and laugh at.

The tables won't be nearly as hard to deface as the chairs so the masters at this art will probably leave them to their eager apprentices while they work at the chairs with hammer and chisel. If this won't work it is a sure bet that they will find some way to leave their names and/or thoughts for all posterity on the furniture of Bend High.

For some people just leaving their names will not be enough. Some will surely need at least some souvenir of this new furniture (say a six - foot strip from the edge of one of the tables, or a leg or two from a chair, or maybe even a whole top from one of the tables) so that they can proudly hold it up before their grandchildren and say that they, "got this from the cafeteria at Bend Senior High School when it was brand new."

But who are we going to be able to blame this destruction on? We got off easily this time by saying that the tables were ten or twenty years old and they were torn apart when BSHS was used by COCC and that they or students of previous years did the damage. Ha! Now there can be no excuses - any damage that is unnecessarily inflicted upon those tables will be all our doing and there will be no way out of it. Are you willing to let this happen?



Contrary to popular belief, all of the vandalism that has been going on in and around Bend has not been through the acts of juveniles.

In a recent study of the matter it was discovered that it has been the parents, not the students, who have been wantonly destroying public as well as private property. As usual it is not the parents of lower class families who do this but parents of upper-middle class and high class families. They are the ones who fought for and got a 40 hour work week and since then have not been able to use all of their leisure time and have resorted to simple destruction to satisfy their need to do something during this time.

It has not been a spur-of-the-moment type of decision either. Parents have joined together in bands harrassing the entire countryside. Practically fearless, these adults even go so far as to call the police and report that some juvenile has stomped on their flowers or sliced their car tires when they were the ones who did it and just wanted to collect on their vandalism insurance. Who would ever suspect that the president of a bank or a prosperous, outstanding businessman would ever resort to such petty acts? Parents nowadays can get away with anything. All they have to do, even if they are accusee, is to blame it on the kids - who are at home or busy working on their homework (they don't have time to even think of vandalising).

Where were your parents at 11:43 last night?

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## Letters to the Editor

To the Editor:

The editorial in the last edition of the "Bear Facts" on the modular system in the new junior high is illogical and opinionated.

In it, the author condemns the future attempt to give the new junior high modular scheduling. This is wrong. I do not say that the junior high students will profit from the system. I say that it is wrong to condemn the system before it is tried.

If students do not want to learn, they will not learn in a regular system just as quickly as they will not learn in a modular system. And, if students want to learn in a regular system they will want to learn in a modular system.

The statement by the author of that article is the worst: "Very few high schools in this country have enough faith in their students to entrust them with such a system, and we are giving it to our junior high students." If the author wishes to condemn our school administration for having more faith in our students than most other high schools, let him. But let us not condemn before we have seen the result of this experiment.

Opinionately submitted,  
Monty Ledford

To the Editor:

There has not been enough publicity in Bear Facts about girl's sports. Sure, there may be something said, but it does not print anything until the coaches ask them to put something in the paper.

During basketball season a reporter from the school paper went to the gym while I was there and asked about the girl's team. She was told the names of the girls, how many games we had played, and about our standings. When the school paper came out there was nothing about the girls basketball team in it.

The things that were said about Modern Dancing were not very nice. A lot of girls felt dumb enough doing it without having someone write in the paper what he thought about it.

The girls are now waiting for track to start. We have been waiting since February. There is nothing we can do until we have physicals. Mr. Winbiger, who is the head of the sports department has not sent us the cards that have to be filled out. If track is anything like basketball we will probably have about 1 1/2 weeks of practice. This is not fair to the girls who really like sports.

This year girls sports such as basketball and track have had a problem getting started.

We are lucky we even have a program for girls but you would think that since we do, the people who are holding it up would realize how many girls there are that go out for sports and try to help. The girls need just as much practice as the boys but we always get cheated.

Della Gordon

To the Editor:

As we all know, Bear Antics has been cancelled for this year. The reason for the cancellation is supposedly due to a lack of student interest.

In past years, the production has always been in February. If the real reason for the cancellation is that the teachers are too busy, who not postpone Bear Antics until May?

I do not feel that the cancellation of Bear Antics is the fault of the students. There is either a lack of interest or time among the teachers. If it is a lack of time, why can't Bear Antics just be postponed? But if the teachers have a lack of interest, however, the students are not at fault and should not be blamed.

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## 12 Foreign Students Due In May For 1-Month Stay With Bend Families

In May, twelve foreign students will be seeking homes in Bend for a one month visit. Last year, Bend residents opened their doors to a group of students from Mexico.

This is the Experiment in International Living. Supervised groups of students, the average age being 19, visit a community for one month, each staying with a separate family. There is no expense to the family who houses a student except for the home hospitality provided; all other expenses are paid by the Experimenters themselves.

In addition to the stay in Bend, the students will spend two weeks on a college campus, visit Washington, D. C., and New York, and spend a week traveling on their own.

This unique program is a private, nonprofit organization, admitting its members on the basis of personal merit, without regard to race, creed, or national origin.

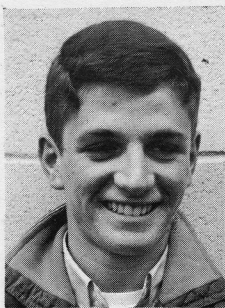
The program is based on the conviction that the best way to understand different people and their culture is to live with them.

No matter how much a person studies and travels through a country he can only learn to appreciate a new culture by living it.

Jan Ettinger, whose family housed a boy from Mexico last year said of the program, "I think it's great. We still send him Christmas and birthday presents."

Just as there are requirements for a student coming to the United States there are requirements for the host family. The mother of the host family must not be working, and it is preferable that there be children around the age of 18 or 19 in the family and living at home. But the main requirement is a sincere and willing desire to welcome a stranger into your home and make him feel as if he were one of the family.

Twelve homes are needed for students of a country which has not yet been decided. Mrs. Elliott, English instructor at Bend Senior High, is making the arrangements to find homes for these twelve students. Anyone who is interested in hosting a student can contact Mrs. Elliott.



"Before"



"After"

## Mike Ward Wins Again-Breaks Shoulder To Fulfill Three (3) Year Jinx

Who says the "third time's a charm?" This is not the case for accident prone Mike Ward.

Mike, who is president of the junior class at Bend Senior High School, has a long, sad history of skiing accidents which have inevitably occurred at critical times, i.e. before important races.

Two years ago, when he was entered in the Junior National Ski Championships he took a spill and broke both wrists.

Last year, while in Sun Valley during Christmas, he broke a leg. During Spring Vacation, with restored limbs and renewed spirit, Mike again set forth to the Junior

Nations, which were held in Bozeman, Montana.

Sunday, while taking a practice run on the downhill course, he hit a bump, fell, and broke his right shoulder.

When questioned about his reactions to the accident, he shrugged - at least as well as he could with a broken shoulder - and replied that he had "been through it so many times before" that it didn't really surprise him.

At any rate, Mike is still undaunted and is looking forward to a fruitful year of skiing and racing next year.

How about that for perseverance?

## Drill Team Competes In Boise Contest

Bend High's drill team drilled around with the best of them when they competed against 22 other high school drill teams in Boise, Idaho, March 16.

Boise was the end of the road for this year's drill team. Preliminary try-outs for next year's team will be held April 1st and 2nd with final try-outs April 15th.

No placing has yet been announced for Bend, which is in its second year of competition of this type.

The team was required to have two different routines and present three performances. In the morning they participated in the parade competition. Later in the afternoon and evening they presented a different routine.

The drill team has much to be proud of this year. Not only did they compete in Boise, which is by invitation only, but they have also done a great service to the school. They have performed in numerous parades, football and basketball games, and marched with the band in San Francisco.

The drill team's adviser, Mrs. Cruikshank had this to say about the team. "They were excellent

representatives to Bend. They certainly looked nice and they behave beautifully and I think the school can be very proud of them."



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Glen Plagmann slides into third in game with Klamath Falls Pelicans.

## Lava Bears Conquer Pels In 3 of 4 Meetings

The Bend Lava Bears moved their baseball record to seven wins against one loss by defeating the Klamath Falls Pelicans in three out of four contests held last weekend.

The first two games, played Friday at Bend's Municipal Ball Park were both won by the Lava Bears. In the first encounter Dave Smith pitched a four-hitter as the Bears scored a 2-1 victory. Glen Plagmann scored both of Bend's runs. The first run came in the third inning, and the winning tally was scored in the fifth inning.

The second game saw Dwayne Holloway shut-out the Pelicans on

three hits in leading the Bears to a 3-0 victory. Bend scored all three of its runs in the fifth inning. The Bears had only one hit, but Pelican errors paved the way to the Bend victory.

The third and fourth games were played in Klamath Falls last Saturday. The Lava Bears won the third game 4-2, behind the pitching of Kevin Rea and Terry Becker, but were defeated 6-3 in the fourth contest.

Pitching was the key to Bend's three victories over the Pelicans. Klamath Falls annually has one of the best teams in the state. The Lava Bear victories gives Bend a start to what should be an outstanding season.

## Bears Begin Track Season

The Bend Lava Bear track and field team will open the 1968 season next week on an optimistic note, with the return of many members from last year's squad.

The team has been officially practicing for the past two weeks. However, most team members have been conditioning and pointing toward the upcoming season throughout the winter months.

Individual performers who are expected to do well this year include

distance runners Alan McCullough and Ken Emmrich, middle distance runner Jay Muadlin, sprinters Bob Carson, Bill Hanlon, and Bruce Winter, along with pole vaulter Mike Dyer. Transfer, John Oberg, is an outstanding hurdler and should lead the Lava Bears to a strong showing in that event.

The head coach is Mr. Peter Smith who is serving his second year at that position.

## Girls' Track Season Starts

Seventy girls have signed up for girls track which started Wednesday, March 20, with the first meet being held March 30 in Prineville.

Practice for track is Monday through Thursday for an hour and a half each time. Each girl will first condition for the events she will enter and second she will practice for her event. Also girls will be cut from the team, according to their attendance at the practices.

There will be four meets before the subdistrict meet (held in Madras) and only one of these meets will be held in Bend. This meet is on April 15.

Each girl will be eligible to gain a place in subdistrict and state meets according to how many events she has placed in during the track season.

This year the girls will select three co-captains to head the team with Annie Ward acting as the team's manager.

For girls participating in field and track, competition plays a major role, but field and track also makes physical activity more enjoyable along with helping girls acquire grace and poise.

## Experience Aids BSBS Golfers

The Bend High golf team will begin the 1968 season tomorrow at the Madras Golf Club.

Four members from last year's starting five will return to action this year, although Mike Ward will be out of action for the early part of the season. Ward injured his shoulder while skiing at the Junior Nationals.

Last year Bend finished in a tie with Ontario for the district championship. The Lava Bears placed

19th in the state tournament.

Besides Ward, the four returning varsity members are Bill Currie, Bob Backstrom, and Ken Garvik. The other member of the golf squad is Dennis Rice.

This year's district tournament will be held at La Grande. Five or six teams all have a chance of coming back with the first place trophy. Mr. Payne is the Bend High golf coach.

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