



MARSHA STURDEVANT

Rainbow to Install Officers Sunday

Nehalem Assembly No. 18, Order of Rainbow Girls, will install its officers for the summer session Sunday, June 4 at 2 p.m. at the Masonic temple.

Officers to be installed included: Worthy Advisor, Marsha Sturdevant; Worthy Associate Advisor, Sue Garner; Charity, Rhonda Persyn; Hope, Kathy Osgood; Faith, Patty Cone.

Other girls to be installed in offices are Ronda Smith, Evan Persyn, Jill Beamish, Sharon Smejkal, Cheryl Dunaway, Debbie McLean, Elita Morford, Mary Theridge, Nancy Reynolds, Debbie Bergerson, Beverly Starr, Noel Sturdevant, Michelle Borst, Debbie Banta, Dana Andrus, and Lisa Andrus.

Installing officers will be: Marsha, Patty Fisher; Musician Carol Nelson; Chaplain, Susie Miller; Recorder, Ronda Smith.

After the ceremony there will be a short reception honoring the new Worthy Advisor and her officers. All friends of Rainbow are invited to attend.



THOSE WHO SERVE

James E. Bellingham, 25, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur G. Bellingham, Birkenfeld, recently was promoted to army sergeant while serving with the 171st Infantry Brigade at Ft. Wainwright, Alaska. Sgt. Bellingham, a legal clerk with company A, 171st Support Battalion of the brigade, entered the army in February, 1971 and completed basic training at Ft. Lewis, Washington.

He is a 1965 graduate of Vernonia High School, and received his B.S. degree in 1969 from Southern Oregon College, Ashland.



NEW ARRIVALS

Bryan Ray Zednick was born May 24 to Mr. and Mrs. Alan Zednick of Warren. The nine pound boy joins one brother at home after his stay at Columbia County District Hospital.

Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Ray Zednick of Warren and Mr. and Mrs. W. Gardner of Timber Route, Vernonia.

It's a girl for Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Watts of Aloha. The young miss was born May 12 and weighed in at 7 pounds 1 1/2 ounces. She was named Gina Renee and is joined by a brother Shawn at the family home.

Proud grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Donald J. Watts, Hillsboro, and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Mason of Vernonia.

Jane Hanson Has Weekend Guests

MIST-LaVerne and Ted Kulju were weekend guests at the home of her mother, Mrs. Jane Hansen. They visited Mary Wiisanen at Quincey, visited Mrs. Nora Billeu and her sister, Hulma Lumijarvi near Clatskanie, who is caring for her sister while she recovers from a broken leg. They brought Thelma Rasmussen from Clatskanie, who will be spending the week with Mr. Hansen.

Mist Helping Circle met at the home of Mrs. Jeanette Sundblad on Thursday. A lovely table setting, flowers from the garden of the hostess and food tastefully prepared by all members present was enjoyed by all. After a business meeting, a short visiting period followed. Jeanette was assisted by May Mills and both were very gracious hostesses.

Mrs. Lois Searight, house guest of Mrs. Phylis Busch left for Salem Tuesday, before going on to Pismo Beach, California and returning to her home in Pacific Palisades, California, after Memorial Day.

Mrs. Ardis Hanson, Mrs. Lula Wilson and Mrs. Nettie Cox attended Memorial Day parade in Clatskanie. Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Wilson and family were overnight guests of Mrs. Cox and returned home Saturday.

FOREST GROVE COMMUNITY

HOSPITAL

Admitting List
May 24 - Richard Paul, Birkenfeld
May 25 -Lorn J. Dennis; Carmela G. Dennis; Donald E. Dennis
Maternity List
May 24 - Mr. and Mrs. William J. Cavinee, a baby girl



THE VILLAINS, a pair, were one of the highlights of the recent Melodrama produced for the benefit of the cancer society. Over one thousand dollars was raised and turned over to the society. Plans are already underway for next year's production.

Melodrama Critiqued by June Wilson

(This critique was written by June Wilson after attending the Melodrama.)

The evenings of May 5 and 6 were very special in Vernonia this year. This was when the "Pauper's Playhouse" presented its second old-fashioned Melodrama in all its turn-of-the-century glory. The play was presented by an all volunteer group as a fund raising event on behalf of the Vernonia Area American Cancer Society.

Because of the success of last year's presentation, this year's melodrama was eagerly anticipated by the community. It fulfilled the highest expectations. Every phase of the event had been carefully planned and carried out in excellent fashion, and proved to be a delightful entertainment for all the members of the audience, regardless of age.

The high point, of course, was the play itself, and authentic old melodrama of the late nineteenth century acted out in the spirit and manner of its original times. This makes it very funny, in these days. The cast was excellent, and the many long hours of practice produced a smooth performance with each actor giving the part a full measure of individual characterization. Not only was the acting excellent by the whole cast, but also voice projection, as all could be well-heard even in the auditorium with rather poor acoustics.

The costuming was excellent and professional appearing. The styles were colorful and attractive. The expert hair styling and make-up also added eye-appeal. The props were kept to a minimum with the backdrops cleverly planned with painted on furnishings. There were many scene changes and the designers and painters made them colorful adding greatly to the visual enjoyment of the play. As the climax of the play suspense was built with the train whistle blowing as the train approached the sabotaged break in the tracks. It thrilled the audience when the train came bobbing (oops, sorry-) rolling out of the tunnel and was stopped just in time to prevent a tragic catastrophe. Another clever bit of set designing was the rubber bars of the jail. Hissing, booing, cheering, etc., by the audience prompted by Gary Curtis, added much to the audiences fun and old-time atmosphere, as did the

pretty piano girl perched on the piano throughout the whole show, and a pretty card girl displaying act and scene numbers.

Most effective in creating atmosphere, mood and dramatic emphasis was the marvelous piano accompaniment by Ward Nelson throughout in old-time movie style. His versatile talent went a long way in contributing to the overall success of the presentation. He was also the backbone of the Oleo entertainment between scenes.

The Oleo, a variety of acts presented between scenes, kept the pace lively and interest high. The highlight was the "Silent Flick", a well-acted melodrama-type pan-

tomine performed in a flickering spotlight effectively creating the illusion of an old-time movie. The nimble, high-kicking can-can girls performed again this year, to the great enjoyment of the audience. The several musical numbers presented also points up the great variety of talented people here in the community. Even with all this was still added some community singing, making the audience participants.

For other well planned touches, efficient, costumed waiters made refreshments available throughout the evening. The clever and beautifully made signs made interesting wall decorations. They served also as additional fund raisers. The mini-shops offering hotdogs, candies, baked goods, hand-made items art works and miscellany made browsing and buying an additional attraction. The antique Edison talking machine with morning-glory speaker playing cylinders of music of the good old days in the lobby before the play was great for atmosphere. The programs were marvelously clever and amusing.

Scouting News

A Court of Honor was held May 25 at the Scout cabin by Boy Scout Troop 201. Conducting the ceremony was James Goodman, newly appointed Jr. assistant scoutmaster. Scoutmaster Elmer Goodman presented the awards.

Receiving awards were Pete Atkins Tenderfoot, Chong Tassin, First Class, John Normand, Star and five merit badges. Mrs. Tassin, Mrs. Normand and Mrs. Goodman, mothers of the boys, received miniature badges.

Mr. Goodman announced there would be no meetings until school starts in the fall. Refreshments were served by the mothers.

Woodland Owners To See Equipment Show

Forestry equipment suitable for use by owners of small woodland tracts will be displayed at Deer Island, Saturday, June 3, according to Carl "Pat" Zimmerman, Rainier, president of the Columbia County Small Woodlands Association.

This fourth annual equipment show is sponsored by the Oregon Small Woodlands Association and is hosted this year by the Columbia County Small Woodlands Association.

The show will be at the Shell Chemical Company property five miles north of St. Helens on Highway 30 and will be north of the plant in a Douglas fir grove that was formerly the Columbia County fairgrounds. Equipment will be displayed from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m. says Zimmerman.

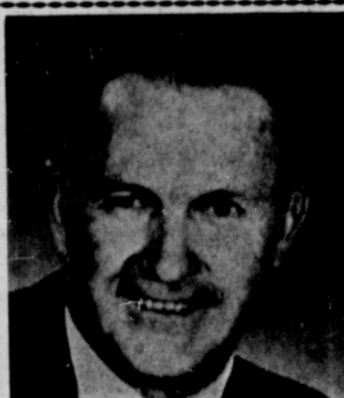
Light lunch facilities will be available at the exhibit area.

Vernonia Eagle

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The whole production showed the result of over a month of concentrated hard work on the part of a great number of people. Also evident was the months of planning and attention to detail by producer Betty Curl and her committees, and the local cancer society officials. They are to be congratulated for an achievement rarely equalled even in larger communities for such an event. It is easy to understand why there has already been received a request for reservations for next year's performance.

In fact, all who attended the performances will undoubtedly agree wholeheartedly with Mr. R. Wm. Shafer, Executive Vice-President of the Oregon Division of the American Cancer Society. He wrote to the producer Betty Curl to tell her how much he enjoyed the performance, and stated, "The creators of the original melodrama could not have done any better, God rest their dear departed souls, Amen!!" (The last part of the quote being an oft-repeated line in the melodrama.)



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