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Trend toward suburban crime includes Sandy

by DAN DILLON

Following a nationwide trend, the crime rate in Sandy rose 24 percent during 1980. At the same time, however, the Sandy Police Department's arrest rate jumped 48 percent.

All of which means, according to Sandy Police Chief Fred Punzel, "We caught more of the bad guys."

Since the late 1970s the trend has been that while urban crime has followed a steadier path, crime in suburban areas has shot up and areas like Sandy are especially vulnerable.

"Transportation is our number one problem," Punzel said. Would-be burglars come out from the Portland area to less-populated areas like Clackamas County to hit smaller towns because they know there isn't the manpower for the police to be everywhere they'd like to be.

That is coupled with the difficulty of

tracing unmarked stolen goods, which are easily fenced or sold through garage sales, according to Punzel.

In Sandy, the number of burglaries jumped from 49 in 1979 to 92 in 1980. The police were able to clear only six the first year, and 39 of those committed during 1980.

During December 1979 the Sandy area was extremely hard hit by thefts and burglaries. A number of those crimes weren't cleared until the spring of 1980 and are reflected in that year's statistics provided by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"Our residential burglaries are greater in number than our business burglaries," the police chief said. The reason is that businesses, after being hit a couple times or seeing their fellow merchants hit, are installing alarm systems. "You and I can't afford to put those systems in our homes," Punzel said.

"Identifying our residential burglary problem is why we're starting our program next week," he added. That program will help area residents make their homes safer and establish neighborhood watch programs to help the police combat the rising number of residential burglaries and thefts. (See story on page 3.)

Part of the program to help police recover stolen property would be engraving driver's license numbers on

property like appliances and other easily salable merchandise. That would increase the police's recovery rate and help residents get their stolen property back.

In 1979, burglaries and larcenies robbed Sandy homes and businesses of \$79,627. Only \$11,368 was recovered. In 1980 the numbers rose to \$153,280 lost and \$63,648 recovered.

By contrast to the small items generally taken in burglaries and

larcenies, the Sandy police had a remarkable recovery rate for motor vehicle thefts.

Last year the department recovered all 28 vehicles that were stolen. The difference — the vehicles are easily traceable through their serial numbers.

Their ability to recover the stolen vehicles help improve the department's overall recovery statistics for lost property — 56 percent in 1979 and 61 percent in 1980.

Here is a breakdown of Class I crimes in Sandy during 1980:

Homicide	0
Rape	0
Robbery	5
Assault	92
Burglary	30
Larceny	261
Motor Vehicle Theft	28
Arson	4

The total cash value lost for these crimes was \$280,476.

15-year old charged in thefts

Sandy police this week arrested a 15-year-old and charged him with theft and burglary following incidents in the past two weeks.

The youth was charged Sunday with taking skis and other merchandise from a vehicle parked near the University Square Apartments. They were valued at \$510. He was also charged with an earlier burglary at the apartments during which various merchandise was taken.

Earlier in the week, personnel at Sandy Office Supply reported a burglary. Someone gained access by kicking in the door. An undisclosed amount of cash was taken.

Early Saturday, Sandy police arrested Todd Alan Branthover, 18 of Gresham on charges of attempting to

elude a police officer, criminal mischief and driving under the influence of intoxicants following an incident near 362nd Avenue. He was lodged in the Clackamas County jail.

Charles George Cunningham, 42 of Sandy was arrested Saturday morning and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants and resisting arrest following an incident near Tupper Road and Highway 211. He was lodged in the county jail.

Three juvenile boys were cited by Sandy police Feb. 20 on charges of criminal mischief after they scrawled their names and telephone numbers in some fresh concrete. The case was turned over to juvenile authorities and the boys will make restitution.



Senior Mike Russell of Sandy High wrestled his way to fifth place in the state in the 141-pound class as the Pioneers finished fourth in the tournament. For a complete wrapup, see page 1, section III.

Sandy High musicians feted

Five Sandy High music students have qualified for the state contest as soloists.

Senior Dale Goracke and junior Dean Barker placed first in the Timber Valley district competition last week. Both also received superior ratings.

Goracke plays the tuba and Barker the alto saxophone.

The two will participate in the state competition scheduled for April 25 in Bend. The contest will be at Central Oregon Community College.

Also qualifying for state are three vocalists. Paige Daugherty, a sophomore alto, placed second at district and Mat Madison, a junior tenor, also placed second. Junior Katrina Howell placed third in soprano.

Another music student, senior Kelly Muck, will participate in a three day "Music in May" festival. The SUHS soprano was chosen to join students all over the state for the group event scheduled for Pacific University in Forest Grove this May.

City considers senior complex question

by DAN DILLON

Before it establishes a new ordinance revising standards for parking requirements at senior citizen housing complexes, the Sandy City Council decided Monday night that it should determine what constitutes a senior.

The council was ready to act on a proposed ordinance which would have established a senior housing complex as a development "consisting solely of persons over the age of 60 years," when Ginny Brewster, who sought the new parking requirements, objected.

She said that because she is financing her proposed 20-unit senior housing complex through the Farmers Home Administration (FHA), she would have to rent according to its standards.

Those standards define seniors as about 55 years and older, she said adding, "I'm not absolutely clear on it."

As a result, the council tabled the motion until its March 16 meeting for consideration. In the meantime, city staff will check with state standards regarding a definition of senior citizen.

Along with establishing new parking standards for a senior housing complex, the delayed ordinance would allow multi-family housing as a conditional use in a commercial zone and allow home occupations as a permitted use in a high density residential zone.

The first ordinance change is aimed at allowing the Brewsters to build their senior housing complex on a site behind Cedar Plaza which is currently zoned C-1, commercial.

They had asked the council in December for a variance on the number of parking spaces necessary at a multi-family complex, from two spaces to 1.7 per unit.

At the February Planning Commission meeting, Mrs. Brewster cited Canby Village, an FHA project, which has 52 units and only 38 parking places, Estacada Village which has one parking place per unit and a complex in Molalla with 32 units and parking places.

The delayed ordinance would suggest minimum standards for such a complex: 1.5 spaces for each one-bedroom unit; 1.75 spaces for each two-bedroom unit, and two spaces for each three-bedroom unit.

The Brewsters will bring their

schematic drawing to the March 26 meeting of the Design Review Board for approval and then face a public hearing on their conditional use at the April 6 council meeting.

The modification to the text of the high density residential districts would permit home occupations to be conducted within one and two-family dwellings.

In other action, the city council: — approved the annual Lions Beer Garden for July 9-12, in conjunction with the Mountain Festival. — appointed Deane Wesselink representative to the Tri-County Local Officials Advisory Committee. — appointed Vern Richards, Calvin Jones and Tim Ward to a council subcommittee on legislative issues.

March ballot crowded with candidates

by DAN DILLON

The ballot for the March 31 special election will be considerably fuller than the ballot that voters saw at the Feb. 17 election.

Area school districts and jurisdictions will be seeking approval of money measures and conducting board elections.

Sandy Union High School District will ask voter approval of its \$2.1 million 'A' ballot and \$96,500 'B' ballot. Along with operating funds, the 'A' ballot includes funds for improvements to Rannow Stadium and the track.

The SUHS 'B' ballot proposal would provide a counselor, an acoustic ceiling for the art classroom, an acoustical treatment for the library floor and development of new baseball diamonds on school property.

Sandy Elementary School District will seek an OK for its first 'B' ballot. The district's 'A' ballot will provide \$1.59 million.

The \$333,094 'B' ballot will include a proposed kindergarten program, two school buses and a maintenance tractor, the Talented and Gifted program,

co-curricular athletics and activities, a counseling program and outdoor school. The Sandy Community School's allotment and exterior painting for the Aquatic Center are also included.

Cottrell, Boring, Bull Run and Welches school districts will also have levy elections on the ballot.

The Clackamas County Education Service District will make its third attempt to gain approval of a \$3.4 million levy. That money is supplementary to the ESD's authorized levy.

The \$3.4 million would be part of a \$6.9 million general fund budget which includes \$2.6 million for a handicapped child fund which would be distributed to local school districts for assistance in their handicapped student programs.

Candidates for various district boards include:

Sandy Union High School Board — Position No. 1, Terry Lenchitsky and Paul Tucker.

Sandy Elementary School Board — Position No. 1, Harold H. Hayward Jr. and Dennis Traxler.

Cottrell School Board — Position No. 1, Michael Cholbi, unopposed; Position No. 2, Judy Lenchitsky, unopposed;

Position No. 3, Larry Werth, unopposed.

Boring School Board — Position No. 2, Michael Byrd and Shigenari Nagae; Position No. 4, Stuart McKenzie, unopposed; Position No. 5, Dixie Whitmore, unopposed.

Bull Run School Board — Position No. 2, Ron Jantz, unopposed; Position No. 3, Jim Bollerman, unopposed; Position No. 4, Charles Markwell, unopposed; Position No. 5, Gus DePaepe, unopposed.

Hoodland Fire District Board — Position No. 3, Maryanne Hill and L. Ray Miller; Position No. 4, Peggy Hergert and Michael Igo; Position No. 5, Richard McAbery and David Olson.

Boring Fire District Board — Position No. 4, Dee Wescott, unopposed; Position No. 5, Earl Meier, unopposed.

Boring Water District Board — Position No. 3, Donald Schroeder, unopposed; Position No. 5, John Liepold, unopposed.

Government Camp Sanitary District Board — Position No. 1, Maryanne Hill

and John Larson.

Clackamas Education Service District Board — At-large Position, John Rowell of Sandy and Dick Groener of Milwaukie.

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Dale Goracke, a senior tuba player in the Sandy High pep band, was recently named first place in the Timber Valley District as a tuba soloist.