

# Local school only one get special reading program funds

Oregon has been funded as a Right-to-Read state because of its demonstrated commitment to the national literacy goal. Selected to participate with nineteen other Oregon districts in the initial phase of the project are Sandy High and Sandy Elementary Schools whose superintendents, Joe DeMarsh and Tony Bryant,

submitted a joint application several weeks ago. Dennis Crow, head of Sandy High's Communications Department, attended a regional Right-to-Read information session in late October where he learned that the national Right-to-Read effort is designed as a coordinated endeavor of all segments of society; public and private, professional and non-professional, to work toward the common goal of ensuring that by 1980 99 per cent of all people under 16 years of age and 90 per cent over 16 will possess and use literacy skills. "As I saw it then," Crow says, "It seemed like a good chance to generate some meaningful co-curricular activity among the high school and its feeders. As it turned out, Sandy High became the only high school in the state to be tapped in the first phase of the program. I'm sure part of the reason was our submitting a joint request with Sandy Elementary School. Naturally, the high school is delighted to

be working with Sandy Grade in uplifting the reading capacities of all our youngsters." Laura Dell Callaghan, Sandy Elementary Director of Pupil Personnel, is the director of the local Right-to-Read project and is working closely with Crow in coordinating her effort with the high school. Already Mrs. Callaghan has spoken to Sandy High's department heads and oriented them to the possibilities of a new developmental reading program at SUHS. "The program would be primarily interdisciplinary," Crow remarks. "Reading materials would be coordinated with various subject areas and student reading achievement levels within those areas." The Oregon Right-to-Read program is a four phase program covering a time period of approximately four years. Phase I, 1973, has a basic responsibility to develop and implement a comprehensive plan of action. Through the proper training programs, one person from each district in the state will be provided with change-agent skills; knowledge of new and innovative reading programs; available resources for the teaching of reading; alternate plans for preschool contact with parents; alternative adult reading programs; and the like, which would enable the district representative to organize a truly effective comprehensive program. Phase I will conduct a pilot program consisting of twenty public and private education district representatives. These twenty educators will serve initially as the center for dissemination of materials and innovations to the schools, and community and other agencies in the area. Phase II, 1974, will consist of four regional training sessions serving approximately 120 public and private education agencies. These 120 representatives will receive intensive in-service training from Right to Read staff and the 20 Phase I representatives. Phase III, 1975, will follow the format of Phase II with four regional training sessions serving approximately 120 public and private local education agencies. Phase IV, 1976, will serve the remaining local education agencies in the state. Right-to-Read will request assistance from Phase I people. In all phases, Right-to-Read staff will be available to provide direct technical assistance to local education agencies.



IN A RECENT meeting of the department head-administrative team at Sandy High, Laura Dell Callaghan, director of the local Right-to-Read project, confers with Len Eaton (left), Cliff O'Harrow, Principal William MacFarlane and Vice-Principal Fred Proett.

# Sandy high FFA members place

On Monday, Dec. 10, Sandy Chapter of FFA participated along with six other schools in three contests at the district level. The contests were held at Rex Putnam High School. The first of the three contests was the Greenhand or Beginning Demonstration. The Sandy contestant was Larry Nicholson, who demonstrated how to take softwood cuttings. He had to explain when and how to take the cuttings in three to five minutes, and he received a 1st place banner and ribbon in reward for a job well done. The second contest held was the Greenhand Public Speaking. John McClure was the Sandy contestant, and spoke on custom haying operations. He explained the haying process and the part of a custom hay operator. He received a 2nd place banner and ribbon. The third contest was the reciting of the FFA Creed from

memory. Darr McClure competed in this contest for the FFA, and did an excellent job in representing the Sandy FFA Chapter.

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**COOPER SPUR "IN" FOR THE SEASON**  
Cooper Spur is "in" for the season with plenty of snow covering the slopes. In normal seasons, skiing just gets started here for Christmas. Facilities will operate on a weekend basis, except for the everyday operation set for Dec. 26 to Jan. 1 with lifts operating until 6 p.m. on Sundays. Cooper Spur is reached by driving Oregon Highway No. 35, the Mt. Hood Loop Highway, to Polallie Junction. The route, all paved, winds up to the spur from there. A National Sled Dog Championship meet is scheduled here Dec. 29-30, with 70 or 80 teams entered, according to manager Jack Baldwin.

**Economy conscious vehicles serve MHCC security**  
Mt. Hood Community College began turning to the use of small maintenance vehicles for economy in 1968. The college is now operating seven Cushman maintenance vehicles and an eighth Cushman is used by the campus security force. "I am very impressed with the long-run economical outlook of this type of vehicle," explained Veryl Stone, college plant services director. He said the Cushman uses about one to one and a half gallons of gas over an eight hour period as compared to a pickup needing

more than five gallons. "These vehicles get a lot of use," Stone noted, "one of them already has more than 10,000 miles on it." With the gas situation, the college will be able to continue its normal maintenance procedures and use a minimal amount of fuel, Stone added. The vehicles are far more convenient to use around the campus also, Stone said, as the two-cycle engines Cushman are less than half the size of a pickup with a better turning radius. "They can go anywhere and by being equipped with wide tires they can move through the landscaped areas without damaging grass," Stone said. "I think it's the most versatile vehicle we have on campus," security chief Harold Schmelzer added. "We carry emergency equipment in the back, such as a fire extinguisher and first aid gear, and it even has external battery jumper cables. We've had as many as 68 cars needing a jump in one day," Schmelzer noted.



VERSATILE MAINTENANCE vehicles are becoming a common sight around the Mt. Hood Community College campus. Eight of the two-cycled vehicles are being used at the college. (Jim Halden photo)

**Sweet Adelines entertain**  
Blue Lake Chapter Sweet Adelines is busy this Christmas season entertaining at several lucheons and dinners. On Dec. 11, they will sing for Mt. Hood Mens Barbershop Chorus, on Dec. 14 for the Portland District Association of Oregon Medical Technologists Christmas dinner, and on Dec. 18 they will sing for the Oregon State employees' holiday luncheon. Also included are the Colbert and Hoodview nursing homes Dec. 18. If anyone would like to have this group sing or entertain for them, they may call 771-9838 or 665-5342 for information.

**SKIER GLIDES TO TIMBERLINE**  
Nineteen year old Dave Miller of Portland soared in a hang-glider from the 9,000-foot level of Mt. Hood down to Timberline Lodge Sunday, according to area operator Dick Kohnstamm who ran him up the mountain in a Sno-Cat. Miller spent four or five minutes in the flight, soaring 800 feet off the snow at one point. He plans, later, to glide down to Multoppor Mountain, about six airline miles from his high point on Mt. Hood. This week he is flying at Jackson Hole, Wyo.

**INFLATION? NOT SO BAD**  
Multoppor-Ski Bowl had a special promotion last weekend with lift tickets selling for \$5-1962 prices. Ticket-seller Cheryl Darr overheard one buyer say, "Gee, there hasn't been too much inflation in lift ticket prices, from \$5 to today's \$7." President Carl Reynolds spent all weekend Paul Revering it up and down the mountain circulating handbills to skiers and businesses. He was calling attention to the National Energy Emergency Act of 1973 now before Congress. One version of the bill would cut off skiers and ski businesses, alike, by specifically listing recreation businesses as non-essential fuel-users.

**Reflections . . .**  
By Betty Sword

**Friday's Child . . .**

is loving and giving, goes a line in the children's "Rhyme of Days". Giving and loving are so intertwined at this season of the year that Friday's child is surely joined by all the children of every day.

What else but love would inspire the hours spent stuffing toys, making candy, cracking nuts (and fingers) and crystallizing orange peels just for someone special?

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**CARL J. ZAJAC, 72, Portland, on stretcher was the driver of one car involved in a two car accident on Thursday. He was taken to Gresham Community Hospital with injuries by Sandy Ambulance. The accident happened mid-morning on Highway 26 east of Sandy near Wongs Restaurant. (Post Photo)**