

Easter party held for nursing home residents



Karen Murty, 4, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Murty, Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home resident Cleo VanWinkle and Dorothy Estburg examine a bunny cake made by the Murty's for an Easter party at the nursing home Thursday.

The party was sponsored by the Friendship Baptist Church. The Hospital Auxiliary

furnished candy for Easter baskets which were made by Karen Becky's Blue Bird group from Ione. Renee Siminoe and Cathy Clark provided music for the party and Friendship Baptist ladies decorated the eggs for the baskets.

Each nursing home resident received a basket and enjoyed cake and punch or coffee.

LABO host families ready for visitors

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There's a growing excitement in ten Morrow County families, all who have chosen to host a special Japanese Labo student in their homes next summer. Six boys and four girls will be a part of the local scene, arriving in Oregon around July 26 for a month long visit.

Names of host families have been chosen, each carefully matched to the age and interest of a Japanese boy or girl. Families on both sides of the ocean will exchange pictures, and background information prior to the arrival of the students. Liz Curtis, Heppner, has contacted all host families in the arranging of the exchange, and will later provide an orientation meeting to help local families prepare for the guests.

Host families are: Mr. and Mrs. Ned Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Ball, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Palmer, Mr. and Mrs. Rick Curtis, all Heppner; Mr. and Mrs. Bill Doherty, Mr. and Mrs. Del Piper, Lexington; Mr. and Mrs. Hellberg, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Secl, Irrigon, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob McLaughlin, Pilot Rock. One additional student will travel with the Labo group, but will visit in the home of a friend in Dallesport, Washington.

CAMP COUNSELORS ATTEND SESSION

Four local 4-H'ers recently attended a three-county camp counselor training session given at Camp Hancock, the OMSI camp near the John Day River. Those attending had the opportunity to be involved in a number of leadership development experiences, as well as learn new nature crafts which they may share with younger campers. Attending from Heppner were Larry Palmer, Jodi Padberg, Kimberly and Jennifer Hughes.

Additional counselors are
HOMEMAKERS TOUR
PLANNED

needed for the local 4-H camp scheduled for June 25-28 this year at Cutsforth Park. Any older 4-H member interested in serving as a counselor at the Morrow camp is asked to call 676-9642 to indicate their interest, or come by the extension office to get further information from John or Birdine.

SPRING HOMEMAKERS DAY ANNOUNCED

The popular spring event, Extension Homemakers' Day, will be doubly special this year as women from Morrow and Umatilla counties join forces to honor all homemakers, as well as share "Our Cultural Heritage" by displays and demonstrations of folk arts.

Starting at 9:30 a.m. Thursday, April 30 at Thompson and Hoeft Halls, Fairgrounds, Hermiston, the day will include a variety of interesting events. Coffee hour and time to view the folk arts will precede the formal program. At 11:30 a.m. Marge Griffin, president-elect, National Extension Homemakers Council, will present slides from the triennial meeting in Germany of the Associated Country Women of the World. Luncheon will be salad potluck, provided by the study group

members of both counties. A number of special awards for study groups and members will be presented following the luncheon. Awards to be presented are "Morrow Extension Woman of the Year"; Umatilla County "Mrs. Homemaker" award; "Study Group of the Year for Morrow County"; and a "Community Service" award for Umatilla County.

The Morrow and Umatilla County Homemakers Advisory councils invite all women to attend the special event. Program is planned to conclude by 2 p.m.

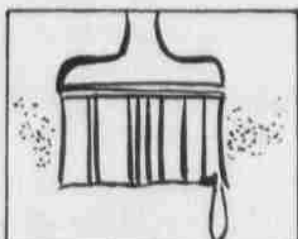
A tentative date of June 2 has been selected for the spring tour sponsored annually by the Homemakers Advisory Council. Site selected for the special fun and educational day is Cascade Locks, where those participating will board the tour boat "Columbia" to travel through the locks for a 2 1/2 hour narrated excursion. Following the boat ride, a no-host luncheon will be available in Cascade Locks. The group will then return to The Dalles for additional events, yet to be arranged there.

Travel will be by bus, with costs kept to a minimum, (cost of chartered bus, divided by number of passengers). Cost for the boat trip is \$6.50, which will be paid by each individual, in addition to the lunch and bus fare.

Those interested in participating in the planned tour are asked to call the Extension office as soon as possible and list their names. When final plans are completed, they will be contacted with costs and full details of the day.

4-H AND FFA STERS WEIGH-IN

There'll be lots of good buys in beef at the 4-H and FFA Livestock Sale at county fair this year, if all animals weighed in recently come to the market. The animals were weighed on two Saturdays, in north and south Morrow, so members of both organizations could calculate needed feed and care to bring them to peak shape by fair time. More animals weighed in this spring from both 4-H and FFA than the previous year.



When washing natural-bristle brushes, a little alum in the final rinse water can revive sluggish bristles.

OCE names scholars

A total of 144 Oregon College of Education students, including Kristan L. Edmundson of Heppner and Lorinda Ann Schnell of Irrigon, were named to the president's list winter term for having earned perfect (4.0) grades while completing at least 12 credit hours of graded courses.

Anita Eileen Rogers of Irrigon was included in 337 others who were named to the honor roll for having a grade-point average of 3.5 to 3.99.

Ione private in basic training

Army Pvt. Bruce A. Millman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leland A. Millman of Ione, is attending basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

During the training, students receive instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Morrow Co. schools to open before Labor Day

According to a schedule adopted Monday, schools in Morrow County will open before the Labor Day weekend this fall.

The schedule for next school year adopted by the school board places opening day of school on Sept. 1. Labor day is on Sept. 7.

In addition, the schedule has students coming back from Memorial Day next year for two days of school before dismissal for the summer.

"There was no other way to make it work, because Labor Day is so late next year," explained John Edmundson, school district official who worked up the schedule.

According to the schedule spring break will be March 22-26 next year, and Christmas break will be from Dec. 24 to Jan. 1.

Real Easter Bunny captures children's attention at story hour



Around 30 preschoolers and four babies came to see a French Lop rabbit, named Emmy Lou, brought to story hour by Irene Anhorn.

Admirers cluster around a real Easter Bunny at a story hour session at the Heppner Library last Thursday.

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