

YCC crew hard at work



YCC youth: (front l-r) Phillip Spicerkuhn, Beth Cookston and (back l-r) Brandi Marshall, Toni Kemp and Corey Ehrmantrout show off new tool "the Schlaich", held by Kemp

By April Hilton-Skyes
The local Oregon Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) has been hard at work in the Heppner area.

Corey Ehrmantrout, Brandi Marshall, Toni Kemp, Beth Cookston, Phillip Spicerkuhn and team leader Bill Schlaich were hired June 16 through a joint grant of the Morrow Soil and Water Conservation District (MSWCD) and the Willow Creek Park District. YCC is funded through Oregon lottery dollars.

Six weeks ago, the crew began one of several projects in the area. They built a trail at the Willow Creek RV park, painted the foot bridge, signs, picnic tables and dock and pulled weeds. The crew also ripped out paneling on the walls and ceiling in the boys' dorm at the Morrow County Fairgrounds, put up sheet rock and tore out the carpeting in the grandstands at the fairgrounds. They recently began locating and mapping A-list weeds, such as yellow starthistle, scotch this-

tle and spikeweed on Rhea Creek.

After their six-week job is over, the group will finish off the year at a rally of all Oregon YCC youth in Salem. The first day of the rally, speakers will show-and-tell about their projects and the second day, the group will repair a park damaged by the flood.

Jay Coil of Heppner made a special tool for the workers to remove carpeting on the grandstands. The crew named the tool "The Schlaich", in honor of their crew leader, Bill Schlaich, who was injured July 11 in an automobile accident. Janet Greenup, MSWCD manager, took over as crew leader in Bill's absence. Kinzua Resources donated the knives to make the tool and Joe Miller loaned his grinder to get glue off the grandstand steps. The new carpeting will be provided by the Morrow County School District. The Morrow County Fair Board loaned tools for the project and Marlette Homes donated sheet rock for the dormitory.

Oregon State Fair deadline nears

The Oregon State Fair is now accepting entries in the Agriculture-Horticulture department, Floriculture department and the Home Economics and Hobby departments.

Deadline for entries in these departments are: Agriculture-Horticulture, Thursday, Aug. 1; Home Economics and Hobby, both Monday, July 29; and Floriculture, Friday, Aug. 2.

Competition in the Floral department includes numerous categories in the junior, amateur, advanced and professional division. The Home Economics department includes a wide range of contests that demonstrate the mastery

of the household, from canning pickles to sewing lingerie. The Hobby department invites entries in poetry, crafts and collectibles.

Premium books for special contest in ag/hort and home economics are also available upon request. Contests include a milk moustache contest, watermelon seed spitting and Oregon's best nacho contest.

Those interested may request a premium book of rules and entry forms by calling (503) 378-3247 or 1-800-833-0011; or write to 2330 17th Street N.E., Salem, OR 97310. It also is possible to pick up booklets at the State Fair Office.

Doherty family hold reunion

Descendants and relatives of Catherine Grant Doherty and James Grant (Jimmy) Doherty met in Heppner on July 4 in anticipation of a Doherty family golf tournament and reunion.

On July 5, 40 Doherty cousins or spouses teed off in the first Doherty Family Golf Tournament at the Willow Creek Country Club. Organizers Bob and Mary Anne Hevly (daughter of Maggie) of Redmond, WA., used the Callaway System to determine handicaps, and Nancy Pettyjohn (daughter of Bernard) provided refreshments for the players.

At the conclusion of 18 holes of play, golfers, caddies, cheerleaders and spectators adjourned to the Heppner City Park for lunch. Winners were announced and prizes awarded.

Mike Doherty (son of Paul) of Heppner won the men's side of the draw, while Martha Doherty (daughter of Bernard), also of Heppner, won the women's. Both winners were presented with "Green Master's Jackets" emblazoned with the Doherty family crest.

Other top men finishers included: Jim McLaughlin (grandson of Sarah) from San Diego, CA.; Bob Hevly; Adam Doherty (son of winner Mike); and Neil McLaughlin (grandson of Tina) of the Dalles. Christie Brown (daughter of Maggie) of Fountain Valley, CA. placed second among the women, followed by Kris McLaughlin (wife of Jack, grandson of Sarah) of Olympia, WA., and Mary Lou McLaughlin (wife of Mike, son of Mary) of Pendleton. The Christie and Don Brown family provided prizes for everyone who participated in or contributed to the contest.

The awards ceremony was followed by a party at the Martha Doherty home.

On July 6, family members gathered at the Doherty Ranch in Blackhorse Canyon, where a potluck picnic was hosted by the Bernard Doherty family. Tony Doherty and Rene Devin were the formal hosts, and Martha Doherty lent her organizational skills to the picnic. Assisting behind the scenes were Dennis and Anne Doherty, Lisa, Megan and Tess of Hermiston; Roger and Eileen Doherty, Moses and Eugene of Denver, CO.; Maureen Doherty and Doug Hunter of North Bend; Nancy Doherty Pettyjohn, Celine and Drew of Sacramento, CA.; and Mark and Becky Doherty Tullis, Til and Cyd of Lone.

Over 200 Doherty cousins from five states and one Canadian province signed the registration book. The DeClan O'Doherty's of Toronto, Canada travelled the farthest. The youngest was six-week-old Luke Jobs (great-grandson of Nora). "The oldest shall remain a secret as no one came forward to claim that honor," said a family spokesperson.

While the younger set played basketball, horseshoes, soccer, football and other activities, the adults enjoyed the company and caught up on events since the last family gathering in 1988. For those who needed

help figuring out the family genealogy, Eva Gremmert (granddaughter of Kate's sister Rose) and Martha Doherty provided books and charts.

"All attendees reportedly had a good time," the spokesperson said. "However, it should be noted that had there been any complaints, the members of that family would have been given the honor of hosting the next reunion."

In 1883, Catherine Grant Doherty and her sons, Bernard (Lame Barney) and James Grant (Jimmy), emigrated from County Donegal, Ireland, to Oregon. In 1891, the family homesteaded in Blackhorse Canyon near Lexington. Jimmy married Catherine (Kate) Doherty in 1893 and to this union were born 13 children:

-Mary (1894-1944) married Cornelius McLaughlin and had 13 children. Son Bob continues to live on the family ranch in Dixie Canyon between Heppner and Pilot Rock;

-Sarah (1895-1971) married Owen McLaughlin and had three children;

-Nora (1896-1978) married Sam Turner and had two children. Son Ken continues to farm the Turner ranch in Sand Hollow;

-Anna "Ann" (1900-1956) married Harvey Miller and had four children. Son Tad and grandson Mark continue to farm the Miller ranch;

-Margaret "Maggie" (1902-1976) married Harry Howard and had three children;

-Christina "Tina" (1903-1963) married John McLaughlin and had four children;

-Francis (1905-1981) never married. He was well-known locally for his volunteer work at the Willow Creek Country Club;

-Eugene "Gene" (1907-1975) also remained a bachelor;

-Bernard (1909-1977) married Mary Jane "Jerry" Casteel and had eight children. Upon the death of his father, Bernard took over the operation of the Doherty ranch. Today, grandson Tony continues to farm the original homestead;

-Gertrude (1911-1965) married Ivan Applegate and had four children;

-Helen (1913-1996) married Martin Dyer;

-Paul (1915-1969) married Majorie Lewis and had two children;

-Elizabeth "Betty" (1918-1987) married Ed Thorsen and had two children.

Pomona Grange plans meeting

The meeting of Pomona Grange of Wheatland District will be held at the Boardman Marina on Sunday for their annual picnic and memorial for all departed members. Dinner will be potluck served at noon with an afternoon of visiting and the memorial. Reports will be read from members from subordinate granges who attended the state grange this past session.

Sports physicals July 30 & 31

Sports physicals for Heppner and Lone students will be given by Dr. Ernie Atkins at Pioneer Memorial Clinic on Tuesday July 30 and Wednesday, July 31. Girls will be seen Tues., from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Boys will be examined Wednesday during the same time.

A physical examination by a registered physician and approval from the physician to participate in athletics is required of all sophomores in high school and those who are in their first year of participation in junior high said Dale Conklin, athletic director for Heppner schools. Students new to either Lone or Heppner, participating in athletics for the first time or those who have a

health condition requiring regular checkups, also need exams.

Because the clinic will be short-handed with physicians during the month of August, examinations will not be scheduled during regular clinic hours. It is therefore, essential that athletes appear at the scheduled times, said Conklin.

Parents/students must obtain a sports physical form prior to the exam dates so that medical history may be completed with a parent's signature. These forms are available at the high school offices in Heppner and Lone.

High school football and volleyball practice sessions for the 1996 season will begin Aug. 19.

Lexington News

By Delpha Jones

Mr and Mrs. Bill Klinger of Portland were weekend callers at the home of Bill's mother and stepfather, Bill and Annetta Padberg.

Mr and Mrs. Max Akers, daughter Rebekah, and grand daughter were Lexington callers last week.

St. Patrick's Senior Center Bulletin Board

There were 73 people present for the senior meal; eight meals were home delivered, and two meals were taken out. Charlotte Crum won the meal ticket. Members of the Nazarene and Seventh-day Adventist churches served. Lily Calvert was the young helper-it's so nice to have so many youngsters helping this summer.

Because the senior bus is in the shop for repairs, the nursing home patients were not able to get to the dinner. Blood pressures were taken before the meal.

Last week, Barton Clark's name was inadvertently left off the list of men who clean the tables after the meal. Daisy Collins and Irene Schroeder take care of the leftover food after the meals.

The menu for the birthday dinner Wednesday, July 31, will be roast beef and gravy, mashed potatoes, tossed salad, tomatoes, rolls and blueberry cobbler with ice cream. Members of the Methodist Church will serve.

The Meal Site Committee met Friday morning. Howard Gilliam, representing the Senior Board, and Corol Mitchell of CAPECO were also there for the meeting. A menu committee was appointed. Members of that committee are Wanda Joyce, chairman, Eva Griffith and Bebe Munkers. The telephone committee is Jane Rawlins, Wanda Joyce and Eleanor Gonty. Daisy Collins was elected treasurer. The next meeting will be Wednesday, August 7, at 1 p.m.

There was no card game Friday afternoon. Six seniors watched the movie, "It Takes Two", Sunday evening.

The seniors were saddened by the death of Rachel Harnett and extend their condolences to Rachel's family.

Alice Wagner is back in her apartment as of Sunday, recuperating from knee surgery.

The bus will leave for Condon at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, July 25. There is still room for several more people. The bus will leave for the Pendleton meal site on Thursday, August 8 at 10 a.m. Sign up sheets are available at the Senior Center office for both trips.

Other dates to remember: Tuesday and Thursday exercise, 10 a.m.; Wednesday blood pressure clinic, 11 a.m.; senior meal, noon; Friday cards, 2 p.m.; Sunday movie, 7 p.m.

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