



Photo by Sandy Poulata

Hannibal (played by Larry Deaton) can scratch out two notes but is convinced he's a violinist in "The Curious Savage."

Special SCP performances planned

by DAN DILLON

The Sandy Community Players have planned three rather special performances before they formally raise the curtain for the run of "The Curious Savage."

This Sunday, March 8, the players will present a special free performance for residents of 15 to 20 area nursing homes. "These are people that never get to see a play or do anything," said Jim Wilhite who directs the production.

Then next Wednesday, March 11, the SCP has invited drama students from 31 different high schools to view "The Curious Savage" at a reduced \$1 admission. Wilhite said that any area high school student who presents a student body card at the special 8 p.m. performance will

be able to see the production at the reduced rate.

Finally, the players are experimenting with something new Thursday afternoon, March 12, the play will be performed for area seniors, 55 or older, for a \$1 admission. That presentation will come at 2 p.m.

All these performances come before the play opens for the general public next week.

"The Curious Savage," by award-winning playwright John Patrick, was a Broadway hit for two years before enjoying a successful run on the London stage. Last year it was one of the top 10 plays produced by American theater groups.

The fast-moving comedy deals with a mental institution and Mrs. Savage who is unjustly placed there

by her family, "and, boy, does she stir the place up," Wilhite said.

Mrs. Savage is played by Hannah Dalziel who returns to the stage after a 45-year absence, and she does "a wonderful job," the director added. She had performed in Portland productions before her retirement.

In fact, the play will offer a host of performers new to the Sandy stage. Of the 11 cast members, seven are making their SCP debuts. Wilhite also debuts as a director, a challenge, he said, he has enjoyed.

Another new feature being offered with "The Curious Savage" is packages for group theater parties. Any group that would like to enjoy dinner and see the play is encouraged to contact Wilhite, 661-0219, for ticket information and reservations.

Keeping posted:

Greek travelogue set Friday

Thursday, March 5
The Sandy Optimist Club hosts the zone meeting in the conference room at Independent Bank of Sandy at 7:30 p.m.
"Death Takes a Holiday" will be staged in the Sandy High School commons at 8 p.m.

Friday, March 6
Firwood School Carnival begins at 6:30 p.m. at the school. Games, a used book sale and a magic show will be featured. It closes at 9 p.m.

Sue Newlands and Margaret Crowover will present a slide travelogue of their recent visit to Greece at the Sandy Community Center at 7 p.m.

The SUHS production, "Death Takes a Holiday," will be presented at 8 p.m. in the commons at the school.
Mt. Hood Community College Theatre Arts Department presents "Grease" at 8 p.m. in the College Theatre. For ticket information, call 667-7156.

Saturday, March 7
The "Susie" Group of the Pleasant Home United Methodist Church hosts its annual Family Style Spaghetti Dinner from 5 to 7:30 p.m. The church is located at the corner of S.E. Bluff and Revenue roads.

The final presentation of "Death Takes a Holiday" will be given at Sandy High School's commons at 8 p.m.

"Grease" will be presented in the MHCC College Theatre at 8 p.m.

Sunday, March 8
Another installment of the film series featuring family expert James Dobson will be shown at the Sandy Church of Christ at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, March 9
An introduction to handwriting analysis for fun will be presented by Diane Alexander at 10 a.m. at the Sandy Community Center, sponsored by Sandy Community School.

Tuesday, March 10
Wally Gunderson of Motor Coach Enterprises will be the speaker at the noon meeting of the Sandy Chamber of Commerce at T.J.'s Fireside Dining.
The Eastern Star meets at the Masonic Hall at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, March 11
The Sandy TOPS Club meets at 9 a.m. at the Sandy Community Action Center, and at 6:45 p.m. in the community room at Independent Bank of Sandy.

Mike the Magician presents Magic for Munchkins at the Sandy Community School trailer for children five years old and up. The program will begin at 3:15 p.m. Participants will learn a trick of the trade.
Greg Merrill will discuss "Building Self-Esteem" at 7 p.m. in the Community

School trailer.
John Van Lierop will lead a discussion on great thinkers of the Western World at 7 p.m. in the Cedar Ridge School library. The talk is sponsored by the Sandy Community School and registration is required.

Thursday, March 12
The Golden Age Club will

hold its semi-monthly potluck at the Sandy Senior Center at noon.

Jude Jensen will discuss organic gardening and companion planting at room 1 at Cedar Ridge School at 7 p.m. Registration is required through the Community School.

Rebekah Lodge meets at 8 p.m. at the I.O.O.F. Hall.

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Variance requests set

The Clackamas County hearings officer is expected to decide on two variance applications next week involving area properties.

The applications will be considered Monday, March 9, at 7 p.m. in the County Courthouse in Oregon City.

The first application, filed by Reginald A. Justus, would reduce the 10-foot side yard setback requirement to five feet for a single family residence. The property is on the north side of Second Street, approximately 50 feet east of its intersection with Beta Street, in the Government Camp area. It is in a recreational residential

zone.

The second, filed by James R. Meade, would reduce the 40-acre minimum lot size requirement and permit the creation of two 20-acre parcels. That property is on the south side of Elsner Road, approximately one-quarter mile west of its intersection with Bull Run Road, in the Sandy area. It is zoned a general timber district.

These applications are available for inspection at the Department of Environmental Services, Planning Division, 902 Abernethy Road, Oregon City.

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