

Kindergarten survey due

The Sandy Elementary School District's survey of parent attitudes about a possible kindergarten are beginning to come in and, so far, the response has been enthusiastic.

Through a series of take-home notes by district students, informational meetings at neighborhood schools and a parent canvass, the committee studying the proposal has received 488 affirmative responses and only 30 negative, according to Firwood School teacher Pat Baker who serves on the committee.

At the direction of the school board, she will prepare a summary of the committee's findings for the board's December meeting. According to the proposal, the kindergarten would cost district patrons an additional 49 cents per \$1,000 assessed value if it were implemented. Approximately \$60,000 additional cost would be tacked onto the district's transportation costs.

Under the plan, some kindergarten students would ride the morning bus to their respective schools with the other elementary students. At noon, they would be bused home and the afternoon session's students would be picked up. Those students would then be taken home with the elementary students at their dismissal.

Under state statutes, kindergarten can last only two and a half hours per day. Baker, who helped organize a kindergarten in the Centennial School District, told the board last Thursday evening that the curriculum would include basic hand-to-eye coordination, readiness skills and social skills.

"I don't see kindergarten as being a babysitting service," she said.

She further stated that district officials have indicated they will seek experienced kindergarten teachers to handle the new program and not place it in the hands of new teachers.



Doug Edgren plays Captain Von Trapp and Pam Cansler is Maria in Sandy High School's production of "The Sound of Music" which opens next Thursday.

'Sound of Music' set to open

The stage at Sandy Union High School is alive with preparation for next Thursday's opening performance of "The Sound of Music."

The classic musical, set in Austria in the late 1930s, deals with the young postulant, Maria, of Nonneberg Abbey, who is sent to care for the seven mischievous and talented children of Captain Von Trapp.

This promises to be the most elaborate production since Director Mark Kuntz has been at the high school. The set is also one of the largest and most complicated ever used in a SUHS

musical.

Maria will be played by junior Pam Cansler. She appeared in last year's production of "Godspell." Captain Von Trapp will be played by senior Doug Edgren. Grade school students from the Sandy area will play six of the Von Trapp children. The exception will be Kimberly Miller, a freshman, who will portray Liesl.

Approximately 150 students are involved in the production, including the cast, technical crews, choruses and orchestra.

Bruce Scarth will handle both production and choir direction. Steve Christensen

will direct the orchestra. Debbie Meis, sewing teacher at SUHS, helped with the costumes and George Szabo's marketing class is involved in the advertising and promotion of the musical.

There will be three evening performances at 8 p.m., running Nov. 20-22. There will also be a special matinee next Wednesday, Nov. 19, for students.

Tickets for "The Sound of Music" are available now at the SUHS main office. Tickets are \$3 for adults, \$2 for students and \$1 for senior citizens and children under 12.

Keeping posted

Community medical group to meet

Thursday, Nov. 13
Welches School Board meets at 7:30 p.m. in the office of Welches School.
The Rebekah Lodge meets at 8 p.m. at the I.O.O.F. Hall.

Friday, Nov. 14
Learn the art of spinning wool and dying yarn. View a demonstration of spinning using both the spinning wheel and drop spindle at the Sandy Community School trailer at 9 a.m. JoAnn Duncan is the instructor.

Saturday, Nov. 15
The Clackamas County Chapter of the Oregon Council of the Blind meets at the Rainbow Lodge at Oral Hull Park at 7:30 p.m.

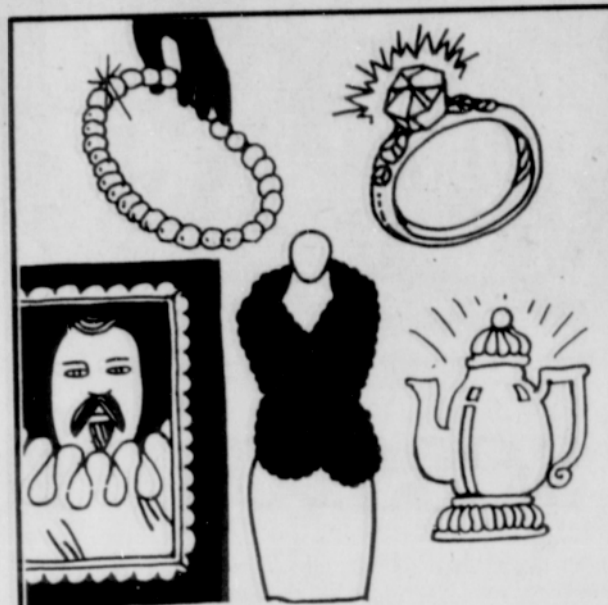
Monday, Nov. 17
Rainbow Girls meet at the Masonic Hall at 7:30 p.m.
Cottrell School Board meets at 8 p.m. in Room 3 of the East Building.

A demonstration and discussion of how to build your own terrarium is scheduled at 1 p.m. at the Sandy Community School trailer. Suitable plants, potting mixtures, containers and care of your terrarium

will be covered. Eileen Lear is the instructor.
Dorothy Shrum will discuss early Northwest Indian cultures, including the Clackamas and Multnomah tribes at 7 p.m. in the Community School trailer.

Tuesday, Nov. 18
Mount Hood Hospice — a community-based, medically-directed program dedicated to promoting the physical, emotional and spiritual well-being of the dying and their families — meets at Sandy Assembly of God Church. For the time and more information, call Patricia Spradling, 668-7698 or Macy Brader, 668-4529.
Tom Iraci and Terry Pearson of the Zig Zag Ranger Station will discuss native plants and some mushroom identification at the Community School trailer at 7 p.m. Pressed plant samples and a slide show will be shown.

Wednesday, Nov. 19
A Cub Scout cake auction will be held at Firwood School at 7 p.m. Paul Spence is the auctioneer.



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Part of being a Big Brother means being flexible and creative. There are a variety of things that you can do almost anything is better when done together.

The volunteer will be supervised by the Children Services Division service worker for any client-related matters.

For more information on the program or to volunteer, call Daelene Shen, Children's Services Division, 653-3140.

SUHS adds activity bus

Sandy Union High School this week added an activity bus run at 7 p.m.

The special run will occur after late practices during the winter sports season and will periodically be reviewed to determine if student demand warrants its continuance. Initially, plans call for the bus to travel to Rhododendron, but the route may change later depending on the needs of passengers.

The district currently furnishes three activity

buses which leave the campus at 5:30 p.m. They include bus 3 to Rhododendron, bus 16 to Cottrell and Aims or the area north of Highway 26, and bus 10 or the area south of Highway 26. Buses 10 and 16 vary itineraries occasionally when students require it.

Information on district transportation schedules may be obtained by calling Donna Stahnecker at 668-5206.

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