



New Zealander Jenni Haworth (r) is introduced to the intricacies of box hockey by fellow 4-H camp counselor Janet McElligott.

4H exchange student---

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This year's camp at Cutsforth Park took on an international flavor with the addition of camp counselor Jenni Haworth of Kimbottom, New Zealand.

Jenni is spending about seven months on tour in conjunction with the International Farm-4-H Youth Exchange program. She is now staying with the Ivan Hunter family of Fossil and on July 27 she will be leaving Oregon for two and a half months in South Dakota.

From there, it's on to Washington D.C., for a conference with other IFYE'ers who have traveled around the country this summer.

Jenni plans to squeeze in a trip to Canada before traveling

to England in October where she will stay until she returns to Kimbottom next January.

This is her first trip to North America from her New Zealand home where she is an elementary school teacher. Her mother is also a teacher, her father is a bank manager and a younger brother attends a New Zealand university. Her grandparents are the farmers in the family and to them Jenni credits her involvement in the future farmers organization which brought her into the exchange program.

Prior to her stay in Fossil, Jenni had spent a month in California and also some time in both Corvallis and Eugene. She said Eastern Oregon reminded her a lot of New Zealand

although the farming is more intensive there and sheep farming is much more prevalent.

Highlights of the 4-H camp for Jenni included the closing bonfire and "crowdad" ceremonies along with the dreamboat pageant on Cutsforth pond. Also, it was her first opportunity to sleep in a tent and she was introduced to other new experiences such as driftwood craft-making and that ingenious game of ours known as box hockey.

Returning the compliment of sharing new experiences, Jenni introduced the campers to the customs and costumes of the Maori's, natives of New Zealand. She taught the youngsters a Maori dance and showed them

slides of her homeland. Her busy schedule keeps her on the move but while staying with each host family she says she tries to get into the family atmosphere as much as possible—helping with the animals on the farm and attending events with the family such as the Fourth of July celebration in Condon.

"It's a lovely experience. I've met so many interesting people so far and everyone has been so kind", she said. It goes both ways as wach of the 4-H campers left the camp with good thoughts and best wishes for "international Jenni".

4H news

81 attend 4H camp

Perfect weather, fun...time to just relax and play games or learn crafts, fish, hike, archery, plus special things like puppet shows and singing by campfire light, all teamed together to make the annual 4-H Camp a happy time for eighty-one campers from Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler, and Sherman counties last week.

Mornings were devoted to classes which all campers attended, with instructors Terry Lilybridge of Morrow Soil Conservation Service, Milt Boring, Gun Safety expert of Fossil, Dorothy Zimmerman, Condon; Joanne Kock, Sherman Extension Service, state Forestry Service personnel; and Todd Harrison and Kathy Wolff, Morrow County older 4-H members.

Afternoons were devoted to crafts, with instruction from Birdine Tullis, Francine Evans, and Mike Howell. All counselors assisted with classes and a number served as teachers for various crafts. Most campers had a hand crafted souvenir to take home as a memento of the camp.

Creative names and decorations appeared almost immediately to welcome campers to the tent city, with all tent names and signs relating to the theme chosen by the counselors. A special event included in the camp program this year was a final closing ceremony just before lunch, for the enjoyment of parents who arrived to share a time with their campers. Eric Thompson, Heppner, was named super camper, and each tent selected a camper to be named "crowdad", a traditional honor of the camp program in Morrow County. Also included in closing ceremonies was a presentation of a gift to Mike Howell, in appreciation of his work with the 4-H program. By special request, a puppet show was repeated for the enjoyment of both campers and their parents.

Counselors were: Pam, Cantin, Kathy Wolff, Janet McElligott, Bobbie Devine, Scott Pattee, Matt Wiemer, Coleman Devine, Dianne Alley, Barb Cooney, Robin Hunt, Debbie Justensen, Tami Morris, Donna Palmer, Donna Sharp, Paul Bird, Todd Harrison, Bill Kock, Debra Palmer, Lisa Kock, and Donald

Richards.

Staff for the camp were Mike Howell, Birdine Tullis, Joanne Kock and Martin Zimmerman. A special guest of the camp was Jenni Haworth, New Zealand IFYE, who is visiting Wheeler County. The 4-H camp program is a

highlight of the year for both campers and counselors. The program offers the counselors the opportunity to share the many skills they have learned through the 4-H program with the younger members, as well as develop leadership. The 4-H counselor is idolized and imitated by the younger campers, and

it offers a challenge to the counselor to live up to the image. The traditions passed from counselors to campers are often those repeated from year to year. Cutsforth speedways is now a memory for both campers, counselors, and staff. We hope it is a good memory!

Society discusses events

At their quarterly meeting, June 28, at secretary Ruth McCabe's lone home, Morrow County Historical Society directors discussed coming events and made plans.

Food clinic

The season of plenty is with us, and many homemakers will be interested in drying fruits and vegetables. Both are delicious dried, and provide tasty, healthy snacks as well as other uses. Molly Saul, an expert on the subject of drying foods will be sharing her knowledge with all interested on July 19, 7:30 p.m. in Heppner. There is no charge to attend and all are welcome.

Riding aid offered

Monday evenings, 7 p.m. at Murray's Arena, Ione, you'll find 4-H leaders Linda LaRue, Nancy Hoeker, and Kristy Crowell ready to assist 4-H members and others interested in sharpening their skills at both English and Western equitation. With the 4-H Horse Show coming up on August 7, members should take advantage of the opportunity to gain experience as well as getting their horses tuned up and ready for competition.

No need to call ahead, just bring your horse and join the fun!

Another grave-marking day is contemplated soon. The matter of public showings of the old movies taken by Bert Sigsbee was discussed and tabled for further consideration and—possibly inclusion in the program of the first-Sunday in October annual meeting.

It was decided to hold this year's annual meeting in Heppner, probably at the County Fairgrounds. Louise Keene and Justine Weatherford will work at arranging the program. The dinner committee for that day includes: Delpha Jones, Ruth

McCabe, Kathleen Hisler and Barbara Bloodworth.

It was determined that the society will have a booth at the fair. Pres. Delpha Jones will appoint a committee to work on this project.

A report was given about the cataloging and displaying of historical articles at the Morrow County Courthouse.

Mrs. Jones said she expects the several special committees to meet and work at their projects before the fair and before the next society meeting in October.

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