

### 4-H Club names officers

Emblem 4-H Club, a county-wide club for high school age 4-H'ers elected their 1974-75 officers recently, reports Laurel Stulken, Clackamas County 4-H Extension agent. Emblem Club conducts various educational, social and community service projects throughout the year.

New officers are: president, Barbara Kennedy, Lake Oswego; vice-president, Steve Schwartz, Milwaukie; secretary, Colleen Meier, Boring; treasurer, Janet Black, Oregon City; historian Dave Schwartz, Milwaukie; and reporter, Denise Tomlin, Sandy.

Emblem Club members who will represent the six different areas of the county were also elected at this time, adds Mrs. Stulken. They are: Area I, Lori Marsh, Bull Run; Teresa Kraus, Milwaukie, Area II; Area III, Kathy Newcomb, Milwaukie; Area IV, Joe Miken, Willamette; Area V, Grace Clark, Molalla; and Area VI, Nick Stritzke, Canby.



**DINNER FOR Champions**, the Sandy basketballers and their coaches are shown here eating their last supper at the Sizzler Steak House, located across from the Gresham Mall in Gresham, before their

triumphant victory over Dallas last week. The restaurant is co-owned by varsity star Alan Nippert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nippert.

(Post Photo)

### FROM The RIVER'S EDGE

By GEORGE MacALEVY

### SASQUATCH!



The latest news bulletins about Sasquatch are rather unnerving. I feel like taking my membership card in the National Wildlife Federation and publicly burning it. The entire idea of such an organization spending a lot of money in an expedition hunting for the mythical creature has made the federation an object of ridicule to many Northwesters. First, let us take a long look at Sasquatch and then a similar look at the federation and see where there would be any logic in the crossing of their trails.

To me, and countless other Pacific Northwesters, Sasquatch is akin to Nessie, the monster that is supposed to inhabit Loch Ness in Scotland. Also, our Bigfoot giant is in the same league as Paul Bunyan, Johnny Appleseed, and the Headless Horseman of Sleepy Hollow. He has relatives in other parts of the world, just as elusive as he. The Yeti of the Himalayas is one of these relatives.

Our Sasquatch is supposed to have inhabited many local areas. The two best known are the Ape Cave canyon on the flanks of Mt. St. Helens, and the Roaring River Canyon in the Clackamas watershed. We even have one local reporting that occurred a few years ago, when a party of moonlight swimmers in the Henhouse hole just above Dodge Park reported a giant figure was

throwing rocks down on them from the cliff on the west bank. This was during a dry hot spell in summer when rocks become loosened in the lifeless dried out soil and come tumbling down off many steep slopes. In the moonlight, who knows what giant figures the mind can conjure from tree and snag silhouettes after surviving a narrow miss from a falling rock.

The Roaring River evidences all turned up one winter, and consisted mainly of rather ill defined footprints(?) in the snow. The so called sightings in the St. Helens area have been reported from time to time over the years. Some informal groups of young people and older people alike have made pilgrimages to these spots, risked life and limb in rock climbs to some of the cave like apertures on the side of Ape Canyon, and no group has come up with any real indisputable evidence. Some individuals have accumulated several bits of information including photos of indefinable large objects that can, with a little imagination, be likened to a giant creature of sorts. Could it be these creatures are so camera shy they blur their own image on film!

Lately, Northern California in the region of Mt. Shasta, has been the scene of new sightings either of shadowy forms or supposed footprints of a large nature. Most of these episodes

concerning a Bigfoot or Sasquatch sighting have been by lone individuals. The concentrated efforts of groups to confirm such evidences have always resulted in nothing. Like the Loch Ness monster, no connected string of evidence has ever been corroborated.

The National Wildlife Federation is supposed to be a serious conservation organization. They claim to be the largest one of this type. They publish beautiful magazines full of superb color photography and improvement of environment has been a strong element in their presentations. Their record of serious endeavour and accomplishment to date in the fields of conservation and environmental improvement is noteworthy. Their magazines alone are worth more than the price of membership. Why, all of a sudden, do they want to spend a substantial amount of money on a wild goose chase for a myth? They have been advertising on television for new members. Is this latest a publicity stunt designed to put them in the national news — a gimmick to gain notoriety for the purpose of attracting new members?

I don't know how much of my membership fees are left over after paying out for the excellent magazines all members get, but I resent any part of it being used in financing a chase

for a Will-o-the-wisp. If they have a private grant specifically given for this purpose, they should say so. Otherwise they could lose more of their old members than the publicity from this stunt would gain them in new members. Shoemaker, stick to your last!

### 4-H'ers present contest

Come view the wonderful world of 4-H'ers presentations on Saturday, April 13 starting at 9 a.m. Over 100 4-H'ers will be participating in the annual Presentation Contest reports Laurel Stulken, Clackamas County Extension 4-H agent. The contests will be held in Barlow Hall at Clackamas Community College.

The 4-H presentation program is a major effort to help boys and girls develop leadership, speaking abilities, personal security and poise. 4-H'ers will be sharing their new knowledge with audiences whether they are baking, planting a terrarium, grooming an animal, training their dog or making a trouble light.

Plan now to attend and enjoy the "Wonderful World of 4-H Presentations" says Mrs. Stulken. These 4-H'ers are anxious to share what they have learned with others.

## Steelhead petitions soon ready

Initiative petitions for the steelhead protection measure

which Oregon sports anglers seek to put on the November ballot should be ready for circulation by April 10, according to Carey Starzinger, chairman of Save Oregon's Rainbow Trout, Inc. (SORT).

Starzinger, from Sandy, told members of the Willamette Falls Northwest Steelheaders on March 15 that printing and distribution of the initiatives had been delayed by a last-minute challenge to the ballot title filed by Salmon for All, a promotional organization of the commercial fishing industry.

The ballot title, as prepared by the state attorney general, is headed "PROTECTS RAINBOW TROUT AS GAME FISH. Declares rainbow trout including steelhead trout to be recreational angling and to protect wild native stocks. Directs Fish Commission to minimize incidental catch by commercial fishing gear. Commercially taken rainbow trout are state property, must be delivered to the state, and shall not be bought or sold in

Oregon. Wildlife Commission shall prescribe manner of distributing such fish to public institutions or charities. Indian treaty fishing rights not affected."

Starzinger told steelheaders that SORT, Inc., had intervened on behalf of the attorney general's title and is hopeful that court proceedings before the Oregon State Supreme Court in connection with the challenge will be completed in early April.

That schedule will give individuals circulating petitions approximately three months to secure some 60,000 signatures, including a "safety margin" of 20,000, before the July 5, 1974, deadline.

Principal needs of the organization in addition to signatures are volunteers and cash contributions, Starzinger said. The SORT mailing address is P.O. Box 14441, Portland, Oregon, 97214.

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| Hoodland AG Mkt          | 65 42 1/2 |                                     |   |
| Bowman's                 | 63 45     |                                     |   |
| Charlie's Place          | 62 46     |                                     |   |
| Mary Jo Shop             | 54 54     |                                     |   |
| Bert's Bty Salon         | 52 55 1/2 |                                     |   |
| Cat's Meow               | 52 55 1/2 |                                     |   |
| Zig Zag Inn              | 51 57     |                                     |   |
| Hoodland TV              | 46 62     |                                     |   |
| Glos Ford                | 46 62     |                                     |   |
| Log Lodge                | 43 64 1/2 |                                     |   |
| Carlson Chev.            | 40 68     |                                     |   |

High individual game and series: Margie Hutchins 224; Helen Post 609.  
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| Sandy Men's 3-14-74   |           | Early Birds 3-18-74 |   |
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| McKinnon Ent          | 30 14     |                     |   |
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| Meier Dairy           | 25 18 1/2 |                     |   |
| Cedar Plaza           | 24 20     |                     |   |
| Sandy Rexall          | 21 23     |                     |   |
| Smith Motors          | 16 27 1/2 |                     |   |
| Swails Plumbing       | 15 29     |                     |   |
| William's Thriftway   | 15 29     |                     |   |

High individual game and series: Ken Kautz 253; Elton Leavitt 626.  
High team game and series: ZigZag Inn 538 and 1,502.

### Senior women golfers plan opening day

Several ladies from the Mountain View Golf Course at Boring are included in the group busy making final plans for the opening day of the Oregon Senior Women's Public Links Golf Association, on Monday, March 25, at the Broadmoor Golf Course. The initial meeting will begin at 9 a.m. with a continental breakfast and meeting followed by nine holes of sweepstakes play. Seven or more courses in the general Portland area are played each year including Glendoveer National Course and this year the closing day will be held at Mountain View.

Johnson, vice-president, Mrs. Homer Lumsden, secretary, along with Mrs. Arno Ritter, Mrs. Harold Montgomery and Mrs. Pearl Suhr all from the Mountain View Ladies Club. Others on the board include Mrs. Lloyd Morris, Mrs. V. Craver, Mrs. Ray Anderson and Mrs. James Ballew (Gresham).

Any golfing women, who are 50 years of age or over and have an established nine hole handicap of 16 or under are invited to join the group.

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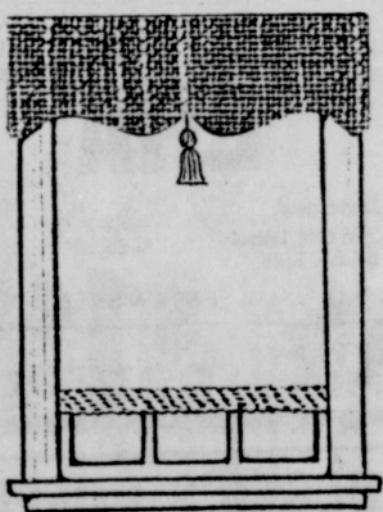
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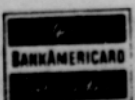
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