

Plants Plus opens in Lexington



Phyllis Piper of Del's Market in Lexington shows Kathy Cutsforth, also of Lexington, one of the ferns available from Plants Plus, a new addition to the market which sells plants and gift items. An open house will be held on Friday and Saturday, Oct. 7 and 8 at the store.

The large variety of quality plants includes palms, ferns, ivy, cactus, many kinds of flowering and hanging plants, as well as many other varieties. Baskets and ceramic items are also for sale.

Store owner Del Piper says, "We have a large variety of quality plants at an affordable price."

New clothing project available to 4-H'ers

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"Building on Experience" is the national 4-H theme for the next two years and the Oregon 4-H clothing project does just that with the addition of the new advancement program.

Ardis Koester, OSU Extension Service textiles and clothing specialist, and Barbara Sawyer, Extension Service 4-H youth specialist, revised the clothing project a few years ago into "skill levels," with each level building upon the knowledge learned in the earlier one.

Although most young people join the 4-H clothing project to learn how to sew, the project now involves them in consumer education activities, introduces them to the field of textiles and teaches them about personal grooming and care as well as clothing construction.

The 4-H clothing project is also more flexible than the clothing projects many adults remember. Now, advancement is tied to learning, not age or grade. A young person may cover two or more skill levels in a year, depending upon time and motivation.

It also means that older 4-H members are now enrolling in the first phase because that's where their "skill level" is, she adds.

The project has been care-

fully designed so that the 4-H member uses the skills and knowledge learned in skill level one in skill level two, Sawyer said. This way, each succeeding skill level builds naturally upon the ones before it and the 4-H member is better prepared for the challenges offered in the more advanced levels.

It has also meant that 4-H members are freer to choose what they want to make. The only limiting factors are the skills the 4-H'er has mastered. The 4-H member may set his or her own goals in the project, as well.

This year also marks the introduction of the new 4-H clothing advancement program as a special option. The advancement program includes both voluntary and required knowledge and skills to be learned by the 4-H member at each skill level.

The advancement program will allow 4-H'ers to chart their accomplishments as they progress through a project. A special certificate is given at the end of each skill level to those completing the advancement option.

The 4-H clothing project has remained one of the most popular of all projects offered through the youth education program of the OSU Extension Service. More information about the project is available from the Morrow County Extension Office.

Lexington news

Delpha Jones 989-8189

By DELPHA JONES

The first of the fall series of card parties sponsored by Holly Rebekah Lodge was held Saturday evening with four tables of players present. Winning high for women was Dot Halvorsen. Men's high player was John Tellechea; men's low point player was Bill Padberg; Alice McCabe was low for women while Cecil Jones and Sarah Adkins had traveling.

Refreshments were served later in the dining area.

Norita Marquardt of Portland spent the weekend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bill B. Marquardt.

Chris Jones, small son of Kenneth and Linda Jones,

returned home Monday after several days in St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton where he underwent major surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Yocom entertained with a dinner on Saturday honoring their daughter, Millie, on her birthday. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Leland Jones, Millie Yocom of Pendleton, and Debbie Jones and daughters of Echo.

Clell Rea is a patient in Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston.

Carl Smouse and Cheryl Smouse of the Portland area have been visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Smouse, and Kenny Lyn and all enjoyed a trip to Chelan Lake this week.

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