

Senior Center News

The Sandy Senior Center hosts the Clackamas County Senior Law Project today, April 2. A volunteer attorney will offer free consultation services to Sandy area senior citizens from 9 a.m. until 12 noon.

The service is available once a month and appointments may be arranged through the center's office, 668-5569.

The annual Spring Bazaar will dominate activities of the center tomorrow. The public will have an opportunity to snack on home-baked foods and browse through creations from local hand crafters.

Proceeds help finance the Loaves and Fishes meal program. The bazaar runs 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Members of the center's staff and seniors will treat themselves to dinner next Tuesday, April, at Calamity Jane's restaurant in Sandy. The restaurant will offer a senior citizen's special for this outing. Those interested in attending should sign up

and be prepared to leave from the center at 6:15 p.m.

In preparation for the upcoming Hawaiian vacation, Gretchen Casey and Clyde Sutherland will present a slide show at the center next Thursday, April 9, at 7:30 p.m.

The program is designed to give the vacationers a preview of things to come, as well as give the non-vacationer an enjoyable evening of beautiful scenery.

Activities for the Week of April 2 to April 9

Thursday, April 2
9 a.m. to 12 noon Drop In
9 a.m. to 12 noon Senior Law Project
9 a.m. Exercise
10 a.m. Humanities
12 noon Loaves and Fishes
1 to 4 p.m. Bazaar Bake

Friday, April 3
9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Spring Bazaar

Monday, April 6
9 a.m. to 12 noon Drop In
9:30 a.m. Exercise
10:30 a.m. Therapy Pool
12 noon Loaves and Fishes
1 p.m. Cards

Tuesday, April 7
9 a.m. to 12 noon Drop In
9:30 a.m. Planning and Evaluation
11 a.m. Blood Pressure
12 noon Loaves and Fishes
1 p.m. Ceramics
6:30 p.m. Staff Night Out - Calamity Jane's

Wednesday, April 8
9 a.m. to 12 noon Drop In
9 a.m. to 12 noon Tax Assistance
12 noon Loaves and Fishes
12 noon to 3 p.m. Fuel Assistance
1 p.m. In-house Film

Thursday, April 9
9 a.m. to 12 noon Drop In
9 a.m. Exercise
10 a.m. Humanities
12 noon Golden Age Club Potluck
7:30 p.m. Hawaiian Slides

For septic tanks

Oregon codes revised

A newly rewritten set of state rules now govern the installation and operation of septic tanks and other on-site devices for home wastewater and sewage disposal.

The revised rules, adopted by the Environmental Quality Commission (EQC) March 13, organize and clarify the collection of regulations and amendments that have governed the sub-surface disposal of sewage in Oregon. The new rules became effective March 23.

Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) staff spent several months drafting revisions and incorporating changes reflecting advances in technology.

Changes include reducing the required depth of soil drainfields for some new systems and setting a termination date of Jan. 1, 1985,

beyond which no new cesspools may be installed. In addition, specifications are included for alternatives, such as sand filter and low-pressure distribution systems, in areas where standard septic tank drainfield systems are not acceptable.

The proposed rules were

distributed for public review, followed by series of hearings held across the state seeking comment and testimony. The final rule package, as adopted by the EQC, will be sent to all county governments, REQ regional and branch offices, and all DEQ licensed septic system installers.

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A new 11 percent credit is available for small-scale hydroelectric facilities, and a 10 percent credit is available for many other energy devices used in a business, some of which have been added by the new legislation.

The amount of the credit depends on both the type of the equipment and the length of its useful life for depreciation purposes.

The tax credit offsets the taxpayer's regular income tax, and may result in a refund of any tax paid in, with any excess credit available to carry over to another year. If the property is no longer in use before the end of its estimated life,

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Bike-a-thon set Saturday for hospital

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Bike-a-thon will be held this Saturday, April 4, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Mountain Shadow subdivision next to the Kelso School. In the event of rain, the ride will take place the following Saturday, April 11, according to chairman Anita Tinjum.

Riders should check their bikes to be sure they are in good working order (brakes, tires, and chains). Also, for those who do not wish to bring a sack lunch, hot dogs and snow cones will be sold during the ride.

Funds raised will go to support the research center in its battle against catastrophic diseases.

Anyone who would like to participate or sponsor a rider is asked to call Anita Tinjum, 668-6043 or 668-7481, or Bob Rykker, 663-4638 or 658-3728.

Spring bazaar set Friday at senior center

The Sandy Senior Center's annual Spring Bazaar will be held Friday, April 3.

From 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. the public is invited to sample a variety of home-baked goods, as well as purchase from a wide selection of items ranging from antiques to handcrafted gift items. An excellent representation of local artisans and craftsmen will be on hand to discuss their wares and accept orders for customized items.

The center's share of the proceeds will be used to help finance the Loaves and Fishes program which allows senior citizens one prepared meal a day, served in a congregate setting.

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