



Court clerk Brian Rapp sits attentively as prosecuting attorney, Brad Searls, questions Tanya Hunt, above left. Treanna Knight slips a sweater into her bag as Jennifer Ulrich looks on in the skit about the perils of shoplifting.

Actors show perils of shoplifting

Audiences are judging a group of Sandy elementary school students' dramatic abilities rather harshly lately.

It isn't because of the performances the young actors and actresses are giving — it's their message.

Under the guidance of Sandy police officer Kelly Adovnik, a group of Kelso School students, with an assist from his daughter at Firwood School, are presenting a play about what happens after a juvenile is charged with shoplifting. The audience reviews have not been favorable for the accused.

Two friends, Wendy and Jane (Treanna Knight and Jennifer Ulrich), enter a local store and take some make-up, jewelry and a

coat, against Jane's better judgment.

The two are caught and let go following a severe reprimand.

Later, Wendy is caught again and faces a trial. That is where the audience's role and its reaction takes over.

The trial proceeds only to the point of instructing the jury, which the audience has become. The judge (Adovnik) instructs the audience about its options — first-degree theft or second-degree theft, the lesser charge.

Both performances so far have found Wendy guilty of first-degree theft, despite some powerful arguments by the defense attorney (Shannon Adovnik).

The play has been adapted to suit

Sandy students from a Multnomah County Sheriff's Department program. Adovnik and Jerri Ellis, a reserve Sandy officer, did the adaptation.

The program began as a spin-off from Adovnik's working with local schools at Career Day and Crime Prevention Programs, and could be just the first of a series of plays involving students from all the schools in the Sandy school district.

The two leaders are looking to develop more programs, including presentations on vandalism and criminal mischief as they are the crimes that young people are most frequently involved in.

What the viewers of the shoplifting play will see is not an inviting

situation. The two girls are handcuffed by police, subject to interrogation and, in Wendy's case, taken to court and found guilty.

The prosecuting attorney, Brad Searls, is a Kelso sixth-grader and Shannon Adovnik, his adversary, is a Firwood fifth-grader.

Treanna Knight and Jennifer Ulrich, the two shoplifters; Theresa Amstad, a policewoman; Tanya Hunt, a store clerk; Robyn Hayball, a policewoman, and Brian Rapp, the court clerk, are all Kelso third-graders.

The young actors will be visiting local schools in the near future to bring their message about the not-so-exciting possibilities involved in the world of shoplifting.

Seminar aims at employee relations

"Employer-Employee Relations" will be the subject of a breakfast seminar sponsored by Mount Hood Community College and the Gresham Area Chamber of Commerce next Wednesday, May 13, from 7 to 9 a.m. in the college's Town and Gown room.

The seminar is one of a series being offered by the college to help the owners or managers of small businesses improve their management skills. The monthly seminar topics deal with subjects pertinent to the operating function of a small business.

"Since a business is only as good as its employees; it is important to know how to hire, evaluate and terminate your employees," according to Dave Polito, coordinator of the college's small business management program.

Gary Robinson will lead the seminar. He has been an independent businessman since 1973 and is the director

of his own firm, Training and Development Programs. His experience encompasses organization consultation and training, retail and wholesale management, sales and sales training, and community relations.

Robinson's seminar discussion will include the hiring process, government regulations regarding evaluation, employee productivity evaluation, and how and when to terminate

an employee.

The June 10 seminar topic will be computers in small business. Unlike most business equipment today, computers are decreasing in cost and this seminar will include a discussion of how to evaluate the role and the cost of a small computer.

The fee for each of the management breakfast seminars is \$15 which includes a buffet breakfast.

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Many common vision and hearing problems are found in screening programs such as the one planned Monday,

May 18, at Sandy Adventist Center. Clinic hours will be 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. It will be open to children ages four to six. There is no charge.

If hearing and vision problems go unnoticed and untreated until school age, the child has already missed many learning opportunities, according to a clinic spokesman.

All children should be screened at least once before school age, the spokesman continued. Parents should not assume that this is done

just because they have been taking their child to a doctor regularly or a Well Child Clinic.

If a child's speech seems slow or delayed for his age, this could possibly be a result of hearing loss.

If friends, neighbors and relatives don't clearly understand your child or if he has difficulty pronouncing many of the sounds used in everyday speech, it could be an indicator of a loss. When a young child doesn't hear well, he will pronounce

the sounds as he hears them, not as they really are.

Many children are born with normal hearing, but suffer losses by preschool age. A common cause of this is repeated ear infections.

Unlike hearing, which is fully developed at birth, a child's eyes grow as he grows.

A child doesn't know how well he should see. He may have blurred vision or see double or use just one eye—and not complain

because he doesn't know better.

Testing at the Sandy Adventist Center will be done by professional examiners from the Oregon State Division of Hearing. Any abnormal test results will be discussed with the parent and suggestions given as to how to follow up the problem.

Appointments are necessary. For more information or an appointment, call Cathy Garrett, 668-8152.

Mother's Day service set at Sandy Baptist

Mother's Day will be a special Sunday at Sandy Baptist Church.

The 11 a.m. service will feature several "specials," including a gift for every mother in attendance, a special musical number from a women's chorus and a dedication for several babies in the congregation.

There will also be a special message given by Pastor Ed Grable.

"Baby dedication, we believe, is actually parent dedication, as we feel that what occurs here is not salvation of the child, but a dedication of the parent to raise this child in the way they feel the Lord commands them," according to Grable.

"We have several babies who have recently been born to people in our congregation and we felt Mother's Day would be a significant time to have a baby dedication," he said.

There is nursery care at all regular services at Sandy Baptist Church for children through three years old; there is Primary Church during the message for

children, four years old through third grade.

Sunday school is at 9:45 a.m. and morning worship is at 11 a.m.

The 6 p.m. service will have a baptismal service and a message on prayer.

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FABRIC FLOWERS:
10-Noon, Tuesday, May 19. Instructor, Sharon Zull. Class fee, \$6.

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Three-week class beginning 7-9 p.m., Tuesday, May 19. Learn to make a shirt and blouse, make buttonholes, insert zippers and finish work. Instructor, Merna Rabe. Sewing machines needed. Fee, \$18.

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