

Mission Statement

The Parker Youth & Sports Foundation is dedicated to the support and preservation of parks, sports facilities and athletic programs in the greater Yakima area.

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Two New Members Elected to the Board of Directors

Three Board of Directors decided not to run for re-election after serving several terms. Former presidents Sam Karr and Jon Mulvenon will remain involved but take a well-deserved break after the hours they each committed to the leadership of the foundation. Both served two terms as president. Sam also served as the High Hopes Tournament chair for two years, tripling his time commitment. Alan Sillence did not seek re-election due to a work conflict. He provided television coverage of the grant presentations. Thank you to Sam, Jon and Alan for their service to the foundation!

At the annual meeting in October the Board of Directors elected Travis Heitman and Don Erickson to join the Board. Another new face participating on the Board was the hiring of Darlene Olmstead as the office manager in September.

Don Erickson's career has evolved around being a physical education instructor and administrator. More detailed information and a photo will be available in the next High Hopes News issue.



Travis J. Heitman is a Naches Valley High School graduate, class of 1992. He played football and baseball as well as wrestled. When Travis married Sara, the new family blended five daughters and two sons. Travis has been employed for the past 15 years as a salesman for Central Washington RV. His business experience also includes: owner and bartender of the SportsCenter (2001-2015); and Navy Cryptographer (1992-96).

As a sports enthusiast Travis loves the Mariners, Philly Eagles and the Sonics when they come back. A self-described Jack of all master of none. In the mean time he will settle for some ping pong. Welcome Travis!



Darlene Olmstead has an extensive background in finance and accounting. She was a controller for many years in the craft industry (owner of the Enchanted Forest in Selah); controller and administrative assistant for Ceramic Arts, Inc.; and spent 17 years as a financial advisor with Waddell and Reed, Inc. Darlene has many years experience using QuickBooks. After retiring Darlene continued to work part-time for Yakima Speech and Hearing, H&R Block, and Edward Jones until taking her current position with the foundation.

Darlene and Burl have been married for 59 years. They have a son and daughter and two grandchildren. Darlene and Burl were raised in Iowa and remain Hawkeyes for life.

A summary of the registration and financial documents of the PARKER YOUTH & SPORTS FOUNDATION is available by calling the Office of the Secretary of State (Washington State) at 1-800-332-4483 or by visiting their website: <http://www.secstate.wa.gov/charities/>.

President's Message



From Outgoing President

Hello to All Parker Partners and Supporters:

It's been 2 years as the Parker Youth and Sports Foundation President. Time does fly.

I believe I leave you in very capable hands as Dan Williams takes the helm. We all hope to continue the good work of the Parker Youth and Sports Foundation. It has been an honor to serve this great organization. I have met some outstanding people who share the same great mission we all believe in.

This time of year we are trying to increase Parker Partner memberships, so if you know of anyone who would share in our cause let us know.

I also would like you all to welcome our new office manager Darlene Olmstead. She is in recovery for a recent medical procedure and will be back at the office in a few weeks. Actually by the time of this printing she will be back.

We are always looking for organizations to support so encourage them to contact us for grants.

Again, as always, thank you everyone for all the support you give the Parker Youth and Sports Foundation. Sam Karr, President



Tom Parry
Jan. 24, 1923 - Nov. 21, 2017

Athletic Career:

Guard - Washington State University

Coaching Career:

Assistant coach at Montana & WSU
Head coach Wenatchee Valley six seasons
USFL Los Angeles Express
1989 YVC Head coach

History Central Washington University

1966-82; 1984-86

Winningest football coach in its history

Six conference titles

Won 95 games during 20 year span

1984 NAIA national semifinals

Five time NAIA District I Coach of the Year

1992 Member of CWU Hall of Fame

Coach Tom Parry Award given to top football student-athlete

Tom & Mary Jane Parry

Endowed Scholarship

Personal Connection to the Yakima Valley

Member of Yakima Monday Morning Quarterbacks

Member of Parker Youth & Sports Foundation

(Honorary Director & 2012 High Hopes Tournament Honorary Chair)

Storyteller & humorist

Office Report

-- By Darlene Olmstead



Since being hired in September, I have been organizing the office so it best suits me as well as giving me an opportunity to learn established financial procedures and who is who.

1. Parker Partner Membership

Drive: November-December is the foundation's membership drive. It

would be an amazing start to our

new year to increase the Parker Partner membership by 20% or signing up a total of 170 Parker Partners. A cover letter and brochure were mailed November 1.

2. Donation Acknowledgment: If you have not received an acknowledgment for a donation made in 2017 or recognition in the newsletter, contact the office and it will be addressed as a top priority. We appreciate your patience.

3. Appreciation: Thank you Megan Bewley for filling the gap between office managers.

4. Annual Fundraiser: The High Hopes Tournament and Sports Legends Reunion adjustment in income shows an increase of about \$1,000.00. Thank you to all who supported the June 9 and 10 events.

5. Office Hours Update: Thank you for being patient as I am getting started with this part time position. Leave a message on the office phone at 509-469-9336 or I can be reached on my cell at 509-945-4539. The office will be staffed Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 11:00-1:00.

Parker Faller Field Update

The field improvements have slowed while YVC decides what outside groups can and can't do. The long awaited \$15,000.00 sign the foundation commissioned had a completion deadline of Thanksgiving 2017.



Grant Scoreboard

Since April the foundation has awarded funds to the organizations in the chart and for the purpose stated.

Organization	Purpose	Amount
West Valley Dance Team (Photos of the pie fundraiser, p. 11)	Thanksgiving apple pie fundraiser PY&SF purchased 143 pies to be distributed to the Union Gospel Mission	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00
YVC Fastpitch	100 Inning Pledge fundraiser	\$1,000.00
	TOTAL	\$3,000.00



Roll Call

Information in this section is as of November 30.

2018 Parker Partner Membership List

The 2018 Parker Partner Membership Drive got underway November 1st. If you didn't receive a brochure and would like one, contact the office: parkeryouthfoundation.com or 509-469-9336.

Parker Partner

Bob & Sally Allen	Mary Holder-Marsh & Gerald Marsh
Barb Amstutz	Hop & Mary Johns
Jan Barr	Dr. Linda Kaminski
Jeff Bond	Gary & Pam Kingsboro
Larry & Deanna Book	Walt (in memory of) & Evva Lange
Trudy Bray	Bob McCulloch
Merl Brothers	Jon & Linda Mulvenon
Mike Carey	Mark Needham
Mike & Carol Carlon	Charlie & Doris O'Connor
Ellwood & Arla Crosier	Jim Pelander
Larry & Pat Danielson	Lane Phillips
Bill Douglas	Pug & Sharon Pinyerd
Joe & Laura Drovetto	Glenn Rasmussen
Spud & Gay Edmondson	Gene & Ann Rostvold
Steve & Winnie Evert	Jim & Bonnie Scoggins
Glen & Melinda Faller	Glen Shaw
Virginia Faller	Michael & Lynda Sissom
Dan & Jodi Farano	John & Joan Sousley
Buddy & Nancy Fish	Ken & Millie Stenehem
Jay Gilbertson	Ted Stone
Jeff Girard	Melba Strand
Wil Halpin	Chris Turner
Harley & Linda Hansen	
Gary & Pam Kingsman	

Joe Donahue Memorial Scholarship

A director and an officer of the original Parker Youth & Sports Foundation, the scholarship recognizes Joe's long service to youth sports in Yakima, especially to Yakima Valley College sports programs.

Ellwood & Arla Crosier

Joe Donahue Memorial Scholarship Co-Recipients

The Board of Directors recently increased the amount of the scholarship to a \$1,700.00 grant and a \$1,700.00 work-study. The increase is in line with the increase of the Faller Brayton Coaches Award of \$4,000.00.



Macy Ogden moved to Yakima on a softball scholarship. She is a 2017 graduate of Folsom High School, Folsom, CA. She has been playing softball for 14 years. She plans to become an elementary school teacher and coach. She loves to spend time with friends and family. "I can't wait to spend my next two years of college at Yakima Valley College!"



Cole McKenzie graduated in 2016 from Billings Senior High School, Billings, MT.

Cole is in his second year as a member of the YVC baseball team. He plays in the outfield.

He plans to earn a degree in sports medicine or engineering.

Interesting fact: The little league team he played on went to the world series. This team also featured Don Foullette's son (coach) and grandson (playing ball at University of Puget Sound) as members of the team. Don is a local sports supporter and attendee of the Sports Legends Reunion.

General Donations

General donations are crucial as the funds help cover office expenses. Thank you for your support.

Barb Amstutz

Jim and Karen Avery

Bill Douglas

Harley & Linda Hansen

Mark Needham

Mary Holder-Marsh &

Gerald Marsh

Bob McCulloch

Chris Turner

Faller Brayton Endowment

The Endowment continues the legacies of Bill Faller and Chuck Brayton as the foundation is able to support programs because you donate in honor of these two via the Endowment. A major donation to the Endowment was realized when the Brayton family donated Bobo's fishing boat. Donations made since April are included below:

*Steve & Winnie Evert
Virginia Faller*

Jon & Linda Mulvenon

Memorials

Thank you for keeping cherished ones in our thoughts with your donations.



In memory of **Jim Gosney**, a graduate of Ellensburg High School and received a Bachelor of Science degree from Central Washington University.

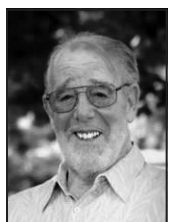
Jim worked for the Herald-Republic newspaper as a sports reporter and columnist for many years. He was an avid fisherman, hunter, golfer and loved watching a grandson play sports.

Jim left us with so much to be thankful for. His very calm and patient demeanor was a trait to envy. His dry sense of humor and wit will be remembered.

Yakima Monday Morning Quarterbacks

In memory of **Lawrence B. Hannah** (1920-2017), Jerry Ward's high school best friend's father. Both grew up in St. Louis during the 1950's.

Jerry & Lynn Ward



In memory of **Jim Leahy**, who was an offensive lineman on Fighting Irish teams coached by Ara Parseghian. In Jim's four years (1965-68), Notre Dame lost just six games, going undefeated (9-0-1) and winning the national championship in 1966. Jim and Nancy raised their three children in Yakima.

*Beverly Bohoskey
Spud and Gay
Edmondson
Bill Fowler*

*Robert & Marie Newstead
Burl & Darlene Olmstead
Rick & Mary Pinnell*



In memory of **Ferdinand (Ferdie) Maier**, arrived in Selah in 1935 with the rest of the family. He was an avid local high school sports fan and especially loyal to the Vikings of Selah High (started teaching in 1959 at Selah High) and American Legion baseball Yakima

Valley Pepsi-Pak and Peppers. In 2013, Ferd was honored by when the Selah High School gymnasium court was dedicated in his name.

Spud & Gay Edmondson



In memory of **Ron King**, a 12 sport letterman at Grandview High School, member of the band and a scholar. He went on to WSU joining their band.

Ron was a member of the PY&SF Board of Directors. Ron had a 57-year career in the radio business.

Jerry & Lynn Ward



In memory of **'Sensi' Morris Mack**, Northwest Martial Arts pioneer who was active in baseball and basketball as a teenager; passions later became singing, riding motorcycles and traveling.

Morris was fortunate to be exposed to a variety of Martial Arts when servicemen returned following WWII and the Korean War. He began training in Judo and then Karate in part of his father's grocery store, the Double M, the "Gleed Dojo".

For 30 years he taught Karate in Sherar Gym, founding the Central Washington Karate Championships 40 years ago, and it is now one of the state's oldest tournaments.

Sensei won countless Karate Tournaments throughout North America competing in Kata, Weapons, and Sparring. He held titles of Shihan (Master Instructor), Renshi (Warrior in Training), Hanshi (Grand Master) and was recently awarded 10th Degree Black Belt (Judan), the highest rank in Karate.

Jerry & Lynn Ward

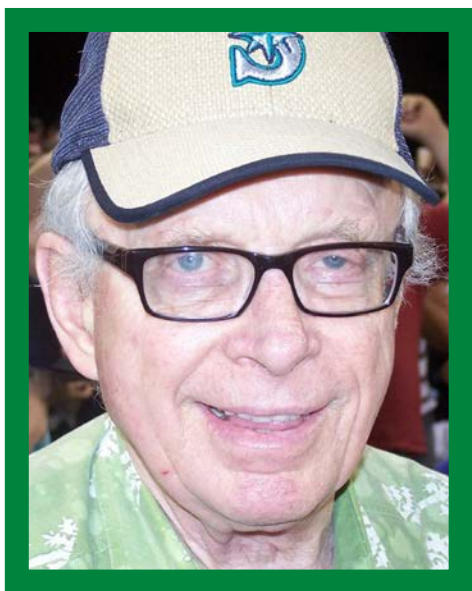


In memory of **Ron Pearson**, born in Seattle, graduating from Franklin High School in 1949 as an All-State baseball player. He worked twenty-one years for Zellerbach before starting his own business in Yakima. Ron coached youth baseball both in Seattle and Yakima.

Ron and his wife Marilyn met in high school and were married for sixty-six years.

Ron's son Chris has been a supporter of the High Hopes Tournament for 12 years.

Jerry & Lynn Ward



Parker Family Legacy

A 4-Part Series

Part I – The Parker Family of Yakima

High Hopes News Issue Summer 2016; P. 11

Part II – Generation One

High Hopes News Issue Fall/Winter 2016-2017; P. 6-7

Part III - Parker Annual Grant

High Hopes News Issue Spring 2017; P. 6-7

Part IV – Daryl Parker, Our Friend

High Hopes News Issue Fall/Winter 2017-2018; Insert



The last of a 4-part series about the Parker family:

Who was Shirley Daryl Parker? Because he lived in western Washington, many in the Yakima Valley probably did not know about Daryl Parker. However, his involvement, influence and support for the Parker Youth and Sports Foundation, Yakima Valley College, Larson Park and the Larson Gallery have greatly enhanced the community as well as the legacies of the Parker and Larson families in Yakima. From 2003 to 2015, Daryl and Sherrie Parker donated over \$1,200,000



Daryl Parker, about 10 years old, as a Grid Kid in Southern California.

to the Yakima Valley College Foundation in addition to their annual support of the PY&SF. In December of 2016, PY&SF established the Daryl Parker Memorial Award with the first recipient being the Yakima YMCA. This will be an annual award to support youth sports programs in the valley as well as remembering the legacy of Daryl Parker and his family, past and present.

Daryl's Yakima ancestors have been written about in previous High Hopes and the Foundation namesake is his father, Shirley Delaney Parker. To summarize, Daryl's great grandparents, Frank and Armeda Parker, via wagon train, came to the Yakima Valley in 1878 from Pawnee City, Nebraska, with their children Clarence, Orlando, Harlie, Alice, Mabel, and Ethelyn. The eldest of the children, Ella, was married and had come to the Washington territory with her husband, David Warren Stair, and the glowing accounts of the new country sent by them determined the move of the remaining members of the family.

Daryl's grandfather, Orlando, married Rose Hawkins and Daryl's father, Shirley Parker was born in 1888. Orlando 'disappeared' and Rose married A. E. Larson in 1897. Shirley graduated from Yakima High School and the University of Washington and went on to a distinguished career as an attorney, businessman, and a motivational speaker of national reputation. Shirley Parker's second marriage was to Eleanor Lindsley in 1936 and Daryl was born in 1937. At the time of his death in March of 2015, Daryl was survived by his wife Sherrie, daughter Leticia of San Diego, California and son Scott of Hagerman, Idaho. He was preceded in death in 2014 by his son Darren.

Daryl's name and deeds are often confused with that of his father who is remembered for the building of Parker Field in 1937 for his minor-league baseball team, the Pippins. In the 1940's, Shirley joined his mother,

Tribute to Shirley Da 1937-

Rose Parker Larson, in gifting land to the city where Yakima Valley College, Larson Gallery, Parker Faller Baseball Field and Larson Park stand today.

Daryl was born in Seattle, at Swedish Hospital on Capitol Hill, on September 16, 1937. His parents moved to Los Angeles when he was about two years old. Daryl liked to say he was moved to L. A. and had no say in the matter. Over the past several years, Daryl has shared youthful memories of his visits to the Rosedell Mansion in Yakima, where his grandmother Rose Larson lived until her passing in 1945.

His childhood included sports, especially tennis, running amuck in MacArthur Park in Los Angeles, raising homing pigeons and riding his bicycle on his newspaper route. His paper route included Bugsy Siegel's house when it was bombed one morning before he delivered the paper. His father died when he was barely a teenager in 1950. He attended Harvard School in North Hollywood.

Daryl decided to leave college in 1958 at Boulder, Colorado, and become a "plantation owner" in the jungles of Mexico along with a schoolmate and friend. Eventually he returned to California. He was a pro at flying "bush style" in his Cessna up and down the coast and later continued to enjoy flying his Bonanza between California and Montana when he and Sherrie operated what he referred to as a "non-revenue Dude Ranch".

In 1965 he began a career in the construction field, initially in residential and later exclusively com-

Our Friend Daryl Parker -2015

mercial work. He had a special talent to create successful partnerships for building industrial parks and building headquarters. Understanding the principles of construction on the level of which he did, the handling of jurisdictional restrictions for permits and development, the ability to always work with a variety of partners for successful completion of each project and maintaining these partnerships for decades were his true strengths. One of his business partners has noted, "Daryl accomplished more in the morning than the rest of us did all day".

At the time of his death, Daryl continued to run Parker Industrial Properties daily and never tired of that involvement.

Daryl and Sherrie were instrumental in the 'resurrected' Parker Youth and Sports Foundation in 2004. Shirley Parker had created the Parker Youth Foundation in the 1930's. Like his father who helped under-privileged kids in the Depression years and beyond, Daryl had a special place in his heart for kids who

lack the financial support to participate in youth activities, many of which charge a "pay to play" fee.

Daryl was a guiding and settling influence for our Foundation, and he exemplified the soft-spoken man "whose actions always spoke louder than his words." His personality was laced with wit that was a cross between Will Rogers and Benjamin Franklin, i.e. "well done is better than well said". He and Sherrie were at their best at the annual Sports Legends Reunion auction, and Sherrie was always an active bidder who wanted to make sure that no item was sold for less than its value! Stan Renecker and Phil Hinrichs bought more than one autographed baseball at a \$500.00 value that the Parkers enthusiastically bid up to \$1,000.00 or more. Daryl and Sherrie, custodians of sports history, were the winning bid of \$2500.00 for an autographed Whitey Ford baseball. In the Foundations efforts to raise funds for youth sports, the Sports Legends Reunion and High Hopes Golf Tournament will always be the setting for the fondest of memories generated by Daryl and Sherrie Parker.

Along with the revival of the Parker Youth and Sports Foundation in 2004, Daryl and Sherrie became further involved with the Yakima Valley College Foundation, Yakima Valley College and the Larson Gallery to continue the family traditions of supporting the community in various



Sherrie and S.D. Parker

Daryl's ancestral line

Frank Taylor Parker
(1833-1912)

Armeda Jane Leash Parker
(1839-1889)

To

Orlando Lincoln Parker
(1862-abt. 1930?)

Rose Belle Hawkins Parker
(1869-1945)

To

Shirley Delaney Parker
(1888-1950)

Eleanor A. Lindsley Parker
(1903-1976)

To

Shirley Daryl Parker
(1937-2015)



1968, Southern California project gets under way. Daryl with his business partners, l to r: Russ Roy, Daryl at wheel barrow, Chris Turner, Jim McDonald, and Jim Smith.



Parker family reunion in 2013. Tour of YVC and Larson Gallery hosted by Dr. Kaminski (right) and Cheryl Hahn (3rd from left). L to R. Daughter Leticia, son Scott, son Darren, Daryl, and Sherrie.

ways. Daryl developed many friendships in Yakima, not the least of which was with legendary YVC baseball coach Bill Faller. How fitting that, in one of Daryl's last 'business' transactions, he worked with the college to change the name of Parker Field to Parker Faller Field in 2014.

The renewal of those Parker family ties to Yakima brought Daryl and Sherrie closer to the area, creating treasured friendships and memories and, we believe, the reason that they decided to bring Daryl to his ancestral home. Daryl Parker died on March 26, 2015 and now lies at rest in the Tahoma Cemetery, joining his many Parker and Larson ancestors who have been such an integral part of Valley history.

We wish to thank Sherrie Parker for providing information, pictures, and family records to document the legacies of the Parker and Larson families in the Yakima Valley.

DARYL AND SHERRIE PARKER'S PHILANTROPY TO YAKIMA

- *2003 YVC Distinguished Service Award as a major donor and supporter
- *A Founding member of the PYSF Board of Directors from start to finish
 - *Start-up funding in 2004 to cover PYSF clerical needs
- *PYSF office in Larson Building provided printer/copier, computer
- *Financial support to YVC for start of women's soccer program
- *Major donor to the Faller-Brayton Endowment
- *Funding of Foundation Executive Director for two years
- *Funding for one year of a Fund-Raising position
- *Creation of the annual Sherrie and Daryl Parker Faculty Award at YVC
- *Initiated plan for YVC to rename Parker Baseball Field to Parker Faller Field
 - *Primary donor to Parker Faller Field Improvement Committee for upgrades at the field
- *Major donor to the Legends Reunion banquet, Silent and Live Auction, and annual sponsor of golf teams in the High Hopes Tournament
- *Loan to Foundation of family records and pictures providing historical explanation as to the relationship of the Parker and Larson families to the community and specifically to Yakima Valley College.
- *Annual donor to Larson Guild and Gallery
- *Donation to Larson Park via the Daryl Parker will

DARYL PARKER MEMORIAL AWARD

The Parker Youth & Sports Foundation last year awarded the Yakima YMCA an \$8,000.00 grant. The second year of the Daryl Parker Memorial Award will be announced in the spring 2018 High Hopes news.



High Hopes Tournament: L to R, daughter, Tici; Daryl; Mel Stottlemeyer; Sherrie.



Daryl and Bobo Brayton: 2007 Legends Reunion and High Hopes Golf Tournament



Grateful recipients of the Daryl Parker will in 2016. L to R: David Lynx for the Larson Gallery, Dr. Linda Kaminski for YVC, Glenn Rasmussen for the YVC Foundation, Ken Wilkerson for Yakima Parks and Recreation, and Sam Karr for the Parker Youth & Sports Foundation.



2012 YVC Graduation, Mel Stottlemeyer, commencement speaker. L to R: front: Sherrie, Daryl, Mel; back: Jerry Ward, Dr. Linda Kaminski, Bill Faller. On the establishment of the Sherrie and Daryl Parker Faculty Award at YVC.

Contributors In Their Own Way

Betty Edmondson **Politician with Ethics & Calm Demeanor**

-- Information provided by the *Yakima Herald-Republic*, July 22, 2017 edition, by **Kaitlin Bain**



Betty Edmondson was a force to be reckoned as she took on a major role in the political world in Yakima.

Elected as the mayor in 1975, the first woman to be elected, she guided the city through the clean up of tons of ash from the eruption of Mount St. Helens on May 18, 1980.

She also helped Yakima gain notoriety with a government supported senior center, one of the first cities in the northwest to have a senior center.

Kaitlin Bain provided a comprehensive story on the honor Edmondson received. "Her commitment to the city was recently honored in the rededication of Lions Pool in her name — one of very few city dedications for a woman. She shares the distinction with her husband, Mer Edmondson, for whom the pool had already been dedicated. He was the Parks and Recreation commissioner from 1962 to 1981 and served as one of the first lifeguards at the original Lions Pool at Fifth Avenue and Spruce Street.

The dedication, first approved by a City Council committee on International Women's Day, allowed committee members to remember a leading woman who helped shape Yakima's history."

Betty was a graduate of the University of Washington, member of the Chi Omega sorority, coming back to Yakima and while raising a family of three sons, focused on community service. She was involved with the Yakima Valley Museum and Historical Board of Trustees, and a member of the board of directors of the Association of Washington Cities.

Edmondson's lasting legacy is attributed to her determination and the self-confidence she exhibited in every aspect of her life making people stop and listen. She did the job letting controversy work itself out quietly without hardness.

2018 HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Jim Gosney **Reporter & Humorist**

-- Information provided by the *Yakima Herald-Republic*, November 10, 2017 edition, by **Jane Gargas**

Jim Gosney, retired columnist for the Yakima Herald-Republic, lifted reader's hearts with his insightful and lighthearted columns over a nearly 30- year span. Jim was originally hired as a sports and outdoor reporter who soon turned to news columnist.

Writing columns that covered topics from Christmas shopping to karaoke to hay fever to commencement speeches, he had a talent of holding the reader's interest to the end because one never knew what the ending would be. Not one to shy away from taking on political topics and politicians, after retiring Jim worked on U.S. Congressman Sid Morrison's campaign yet would still write poignant articles on Morrison's contributions 'on the hill'.

Spencer Hatton remarked that "his stories were our stories" – stories such as each autumn like your neighbor's leaves burying his yard and driveway.

Goz was an avid outdoorsman, golfer, and good friend. Check out the real story that writer Jane Gargas penned about Jim in the November 10 issue of the Herald-Republic.



Jan Wise Barker **Local Athlete Now a Legend in Texas Coaching Volleyball**

--- Information provided by the *Yakima Herald-Republic*, November 15, 2017 edition pages B01 &05, by **Luke Thompson**

Jan Wise was a member of an earlier generation that benefitted from Title IX. Jan began her athlete volleyball career in the eighth grade. The first volleyball club was not organized until her senior year when Team Yakima was founded, a member of the Evergreen Region Volleyball Association under the U.S.A. Volleyball Association (governing body of the Olympic team).

Jan's determination was an ideal fit for sports – a 4-sport athlete, she qualified for state in the javelin. Beginning to focus on volleyball Jan went on to play four years at Linfield College (Oregon).



Jan moved to Amarillo, Texas where teaching jobs were more available. Coaching at the middle school level for three years she moved to the high school varsity job.

The rest is history:

- 24 district titles;
- 1,116-175 win-loss record;
- .864 win percentage;
- 10 state titles; and
- American Volleyball Coaches Association Coach of the Year.

With their two daughters coaching volleyball at the varsity level, Jan is thinking about retiring to spend more time with a grandson.

Yakima Valley Multi Sports Community as Sun Kings Return

-- Created from several stories appearing in the Yakima Herald-Republic.

A small market, Yakima is adding another professional sports program with the return of the Sun Kings, the newest team being added to the North American Premier Basketball League. NAPB now has six teams that will begin play in January of 2018. Previously a member of the Continental Basketball Association from 1990-2008, the team won 5 league championships.

Yakima will join teams from Vancouver, B.C., Kansas City, MO, Owensboro, KY, and Rochester and Albany, New York. The Sun Kings local ownership, Jaime Campos, adds to the ties binding the franchise to the community. Mr. Campos, 41, an electrical contractor also owns a couple of apple orchards and has other businesses.



Paul Woolpert

Another local face is the hiring of Paul Woolpert as the coach and general manager. Fans remember Paul, who won three titles and assisted on another with the original Sun Kings. Another local legend connected to the Sun Kings was its first coach Dean Nicholson.

The team plans to play in the SunDome. The season will cover about four months and include 32 games, 16 home and 16 away,

One feature of the league will be an emphasis on getting out in the community, particularly working with school districts to have its players active in schools delivering messages about self-worth, anti-bullying, the dangers of drugs and alcohol and the value of education, according to a league release.

The cost to own a team is \$200,000, although that will double after the first season. NAPBL president Magley estimates a team's season budget will be about \$400,000, with players being paid between \$1,500 and \$5,000 per month, and believes that a team can break even if it draws between 1,500 and 2,000 fans per game. Any owner or ownership group must be worth at least \$2.5 million to try and ensure stability.



David Magley, right, is president and chief executive officer of the North American Premier Basketball League. At left is Selah native Josh Meadows (Bob Hall's son-in-law), was the team's business manager and headed up operations until an ownership group was finalized.

MEMORIALS, CONTINUED FROM PAGE 4



In memory of **R. K. Smith**, graduated from Roosevelt High School and then earned Bachelor and Master Degrees in Art and Education from the University of Washington.

R.K. came to Yakima in 1960 where he headed the YVCC Art Department, and was Director of the Larson Gallery at Yakima Valley College and met his wife Kay.

He enjoyed playing golf and worked hard to improve his game. His humor, grace, kindness and argumentative style will be greatly missed.

Jerry & Lynn Ward



In memory of **Lilly Wilson**, arrived in Yakima before her first birthday. She attended Ahtanum Grade School through the 8th Grade. She was an athlete who loved to play baseball. Rumor had it she was a very good shortstop with a strong, accurate throwing arm. The depression caused Lilly to grow up quickly, quit school at age 13 and started working full time in the hop fields and packing fruit. Eventually, she became a seamstress at Bailey's Manufacturing rising to a supervisor position.

Spud & Gay Edmondson

It takes a lot of planning for the apple pie fundraiser



Bags of apple slices



Empty pie crusts



Finished product



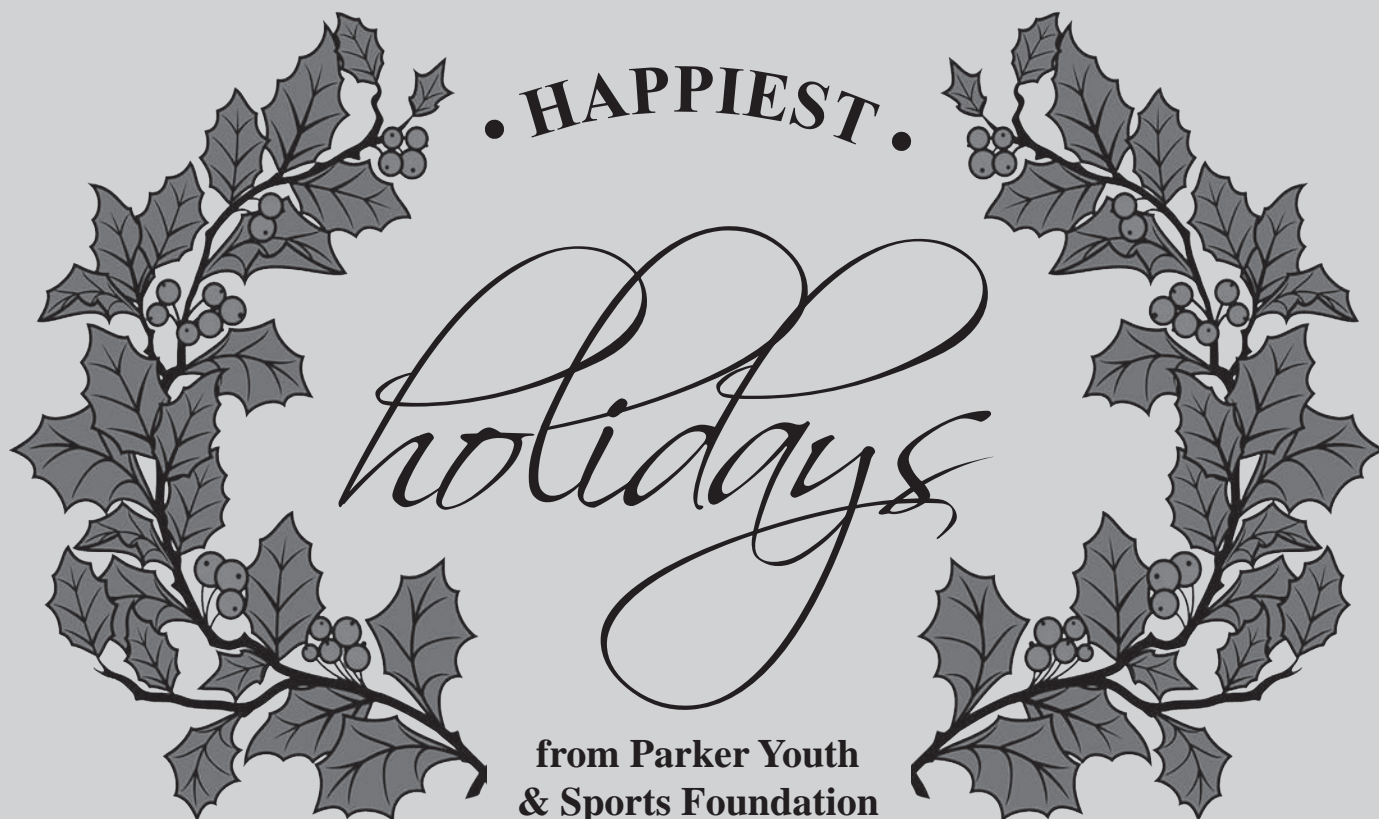
Happy but tired crew



Part of the assembly line



Part of the assembly line





**Ways to support the
Parker Youth & Sports Foundation
are listed below.**

**Parker Partner
Membership:**

- ☐ \$30 Individual
☐ \$50 Joint
☐ \$100 Corporate

I wish to contribute:

- ☐ General Foundation
☐ The Joe Donahue Memorial Scholarship Fund
☐ Faller/Brayton Endowment
☐ In Memory of _____ Amount \$ _____

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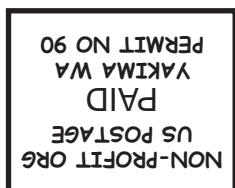
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