

At vacation Bible school

'Boomer' will help teacher draw parallels

by PAULA BURNS

Boomer, a live and lovable baby lamb, will have an important role in the teaching of Bible principles to children.

Heide Sheppard, director of children's ministries at Living Way Fellowship, said about 100 children, age 4 through sixth grade students, are expected to register for the vacation Bible school, which will be held outdoors June 10-14, 9:15 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

Sheppard, an outgoing and energetic woman, is excited about the event. "I feel it's really important for children to know God at an early age."

She researched the words sheep and shepherd before putting the Bible lessons together. "I read just about everything I could get my

hands on about sheep."

The study is designed to help children understand the well-known passage of Psalms 23, "The Lord is My Shepherd."

Boomer, the lamb, will have an important part in the lesson. "As children begin to observe, pet, feed and care for Boomer, hopefully they can grasp a bit of how much God loves and cares for them."

Through her research, Sheppard learned that sheep will eat excessively until they are so full that they lay down and roll onto their backs. Because of their anatomical structure, they cannot get back up. Within a matter of hours, a sheep could die from gastric juices in its stomach, she said. When a shepherd discovers a sheep that has "casted," he will set the animal upright and spend time

with it until the sheep is able to join the rest of the flock.

In making the correlation, Sheppard said the children will be taught that sometimes they may get into situations that are more than they can handle, "and it's just like the Lord to come, set us upright, spend time with us, and lead us into fellowship with others who know Him."

Sheppard said she also discovered that "sheep are extremely temperamental and spook very easily." Generally they won't drink from a running brook or stream because it is too noisy. They like still waters. If there is dew on the grass, they will drink dew rather than go to a water trough.

From this study, the children will learn that God knows them so well

and "in a peaceful environment, He quenches our thirst."

Sheppard explained that when a sheep farmer takes good care of his flock, the sheep will be content and productive for the financial benefit of the farmer. The children will be taught about "the confidence that we have with the Lord as our chief shepherd, and that nothing but goodness and mercy will follow us all our lives, and we will dwell with the Lord forever."

Sheppard said that in addition to the four instructors, who will teach 25-minute classes on the Bible, missions and crafts, there will be nine seventh and eighth graders who will be known as "sheep dogs."

"In our vacation Bible school, we have an opportunity for kids (sheep

dogs) to enter into ministry." Their main job is to guide the children from one classroom (known as a pasture) to another.

Sheppard appears to have everything thought out for the Bible school classes. She has been involved

with teaching children since 1977 and feels strongly that everyone who teaches must show God's love by their own actions, attitude and love. "If that's all I ever do is point kids' eyes to God, then He'll take care of the rest."



Jennifer Stewart, left, and Luke Hemmer plan to join Boomer at vacation Bible school.

Students do well at Olympics

Several Sandy students competed successfully at the Oregon Special Olympics State Track Meet, held May 17-18 at Eugene.

Sue Chambers, special education teacher, and Sharen York, special education aide, made the trip to Eugene with the students. Coaching was also provided by SUHS students Jenny Dasher, Amber Smith, Jesse Wambolt and Walt Brown.

The parents were also "very supportive," which is important, Chambers said.

She said volunteer coaches will be needed to help with next year's Special Olympic programs.

Individual results
Michael Ryder: First in Frisbee distance throw; third in softball throw.

Curtis Oswald: First in softball throw; third in the 50-meter dash.

Glen Slattery: Fourth in the 50-meter dash; fifth in the 400-meter relay.

Wayne Sanders: Third in the mile run; fifth in the 400-meter relay.

Allison Herget: Fourth in the softball throw; fifth in the 400-meter relay.

Jamie Riggan: First in the 30-meter slalom wheelchair race; second in the 25-meter wheelchair dash.

Terri Bolton: Second in the 25-meter wheelchair dash; third in the 30-meter wheelchair slalom.

Brenda Howey: First in the 30-meter wheelchair slalom; second in the 25-meter wheelchair dash.



Special Olympians are, back row, from left to right: Sanders and Allison Herget. Front row, from left to right: Michael Ryder, Curtis Oswald, Glen Slattery, Wayne Jamie Riggan, Terri Bolton and Brenda Howey.

Dissolution process begins

With less than 10 percent of the district's residents voting, there may not have been strong feelings on

Lisa Lind featured on TV program

Sandy High School valedictorian Lisa Lind will be among the students appearing in "The Best of the Class of '85," an hour-long special airing Sunday, June 9 at 5:30 p.m. on Channel 8 (KGW-TV).

Students from Multnomah, Washington, Clackamas, Marion and Clark counties will discuss today's issues with News 8's Kathy Smith and Pete Schulberg. The valedictorians will share their ideas on nuclear arms, the changing family, Central America, and health and fitness, according to information provided by KGW.

The students will also discuss their immediate college plans and what the job market holds for them.

"The Best of the Class of '85" will also feature the results of a written survey circulated among the students. Again, the valedictorians were asked their opinions on various issues that are discussed in the program.

either side over whether to dissolve the Mt. Hood Loop Water District.

But the district is in dissolution nonetheless due to a 26-21 vote last month.

According to Milt Fox, board member and now, with dissolution, a trustee, the Welches-area district will pay its bills and give up its right to Salmon River water.

The district has rights to five cubic feet of water per second. Some residents had hoped a water system could be built, according to Fox, but in 1975 the cost of such a project was estimated at \$4 million. To put such a measure on the ballot would prob-

ably draw more of the district's estimated 500 voters than the dissolution issue did, and it can be assumed they wouldn't be voting en masse to distribute that cost amongst themselves.

One reason some people voted against dissolution, according to Fox, was a concern that the county might set up a service district. "I don't see any possibility of that at all," Fox said.

The district has assets of \$6,989. It must pay for legal notices, the May 21 election and attorneys' fees. The rest will go to the Clackamas County general fund.

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Benefit fashion show is planned

"Portrait of Elegance" is the theme for the bridal fashion show being sponsored by the Joy Fellowship of the Sandy Assembly of God on Monday, June 10 at 7 p.m.

Old and new fashions will be on display, including bridal gowns, attire for the bridesmaids and flower girls, going-away outfits and tuxedos. Special music will be furnished by Nancy Ridgeway and Richard Detherage, and Rick Bell and Sue Gering.

Door prizes will be given away during the course of the evening and dessert, coffee and punch will be served.

This is the only fund raiser for the Joy Fellowship. Tickets will be sold in advance for \$2.

Schmitz honored for service

Florence Schmitz, retiring editor of "Oregon Business Women," was honored at the state convention of the Oregon Federation of Business and Professional Women, which was held in Beaverton recently.

Schmitz served as editor for 11 years. She was presented with a silver tray.

Kern named to book of 'Who's Who'

Charlene Kern of Eagle Creek, a second year student at Mt. Hood Community College, was recently selected for inclusion in "Who's Who in American Junior Community Colleges."

Kern, a wife and mother of two sons, is on the president's honor roll with a 3.88 grade point average. She is majoring in psychology.



Jesus Christ says...

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16)

God's love is the greatest of all! His Gift was the greatest one. Saving belief is profound: Demons give mental-asset about God but keep trembling (James 2:19); many will say to Jesus, "Lord, Lord," and yet remain lost (Matt. 7:21); but God saves the person who with spiritual discernment and conviction hears Jesus' words and acts upon them. (Matt. 7:24).

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