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Support Needed for Two Events

We see two events that could offer the people of the Sandy-Mountain area a chance for some acclaim and recognition. One is the third annual Mountain Festival which will be held in July. The organizers of the Mountain Festival are currently looking for community support and we can't think of a better way to provide an event which will provide artists and visitors a chance to share art work and congregate for a weekend of festivities.

The second event would be a Christmas music festival next

December. It may be a little early to start thinking about Christmas decorations, but we don't think it's too early to respond to Sandy City Manager Paul Helton's plea for local churches and school music directors to support a music festival next year. We hope that those in our area who share Helton's love for music will take to heart his request and offer their talents. Helton says that the most logical place for an event of this nature to take place would be in the facilities of a local school. Hopefully there is a school in the area that will rise to the possible occasion. (SAL)

Skateboarding Needs Regulating

Skateboarding has recycled and brought back with it the problems the activity created when it first came into vogue a few years back.

The various skills developed by youngsters (and some not so young) is viewed as just clean fun for the most part.

That's fine. But what happens when a board slips out from under and the rider falls into the path of a car? Or goes too fast down a hill, hits a rock and ends up with a concussion?

Overly dramatic? We don't think so. Other cities have felt skateboarding should be kept in the

realm of fun and not tragedy for a family. Before a serious accident occurs or even death, city council action should be taken to regulate where and how skateboards should be used in the city. Such action includes clinics on proper use of boards.

We hope officials hereabouts take heed of what can become a very dangerous situation with summer months ahead for school-age young people.

Thinking ahead on this can keep it a small matter — prevention instead of cure is the best solution. (DM)

Voters accept half of state measures

Oregon voters Tuesday said yes to veterans' loans and more expansive discipline for judges and no to housing bonds to finance housing for the elderly and to a mass transit tax applying vehicle tax funds for mass transit purposes.

Ballot measure 1, which proposed to extend eligibility of the veterans home and farm loans, received voter approval by 525,046 to 151,895.

Ballot measure 2, which would allow the Supreme Court to censure and suspend

judges in addition to dismissing them from the bench, was overwhelmingly passed, 609,575 to 58,111.

Ballot measure 3, allowing general obligation bonds for finance of housing for the elderly, was defeated by a 347,909 to 301,511 vote.

Ballot measure 4, which would allow transit districts to use motor vehicle taxes for the transportation of passengers, was decisively defeated, 508,392 to 162,762.

Gresham Community cuts down on smoking

Gresham Community Hospital has joined hospitals throughout the state in creating death-defying rules: restrictions on smoking by staff, visitors and patients.

A survey of 40 per cent of Oregon hospitals showed 39 per cent of those polled have a written policy on smoking. Gresham Community, which was not included in the survey, also has a written no-smoking policy.

Members of the Association for Non-Smokers' Rights (ANSR), a group sponsored by the Oregon Lung Association, took the poll for Clean Air Week, May 2-8.

The ANSR found patients in 67 per cent of polled hospitals, plus Gresham, were given an option on whether or not they wanted to share a room with a smoker.

According to Administrative Secretary Audrey Booth, Gresham Community visitors are not permitted to smoke in

patients' rooms and staff members are prohibited from smoking anywhere in the presence of patients.

The rules say patients "should have the attending physician's permission before smoking in the hospital" and "unsupervised smoking is prohibited by a patient who is not responsible or is sedated."

Patients, Booth said, are discouraged from smoking in bed under any circumstances and encouraged to use a solarium for that purpose.

Gresham departed from the majority of polled hospitals by dispensing cigarettes on the premises and by allowing smoking in lobbies and waiting rooms.

Unlike Gresham Community, however, most hospitals (56 per cent) experience problems with enforcement of the non-smoking rules.



Chirp: "Well, what do YOU care?"

TWERP: "He was the only real Bird Watcher on either side."

Letters to the editor

Open primary

To the Editor: You, as a registered voter, are paying the full cost of Oregon's primary election, but you are not getting full value.

If you are registered in one of the two major parties, your vote is restricted. That is, you will be forced to vote a straight party ticket come May 25 whether you want to or not.

A typical result of this restriction appears in a current race where a Democratic candidate is running for a legislative office, and his wife, a Republican, cannot vote for him in the primary — unless she deserts her party. It's not a fair choice.

Still, it's a better choice than registered Independents have. They have no choice at all. Registered Independents (more than 85,000 of them here in Oregon) are denied the right to participate in the nomination process — unless they forfeit their independence and the privacy it affords them. That's not a fair choice either. Public officials belong to all members of the public, so it seems only fair that all voters should have a say in nominating them.

An open primary eliminates all those discriminatory and restrictive aspects of primary voting. An open primary allows all voters a full choice among all candidates of both parties for all offices.

Other states have used open primaries of one sort or another for a combined total of some 500 years. Political scientists tell

us that open primaries work to the advantage of the voters. Apparently they make political parties more responsive also.

We of the BiPartisan Committee for an Open Primary are working to put on next November's ballot a measure that will allow Oregon voters to choose an open primary. If enough voters come forth, may the effort to find a petition and sign it, the measure will be there for Oregonians to make a choice.

Charles Hanlon
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Thank you

To the Editor: Explorer Post 176 would like to thank Sandy Arco and Sandy Shell for the use of their facilities for our car wash. Also, we would like to thank the people who came to the car wash.

Barbara Boothby
Secretary, Law Enforcement
Post 176

Beautiful coverage

To the Editor: "Fiddler on the Roof" the spring musical presented by Sandy Union High School turned out to be a success thanks to the help of many people.

We would like to thank the Sandy Post for their beautiful coverage of the play. This really made the public aware of what was going on. Response to pre-sale tickets was great and

the turnout for the first two nights was even more than expected!

Thanks again for your continued cooperation.

Mindi Ferguson
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Scouts to hold lasagna dinner

Boy Scout Troop 173 will hold a second annual lasagna dinner on Saturday, May 29 at 8 p.m. at the Hoodland Lion's Club.

Proceeds from the dinner will be used toward a wilderness camping trek this summer.

The menu will include lasagna, green salad, french bread, ice cream and a beverage. The price will be \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 14.

Commissioners set meeting

The Clackamas County Board of Commissioners will discuss an amendment to the Clackamas County Comprehensive plan involving the Firwood Area at their June 2 meeting.

The proposed amendment involves a rural designation for lands currently designated agricultural and/or forestry on the general land use map.

Tax base defeated

Clackamas County parks and libraries will likely close after September following voter defeat of a proposed new county tax base.

The measure, which would have added \$1.75 million to the current tax base, was trounced by voters 42,229 to 21,567.

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"We plan to cut the bank in order that motorists have a line of sight through the area where a rather dangerous curve now exists," he says.

High school student groups are presently submitting contest entries for the land-

scaping of the Bluff Road frontage.

DeMarsh says he believes student and community input will help develop a sense of pride in the school.

Keeping Posted

FRIDAY, MAY 28
There will be a round-up for next year's first graders at Eagle Creek School.

MONDAY, MAY 31
Memorial Day — schools will be closed.

TUESDAY, JUNE 4
The Sandy Union High School Budget Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the reference library in the new addition of the high school.

TUESDAY, JUNE 1
Sandy City Manager Paul Helton will speak at the Sandy Chamber of Commerce Meeting at Foothills Inn at noon.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2
The Cottrell School Board will hold a budget workshop at 8 p.m. in the West School gym.

The Sandy Planning Commission will meet at 8 p.m. June 2 to consider a zone change requested by Hubert H. and Barbara Hazelett for property located at 39601 Pleasant Avenue.

The property is zoned R-1 and the request is to change it to C-2 for use as a chiropractic office.

Post be be closed Memorial Day

The Sandy Post will be closed Monday, May 31 for Memorial Day. Business will resume as usual on Tuesday morning. The deadline for submitting news will be noon Tuesday. The deadline for display advertising will remain normal which is noon Tuesday. The classified deadline will also remain at the normal time of 1 p.m. on Tuesday.



PHASE III of the building program at Sandy Union High School recently began and construction worker did some black topping at the entrance to Stadium last week. Construction work will continue throughout the summer on the high school physical plant.

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