

School menus

Cottrell

Monday, Oct. 23
Macaroni and cheese
Hot biscuits w-jelly
Cole slaw
Buttered spinach
Apple crisp
Milk

Tuesday, Oct. 24
Salisbury steak
Potatoes
Gravy
Hot rolls w-butter
Cookie
Buttered peas-carrots
Milk

Wednesday, Oct. 25
Meat loaf
Potato salad
Buttered corn
Carrot sticks
Dixie cups
Milk

Thursday, Oct. 26
Hot dogs
French fries
Cottage cheese w-pineapple
Doughnuts
Pears

Friday, Oct. 27
Burritos
Potato chips
Buttered green beans
Celery w-peanut butter

Grapes Choice of milk

Welches

Monday, Oct. 23
Burrito W-Sauce
Buttered Corn
Taco Chips
Peaches
Milk

Tuesday, Oct. 24
Navy Bean Soup
Calico Salad
Roll-Butter
Apple Crisp
Milk

Wednesday, Oct. 25
Sliced Turkey Roll
Mashed Potatoes-Gravy
Bread-Butter
Half Apple
Milk

Thursday, Oct. 26
Sloppy Joe
Tator Tots
Carrot Rings
Fruit Jello
Milk

Friday, Oct. 27
Pizza
Green Beans
Lettuce Wedge-Dressing
Pears
Choice of Milk

Sandy

Monday, Oct. 23
Wiener Wraps
Catsup
Fries
Buttered Corn
Sliced Peaches
Milk

Tuesday, Oct. 24
Spaghetti w-Meat sauce
Lettuce & Tomato salad
French Dressing
Garlic Bread
Oatmeal Raisin Bars
Milk

Wednesday, Oct. 25
Vegetable Beef Soup
Lunchmeat Sandwich
with lettuce
Fruit Cup
Chocolate Milk

Thursday, Oct. 26
Turkey Ala King
Whipped Potatoes
Mixed Vegetables
Cinnamon Bun
Milk

Friday, Oct. 27
Hamburger on a Bun
Lettuce & Pickle
Fries & Catsup
Fresh Apple
Milk



Goblins and ghouls

"MONSTERS" PRACTICING for their debut in the Sandy Jaycees' haunted house Oct. 27 at Oddfellows' Hall include (left to right) Ken Carlson, Cheryl

Carlson, Mike Hartman and Rick Nesbitt. The haunted house will be open Oct. 27 and 28 from 7 until 11 p.m. and open Oct. 30 and 31 from 6 until 10 p.m.

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Keeping Posted

Monday, Oct. 23
Sandy City Council will meet in the council chambers at City Hall, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 24
Sen. Mark Hatfield will speak at the Sandy Chamber of Commerce luncheon at noon in TJ's Restaurant.

The candidates' forum, sponsored by the Sandy Junior Chamber of Commerce, will be held at 7:30 in the community center. Candidates for mayor and city council will present their views.

Thursday, Oct. 26
A League of Women Voters Candidates Fair will be held at Clackamas High School, 7:30 p.m.

Ballot Measure 9, dealing with the controversial issue of energy costs, seeks to prohibit public utilities from charging customers for construction costs of unfinished power plants. The bill is supported widely by senior citizens groups, including the Oregon

State Council of Senior Advocates, the Gray Panthers and the Governor's Commission on Aging. Such groups argue it is unfair to charge ratepayers, particularly senior citizens, for facilities they may never use.

Opponents of the measure claim it is a smokescreen to stop the construction of nuclear power plants. They also say passage of the measure will cost the utility customer more in the long run, in spite of supporters' claims it will ensure fairer rates.

The measure is based on a Missouri law, passed in 1976, which allows public utility companies to charge ratepayers only for plants which are fully operating and producing power.

Although the measure is aimed primarily at power companies, all public utilities are affected, including telephone companies. A key phrase in the issue is "construction work in progress." Until 1975, public utility companies in Oregon charged customers only for fully operating plants.

Three years ago, Oregon Public Utility Commissioner Charles Davis allowed Portland General Electric Co. to charge its customers for construction work in progress at Trojan and Pebble Springs nuclear plants.

A bill similar to Measure 9, which was introduced to the state Legislature in 1976, died in committee. Rep. Bob Vian, D-Salem, working with Dave McTeague, one of two statewide coordinators for Measure 9, gathered 62,000 signatures in support of the measure and filed an initiative petition in 1977.

Public utility companies are concerned the measure will delay construction of needed generating plants, driving up long-range costs as construction charges rise. These increases would ultimately be passed on to the customer.

Bob Kallen, district manager for PGE's Sandy area office, said, "It's become a slogan, but the issue really is, 'Pay us now or pay us later.'" Kallen pointed out that under the

present system, PGE can charge ratepayers for approximately one third of the interest charges for construction work in progress.

If ratepayers do not share the costs during construction, the money will have to be obtained from private investors. "Measure 9 will simply make financing more difficult, which will make the construction of power plants less likely," Kallen pointed out.

Kallen said he believes that is the hidden intent of the measure: to hamstring construction of nuclear power plants. "I think the main supporters of Measure 9 are anti-nuclear groups," he said.

Vian countered by pointing out that senior citizens are among Measure 9's strongest supporters. "And I think most senior citizens favor nuclear power," he said. Vian acknowledged he is personally opposed to nuclear power but that Measure 9 was not designed to limit the construction of "nukes."

"It will apply to all power generating plants, including solar plants and wind plants," he said. "The issue is that the ratepayer should not have to pay in advance. The stockholders — private investors — should bear the costs of construction."

Vian argued that utility companies should have no difficulty financing nuclear plants if they are a sound investment. "So their claim that Measure 9 will stop the construction of nuclear plants seems to me to be an admission that they are not economically viable."

PGE's Kallen said the average customer use 1,000 kilowatt hours of electricity per month, has a \$27 electric bill, and pays 81 cents of that amount for construction work in progress.

Vian counters it is not the individual amount but the collective figure which is significant.

He cites the example, of the Colestrip mine in Montana, for which Oregon's two largest power companies, PGE and Pacific Power and Light, charged their customers a total of \$24 million. Construction of the plant has been blocked by the Environmental Protection Agency, and Vian says Oregon ratepayers will probably never reap the benefit of their involuntary investment.

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