

Historical Society holds annual meeting

By Delpha Jones

The annual meeting of the Morrow County Historical Society was held at the Lexington Grange Hall on Sunday, Oct. 1. A turkey potluck dinner with all the trimmings was served. Bob Reaney and Barbara Bloodsworth were the kitchen chairmen, with willing helpers. The tables were decorated with centerpiece of sunflowers and other items. The gift for the oldest person went to Marguerite Messenger.

Following the meeting, dinner and visiting, the meeting was called to order. The National Anthem was sung by the group with Grace Drake offering the prayer. Minutes of the previous annual meeting were read and the treasurer's report was given.

The group sang "America the Beautiful" accompanied by Kathryn Hoskins at the piano. The chairman then thanked all the helpers and the guests for the dishes brought.

The names of those finishing out their three year terms were read. An election of four directors was held, with Dorris Graves, Delpha Jones, Sue Vinson and Jean Nelson voted to serve the next term.

Wilbur Jackson, Pauline and Orville Matheny, and Don and Jan Stroeber were thanked for all the work they have done at the Goshen fountain near the Fairgrounds. The workers cleaned off all the weeds and are planning to cut some of the locust trees that have become infested with insects.

A report was heard concerning the yearly trip which took the bus with 29 members to Salt Lake City and other places.

Plans are being made for the 1996 trip. Those who wish to join the group should let the chairman know early in the spring. The trips are planned for the enjoyment of the group with the expenses kept as low as possible. The Morrow County Historical Group just meets the expenses.

Speaker of the day, Carolyn

Davis, a Native American who resides near Pilot Rock area, gave a most interesting talk concerning the Indian heritage.

Davis was born and raised in Pendleton and spoke of her family background. She told some of the beliefs of the Indian people, such as their beliefs about life and death and about the spirit search and the languages.

Davis brought many articles of clothing for display and spoke about them. Many are family heirlooms and are given to tribal members for safekeeping.

One of the many interesting articles was an eagle headdress belonging to her grandfather, horse blankets, shawls, her own buckskin dress, and other articles, such as gloves and leggings. The items are beautifully made, with different tribes carrying out their craft.

Following the meeting, people were allowed to look at the articles and ask questions.

Marsha Sweek of the Morrow County Museum and Judge Carlson spoke about the

plan for the museum which is to be built in Heppner. They showed the group a sketch of what the museum may look like and said that the museum board is working toward several grants which will help the project financially.

The meeting ended with a song, "God Be With You Till We Meet Again".

The new 1996 Chronicles are now ready for sale and may be purchased at the Bank of Eastern Oregon or Murray Drug. There are also pins, stationery and other objects available from the Society. The Chronicles are prepared each year by a hard-working committee and printed to be ready by the time of the annual meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis were guests of Faith and John Jordan at the Woolery House in Lone. On Wednesday, Faith Jordan, Delpha Jones and Ruth McCabe went to the Wild Horse Casino, where they visited with Carolyn Davis previous to her appearance at the Sunday meeting.

Laurel Webber-Gray wins scholarship

The board of directors of the South Morrow County Scholarship Trust (SMCST) announce that Laurel Webber-Gray is the 1995-96 recipient of the \$500 City of Lexington scholarship.

"It was a very difficult decision as there were very, very good candidates this year and anyone would have been an excellent choice. We are just sorry that we could not give out more scholarships as the candidates were all good," said Reverend Stan Hoobing, SMCST president.

Webber-Gray is the daughter of Tim Gray and Cherry Webber of Lexington. She is a 1993 graduate of Heppner High School and is an English major in her junior year at Whitman College in Walla Walla. Webber-Gray told the committee, "I believe that higher education is

one of the most important factors in determining a person's ability to be successful in today's society." Webber-Gray also pointed out to the committee that after she completes her undergraduate work at Whitman College, she plans to work on a master's program at another college and then become an elementary school teacher.

This is the second year that the committee has awarded a \$500 scholarship to a second year or older student from the Lexington voting precinct. Monies for this scholarship were made available through the tippage fee fund.

The board of directors will host an annual meeting for anyone interested in the scholarship program on Monday, Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. in the lounge of St. Patrick's Senior Center. Guest speaker will be Sally Woodyard, Pacific Northwest director of Dollars for Scholars Program. South Morrow County Scholarship Trust is a Dollars for Scholars chapter. Also on the agenda will be election of officers, report on activities of the trust and other information.

Justice Court Report

The Justice Court office at the courthouse annex building in Heppner reports handling the following business during the past week:

Barajas Pedro Murguia, 32, Umatilla-Exceeding the Maximum Speed Limit, 71 mph in a 55 mph zone, No Operator's License, Driving Uninsured, \$460 fine;

Tracy D. Heaps, 39, Pendleton-Height Oversize, alleged 15', height limit 14', \$49 fine;

Cecil Barlow, 64, Heppner-Criminal Mischief, \$175 fine, 30 days in jail, \$121 and jail sentence suspended with one year probation with no further violation of law.

W.C.C.C. Golf

Ladies' Last Play Day

Flight A: low gross Luvilla Sonstegard; low net Linda Schultz; least putts Barb Gilbert; special events #1 Linda Schultz, #4 Karen Wildman, #7 Susan Atkins; chip in Betty Christman # 9, Norma French #8, Bernice Lott #5, Luvilla Sonstegard #7.

Flight B: low gross Susanne Jepsen; low net a tie between Lynnea Sargent and Susan Atkins; least putts Bernice Lott; special events #2 Norma French, #5 Lil Boyce, #8 Pat Edmundson.

Flight C: low gross Betty Christman; low net Jackie Allstott; least putts a tie between Lorene Montgomery and Lil Boyce; special events #3 Luvilla Sonstegard, #6 Norma French.

Low gross of the field: a tie between Pat Edmundson and Karen Wildman.

Orange Ball Team Results
Low gross team: Bebe Munkers, Bernice Lott, Verna Brinde and Susan Atkins.

Low net teams: Dorris Graves, Doll Campbell, Linda Schultz and Betty Christman; Luvilla Sonstegard, Gail Hughes, Lorene Montgomery and Joyce Dinkins; Pat Edmundson, Deborah Kendrick, Jackie Allstott and Suzanne Jepsen; and Barbara Gilbert, Norma French, Melba Miller and Mary Beamer.

Bowling League

Dime A Dozen Sept. 10

	W	L
D-Don's	4	0
The BM's	4	0
Penland House	3	1
Pin Dodgers	2	2
Padberg/Hartley	2	2
RJ's	1	3
Greenup/Dammeyer	0	4
#4	0	4

High games: Randy Sample 223, Annie Lusher 180.

High series: Randy Sample 617, Dianna Hoelt 495.

Sept. 17

	W	L
The BM's	7	1
D-Don's	5	3
Padberg/Hartley	5	3
Pin Dodgers	5	3
Penland House	4	4
#4	3	2
RJ's	2	1
Greenup/Dammeyer	1	7

High games: Dave Hanna 222, Dianna Hoelt 181.

High series: Dave Hanna 603, Sandi Hanna 499.

Thursday Nite Mixers, Sept. 14

	W	L
#6	4	0
Lancer Lanes	4	0
Skagg's Auto Clinic	3	1
Wright's Century	1	3
Ione Repair	0	4

High games: John Breidenbach 194, Fran Barnett 174.

High series: John Breidenbach 523, Marie Rudisill 477.

Sept. 21

	W	L
#6	7	1
Wright's Century	5	3
Skagg's Auto Clinic	4	4
Lancer Lanes	4	4
Ione Repair	4	4

High games: Marie Rudisill 204, Jim Eynetich 198.

High series: Marie Rudisill 509, Jim Eynetich 497.

Splits converted: Rick Pettyjohn, 5-10.

Off the Wall

By Marilyn Robinson

Like little Peter Cottontail who honed in on my late-seeded lettuce crop, autumn raindrops can make a country person do the bunny hop. Obviously, it doesn't take a carnival to make rural people happy; somewhat like long ago when a few hoarded cents meant there was one happy kid who could purchase penny candy at Huston's grocery store on Heppner's Main Street.

Simple minds rejoice in simple measures. A new brain study at Mt. Sinai Medical Center, New York, states that men have an innate ability to focus on one task. Meanwhile, women seem better equipped to handle a complex combination of emotions and logic at the same time, the study says.

Now I understand. It's like husbands who forget that the dishwasher (the mechanical one) also has a problem. So this gives us a new perspective for the "blame game" as we are bombarded with the conflicting perceptions on issues.

According to OSU professor, Jack Walstad, forest conditions from British Columbia to southern California are a disaster waiting to happen. Silviculture measures to address poor forest health and fuel buildup as recommended by the National Commission on Wildfire Disasters has been relegated to the shelf, Walstad says.

The government has allowed public opposition to thinning and salvage logging to interfere with proper management on forest lands, particularly the 57 percent owned by the federal government. Case in point, compare some of the local Forest Service areas that neighbor Kinzua-owned forested land where selective logging and continuous replanting has created uneven age trees of more desirable species. Also compare the available forage for wildlife and cattle in those areas.

Even that little bunny can tell that thinning carrot plants makes for more bites per carrot. Plants that aren't choked with weeds flourish better as they can receive sunshine and water without competition. Removing dead and too-dense thickets not only improves forest stands but utilizes a renewable resource.

The current Forest Service proposal to drastically limit the length of grazing time on the Hardman allotments would make it economically unfeasible for permittees to continue that use. An independent study says that grass in those allotments is in good condition. However permittees have been upbeat in efforts to protect stream banks, riparian zones and fragile areas by using miles of fencing. Studies prove that there are more wildlife in areas grazed by livestock.

Back to that male one-focus concept: that could be the reason that many decisions are made without looking at the whole picture. That must also be why men can sit in a boat for hours even when the fish aren't biting. And speaking of fish, I've seen dry years when a mud sucker would need resuscitation if it tried to swim up Rock Creek or its tributaries. Fish habitat usually needs water.

Perhaps they should build small escape ponds along the creek somewhat like the escape ramps for trucks off steep parts of a freeway. With hunters out in full force, I now look to see if it's a male or female hunter at the wheel when that vehicle stops abruptly without warning in the middle of the road. But it's likely more a brain than a gender issue also when people can open gates and then fail to close them, but I won't dwell on that touchy subject.

Men's breakfast Sunday, Oct. 15

The monthly Men's Breakfast will be held Sunday, Oct. 15 at the Church of the Nazarene, 335 N. Gilmore, in Heppner, with breakfast to begin at 8 a.m. A short devotional will follow breakfast and end by 9 a.m.

Several churches in the communities of Heppner, Lone and

Lexington cooperate in providing this event. The purpose is for Christian fellowship and to encourage men to live biblically moral and ethical lives, said Pastor Duane Jones, of the Church of the Nazarene.

All men and their sons are invited to attend.

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By Tim Cundell Saturday Oct. 21

7 p.m. - midnight