

AROUND

with Justine Weatherford

ABOUT

As I've been again struggling to catch up with periodical reading, my attention has been grabbed by several news stories and articles.

The son who is suing his parents for causing him to become maladjusted and unable to cope with the realities and problems of life might be bringing about a worthwhile exposure of some very bad parenting which could be the basis of many societal difficulties. At least he doesn't blame the school system—as many others do.

Some facts from the back page of the current Newsweek give me a new appreciation of the western states I love and where the federal government owns such a substantial percentage of the land. In Alaska it owns 96 per cent; in Nevada 78, Idaho 67, Utah 65, Oregon 52, California 45, Colorado 36, New Mexico 34, Montana 30 and Washington 29. East of the Mississippi the highest Federal ownership is in New Hampshire—12 per cent.

Now I feel more keenly than ever that our county and state should have help to arrange for the bombing range to come back to private development and for Washington State to somehow take over that public enterprise.

The Newsweek cover story on "Living with Dying" includes an explanation of a new and growing profession, thanatology, which investigates the social and psychological dimensions of death, dying and bereavement.

All older females must read the Time thoughts (also on a back page) regarding the charms and abilities of mature women. How uplifting!

Because I was taken to La Grande last Friday afternoon and evening by Library Board Chairman Myrna Johnson to attend a regional meeting engineered by the governor's library improvement committee, I missed what I hear was a good Moonlight Sale here.

However, I learned about a few problems bothering the City of La Grande. The possible closure of several railroad crossings that citizens feel are greatly needed to hold the city together has become a big issue. The need for a new library building there seems urgent to the staff and patrons.

The setting of the EOC campus with the lovely framing of snow-topped mountains and the college's several new buildings pleased me and others attending the meeting. Furthering my acquaintance with four state library personnel, especially Nina Cleveland, a former Hermiston resident, was most enjoyable. Again I was so impressed with the regional leadership of Mary Bates, BMCC librarian and an erstwhile candidate for our state legislature.

Last weekend the visiting cow cutters chose one of the nicest times of the year to be here. Surely the lilacs of Normandy can't be any lovelier than the lilacs of Morrow.

Late Thursday afternoon, April 27, I happened into the Heppner Neighborhood Center just in time to have a piece of the delicious, mother-baked, horseshoe-shaped, Anhorn-decorated birthday cake which honored Naomi Mathews.

It makes me feel a bit lazy and dull when I contemplate what an energetic, multi-talented person, Irene Anhorn is—always active, as was her respected mother, Clara Gertson. Irene tends to many animals and fowl, is a school resource person, a library volunteer, a County Fair superintendent, a senior citizen worker, a regular hospital visitor and errand girl, a terrific crafts person, a leader in her church and a super shopwindow decorator among other things.

When I have visitors to whom I can show our shops (usually on Sunday), I am so pleased with the attractive

window displays everywhere. Some of the windows that Irene has arranged for Rita's (Judy's) Fabrics have been so original and so attractive.

My latest trip inside that shop showed me that it has more than doubled in its size and offerings since Rita Sumner took it over.

Because I've had a preview of Barb's Plant Seller which will have open house on Baltimore Street tomorrow and Saturday, I know you will all enjoy visiting this newest, most unusual enterprise.

Heppner has always had a dandy group of businessmen. In recent years, however, it seems it is the new breed of businesswomen who are making really exciting progress here. Some of them are co-owners with a husband; several are doing nicely on their own.

We are now involved in one of the busiest months of the year socially, with season-ending club meetings and a rush of school activities.

Doesn't it help greatly to have sunshine return after our extraordinary, greening rains?

Several busloads of students from nearby communities have scheduled spring field trips to the Morrow County Museum.

Usually they bring sack lunches which they enjoy in the Main Street Park. They and their teachers and roommothers all feel excited about the Democrat Gulch School.

The saddest news this week was the Trailblazers elimination from the regional playoff. Boo-hoo!

Alpha Theta gains state recognition

Alpha Theta chapter of ESA International in Heppner was recognized for several activities at the Oregon State Council 32nd Annual Convention held April 28-30 in Portland. The local chapter was represented by members Verna Brinda, Bettie Doherty and Rita Harris who were joined by former member Rosemary Parks for the event.

Alpha Theta received a third place award in the State Philanthropic Contest, Division I, for the monies entered by local Philanthropic chairman LaRae Kindle. The chapter also received a gold link award for reporting Educational Programs, and recognition for co-sponsoring a Bike-a-thon for St. Jude's Hospital with Beta Omega of Ione. Alpha Theta was also presented with a Sister Chapter Award for chartering Beta Gamma in Heppner this year.

Rita Harris was appointed State Yearbook Chairman. Ardye Moore, Beaverton, was installed as president for

1978-79. A special guest of the convention was Hazel Wheeler Knapp, Oregon State Council's

first president in 1946. An 'impromptu' appearance by Lawrence Welk, in Port-

land for a golf tournament, highlighted the luncheon on Saturday.

Ione Boys Staters picked

Ione High School juniors John Lindstrom and Rick Doherty have been selected by the Ione American Legion chapter to attend this year's

Boys State program scheduled for mid-June.

John, son of Mr. and Mrs. Art Lindstrom, Ione, participates in football, basketball

and baseball for the Cardinals and is a member of the Ione Letter Club and the high school chorus. He is also one of two Ione students who will be attending the Music in May program later this month.

Rick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Doherty, Ione, played on the Ione junior varsity basketball team this year and is a member of both the Ione Letter Club and the high school band.

The two will be attending Boys State in Monmouth during the week of June 11-17. Boys State offers high school juniors throughout Oregon an opportunity to examine the workings of state and local government by participating in model government systems.



John Lindstrom

Rick Doherty

Ione Garden Club elects new officers

The members of the Ione Garden Club met April 20 in Leila Palmer's home with Irene Padberg serving as co-hostess.

New officers were elected to lead the club next year: Judy Osmin, president; Delta Huber, vice-president; Leila Palmer, secretary; and Helen Martin, treasurer.

The day's program was given by Dianna Hams who presented many facts about growing flowering perennials.

She pointed out that gardeners need to understand the nature of perennials. She recommended soaking them instead of sprinkling them. "Never leave a perennial growing in the same spot for more than three years," Mrs. Hams said.

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Elect Bill Bellamy State Representative

In November of 1977 I filed for State Representative for district 55. Since that time I have been busy putting together my campaign organization.

I would like you, the people of district 55 to know that I plan on running an active campaign, both in the Republican primary and the general election. I look forward to meeting you and discussing some of your concerns.

I am interested in serving the people of district 55. I plan on living in the district and maintaining contact with the people throughout the 2 year term. I believe these two items are important to you as voters.

If you have any questions, my home address is Rt 1 Box 85 C, Culver Oregon 97734 and my home phone 546-3322.

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