

Recent county immigrant

Princess Sheila enjoys raising & riding horses



Princess Sheila Sieler

Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Princess Sheila Sieler, 16, daughter of Myrna and George Sieler, will be a senior at Heppner High School next year thanks to the Blue Mountain Community College adult high school diploma program. She has been taking summer classes through BMCC and will be enrolled in a full schedule at H.H.S. next fall in addition to continuing night classes through BMCC. Practical Sheila supposes that she is a "good enough student," but mainly just wants to get school over with so that she can go on with her life.

She was on the volleyball team last year and expects to participate again this fall. She was also a

member of the Heppner High School chorus for one year and the Toledo chorus for two years. She has two sisters, Shelly, 13, and Sherry, 5.

Immigrating to Morrow County from the coast town of Toledo two years ago, where she was a member of the Spanish Club, drill team and held the student body officers of secretary and treasurer, the adaptable princess has become more involved with Wranglers and horses as a result of her friendship with fair and rodeo Queen Bridgett Greenup.

Bringing five horses with her, she is now down to one, an albino quarter horse mare from whom she is expecting a spotted foal soon. The

composed princess says she enjoys raising horses, not for profit, but because she enjoys being around them and raising them is a way of doing that. It's "my responsibility" she says to take care of them. If she gets too many horses, though, she says she weeds them out and starts over.

Determined to learn to ride because her grandparents who had horses told her she couldn't ride them, she learned to ride with her aunts and discloses that she has always been fascinated with horses, doing pencil drawings at times. She has owned a horse since she was five, beginning with a shetland and graduating up. She will ride "Catch Up," a horse borrowed from John Ledbetter, in the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo parade.

Moving to "horse country" she explains helped her decide what she wanted to do. After graduation she says she may work on a ranch because she doesn't think she could work inside. Although she expects to continue riding for competition, her ultimate goal is to become a horse trainer, develop her own horse and barrel race.

Second to the composed princess love for horses is her 4x4 '42 Ford jeep which she is sanding and painting. "With help, a lot of help," from her dad she is getting it in shape for road rallies. She is a member of the 4x4 club of which her dad is president and her mom secretary.

As a princess, she has enjoyed meeting interesting people and going places. She would do it again, she says, but one year is enough. She is feeling conflict within herself about decisions for the future. "Being a princess is an honor and challenging. It means weighing what means most to you as well as what others want and to decide what's best. A road rally that I had planned to attend for several months was the same weekend as a rodeo appearance, so I went to the rodeo."

Influenced by Grandpa

Princess Bobbette always wanted spot on Court



Princess Bobbette Angell

After serving three years as a pennant bearer for the Morrow County fair and rodeo court, 16-year old Heppner High School senior Bobbette Angell daughter of Bobbi and Larry Angell is one of this year's fair and rodeo court princesses. She has three brothers, Jim, 22; Craig, 14; and Mark, 13.

Confessing that horses take up a lot of her time, Princess Bobbette says she has been a member of Wranglers Riding Club for "a lifetime" competing in everything, but mainly barrels. She is also a member of Heppner Barrel Club and 4-H Horse Club, and was a Girls

Athletic Booster at H.H.S.

At school, the purposeful young lady enjoys her business classes and intends to go to a business college in accounting following her graduation from H.H.S. Afternoons, evenings and weekends, two weeks each month, she works in the office at Pioneer Memorial Hospital filling out forms for emergency patients, typing, filing, answering the phone, and finding ambulance drivers.

At home on a horse, the comely princess helps her dad with the family's cows at the 36-acre home on the edge of Heppner. Although she spends two hours a day riding in

addition to cleaning, feeding, watering and taking care of her own three horses, she confesses that she does better in barrel competition if she doesn't practice specifically for the event. She will greet Morrow County Fair and Rodeo parade goers from Holly, the thoroughbred quarter horse she raised and rides in competition. Used mostly for pleasure riding and working cows, a running quarterhorse and former 4-H project named Cam, has been with the princess since she was four. A one year old full thoroughbred, Rusty completes her stable.

Cow drives, working riding, have also been a part of the conscientious princess's growing up. She recalls spending three weeks or more of the summer with her grandfather beginning when she was 12 years old, on cattle drives camping out, moving cows into town for the winter and helping fix fence.

True to Morrow County, Bobbette says that she always wanted to be a princess mostly because of the influence of her grandfather, the late Floyd Hutchens who was active in chariot races and the rodeo; he also was honored as parade grand marshal.

The best part about being a princess says the responsive Bobbette, is the friendly faces, meeting new people and participating in group activities. The most fun is definitely the actual fair and rodeo parade and the grand entry. After all the work, hard work of getting up early, keeping a horse looking without flaws, keeping the outfit nice, the people, the crowd, the excitement, make it all worthwhile. The most thrilling event for her, though, thus far, was when she was chosen to represent the county as a princess.

As a princess representing the county, she says it's important to always remember to have a friendly face. It's not hard, but necessary not to be cranky.

Hay hauling permits available

Because of action by the state legislature, Oregon's farmers and ranchers can not obtain wide load permits to transport large round hay bales in an economical manner, reports a Oregon Farm Bureau news release.

Introduced at the request of the Farm Bureau, HB 2848 requires that the load be composed of hay bales with a manufactured width exceeding three feet. The load cannot exceed 10 feet and temporary extensions must be added so the entire load is supported.

According to Don Schellenberg, manager of the Farm Bureau's

Governmental Affairs Division, "The law was designed specifically to exclude the issuance of wide load permits for regular hay bales, because a truck can haul a full load of the smaller bales without being overweight."

According to Tom Brad of the Oregon State Highway Permit Unit, the state is issuing 30-day permits restricting the user to hauling from one specific location to another.

For more information on how to obtain a permit, call 378-2568 or write the Oregon State Highway Permit Unit, Room 102, located at 2960 E. State St. in Salem.

Lexington News

By Delpha Jones 989-8189

Spray Grange members hosted the quarterly meeting of Wheatland Pamona Grange at their hall on Saturday, July 27. A bountiful dinner was served at noon by the host Grange. A cake walk was enjoyed following the dinner. This was the meeting of the yearly Memorial. Under the direction the Chaplain, Mildred Wright Inspirational readings were given, the 23rd Psalm and the Lord's Prayer. Flowers were laid on the altar beside the Bible in memory of the following departed ones: Spray Grange-Mildred Storm, Loren George, Stanly Bolin; Lexington Grange-Norman Nelson, Maude Pointer, and Orville Cutsforth; Willovs Grange-Ruth Heimbigner; Rufus Grange-Sam Brock; and Mikalo Grange-Annie Boyer.

There were several tables of pinocle enjoyed in the afternoon. This is the first time that many of the Grangers had the opportunity to see the Grange Hall after the remodeling project and it is indeed a fine job, and all were thankful for the fine air conditioner. Remember that Pamona will meet next in October at the Lexington Grange Hall, and this will be the election of officers for the next two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Steagall returned home on Tuesday from a reunion of the Shoun Family held at Bull Prairie. A good crowd was in attendance with about 75 being present. The group enjoyed visiting, fishing and the potlucks.

Mr. and Mrs. Chuck Nelson are enjoying an Alaskan Cruise of several days length.

Jean Nelson and Delpha Jones

were among those from Lexington Grange attending Pamona in Spray on Saturday. Attending from Rhea Creek Grange were Mildred Wright and Dorris Graves.

Mike Burcham and Children from Enterprise were recent callers at the home of his mother Dorothy Burcham to help with the setting up of a trailer home.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Way were callers in Monument on Saturday where they attended a Memorial Service for Dewie Irvin. The services were conducted at the cemetery and a family get-together was held later at the park. Mr. Irvin passed away a few weeks back at the Community Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston following major surgery. He was a former Monument and Morrow County resident.

Debbie Sharp motored to Walla Walla on Monday where she consulted a physician.

Norita Marquardt has returned to her home in Portland after several weeks at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. Bill B. Marquardt where she was recuperating from major surgery.

Jim Marquardt of Taholah, Washington was a caller at the home of his mother Betty Marquardt to make further plans for his wedding August 10 at Heppner.

Bob Smith has returned to his home after a stay in Portland where he received medical attention.

Mr. and Mrs. T.E. Messenger Sr. were recent Portland callers where they visited their sons and family Mr. and Mrs. Carol Messenger and Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Messenger, and their granddaughter Kathleen Fisher who is a patient in the Portland Adventist Hospital.

Venice Hendrickson of Pendleton has been a recent Lexington caller.

Catie Padberg is spending some time at the home of her daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Vinson in Monument.

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HAPPY 30TH BIRTHDAY

JANET GREENUP

Ground broken for new church

Ground breaking ceremony for the Willow Creek Branch of the Latter Day Saints Church was held June 21 in Lexington on the Lexington-Ione Highway and Tom Street near the Morrow County Shops. Present were Morrow County Judge, Don

McElligott, the state President for the church, Allen E. Alder from Hermiston, and the branch president Curtis Perkins from Lexington. It is hoped to be finished by November. An open house for the public will be held at that time.

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'85 AUGUST 6-10

FRIDAY - AUG. 2
Western Concert 8 p.m.

SAT. & SUN. - AUG. 3 & 4
4-H Horse Show 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

MONDAY - AUG. 5
Snaffle Bit Futurity
Carnival Opens 6 p.m.

TUESDAY - AUG. 6
4-H Style Revue
Opening Ceremonies 7 p.m.
Janna Jae 8 p.m. & 10 p.m.

WEDNESDAY - AUG. 7
Old Time Fiddlers 6:30 p.m.
Horse Pulling Contest 8 p.m.
Stoddard & Longshore 7 p.m. & 9 p.m.

THURSDAY - AUG. 8
Junior Rodeo 7:30 p.m.
S.L. Price 7 p.m. & 9 p.m.

FRIDAY - AUG. 9
4-H, FFA Master Showmanship 7 p.m.
Junior Rodeo 7:30 p.m.
S.L. Price & Square Knots

SATURDAY - AUG. 10
Fair Parade 10 a.m.
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