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GREAT WAY
TO THE MT. HOOD PLAYGROUND

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Mountain Voice Important

In the next couple of months the Let's Get Together group in the Hoodland area is going to have to decide what is going to happen to the Hoodland Planning Group.

When the HPG was started, it was given a life span of six months which will be up within two months. We feel the group must be continued, but leave it to the people on the mountain to decide whether to continue the group as it is or change it in any way.

The HPG is something which the mountain people and other areas in the county remote from the county offices in Oregon City have been asking for, a voice.

The county is using this group, we feel, as a model for other groups to be formed throughout Clackamas County to help county officials in learning of public opinions.

And it is concerning this public opinion which we feel the Hoodland group must improve itself. They were formed to read the wants of the people of the mountain and to relate these wants to the county so that they could be used as guidelines in forming a

master landuse plan for the area.

We feel that in order for the HPG to succeed in obtaining these wants the members of the group are going to have to communicate with everyone on the mountain.

This will have to be done in several ways including surveys, public meetings and most of all personal contacts.

Since the group is already broken up into geographical areas it will require each member from the HPG to get in contact with the people in "his area" and find out what they see for the future of the mountain area and then to let these be known to the HPG.

We feel a step has been taken in the right direction through the committees which have already been formed but more information is needed from the people on the mountain.

Most important of all is the continuing of a planning group by the mountain people if they want to have any say on future development on the mountain.

No Recession on the Ski Slopes

Though much of the nation has been beset by a recession this winter, the business that is skiing moves steadily ahead.

A nationwide survey found ski areas reporting "another very good season" and ski-goods manufacturers a 15-25 per cent increase over last year.

Locally, skiing held up quite well until two or three weeks ago when the weather became a problem. Ski operators always can use more business but slopes have been busy.

For an assortment of reasons, ski shops had a bad season a year ago; this season has been much better. Item: Clearance sales which last year came right after Jan. 1 were delayed

this year until late February-early March. Obviously, there wasn't the pressure to move merchandise this year.

Despite the depressed economy in the Seattle area, skiing has enjoyed a relatively good season there, too.

Skiing obviously is not an inexpensive sport. How expensive we found out this year when, for the first time, our youngsters became interested. But it is a family sport and for that reason alone, is going to remain popular.

An estimated 3 1/2 million now ski and experts see that figure doubling or tripling in the years ahead. Skiing is a \$1.4 billion per year industry and getting bigger.

The SST Dispute

We own two (2) shares of Boeing stock so can hardly be said to have a vested interest in the SST controversy. Yet, we're afraid that opponents of the big plane are governed more by emotion than reason.

When the SST program was sidetracked last fall, environmental factors were the big issue. Now, these are being sidetracked and the opposition is countering largely with economic arguments.

It always has seemed to us that enough funds should be voted to proceed with the two prototype planes. Then we could see, for instance, if the noise and pollution factors are as advertised.

A recent government report says that engineering refinements assure that the SST would be no noisier than

present jumbo jets. We live directly in the flight pattern of the Portland Airport and do not find today's jets intolerable.

Moreover, no less of an authority than William Ruckelshaus, administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, has pronounced the SST ecologically safe.

It may or may not be economically feasible. Airlines admittedly are in bad shape and the SST may not be a wise gamble. But the \$290 million necessary to build and test the two prototypes will cost each individual taxpayer only about \$2.50. With the money that we're putting daily into such things as Viet-Nam, welfare costs etc., we think this is something we can afford.

Civic group plans for July 4

Sandy Civic Services, Inc. Board of Directors met March 15 to make the initial plans and set the policies for the annual Fourth of July Celebration.

Members of the Board representing various civic organizations decided that the fireworks display featured in last year's celebration had been very pleasing and that it should be repeated. It was agreed that more events were needed to prevent time lag between events.

An offer from the Sandy Boys Baseball Association to present two baseball games in the afternoon was accepted. Kiwanis Club offered to sponsor

a fun event for kids entitled "Nickel in the Haystack" which was accepted also.

Tentative offer of an amateur talent show sponsorship was made by Chamber of Commerce representative Dale Nichols. Tentative offer of sponsorship of various events of the sack race type was made by Sandy Dad's Club.

Sandy Volunteer Firemen made their annual offer of sponsoring a waterball fight with neighboring fire departments. The Womens Club will sponsor a flag raising ceremony and other patriotic observances.

It was decided to have a

printed program this year which would list events according to a time schedule published in advance of the event. The efficient work of the Sandy Police Reserves and the Dad's Club in handling parking and traffic problems in the 1970 Fourth of July Celebration was greatly appreciated and they are to be asked to serve again.

Sandy Civic Services, Inc. invites any organization in Sandy or the Sandy area to send representatives to their Board of Directors if they have civic service and community good as their main objectives.



SANDY UNION High School student Scott Hergert expresses delight at computer's response to his program. Sandy is one of several area high schools to be involved in the computer program. Many students are involved through projects in different programs at the school making use of the computer.



STUDENTS IN Mrs. Gary Larsen's home economics class settle down to a buffet they prepared themselves of foreign foods. The buffet was part of a class project to learn about foreign foods.

ToThe EDITOR

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During the last few months, the Hoodland Planning Group (HPG) has been working to create a program whereby a professional planning firm could prepare a comprehensive land use plan for the Hoodland area. Members were elected by approximately 50 people who attended a series of "Let's Get Together" meetings at Bowman's and the group consists of two people from each community plus the District Forest Ranger.

While no one can really argue with the objective of a land use plan, it appears that there is something wrong with the approach that is being made as witnessed by the fact that the Hoodland Planning Group is becoming increasingly controversial.

On Thursday, March 4, a group of Hoodland property owners called Hoodland Environment Land Planners (H.E.L.P.) met in Rhododendron to discuss the impact which HPG is creating and what could be done to make it more effective. It was the feeling at this meeting that the Hoodland Planning Group needs H.E.L.P. Perhaps this is the time for them to take one step back and ask themselves these questions:

1. Is the HPG a true representation of the Hoodland area ideas?
2. Does the HPG have people with varied backgrounds?
3. Is the HPG informed and knowledgeable on subjects they are required to make decisions and recommendations on?
4. Should the County Planning Department continue to do their job, so the HPG can do theirs?
5. Is it democratic to put a moratorium on zone changes while we prepare a flexible land use plan?
6. Should planning be a voice of all the people?
7. Are decisions being made more on emotional convictions rather than intellectual facts?
8. Does the HPG need outside H.E.L.P.?

Planning is not only the making of wise decisions, but is deciding ahead and then recording these decisions as a guide to future action.

Norm Strebin
Rhododendron
Bill Spencer
Rhododendron
Two members of H.E.L.P.

To the Editor:

A Victory March and rally will occur between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. in the capitols of every state in the United States on Saturday March 20th. Oregon patriots will meet in front of the capitol at Salem at about 1:30. Disciples of Deserion for our POWs can only understand demonstrations.

Please don't say you have something else to do. Our POWs, many of them drafted, had something else to do, too but they went at their nation's call. Now they are sick, abused and apparently deserted.

Bring your American flags and signs for victory as two years of peace talks and pleading letters to Hanoi have not seemed to help our prisoners to even get letters out.

Now we can see that General McArthur was right when he said, "In war there is no substitute for victory," as the Vietnam war is obviously a direct result of the Korean war. McArthur was not allowed to win.

Twelve top-ranking military experts told how we could win in Vietnam in six weeks without using nuclear weapons. This article and the names of these great strategists appeared in the March 1968 issue of "Science and Mechanics".

If you are unable to walk as some of our POWs must, get someone to push you in a wheelchair. And don't be satisfied with bringing your families and flags and signs, bring your neighbors and organizations.

Let's not let our POWs down. They didn't let us down.

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High school gym open to public

The Sandy High School gym is now open on Wednesday nights and Saturday morning for use by the public.

The Sandy High Dads Club is sponsor of the program and are in charge of opening the floor for activities by the public.

The gym is open from 7 to 9 p.m. on Wednesdays and from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturdays. All persons interested in playing basketball and just plain "working out" are invited to attend at these times.

Students learn computer

On March 3 Sandy Union High School joined over 40 schools in the metropolitan area which share the use of a Hewlett-Packard 2000B computer.

A system called time-sharing allows many people to use the same computer at the same time. Time-sharing has made it

possible to bring the use of the computer into the school at low cost.

The computer itself is located in the Multnomah County Intermediate Education District Data Processing Center. A student who wishes to use the computer calls it on the

telephone, identifies himself, and types in his problem on a teletype located in the school's Math Resource Center. When the computer has solved the problem, the answer is printed on the teletype.

The computer has generated a great deal of enthusiasm in SUHS students. Currently Mr. Bill Myer's electronics students are analysing laboratory data on the computer and several students are working on programs of their own design.

CITIZENS COLLEGE FORUM

News and Views About Mt. Hood Community College

SPEECH TEAM

The 41st Annual Linfield Speech Tournament was held last week and four Mt. Hood students entered. Only three community colleges entered along with students from 30 western colleges and universities.

The MHCC delegation made finals in three events, and managed to capture two pieces of hardware to add to the trophy case.

Randy Swerdluck, who traveled around the college district was "Winnie The Pooh," in last fall's Children's Theatre production took first place in senior interpretation and second place in senior after dinner speaking.

Cheri Ballentine, a former Reynolds High student, made the finals competition in Junior women's interpretation.

In all, more than 350 students participated in the tournament.

BUSINESS DIVISION

The Business Division at MHCC met recently with teachers, counselors and administrators of area high schools to discuss programs offered in MHCC's Business Division.

Through meetings such as this, business instructors in high schools and MHCC better know what is offered. Better programs can be planned and developed with this kind of cooperative effort.

Students are the ones who really benefit from such get togethers. They will be able to plan a program in high school which will fit right into advanced work at Mt. Hood.

Special speakers at the evening meeting included Mrs. Clarice Roehm, a David Douglas counselor; Sydney Thompson, a specialist in marketing and distributive education; Keith DeCoursey, Centennial High's Director of Counseling; and Terry Shea, a Mt. Hood counselor.

SALISBURY AT MHCC

John Salisbury, noted newsman at KXL radio for several years, spoke Wednesday to an advanced radio class at the college.

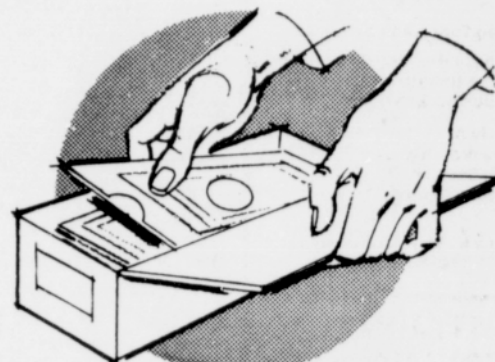
Salisbury discusses with the students the role of responsible

news coverage in today's fast moving society.

Mt. Hood number is listed wrong

The phone number published in the Mt. Hood Community College booklet for spring classes is listed wrong for the Sandy-Hoodland area classes. The number is listed as 665-1561 when it should have been published as 666-1561.

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