

'Understanding' urged at Pomona Grange meeting

Morrow County Pomona Grange met at the Willows Grange Hall Saturday for its regular meeting with Master Rolland Johnson presiding.

Escorted to the Master's station was Berl Akers of the Grange executive board.

Akers gave his state report and county deputy report at which time he urged more understanding between various farm organizations, as we are all working for the good of the farmer, and between the members of the groups.

The Master reported that he had visited Spray twice, where he helped initiate new members, and also Clanne, which now has 43 members. He had also been a visitor at Mikkalo Grange.

The steward, Barton Clark, reported on his meetings at the state headquarters of the state agricultural committee. They reported that Rhea Creek has water damage at their hall and they are working on this with the state highway to get some road work done to help the flooding conditions.

Harold Kerr spoke on the recent meeting of the Wheat League convention and gave a few highlights on the cost of raising a bushel of grain and price support.

District No. 6, CWA Chairman, Margaret Akers, reported on the activities planned for the coming year, and told the members to be sure and get the reports in as they are needed to evaluate the work of the subordinate and Pomona granges.

The sewing rules are out, and the ladies may start their sewing now. They need more people sewing on this project throughout the state.

A lovely candlelight ceremony was held under the direction of the lecturer Dela Johnson. This was the re-dedication of grangers to work hard in 1980 for the good of the order in all branches. Each member and officers lighted his candle from the 1979 candle and read a line of wisdom, to be used in our re-dedication as grangers. A poem "The Flue" was read by Dot Halvorsen and a reading "It's a Mistake" by Delpha Jones.

Following this, the group heard Don Thompson, the Oregon State Wheat League President who spoke about the recent national convention in Arizona. He said we must get people involved in telling the farmers' story. We need at the present to go along with the embargo; to support the Federal government stand on national defense, embargo action is much better than use of military action.

The suggested names were voted on with the name Wheatland Pomona District No. 29 being chosen, and all Pomona business for Gilliam County, Sherman, Morrow, Wheeler will be conducted under that name.

Dorris Graves gave a few words, concerning meetings held for the benefit of the people and urged that all attend these meetings as they are for the benefit of all citizens as well as farmers.

There will be an officers' training session at Mikkalo Grange Feb. 10.

This will start at 1:45 p.m. with registration and an afternoon planned with subjects as booster night, parliamentary law, officers duties, work shops and various others.

A vote was cast concerning the Pomona dinners and it was voted that each grange will serve itself. As each grange will host Pomona once every two years, it was a feeling that this would not be such a hardship on the subordinates.

The April meeting will be in Rufus. At this time there will be a food sale to help finance delegates to the state convention. Also at this time there will be the memorial and all chaplains are to attend and send the names of the departed to the Pomona secretary prior to that date.

There were several resolutions acted upon including the upkeep of Highway 74 between Cecil and Lexington. The road was most impassable last year with weeds and Russian thistles covering the highway in places. To be sent to state highway and others to be repaired in 1980. This was favorable. President Carter's stand on the Olympics was found favorable. The resolutions banning herbicides by the environmentalists unless there is an overall proven test that they are detrimental to health of humans and animals was favorable; a resolution concerning the value added tax was found favorable; and a resolution concerning the interference of unions in the government power and government policy be opposed. This was favorable.

A dinner was served at noon by the ladies of the Willows Grange and desserts and coffee following the meeting. Later in the evening, dinner was served after which a group enjoyed an evening of pinocle.



Using the peel-off label on tax returns can save time and tax dollars according to IRS' Kathy Paxton. The Ogden, Utah IRS Center, which processes Oregon federal tax returns, hopes more Oregonians will use the label because it lets the center cut some of the processing each return receives by half. Taxpayers can save time by using the label instead of writing in their name, address and social security number. Also, the label is easier to read and there's less chance of any mistake being made that could slow up any refund due.

Youth Day announced

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Everyone is increasingly aware of the needs to manage and conserve energy today. Youth are especially mindful of the uses of energy. Now, especially for the young people 7th through 12th grades in eastern Oregon, a Youth Awareness Day is scheduled to help them understand conservation management, alternatives, policies, research and education, as well as career opportunities in the energy field.

Eastern Oregon State College, La Grande, will be the site of the exciting program on March 12. All schools or teachers in Union, Wallowa, Umatilla, Morrow, Baker, Grant, Harney, Malheur, Gilliam and Wheeler counties were recently mailed information concerning the seminar by Jim Huber, Union County 4-H agent. Brochures relating to the full program for the day are available at county extension offices.

Last year a similar awareness day was held on campus of Oregon State University which attracted so many young people throughout the state, that this year the special Eastern Oregon event was planned to allow more to attend. If your young person is interested in energy and what is happening, he or she will have an opportunity to learn all about it through tours, workshops, exhibits, interaction groups and audio visuals at this event.

Registration is required so we suggest students talk to their teachers about a representative group from their school, or come by the Extension office to visit with John or Birdine. Program sponsors are OSU Extension Service, EOSC, Oregon 4-H Foundation, Chevron, Inc., and AMOCO Foundation. There is no charge to attend. A timely event that we hope Morrow County youth will attend!

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Many local citizens have been meeting to offer recommendations to the Extension Service regarding needs they see in this county that should be considered in Extension plans for the next five years. It has been traditional for Extension to involve citizens in their evaluation and planning, and many are familiar with the ten years of planning efforts of the past.

Committees making recommendations at this time are Family Living, with Dorris Graves, Heppner, as chairperson. Livestock, Charlie Daly, Heppner; 4-H and Youth, Lois Richards, Irrigon; Forestry, Bob Van Schoiack, Heppner; Small Farms and Alternate Energy Sources, Steve Peck,

Lexington. Other committees will be meeting in the near future to make recommendations relating to dry land and irrigated farms, community development and other topics. Ken Turner, Heppner, serves as chairman of Irrigated Crops; Bob Jepsen, Heppner, Dry Land Agriculture, and Jim Rogers, Heppner, Community Development Committee.

Each county in Oregon has similar program development and needs-identification processes at work. All county situations and outlooks will be shared with the state Extension Staff, who will use information identified to develop programs in step with the needs. Programs at local level will also reflect the topics identified by the committees.

Women of the Irrigon Study Group are very involved in community affairs there. One of their special projects has been assisting the Irrigon Fire Department, and local citizens who have losses from fire. Recently the group presented the fire department with a check for \$236, the proceeds from a quilt project.

Winner of the quilt was Herman Havekost of Cecil. Proceeds will be used by the fire department for needed equipment. The group has been involved in other community service projects such as clothing for needy children, donations to the state hospital, and quilts for families in need.

The Irrigon group is typical of women involved in Extension programs, and we congratulate them for their civic interest!

Homemakers in the Irrigon area will now have the opportunity to learn techniques of constructing a jacket, the most popular clothing item of the season. The workshop will start Thursday, Jan. 31 at 9:30 a.m. at Columbia View Fellowship Church basement. Those registered for the workshop were mailed information concerning what to bring to the first session.

Information came to me regarding a series of programs designed to increase individuals' knowledge of young children. The Education Service District, Pendleton, is offering the series throughout the spring, and makes it available at no cost to parents, teachers, students, childhood workers, or others. The presentations are at Vert Little Theatre, Pendleton, 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Topics are: March 7, "Infant Audiology"; April 18, "Neurological Basis of Development"; and May 9, "Child Development. For more information write ESD, Box 38, Pendleton 97801.

1980 dates scheduled for Morrow County Fair

Dates of the 1980 Morrow County Fair in Heppner have been set for Sunday, Aug. 17, through Wednesday, Aug. 20, it was decided at a meeting of the fair board last week.

At the same meeting, Pete Richards was elected chairman in place of Floyd Jones, who has retired from the board.

Dorothy Estberg, fair secretary, also reported that new board members are Harold Peck of Heppner and Charles Daly of Butter Creek.

The opening events of the fair, she said, will include a horse show Sunday afternoon and entertainment featuring "three old-time fiddlers" and clowns.

Exhibitors at the fair may set up their displays the day before the opening, on Saturday, Aug. 16.

Dates for the Morrow County Rodeo will be Aug. 22

through Aug. 24 at the fairgrounds.

Estberg said other features of the 1980 fair will be announced as they are planned.

Regarding the fair board meeting Jan. 14, she said the continuing members are Ron Currin, Virginia Grieb and Richards. The outgoing members were Jones and Paul Hisler. Estberg has been secretary since October. Information about the fair may be obtained by calling her at 676-5139.

Lung group picks new state chief

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Oregon Lung Association held at the Hilton Hotel in Portland last week a new state director was hired.

After applications from 66 applicants were studied the search committee recommended five of the applicants to come in for personal interviews.

Two were recommended to the directors for their choice. Frances Cotikyan of New York City who has been employed there with the association, and A. Shaw from Chicago who is employed by the lung association of that area.

The group chose Mrs. Cotikyan for the job for Oregon and she will take office Feb. 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Jones were in Portland for this meeting as Mrs. Jones was a member of the search committee and the budget committee of the Oregon Lung Association.

Hospital Notes

Patients at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner for the week ending Jan. 28 include Crystal Troxell of Heppner, who has been dismissed.

Patients still at the hospital Monday were Frank Robinson of Lexington and Martha Van Schoiack, Ed Olson and Walt Pilgrim, all of Heppner.

Senior Citizens

No special activities are planned for the first week in February. The menus for the meals to be served in Morrow County will include:

At Irrigon Feb. 4—Burger patties with mushroom sauce, mashed potatoes and gravy, stewed tomatoes with onions, cabbage and carrot salad, bread, butter and apple butter, baked apples and cookies.

At Heppner Feb. 5—Tomato juice, rice and burger casserole, tossed green salad, muffins and jelly and peach upside-down cake with topping.

At Ione and Heppner Feb. 6—Beef supreme, buttered corn, corn bread and jelly, molded cheese and jello salad, pineapple tapioca.

'King and I' in rehearsal in LaGrande

The Eastern Oregon State College-Community production of "The King and I" is now cast and in rehearsal. According to Director Dick Hiatt, Robert Weinberger, La Grande, will play the part of the King of Siam and Jan Sproul, La Grande, will play the part of Anna.

The Rogers and Hammerstein musical will be presented to the public Feb. 27-March 1, 8:15 p.m. College Theater, EOSC Administration Building. The cast of 54 will be accompanied by a 15-piece orchestra under the direction of James R. Robertson, EOSC professor of music.

Customer

Appreciation Days

February 9, 1980

Representatives will be present from chemical, oil, and parts companies!

Selected islands of discounted items

Various merchandise marked down to cost

Drawings for door prizes

Breakfast served

Check next week's paper for further information!

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How discouraging it is to see your favorite elm or maple or flowering pink dogwood standing there in the yard or parking strip (perhaps not standing there anymore) with limbs cracked and shattered by the snow and ice of the January storm. But you know that something must be done soon in the way of pruning and trimming. When you spruce up, PLEASE BE CAREFUL. Don't use metal ladders, metal-handled pole saws or pruners, or any other metal tools, if the tree is near power lines. If your tools come in contact with an energized line you become part of the circuit—and you can be seriously injured or even killed. PGE has published a tree brochure which describes safe and correct pruning and trimming techniques as well as listing trees that are suitable for planting in our service area. If you would like one, write "Trees," PGE, 121 S.W. Salmon St., Portland, OR 97204.

Home Weatherization Inspections Now Being Scheduled for Electric Heat Customers

The first step for the owner of an electrically heated residence, must do to take advantage of PGE's deferred payment-no interest weatherization program, is to have a PGE inspector do a weatherization audit of the home and recommend those conservation measures that would reduce heating energy use. Because of the heavy demand, it may take two months or more to have storm windows or insulation installed in your home, but PGE is doing home inspections in most of our service area in less than three weeks. You may call your nearest PGE office to schedule your inspection.

"Take Five,"

Save Much Energy

The Oregon Department of Energy, in cooperation with utilities and fuel suppliers, has recently published a folder, titled "Take Five" that lists five easy, low cost, do-it-yourself steps to conserve and cut home heating bills. All PGE offices have quantities on hand and they are free for the asking. Or you can write "Take Five," PGE, 121 S.W. Salmon St., Portland, OR 97204.

Thought for the Day

"Every man has a right to his opinion, but no man has a right to be wrong in his facts."

Bernard M. Baruch

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