

IFYE Student Tells Life As in Japan

It takes 8 years to learn how to use a typewriter with the Japanese alphabet was one piece of astounding information that Larry Larwood, IFYE to Japan told members of Soroptimist Club at their luncheon meeting Jan. 7 at the Wagon Wheel.

He wore a kimono, typically worn by the men in Japan and showed one doll from his collection. Karla Weatherford modeled one of the kimonos worn by the Japanese girls.

Larry was privileged to attend a Japanese wedding. Japan's agriculture includes raising rice with acreages limited as wheat is here. No sprays are used to control weeds which are pulled by hand for control. Poultry production is a big industry and growing with a million chickens a year going to Japan from the United States.

Larry went through an Egg Packing shed where the machine came from New Hampshire. Japanese produce chrysanthemums, tomatoes and cucumbers under glass. His host family had 7 acres of greenhouse. Mandarin oranges are picked green and in the six days it takes to get to Tokyo the oranges are ripe. The orange picking machine had been made in New York.

He toured Pottery plants and steel mills.

He visited temples and shrines. In his stay there, he became proficient at cutting rice by hand. He was as fast or faster than the natives and was much in demand by neighbors of his host family who would call up and ask "Is the American boy busy today?"

How to become an IFYE
An IFYE is selected a year before leaving. An applicant must be between the ages of 20-50 years, single, with a rural background.

Before leaving for their designated country, IFYE's spend five weekends at Oregon State listening to former IFYE's, head of departments at the college in horticulture, animal husbandry, etc.

The men pass a stiff physical examination, take all the shots and Larry says "There's a bunch". They spend 10 hours a day for three days in Washington, D. C., learning about the country to which they are going. They are cautioned "Don't goof off". Dysentery is a problem in the Asian countries. Each one is given three pounds of medical supplies which Lar-

ry says he was happy to leave with his Japanese friends.

Debriefing
Larry stressed the importance of the debriefing period. He came from Japan with nine other IFYE's with a stop over in Hawaii. He said a person just couldn't imagine the shock of seeing his first blond in six months because in Japan everyone had black hair. He saw hippies again, his first in six months.

He explained how the cost of the program is handled. The State of Oregon has contributed \$1000 towards each IFYE and the Banker's Assn. contributes.

Lenna Smith, president, announced the Soroptimist business meeting on Jan. 14 at the City Hall and Kirk Horn would give the program on Jan. 21 on Use of Drugs.

The first of the senior girls who are guests of the Soroptimists during the winter and spring meetings attended the meeting. The girls were Tana Rauch, Liz Stephens, Lisa Cutsforth and Karla Weatherford.

Mrs. Clayton Sweek was introduced as a new member. Birdine Tullis was also a guest and introduced the IFYE who made his home with the Jack Summers while he was in the country.

Elks Initiate Four New Members

Seventy Elk members and friends enjoyed a roast beef dinner Thursday evening. There were members of the Hermiton lodge attending. They came over to help with the initiation of four new members to the lodge. New members are Mike Sweeney, John Dubuque, Stan Addison, Jim Carr.

Members of the Thursday Night Bridge Club prepared and served the dinner. They were Mrs. Arnie Hedman, Mrs. Riley Munkers, Mrs. Ernie McCabe, Mrs. Dick Meador, Mrs. Nona Sowell, Mrs. Jerry Sweeney, Mrs. Terry Thompson and Mrs. Ray Boyce.

During the lodge meeting there were five tables of bridge and two of pinochle with Mrs. Bill Siewert in charge of the bridge and Madge Bryant the pinochle. Mrs. W. C. Collins won the high prize at bridge and a guest from Hermiton won second high. Mrs. Sara Adkins had high score in pinochle and Mrs. Howard Keithley had second high. Mrs. W. W. Weatherford won the door prize.

Volunteer Appeal To Help March of Dimes

Come one, come all and help in the fight to prevent birth defects.

Mrs. Elwayne Bergstrom, 1971 March of Dimes campaign director, is issuing this call throughout Morrow County to help in the annual January appeal for funds.

"Volunteers are needed," she said, "to carry out the varied tasks of a fund-raising drive. These include placing coin collectors on store counters, setting up dime boards in restaurants, addressing mail appeals, handling telephone calls at headquarters and planning Mother's March activities."

Mrs. Bergstrom points out that the fight to prevent birth defects has never looked more hopeful. The March of Dimes supports programs throughout the year aimed at continuing this progress. Research, patient care and education are powerful weapons in the goal of a healthy birthright for every newborn.

According to Mrs. Bergstrom, contributions to the March of Dimes are channeled into the work carried out at The Sacred Heart General Hospital in Eugene, and University of Oregon Medical School at Portland. For further information about volunteer work call Mrs. Elwayne Bergstrom.

Anyone wishing to contribute his or her efforts in any way is asked to call the community leaders: Mrs. Bergstrom and Mrs. Len Ray Schwarz, co-chairmen of the campaign. Mothers March chairmen are: Mrs. Jerry Anderson, Heppner; Mrs. Ralph Kincaid, Ione; Mrs. Dan Daltoso, Boardman and Irigon. Jamie Smith of Heppner High School is Teen Age Program chairman.

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MOLLY SAUL, Home Extension Agent for Morrow and Umatilla Counties, who will teach the January Home Extension lessons.

Kinzua Dance Club Chooses Leaders

KINZUA—The Kinzua Mountaineers Square Dance Club held their January meeting Saturday night at the 1st Grade Room with President Marvin Saddler in charge and 14 members present.

Election of officers for 1971 was held with Earl Norris elected president, Glenn Perkins as vice-president, and Betty Murdoch as secretary-treasurer. Classes were started for Square Dancing in Fossil on Jan. 10 from 3 to 5 p.m. in the high school general room under the supervision of caller Bob Jewett of Condon. Diplomas were presented to the 1970 class consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Saddler, Mr. and Mrs. Verlin Conner, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Kan-

Livestock Club Meets

The North Lexington Livestock Club met at the home of Darla and Ricky Rea. There were nine members present. The vice-president Chris called the meeting to order.

It was voted by the club to purchase material to make road signs and a fair sign. We will have a bake sale at Del's Market on Feb. 13. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Rea.

Jack Sweek In West Pacific

Navy Petty Officer Third Class Jack D. Sweek, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack O. Sweek of Monument, is serving aboard the ammunition ship USS Haleakala in the Western Pacific.

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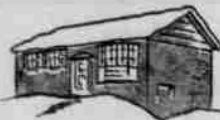
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