

# AROUND ABOUT

with Justine Weatherford

Way back in May Dr. Tibbles told me about an unusual fishing expedition he and Dr. Wolff made into Morrow's mountains. He said they fished for awhile—without the best of luck—and then decided to switch to mushroom hunting where they were very lucky. Many others found this a great spring for mushrooming. Generous Bob Lowe shared some he had with me.

Well, June happenings have been bursting out all over—reunions, weddings, rodeos and fair dances. A big event for me which required a lot of traveling was stepdaughter Karla Weatherford's marriage to Richard Weaver at Silverdale, a suburb of Bremerton, on June 10.

Helen Currin who has known Karla more than 12 years longer than I have, made the trip north with me. We traveled a new route, Hwy 205, from west of Camas to above Vancouver, and didn't mind missing the Portland and Vancouver Rose Festival traffic as we moved onto 105 north.

We left the busy 105 at south Olympia to go through Shelton, the world's Christmas tree capital and to drive along Hood Canal into Port Orchard and Bremerton. After the wedding excitement of Friday and Saturday and visits with my older son Ross and my daughter Ann and their families, we came home Sunday across the Narrow's Bridge and across Nalley Valley and south to the Jantzen Beach Mall and into residential, northeast Portland.

My eight-year-old granddaughter, Anita Haberlach, kept us both busy thinking up spelling words and arithmetic problems as we traveled. She enjoyed the four rides for a dollar on the antique merry-go-round at Jantzen Mall while Helen and I enjoyed looking in the shops a little.

Having a lively child in the house has speeded my life up considerably. She has lots of ideas about what we can do each day during her two weeks here. She really enjoys vacation Bible school from 9 to noon. The most thrilling so far came last Saturday when Anita had her first rides on a real horse. Jennifer Currin's Flicka.

As we drove north along Little Butter Creek from the George Currin home to the Ron Currin pastures where Flicka lives, I learned that a new home is being started just west of the road by the Charley Dalys...everyone is so pleased that this family is staying in the county after selling the main part of their ranch property.

While Anita was playing with Jenny out in the country, I came back to town to make a short visit to the very pretty Golden Wedding Celebration for the Clarence Warrens. Their daughter Barbara Bloodworth and many others of their four generation family and many friends honored them Saturday afternoon at the Methodist Church.

I also couldn't resist a few items at the Ida Farra and friends lawn sale which had slowed down a little from its brisk opening pace by the time I arrived.

Maybe you heard, as I did, that a Greenup race horse was a big winner at a Seattle track last Friday. Another Greenup horse was competing in Eugene on Saturday, but I haven't heard how it placed.

For the first time in many years, Morrow County is getting a resident real estate broker. I think folks are going to enjoy getting acquainted with R.W. (Bob) Harris and his pleasant wife Luella (Babe). Babe and her parents lived down Willow Creek near Morgan quite a few years back, and she has always fondly remembered this area. The Harris have purchased a home on Heppner's Chase Street and are now busy cleaning up the office in the corner of the Heppner Laundromat in preparation for the opening of the Far Western Real Estate business.

After they decided to rent the corner office, I realized that the laundromat was going to be tucked in between two Harris enterprises with real estate Bob Harris right there on its south and the R & W Harris Drive-in on its north.

Three future Heppner basketball stars attended a basketball camp at Spokane last week. A very excited Greg Connor had his first airplane ride up there in Tom Currin's place with pilot Tom's nephew Mike. They joined Clifford Dougherty, who was already visiting there, at the training camp. They all returned home in the Connor's car in time to attend the coronation of Greg's cousin Donna Palmer on Saturday evening.

Didn't you all enjoy the Coronation Ceremony at the fairgrounds last Saturday evening? The weather was so sunny and comfortable and the program was very nice. Queen Donna, princesses Laurie Childers and Kim Pettyjohn and the court pennant bearers made very nice appearances. Each of the royal ladies introduced family members and told a little about their summer experiences so far and their plans for future weeks.

Most of the adults in the grandstand couldn't resist toe tapping to the musical offerings of guitarist Hubert Wilson and fiddler Bob Stevens. The vocal selections by soloist Laurel Beach, whose piano accompanist Juanita Carmichael like Laurel is a former Lexingtonian, were well chosen and well executed.

Three petite dancers who came from Hermiston with Mrs. Mark Halverson charmed their viewers with their clever dance routines. Lexington's seven talented Marquardt girls looked charming in their long, checked gingham dresses and harmonized their several songs so beautifully.

From its opening, when the queen and court were brought to the stage in rare old cars to its final piano numbers by Ione's skillful Gene Rietmann, Gene Pierce kept the program moving right along as master of ceremonies. County Judge D.O. Nelson brought out some hearty laughter with his cowboy jokes. His admirers will long remember how he removed his boots and placed his straw cowboy hat on top of them to show everyone "a cowboy with the stuffing knocked out of him."

Sunday afternoon's 1 to 4 p.m. swimming session showed me that the Heppner pool is functioning nicely. Granddaughter Anita says there isn't a pool near her home in Auburn—she says she wishes her family lived in Heppner "it's better here!"

As I close this column, I sadly report that from various sources I have heard rumors about the possibility of several of our precious doctors leaving. I do so hope that the rumors are not well founded. Many of us know how lucky the area is to have fine physicians practicing here and tending to the patients who come to the county's Pioneer Memorial Hospital. We sincerely hope that whatever the difficulty is that may be causing the problems that might cause the good doctors to consider leaving that it will be wisely and completely resolved very soon.



Sandra Kay Palmer... Dan Van Liew

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Palmer of Heppner announce the engagement of their daughter, Sandra Kay, to Dan Marshall Van Liew, Ashland. Parents of the groom are Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Van Liew of Medford.

## Airplane ride, 43 friends help Mrs. Farrens celebrate 90th birthday

Forty-three friends and relatives gathered Saturday, June 17 to help Mrs. Evelyn Farrens of Heppner celebrate her 90th birthday.

The surprise party and reunion was held at the ranch home of her daughter, Mildred Wright. A birthday cake was made and decorated by Mrs. Wright and her granddaughter Tami Anderson. Homemade ice cream with fresh strawberries topped off the potluck buffet dinner.

An orchid corsage, gifts and a money tree were enjoyed by Mrs. Farrens. As part of her birthday celebration Mrs. Farrens took an airplane ride viewing part of Morrow County, with her grandson-in-law, Bud Davis.

Visiting family and friends included daughters Mildred Wright of Heppner and Murl and Harry Owens, Federal Way, Wn.; her son, Darrel and Oleta Farrens, Monument; Bud and Karen Davis and family, Bartlesville, Okla.; Jerry and Tresa Owens and family of Lakeview; Arnold and Dorinda Farrens, The Dalles; Bob and Donna Cox and family, Monument; Glenn and Sheryl Farrens and family, Troutdale; Ralph and Janet Litchfield and family, Bend; Don and Pat Anderson and family, Arlington; Jack and Marge Ball, Lexington; Jay and Sharen Ball, Aloha, Or.; Mark Rietmann, Heppner; Leon, Jean and Randy Ball of Heppner.

## MORROW COUNTY COMMUNITY

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### Doctor Wolff hosts garden club meeting

Dr. Wallace H. Wolff and his daughter Kathy entertained members of the Heppner Garden Club in their home on

Monday evening, June 12. Several short reports were given and plans for next year's programs were discussed.

Theta Lowe reported on the Garden Club's decorations for the Memorial Weekend Pioneer Picnic. Dr. Wolff furnished the flowers and club persons arranged them in foil covered containers to carry out the silver anniversary theme of this year's 25th annual reunion.

All members were asked by President Eleanor Gonty to be ready to work on the club's

booth at this year's fair.

It was decided to continue to collect small glass bottles for the state federation wind chime project.

Theta Lowe and Bert Johannes will work at preparing the club's yearbooks for 1978-79. Justine Weatherford is to continue serving as newsreporter and Bert will keep up the club scrapbook.

The matter of presenting welcome gifts of flowers and vegetables to new teachers and clergymen was considered.

The July meeting will be held in Ida Farra's yard off Main Street at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, July 10. The hostess asks everyone to bring picnic supper potluck food.



Thomas Frey...Cheri Ann Carlson

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Carlson of Ione announce the engagement of their daughter, Cheri Ann to Thomas Frey, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Frey of Julelake, Calif.

Miss Carlson is a graduate of Oregon State University and is currently teaching home economics at Lost River

High School and attended College of the Siskiyou in Weed, Calif. He is currently involved in a farming operation with his father.

The wedding has been set for Saturday, July 8 in Ione at Valby Lutheran Church. Friends and relatives are cordially invited to attend.

### New books arrive at public library

In addition to the 45 Easy-Eye paperback books of various categories which the Heppner Public Library has been circulating for some time, it has recently acquired fifteen hardback large print books.

These very large print books came from the Oregon State Library's department for the blind and physically handicapped. They are here for three months when they are to be returned and a new selection will be sent to Heppner. The current 15 includes 6 romantic novels, 5 mysteries and 4 westerns.

Patients at the hospital nursing home are enjoying

these books which are being taken to them by library volunteer Irene Anhorn.

Anyone in the community who has a sight problem or who is physically handicapped is encouraged to come to the library to choose one or more of these books or to telephone the librarian at 676-9964 for home delivery of a large print book.


The large print edition of the Reader's Digest will begin coming monthly soon. Money for this one-year subscription and for a large print book was contributed to the library by the women of Heppner's Soroptimist International last week.



Mrs. Evelyn Farrens

**Specials from**  
PRICES EFFECTIVE FRIDAY & SATURDAY

**Court St. Market**



**WHOLE FRYERS**  
**69¢** lb.



**SMOKED PICNIC**  
**85¢** lb.



**BOLOGNA**  
**89¢** lb.



**PEACHES**  
**59¢** lb.



**CAULIFLOWER**  
**65¢** lb.



**LETTUCE**  
**2 Heads For 89¢**



**CANTS**  
**2/79¢**



**CAULIFLOWER**  
**65¢** lb.

## AN OPEN LETTER TO THE RESIDENTS OF MORROW COUNTY

Blue Mountain Community College belongs to the citizens of Morrow and Umatilla counties. The support we have given the college over the last 16 years has made BMCC one of the finest vocational and academic community colleges in the state.

The high quality of the education provided at BMCC is confirmed by the employment record of the graduates and the success of our transfer students at four-year colleges and universities.

Morrow County benefits from the college in many ways. Approximately one out of four Morrow County graduates attends BMCC the first year after graduation and others enroll in later years. In addition BMCC offered 36 evening and adult classes in Morrow County communities during the last year with a total enrollment of 464 students.

The college has also been responsive to the needs of Morrow County residents when special training courses were necessary. Some examples are: training for emergency medical technicians, first aid training, center pivot irrigation, and adult high school diploma programs.

A College located close to home provides an opportunity for education at a lower cost and also means that young people who receive training here are more likely to accept employment here and to make their homes here. We ask you to help us maintain quality educational programs close to home by supporting the BMCC levy on June 27th.

Thank you.

Gene and Fay Pierce  
Lee Pettyjohn  
Don and Martha Peterson  
Bob and Betty Rietmann  
Paul and Rikka Tews  
Gerry and Berdine Tullis  
Jim and Carleen West  
Bryce and Louise Keene

Bill and Dorothy Zinter  
Bob and Donna Peterson  
Mr. and Mrs. Larry Mills  
Harry and Helen O'Donnell  
Mark and Sandy Murray  
Bob and Marion Abrams  
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Boyce  
Roger and Shirley Palmer

Bill and Marilyn Rietmann  
Bob and Aloha DeSpain  
Henry and Dorothy Krebs  
Scott Mason  
Ernie and Mary Jean McCabe  
Bob and Lorraine Montgomery  
Alfred and Helen Nelson  
Lee and Mary Ann Palmer  
Bob and Darlene Hoskins