

275 Attend Reception For Grand OES Officer

Ruth Chapter No. 32, Order of the Eastern Star, entertained about 275 persons in a spirited "Mardi Gras" atmosphere Saturday evening, November 16, when it honored its distinguished member, Mrs. Dick (Virginia) Wilkinson, associate grand conductress of the Grand Chapter of Oregon.

Distinguished guests gathered from wide areas of the state to honor Mrs. Wilkinson at a public reception in the high school gymnasium, gaily decorated with bright multi-colored balloons, streamers and confetti, and at a social hour following in the cafeteria.

Presiding over opening ceremonies and the introduction of honor guests were Mrs. Earle (Mary) Bryant, worthy matron and Howard Bryant, worthy patron, of Ruth Chapter. Invocation was given by Judge Paul Jones, past worthy patron and Grand King of Royal Arch Masons of Oregon.

Eighteen grand officers of the Grand Chapter of Oregon were presented for introductions, then escorted to seats of honor in the east. Mrs. Harold Becket served as conductress; Mrs. Hubert Wilson, associate conductress, and Mrs. C. C. Carmichael, musician. Assisting was Harold Becket, past worthy patron and district deputy to Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons of Oregon.

Introduced were Mrs. Lee Nelson, worthy grand matron, Coos Bay; Leo V. Brown, worthy grand patron, Lake Oswego; Ted Roadman, associate grand patron, Roseburg; Mrs. Elbert Miller, grand secretary, Portland; Mrs. Clarence Bateman, grand treasurer, Portland; Mrs. Lyle Ewing, grand conductress, Portland; Mrs. Paul Arnot, grand chaplain, North Bend; Mrs. El-

dridge Woodard, grand lecturer, Portland; Mrs. Leo Brown, grand marshal, Lake Oswego; Mrs. Robert McComb, grand organist, Portland; Mrs. Gale Wilson, grand Adah, Sweet Home; Mrs. Kenneth Bogart, grand Ruth, Bates; Mrs. Lewis Rose, grand Esther, Grants Pass; Mrs. Dean Watkins, grand Martha, Coos Bay; Mrs. Ray Roark, grand Electa, Ontario; Mrs. Merrill Stanley, grand warden, Boring, and Alan Lundberg, grand sentinel, Tillamook.

Mrs. Merle Lamar, Silverton, past grand matron and member of International Temple Fund, brought greetings from the General Grand chapter. Other past grand matrons attending were Mrs. Daisy Thomson, Hood River; Mrs. Florence Jaeger, Condon; Mrs. Margery Jones, Redmond. Past grand patrons were represented by Gordon A. Barker, Salem.

A good representation of grand committee members, grand representatives, worthy matrons and patrons, and grand escorts were introduced and welcomed by the presiding officers.

The program included a vocal duet, "My Happiness" by Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Wilson, and a vocal solo, "Red Sails In the Sunset," by Mrs. Warren S. Miller, all accompanied by Mrs. Carmichael.

Under the leadership of Mrs. Lois Brandt, Portland, president of the Associate Conductress club, a group of about 50 conductresses, from chapters throughout the state who have been under the instruction of Mrs. Wilkinson, honored her with a special drill. They will be known as "Ginger's Jewels," and at the close of the drill honored her with special gifts.

Another special addendum honored the associate grand conductress, when members of Ruth Chapter, Locust Chapter and Heppner Rainbow Assembly entertained with a serpentine drill, depicting masked revelers at a Mardi Gras. Gifts were presented to the honor guest by Mrs. Larry Prock, leader and associate worthy matron of Ruth Chapter, as a climax to the drill.

Mrs. Wilkinson expressed personal greetings to the large gathering, extending thanks to those attending, to her host chapter, to members of her family, and to those serving on committees for the evening.

Chairman for the event was Mrs. Inez Huffman, with Mrs. L. D. Tibbles in charge of the refreshment hour. Others assisting were Mrs. Claude Graham, Mrs. Clarence Rosewall, Mrs. Roy Quackenbush, Mrs. Del Piper, Mrs. Jim Thomson, and other members of the chapter.

Out of town guests were served a banquet in the American Legion hall prior to the reception. On Sunday morning breakfast was served in the Masonic hall by members of Ruth Assembly of Rainbow Girls, and their mothers.

Soroptimist Speaker Tells of Experiences At Girls Convention

Four Heppner High school seniors were guests of the Soroptimist club at its luncheon meeting last Thursday. Those present were Patti Healy, Cathy Schiller, Donna Pointer and Teresa Harshman, Presiding officer of the meeting was Mrs. Conley Lanham, vice-president.

Plans were discussed briefly for sponsoring the Turkey Hop dance on November 30, for all young people of the area. It will be held in the Fair Pavilion, with a local combo, "Burnt Sleep", furnishing the music.

Program speaker was Teresa Harshman who told of her experiences at Girls State convention on the Willamette University campus in Salem, June 9-14, with expenses paid by the club. The other delegate, Sara Miller, was sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary.

Teresa told of the appreciation which she gained for the democratic form of government, as exemplified in organizing and carrying out the work of city, county and state governments during the convention. The importance of setting up firm and workable rules and laws was experienced. Lasting friendships made with other girls attending was also of lasting value, she pointed out. Recordings of songs made by the massed chorus were enjoyed as background music during the luncheon.

Sponsoring a Girls' State delegate each year is one of the many youth projects supported by the Soroptimist club in its youth program.

At the business meeting on November 7, it was voted that the club would serve as a sponsor for one of the local Blue Bird groups.

Altar Society Plans For Coming Events

Members of St. Patrick's Altar Society met last Tuesday evening under the direction of Mrs. Harold Curnutt, president, to form plans for the annual Christmas party and other future projects of the club.

Mrs. Jack Healy, Mrs. Pat Brindle and Mrs. Jerry Sweeney were selected as a nominating committee to prepare for the election of new officers scheduled for next month.

Hostesses who served refreshments following the meeting were Mrs. Bill Kenny and Mrs. Wilbur Worden.

Society AND Clubs

Winners Announced For Make With Wool Contest in District

Miss June Pahl of Helix, modeling her smartly styled brown plaid two-piece walking suit, was named winner of the senior division in the district "Make With Wool" contest, held last Saturday at the Hermiton Elks Lodge. Miss Pahl will receive an all expense paid trip to the state contest, scheduled to be held in Portland December 6 at the Sheraton Hotel in the Lloyd Center.

Forty-one girls entered this year's competition, according to Mrs. Robert Hoskins of Ione, who is district director for the area including Wheeler, Morrow, Gilliam and Umatilla counties. Judging of the many entries was held in the morning prior to a luncheon at noon. Contestants modeled their entries in an afternoon style revue at which time winners were named. Judges for the contest were Mrs. Kay M. Tellefson of Milton-Freewater, Mrs. Kenneth Jackson of Hermiston, and Mrs. William Rawlins of Heppner.

Alternate winner in the senior division was Barbara Beamer of Ithaca. Also chosen to receive awards for their outstanding entries were Linda Heath of Heppner and Peggy Adams, both of whom scored highly in the competition.

First place winner in the junior division was Valerie Madison of Echo, who will also receive an all expense paid trip to Portland to compete in the state contest. Alternate winner in the junior division was Susan Walker and chosen to receive outstanding awards were Kathleen Hansell of Athena and Christy McQuinn of Fossil. Others who competed in this division were Darlene Warren, Sandra Flaiz and June Ledbetter of Heppner and Carley and Shauna Bergstrom of Ione.

Sub-deb division for girls ages 10-13 was won by Lori Bergstrom of Ione, who received a blue lambs wool felt given by Krebs Bros. sheep ranch of Cecil. Alternate winner in this division was Lori's older sister, Kay Bergstrom. Outstanding awards were presented to Martha Hughes of Pendleton and Diana Hurler of Hermiston.

The annual contest is sponsored by the Wool Growers Association and may be entered by any girl between the ages of 10-21. Garments entered in the contest must be made of 100 percent American loomed wool.

Sans Souci Visited By Deputy President; Names New Officers

Business meetings of Sans Souci Rebekah Lodge on October 18 and November 1 were devoted mainly to nominations of officers for the year 1968. Mrs. Jessie Furlong and Mrs. Reatha Adkins were hostesses for social hours in October. On November 1, Mrs. Jo Huston, noble grand, welcomed to the membership roll Mrs. Owens, transferring from a Vancouver, Wash., lodge. Mrs. Huston served refreshments.

On November 15, Mrs. Dimple Munkers, deputy president of District No. 20, made her visitation to the lodge, officially bearing the following qualify for seals of perfection in unwritten work under the current term of Assembly President Blanche Inel: Mrs. Altha Kirk, Mrs. Della Murray and Mrs. Opal Cook. Mrs. Huston presented a gift to Mrs. Munkers in behalf of Sans Souci. Mrs. Kirk, state member of the United Nations Pilgrimage committee, presented an honor Certificate of Participation in this project to Mrs. Munkers, from Holly Lodge No. 139. Mrs. Earl Eskelson, also a Holly member, was a guest of the evening. Mrs. Della Murray, a former member of Mountain Gem Lodge No. 57 of Union, was brought into the local lodge by transfer.

The following were elected to serve as officers for the year 1968: Mrs. Opal Cook, noble grand; Mrs. Reatha Adkins, vice grand; Mrs. Adelle LaTrace, recording secretary; Mrs. Betty Rood, treasurer, and Mrs. Della Murray, financial secretary. Birthdays cards were sent to Mrs. Emma Jones and Mrs. Josie Jones, veteran members; also a remembrance card to Mrs. Jane Payne of Condon.

Mrs. Lena Kelly was hostess for the social hour following the meeting.

Card Club Meets At Laughlin Home

Mrs. Robert Laughlin was hostess for two tables of pinocle at her home on Friday evening, November 15.

Mrs. Jerry Dougherty won high prize and pinocle, and Mrs. Merlin Hughes held low score. Mrs. Ken Turner was winner of the game prize by coming closest to the score predicted on her card preceding play.

Other players included Mrs. Ron Currin, Mrs. Dick Robison, Mrs. Mike Gray and Mrs. Robert Mahoney.

At the conclusion of the evening's play Mrs. Laughlin served a dessert of upside-down apple pie and coffee to her guests. Members are currently making plans for a Christmas party to be held next month. Low winners for the past year and their husbands will be hosts for a dinner party honoring the year's high score winners.

Noble Grands Plan For Coming Events

A good attendance and congenial evening of entertainment was reported by Mrs. Mabel Chaffee, who was hostess to members of the Past Noble Grands club of the Sans Souci Rebekah Lodge for their annual potluck dinner and regular meeting Thursday evening.

Plans were formed during the business meeting for a Christmas party to be held December 16 at the home of Mrs. Mary McMurry. At this time members will be asked to bring gifts to be mailed to a sister Rebekah who is confined to an Odd Fellows Rest Home in the Portland area.

Other items of business included election of new officers to serve the club for the coming year. Elected chairman was Mrs. Mary Bailey; Mrs. Chaffee will serve as vice-chairman, and Mrs. John Bergstrom is secretary. Secret pals for the past year were revealed and each member drew a new name for the coming year.

Assisting the honoree with the gift opening were Miss Theresa Monahan, Miss Mary Cox and Miss Majeske.

Game prize winners were Mrs. Lowell Chally, Mrs. Dallas Craber, Mrs. Donald Robinson and Mrs. Stuart Gribble. Door prize winner was Mrs. David Gray.

Miss Sue Boyd of Pendleton assisted the hostesses with serving refreshments to the guests. Friends of the engaged couple attended the shower from Pendleton, Adams, Spray and Prineville.

Frank Turner spent a recent weekend in Portland, where he went to visit Edna Turner who remains hospitalized in Allison General Convalescent hospital. Turner reports that his sister-in-law is getting along well and is able to be up and around only for brief periods. She is in room 227 for friends who may wish to correspond with her.

Friends Greet Couple On 25th Anniversary

The 25th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Van Biokland was observed Wednesday evening, November 13, when friends honored them at a no-host dinner party in the Wagon Wheel banquet room.

In keeping with the traditional silver wedding anniversary theme, decorations about the room included silver candles on the tables and silver and white wedding bells on the walls.

The honored couple was presented with a lovely white wedding cake trimmed in silver and pink, baked and decorated by Mrs. Harold Wright. Friends attending the dinner also presented them with an attractive silver-trimmed money tree, and many other gifts.

Among those who joined in the anniversary celebration were Dr. and Mrs. L. D. Tibbles, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Van Winkle, Mr. and Mrs. Don Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Corbin, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Terrel Benge, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Lovgren, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Balfe, and the hosts, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Gardner, and Mr. and Mrs. Matt Hughes.

Other friends of the couple who were unable to attend, were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Heinrich, Mrs. Snoda Blake and Mrs. Eva Griffith.

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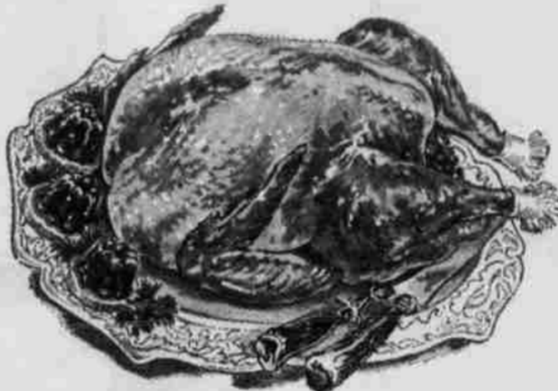
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