

Volunteer aide plan continues

The L.A.P.P. Volunteer Aide program at Heppner Elementary School will continue this school year.

Persons interested in helping young people are asked to call the grade school office, 676-9128, or Linda Shaw, 676-5283.

Most people who volunteer spend one or two hours a week in a variety of activities. The activities range from working directly with children to assisting the teacher with preparation of instructional materials, filing and record keeping.

The student benefits greatly from the help of volunteers in the classroom. Another benefit is to the aide, for most who participate find a great deal of personal satisfaction in helping students learn.



After dinner, the cleanup

Marilyn Bergstrom, left, and her mother, Ruth Bergstrom, helped prepare the Senior Citizens dinner at the Heppner Elks Club last Wednesday. When this picture was taken, they were preparing for the inevitable follow-up chore—washing the dishes. Ruth Bergstrom has been the acting cook for the Senior Citizen dinners recently. They are served each Tuesday and Wednesday, starting at 4:30 p.m.

Extension agent describes tour of South as 'interesting, educational experience'

Morrow County Extension Agent Harold Kerr described his 12-day Dow Chemical Tour through Texas, Louisiana, Arkansas and Mississippi as an enjoyable, educational experience to Heppner Chamber of Commerce members Monday.

Presenting a color slide narration of his trip with other extension agents from throughout the country, Harold, one of two agents from Oregon, told about this travels from cotton and catfish farms to viewing the New Orleans Superdome and Mississippi plantations.

Kerr said cotton is being replaced by soybeans as the most frequently seen crop, reporting that at one stop-over, the cotton produced per acre was down.

His narration revealed some of the variations between Oregon and down south agriculture where catfish raising is big and the New Orleans Port exceeds West Coast grain shipments, providing 44 per cent of the nation's export. He said the standard of living is lower in the south compared to the Northwest and felt the catfish farmers had some of the more profitable enterprises.

A new device to eradicate weeds, the "wick bar", Kerr said, has grown so popular that nylon rope was in short supply with farmers buying it up to use with the new fad.

In his slides were scenes of cotton picking machines, cotton plants, balls, sugar cane, the lush green rice fields and rice elevators of Stuttgart, Arkansas, the fertile Mississippi delta country which took the extension agents' tour bus three days to pass through, a couple of Southern beauties, a Texas rose plant farm at Tyler, strip-mining of coal in agricultural fields with replacement of topsoil after the coal was removed, a motel in Yazoo City, Mississippi, the Hilton Inn in Louisiana—all providing a flavor of Southern crops.

While traveling the free-ways of Mississippi, Kerr noted that barges were used to construct them over the sea-level deltas, indicating that their costs probably exceeded costs of Northwest interstates. The agents toured cattle and chicken farms in Texas, saw the extent of agri-industry on parade and learned in Mississippi that the Howe Lumber Company's vast holdings had been sold to 300 farmers (Kerr related the history of the family's slave holding and share-cropping system), toured an embryo transplant program, saw the McKellar-Red Robin Brahmin ranch where brahmins go for a minimum of \$10,000 apiece and saw the long street of mansions being restored in Helena, Arkansas.

To Kerr, the Mississippi

delta country was the best looking farm land he's seen. While there, the group saw the Delta Branch Research Station of the United States Department of Agriculture, employing 105 researchers outside technicians. The researchers have developed a number of innovations in farm machinery.

In the South, round-baling is done exclusively and in one of his slides, Kerr said a loader is used to haul the round bales from the pasture.

During the tour of a catfish processing plant, Kerr noted that a mechanical skinner had revolutionized the industry. Fresh and frozen catfish are processed from ponds used to grow them. Catfish is a popular food in the South and Midwest and according to Kerr, he sampled it three times on the trip.

Printer returns to Heppner

Ron Jordan has returned as printer for the Gazette-Times and welcomes your business. A native of Treasure Valley, Idaho near Nampa and a



Ron Jordan

graduate of Bryant High School in Bryant, Arkansas, Jordan served 7 years in the U.S. Air Force, learning the printing business and lithography.

He and his wife, Ida, have two children, Ronnie and Yolanda. He enjoys hunting and fishing and motorcycle riding.

The Gazette-Times does job printing such as printing envelopes, business cards, letterheading and programs.

"If you need it, we'll try to get it," Ron says.

He met another county extension agent who had retired and gone to work as a camera man filming the Dallas Cowboys football team. The agent had also participated in a Dow Tour.

Kerr was impressed by the large Holstein dairies in Texas.

The group made 44 stops during the 12 day period and from viewing Kerr's slide show, the extension agents will have a great deal to remember.

Next week's chamber program will feature a program on skydiving.

Senior Citizen News

By Justine Weatherford

Seniors are very busy enjoying and helping with the county fair.

They are participating in many ways, including being judges.

Anyone over 55 who has not picked up his or her Senior Citizen Fair Pass should pick it up at the Heppner Neighborhood Center.

On Tuesday, August 21, a group from this county will be busing up to Meacham to attend the Area Agency on Aging meeting at the Rollin Reynolds home. If you want to go along on the senior bus be

Heppner serviceman, Greek-born bride visiting family, friends in Oregon

Tall, slender Sgt. Charles "Doug" Gonty, U.S. Air Force Security Police, and his petite wife, Anastasia, are presently visiting his parents, the E.E. Gontys and other family members and friends in Oregon and Washington.

In Heppner, they are staying in the Gale Street home that has housed three generations of his family.

Their arrival in Seattle was 8 hours later than they planned because World Wide Airways went on strike. Luckily, they were able to get on a Lufthansa flight which brought them in on the day that his family was waiting to meet them, August 7. After visiting briefly in Seattle the foursome journeyed in the parents' motorhome to Corvallis before coming to Heppner.

This is Sgt. Gonty's first visit home since 1976 and he says he notices several changes around town, especially on Main Street. Doug was graduated from Heppner High School in 1974 and enlisted in the Air Force in August of that year. He has been stationed at Grand Forks, North Dakota, at Iraxos Airbase in Greece and now is serving at the Allied Forces Central European Headquarters at Brunssum, Netherlands, where his parents and brother Tom visited last fall.

Doug met Anastasia in Athens where they married on January 21, 1978. She has spent most of her life in Greece with her mother Eleftheria and her stepfather who is also in the U.S. Air Force. However the family did come to the U.S. when Anastasia was 14 years old and stayed in New Mexico for two years before returning to Greece.

Asked how she liked Heppner, she said fine, explaining that though she has spent most



Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Gonty

of her life in large cities she likes the feeling of security and family closeness here. Is Heppner like she expected it to be from the descriptions her husband had given to her? "Yes, it is exactly like he said

it would be. I like it here." Anastasia, who is regularly employed in the Base Exchange toy store at Brunssum, has been given a month's leave from her job to travel with her husband.

The youthful Gontys say that there seems to be more publicity about possible hostilities carried in American magazines and other news media than in the European news outlets. They indicate that Americans seem to have their minds focused more on dire possibilities than the Europeans who have been accustomed to various conflicts and to warring through the years.

As to their future plans, they say that after one and one-half more years in Europe they are considering coming back to Oregon where Doug wants to go to a university. They think they may live in Corvallis where he would major in either physical or occupational therapy at Oregon State. Anastasia will then seek employment in Corvallis.

After visiting with friends and family here they will be flying back to Europe via Continental Airlines on August 27.

Garden Club discusses County Fair participation; backs calendar project

The Heppner Garden Club met in the home of Jane and Bill Rawlins on Monday evening, Aug. 13.

President Eva Griffith presided as members discussed their participation in this year's County Fair and agreed to support the Alpha Theta community calendar. 1979-80 club yearbooks were distributed by the yearbook committee, Eva Griffith, Jane Rawlins and Theta Lowe.

Jane Rawlins presented the evening's program "How a Federation Garden Show is Organized." On Sunday, September 23, the Heppner club will assist the Ione Garden Club with a garden show at the Ione High School in honor of the Ione Club's Thirtieth Anniversary.

Mrs. Rawlins outlined the twelve committees needed and enlisted members to serve with Ione members on these

committees. She will be first assistant to the show's general chairman Helen Martin of Ione.

To be especially honored at the show will be Ione's only charter member, Edith Nicholson.

The Anniversary Garden Show is to be an open show with entries from every age person and from anywhere in the county invited. Everyone is encouraged to plan on

coming to learn more about gardening and to enjoy the sociability with members of the two sponsoring clubs.

The Heppner club's September meeting will be on the second Monday evening at the Neighborhood Center with Eleanor Gonty as hostess. That evening's program will concentrate on preparing exhibits and arrangements for a flower show.

Angus showmanship winners named

Rob Thomas, Baker and Jill Smith, Beavercreek, were named showmanship winners of Oregon and will represent their home-state in the national event in Indianapolis, Indiana. The contest and heifer show were highlights of the Oregon Junior Angus Field Day hosted by Thomas Angus, Baker.

Topping the heifer show judged by Larry Cotton, Fowlerville, Michigan, was an entry of Janna Nelson, Salmon, Idaho. Her winner was Nelson Miss Kaye 8020.

Rob Thomas entered the champion bred and owned and reserve grand champion heifer, Thomas Primrose 48.

The Oregon Junior Angus Association held their annual meeting and election of officers and directors. Serving for the coming year will be: Ken Grieb, president, Lexington; Cathy Wiser, vice president and reporter, Monroe;

Geri Grieb, secretary-treasurer, Lexington; and directors, Rob Thomas; Tracy Beck, Alice; Jill Smith; Joan Heater, Sublimity.

A final attraction of the day was the crowning of the new Oregon Angus queen. This year's honor went to Cathy Wiser of Monroe.

Morrow Co. Health Dept. to close

Morrow County Health Department will be closed from August 17 until September 4 for vacation. All regularly scheduled clinics are canceled during that time, according to an announcement.

NEW ARRIVALS AT HOSPITAL

A daughter, Mindy Michelle, 8 lbs., 1 oz., was born August 8 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Lyndale Qualls of Heppner.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reed of Condon. She joins a brother, John, 2½.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Daggett, Heppner, are the parents of a daughter, Heidi Lynn, 6 lbs., 8¼ oz., born August 10 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents are Clinton and Patsy Daggett of Joseph, Betty Reed of Pendleton and Leon and Dorene Reed of Heppner.

The great grandparents are Hurburt Reed of Shattuck, Oklahoma, Mrs. Eulah Malson of Elk City, Oklahoma and Mrs. Dorothy Haskell of Florence.

A daughter, Amanda Marie, 6 lbs., 11½ ozs., was born July 27 to Mr. and Mrs. Steven Ball of Heppner at Pioneer Memorial Hospital.

Her grandparents are Mr.

and Mrs. Johnnie Jackson of Heppner and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Ball of Lexington and great grandparents are Mrs. Hazen Jackson, The Dalles, Sis Webb, Fossil, Woody Webb, Lakeview and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Woodward of Hermiston.

Hospital Notes

Hospital admissions at Pioneer Memorial Hospital are Kay Qualls, Heppner, dismissed, Dallas Scrivner, Heppner, dismissed, Bryce Powell, Heppner, dismissed, Kathy Daggett, Heppner, dismissed, Freida Majeska, Heppner, dismissed, Donald Gilliam, Heppner, dismissed, William Walter, Ione, James Hams, Heppner, Rebecca Stillman, Heppner, dismissed,

New students in Ione to register Wednesday

Students who are new to Ione schools should register at the High School Office on Wednesday, August 22 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Please bring immunization records and goldenrod physicals.

Junior and Senior High School students should register on Thursday, August 23. Registration fees for 1979-80

as follows. The required fee for student body cards for grades 9-12 and grades 7-8 is \$6.00, towel fee (physical education and sports), \$2.00 and insurance is optional, \$6 for grades 9-12 and \$4 for grades 7-8. The annual is \$6 and elementary insurance, \$2.50. School lunches are 30 cents per day and \$53.10 per year.

Ione couple grandparents of baby born in Montana

A son, Troy Ryan, was born July 12 to Mr. and Mrs. Ron Brinkman of Great Falls, Montana.

Mrs. Brinkman is the former Jane Krebs of Ione. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Clari Brinkman of Chinook, Montana and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Krebs, Ione. Great grandparents are Annie Krebs of Arlington and Gladys

Bone of Phoenix, Oregon. Troy joins an older brother, Treve, at home.

Visiting here

Miss Gwen Drake is here visiting friends and relatives for a few days.

She came from Australia, where she has been teaching for several years.

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