

Eubanks named Grand Marshal



John Eubanks

John Eubanks has been named grand marshal of this year's fair and rodeo parade.

Eubanks served 15 years on the rodeo committee. He competed at the Heppner rodeo from its beginning in 1923 until "I got too old," he said. At age 13, he rode his first race and "did O.K., too, for the first year."

The son of Walt and Vela Eubanks, John is a lifetime resident of the area. He operated a dryland

wheat ranch near Lone until his retirement several years ago to Parkers Mill. He and Mildred, his wife of 56 years, have two children, Donald who lives at Boring, and Sandra, who was fair and rodeo queen in 1962. Mildred, also a lifetime resident of the area, is the daughter of Earl and Mattie Morgan. The couple have nine grandchildren, none of whom rodeo.

The Heppner rodeo is a lot faster now than it was in 1923, the grand marshal said, but probably the biggest change is the relay races. Riders used to have to change saddles at each round, he related. It was really rugged. Now they just change horses.

He competed in all but the Chariot race, he said. Roman races—a rider stood with one foot on the back of each of two horses—provided him some tough competition, he recalled. Cowboys then were not afraid of anything, he said.

Dr. & Mrs. Thiessen announce they will be leaving Heppner on June 22, 1987. We wish to thank the people of Heppner for their support.

Our stay here was pleasant and rewarding and we regret our departure but hope people will understand. It has been our pleasure serving you. We wish only the best for the community and county and pray for good health for all.

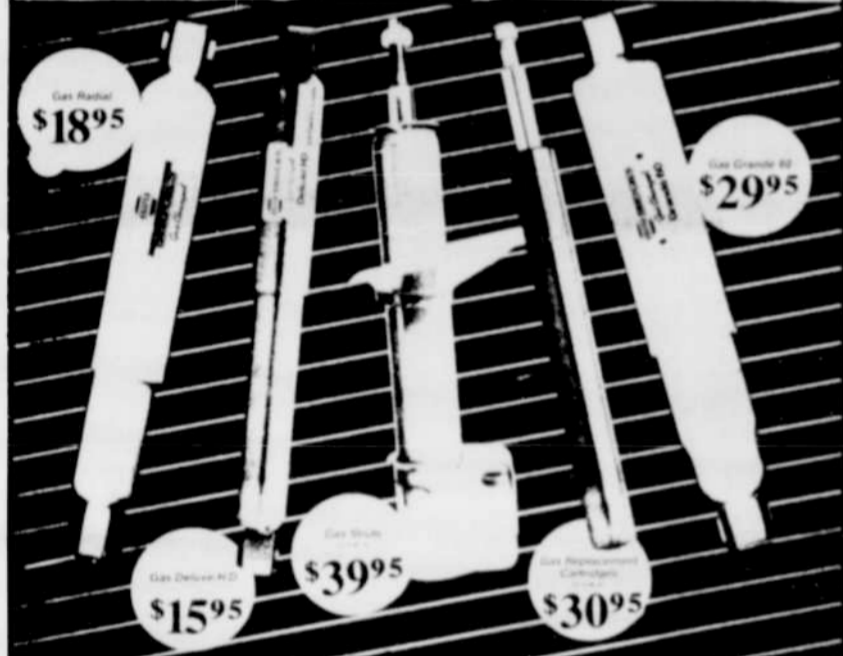
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Weddings



Watson — O'Brien

Bill Watson of Milton-Freewater and Sherri Lynn O'Brien of Walla Walla, Washington (formerly of Heppner) were married April 18, in Walla Walla, Washington.

A reception in honor of the couple was held May 2, in Walla Walla. The bridegroom is the son of Harriet Sarrazin, College Place, Wash. and the late William G. Watson, Walla Walla. The bride is the daughter of Pat and Nadine O'Brien, Heppner.

The couple is residing at Milton-Freewater. Watson is self employed as a plumber. The bride is employed at Pacific Power and Light in Walla Walla.

Bloodworth to chair area soroptimists

By Justine Weatherford

On Saturday, May 16, representatives of the seven Soroptimist International Clubs of North Eastern Oregon and South Eastern Washington met at Enterprise. Mary Goheen, Heppner, the out-going secretary made the arrangements for this meeting attended by Regional Governor Sally Shumway of Baker and Regional Secretary Clista Venard, Heppner, and representatives from Baker, La Grande, North Morrow County, Pasco-

Kennewick, Pendleton, Wallowa County and Heppner.

During group workshops, members shared information from the recent regional conference at Great Falls, Montana. Walter Klages, a professional photographer, showed his beautiful colored slides of the wilderness of the Wallowa area. Those who attended from Heppner were Jackie Allstott, LoRayne Bowman, Barbara Bloodworth, Mary Goheen, Pat Hyatt, Molly Rill and Clista Venard.

New officers were elected: Chairman Barbara Bloodworth, Heppner; Secretary LaFrance Grubbs, Pendleton, (was re-elected); Treasurer LoRayne Bowman, Heppner. It was determined that the next area meeting will be on October 24, in LaGrande.

Thongdys interviewed

Two graduate students interviewed and video filmed Heppner's Laotian immigrants on Saturday, May 16. Karla Weatherford Weaver, an occupational therapist from Yakima, and Ruth J. Abercrombie, a community corrections officer of the State of Washington from Pasco, came to interview and film Phou and Somchith Thongdy and their two younger children, Somkit and Phonetip at their Water Street home.

The two women are working toward masters degrees through Eastern Washington University at Cheney. Their assignment was to learn about Asian immigrants, about the cultural differences they have encountered and about any problems they have faced in adapting to life in the U.S.

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4-H'ers learn about state government



Discussing legislative matters with Rep. Ray French during the 1987 Oregon 4-H Know Your State Government conference in Salem are Benji Pearson and Nance Wright, (right) both of Heppner, who were among the 4-H delegates attending the citizenship program.

Oregon 4-H members including Nance Wright and Benji Pearson recently participated in the 4-H Know Your State Government Conference held in Salem. The 93 4-H delegates who participated in the conference met state officials and learned about how the state government operates.

Benji Pearson said the high points of the conference were seeing the Capitol building and art work, meeting with Rep. Ray French and Senator Eugene Timms, and also watching the legislators while in forum.

Nance Wright was particularly impressed with the Supreme Court and the legal system at the state level.

She also said they used their free time to explore around the Capitol and see a lot of things that they couldn't see on tours. Both girls said this was a very educational and interesting experience and would recommend it to anyone who would like to learn about our political system in Oregon.

Bill Broderick 4-H agent reports that the Know Your State Government Conference is just one of the ways 4-H members can increase their citizenship and community involvement. The Know Your State Government Conference is a citizenship program sponsored by Oregon State University and the Extension Service.

Ione gardeners tour gorge

The Ione Garden Club members spent Wednesday, April 13 touring the Columbia Gorge to Mosier and returning along the scenic route past Rowena Lookout Point and the Tom McKay Wildflower Preserve. They went to look at the wild flowers in the area. They listed at least 50 varieties of wild flora including hillsides of blue lupin.

At a short business meeting Helen Martin was selected delegate for the meeting of the Oregon State Federation of Garden Clubs at Salem the third week in June.

The next garden club meeting will be June 10 with a no-host luncheon at Beechers and observance of Flag Day. Members will bring miniature arrangements.

Correction

Gay Harshman plans no major changes as manager at the Bunchgrass Saloon in Lexington. The word "no" was omitted, in error, from a story in last week's newspaper.

Winner!



Florene Robinson won the Raggedy Ann and Raggedy Andy dolls made by Pat Dougherty. Proceeds from the drawing will benefit the track team going to China in June.

Members participating are Jason Dougherty, Kim Sager and Jason Palmer.

Chamber tours CRP



Bob Adelman (r) explains CRP to Heppner Chamber member George Kofler (middle). Left is Harley Sager.

"And may the rains fall softly on your fields". No one complained during the Chamber sponsored CRP tour this week, as this Irish blessing brought gentle raindrops to Morrow County. Our fields needed the moisture. Twenty-five participated in the informative tour, which was led by Bob Adelman, Soil Conservation Service.

June 2 will be Chamber business meeting.

June 9 Paulette Bartee of East Central Ore. Assoc. of Counties will present the Oregon Marketplace program. This program focuses on providing market information that matches regional needs to local resources. Umatilla, Morrow, Grant,

Gilliam and Wheeler are a part of Marketplace Connections which can connect local buyers with local suppliers.

June board meetings will be held the second and fourth Tuesdays immediately following chamber.

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