

## Historical Society plans activities

By Delpha Jones

The Morrow County Historical Society Board of Directors met at the home of Jean Nelson on Monday evening for their regular meeting. Items of business included a report on the Memorial Day picnic to be held at the Heppner fairgrounds, a school essay contest on the topic of wheat growing and its input to Morrow County.

Prizes will be awarded to the best essays by junior high school students. Essays will be judged by out of town judges. The Society hopes that there will be many essays this year.

A lengthy report was heard from Jean Nelson on the work at Wells Springs, and the group voted to purchase a sign for the area. Much work is being done there by many area volunteers. The county court has been most cooperative, and the roads, and parking area are being taken care of by Don Ball and the road crew. It is hoped that there can be a dedication later in the spring.

A report was heard on the upper Rhea Creek cemetery and Cecil Jones and Barton Clark were appointed to set up the stones and try and save some markers that have blown over. At this time they will put the sign for the Madison School, which is one of the few buildings still livable.

The 1992 Discovery West celebration was discussed. This is put on by the Columbia River Heritage Assoc.

and will feature floating museums, which are hoped to be replicas of famous boats of the Columbia. These will stop at many towns along the river.

Another report was given on the Al James boat, the last boat built near Pasco. The boat is being completely overhauled and is hoped to be soon on display at Boardman. This has been purchased by the Port of Morrow and was owned by Tidewater-Shaver company.

The dedication of the scenic byways will be held May 12 at the Courthouse. It was reported that the gazebo in Boardman area has not been moved, and it is hoped that this will soon be done so that the sign can be made and this project completed.

The next meeting will be the last Monday in June at the Jerry Peck home in Boardman.

The annual trip sponsored by the Morrow County Historical Society is being planned with the group going to Centralia-Chehalis area this year. They will leave the Heppner-Ione area May 4 and will return the evening of May 6. There will be visits to museums, Corning Revere factory store, Borst Family Homestead and other points of interest. A surprise entertainment will be provided on Sat. evening. The group hopes for a bus load. "These trips are lots of fun and educational. Please try and join us this year," said a society spokesperson.

## 50-year pin awarded



Carl McDaniel (left) is presented his 50-year pin by Don Ball at a ceremony at the Heppner Masonic Lodge.

## Holly Rebekahs hold meeting

Holly Rebekah Lodge met on Thursday evening for their regular meeting. Preceding the business meeting a potluck dinner was enjoyed with the Oddfellows. A report was heard on the Carol Ann Rea benefit held recently at the senior center in Heppner. Plans were further discussed concerning the district meeting to be held at Ione Grange Hall with the Bunchgrass Lodge as hostesses. This will be the official visit of the state president and other

dignitaries. The meeting will start at 10 a.m. and all Rebekahs are invited to attend this meeting. Plans were discussed for the Past Noble Grand luncheon to be held Sat. April 21 at the Rebekah Hall when Holly will entertain neighboring PNG's. The card party scheduled for April will be the last one of the series, and at this time the traveling prizes for a steak dinner will be drawn. All receiving pinochle during the year have their name in for this drawing.

## Lexington News

By Delpha Jones

--Lexington was quite deserted over the spring vacation when several families and their families vacationed in other areas. The Oregon coast was a popular place with several families going there. Martha Munkers and sons, Joe and Hilda Yocom, Kenny and Candy Gates, Connie Eng and sons, Shane and Shawn; Kenneth Jones and sons Michael and Chris, Carmen and Dan Looslie and family and Joyce Buchanan all report a fine time. Some enjoyed a boat trip to watch the migrating whales.

--Lexington Grange met on Monday evening with the regular potluck dinner at 6:30 p.m. The program consisted of Michael Williams of Hermiston who spoke on Medicare and supplement insurance. Later balloting for three new members was held.

--Geneva Palmer, Loree Hubbard, Lucile Rietmann, Helen Crawford and Cecil and Delpha Jones were among those taking the SCRAM bus to Spokane where they enjoyed the Grand Ol' Opry, with singers, Little Jimmie Dickens, Connie Smith, Stonewall Jackson, Porter Wagoner and others. The group left Sunday morning from Hermiston and returned Monday evening.

--Mr. and Mrs. Ron Peck from Moro visited his parents, Josie and Glover Peck at their new home. They have recently moved to the trailer home on the Lyle Peck ranch.

--Betty Marquardt spent several days last week at the home of her

daughter, Jana, in Coos Bay.

--Visitors at the Pat Wright home last week were her daughter and husband, Sandi and Jim Putnam from Fayetteville, N.C. Jim is stationed in the army at Fort Bragg. Also visiting was a son, Mark, from Lebanon.

--Pastor Glen Anderson and wife Phylis, were recent Portland visitors where they attended several church seminars.

--Cecil and Delpha Jones motored to LaGrande on Saturday to attend the funeral services of Eva Hudson, 93, a long time friend of the family, who passed away at the nursing home there earlier in the week.

--Visitors at the Faye Ruhl home over the weekend were her granddaughters, Cindi and Traci Ruhl, Lori Ross and son, Joshua, from Hermiston, and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Voos, a cousin from Bend.

--Cecil and Delpha Jones, Kenneth Jones and Connie Eng were Portland visitors on Friday where they attended the retirement for 10 US West Communications people. The evening was spent at the Red Lion Motor Inn where a buffet luncheon and visiting were enjoyed. Their daughter, Charlene Whitney, a manager in network switching, was one of the retirees. Charlene retired after 29 years with the company. She began work there immediately after finishing business college in Portland. She was a graduate of Ione High School.

--The Lexington Garden Bugs met for their regular meeting and election of officers at the home of Annetta Padberg on Tuesday. Those elected to officers for 1990-91 were: chairman-Dorothy Burcham; vice chairman Phyllis Anderson; and secretary/treasurer-Kathy Tellechea. Work days were scheduled for the park for every Thursday during spring and summer. A spring plant and food sale will be held Saturday, April 28. The evening was spent working on the year book. Anyone interested in gardening is invited to join this group and share the love of gardening and fun. Either Dorothy Burcham at 989-8588 or Phyllis Anderson at 989-8555 can give the needed information. Those present were Marge Ball, Lois Allyn, Dorothy Burcham, Delta Huber, Kathy Tellechea and the hostess.

## Harrison member handball team

Trent Harrison, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harrison, Lexington, is a member of the handball team at Pacific University which recently co-hosted and played in the National Intercollegiate Handball Tournament. Harrison is a junior majoring in business administration at Pacific.

The Pacific team placed fourth in the tournament behind Texas A&M, Lake Forest and Memphis State respectively. The Pacific women took third place and the men sixth.

Hosting the tournament with Pacific was the Multnomah Athletic Club (MAC) in Portland where the tournament was held.

## Ward appointed Wheeler Co. Justice

Governor Neil Goldschmidt announced the appointment of Theresa W. Ward as Justice of the Peace for Wheeler County, and William G. Simons as Justice of the Peace for Central Lane County Justice Districts.

Ward, 39, of Fossil, is a housewife and intake and outreach worker for Wheeler County Community Action Program/Low Income Energy Assistance Program. Ward replaces May Dean Luther,

who resigned, and will serve until a new successor is elected and qualified.

Simmons, 51, of Springfield, is a retired airline pilot. In 1989 he served as a part-time flight and ground instructor for Lane Community College Flight Technology Department. He was editor of Sportsman Northwest in Eugene in 1987-88. Simons fills a new position and will serve from April 2, 1990 until a new successor is elected and qualified.

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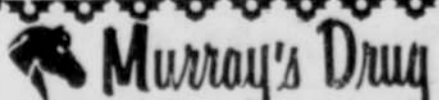
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