

Lexington News

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A week at Outdoor School

Photos by Joyce Hughes



Terry Chinen demonstrates how to shoot a bow and arrow to some lone sixth graders up at Tupper last week.



Sixth graders play a game acting out how wolves survive in the wilderness hunting rabbits (marshmallows in the chair). How the more dominant ones survive and how the ones that don't get very many rabbits act.



Jim Brosnan, HHS counselor, shows Chad Skroch, left and Ethan Burnside, back to camera, how to make knots.

The Heppner and Ione sixth graders went to Tupper Guard Station last week to participate in Outdoor School. This outdoor experience just completed it's sixteenth year of operation. Don Cole is the supervisor and this year Brenda Weygandt assisted him. While at Tupper, the students, do a weather study, soil and plant studies, a wildlife study, maps and compasses, learn to build fires, trap food and build a fishing pole out of their sur-

vival kits. They also have a unit on survival which was developed by Mr. Cole and is unique to this program. All of Morrow County's sixth graders participate in Outdoor School. Heppner and Ione share a week, Sam Boardman Elementary has a week and A.C. Houghton another week. The children also learn to get along socially and live with others. Several high school students are selected to be counselors for the week.



All week the 6th graders are taught different techniques of surviving at Tupper. Ethan Burnside watches "Conan" demonstrate.



Bryce Tucker engraves on a piece of wood during arts and crafts time at Outdoor School.

--The Rebekah Card Party was held Saturday evening at the hall with the following winning prizes for the evening: hi-Kathy Tellechea and hi men-John Tellechea; second hi women-Joyce Buchanan, men-Frank Robinson; traveling-Maureen Howard and Dot Halvorsen. The series of card parties winners were: hi men-John Tellechea, women-Kathy Tellechea; second hi men-Frank Robinson, women-Maureen Howard; traveling-Fran Peck and hard luck award Darrell Vinson. Lovely refreshments were served featuring a cake decorated with flowers and players around a card table with clever sayings such as "quit cheating, quit talking across the board."

--Bill and Annetta Padberg were among those attending the track meet in The Dalles on Saturday.

--Mike Burcham visited his mother one day last week from Pendleton.

--Bob and Luella Taylor recently spent the weekend with their son and family in Baker. On Sunday they all met in Pendleton where they enjoyed a Mother's Day dinner in the evening.

--Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Howard and family have moved into the Mike Kane trailer in Lexington.

--Melvin Martin, son of Helen and Fred Martin, and a brother of Jean Brazell was attending a business meeting in Umatilla from the Valley, when taken ill and had to undergo emergency surgery at the Community Good Shepherd Hospital in Hermiston. He is reported to be doing well.

--Joyce Buchanan is again at home after a business trip to the Portland area. She enjoyed Mother's Day with her family in Hood River, who motored there to meet her for a picnic and day of relaxing.

--Mr. and Mrs. Truman E. Messenger Sr. had as weekend visitors, a son Geri and wife Sue of Portland and a son Carroll and wife Vivian and children from Tigard. Dinner was enjoyed on Sunday with the boys cooking and serving.

--Randy and Joyce Hughes and children took her mother Betty Marquardt up to the Ice Capades on Sunday for Mother's Day and then out to dinner. They had a real fun time.

--Billie June and Ira Owens entertained her parents Bill and Rena Marquardt and brother Doug and sister Charma from Portland on Mother's Day.

--Several of the members of the church spent Saturday at Camp Elkanah where they did some work getting things ready for the summer activities.

--Gene and Helen Murty of John Day visited with his parents Edgar and Frances Murty over the weekend and in the absence of Pastor, he and Harley Sager conducted the morning services at the Lexington Baptist Church.

--Earl Miller has returned to Seaview, Wa., after a few days spent at the Cecil Jones home.

--Cecil and Delpha Jones, Kenneth Jones and Connie Eng motored to The Dalles on Friday evening where they met Jones's daughter Charlene Whitney and Max Akers and all enjoyed an early Mother's Day dinner and spent the evening visiting.

--Vicky and Jim Bower and twins

Katie and Bo were recently Sunday dinner guests at the C.C. Jones home. They enjoyed a day of fishing at the Heppner Dam.

--Hilda and Joe Yocom had as their guests Sunday afternoon their daughter Marie and her daughter Nikki, of Pendleton, Mr. and Mrs. Bill West and children of Echo, the Gary Munkers family, Cecil and Delpha Jones and Jack, Renee Yocom and daughter. A barbecue was enjoyed and an evening of pinochle.

--Three Links Club met at the home of Dorothy Burcham on Thursday afternoon. Plans were discussed for the Presidents visit on June 29 and for the closing of the series of card parties. Lovely refreshments were served to Leila Palmer, Virginia Peck, Joyce Buchanan, Annetta Padberg, Luella Taylor and Delpha Jones.

--Jim Tellechea was an outpatient at the St. Anthony's Hospital Sunday.

--Irvin Rauch recently underwent major surgery at the St. Anthony's Hospital.

Rodeo queen clinic is May 20

The past few years the image of the Rodeo Queen has diminished. To be a queen of the rodeo requires nothing more than get the nerve to be among the two or three girls to try out. If your horse happens to do a pattern similar to the one the judge asks for and you do not fall off, congratulations, you win.

Sylvia Ladd, Miss Rodeo Oregon has begun a crusade to get girls interested in Rodeo Queening and train them to regain the prestige the rodeo queen should carry. To help start the crusade, Debbie Gregg and Melodi Molt representing the Western States Junior Rodeo Association (WSJRA) have organized a Rodeo Queen clinic to train girls in etiquette, speech, and horsemanship. Girls will receive quality instruction to carry them to queen titles at the local, state and ultimately the Miss Rodeo America title.

The clinic instructors consist of Sylvia Ladd, Miss Rodeo Oregon; Miss Hayley Hot, Western States Junior Rodeo queen; Mr. Lew Morgan, trainer of past Miss Rodeo

Americas; Melodi Molt, past runner up for Miss Rodeo Oregon, winner of the horsemanship competition, and past queen of three rodeos. Melodi has been trained at Utah State University as an accredited Rodeo Queen Judge; and Bev Davis, Grant County Fair Court Coordinator.

The clinic is open to queens, potential queens as well as parents, coaches, rodeo queen judges, and contest committee members. The clinic will be an excellent training session for those girls preparing for state or national competition.

The clinic will be held Saturday, May 20 at the Grant County fair grounds. The cost is \$35 for potential queens, and \$10 for parents, coaches, etc. The cost includes continental breakfast, lunch and dinner. Girls need to bring riding clothes and a jacket, western suit or dress for modeling. You may bring a horse if you want but one is not needed.

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