

# ELSWCD annual meeting

EUGENE — The East Lane School (ELSWCD), in conjunction with the holding an annual meeting Saturday, September 14 at Junction City. Classes for all Junction City students began Wednesday morning.

## Senior Meals

JUNCTION CITY — Midday meals are served to Junction City area seniors in the Lindberg Place dining room, 840 Holly St., on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays (except holidays) at 11:30 a.m. The menu for Sept. 10-14 is as follows: Monday, Sept. 10 — breaded veal cutlet with gravy or turkey patty with gravy, grape juice, whipped potatoes with gravy, steamed spinach, honey wheat bread, rhubarb applesauce; Wednesday, Sept. 12 — beef stew or macaroni and cheese, cranberry juice, Harvard beans, spinach romaine salad, wheat rye bread, fresh grapes; Friday, Sept. 14 — beef stuffed green pepper with red sauce or chicken tetrazzini, lemonade, green peas, marinated zucchini salad, seven-grain roll, blueberry cobbler.

Those wishing to participate in the program may call 998-5367 before noon two serving days ahead to reserve a meal. The suggested donation is \$2.90, but no one is refused service who is unable to contribute.

## Long Tom Watershed Council

By ED CLAY GOODMAN, Oregon Water Trust  
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Having enough water available for instream flow is one of the major issues in watershed restoration, in the Long Tom watershed as well as many others around the state. The amount of water flowing in a creek impacts the health of the system in many ways. More water means better quality habitat for fish, lower stream temperatures, and fewer impacts from pollution and runoff.

As a result, many watershed councils have focused on how to keep water in the creeks, especially during the dry months of late summer. While stream levels tend to drop naturally when the weather is hot and dry, the situation is exacerbated by water taken out of streams for municipal, commercial, and agricultural uses. Under state law, there is no requirement that any water remain instream as a minimum flow. On many creeks in the Long Tom watershed, there are more water rights (to take water from the creek) than there is water available. Those with water rights have the right to take all the available water, leaving the creeks dangerously low and in some instances completely dry.

However, Oregon water law does allow for the lease, gift, or sale of out-of-stream water rights to instream flows. Watershed councils across the state are looking for opportunities to acquire water rights and transfer those rights to legally protected instream flows. Landowners who lease their water rights to instream use have the protection of "beneficial use," meaning that they do not forfeit their rights to non-use. Landowners who sell their rights receive financial compensation. They can also obtain funds to install more efficient irrigation systems on their land, in exchange for transferring their saved water instream.

These voluntary, market-based tools are the means by which folks interested in restoring stream flows in the Long Tom watershed can begin to have a positive impact. They are the win-win approaches that bring all stakeholders together to make a difference in a productive, cooperative way.

If you are interested in learning more about instream flows or have water rights that you might be interested in selling or leasing, please contact OWT's project manager, Ed Clay Goodman, at (503) 552-9022. The next Long Tom Watershed Council meeting set for Sept. 23 will feature the group's Annual Celebration from 4-7 p.m., location TBA. More information is available by calling Dana Erickson at 683-6578.

## Canning workshop to

EUGENE — OSU/Lane County annual tuna canning workshop Wednesday, September 13th, will begin at 10 a.m. of tuna and several hundred pounds of vice Master Food Preserver volunteered to come and learn how to fillet and can.

## Cross family comment TO THE EDITOR:

An interesting thing happened to me I walked down to the post office. On Sixth and Ivy, Judy Mills asked me if that I didn't have any money with me. Both of us retired teachers sat down which was confidential, but I did find — Mr. Moes.

I know his sons, Ricky and Chris. You would ever want to meet. So, I walked home and got some tickets. I had a shot at a cord of wood.

Well, Saturday night Stephen got Eugene, and he said I had won. Kevin when he said "Bf" was the winner. And Sunday the boat showed up donating the boat. I understand organizing. When Tony brought the organ, Kevin and Erica.

My prayers go out to the Moes.

## Junction City Club

Junction City TOPS (Take Off Fat) at the United Methodist Church. TOPS best loser was Kathy Bateman. Allen and Marjorie Peterson. Find and the special gift was won by Ca KOPS members with 12 weeks u Virginia Swiri, Mary Tatum, and M weeks with a loss as a TOPS and Munkin received her numerical first. A new contest, "Lose to a Touch 6. More information is available by 952-0214.

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