

# AROUND

with Justine Weatherford

Letha Archer was honored by about 50 persons who attended the 9th birthday party for her in the Christian Church social rooms last Saturday. Letha surely knows plenty about this area where she has lived so long and continues to manage so well.

Several persons were asking why the flags flew along Main Street on February 25? Because I've already made several mistakes about February dates, I could only guess that they were up either in honor of the 81st Elks Annual or for Letha's birthday.

Regardless of why they were put up or by whom, I was a bit shocked to find them still flying about 10 p.m. Saturday night, many hours after sundown. It was so cold and wet and most of the flags were flying in spots that were not lighted well enough to qualify for 24-hour display.

It was good to find that they had been taken down before Sunday morning's large, mushy snowflakes fell. I presume they were carefully dried out before being stored for their next display date.

If you were downtown, and lots of people were, last Saturday night, you might have thought that it was the height of hunting season or that some local high school team had just won state honors. What traffic—what a crowd!

The 81st Elks Annual and the enlarged, nicely decorated lodge facilities and the two very special musical aggregations, the "our own" Lenning Family upstairs and the popular Jim Ackley Band downstairs, really brought out folks from miles around.

Well, after my extended, young Weatherford family members took off toward their new Navy work at San Diego, I found a little time to glance through a stack of periodicals which I had ignored for over two weeks.

Several items of interest caught my attention. In a Coin Laundry trade paper I read about an innovation which I hope doesn't come here for sometime.

"Have some suds while you do your duds" is the slogan of a coin-operated laundry in Fort Lauderdale, Florida, which since last December has been serving beer and wine in its Laundry Lounge. Now a new twist has been added—topless dancers. There's no cover charge for the show, but the price of a draft jumps from 40 to 75 cents while the ladies wiggle through the wash cycles.

Another, longer selection of interest to me, is in the February 1978, Changing Times magazine. It is an article on Keeping your own name when you marry. This is a choice we older females never considered, but which is making itself evident in our modernizing community.

The article points out that if the Equal Rights Amendment is ratified, requiring women to change their names upon marriage will become unconstitutional. It lists advantages of keeping one's birthname forever, such as its use for social security, for passports, for life-long credit and on employment records.

However, the author warns "Because retaining your maiden name bucks tradition, you may encounter problems with your own family...some parents and in-laws refuse to address mail to a woman in her maiden name and may believe that maintaining separate names after marriage indicates plans for divorce."

Several ladies have told me that they resent being labeled "Ms." I agree with them. I am very proud of my own family name, but I want people to know that I carry a name that was by his choice and mine a legal arrangement. I am maybe just too old for Ms.—I prefer to be addressed as Mrs. which indicates that Weatherford was not my original family name, but is a name I am proud to wear now.

Now March (formerly Martius) is upon us with three more days than last month.

Morrow County schools' spring break and the religious celebration of Easter will be here soon.

Two springtime (if it ever comes) events you should look forward to both are concerned with cleanup. The larger community effort and a smaller public library effort are both set for pre-Easter. So plan ahead!

The community-wide effort will take place between March 18 and March 25. The smaller public library effort is also set to end before Easter.

The community Spring Cleanup will take place between March 18 and March 25. The annual library sale of surplus books is planned, during library hours, from March 13

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through March 23. The first campaign costs only some effort and planning and relies on the assertion of community pride. The library sale will present a wide variety of used books at ridiculously low prices. So be setting aside some nickles, dimes and quarters for this annual opportunity to increase your home library.

The library board stated at its last meeting that any surplus books that are left after this selling effort will be taken to a recycling center, which, I guess, is better than burning or dumping books.

## Christopher Nathan joins Michael Elder family

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Elder of Eugene are proud to announce the birth of a son, Christopher Nathan, on Saturday, Jan. 14. He weighed in at 8 pounds 12½ ounces, joining sister Heidi in the Elder home.

Mrs. Elder is the former Evelyn Jepson of this area.

Christopher's grandparents are Walter Jepson of Ione and Mrs. Sandford Elder of Eugene.

## State AAUW president to visit local group Saturday

Anne Doherty, president of the Heppner Branch of the American Association of University Women, reminds members that the Oregon State President Marilyn Zook will be in Heppner this Saturday, March 3.

Zook will be the guest of honor at the organization's March meeting, a no-hostess luncheon at the West of Willow beginning at 11 a.m.

She will exchange ideas with local members and will update their knowledge of the state organization's affairs.

Heppner members will be electing officers for their branch for next year and will also discuss the establishment of a scholarship fund which will be financed by contributions and revenue from the organization's annual Decem-

ber Artifacts.

The book review and study group will hold its monthly meeting Monday, March 13, at 7:30 p.m. at Debbie Sheirbon's home in Lexington. The first

two or three monthly sessions Passages by Gail Sheely will be discussed. Anyone interested in joining the group contact Chloe Pearson, 676-5035.

## Adventists welcome special guests

Saturday, March 4, Seventh-day Adventists from Spray and Condon will be guests of the Heppner church in a district meeting here. Sabbath School will begin at its regular time, 9:30 a.m. with the worship service at 11 a.m.

The special events of the worship hour services will begin with a baptism. Following this a guest speaker from

Spokane, S.L. Folkenberg, will present the morning's sermon. His theme will be "The Joy of Partnership with God."

Folkenberg will speak again at 2:30 p.m. and at the 5 p.m. Vesper service.

A fellowship potluck dinner will follow the 11 a.m. service. Anyone is welcome to attend any or all of the activities.

## Ione senior girls and mothers attend tea organized by Topic Club

The girls in the senior class of Ione High School and their mothers were honored Tuesday, Feb. 21, at a tea organized by the Ione Topic Club. Held in the social rooms of the Ione United Church of Christ, the program consisted

of a Welcome by Martha Peterson, Topic Club president; a vocal solo, "Far Away Places" by Wilma Cheney accompanied by Marilyn Rietmann; the club history by Jean Nelson; violin solos, "All My Love" and "If I Give My Heart to You" by Frances Smouse; and a humorous story by Martha Peterson.

Guests for the day included Jan Peterson, Mrs. Herb Peterson, Natalie Tews, Mrs. Paul Tews, Carol McElligott,

June Crowell, Grace McElligott, Mrs. Jerry McElligott, Tammie Tucker, Mrs. Gladys Drake, Jeanie Piening, Mrs. Bill Zinter, and Susan Thomp-

son. Refreshments were served by committee members Vera Rietmann, Martha Peterson, Loree Hubbard and Lorraine

Ladd from a lovely table centered with red and white carnations. Those pouring were Margaret Morgan and Jean Nelson.

## Heppner IOOF to host district convention March 4

Heppner IOOF Lodge No. 66 will host the annual Umatilla-Morrow County District Convention this Saturday, March 4, at the IOOF Hall in Heppner, with representatives from all lodges in the district expected to attend. State Grand Lodge officers will also be present.

Oddfellows will attend the business program beginning at 1:30 p.m. while their wives and Rebekahs are treated to special entertainment. All groups will come together for a wine tasting hour at 3 p.m. and a no-host dinner to be served at 6:30 p.m.

Door prizes will be given in six categories including oldest member, person who has been a member the longest, newest member, the most members in any one lodge, member who

has the most members in his family in the order, and member who tells the best joke.

Local officers conducting

the district convention are Randall Peterson, president; Fred Hess, vice-president; Tex Wilson, secretary; and Andrew Zessin, treasurer.

## Wranglers plan fun, business for Sunday

The Wranglers riding club plans to hold its spring meeting this Sunday, March 5, at the 4-H Annex building on the fairgrounds at 6 p.m. with a combination of fun and business planned.


A pot luck dinner will lead off the evening's activities followed by Bingo. Everyone is asked to bring a white horse (elephant) gift to be used as prizes for the game.

At the business meeting, plans for spring and summer activities will be made, including fun play days, an overnight ride, a barbecue and a horse show.

All friends, members and prospective members are invited to join the Wranglers for an evening of fun.



Yearly dues for membership in the group is 15 per family or 13 per individual.

## March Food Savings!

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