

## Topic Club tells of new books at lone library

The lone Topic Club held a January meeting and work day at the Public Library. Members worked on arranging books, cataloging and cleaning. After lunch at The Office they returned to work and later had a meeting. It was decided that the library should be painted and carpeted. A spring money maker is planned to cover some of the expenses.

A selection of laser discs are available in the Library for those who would enjoy taking some friends into the Library in the afternoon or evening for a film showing may contact a Topic Club member or Mrs. Grace Byrnes, the librarian, to make arrangements.

New books recently put on the shelves for adults include two which are very much in the news at present. "The Mammoth Hunters" by Jean M. Auel is the third book in a series called Earth's Children. "The

Color Purple" has been made into a very successful movie and was written by Alice Walker, who is the first black author to receive the Pulitzer prize for literature.

Other new books are "Hyde Park Mother" by Elliot Roosevelt, a story about his indomitable mother and her insistence that a murder in their neighborhood be solved; "Last Wish" written by Betty Rollin; "Joan Kennedy Story" by Marcia Chellis; "Ice" by Ed McBain; "First Among Equals" by Jeffrey Archer; another Arthur Hailey book, "Strong Medicine" and many more books for information, entertainment, and good economical way to fill the winter hours.

Visit your lone library on Tuesday or Thursday afternoons from 3-5 p.m. or at other hours by appointment. A book drop is provided by the outside door for the return of books at anytime.

## Lexington News

By Delpha Jones 989-8189

Virginia Peck, Dorothy Burcham, Joyce Buchanan and Delpha Jones attended Sans Souci Lodge in Heppner on Friday evening and assisted Vivian McConnell, the DDP in the installing of officers. Following the business of the evening, lovely refreshments were served and the ladies enjoyed a bingo party.

J.E. Messenger was surprised when several of his children and grandchildren brought birthday cake and helped celebrate his birthday on Sunday afternoon. Those present were Betty Marquardt and Jana, Debbie and Ray Miller and children, Pam and Dave Piper and son, Jim and Carlita Marquardt and children, Joyce and Randy Hughes and children, Mindy Smith, Rena and Bill Marquardt, and Doug and Linda Marquardt and son Marcus.

Kristin Nelson was a visitor at the home of her mother, Jean Nelson last week.

Lexington Grange met on Monday evening for a regular meeting starting with the annual pancake supper cooked and served by the men of the Grange. Chairman for the evening was Lyle Peck. All the men helped with the preparing and serving of the supper. Guest speaker for the evening was Jeff Manley, Director of the Tri-County Health District. This was a most interesting and educational talk, explaining the various problems in our counties including what to watch for in marijuana use. He explained the various kinds, how they are used and how obtained; in fact, he gave the group a

good bit to think about and be conscious of.

A short business meeting was held with an announcement of a Sweetheart Card Party on February 15 with refreshments, and prizes. Committee appointed was Barbara Cutsforth, Charlene Papineau and Josie Peck. This is a money maker to help the Grange with the current expenses. It was announced the death of Bill Seahaffer, a long time granger and former lone resident, at St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton. He and his family have been Boardman residents for several years.

Mabel Ring fell at her home and lone and was taken to Portland.

Margaret (Mrs. Elby) Akers of lone was ill and transported to Portland.

Pamona Grange will meet at Willows Grange Hall in lone on Saturday starting at 10:30 a.m. with dinner being served at noon by the Grange Ladies. All subordinate members can attend Pamona meetings, so let's give the New Year a good send off with a fine crowd in attendance to support the newly elected officers.

### Winterize

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## Unemployment down from year ago

In Morrow County during 1985 wage and salary employment increased by 110 with the major growth coming from the trade sector. Unemployment is also below year ago

levels, says a press release from the Oregon Employment Division.

The county's population increased by 0.9 percent during the year. This is the second consecutive year that the population has grown since 1980.

## Heppner Happenings

By Mary Bryant 676-9493

In spite of winter cold, fog, and often icy streets, Ruth Locust Chapter No. 32 OES has held stated meetings at the December 9 meeting Ken Elliott of Arlington, a member of the Home Endowment Committee of Grand Chapter was present for an official visit. Members enjoyed his very interesting report on activities and updates of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home. Cherry Williams, member of Cancer Research Fund Committee was unable to be present to make her official visit. She did send an interesting letter that gave facts about research and new equipment being used; also stated that last year there was 100 percent chapter participation with over \$39,500 given for cancer research. After chapter closed a Christmas program followed. Several members read Christmas selections. Gifts placed under a beautifully decorated tree were exchanged. Ken Elliott, accompanied by Juanita Charmichael and led the chapter in singing holiday selections. Members and visitors retired to the dining room for a variety of delicious Christmas goodies served from tables beautifully decorated by Carmelita Halvorsen.

On December 17 a joint potluck dinner, followed by joint installation of Heppner Masonic Lodge No. 69 and lone Masonic Lodge No. 120 officers was well attended and enjoyed.

Mrs. Alena Anderson has returned to Heppner after an absence of approximately a month spent in the valley. She visited at the homes of her daughters and their families. Christmas Eve was spent with Dee and Jim Erdmann at Aloha and Christmas Day with Nancy and Phil McMennan at Hillsboro. All the members of their families were present as well as for New Years. Her daughter, Carol, lives in the East and was unable to be with them.

Mrs. Betty Tanner was installed as Noble Grand of Sans Souci Rebekah Lodge Friday night. She was installed by Vivian McConnell, District Deputy President, assisted by four members of Holly Lodge from Lexington, Delpha Jones, Joyce Buchanan, Virginia Peck and Dorothy Burcham. After lodge, members and guests were served a decorated cake and gelatin.

Vivian and Charles McConnell have received word that their son, Jim, is up for soldier of the month, and received an award for the cleanest room during inspection. Tom McConnell, another son, has passed the test for amateur radio operator and received his general ham license.

At the January 13 meeting of Ruth Locust Chapter No. 32, OES, Secretary Louise Wood read a letter from member Ruby Beckel, who is presently living and visiting with her daughter, Sharon Burkenbine and family in Wilkesboro, North Carolina. She sent greetings to all and wrote that she was feeling much better. Also stated that she had enjoyed many Christmas activities and also attendance at Eastern Star meetings. After the business order, Sister Virginia Wilkinson, PGM, presented Beth Bryant with a wrapped package containing a framed certificate stating her appointment as Grand Representative of Tennessee in Oregon. Anna Graham's name was drawn for the door prize package that had a beautiful circle saw picture painted by Virginia Wil-

son. Members enjoyed refreshments of angel food cake and ice cream topped with raspberries and served by John and Louise Wood and helpers.

Reports are that Oma Cox has improved sufficiently to be undergoing therapy and that Ida Farra is continuing to improve at home.

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