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City Must Grow

What kind of growth will be allowed in Sandy?

That question could well be answered Monday night when the Columbia Region Association of Governments (CRAG) holds a public hearing on the city's urban growth boundaries at 7:30 in city hall.

CRAG has proposed a boundary line that leaves out much of the land the City of Sandy says should be included in its area of future expansion.

The arguments used by CRAG are that land should be left as farm or forest as much of it currently is to preserve natural resources. The multi-county association also says that since city services don't exist in the areas it has excluded from Sandy's growth, no plans should be made to extend sewer or water service and therefore the city should not move into those areas.

While much discussion revolves around the question of what would be the best use of parcels of land involved, the real issue that needs to be decided at Monday's hearing is

whether Sandy will be allowed to grow, or will it be locked into a restricted area.

A city restricted in size means a city restricted in population. No business wants to invest in an area where there can be no growth for his business and business growth needs people. Without growth the city will stagnate as merchants turn to more lucrative markets and people travel to where better service can be supplied by business.

Loss of business also means loss of tax dollars in Sandy; tax dollars that help pay for streets, sewers, police protection and all the other services provided by the city. Cost of such services will continue to climb and the only people that will pay for them will be the residents of the city.

When the first businessmen says he must leave Sandy to follow his trade it will be too late to make a choice on the growth of the city. Monday night may be the last chance the residents of the city have to insure any future for Sandy.

Don't Write Off Our Primary

Because of the proliferation of presidential preferential primaries across the nation, many have been the predictions that the "late" primary here in Oregon no longer is of much importance.

Don't you believe it. It's conceivable that our primary and that shortly thereafter in California may be crucial this year...at least in the Democratic race.

Reason? The abundance of candidates on the Democratic side, Jackson, Udall, Bayh, Wallace, Humphrey, Carter etc. all will have had their innings before the Oregon primary.

It's likely no clear winner will have

been determined by the time Oregon votes but it's also very likely that the field will have been narrowed to two or three candidates.

Suppose the race is between Jackson and Wallace and Carter. If Jackson were to win big in Oregon, he would have one leg up on the California delegates, and thus the nomination. Thus, our primary could be decisive. That's why we don't expect any decline in the interest shown in Oregon by Democratic presidential hopefuls.

Many of recall that back in 1970, Oregon was vital to the campaign of John F. Kennedy. The same kind of situation could prevail again in 1976.

Clay Myers for Treasurer

Entry of Clay Myers into the race for state treasurer makes it a whole new ball game.

Myers is the incumbent secretary of state, of course, but is precluded from running again by state law. Hence, he's now decided to seek the nomination for state treasurer.

Myers has considerably name familiarity, gained from his long service in state government, and is regarded by most people as having done a creditable job.

He does have some opposition

Dr. Klapstein Moves On

Somehow, Mt. Hood Community College looked a little different this morning.

It's difficult to think of the school without Dr. Earl Klapstein at the helm. Although his resignation to accept a job in California long had been expected, it still was hard to accept.

Dr. K was the college. When people talked about the school, they usually talked about Dr. Klapstein. Somehow, he was the catalyst, the guy who put it all together.

His contributions are too many to repeat here. But more than anything else, he gave the Gresham area a real

within the Republican party and still hasn't recovered from his defeat in the gubernatorial primary two years ago when the relatively-unknown Vic Atiyeh took his measure.

Some Republicans will oppose Myers for treasurer since it might give him another springboard to try again for governor. But if he does make it through the primary, and we think he will, it will take a whale of a campaign for any Democrat to upset him in November.

sense of community pride; the College was something everyone could rally round.

A lot of people have contributed very largely to the success of Mt. Hood, especially past and present board members, plus people in his MHCC administrative team. But Dr. K. was the driving force behind all the college stands for.

In retrospect, we now realize he was a builder more than someone to hold the fort once the job was done. Perhaps it was time for him to move on to a bigger challenge.

Personally, professionally, we wish him Godspeed.

Cat's Meow fashions featured

Ten area women will model clothes from The Cat's Meow in Sandy when Valley PTA has its Founders Day Tea and Fashion Show at 1 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12.
Models include Sharon Drennan, Carol Griffin, Bev Simonson, Carolyn Butcher, Bev Bucholz, Donna Simonson, Karen Anderson, Lois Beck, Jackie Bye and Barbara Watts.
Past presidents of Happy Valley PTA will be presented with Bicentennial corsages.
Babysitting will be provided at the school.
Piano music will be provided by Anna Marie Beebe.



letters to the editor

Pleasure to serve

To the Editor:

It has been a sincere pleasure to serve as Sandy's city manager during the past three years.

Leaving good friends is always a difficult chore. The wonderful people of Sandy will be forever remembered by me and my family.

And, I hope you'll give the same warmth and cooperation to your new city manager, Paul Helton, that you have given me.

Carl Hatfield Jr.
City Manager
Sandy

Proposed Consolidation, Brightwood, Rhododendron and Wemme Post Offices.

Attached are three fact sheets and a map to support our recommendation to consolidate the post offices at Brightwood, Rhododendron and Wemme. We propose to build a new

centrally located facility to serve all three communities.

These offices are located within a 6.5 mile stretch on Highway 26. All three offices are sub-standard in working conditions and deficient in space. None can be termed adequate.

The Postmasters at Brightwood and Rhododendron have retired which presents an ideal opportunity to consolidate into one new facility with adequate customer parking and lock box space. Star route extensions will also be provided.

All three communities now share some things in common. One of these is the Chamber of Commerce, known as Hoodland Chamber of Commerce. In addition, a number of businesses and organizations are using the title Hoodland.

We propose to name the postal facility Hoodland, but retain the community identities by designating legs of the box delivery star route as Brightwood Star Route, Rhododendron Star Route, etc.

We have not polled all residents in these communities, but one open meeting was held and individuals were allowed to express their opinion of the proposal. The meeting was attended by 139 persons. Approximately 10 persons spoke in opposition to the plan while the majority favored it. We have continued working through the Chamber of Commerce and our proposal now has wide-spread acceptance.

Even after consolidation, other post offices will be located approximately 15 or 16 miles each direction. Therefore, consolidation, with box delivery extension, should benefit most of the area and pose no hardship to anyone.

B.W. Luscher, Jr.
District Manager-Postmaster

Dog license forms available

A representative from the Clackamas County Dog Control department will be taking applications for dog licenses from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19 at the Sandy City Hall.

Keeping Posted

THURSDAY, FEB. 12

The weekly businessmen's coffee hour starts at 9:30 a.m. in the Oregon Trail office.

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At 7:30 p.m. Firwood's Neighbors, Inc. will hold a meeting with Clackamas County Commissioner Robert Schumacher as guest speaker. The group will be discussing the make up of its advisory planning committee.

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The Sandy Prime Cuts 4-H club will meet at 7:30 tonight at the Lee Meat Co. for a demonstration of meat cutting.

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The budget committee of the Cottrell School district will meet at 8 p.m. at the school. The meeting is open to the public.

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SATURDAY, FEB. 14

The Welches PTA sponsors a carnival from 4-8 p.m. at the

RSVP party planned

An old fashioned fun fest, special awards to senior citizens and entertainment by the Theatre of Feast will highlight the third annual Clackamas County Retired Senior Volunteer Program recognition party, Monday.

The party starts at 1:30 p.m. in the West Linn Inn and is open to all senior adults and their friends. There is no charge.

Theatre of Feast, a Portland based troupe of "elderly people performing for the elderly," presents one-act plays, dramatic readings and other presentations. Alberto Cerghino, instructor of a Clackamas County community education class on body language, leads the troupe. The cast consists of men and women between the ages of 70 and 90.

Also at the party outstanding senior volunteers will be feted and one volunteer will receive Volunteer of the Year Award. Master of ceremonies will be State Rep. Ralph Groener.

Party-goers are invited to wear Bicentennial garb. For more information or for transportation assistance, call the RSVP office at Clackamas College, 656-6231, extension 317.

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The Sandy Grade School eighth grade basketball team will host a tournament starting at 10 a.m. Teams from Sandy, Cottrell, Boring and Welches will play.

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MONDAY, FEB. 16

A special public hearing will be held on proposed urban growth boundaries for Sandy by the Columbia Association of Governments at 7:30 p.m. in the city hall.

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The Sandy City Council will meet following the CRAG hearing.

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TUESDAY, FEB. 17

Tryouts for a new Mountain Players production will be held in the Lions Club hall in Wemme at 8 p.m.

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The Clackamas County Board of Adjustment meets at 7:30 p.m. in the county courthouse in Oregon City.

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CITIZENS COLLEGE FORUM
News and Views About
Mt. Hood Community College
by Russ Frank
Public Information
Specialist

This Saturday, Feb. 14, would be an excellent opportunity for area residents to enjoy some exciting college basketball action, and by doing so, contribute to a scholarship fund. Sponsored by the MHCC Faculty Association, this will be their second annual benefit basketball game for the fund. Game time is 8 p.m. with the high flying Saints meeting Centralia in a regular conference contest. Door prizes will be awarded and game tickets may be purchased at the door or from any MHCC Faculty association member during the week.

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The 53-piece Communities Band makes its debut next Wednesday night, Feb. 18, with an on-campus presentation of American heritage music. Composed of community area residents of all ages and sponsored by MHCC's community education and services office, the band is directed by Bob Boehnke. The program starts at 8 p.m. in the college theatre and admission is free. A reception will follow the performance in the theatre lobby.

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The Oregon Lung Association's breathmobile will travel to the MHCC campus next Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 17 and 18. Sponsored by MHCC's respiratory therapy department, the breathmobile will be located in the turnaround by the fountain in the center of the campus. The purpose of its visit is to provide free lung abilities tests and educational material to area residents and MHCC students.

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Klapstein accepts post

part in the selection of his successor.

He did say he will advise the board during its next two meetings on different procedures they might use in selecting the college's new president.

Dr. Malcom MacGregor, chairman of the board, said Wednesday morning several options are available to the college to select a new president, including hiring a consultant or appointing a committee.

As yet, he said, the board has no one in mind for the job. MacGregor anticipated the selection process would take from several months to a year. In the meantime, following the selection of an interim president, the board will retain direct control.

"Earl Klapstein will be next to impossible to replace," MacGregor predicted. "He's been very active, contributing 24 hours a day of his time. Someone like that is hard to find."

"But let's face it, no one is indispensable," he said.

The Los Rios District has 36,000 students, three major campuses and stretches from Sacramento to the south shore of Lake Tahoe.

The district has an excellent reputation in terms of its educational program, but Klapstein will face a board of directors that is plagued with internal strife.

In an article headlined "Los Rios board dispute hinders hiring of chief," Sacramento Bee reporter James Bow said the district has suffered "from continuing confrontations between board members and top administrators and among board members themselves."

Los Rios has been without a permanent superintendent since last August, when George Rice retired. Elwood J. Keema was appointed temporary superintendent until Klapstein takes over.

LCDC seeks citizens for advisory group

L.B. Day, chairman of the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC), has announced that the commission is seeking volunteers and/or nominations of persons to serve on the State Citizen Involvement Advisory Committee (CIAC).

The CIAC is the statutory committee that assisted LCDC in developing a Citizen Involvement Goal prescribing citizen participation in comprehensive land use planning processes.

"The CIAC is a hard working committee with the task of reviewing all of the citizen involvement programs of the

State's 277 political jurisdictions," Day indicated.

"After the bulk of the initial reviews, the committee will concentrate on sharing information and educational programs concerning citizen involvement with the jurisdictions throughout the state."

Persons interested in serving on CIAC, or who wish to nominate persons to serve, should submit their names, accompanied by a brief biographical statement to Harold F. Brauner, director, Department of Land Conservation and Development, 1175 Court NE, Salem, 97310.

Names should be submitted not later than March 1.

LCDC will select from the names it receives to fill the vacancies created by several resignations.

Childbirth class planned

Midwives are planning an adult education class on childbirth in the home at Redlands School tonight. For information phone 631-3247.



George Morgan
Local Representative

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