

Senior Citizen News

By Justine Weatherford

Lexington news

• Delpha Jones • 989-8189

The City of Lexington will soon take delivery of its new \$48,000 International fire engine.

Ed Baker and Gary Munkers are expected to leave Lexington in the near future for Tipton, Ind., where they will inspect the new engine and receive three days of training on its operation and maintenance. Then the two will drive the vehicle 2,000 miles back to its new home in Lexington. The trip is expected to last four days.

During a recent Lexington City Council meeting, it was reported that clean-up activities following February's flooding are nearly complete, thanks to the cooperation of Lexington citizens and the Morrow County Grain Growers. The council meets the first Tuesday of each month. Interested citizens are encouraged to attend. Mayor is Lee Padberg, and council members are Bill Smith, Bill Sheirbon, Charlene Papineau and Ed Baker.

Lexington Grange met Monday night in regular session, with Overseer Dale Chick officiating. Before the meeting, the men of the grange hosted, prepared and served a pancake supper. A Wheat League film was shown on the production and use of various grains. Guests included Greenfield Grange Master Art White and his wife; Willows Grange Master Louis Halvorsen and Mrs. Halvorsen, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Baker of Greenfield Grange.

Lexington Grange members passed a resolution calling for retaining Amtrak's "Pioneer" route.

Irene Padberg is a patient in Pioneer Memorial Hospital, suffering from injuries received in a fall last Tuesday.

Justine Weatherford, Irene Padberg and Delpha Jones had lunch with Tony Haberkamp, director of the Eastern Oregon region of the lung association at the West of Willow on Tuesday. Haberkamp explained the distribution of Christmas Seal funds to lung association programs in the region.

Clay Papineau is a patient in a Portland hospital, receiving treatment for injuries suffered in a car accident near Heppner Sunday night. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Papineau of Lexington.

Pete Klinger, who has been a patient in Pioneer Memorial Hospital for several weeks, has been transferred to the Veterans Administration Hospital in Walla Walla for additional attention.

Frank Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Robinson Sr., has been transferred to St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton.

Morrow County Rebekah members are preparing this week for an upcoming visit by State Assembly President Helene Gottman and State Secretary Joan Blatter. The two state Rebekah officials will visit Holly Lodge No. 139 in Lexington on Thursday night, San Souci No. 33 on Friday, where members are practicing for degree work, and Bunchgrass No. 91 in Ione for a district meeting. The district meeting will start with registration at 11:30 a.m., followed by dinner at noon, and an afternoon session of instruction from the State Assembly president. Margaret Akers is chairman for the District meeting. Area Rebekahs are encouraged to attend any or all of the upcoming meetings.

It seems as though your correspondent's name and phone number have been left out of the new telephone directory, which I'm sure will cause some confusion. Please make a listing in your new

book so that you may call items to me at 989-8189. I would like to hear from those with news of club meetings, business meetings, new arrivals and visitors, or other items.

It was joyful to have the Heppner water supply restored to a no-boiling situation last Sunday. The regular schedule of senior meals was resumed at Heppner and Ione on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 27 and 28, after several weeks of suspension because of the water pollution.

Mrs. Pat Brindle urges that seniors come back to the

dinner, and that each regular diner should try to bring along a friend or several friends who are 55 years or older.

Monday afternoon, Feb. 26, Ardith Hunt presided at a meeting of the Morrow County Senior Citizen Advisory Committee in the Columbia Basin C&OP board room. It was announced that Paul W. Jones and Rollin Reynolds will be

going to Portland to inspect the rebuilt buses which will be coming to this area. Unexpected additional commodity foods are arriving for use in District 12. However, it is anticipated that funds for the District will be cut because allocations are based largely on population and western Oregon has so many more residents.

Paul Jones, as chairman of the committee searching for a Heppner Senior Center Site, reported that the committee is looking over each site suggested to them.

A blood pressure clinic will be held in Heppner at the Degree of Honor Building on Wednesday afternoon, March 7. On Friday morning, March 9, the Social Security Admini-

stration representative will come to the Heppner Neighborhood Center to assist people there.

Senior meals for next week will include: At Irrigon, Monday, March 5, orange juice, chili with beans, meat and crackers, mashed potatoes, cheese sticks, carrot, apple and pineapple salad and dump cake. At Heppner, Tuesday,

March 6, that same menu will be followed. At Ione and

Heppner on Wednesday, March 7, swiss steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered beets, cabbage slaw, biscuits and jelly and butter-scotch pudding.

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