



Morrow County Rodeo Queen, Princesses live up to 1980 theme "Beautiful Morrow County"



Nancy Miller

The Queen of the 1980 Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Court is a 5'5" hazel-eyed blonde—Lori Edwards.

Queen Lori, 18, is the youngest daughter of John and Dorothy Edwards of Lexington.

Lori is a 1980 graduate of Lone High School, and plans on going to Blue Mountain Community College this fall.

In Lori's junior year at Lone High, she held the office of secretary treasurer for the Girls Letter Club. She was a ticket taker for the football games and was princess of her class on the Football Homecoming court.

In her senior year Lori was vice-president of the Girls Letter club. She was also a statistician for the Class "B" State Champion Football team.

Lori has been active in sports all through her school years, playing varsity volleyball for three years and varsity basketball for four years, even though this year's basketball season was cut short by a knee injury.

When asked when she started to ride horses, she says, "I was too young to remember when." She does know that it was on her dad's thoroughbred brood mares. Lori's family has been raising and racing thoroughbred horses for as long as she can remember.

In 1977 Lori was a pennant-bearer for the court. Last year she was a princess.

Lori's official mount is her 10-year-old mare, "Happy Jaye." The horse was a pony horse on the horse racing tracks.



Lori Edwards

Lori has two older sisters. Karen, who is married and has two children, lives in North Carolina. Janice lives in Pendleton and works at the First National bank.

Princesses for the 1980 Morrow County Rodeo Court are Nancy Miller, 17, and Lottie Laughlin, 16.

Princess Nancy is a 5'5" senior at Heppner High School. The blue-eyed, brown-haired princess lives 9 miles north of Lexington on a wheat ranch with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tad Miller and brother, Steve, who is an eighth grader. Her other brother, Mark, is married and lives close by and an older sister, Michelle (Mrs. Don Burns) lives in Pendleton.

Nancy was a member of the Heppner High School varsity volleyball and basketball teams last year and is a member of the NHS and GAB. She will be Heppner High student body treasurer this year and is a member of this year's dance team.

Nancy, who has been involved in 4-H for 9 years, specializing in horses, livestock and sewing categories, has attended 4-H summer camp for two years. She was also a counselor at the 6th grade outdoor school at Tupper.

In addition to all those outside activities Nancy helps her dad out on the ranch pulling rye and driving a wheat truck, among other jobs.

Nancy's horse is "Tieg," who is a sorrel gelding. Nancy has ridden him for two years and is training him for barrels and poles.

Nancy's involvement with the Morrow County Rodeo goes back two years. She served as pennant-bearer in 1978 and 1979. She was also a pennant bearer for the Heppner rodeo for several years.

Princess Lottie Laughlin is keeping up a family tradition when she was selected as princess this year—her aunt, May Kilkenny, was queen in 1924 or 25; another aunt, Colleen Kilkenny Greenup was selected as a princess and as a queen; cousins, Tag Greenup Ashbeck, Susie Greenup Walton and Peggie Kilkenny Paulson in have all been chosen rodeo princesses; and another aunt, Janice Spaulding Ansoetgui, was 1976 Rodeo Princess.

Lottie, 16, is the daughter of Robert Buteh and Judie Laughlin, Heppner. Her grandparents are Carl and Bette



Lottie Laughlin

Spaulding and Ilene Laughlin, all of Heppner. Lottie has spent 11 years in Heppner schools, and has been involved in 4-H for 7 years. Her specialty areas include horses, cooking, sewing and Artex. Lottie was a pennant bearer for the Morrow County Rodeo for 5 years in a row until she was chosen as princess this year.

Princess Lottie's hobbies include volleyball, basketball, powder-puff football, horse-back riding and golf. She lettered 2 years in golf and was golf medalist for the year. She also lettered one year in basketball. She spent 7 years on the Heppner swim team, and went to the Junior Olympics in 1978 on a relay team, placing fifth.

"I have been riding horses all my life, starting on a ranch on Hinton Creek," said Lottie. "We moved to Heppner when I was about 6, but I still rode at my Uncle Don Greenup's until I got my own horse."

Lottie's horse is "Bojo", a 4-year-old sorrel. Tallest on the court, at 5'6", Lottie has light brown hair and brown eyes. She has an older sister, Tami Seal, who is living in Hood River and a younger brother, Shane, 15. Lottie includes as a family member, her dog, Misty, who is 8.

After graduation Lottie plans to go to the U of O and major in music. She has been taking piano lessons "off and on" for about 8 years and has been in the band for 7 years, playing the clarinet, saxophone, alto clarinet and base clarinet. "And I love it," says Lottie.



The court and chaperone Mary Ann Palmer visit with Cleo Van Winkle at the nursing home

Fair work days set

Fair...Get Ready
With arrival of August, our thoughts turn to County Fair. Time is short till August 16, the first day of 4-H events at fair.

Work days have been scheduled for 4-H parents, leaders, members, or just anyone interested, to put the finishing touches on barns and the Annex. John Nordheim, 4-H agent, encourages everyone to get out to the fairgrounds and help on Friday, August 8...all day. They will work on barns

and grounds that day. Birdine has scheduled Tuesday, August 12, as the day the Home Ec. crew will move in to set up and decorate the Home Ec. area. Home Ec and Creative Arts leaders have a head start on fair preparation...they've already had

one work day early in the summer. 4-H plans to be ready when the big days arrive! Come join the fun of preparation and be a part of the 4-H action.

Fair book incorrect

FFA SECTION

The following items, which appeared incorrectly in the recently distributed fair book should read:

p. 112—Superintendents: Rick Danielson and Roger Records 4. Livestock shall be on the grounds by 10:00 a.m. August 18th.

p. 113—II. Bulls calved Sept.-Dec. 31, 1978. C.W. Acock & Son will not provide for the champion steer.

p. 116—Norden Stefanides will not be providing any trophies. A trophy will be provided for the Champion Beef Showman & Champion Sheep Showman.

Garden Club to finalize plans for fair booth

The Heppner Garden Club will meet at Bob and Theta Lowe's home next Monday, August 11, at 7:30 p.m. to finalize fair booth plans.

Big event

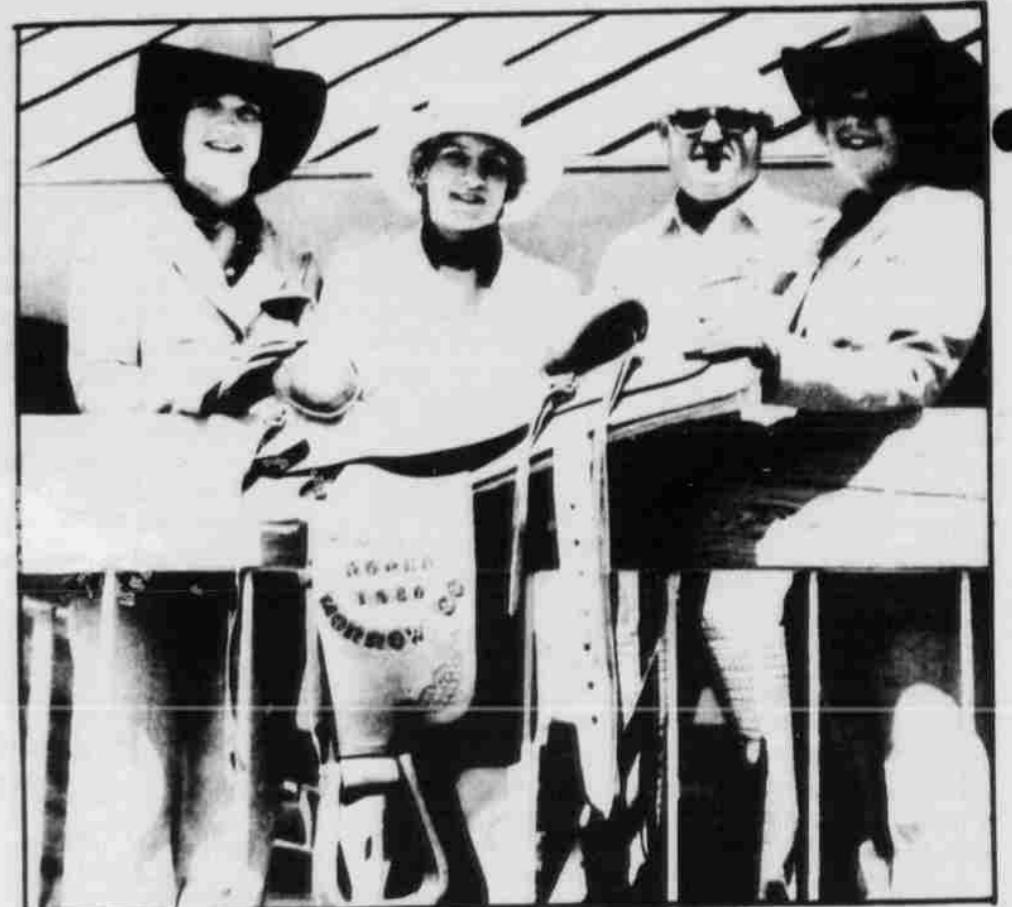
Out around the county there are about 40, 4-H leaders, and almost 200 parents who are in various ways helping 4-H'ers get ready for county fair.

Fair is the big event...the time and place each year where the members show what they have accomplished and learned. The special time the public has the opportunity to say "well done."

Successful fairs do not happen without the support of parents, leaders, and the public. An audience is welcome and appreciated at each and every 4-H event. It is especially reassuring to younger members to look around and see a proud mother, father, or grandparent there.

Don't, however, feel you have to be one of those to walk in, sit down, and watch a 4-H event. All the members are there to show everyone what they have accomplished and learned. All 4-H events are open to the public.

4-H invites you to come to the fair...see what the youth of Morrow County are doing. You will leave with a very positive feeling about the youth of today. See them at the Fair.



Princess Lottie, (L) Queen Lori, Kinzua Gen. Mrg. Harry Kennison, and Princess Nancy show saddle donated by Kinzua Corp.

Mrs. Jim Swanson attends big National Conference

International 4-H Youth Exchange members from 35 states met in Wilmington, Ohio, at Wilmington College from July 16 to July 20 for a national conference. Over 300 American IFYEs attended plus about 15 inbound students who have just come to the U.S. from foreign countries.

Monica Swanson, Ione, went a few days early to enjoy a special visit with the girl who

traveled with her in Greece in 1973. In 1978 Monica served as an exchange youth group chaperone accompanying a group of American students who visited the Labo Youth Program in Japan.

The Ohio conference theme was Fun, Family and Flight. That state makes much of its being the home of the Wright brothers. The conference delegates went to the Dayton Air Show which is the second

largest air show in the U. S. Almost everyone had the interesting and exciting experience of riding in a colorful, hot-air balloon. Each balloon carried the pilot and two passengers.

Monica reports that the next national IFYE conference will be in New Hampshire and two years from now it will meet in Nebraska. She hopes that Oregon will host this group in some future year.



The Queen and her court accept saddle from Morrow County Grain Growers