

Cardinal PTA sponsor programs



Students l-r: Tim Doherty, Cydne Tullis, Jason Zinter and Natalie McElligott look at map project

The Cardinal PTA, formerly the Cardinal Club, has been involved in several special activities at the lone schools.

The group painted a map of the United States on the lone playground sponsored the Blazer Reading program, sponsored a scholarship program; provided gifts from Santa for the school children after the Christmas program; decorated the school's Christmas tree; organized the fall potluck to welcome teachers; put on a recep-

tion following the high school graduation and, as a fund raiser, provided the Fourth of July chicken dinner. The club is also selling Cardinal Believer buttons at the home basketball games this season.

The club comprised of parents, teachers and community members is seeking more community participation at their meetings. The next meeting will be held after the new year. Topics include the future of the organization and its role in the school and community.

Lexington Grange meets

By Delpha Jones

Lexington Grange met for the regular meeting on Monday evening Nov. 16 with master Joe Yocom presiding.

A bountiful dinner was enjoyed followed by an interesting game on presidents. Luella Taylor and Dot Halvorsen won the prizes.

It was announced that Kathy Clark passed her tests and will now be the new Grange insurance agent for this area.

Wheatland County Deputy Delpha Jones was introduced and welcomed. She spoke a few words urging more grange attendance at meetings to support the various activities of the order, such as the arthritis fund, dogs for the deaf, toys for children, the legislative program and the in-

urance program. Attendance at meetings is greatly needed, she said.

The charter was draped in loving memory of Emma Drake, a recently departed sister.

Frances Smouse provided music with two violin solos.

Installation was held with the deputy assisted by Joe Yocom and Dot Halvorsen. Installed were: Roger Scharen, master; Barbara Gilbert, overseer; Delpha Jones, lecturer; Jean Nelson, secretary; Cecil Jones, treasurer; Eldon Gilbert, steward; Clarence Buchanan, gatekeeper; Frances Smouse, chaplain; Joe Yocom, A.S.; Judy Stevens, LAS; Verna Brinda, ceres; Dorothy Wilson, flora; and Joyce Buchanan, Pomona.

Ione youth group to sell trees

The Ione Youth Group is selling Christmas trees as a moneymaker to help fund their Burnside project to help the homeless in Portland.

The group will take orders for

Douglas Fir, Noble Fir and Grand Fir until Sunday, Nov. 29. Trees will be delivered to homes free of charge Dec. 6. Call Jeri McElligott to place an order, 422-7257.

Ione Topic Club has speaker

Linda Miller, patient care coordinator of Vange John Memorial Hospice Inc. of Hermiston, attended the Ione Topic Club meeting on Nov. 18 to tell the members about the hospice group.

The hospice is a volunteer group of individuals who receive seven weeks training from professionals to be competent in this field. Compassionate care is extended by the team which responds to the physical, emotional, social and spiritual needs of patients and their families. This service is available free of charge to anyone who is in the final stages of a life-threatening illness. The hospice volunteer

donates her time and energy freely without thought of any remuneration and becomes a strong friend of the family of the ill. Hospice volunteers do not provide any medical assistance. Since hospice services are free, support for the work of the group must be provided by donations of equipment and funds from individuals and community organizations to operate and expand its program. Nella Britt of Heppner functions through this organization.

Jeri McElligott and Sue Proudfoot were hostesses for the day. Special guests included Lorraine Griffith, Chirella Wallace and Helen Martin.

Wheat Growers to hold meeting

The Oregon Wheat Growers League will hold its 65th annual convention in Portland November 29-Dec. 2 at the Red Lion/Lloyd Center.

Guest speakers will include Senator Mark Hatfield, Ralph Grossi from American Farmland Trust, and Randy Allen from the Minneapolis Grain Exchange.

Three workshops will be presented: computer programs for agriculture; risk management and farm plans, and; a hands-on wheat staging, soil moisture retention and weed control presentation by the Columbia Plateau Conservation Research Center.

The theme of this year's convention is "Building on a Strong Foundation." "The growers have a strong base organization, it is our responsibility, as its

leaders, to make effective decisions for the future of the League," stated Ben Holdman, president of the OWGL. Holdman and his wife, Nora Lee, will host the traditional "President's Reception" at the Albers Mill, Wheat Marketing Center, Sunday, Nov. 29 beginning at 6 p.m. All growers are invited to attend.

In addition to business sessions, there will be a trade and exhibit show as well as social functions including a cruise on the "Stern-wheeler". Spouses will have the opportunity to enjoy a demonstration and sampling by world renowned perfumer Chris Tsefalas of The Perfume House, Portland.

For further information or registration contact the OWGL office 276-7330.

PMH receives Ed-Net programs

A grant from the La Grande-based Northeast Oregon Area Health Education Center (NEOAHEC) is making it possible for Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Heppner to receive live broadcasts of continuing medical education programs from Oregon Health Sciences University over the Ed-Net television system.

Pioneer Memorial began receiving the programs in late September after a satellite dish and in-room video equipment provided by the NEOAHEC grant were installed.

The 90-minute telecasts allow physicians, nurses and specialist to discuss specific medical conditions and issues with OHSU faculty and staff over Ed-Net I, the one-way video and two-way audio channel.

The first series of eight programs address arthritis and orthopedic problems with an emphasis on primary care. Subsequent programming will respond to other needs.

NEOAHEC works in partnership with Oregon Health Sciences University to develop education and training opportunities for students in medicine and other health professions through residencies and continuing education programs in Baker, Gilliam, Grant, Malheur, Morrow, Umatilla, Union, Wallowa and Wheeler counties.

Lexington News

By Delpha Jones

Several members of the Morrow County Historical Society were present at the Morrow County Museum on Nov. 6 to greet the Willamette Valley people who were enjoying a trip through Eastern Oregon. The tour took them to Condon, Heppner, Pendleton and Baker City. Those present to help were Lorraine Griffith, Marion Brosnan, Helen Currin, Sue Vinson, Jean Nelson and Delpha Jones. The ladies served coffee and cookies and helped serve as a host committee.

The card party held recently at the Rebekah Hall in Lexington drew a good crowd. Those winning prizes were: women's high-Virginia Peck; second high-Ginger Keithley; traveling-Frances Smouse; men's high-Ed Hunt; second-Lee Palmer; traveling-Lyle Peck. Refreshments were served following the meeting. The next card party will be Saturday, Dec. 5 at 7:30 p.m.

Eldon Gilbert is at home again after major surgery at St. Vincent's Hospital in Portland.

Carol Ehrmantraut underwent major surgery at the Oregon Medical Hospital in Portland last week and is reported to be doing fine.

Phylis Anderson was called to Nebraska by the serious illness of her father.

Mike Padberg and family were recent visitors at the home of his father and stepmother, Bill and Annetta Padberg.

Friday callers at the Padberg home were Shane and Sheridan Klinger, children of Victor Klinger and grandchildren of Bill and Annetta Padberg. Sheridan makes her home in LaGrande where she attends Eastern Oregon State College, and Shawn lives in Ketchikan Alaska, where he is employed by Alaska Airlines.

Cecil and Delpha Jones, Wheatland Pomona District Deputy were visitors at the Greenfield Grange in Boardman on Monday evening, Nov. 9. A supper was enjoyed before the business meeting. Presiding was the master Harry Gilpin. At this time there was an election of officers with the master and several other officers reelected. The Grange voted to rent the hall for several meetings a month to a portrait photographer of Boardman who will be taking portraits.

Betty Marquardt is spending some time in Hawaii visiting her daughter Lolita Grace and family.

Dan and Carmen Looslie and Ken and Connie Jones spent several days in Depoe Bay at the beach house of Ken's sister, Charlene Whitney. They were there for a good part of the high winds and rain.

Joyce Buchanan's sister, who spent several days visiting, has returned to her home in the Portland area.

Annetta Padberg is recuperating at home after major surgery. She is now attending therapy sessions three times a week in Hermiston.

Nitrate testing for wells offered

Nitrate contamination of groundwater is a major concern in Oregon. At certain levels it poses a significant health threat to infants and unborn babies, says Carol Michael Bennett, Morrow County Extension agent. DEQ is concerned about this threat and will test groundwater samples for free at the 1993 Farm-City Fair at Umatilla County Fairgrounds.

For best results:
-take the sample just prior to leaving for the event;
-let the water run from an outdoor tap for five to 10 minutes prior to taking the sample;

-the sample should consist of 1/4 cup of water stored in a clean and thoroughly rinsed glass jar;

-record your name, township, range, and section number on jar, (found on your property tax form);

-the sample for testing should be brought to Thompson Hall between 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 3, 1993 Farm-City Fair, Umatilla County Fairgrounds, Hermiston.

For more information, contact Barbara Sprott, DEQ 1-800-452-4011.

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