

Carlsons travel to Sweden for family gathering



(From Top): Nils Hansson, Betty and Louis Carlson, Ingrid Hansson Ekestubbe, Herbert Hansson, Lars Hansson and Bengt Hansson, get to know each other at a family gathering in Sweden.

Louis and Betty Carlson returned the favor to five relatives who had come to visit them from Sweden last year, by taking a two-week trip to Sweden for a "relative gathering."

While at the gathering, the Carlsons had the honor of meeting 99 other relatives of Louis besides the original five who visited Heppner.

During the two weeks, family members took turns showing the Carlsons around Lindsberg, which is about the size of Pendleton, where most of the relatives live. They enjoyed many

sightseeing tours, as well as family time over meals. Betty said that one group of family members would take them for a few hours, for a tour or a meal, and another one would come to say it was there turn to have them for a few hours.

"They made us both feel very welcome and wanted," said Betty. "It was if you knew them all your life."

Some of the interesting places the Carlsons visited included a factory that manufactures Volvo parts and iron works casting factory, which creates part of the windmills



Louis Carlson, (right) along with relative Johnny Hansson (left), met with the mayor of Lindsberg, Sweden, Anders Ceder (middle) while on a trip visiting relatives.

that are sold to the United States. They also visited a few castles and the original birthplace of Louis' great-grandfather, which is now just a plaque.

Another honor the Carlsons received while in Sweden was that the mayor of Lindsberg, Anders Ceder, visited with them and gave them each a gift. Louis received a tie and Betty a scarf, each showing the

Lindsberg butterfly. The butterfly is only found in Lindsberg and is quite special to the people.

They were also honored to have the story of their visit, and the history of how the family in Sweden found the Carlsons, published in the Lindsberg newspaper.

While at the gathering, Louis invited the family to the Carlson family

reunion to be held in Seattle in June 2005. Several family members said they would love to come, and one commented that wouldn't the Carlsons be surprised if all 104 members from Sweden showed up.

The Carlsons came home June 29 and have returned to the swing of Heppner life but say they hope to get back to Sweden for a visit again.

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Sharon Harrison (right) of Bank of Eastern Oregon presented Merry Brannon, Willow Creek Water Park Manager (middle) and Marissa McCabe (left), assistant manager, with a check for \$1000, to provide free Monday swims for the month of July.

Over the Tee Cup

Ladies of Willow Creek Country Club returned to regular Over the Tee Cup play on Tuesday, July 6, after hosting an invitational Tuesday, June 29.

Corol Mitchell and Pat Edmundson tied for low gross of the field. Luvilla Sonstegard took low net of the field and Liz Orwick took least putts of the field.

In flight A, Karen Thompson took low gross; Shari Stahl took low net; and Jan Paustian took least putts.

In flight B, Betty Christman took low gross; Loa Henderson took low net; and Lynnea Sargent took least putts.

In flight C, Jackie Allstott took low gross and Pat Dougherty took low net.

Sonstegard had a chip in on hole #9. Mitchell had a birdie on hole #1 and Christman had a birdie on hole #3.

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All Saints to hold anniversary celebration

All Saints' Episcopal Church cordially invites the community to help them celebrate their 100th anniversary on Sunday, July 25, 2004.

Holy Eucharist will begin at 11 a.m., with the Right Reverend Rustin Kimsey presiding. Rev. Laura O'Brien will assist.

A barbecue catered by John and Nancy Gochnauer will begin at 12:30 p.m. Donations for the barbecue will be appreciated.

Attendees are asked to please RSVP by July 20 by calling the Church at 676-9970 or DeSpains at 676-5376.

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Town of Lexington seeks nominees

The Town of Lexington is seeking three persons who reside within the town and who are interested in town government to file for open positions. Jim Nelson and Jean Brazell have two more years to fulfill before their terms expire.

The mayor's position is open for a two-year term as the four-year position was vacated several months ago. John Edwards was appointed to fill the position until the next general election at which time by charter, the position must be put on the ballot. This term will run from Jan. 1, 2005 to Dec. 31, 2006.

Councilor positions #1 and #2, presently held by Chirella Wallace and Luella Taylor are also available to be filled. These positions are for a four-year term, to begin Jan. 1, 2005 and end Dec. 31, 2008.

To be eligible to hold an elective office in the Town of Lexington, the person must be a qualified elector within the meaning of the state constitution and live within the town limits.

The town's election officer is Nicki Clement. She has packets for the individuals seeking the positions at Town Hall, 150 W. Main, Lexington, on Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m. The nomination petitions must be filed with the elections officer no later than 5 p.m., prevailing time, Aug. 20, 2004 at Town Hall.

Births

Caleb I. Cambero- a son, Caleb I., was born July 3, 2004, at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston to Maura Aguilar and Jose A. Cambero of Boardman.

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