

# Heppner woman writes of trip abroad

By JUSTINE WEATHERFORD

Mary Goheen of Heppner let me read a twelve-page review of her recent travels in Sweden, Finland, Estonia and Denmark and nearby islands and graciously let me condense some of the highlights of this adventure for G-T readers.

Mary flew from Pendleton to Portland and then to Seattle for an overnight stay before going east to New York's Kennedy Airport where she boarded a plane which took her 3,330 miles to Gothenburg, which is less than an hour from Stockholm.

The 65-person Lindblad Tour Group stayed at the Grand Hotel in Stockholm. The big excitement of the first evening took place at Skeppbron quay when the new Lindblad motorship, the M.S. POLARIS was ceremoniously christened by his Royal Highness, Prince Bertil, uncle of the Swedish King, along with Mr. and Mrs. Lars-Eric Lindblad, Captain Bertil Groenberg and Master Mariner Torbjorn Svenson. After the ceremonies four members inspected the new ship on which they would share its maiden voyage.

Sightseeing highlights in Stockholm were the City Hall, where the Nobel Prize award banquets are held, the daily changing of the guard at the royal palace, and the Wasa Museum where a 200-foot-long warship built in 1628, which was raised in 1961 and restored, is on display.

On April 30, the king's birthday, Mary and three tourist friends went together to see special ceremonies along with the changing of the guard. That afternoon they visited Skansen, an open-air museum and zoological park where on the eve of May Day (Walpurgis Night) witches are thought to ride about. That night, the tour group spent their first night on the new vessel.

On Saturday, May 1, after some enjoyed a morning of looking in windows of closed shops, the POLARIS and its passengers sailed from Stockholm toward Finland. The morning of May 2, the POLARIS docked in Mariehamn in the Finnish Aland Islands very close to the four-masted windjammer POMMERN "one of the few remaining sailing vessels, the very last of her class, in a completely original state. An interesting feature we saw on our complete tour of this vessel was the large wooden cage on deck which was used to confine pigs so that the crew would have fresh meat on their voyages," Mary wrote. The beautiful Aland Islands have been inhabited since prehistoric times and much of interest was seen there, such as, the Castle of Kastelholm dating from the 1300's, she reported.

The POLARIS moved on toward Helsinki where there was a May snow storm in this beautiful city, built mainly on solid rock. Its tremendous Tempeliahukko Church is quarried into bedrock with its outer wall made of quarried stone, piled and bound together with steel. The tourists enjoyed shopping in Finland's Stockmann Department Store. An educational talk on Finland by Professor Stig Jaatine increased everyone's understanding of that country, Mary said.

After crossing the Gulf of Finland during the night, the tour

arrived in Tallinn, Estonia (Russia) "which is famous for its medieval look and where archeological finding show that people lived about four thousand years ago," she stated. At this stop, Mary reported two soldiers were stationed at the foot of the gangway and they had to surrender their passports. She said they were given a booklet that had CCP on its front that they were to carry while off the ship and turn in when they got their passports again.

"May 5 we cruised westward in the Baltic to the Swedish Island of Gotland. We stopped close to the bird island, Stora Karlsö, and some passengers went ashore in large rubber boats for a walking tour and to see the museum on the island where a naturalist gave an informative lecture. This day it rained hard as we moved to Visby, which was once the most important trading station in the Baltic and which is now a popular resort.

Next the tour group visited Kalmar, one of Sweden's oldest cities, the Scandinavian capital during the early Middle Ages. "We had a wonderfully narrated tour through the Lessebo Paper Mill, one of the few mills still making completely hand-made paper... interestingly, they order their cellulose from Buckeye, Tennessee."

Late that afternoon and during the night, the POLARIS moved to Copenhagen, the city tour there showed such things as the Little Mermaid, Gefion Fountain, Christiansborg Palace and the old stock exchange.

Other highpoints in Denmark were a visit to Kronborg Castle (Hamlet's Castle) at Elsinor and to the Louisiana Art Museum which features very modern art. Traveling by bus through the Danis countryside was delightful as was viewing the Royal Family's Fredensborg Palace "where they reside during spring and fall. We also stopped to view the huge Frederiksberg Castle and huge parks around it," she wrote.

That evening most of the tourists visited the famous Trivoli Gardens during their final night in Europe. The next day almost everyone flew west: Mary's flight took about nine hours to reach Seattle. She then flew to Portland and then to Pendleton where her sister, Irene Anhorn, waited to bring her to Heppner on May 10.

Mary's story concludes "Thus ended a very wonderful experience. I am very grateful to the Lindblads for having invited me to join this maiden cruise and to visit the cities that still have their medieval flavor, even back to the Viking Age, some of which I never dreamed I would ever see."

## 4-H car washes successful

Car washes at three locations will bring in about \$46 for the Morrow County 4-H Leaders Council, with about 192 to be split between the Oregon 4-H Club Foundation and 1983 National Extension Conference to be held in Oregon, announced John P. Nordheim, Morrow County Extension Agent. All of these organizations are major supporters of the 4-H program, Nordheim added.

On May 15 free car washes were held at Heppner Boardman, and Irigon, Cara Costa, Carol Wade and Barbara Mathis were the car wash chairpersons for Heppner, Boardman, and Irigon respectively. Manned by 4-H members, parents, and leaders, the three locations washed a total of 94 cars. Donations were collected during the car washes, and 4-H members solicited sponsors to guarantee a certain amount per car.

## Fire reporting summary

The Grant-Wheeler-Harney Fire Protection Cooperative has released the following Wildland Fire Reporting Summary:

For fires on Oregon State Forestry land, report fires to John Day, 575-1139 - 24 hours during fire season, seven days a week; Monument, 934-2300 - 24 hours during fire season, seven days a week; Fossil, 763-2575 - 24 hours during fire season, seven days a week.

For fires on Bureau of Land Management land, Burns District, report all fires within the district to 573-2071.

For fires on National Forest land, Malheur - report forest fires to 575-1321; Ochoco - report forest fires - dial operator and ask for commerce 9903. (No charge to calling party); and Umatilla - report fires to Heppner Ranger District, 676-9187; Dale Ranger District, 421-3311; and Pendleton Central Dispatch, 276-3470 (24 hours).

For fires in the John Day Rural Fire District, fire emergencies, 911 in the 575 prefix area or 575-0030 in other areas.

For fires in the Mt. Vernon Rural Fire District, fire emergencies, 932-4567.

For fires in the Fossil Rural Fire District, fire emergencies, 763-2222.

For fires in the Prairie City Rural Fire District, fire emergencies, 820-4300.

## Mahoney wins top rodeo award

Tara Mahoney of Heppner won the All-Around Cowgirl title at a Scio High School Rodeo held May 22 and 23 at Corvallis.

Tara Mahoney placed first in breakaway roping, second in pole bending, second in cow

cutting, fourth in goat tying and eighth in barrels.

The All-Around cowboy award was given to Spike McCay of Eugene.

Also competing from Heppner were Trisha Mahoney, who won eighth in cow cutting; Lee Rice, first in bare-

back; Pat Schwarz, third in calf roping; Cliff Dougherty, fourth in calf roping; Earl Hammond, third in bareback; and Mike Currin, fourth in team roping with Brady Patton (draw partner - no points) and fifth in steer wrestling.

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