

Princess Genia Grant looks forward to teaching preschool one day



2002 Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Princess Genia Grant.

By Sarah Coller
Princess Genia Grant will turn 17 on August 10, just in time for fair. The green-eyed, blonde-haired beauty is the youngest of the three court members and will be a senior at Heppner High School this fall.

Though she may be young, Princess Genia holds veteran status with the Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo. She has been a pennant bearer for the court for two years and even has past Morrow County royalty in her family. Genia's mother, Bonnie Grant of Heppner, was a past princess, her Aunt Verina-French Schiller was also a princess, her cousin Maci Childers was a queen and a princess and her Aunt Bobbi Childers was a pennant bearer.

Genia received recognition this past year in high school for achievements in Word Processing II and was a National English Merit Nominee. She has been a member of OSSOM, Student Council and 4-H.

The active princess has played volleyball and softball, was a teacher's assistant at the grade school, a counselor at Tupper camp and a member of the Catholic Church youth group.

Princess Genia plans to get a four-year degree and one day become a preschool teacher. "Little kids are the cutest, it's when they get older that it starts going downhill," she said with a smile. When asked if she thought she'd ever come back to Heppner she replied, "I don't know about Heppner, but I like living in a small town."

Genia is currently employed on her grandmother's ranch. She has four siblings: sisters Jennifer Grant, 27 and Josey Grant, 15; and brothers Tyson Palmateer, 23 and Treve Palmateer, 22.

She loves animals and has several including, her dog, Rocky; two cats, Mickey and Simon; horses, Berry and Chiquina and three bottle calves: Whitey, Brownie, and Blacky.

The court has been to parades, rodeos and livestock



Genia in the saddle even as a toddler.

shows all over the area. Genia's favorite court trip so far was a weekend trip to Elgin. She especially liked it because, "we got to go swimming and shopping and stay the night."

Her favorite thing about being a court princess is all the support people have provided

and all the gifts she has received. "Thank you to everyone who has supported us so far and generously provided for us," she said.

Princesses Julie Proctor and Queen Salli McElligott join Princess Genia as the 2002 Morrow County Fair and Oregon Trail Pro Rodeo Court.

JimnAlan to perform at Tuesday Night at the Fair



On Tuesday, Aug. 13, Wheatland Insurance will sponsor Tuesday Night at the Fair, the Morrow County Fair's pre-Fair dinner and concert.

Kessler's will be serving 1/4 chicken for adults, and beef rib or chicken for children, starting at 6 p.m. The price for an adult meal is \$8, and \$4 for children. Tickets are available at the Fair Office or at the time of the show.

JimnAlan, sponsored by Wheatland Insurance, will perform, starting at 7 p.m. JimnAlan play acoustic music in the 50's and 60's tradition, and also ballads from the 40's and 50's. They have recently added

guitarist James "Fester" Read. The JimnAlan show is an act to entertain not only the "Boomers" but also the new generation of young people.

The Fair Pavilion will be closed that evening.

For more information, contact Renee at the Fair Office, 676-9474.

4-H News

Bakery Boys cook up a great evening

By Matt Holland, reporter

The Bakery Boys 4-H Club members spent the night at Bill and Nancy Jepsen's house on July 22 for their 4-H cooking club meeting.

People present at the meeting were Eric Jepsen, Drew Johnson, Alex Carlson, Matt and Bryan Holland, leader Nancy Jepsen, and youth leader Amy Jepsen.

On Monday night, members made chicken potpie, apple streusel muffins and chocolate mousse pie for dinner. Afterward, they played and watched a movie.

On Tuesday morning, members made a ham and cheese omelet roll and Swedish pancakes.

The Bakery Boys will meet again on Wednesday, August 7, at the fairgrounds. They will practice their food projects for the Morrow County Fair.

Marriage Licenses

July 12: Roy Stuart Keller, 27, Hermiston and Holly Anne Cady, 26, Hermiston.

July 23: Charles Steven Allen, 28, Irrigon and Jessmyn Rae Pettit, 24, Irrigon; Nathan Robert Rietmann, 22, Ione and Crystal Marie Egbert, 21, Wilsonville.

Attorneys' son interns for summer



Phillip Spicerkuhn is gaining practical experience at his family's law office this summer.

By Sarah Coller

Phillip Spicerkuhn, son of Bill Kuhn and Ann Spicer of Heppner has been interning for his parents at the law office of Kuhn, Spicer and Greenawalt this summer. Spicerkuhn, who is in his second year of law school at University of Oregon, has been working in the office since May 13.

"Law school doesn't really teach you the practical stuff," he said, "most of it I'm learning for the first time." This is Spicerkuhn's first time working in a law office. "He has done real well. I think this has been an eye-opener," said Ann Spicer.

Spicerkuhn said that he has been able to apply what he's learned toward real law situations this summer in addition to doing many research projects and putting together an appeals brief. He graduated from Heppner

High School in 1996, and spent his first four years working toward a general science degree. He says he isn't sure where he will end up two years from now when he finishes law school.

"He's been real valuable for us," said Bill Kuhn, "a real plus to the office. There's a lot of difference between kids as teens and when they grow up in their ability to communicate. When kids say that they enjoy spending time with their parents—you don't really hear those things (from a teen). It's been a really fun experience."

Kuhn also said that it is hard to get an intern for the summer because of Heppner's location and that not many law students want to leave their university towns for the summer to intern.

Spicerkuhn goes back to law school on August 20.

Local 4-Hers visit World Forestry Center and Zoo



Morrow County 4-H members traveled to Portland on Tuesday, July 23, to visit the World Forestry Center and the Oregon Zoo. 36 members and eight chaperones from Heppner, Ione, Lexington, Boardman and Irrigon boarded a Mid-Columbia cruiser at 7 a.m. and headed west. The kids experienced a tropical rain forest and viewed many interesting exhibits during their afternoon stay, said a spokesperson. After seeing many exotic animals at the zoo, everyone boarded the bus again for the journey home, making a stop at Multnomah Falls for a quick hike.

The trip was a huge success, said a spokesperson. Similar trips are being planned for the future. A new 4-H year will begin in early fall and anyone who would like to join 4-H can call the OSU Extension office at 676-9642.



Correction: In a story about Wil-

low Creek Terrace receives donation check that ran in last week's paper the above picture was mis-identified. Sharon Harrison (left) presents check to Sherron Woodside representative for the Willow Creek Valley Assisted Living Corporation.

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