

## Lions donate \$1,500 for vision screening and eyeglasses



Left to right: Past District 36 G Governor and Heppner Lions Club member Roger Trueax, Wal-Mart vision center screener Tina Wetherell, home school consultant Carol Gilbert, Carol Gray of ESD, Michele Cox screener, Dr. Jason Settemier and screener Alex Zamarron stand with some of the children who participated in lions-sponsored screening program left to right Krysta Feyder 4<sup>th</sup> grader at AC Houghton, William Lapiere fourth grader at AC Houghton and Rosa Zuniga 4<sup>th</sup> grader at Sam Boardman.

Thanks to a generous grant from the Lions Club 832 students in the migrant summer school program were recently given vision screenings and 325 will be given follow up exams to see if they need glasses.

Roger Trueax of the Heppner lions club presented a check for \$1500 to be used in the exams and glasses. Students in Boardman,

Irrigon, McNary and Hermiston/Stanfield were screened this summer.

The grant money came from the Irrigon memorial trust; funds left when the Irrigon Lions club disbanded some years ago. "We had a real need and you responded way beyond our expectations," Carol Gilbert, who runs the district summer and migrant program, told Trueax.

## Wedding

### Hunt - Monaco



Fred Monaco and Melissa Jo Hunt

Melissa Jo Hunt of Portland and Fred R. Monaco of Heppner, wish to announce their forthcoming marriage. The private wedding ceremony will be held Oct. 5 at Murray's Garden.

The service will be officiated by Pastor Dave Pederson of Trinity Lutheran Church in Dallas, OR.

The bride-elect has a certificate in kitchen management from Clark College in Vancouver, WA.

The groom-elect has a doctorate of education and is currently employed as a math teacher at Heppner High School.

A reception time and location will be announced later.

## Marriage Licenses

Sept. 13: Gerald Wayne Breazeale, 54, Heppner and Marsha Joy Richmond, 35, Boardman.

Sept. 27: James E. Gusti, 45, Hermiston and Rhonda Louise Colclessler, 41, Hermiston.

## Granges donate books to local first graders

Local granges are making sure that each first grader has a book of his/her very own to take home. As a part of a state and national grange program to encourage reading, the Lexington Grange has donated brand new books to first grade students at Heppner Elementary School. "These are their books to take home," said Barbara Gilbert, master of the Lexington Grange. "The children were just tickled to have their own book to take home," said HES reading teacher Mary Ann Elguezabal. "It goes to show that it takes a village to raise a child."

Extra books were to be given to second graders, said Gilbert. Gilbert said that Willows Grange of Ione is also participating in the program.



Heppner Elementary School first graders show off their new books, along with (left to right) first grade teacher Sherry Matteson, Lexington Grange Master Barbara Gilbert and educational assistant Robin Jones. Not pictured is reading teacher Mary Ann Elguezabal.

## WCCC last Ladies' Playday results

Tuesday, Sept. 24, was the Willow Creek County Club's last Ladies' playday. Play for the day was a scramble. The results are as follows:

First place: Jan Paustian, Joyce Dinkins and Luvilla Sonstegard.

Second place: Pat Edmundson, Maude Hughes and Carole Hamilton.

Third place: Karen Bishop, Jackie Allstott and Betty Christmas.

Fourth place: Corol Mitchell, Lorrene Montgomery, Pat Anderson and Loa Henderson.

Awards were also given for: Club Champion- Missy Cutsforth; Eddie Skaw Champion-Betty Christman; and a tie for Most Improved Golfer went to Loa Henderson and Jackie Allstott.

## Commission on Children and Families meeting to be held

The regular monthly meeting of the Morrow County Commission on Children and Families will be held Tuesday, Oct. 8, from 7-9 p.m. in the conference room of the Family Services Building, which is located above Heppner Hardware in Heppner.

Agenda items will include discussion of childcare, awarding grants, budget, legislative priorities and other business as necessary. The public is encouraged to attend and participate in the discussions. For further information or for special accommodations, call 676-9675.

## Lexington lodge begins pinochle nights

Following a summer vacation, Holly Rebekah Lodge in Lexington met this last month to plan for the coming years' activities.

The monthly pinochle card parties, which are held the first Saturday of the month, begin Saturday, Oct. 5, at the hall in Lexington and will continue until May 2003. The events are open to the public. Cost is \$3 per person with refreshments and beverages furnished. Prizes are given for highs, lows and traveling. Play starts at 7:30 p.m.

On Saturday, Nov. 9, the lodge will hold a "Bingo Fun Night" as a benefit for the hall and to purchase new tables and chairs. Players' cards will be 25 cents each and one can play as many cards as wanted. Refreshments and beverages will be \$2. Prizes will be a percent of the take of each game. Gaming starts at 7:30 p.m.

The lodge hall is the only community hall available to Lexington residents and is used for dinners, parties, meetings and other activities.

In March 2003, the president of the Rebekah Assembly plans to pay her official visit to the local lodge. This year's president is Patricia Olson of McMinnville. Rhoda Davis, formerly of Hermiston, will be president next year.

Other activities of the lodge include: the Friendship Fund, which is used to help those who are in need of special monetary help, such as rent, medication, etc.; the Eye Bank; United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth; support of the IOOF Home in Portland; and the local lodge has adopted a sister or brother residing at the nursing home.

Membership in the lodge has declined in the past years and the lodge is hoping to increase its new memberships. Anyone interested in joining either the IOOF or the Rebekahs are asked to contact any of the current members for information.

## Rhea Creek Service Club to meet

The Rhea Creek Service Club will meet on Wednesday, Oct. 9, at 10 a.m. at GD's Restaurant. The meeting is opened to everyone.

## Economic development committee to hold meeting

The Morrow County Economic Development Committee will hold a meeting on Oct. 10 to prioritize Morrow County's needs and issues projects submitted for the 2003 prioritization process. The meeting will begin at 10 a.m. and will be held at the Gilliam and Bisbee Building conference room, Heppner.

Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corp. will facilitate this process for Morrow County. For more information regarding the needs and issues process, contact Melisa Jo Drugge at (541) 276-6745 or Sondra Linoat (541) 575-2786.

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