

Soroptimist Club Pursues Youth Programs

The Heppner Soroptimist Club's activities this fall have been varied. Most of the group attended a regional conference in La Grande in October. President Vi Lanham and past-president Elaine George took leading parts in the opening and closing meetings of the conference. Mrs. Lanham gave the welcoming address and Mrs. George, who was head of the Resolutions Committee read the committee's report just before the conference closed.

During October, the club gave a lively Halloween party for Heppner's sixth, seventh, and eighth graders. This club also acts as sponsors for Mrs. Ginger Keithley's Blue Bird group.

Last month a Thanksgiving Holiday Dance was arranged for Morrow County youth at the Fair Pavilion. A good crowd of college vacationers joined others in enjoying dancing to the music of Condon Air Force Base's Western Gentlemen. Mayor Bill Collins, the County Fair Board, Sheriff Mollahan, Bill Cox, Bob DeSpain assisted in making the dance successful. Money cleared on the dance goes into the Soroptimist Scholarship Fund.

This month the club has assumed responsibility for providing Christmas gifts for three needy families (fourteen people). For 1970 many more activities are already being lined up.

Boardman News

There were three tables of pinocle in play at the card party held at the Greenfield Grange hall Tuesday of last week, sponsored by the Women's Activity Committee of the grange. Mrs. Leonard Bedord was hostess.

High prize was won by Mrs. Arthur Allen and low went to Mrs. Albert Warnock. Mrs. Warnock and Mrs. Ed Kuhn received the traveling pinocle prizes.

Mrs. Leo Root returned home last week from a ten days visit at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. George Mefford, in Burns.

Ed Barlow has returned to his home in Riverside, Calif., after spending a week here at the home of his brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ball. He was called here by the serious illness of his other sister, Mrs. Zearl Gillespie, who is a patient in the Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Highley and sons Matt and Mike were recent visitors at the home of Mefford's sister, Mrs. Leo Root, on their way to Yakima, Wash. Mrs. Frank Marlow visited Friday and Saturday in Pendleton at the home of her sister, Mrs. Clarence Thomas. She also went to Milton-Freewater to visit her aunt, Mrs. A. C. Knudson, who is in the nursing home there.

The next Fellowship dinner at Boardman Community Church will be held Dec. 14 at 12:30 p.m. Friends are invited to attend. It is to be potluck.

The Christmas program at Riverside Junior-Senior High School will be presented the evening of Dec. 16 at 8 p.m. at the school. All parents and friends are invited to attend.

Snow fell a good part of the day Monday, but melted mostly as it fell and by evening was gone. Temperature was about 36 above.

Cafeteria menus for Riverside Junior-Senior High School for the week of Dec. 15-19 are as follows:

Monday—pizza, buttered carrots, filled graham crackers and fruit.

Tuesday—beef in gravy, whipped potatoes, tossed salad, corn bread and fruit.

Wednesday—hot dogs, potato chips, buttered corn and cobbler.

Thursday—chilliburgers, cottage cheese and fruit, pickles and Jell-O.

Friday—Christmas dinner. Bread, butter and milk are served with all meals.

The Hoof and Horns 4-H Livestock club held its first meeting this year on December 3. The new members are Bonnie Miller, Patricia Hughes, Kryn Robinson, Allen Burkenbine and Jimmy Kenny. They elected officers and had a film.

New officers are: president, Gwen Drake; vice president, Bonnie Miller; secretary-treasurer, Judy Bennett and news reporter, Patricia Hughes. The leaders are Terry Ashbeck and Jean Bennett. Our guest was Mrs. Robinson who always comes to the meetings. There will be another meeting on the 17 of this month to replace the meeting missed in November. Patricia Hughes, reporter

Farm Census Time Again



Farmers and ranchers throughout the United States will receive 1969 Census of Agriculture forms in the mail during January of 1970 and, for the first time, will be asked to fill them out and mail them back, preferably before February 15. The all-mail system assures greater privacy, economy and efficiency, according to officials of the U. S. Bureau of the Census. The results, released only in statistical form with no clue to the identity of any individual operator, provide the yardstick by which American agricultural advancement is measured each five years.

Local News Items

Mr. and Mrs. Jon Blake of Renton, Wn., are parents of an adopted son named Shawn Patrick. The baby is now five weeks old. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jones of Heppner are maternal grandparents and Mr. and Mrs. Keithley Blake of Gresham are paternal grandparents. Great-grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Jones of Heppner.

STEVE RHEA has brought down five or six Canadian Honkers but this fall while hunting on D. O. Nelsons stubblefield he shot his first banded goose. The SILVER band was marked with a serial number and ADVISE Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington. Steve took the band to Glen Ward, Heppner's game warden who sent the information in. Steve is anxiously waiting for information about where the Canadian Honker had been banded and what other information they will tell him.

Mothers Club met Monday

IRRIGON NEWS

Burrel Cooley was elected to a 3-year term on the board of the Irrigon Community Park and Recreation district in the annual election held Dec. 1. He replaces Bill Parker on the 3-member board which is headed by Orville Buchanan. Mrs. Wilma Elgin holds the other position.

The dwelling for the district's park attendant, was recently remodeled, receiving new shingles, paint and other needed repairs. It is presently occupied by Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Elgin.

An extensive development program is anticipated by the Corps of Engineers in the park this year before its operation is turned over to the district. Lack of funds has delayed development for several years, although some preliminary work has been done.

The park district, whose boundaries encompass a 9-mile square area, was formed in 1964 and was the first park district so formed in this part of the state.

A cantata "The Night the Angels Sang", will be presented by the Assembly of God Sunday School on Sunday evening, Dec. 14 at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. LaVelle Partlow is directing the choir. Pastor John Kenney is in charge of the annual program with Sunday School teachers assisting.

Members of the Assembly of God met for a potluck dinner, Sunday, in the newly decorated parsonage basement. The occasion was to honor members of the church whose birthdays were in Nov. or Dec.

The Nativity scene has been set up for Christmas.

Recent guests over the weekend at the Billy Griffin home were Mr. and Mrs. Coy Reed and family of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Liecht of Umatilla, Junior Morris of Portland, Mrs. June Early and daughters Linda and Leslie.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Murtishaw have returned to Irrigon from a 10-day trip to Fortuna, Calif., where they visited their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Humbert and boys. En route home, they stopped at Salem and visited Mrs. Murtishaw's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Hadwick and also Mr. and Mrs. Vern Gerberding and family.

evening at the home of Mrs. Vern Keithley to make wreaths for those in the nursing home section of the Pioneer Hospital. Last year the group made more than 20 wreaths to decorate the doors of each room. Last year one little old man asked if he could please have a wreath with pine cones on it because they reminded him of home. This year they plan to wire on lots of extra pine cones.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Hemenway and Gary and Bill Howard were over from Pilot Rock to spend Saturday here. They helped their great granddaughter celebrate her 1st birthday. Tina Michelle Davidson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Davidson and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Watkins also had as her guests that day Dee Dee Rood and Frances Peck.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cox and family went to Dayton, Wn., for Thanksgiving and to attend the wedding of Mrs. Cox's niece, Carol Mellor to Ken Messenger. Diane and Debby Cox were bridesmaids and David Cox was candlelighter.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern K. Evans, Irrigon, are parents of a daughter born Nov. 29 at St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton. She weighed 7 lb., 10 oz. Has been named Susan Ann, and joins five sisters at home. Grandparents are Mrs. Rose Francis, Pendleton, Mrs. Llyod Evans, Condon, and Vern Evans, Heppner.

Mr. Paul Morey spent the past week in Lexington and vicinity. Mrs. Myra Peck had spent the previous two weeks in Portland with Morey. While in Portland, Mrs. Peck had a medical check-up and accompanied the Moreys to see her brother, O. M. Yeager and his daughter, Frances, in Castle Rock, Wash., and to Oswego to visit her sister-in-law, Mrs. Lota B. Callaway and family. Mr. Morey and Mrs. Peck visited her sons Bud and Harold and their families in Heppner and Don and family in Pilot Rock and Emma Peck in Pendleton while in eastern Oregon.

Thanksgiving vacationers at the Millard Nolans were their daughters and sons-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James Bell of Tacoma and Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Miles and family of Clarkston, Wash. They were dinner guests of Vern Nolan on Thanksgiving. Mr. and Mrs. Miles also visited Mr. and Mrs. James Dunbar in Lexington.

A two-year-old Angus female consigned by Gary and Virginia Grieb Lexington, was named Grand Champion at the 12th annual Oregon Angus association Holiday sale on Dec. 6 at the state fairgrounds in Salem. This was a one day show and sale with 42 Angus females entered. The Grieb consignment was one of the top selling females.

Tom Shear was in Eugene for Thanksgiving. While there he went to the hospital to visit Betty Brown. He reports she is in good spirits and doing very well following surgery. Miss Brown is the Home Ec teacher at HHS and expects to be back on the job after Christmas. Mr. Shear is Heppner Schools' art instructor.

Irrigon Council Fills Vacancy

By FRANCES ROSE WILSON

IRRIGON—In the December Council meeting Felix Friend was appointed to the vacant Council seat created by Richard Stanley's resignation. There remains one year of the term.

The controversial issue of charging all who had water meters installed regardless of whether they were being used or not was tabled indefinitely. Although the amount of revenue currently being brought in is short of monthly needs, there appears to be sufficient funds within the department to allow the situation time to rectify itself. Several had expressed a willingness to be assessed the minimum charge before actual connection to the system, others were bitterly opposed to "paying for something they were not using." Mayor Wilson stated that he believed that a sufficient number of services would be used to meet the requirements in a short time, without imposing assessments which would discourage future developments.

Other business included a discussion of some funds not used in construction and a number of needed items were listed to be submitted for approval. Among these will be plans for 8 more fire hydrants which if installed, will give the city a total of 13 and put almost every building in the city, within the area reached by the water system no farther than 500 feet from a fire hydrant. Under present pumping conditions the amount of water available is comparatively small, having quick access could save homes in case of fire, and possibly lower insurance rates in the area.

Pastor Herbert E. Vaughan of the Community Baptist Church of Irrigon, extends an invitation to attend the services on Christmas Sunday, Dec. 21. Morning

Worship at 11:00 with the message being given the 4th in a series on "Christmas Gifts". The gift of love.

The Christmas Program by the Sunday School will be at 7:30 p.m. as follows:

Vocal solo: Mark Adams, "The First Noel"; "Welcome" — Mark Eppenbach; "Baby Jesus"—Reesa Collingwood; "Beacon Light"—Brenda Eppenbach; "Go Tell It On the Mountain"—Group song Beginners and Primary; "If I Could Shout"—Scott Adams.

"The King's Mask"—Virgil Morgan; "The Wisemen Come"—Laurie Morgan; "Like Jesus"—Monica Eppenbach; "Away in a Manger"—Group song Beginners and Primary; "My Prayer"—Tammie Collingwood; "Silent Night"—Group song with the Congregation.

Motion picture film, with sound, color, "The Christmas Spirit".

A crowd of about 125 attended the Cantata, "The Night the Angels Sang" on Sunday evening, at the Assembly of God. Pastor Herbert E. Vaughan and the congregation of the Baptist Church, dismissed their service to attend the program. Next Sunday night Pastor John Kenney and the Assembly of God congregation, will attend the program and film presentation at the Baptist Community Church.

Other features of the program were a skit "The Friendly Beasts" by the Beginner and Primary boys. A reading by Verdi Isom to the Nursery class. A solo by Mrs. Dolores Pummel "The Infant Jesus".

Annual election of officers of the Community Baptist Church, was held Sunday after the morning service. The following officers were elected: Church clerk, Sylvia Morgan; Treasurer, Mrs.

Norman Eppenbach; Financial Secretary, Naomi Marlow; Sunday School Superintendent, Mrs. Elbert Eppenbach; Assist. S. S. Superintendent, Sylvia Morgan; Members of the Diaconate; Elbert Eppenbach, Mary Adams, Faye Eppenbach, Naomi Marlow, Janice Faye Eppenbach, Betty Eppenbach. Trustees: Elbert Eppenbach, Elva Sanders, Wayne Eppenbach. Advisory Board Members at large: Mary Adams, Elnora Paxson, Pastor, Rev. Herbert E. Vaughan announces these are officers for the calendar year, 1970.

Mrs. Ilda Dillon of Lorane, Ore., has been here since Thanksgiving, visiting her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Dillon, and other friends who live in the area. Mr. Dillon took her home this past weekend, expecting to return the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fegert returned from Idaho Falls,

Four-H Cooking Cuties II and III met at the home of our leader, Mrs. Gladys Hobbs. We elected officers. President, Peggy Brandt; vice president, Greta LeBlanc; secretary, Pam Schneider. We decided to have a baked foods sale Nov. 22 at Lee's Texaco.

The members made biscuits and desserts with cereal products during the meeting. Our next meeting will be Dec. 14. Kathleen Evans, reporter

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McIntosh of Ione went to Newberg for Thanksgiving with their three children: Mr. and Mrs. Eldon McIntosh and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ward and family and Mrs. Sandra Antrim and family.

where they spent Thanksgiving with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Corsi and children, Cheryl, Randy, Melinda and Christine.

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