

Weddings



Eng — Jones

A 1920 vintage wagon decorated with hay bales, saddles, old cream cans filled with native grasses and grains, and painted boots was the setting of the wedding of Constance Eng and Kenneth Jones in the yard of their home in Lexington on Sept. 5. The trees were decorated with helium filled balloons and gayly colored streamers.

The bride is the daughter of Ray and Gae Papineau and the groom is the son of Charles (Cecil) and Delpha Jones of Lexington.

The bride, escorted to the wagon by her two sons, Shane and Shawn Eng, was given in marriage by her sons and her father Ray Papineau, who were the bride's attendants. She wore a floor-length lace dress with full flounce and a lace bow in the back of her hair. Something old was her earrings, something new was a necklace, something borrowed was her hair piece and something blue was her garter. Danielle Loosie was the flower girl for her aunt. She wore a blue dress with matching headress and carried a basket of rose petals.

The groom's attendants were his sons Christopher and Michael Jones.

The wedding ceremony was read by county clerk, Barbara Bloodsworth, friend of the family.

Following the ceremony the couple enjoyed a ride in the buggy of Joe Yocom who was accompanied by his daughter, Marie Jones.

The cake was a three-tiered creation trimmed in blue and pink and topped with a cowboy with a black hat carrying his birde. The couple on the cake were flanked by a horse shoe and stalks of wheat. The cake was served by Charlene Whitney of Portland, sister of the groom. A bountiful potluck dinner was enjoyed with dancing to western music on a portable floor and rides on a mechanical bull, operated by Jay Papineau.

One of the highlights of the afternoon were several balloons filled with helium. The balloons carried a message from the bride and groom, "if found please return to their address in Lexington."

After a short wedding trip to Seattle, WA, and the coast, the couple is at their home in Lexington. Kenneth is employed by Northwest Pacific Farms in Boardman.



Parret—Devin

Monique Parret and Oliver Devin, both of Heppner were married in the Chapel Heart of Reno, Reno, Nevada on August 31, 1992.

Terrence Parret, son of the bride, walked his mother down the aisle and gave her away.

Jeff Devin was best man for his father and his other son Miff, was ring bearer.

After a few days in Reno the Devins traveled to California for a family vacation. In California they visited Monique's mother and step-father and spent a day on their boat and visited Lost Isle on the Delta. They headed up the coast, stopping to see the Redwoods and ended their trip at Seaside for the Labor Day weekend. While in Seaside they visited Monique's father and step-mother along with other relatives.

Lexington News By Delpha Jones

--Overnight visitors on Saturday night at the Jones home were Valda Smith and small son Billy Taylor of Hermiston, Vicky Bowen and children Bo and Katie of Goldendale, WA and Charlene Whitney and Max Akers of Portland. Sunday visitors were Linda Van DeBrake and daughter Kelsey, from Stanfield.

--Kenneth Howard was taken by ambulance to the Pioneer Memorial Hospital on Friday evening. He is reported to be doing well and is at home.

--Anita Boyer has returned home from a stay in St. Vincent's Hospital in Portland.

--Helen and Gar Leyva from Palm Desert, CA were recent visitors at the home of Juanita and Roy Martin.

--Luella and Bob Taylor spent several days recently in Nevada where they attended a reunion of Bob's Marine Division.

--Juanita Martin attended the Vinson reunion at the McNary Park Sunday, Sept. 6.

--Sheila and Tom Finely of St. Ignatius, Mt. visited Tuesday, Sept. 8 at the C.C. Jones ranch.

--Martha Munkers was hostess to a "get-acquainted" party honoring Justin Yocom, infant son of Renee and Jack Yocom at her home on Saturday. Muffins and fruits were served. The table was cleverly decorated with a centerpiece of a carved watermelon, that looked like a baby carriage and held a "baby" made of oranges and bananas. The ladies enjoyed visiting and getting acquainted after the

honoree opened her gifts. Special guests for the morning were Renee's parents, Bonnie and Bud Eddy, who are visiting from Colorado.

Thursday Renee and parents motored to Portland where they met her sister, Virginia Eddy, who spent several days there, returning with her parents on Friday.

--Holly Rebekah Lodge met on Thursday, Sept. 10, for the first meeting of the fall. Preceding the meeting the charter was draped for sister Hilda Yocom. Vocalists were Valda Smith, Hermiston and Jo Irvin, Irrigon, who sang Beautiful Isle of Somewhere. The meeting was presided over by N.G. Kathy Tellechea. The next meeting Sept. 17, will be a potluck for the Oddfellows and Rebekahs.

--Cammie McReynolds and children Cassie and K.C. spent a week in Lexington visiting her sister and husband Connie and Kenneth Jones and family. Cammie makes her home in Boise, ID.

--Visitors for the Eng-Jones wedding were Crystal and Don Dale of Victor, Montana; Ray and Gae Papineau who are spending several weeks in Salem and Clay Papineau of Kennewick, WA.

--Glen and Bertha Horan of Everett WA, were weekend visitors at the home of Cecil Jones. On Monday they enjoyed a sight-seeing trip to Granite and Sumpter, returning through Baker and LaGrande.

Oregon students score high on tests

Oregon students scored higher this year on most state math, reading, and writing tests, according to the Oregon Department of Education's second annual assessment. Students in grades 3, 5, 8, and 11 were tested in reading and math for the second straight year and in health for the first time. Third and eighth graders also took writing tests.

"We're making progress," said State School Supt. Norma Paulus, "with significant gains in reading in grade 3 and math and writing in grades 3 and 8."

Like last year, the area of most concern is 11th grade math.

"Although the scores improved slightly, we're still concerned that 30 percent of our high school juniors scored below grade level.

"Part of the problem is students' exposure to math," Paulus added. "All elementary schools have daily math lessons, while many eleventh graders have none.

"While it is easy to focus on average scores," said Paulus, "Our goal is to move all children up the skill ladder. We expect every child to succeed, and these results show that they are climbing up the ladder."

For instance, the number of third graders scoring below grade level in reading dropped from 14 to nine percent and the number scoring above grade level jumped from 25 to 35 percent. The number of eighth graders scoring below grade level in math dropped from 25 to 14 percent and the number scoring above grade level increased from 13 to 19 percent.

Writing results were impressive with scores increasing in five of the six writing traits. "Students are showing a stronger ability to organize their thoughts and communicate clearly with a distinct personal style," said Paulus.

"More time has been spent in elementary school on actual writing instead of filling in the blanks," she added, "and it is paying off."

Results of the health tests show few students scored above grade level expectations. One-third of third graders scored below grade level. "This tells us that health needs additional attention in the primary grades," Paulus said.

"In the last decade of budget reductions, health and physical

education programs have often been the first to go. These short-term solutions will have long-term consequences to the health and welfare of our society. Our assessment makes it clear that our children are not getting enough information about nutrition and elementary health care. We're becoming increasingly concerned about the lack of organized physical activity for our younger children in particular."

The assessment included survey questions about student behavior. Results show that many students are not getting enough nutritious food, sleep, and exercise. For instance:

--34 percent of eighth graders skipped breakfast at least three times a week.

--61 percent of 11th graders got seven or fewer hours of sleep on a typical weeknight.

--41 percent of 11th graders follow a regular exercise program only sometimes or less.

Paulus said the assessment is a critical part of the education reform program. "As we move ahead to improve our schools, we need this kind of baseline data to chart our growth."

"I applaud the improvements we see in this year's results," said Paulus. "They are largely due to the efforts of Oregon's teachers who are serious about curriculum reform."

St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board



September 9 there were 109 people, including eight guests, present for the senior dinner. Camilla Samples won the meal ticket, Linda Shaw the door prize and Ethelda Leeing, the guest prize. Members of the Baptist Church and Christian Missionary Fellowship served the dinner. The Senior Center board met following dinner.

The menu for September 23 will be a salmon bake with tartar sauce, baked potatoes, carrot raisin salad, muffins and fruit. Members of the Episcopal Church will serve.

Seventeen seniors rode the bus to Hat Rock State Park Friday, Sept. 11 for the AAA picnic. There was such a good turnout that an emergency run to Hermiston had to be made to get more hamburger, buns, plates and etc. It was a beautiful day and everyone enjoyed the outing. Seniors were pleased to see Helen Dyer there. She was a longtime Heppnerite and former tenant at the St. Patrick's Senior Center apartments. Her address is Four Winds Group Home, Rt. 3 Box 3664 Hermiston, OR 97838. She would appreciate hearing from her friends here.

A bus load of seniors braved the wind and went to Pendleton via Pilot Rock Saturday afternoon to see the Dress Up Parade. Even though it was quite cool they enjoyed the trip.

The bus will be going to Pendleton again Friday, Sept. 18 for the Westward Ho parade. There are still a few seats available. Departure time is 8 a.m.

The garden club will be using the bus for a trip to Baker City Tues., Sept. 22. The bus will leave at 7:30 a.m.

Eleven volunteers folded newsletters for the Extension Service Monday afternoon, Sept. 14. Four ladies were quilting. Anyone interested in learning to quilt is invited to join them on Mondays, from 1-4 p.m. Exercise class is Tuesday and Thursday, 10-10:30 a.m.

Morter wins Gillet scholarship

Nancy Morter, a 1992 graduate of Ione High School, is the recipient of the 1992 Pat Gillette Memorial Scholarship Fund. The \$600 award may be used at the school of her choice.

During Nancy's high school career at Ione High School, she received 12 varsity letters in volleyball, basketball, and tennis.

She was also very active in a variety of school activities and maintained a 3.79 GPA.

Nancy is the second recipient of the annual award given in memory of Pat Gillette. Pat was an outstanding high school athlete and later a highly respected high school official in eastern Oregon and southwestern Washington.

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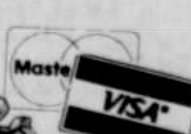
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