

*Hoodland happenings***Seniors' lunch, egg hunt, hike planned in Welches**

**Thursday, April 16**  
A senior citizens lunch, sponsored by Loaves and Fishes, will be held at the Welches School library beginning at 11:30 a.m. Transportation and further information is available by calling 622-3331.

At 6:30 p.m., the Women's Resource Group will hold its first potluck dinner to let members introduce each other, share information and discuss issues of special interest to women. Maria Kreger-Hone and Jan Cobb, both of Mt. Hood Community College, will lead the group at the Hoodland Women's Club.

Muriel Silvey, M.S., will hold a Family Communications workshop from 7 to 9 p.m. in Welches School library. Silvey is professionally trained in marriage and family counseling. A second meeting is scheduled for April 23.

The Mt. Hood Pre-School Co-Op will hold its monthly parents meeting at 7 p.m. at the Hoodland Women's Club.

Welches Community School will sponsor the following classes at the school: Diet and Exercise, 6 p.m. in the library; Recreational Basketball, 6 p.m. in the school gym; Competitive Volleyball, 7:30 p.m. in the gym; and Parenting, 7:30 p.m. in room 20.

The Mountain Players will hold a rehearsal beginning at 7:30 p.m. in the Welches Lions Club.

**Saturday, April 18**  
Easter Egg Hunt! The Welches Community School, Mt. Hood Community College and local churches will jointly sponsor this annual mountain event at 1 p.m. on the Welches Grade School field. The egg hunt is for toddlers through the sixth grade.

**Monday, April 20**  
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Welches Community School Aerobic Dance Class will be held at 5:30 p.m. in the Welches School gym.

**Tuesday, April 21**  
"Grab your pack and let's go for an easy hike," says Community School leader Reva Cox. Meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Hoodland Women's Club for carpooling. Bring a lunch and beverage. Moms with babies in packs or carriers are welcome.

An Art Fair at Welches Grade School will be held tonight at 7 p.m. Student artwork will be on display this evening with the fair open to the public.

The following classes will be held tonight at Welches Community School:

Regulation Basketball, 6 p.m. in the gym; Diet and Exercise, 6 p.m. in the library; Story Telling for children ages three to six, 7 p.m. in the library; Boat Building, 7 p.m. in room 20; Beginning Typing and Shorthand, 7 p.m. in room 11; and Regulation Volleyball, 7:30 p.m. in the gym. Call 622-3397 to register.

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**Wednesday, April 22**  
Welches Community School Tiny Tots group will meet from 10 a.m. to noon. Call Louise Hoyt, 622-3752, for further information and meeting location.

Welches Community School's Aerobic Dance class will be held from 5:30 to 7 p.m. in the Welches School gym.

The Mt. Hood Lions Club will hold a general meeting at the club building in Welches at 8 p.m.

**Thursday, April 23**  
The Clackamas County Well-Baby Clinic and WIC programs will be held at 9:30 a.m. at the Hoodland Women's Club on Salmon River Road. Call Patty Henniger, 622-3607, to make an appointment for immunizations or examinations of children newborn through age five.

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The Clackamas County Bookmobile will be at the Hoodland Plaza shopping center parking lot from 4 to 7 p.m. The bookmobile will no longer travel to Government Camp due to low usage by residents in that area.

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Artwork of WyEast Artisans Guild will be on display during the month of April at the Sandy Public Library. Drop in and see their handicrafts.

To place an event in Hoodland Happenings, call Dawn Morrison at 622-3538.



The recent sunshine brought a fresh bundle of flowers out to tempt local buyers. These pansies were on display at Janz Berryland in Sandy.

Photo by Shannon Kelley

**Firemen ponder new corrections program**

The Boring Fire District Board met last week to review the department's activities and to discuss Clackamas County's alternative program for first time criminal offenders.

The county corrections division is promoting a program where first time offenders serve their time working in service to the community. The division requested approval to place an individual at the Boring Fire Department. The individual would be screened by chief Matt Shields and carry liability insurance. Maintenance and other menial tasks would be performed.

A final decision will be made by Shields.

The board also rejected Greene Group, a private consulting agency formed to prepare a preliminary report for the Clackamas County Commissioners on the 911 emergency assistance system.

The board did approve a "first response" agreement with the Sandy Fire District, contingent on attorney approval. The agreement states that both districts will assist each other on a mutual aid basis.

For example, if an accident occurs closer to the Sandy Fire Department,

yet is in the Boring district, Sandy will dispatch an emergency vehicle and Boring will send backup apparatus.

"All we're doing is erasing that black line along the map," Shields said.

Emergency medical service calls and wood stove alarms ranked as the top two problem areas that the Boring Fire Department dealt with during the first three months of 1981.

There were 121 EMS calls and 31 wood stove alarms in the first quarter of the year.

In other action, Shields reported that the department is trying to make the emergency rescue rig exempt from Department of Environmental Quality testing laws. Oregon law states that larger apparatus are required to undergo the tests, but smaller apparatus, such as the mini-firetruck are exempt.

Shields said that, "the DEQ does not agree and we may need to seek some legislation assistance."

Board member Dale Irwin submitted

his resignation after six years of service. Irwin has moved out of the area and will focus his attention on his new business.

Applications for the position are now being accepted. To qualify, an individual must be a resident of the district, be of voting age and be able to commit himself to board responsibilities.

Interested persons should call Shields at the Boring Fire Department, 663-4638.

**LCDC proposals could halt plan**

The Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) is requiring definitions of commercial and "hobby" farms before it will approve the Clackamas County comprehensive plan.

LCDC may also be demanding zone changes in the size of buildable lots.

According to county definition, a commercial farm must be used primarily for the purpose of obtaining a profit. The net income derived from the farm products must contribute substan-

tially to existing agricultural processors and established farm markets.

A hobby farm, a term used by the 1,000 Friends of Oregon, is defined as any farm which has less acreage than the existing zoning requirement, according to Don Ingram of Reliable Realty.

To many area residents, this could have a major change in their decision to own or sell their farm land. The majority of farmland owners in the area work outside the farm to support it. If this definition of farms is accepted by

LCDC, many farms will be classified as hobby farms.

Another proposed change deals with 20-acre zoning tracts. If approved, a five-acre separate ownership piece of land would have to have a similar commercial-agricultural use as that of the land adjacent to it.

Non-farm use is defined as land that is too small to farm, poorly suited for agriculture or in an area that is similar to surrounding land.

**From Boring 'home'****Butchers work door-to-door**

by GWEN BOGH  
Post Correspondent

Dave Wolfe and John Dixon got an early start in the meat cutting business. But they gained their expertise the hard way.

The childhood friends grew up close to the meat business; Dave's father was the founder of Dick Wolfe Meats in Boring. The two lived across the street from each other and naturally became interested in the business.

Dixon and the younger Wolfe learned about meat cutting mostly by trial and error. Now they are one of the few businesses in the area to offer traveling butcher services.

The trial and error came after an illness to Dick Wolfe. A professional butcher was hired to come in on Saturdays and train the boys, but he allowed them only to observe, not cut. Besides, after a time, he didn't show up any more.

Wolfe and Dixon were on their own, and with very little experience. At first they found themselves com-

pounded with problems and mistakes. But they continued to learn from their experiences and gradually developed their own techniques.

"You just keep trying different things until you have a method that works best," Wolfe explained.

Dick Wolfe Meats has been operating for 17 years, but butchering was not the main focus of the business. Originally it was strictly a transportation operation and butchering was merely a sideline. Animals were picked up from farms and transported to slaughterhouses.

As butchering on location became more popular, the Wolfes purchased a mobile van.

"People liked having it (butchering) done on their property," Wolfe said.

The van came equipped with a winch as well as other necessary tools and the traveling butcher service was born.

Both Wolfe and Dixon have traveled nearly 90 miles in the van to reach a job site, though most of the

business is within a few miles. Adverse weather conditions don't affect them either.

"We're as good as the mailman," Dixon claims.

It takes just 15 minutes or so for Wolfe and Dixon to butcher an animal. On an average day, they may butcher 10 animals at 10 different locations. They can handle butchering as many as 20 head in a day, if they are in a central location.

Beef, pork and wild game are cut and packed at Dick Wolfe Meats. From the live animal to the dressed weight, there is a loss of about 50 percent. From that, another 20 to 30 percent is lost in cutting — trimming the fat and bones.

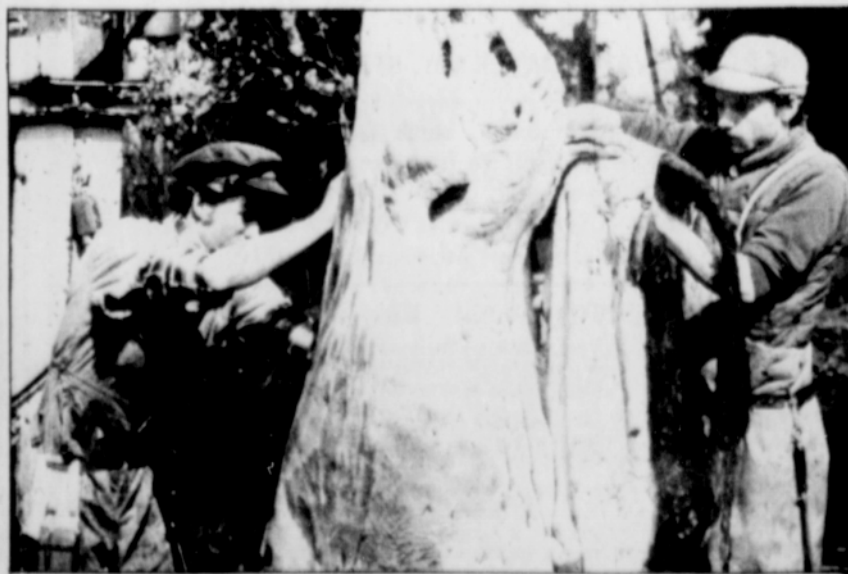
Some people are unaware of the loss and think there should be more meat from their animal than what was cut, Wolfe said. However, nothing is wasted. Excess parts are sent to rendering houses.

During the busiest time of the year, in the fall and winter, Wolfe and Dixon may work from 6 a.m. to midnight. They hire help to keep up with business, but the turnover rate is high.

"It's hard work," Dixon said. "Some just can't handle it." He added that it isn't that the workers aren't putting out, but that the work is that tough. One man told them that he had worked hard all his life, but couldn't handle the butcher business. He left the same day.

With the growth of the area, the butchering business has outgrown its facility. To satisfy demand, the Wolfes will be expanding their building to handle the extra work load.

The younger Wolfe and Dixon just may have to buy another van, too.



Photos by Gwen Bogh

Dave Wolfe and John Dixon have become traveling butchers, taking their trade on the road in a mobile, meat-cutting van. Wolfe's father is the founder of the company, Dick Wolfe Meats.