

1986 Morrow County Rodeo winners



Heidi Lane won the Breakaway receiving a blanket donated by Buffmans Farm Supply, Irrigon.



Tony Currin also won the Steer Wrestling buckle donated by Miller & Sons and Shoe Box.



Shirley Martin received the Senior Barrels gold watch donated by Petersons.



Nikki Brisbois received the Junior Barrels horseblanket donated by Sears.

French student photographer enjoys Heppner Rodeo

Olivier Giraud, 17, St. Germain en Laye, France, was in Heppner during the Morrow County Fair and Rodeo. He is a Nacl Exchange student living in Clackamas for a month with John and Dorothy Riehl who brought him to Eastern Oregon for fair and rodeo week festivities.

The son of Henri and Noelle Giraud, Olivier is an only child. His father works at a business where he prints cartons and makes boxes. The family lives in a building with eight other apartments in a residential area.

The French, he says, tend to copy the American lifestyle. France is becoming very progressive, he continued, "There's as much American as French music on the radio."

Giraud belongs to a 50-member photography club called "la Salamandre." He took many rolls of film at the Heppner rodeo and managed to get a photo of Dan Riehl, close relative of his host family, winning a stock car event at the Umatilla Speedway.

Giraud shoots, develops and prints his own color and black and white photos. He would like someday to take "good photographs" to submit to newspapers. He insists, however, that photography is just a hobby and that he intends to study mathematics to maybe become an engineer.

He likes most sports and plays rugby and tennis, windsurfs, and snow skis, and enjoys photographing sporting events. "I take pictures of anything I think is beautiful," he says.

He likes the view in the country, and said Portland is "too big." "The sky here is 'saturee' different from France and very beautiful," he said. He also contends that the Pacific Ocean is a different color than the Atlantic and that it has many more waves than the calmer Atlantic.

Coming to the United States, has been a dream for many years, and he would someday like to return to photograph each of the 50 states.

What he has seen in the United States during the last two weeks, he says is so beautiful that he would like to come here to live, but his family is in France, so he has a dilemma.



Tony Currin receives a Breast Collar donated by Central Market, Court Street Market and Les Schwabs for taking first in Open Calf Roping.



Steve and Tony Currin received the Cow Milking Buckle donated by Turner Van Marter and Bryant and Boyce. They also received the Cow Mugge-Breast Collar which was donated by Auto Kool.

Tony Currin and Steve Currin take first in the Team Roping event winning a pair of buckles donated by Gardners.

Steve Currin receives a buckle donated by Coast to Coast and Heppner Garage for first place Cow Riding.

Heppner Happenings

By Mary Bryant, 676-9493

Mrs. Lincoln Nash received word of the death of her mother, Mrs. Mary Nagowski this past week. Mrs. Nagowski had made her home at Lidgerwood, North Dakota, and would have been 90 years old September 20. Mrs. Nash and her family had visited her this summer. Due to eye surgery, she was unable to make the trip again at this time. Her family felt she needed more time for recuperating.

The latest word on Eric Connor is that he is steadily improving and is planning on attending school as usual. He is helping manage the football team at school.

Ed and Eleanor Gonty recently camped at the park on the John Day River and also at Memaloose Park on the Columbia River. Vehicles from Canada, Florida, Texas, Colorado, and other states were at the park awaiting the wind surfing competition. The Gontys met several interesting people during their camping at the two parks.

Recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Irby were Mrs. Pat Townsend of Portland; Mrs. Zetta Jenkinson of Vancouver, Washington; and Sue Weigand of Portland. Mrs. Townsend is a sister of Mrs. Irby and formerly lived in Ione. Mrs. Jenkinson is also a sister and Sue Weigand is a niece.

In last week's column the item about Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Bunch and their new baby should have stated that the baby had been adopted and that the maternal grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. Lon Smith of Irrigon. Sorry for my oversight.

On August 17 Judge and Mrs. Robert Abrams and their children met at the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hascall, at Long Beach, Washington. Daughter Mary and her husband Keith were there from Los Angeles; Alice from California, where she works on a trade magazine; Frances and her husband, Fred, from Ohio where she works as a chemical engineer with the Air Force. Elizabeth and her two children and Rob Abrams from Portland completed the family group.

Mrs. Betty Tanner spent some time in Woodburn recently and visited her sister. Then she went on to Dallas to see her son, his wife, and her grandson; also her daughter, her friend and her daughter.

In King's Valley she saw some friends she had known when she had a wood shop over there. They made toys, she caned chairs, and did various other projects. On the way back she stopped at the Bonneville Fish Hatchery. While visiting her daughter, she helped celebrate her granddaughter's 15th birthday. -Jim Cason, Ida Lynn, and Mary

Bryant were in Pendleton Monday where Mrs. Bryant consulted her physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Vinson were Sunday visitors at the home of Mrs. Mary Bryant.

Boardman woman wins most blue ribbons at fair



Esther Minnich of Boardman for the second year has won the Creative Hands award for earning more blue ribbons for entries in foods, needlework, clothing, and canning than any other exhibitor at the Morrow County Fair.

From 76 entries Minnich earned 68 ribbons: 46 firsts, 15 seconds and 27 thirds. She has entered the fair each year since 1971 when a friend convinced her she should. A "retired housewife" Minnich and her husband have lived in Boardman since 1962.

The Morrow County fair, she says, is her vacation. Each year she collects her entries, brings them to the fair, and stays at a motel in Heppner.

Wins quilt

Roland Bergstrom of Ione won a quilt made by residents of Pioneer Memorial Nursing Home. Activity Director Connie Baker announced that chances to win the quilt would be for sale at the Morrow County Fair. The drawing was held Sunday afternoon.

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