

## County cracking down on drunken drivers

Twenty years in prison is a high price to pay for taking one too many drinks before getting behind the wheel.

But it's a sentence that can be imposed in Clackamas County on a driver who kills or seriously injures another person because of drunken or grossly negligent driving.

The county is cracking down on dangerous drivers through a grant which was recently renewed by the Oregon Traffic Safety Commission. In its second year of the grant, the county will concentrate on coordinating prosecution efforts with city police agencies and the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office, Deputy District Attorney Steve Maurer said.

The district attorney's office has assigned Maurer full-time to prosecution of drunk and otherwise dangerous drivers.

"It's time to deal with this as we would any other crime," Maurer said. Traditionally, this kind of case never received much attention at the district attorney's office. Even if people were killed, it was considered a traffic accident that should be left up to civil courts to award money damages."

But the DA's office is now assisting police at the scene of a crime and pushing for

jail sentences in some cases. "We've prosecuted various degrees of homicides and felony assaults," Maurer said.

Just last week, a 20-year-old woman pleaded no contest to a charge of second degree assault. She was reportedly driving 80 miles an hour when she missed a turn and hit an oncoming car, permanently injuring its occupants.

Her blood alcohol level was measured at .32 percent, well

over the .10 percent allowed under Oregon law.

She faces a possible sentence of 10 years in prison and a \$2,500 fine.

"It's highly unlikely she'll get that," Maurer admitted.

But the consequences were undoubtedly more severe than the young woman expected, he said. "Most drunk drivers don't anticipate getting in a wreck, and they don't anticipate criminal prosecution if they do."

"We want people to think

more about their driving and other people's driving," Maurer said. "We'd like to see them think twice about driving."

That information effort will be aided by an addition to the traffic safety grant which allows hiring an assistant to Maurer. That person will coordinate a public education effort, especially in high schools, and will develop a manual of accident procedures for police agencies.

Maurer and his assistant will be on call 24 hours a day to assist officers at the scene and to insure proper blood alcohol tests are administered.

The idea for the grant was developed for Multnomah County by Kimberly Frankel, now a Multnomah County District judge. The city police agencies and the sheriff's office in Clackamas County also have a share in the grant.

## Library Notes

Sue Newland, librarian at Sandy Public Library, reports that children's books purchased with the state grant money have started to arrive. The library staff is at work cataloging them. The Post will publish a weekly list of the titles as they are added to the circulation list.

### NEW BOOKS AT SANDY PUBLIC LIBRARY

**Adult Books:**  
"The Two" by Irving Wallace: A Biography of the famous Siamese twins;  
"Wife" by Judy Blume: Author of eleven bestsellers for young people now writes a novel strictly for adults; and "Prophet of Fire" by

John Creasey: The most recent mystery novel by Creasey.

"Weasel Words: the Art of Saying What You Don't Mean" by Mario Pei: Surveys equivocal or evasive words used to retreat from making a direct statement; "Requiem for a People" by Stephen Beckham: A history of the Indians of the Rogue country in southwestern Oregon, from their first contacts with white men to the removal of their survivors in 1865 to the Siletz Reservation; and "In Search of..." by Alan Landsburg: Television's most popular Investigator of the Unknown now explores Unsolved Phenomena, Baffling

mysteries, UFO's, Myths and Monsters.

**Juvenile:**  
"The Mouses' Terrible Christmas" by True Kelly; "The Little Boy Who Loved Dirt and Almost Became a Superslob" by Judith Vigna; "Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing" by Judy Blume; "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" by Roald Dahl; and "The Sesame Street

Bedtime Storybook" by Children's Television Workshop.

**Young Adult:**  
"The Green of Me" by Patricia Gauch; "Are You There God? It's Me Margaret" by Judy Blume; "A Tangled Web" by Hannelore Valencak; and "Monsters of North America;" by Elwood Baumann.

## Hoodland Happenings

by RENEE JENKINS

**Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 2, 3** — Women's Club Bazaar, Women's Club, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Monday, Dec. 4** — Women's Club Christmas Party, 6:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Dec. 5** — Senior Steering Committee, Senior Center, 10 a.m.; Lion's Club Board Meeting, 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, Dec. 6** — Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting, Alpine Hut, 12 noon; Mt. Hood Players, Lion's Club, 8 p.m.

**Thursday, Dec. 7** — Community School Advisory Council, Nan Armintrout home, 10 a.m.

An unbelievable variety of handcrafted items will be offered at the Women's Club Annual Snowman's Bazaar this weekend. Also available will be homemade goodies to eat there or take home. Santa Claus will visit each day between noon and 3 p.m., so bring your children and

camera. A great way to do your Christmas shopping!

All members and their guests are invited to the Women's Club Christmas party Monday night. Bring a dish for the potluck dinner and a gift to exchange. There will be surprise entertainment.

The Chamber Board begins its monthly luncheon meetings this week at the Alpine Hut. Future meetings will be held at other restaurants.

**Final plans for Community School winter term** will be set at the Advisory Council meeting next Thursday. The Council is open to all interested persons; call Reva Cox at 622-3397 if you wish to participate. The meeting will be followed by a salad potluck.

The Fire Department responded to six first aid calls, two fire fires, a house fire in cooperation with Sandy Fire Department, two

auto accidents and a rescue of a man trapped under a tree stump in a very busy week.

**Monday night**, the Fire Department Board of Directors hosted a banquet at Bowman's for the entire department. Matt Ligatich was named "Fireman of the Year," with plaques also presented to Larry Elliott, Richard Curtis and Terry Moore for "Outstanding Dedication to the Department." Congratulations, all of you, and thank you for an outstanding job!

Be sure to set aside Dec. 8 for an unusual opportunity — a presentation by two actors from the Oregon Shakespearean Festival Association hosted by Welches P.T.A. Also, all Chamber of Commerce members mark Dec. 21 on your calendar, the date of the Christmas dinner. More details later.

See you at the Bazaar, and have a good week!

## Shakespearean actors hosted by Welches

Gary Sloan and Thomas S. Oleniack, actors from the Oregon Shakespearean Festival Association, will be hosted by the Welches School student body in an assembly Dec. 8 at 10:15 a.m.

The actors will also participate in three afternoon workshops with the seventh and eighth grade students who have viewed several films on Shakespeare's works and have studied "Hamlet" in preparation.

The Welches eighth grade students will present "Hamlet" for the public in

January on a date to be announced.

The Welches P.T.A. will present an evening program Dec. 8 at 8:00 p.m. in the school gymnasium featuring the guest actors in a wide variety of works from the classics and contemporary drama.

Tickets will be sold in advance and at the door for \$1.00 each or \$3.50 per family, through the P.T.A. or Jeanine Boldt, 622-3166.

The public is invited to enjoy the art of these two actors.

— Renee Jenkins

## Boring thefts listed

**BORING** — Several thefts were reported in Boring over the holiday weekend.

The Alpenhaus Steak House at Heidi's Swiss Village, 31265 Highway 26, Boring, was broken into Sunday and \$150 was taken from the cash register, deputies said.

Owner Donald Barrett, 1010 SW Ringby Way, Troutdale, reported his trailer pick-up bed stolen on Monday. Barrett left the trailer on the shoulder of Compton Road after it broke away from his vehicle. He returned from cutting wood on Mt. Hood to find the

trailer missing. The trailer was valued at over \$345.

Household appliances worth over \$700 were stolen from a new house still under construction on Tillstrom Road in Boring, sheriff's deputies said. The theft was reported last Thursday but occurred in the first week of November.

Deputies noted the new home area in Boring has been suffering from a rash of thefts involving tools, equipment and building materials. They recommended heavy patrolling of the area.

## Be safe--mail early

Sandy Postmaster John Metsger has the usual seasonal advice to Christmas shoppers with gifts sent by the post office: mail early.

The post office has made one significant change in handling packages this year, he said. Postal workers will not accept packages to be mailed that are loosely wrapped with an insufficient amount of tape. String is also recommended.

"The string should be tied tightly with no loose ends," Metsger said. "If it's loose, the strings get caught up in the machinery used to sort the packages."

My main advice is to mail early," he said. "It's much

better to get a package there ahead of time than have it arrive late."

## BPW to meet

Christmas music and a silent talent auction will be features of the Dec. 6 dinner meeting of the Sandy Business and Professional Women's Club in the banquet room of the Matterhorn Restaurant, 3 NE 82nd Street in Portland.

Reservations should be telephoned to 668-4985 by Monday, Dec. 4.

The club has been invited to the home of Esther Hoffman, 38450 Park St., for a Christmas party Wednesday, Dec. 20, at 8 p.m.

## School menus

### WELCHES

**Monday, Dec. 4**  
Hot dogs —  
Mustard, catsup  
Potato rounds  
Crisp carrots-celery  
G.O.R.P.  
Milk

**Tuesday, Dec. 5**  
Chuckwagon stew  
Cheese sticks  
Roll-butter  
Peach cobbler  
Milk

**Wednesday, Dec. 6**  
Burrito w-sauce  
Green beans  
Bread-butter  
Half apple  
Milk

**Thursday, Dec. 7**  
Macaroni and cheese

Stewed tomatoes  
Deviled egg sandwich  
Pears  
Milk  
**Friday, Dec. 8**  
Baked beans w-franks  
Cole slaw  
Buttered cornbread  
Fruit Jell-O  
Choice of milk

### SANDY

**Monday, Dec. 4**  
Macaroni and cheese  
Seasoned peas  
Hot roll  
Banana  
Chocolate milk  
**Tuesday, Dec. 5**  
Beef taco  
Lettuce and cheese  
Sliced peaches  
Bar cookie  
Bread and butter

Milk  
**Wednesday, Dec. 6**  
Wiener wrap  
Fries and catsup  
Seasoned green beans  
Fruit cup  
Milk  
**Thursday, Dec. 7**  
Turkey ala King  
Whipped potatoes  
Mixed vegetables  
Cinnamon bun  
Milk  
**Friday, Dec. 8**  
Spaghetti  
w-meat sauce  
Tossed green salad  
French dressing  
Pear halves  
Bread and butter  
Milk

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Menus for Cottrell School were not received in time for publication.

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## Miles cited

Edison D. Miles, veterans service officer for Clackamas County since August, 1960, was cited recently by the Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs for service faithfully rendered on behalf of the veterans of the state of Oregon and their dependents and survivors.

The award of appreciation was signed by state director H.C. "Hub" Saalfeld.

The citation commends Miles for his "continued devotion to the just cause of the defenders of our country."

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