



Program explained in window

BRENDA ROBERTS sets up a display for the Sandy Community Summer School in the Sandy Post window. She and helper Terri Smith filled the showcase with pictures and handicrafts. The school starts in July. Persons interested in enrolling can call 668-5744. The Post window case is free for the use of any civic group wishing to put up a display.

(Post photo)

Fair premium books mailed

Clackamas County Fair premium books are being mailed this week to over a thousand fair exhibitors and to others interested in participating in fair events.

This year's fair, taking as its theme "Bicentennial Salute", will run from Aug. 17-21.

The 1976 premium book is thinner than usual because it doesn't list detailed 4-H and FFA data. For the first time in the history of the fair separate 4-H and FFA premium books have been compiled.

The new system eliminates much of the clutter that characterized previous premium books and makes it easier for all participants to find the particular information they're interested in, fair manager Geraldine Mickelsen says.

Those interested in getting copies of the premium book may pick up copies at the fair office in Canby or at the Clackamas County Courthouse in Oregon City.

The NRA Rodeo will hold nightly performances as usual from 8 - 10 p.m. each night of the five-day fair. This year, however, something new has been added in that there will be a matinee rodeo performance at 2 p.m. on Saturday.

This is necessary, says rodeo superintendent Ken Marts, because of the huge crowds that come to the fairgrounds the last day of the fair to see the rodeo.

"In previous years we've had to turn people away", Marts says. "This year", he adds, "we hope to accommodate everyone."

A "first" for the 1976 rodeo will be the awarding of a sterling trophy buckle to the top "all around cowboy". To win the buckle a cowboy must complete at least one timed and one riding event.

Entertainment on the outdoor fairgrounds stage will be continuous daily from shortly after the noon hour till late evening.

A big event of the entertainment program will be the second annual amateur talent contest to be held Wednesday evening, Aug. 18. Amateur talent from throughout the region, picked in a series of pre-fair auditions, will participate.

This year, according to entertainment superintendent Audri Cotton, several quality professional acts have been obtained for the five-day program. The Ghost Riders, popular night club band that made appearances last year, will be back playing each day. The Boot Hill Bandits, presenting a well known wild-west show, are scheduled for

Kubitz hit

Sandy resident Harvey John Kubitz, 60, was injured in an auto-pedestrian accident last Sunday in the crosswalk near the Clackamas County Bank.

Kubitz was taken to Gresham Community Hospital with multiple fractures of the left leg and scalp lacerations. The Sandy Fire Department and Alpine Ambulance responded to the call.

The driver of the car which hit Kubitz was John R. Smith, 46, of Portland. He was cited by Sandy Police for failure to yield right-of-way. Gresham Community Hospital lists Kubitz in stable condition.

Pet rock race becomes talk of town

It's the talk of the town and the subject of city council sessions, beer hall discussions and Sandy Chamber of Commerce meeting. It is, of course, the upcoming "Pet Rock Race of the Century" July 9.

The Sandy Area Merchants (SAM) will host three days of activities in the core area of town starting July 8, including carnival rides, sidewalk sales and the rock race.

The Sandy Mountain Festival

will begin at 11 a.m. July 10 in Meinig Park. It will feature arts such as pottery, stained glass, food stands, live musicians and ceramics.

Over 110 artists are scheduled to appear at the festival. Musicians slated to appear include Cock and Bull, who played at the festival last year; The Reflections; Winning Hand, a bluegrass group, and the Rose City Banjoliers.

In the Bird Cage Theatre, the

Bird Cage Players will perform a production of "The Lay Lady Logger"—also known as "She May Be a Fallen Woman, But Don't Try to Put Her Down." This play was written by Claire Resseger, a former Sandy resident.

Vaudeville acts will also be performed at the festival. Local residents participating in the festival include Shirley Dyal, Hazel Murray, Beulah Gaulke and Mark Koepke.

The pet rock race will be held in a grassy area across from the Sandy U.S. Post Office starting at 7 p.m.

A trophy and \$25 savings bond will be given to the sweepstakes winner. The three runners-up will receive a rosette and wooden nickels.

Racing selections will include the following:

Section one, keepers under the age of 10; section two, keepers ages 11-15; section three, keepers 16-25; and section four, keepers over the age of 25.

There will be five special races in addition to the section sprints and trophy sweepstakes. An invitational city manager race is scheduled as well as races for members of rockhound organizations, and the firefighter's Matchstick Derby. The chamber pot sweepstakes will be open to any elected official or employee of a municipal, county or state government or any office or board member of any civic

organization.

The Merchants Cup will be open to retail merchants.

Steve Schweitzer, one of the organizers of the pet rock race, says rocks will race on a sloping board track. Last Monday evening, the Sandy City Council designated July 9 as a day honoring Judge George Howeler and part of his duties that day will be judging the race.

Schweitzer says he is offering tips to pet rock racers and

suggests that rocks be given plenty of rest before the race.

"They shouldn't participate in any strenuous activity," he adds.

Schweitzer also suggests that the rocks should eat a well balanced diet before the race.

The contest rules state that rocks must be in good health and not weigh over five ounces. The rocks also must be free from grease, wax, oil, etc. and must be hand held or on a leash unless racing.

New route opened to Ramona Falls

The ZigZag Ranger District reports that an alternative road to the last mile and a half of bumpy road to Ramona Falls has been completed. The new trail, one and one half miles along the Sandy River, has been constructed for those who do not like taking the family car over what for Forest Service personnel call a "pioneer" route.

The hike to Ramona Falls is four miles, one way, from the new trailhead. The trail was constructed by the Oregon Equestrian Trails and Comprehensive Education and Training Act Manpower of Multnomah County.

Along with construction, new signs have been put upon the Ramona Loop.

The district staff also reports that approximately a million board feet of timber blew down along Burnt Lake trail (North ZigZag Mountain approach) during the winter. Thirty-five trees lay across the trail itself. In many portions, trail tread is non-existent because of uprooted trees.

"Because of the amount of work involved, it will probably be August before trail reconstruction can take place," says the district report.

Forest service staff also say the route is dangerous and extreme fire danger will exist in this area through summer. For this reason, no camping or smoking will be allowed.

"We suggest you access Burnt Lake from Road 27 (South ZigZag Mountain approach) this summer," say reports.

Campgrounds now open include Camp Creek, Green Canyon, McNeil, Riley, Tollgate and Trillium Lake.

Trails maintained include Bonanza - to Plaza, Castle Canyon, Douglas to Wildcat Junction, Eagle Creek South, Flag Mountain, Lost Creek Nature, Ramona Loop, Salmon River, Still Creek, Old Salmon River, West ZigZag Mountain, Wilcat and ZigZag Mountain—to Horseshoe.

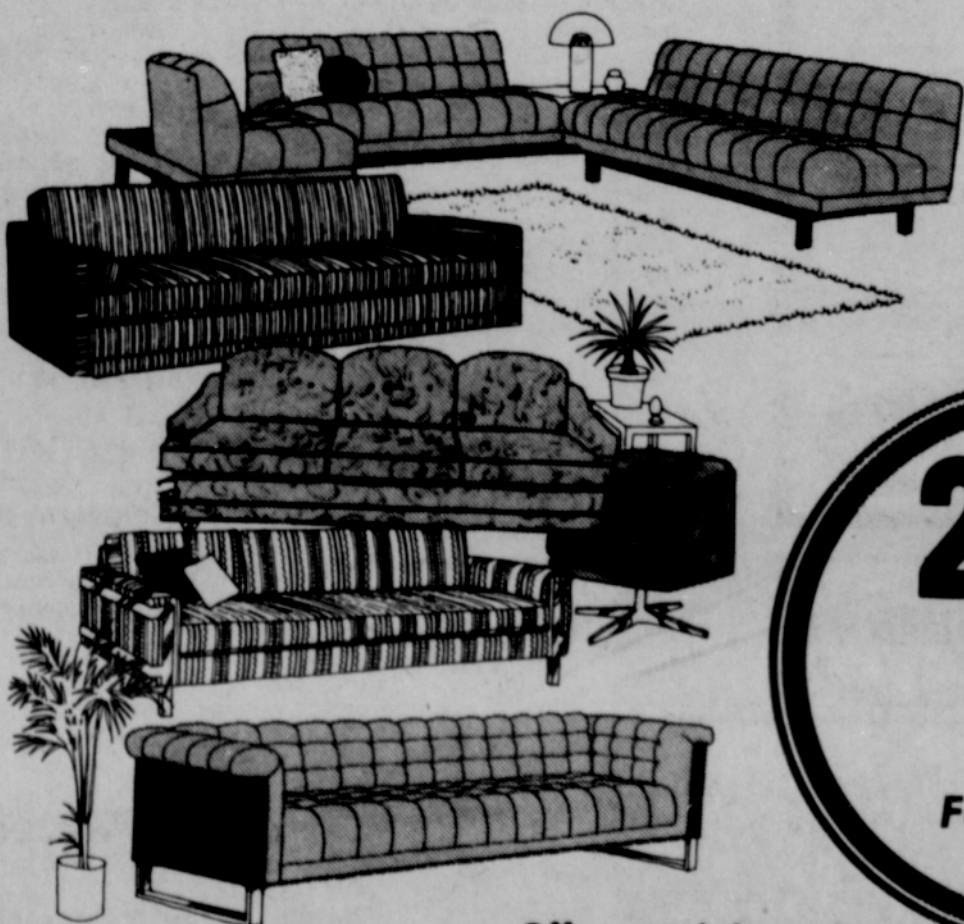
Bike tour

Information concerning a July 28-31 bicycle tour of the San Juan Islands may be obtained from the Western Forestry Center, 4033 SW Canyon Rd., Portland.

The trip includes two nights of camping in the San Juans and one night's lodging in Victoria.

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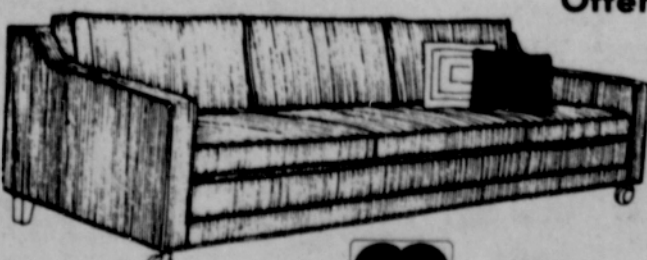
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