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Chapter Officers Installed, Awards Given at Recent FFA Dinner Meeting

This year's officers of the Nyssa chapter of Future Farmers of America were in charge of opening ceremonies at the organization's 24th annual banquet held March 29 in the school cafeteria.

Following invocation by the Rev. John Bullock of Nyssa Church of the Nazarene, the dinner was served by members of the local chapter of Future Homemakers of America. Serving was under direction of Mrs. Virginia Steffens, NHS homemaker instructor, with the food prepared by cafeteria personnel.

May Scout-O-Rama Activities Planned By Ore-Ida Council

As recently reported by the Nampa headquarters of Ore-Ida council, Boy Scouts of America, thousands of Cubs, Scouts and Explorers are preparing for three big Scout-O-Ramas to be staged in May within the district.

The Oregon district event will be May 7 in the pavilion of the Malheur fair grounds at Ontario, with the Idaho Scout-O-Rama scheduled on the same date at the armory in Payette. Another is slated May 14 for the Canyon district and will be held in the multi-purpose stadium at Caldwell.

Each unit is now preparing for booth demonstrations and arena acts. Cub Scouts will demonstrate popular monthly themes, achievements, electives and handicrafts. Boy Scout troops will display first and second class requirements as well as numerous merit badges, with Explorers demonstrating vocational guidance subjects and specialties and will be available for service.

Also, at each event, many special acts and contests will be conducted in the center arena.

These Scout-O-Ramas are termed by the council as great family shows with entertainment for young and old. Packs, troops and posts will show parents and other interested patrons the true meaning of Scouting and affiliated skills.

VISITORS FROM NAMPA

Mr. and Mrs. John Krommenhoek and family, Mr. and Mrs. Van Harris of Nampa were Easter dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene DeMinck and family. Mrs. Krommenhoek and Harris are sister and brother of Mrs. DeMinck.

Introduction of the toastmaster was by President Jim Bishop, with Ron Jensen introducing other guests. A talk entitled "What is an FFA Member?" was given by Manuel Silva, with achievement awards presented by Tim Phillips.

Chapter Sweetheart Selected
Miss Marcia Wyckoff was named Chapter Sweetheart. Other nominees were Patty Urry, Toni Fife, Lynda Cundall, Janice Richards and JoAnne Durfee. "This Land Is Your Land" was sung by Ron and Darr Jensen.

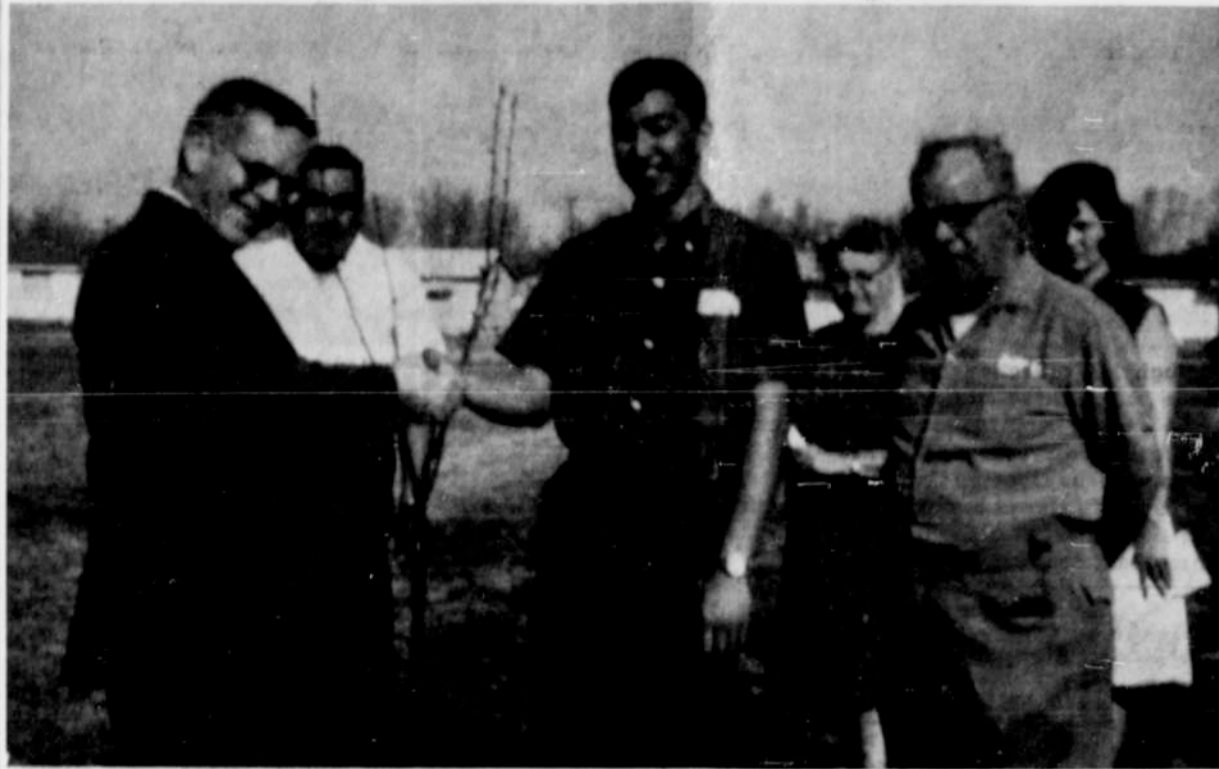
New officers for the 1966-67 school year were installed. They are Gary Moss, president; Bill Bishop, vice president; Bob Ure, secretary; Charles McConnell, treasurer; Axel Stephen, news reporter; Roger Nakashima, scrapbook reporter; and Bryan Cleaver, sentinel.

Farmer Awards Made
Awards were presented to Clinton Robbins, star greenhand; Jim Bishop, star chapter farmer; Axel Stephen, livestock; Ron Jensen, crops; Pete Smit, home improvement and farm electrification; Bob Ure, farm mechanics; Connel Peterson, dairy farming.

Fred Schilling was presented with \$10 for placing first in the Safeway contest, with Clinton Robbins receiving the \$5 second-place award. Adviser for the NHS chapter is Stanley Sisson.

FROERERS ENTERTAIN
Mr. and Mrs. Owen Froerer and family entertained with Easter dinner for her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Bybee and the latter's father, H. E. Chamberlain.

Cherry Trees to Beautify Park



PRESENT FOR A TREE-PLANTING CEREMONY on Wednesday afternoon, March 30, in the Nyssa swimming pool park, were these representatives of the city, Town and Country Garden club and the Snake River chapter of the Junior Japanese American Citizens' league. They are (left to right) Mayor Grant Rinehart, Jim R. Watanabe, David Nishitani, Mrs. William (Mae) Schireman, City Manager Fred O. Koch and Mrs. Garold (Bonnie) Ropp. The trees were donated to the city by members of the Junior JACL and were presented by Watanabe, past president of

the chapter and first vice president of the Intermountain District Youth council. He stated, "On behalf of the Junior JACL, I present these flowering cherry trees to the townspeople of Nyssa, as a token of good will and friendship for the kindness accorded our people. And we hope through the coming years, we may all enjoy the beauty of the blossoms together." Further beautification of the park is planned by Town and Country Garden club members. A sketch of those plans appeared in a recent issue of the Journal.

—Photo by Alice Nishitani

Junior JACL Donates Trees for City Park; Organization's History Given

Nyssa is one of seven towns in the valley to have flowering cherry trees planted in one of its parks, a gift from the Snake River chapter of the Junior Japanese American Citizens' league. The project was financed by holding cooked food sales.

The junior league is patterned after its parental organization, the Senior JACL which is comprised of approximately 88 chapters throughout the nation.

The organization's goal is to promote good will and good citizenship practices for all persons of Japanese ancestry.

Membership of the local chapter is made up of area residents on both sides of the Snake river, encompassing the towns of Nyssa, Ontario and Vale, Ore.; Fruitland, New Plymouth, Payette and Weiser, Idaho.

Youth Assist Older Citizens
The Snake river youth organization (Junior JACL) is still in its infancy and was formed to assist the ever-growing work of the senior league, which consists mostly of second generation (Nisei) Japanese Americans.

The Junior JACL is the third generation or Samsel group and was formed in 1961 with Sharon (Kariya) Wada of Ontario serving as first president.

From 1962-66, other presidents, in order, have been Don Arai of Nyssa, Arlene Okita and Pauline Shirashi of Ontario, Jim R. Watanabe of Fruitland and Warren Murata of Oregon Slope.

Goal Set at 100 Members
During the few short years of existence, the membership has grown to 70, increasing 40 during the past year. This year's goal is set for 100 members.

The Snake river chapter is a member of the Intermountain District Youth council which takes in units from Boise, Rexburg, Idaho Falls and Pocatello, Idaho; Salt Lake City, Mount Olympus and Ogden, Utah.

In 1965, the local group won the coveted IDC chapter award by reason of project achievement.

During the past year, members of the Junior JACL have worked continuously to raise funds, earmarking them for specific purposes.

Other Projects Described

Since May 1965, in addition to the flowering cherry tree project, they have held an educational session and entered Sharon Mizuta as a princess candidate at the IDC convention in Idaho Falls.

Proceeds from a movie have not been designated for any particular project; however, funds raised from a candy sale are being used for the donation of two books to each of the area's high schools, Treasure Valley Community college and the county library. The volumes are "Beauty Behind Barbed Wires" and "Boy From Nebraska."

"For Better Americans in a Greater America" is the national creed for both senior and junior organizations, exemplifying the true meaning of the Japanese American Citizens' league.

WAYNE SPARKS ON U OF O RECORD HIGH HONOR ROLL

According to a release from the University of Oregon news bureau in Eugene, Wayne Merle Sparks was among 584 students on the winter term honor roll. He is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Long of Adrian.

The honor list is reported to be the university's largest, surpassing a 511 record total for the 1965 spring term.

GUESTS IN PARENTAL HOME

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Barnes and sons of Vale, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Marcum, Billy and Sara were Sunday dinner guests of the women's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul House and Paul Jr.

House Named Officer, Crocker Gets Degree At DeMolay Session

Several members of Owyhee chapter, Order of DeMolay, attended the district 11 conclave held April 2 at Enterprise. At the session, Perry Crocker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Crocker of route 1, Nyssa, received his degree.

Nyssa Paul House, master councilor of Owyhee chapter, was elected district junior councilor. Other area members appointed to a district office were Tom Swetland, sentinel; Tim Lovell, orator; Jack Mowreader, third preceptor; and Robert Stevenson, fifth preceptor.

During the evening program,

WALKER ON HONOR ROLL

Glenn M. Walker, a graduate student from Nyssa, was among those on the winter term honor roll at Central Washington State college in Ellensburg.

According to Charles McCann, dean of faculty, 400 students were on the list including 66 with 4.0 (all A's). Those on the roll must achieve a minimum grade point average of 3.25 or higher.

Miss Carrie Saito of Ontario, Owyhee chapter's candidate, was named district sweetheart. She will represent district 11 at the state conclave to be held during May at Coos Bay. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Saito and a senior at Ontario high school.

MUSICAL PROGRAM

(It's a Grand Night for Singing)

Saturday, April 16 — 8 p. m.

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