

Party Line

By Dorothy Zita

Do you hear the jingle of Christmas bells? Is the jingle in the pockets getting less? Just seven days left until Ole St. Nick arrives. The stores are ready to meet those last minute shoppers with stock shelves and will be open Monday and Tuesday evening, Dec. 22-23 til 9 p.m. Also the Cole's House of Fashion are having a Men's Only Night Friday evening, Dec. 19.

Carolyn Cole said refreshments are going to be served. Sounds like an easy relaxed night for the men shoppers. We have a pet rock sitting on Ernie's desk, so far I haven't seen it do a thing... Ernie thinks it is a lazy pet rock, because all it does is sleep and stay in it's box. The weather here is too cold and the trip was too exhausting. But I'm waiting... waiting...

Visiting with his mother, Rachel Harnett, was Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Harnett, Boise, ID. Royce Fulleton said "It was one of the best trips I've had, even better than my trip to France last summer." Carlene West, "We sure had a lot of fun. Wish I could tell you of some of the things we did, but I might hurt some feelings." Even Stan Kemp came home with a new cowboy hat. How much did it cost Stan? The topic of conversation this week is the National Final Rodeo held in Oklahoma City, OK, held last weekend.

Flying to the rodeo with a chartered tour were: Mr. and Mrs. Royce Fulleton, Mr. and Mrs. Don Evans, Mr. and Mrs. John Eubanks, Mr. and Mrs. Jim West, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Rhea, Mike Hurdleston, John Ledbetter and Stan Kemp. Also Mr. and Mrs. Bill West and Mr. and Mrs. Greg Brooks and infant daughter, Arlington.

Ora Evans and granddaughter Robin met Mr. and Mrs. Royce Fulleton and gave them the tour of the Windward Stud Farm that Robin and her husband own there.

Did you realize that all these years, we have been the victims of our parents, and our children are now our victims of us. Sounds pretty bad. Now we find out, the Santa Claus tale is not to be told. It seems as though when the child is old enough to know it's just a tale, the traumatic effect it leaves on the child is, the child will not trust his parents again. Really I read that somewhere. Do you doctors across the street agree?

Charley Daly is convalescing from recent major surgery at St. Anthony's Hospital, Pendleton.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Munkers have returned from Portland, where Mrs. Munkers was a patient at Providence Hospital. She has been transferred to Pioneer Memorial Hospital, and is able to have visitors.

The evening of Dec. 14 Beta Omega chapter of ESA began their progressive dinner for members and husbands at Linda LaRue's home for appetizers. From there to Liz Ernsts for salads and the main course at Sue Proudfoots. Desserts were at Monica Swansons and to climax the evening a charming, friendly Santa Claus appeared to pass out the secret sister gifts.

Ione Garden Club members enjoyed a delightful luncheon Dec. 10 at the home of Mrs. Frank Osmin with Mrs. George Miller assisting. During the morning members packed 25 containers of homemade cookies and candy to be taken to shut-in and singles in the community. Some were also taken to friends in Heirsche's and Good Samaritan Nursing Homes. Besides the 13 members present, Mrs. Wayne Hams and Mrs. Bob Oswalt were guests.

During the business meeting a special presentation of a leather identification tag was made to Mrs. Frank Osmin by Mrs. Fred Martin and she told of the establishment of the club in 1949.

The Twelfth Night Observance will be held on Jan. 6 at the Rietmann lot at 3:30 p.m. Townspeople are invited to bring their Christmas greens so that they may be burned at this time. Everyone in the community is invited to participate in the Burning of the Greens ceremony said the committee members Jean Nelson, Norma Rea and Thelma Ling.

Mrs. Lee Pettyjohn reported she had collected 80 posters made by school children from kindergarten thru the sixth grade for the Smokey the Bear and Woodsy Owl contests. Local prizes will be presented to the winners and the top posters will be sent to district and state competition.

There was concern expressed about a need for litter control throughout the city. Various suggestions were made to solve the problem. The January meeting will be open to the public with the showing of pictures of historic gardens at 3 p.m. in the social rooms of the United Church of Christ.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Martin, Lake Oswego, are the parents of a daughter, Mari Dracine was born Dec. 10 and weighed 4 lbs., 14 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fredrick Martin, Ione; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Smith, Crows Landing, CA. Great grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Horton, Dallas, OR.

IONE NEWS

By Julie Nelson

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jim Howton, Dec. 10. He weighed 7 lbs., 11 oz. and has been named Benjamin John. Grandparents are Mrs. Eva Christopher, Pendleton and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Howton, Hermiston.

A baby shower for Bridger J. Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baker was held at St. William's Catholic Church. Hostesses were Monica Swanson, Cathi Peterson and Bev Doherty. The cake was baked and decorated by Maryann McElligott with an upside-down blue umbrella, flowers cascading around it and miniature toys placed on top. Pouring tea and coffee was Pauline Gorger, cutting the cake Bev Doherty and pouring punch was Susan (Baker) Kindrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvin McCabe attended the Oregon State Fair Convention in Portland. Ruth McCabe spent the past two weeks visiting her daughter Chris and husband Steve Eldridge and family in Freeport, N.Y. Because of the United Airlines strike she could only fly as far as Portland. From there she traveled by bus to Umatilla.

Anyone wishing to go caroling Sunday evening can meet at Del and Linda LaRues at 7 p.m. A truck with hay for the carolers will be furnished. The Ione High School Jr. class is having a traveling food sale Dec. 22 after school. Orders will be taken by calling Joan Doherty, 423-7177.

The school Christmas program will be Dec. 22, 7:30 in the cafeteria. Students will be dismissed for Christmas vacation at 1:15 p.m., Dec. 23. School will resume Jan. 5, 1976. The Jr. high boys A team beat Riverside 35-29 and the B team lost 12-19. On Thursday, Dec. 18 they will play Arlington here at 2 p.m. The Jr. high girls played Heppner last week instead of Riverside and lost 21-29.

The Rev. William Arthur, formerly of Ione, was installed as minister of the Condon United Church of Christ Sunday at 4:30 p.m. Giving the sermon was the Rev. Charles Ross, moderator of the Central Pacific Conference and minister of the Parkrose Community Church. Other ministers assisting were The Rev. Fred Haag of Bethel Congregational in White Salmon, WA, Father Charles Dreisdach, St. Johns Catholic Church, Condon and the Rev. Bill Graham of Ione United Church of Christ.

The reception was held in the Church Fellowship Hall. Those attending from Ione were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pettyjohn, Helen McCabe, Don Bristow and Mary Lindsey.

The Ione Rainbow Girls annual Christmas party was Monday night following the business meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Buckendorf, Heppner, entertained with two songs. Santa Claus passed out the secret pal gifts and gave oranges and candy to everyone. Secret pals of 1975 were

revealed. Christmas carols were sung and refreshments served.

CWA is having a meeting and installation of officers on Saturday, 2 p.m. The Grange Christmas party and potluck supper will be at 6:30 p.m. that evening and the public is invited.

On Dec. 11 Mrs. Clell Rea gave a birthday party for Vera Rietmann. Those attending were Ruby Roberts, Edith Nicholson, Laura Holtz, Bulah Sherer, Lou Macintosh, Geneva Palmer, Mary Ann Palmer, Muriel Palmer and Mary Wright.

Mr. and Mrs. Clell Rea were in Portland over the weekend visiting Ruth Lundell and Francis Rea. Richard Rea was in Ione last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Crabtree and Tara; Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Quenell, Tacoma, WA, and Mrs. Blanche Scheelar spent the weekend at Mr. and Mrs. Leo Crabtrees for an early Christmas celebration.

Don't forget the traveling bake sale, Dec. 19, 10:30 a.m. by the Beta Omega sorority.

The Willows Grange Christmas program and meeting will be held Dec. 20 at the Grange Hall. The potluck dinner will be served at 6:30. During the program Santa will visit the children and members. Friends of the Grange are invited to attend.

The Willows Grange C.W.A. will hold their Christmas party and meeting Dec. 20, 2 p.m. at the Grange Hall.

The district chairman for C.W.A., Mrs. Burl Akers, will install the 1976 officers. Mrs. Lee Palmer, chairman; Mrs. Loy Keene, vice-chairman; Mrs. Marian Palmer, secretary; and Mrs. Perry Morton, Treasurer.

Christmas gifts will be exchanged, and the secret sisters will be revealed. Members are asked to bring cookies for refreshments.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Watson (nee Lisa Cutsforth), Llana, LA, a son, John Orville, 1 lb., 5 oz., born Dec. 5, 1975.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. O.W. Cutsforth; Mr. and Mrs. John Watson, Memphis, TN. Great grandmother is Mrs. Minerva Denslinger, The Dalles, OR.

To Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Walsh, a son, Matthew David, 7 lbs., 9 oz., born Dec. 11. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Darrel McLachlan, Heppner, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold (Tiny) Walsh, Arlington.

Great grandparents are Mrs. Erma Keithley, Heppner, Mr. and Mrs. E.W. Hale, Tigard; and Mrs. Ermine Thompson, Aurora.

Traveling Bake Sale, Ione—Dec. 19, 10:30 a.m.

Soroptimists Woman of Achievement

The first award given at this year's Morrow County Livestock Growers Luncheon went to Rachel Scherzinger Harnett from the Soroptimist International of Heppner for unusual service to the community. It was presented by Soroptimist President Evelyn Sweek who said:

"Rachel Harnett was born in this county in 1906, the daughter of Charlotte Shipley Scherzinger and Henry Scherzinger, pioneers who settled here in 1877 and took up their homestead in Spring Hollow off Rhea Creek. The land is still family owned by Rachel and her son Melvin and is farmed for them by Shorty Peck.

"Rachel began and completed her public schooling in Heppner and graduated from Heppner High School in 1924. She attended Oregon State College for several years. She is a member of the Christian Church, the Order of Eastern Star, is Past Noble Grand of the Sans Souci Rebekah Lodge, a past president of the Kate Young Degree of Honor Protective Association, a life member of the Disabled American Veterans Auxiliary and a charter member and a director of the Morrow County Historical Society.

On behalf of the Soroptimist Club, Mrs. Sweek presented Rachel with a gold and black desk set engraved "To Morrow County's 1975 Woman of Achievement."

"She lived away from Morrow County for a time in Lebanon, OR, and she returned here in 1960 after the death of her husband, Marion Harnett. She was selected curator of the county museum prior to its opening in June of that year. In 1961 she began teaching knitting to 4-H girls and has had many prize-winning pupils. For a number of years she served as Mother Advisor to the Rainbow Girls Assembly in Heppner."

Rachel's son Melvin Harnett is employed by the State of Idaho as an inspector of nursing homes and hospitals. He and his wife Barbara and their three children, Dawn, Sherrie and Sean came from Boise to attend the luncheon with Rachel.

Mrs. Harnett has cataloged each item in the county museum and has compiled over 400 folders of information about county families. She gives much time and effort above and beyond the hours for which the county and museum board engage her.



EVELYN SWECK AND RACHEL HARNETT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Chamber of Commerce, Elks Lodge Heppner Lions Club Mon. noon
- 1st & 3rd Tues., Wagon Wheel Boardman Lions Club 6:45 a.m.
- 1st & 3rd Thurs., Boardman Grange Hall Senior Citizens Dinner 8 p.m.
- Elks Lodge, Tues & Wed. 4:30 p.m.
- Boys Scouts of America, Elks San Souci Rebekah Lodge, Heppner, 1st & 3rd Fridays American Legion Aux., Christmas Food Sale, Heppner Hotel lobby Dec. 19, 10 a.m.
- Traveling Bake Sale, Ione Bake Sale, HHS Freshman Class, Murrays Fri., Dec. 19, 10:30
- Winter Christmas Concert, High school gym Dec. 20, 10-1 p.m.
- Mon., Dec. 22, 7:30 p.m.

- ★ Pant suits
- ★ Slacks
- ★ Sweaters
- ★ Blouses
- ★ Shirts
- ★ Vests
- ★ Jackets
- ★ Coats
- ★ Nightgowns
- ★ Robes to match
- ★ Purses
- ★ Scarfs
- ★ Lingerie
- ★ Bikinis
- ★ Jeans
- ★ Dresses
- ★ Long gowns

Men Only
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(she's made a list and we have it)



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