

Computer age adds speed at Rexall

The corner drug store in Sandy has entered the computer age.

Sandy Rexall Drug's two Ampex computer terminals with phone hook-up to the drug warehouse in Auburn, Wash., gives local pharmacists greater efficiency in filling prescriptions and keeping tabs on patients.

At least that's the view of pharmacist Jerry Barker. "It saves two days ordering time to be able to learn by the computer if the warehouse has what we need," he said of the phone link.

The in-store computer system enables local druggists to build a patient profile for all members of the family, besides helping to fix a prescription, refill a prescription or type a label.

It helps keep record of third-party prescription orders for insurance and welfare patients, too, since it can provide receipts.

Eventually, the drug store also hopes to handle all accounting through the computer, Barker said. For now, the system earns its keep by providing a list of drugs, a list of doctors and patient profile files.

The computer files can hold up to 5,000 accounts and thousands of drugs. Presently, Sandy Rexall has more than 1,200 patients stored in the computer log.

The phone link to Auburn weekly provides the local



Pharmacist Jerry Barker of Sandy Rexall Drug works at the new computer terminal that recently went on line at the store.

pharmacy with updated information on drug prices. Most updating of computer functions is handled by the local pharmacy staff.

The computer's infallible

memory also reminds busy pharmacists of counseling information suitable for each prescription's label.

"It just makes our business more efficient," Barker said.

Senior Center News

Center sets Christmas festivities

Members and guests of the Sandy Senior Center are being treated to a Christmas holiday celebration following the Loaves and Fishes meal today at 12:30 p.m.

The Sandy Silver Tones will begin the festivities, playing a selection of favorite yuletide songs. They will precede a dramatic presentation by the Gresham-Sandy Senior theatrical group, under the direction of Bonnie Vorenberg.

The dramatic group will present a play called "Christmas Eve."

Also on today's schedule of events will be the trimming of the Christmas tree and a sing-along. Refreshments will be available.

A group of Sandy Union High School freshmen from Mrs. Sherman's beginning German class will entertain persons attending the Loaves and Fishes meal this Monday, Dec. 21, at 12:30 p.m. They will sing traditional German Christmas carols, with lyrics provided for those who wish to join in.

Residents of St. Jude's Home and Orchard Crest will be special guests at the

Sandy Senior Center this Monday at 3:45 p.m. Girl Scouts from a local troop will be on hand with a Christmas program. All interested seniors are invited to attend.

Seniors interested in receiving help this winter and who may be without heat, water or adequate shelter or persons who may be willing to lend shelter or assistance are asked to call the Sandy Senior Center at 668-5569.

An area-wide plan is now being established to coordinate relief efforts for those persons requesting assistance in times of severe weather.

Activities for the Week of Dec. 17 to Dec. 24

THURSDAY, DEC. 17
9 a.m. to noon: Keep Well Clinic
9 a.m.: Exercise Class
Noon: Loaves and Fishes
12:30 p.m.: Christmas Party and Play

FRIDAY, DEC. 18
Noon: Loaves and Fishes
7:30 p.m.: Community Card Night

MONDAY, DEC. 21
9:30 a.m.: Arts and Crafts
9:30 a.m.: Exercise Class and Therapy Pool
Noon: Loaves and Fishes
12:30 p.m.: German Carols

1 p.m.: Cards

TUESDAY, DEC. 22
Noon: Loaves and Fishes
1 p.m.: Ceramics

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 23

9:30 a.m.: Ceramics
Noon: Loaves and Fishes
1 p.m.: Band Practice

THURSDAY, DEC. 24
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Noon: Loaves and Fishes

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Cantata set this Sunday at church

"The Real Story" will be presented by the Sanctuary Choir and Sunday School Department of Sandy Assembly of God Church this Sunday morning, Dec. 20, at 10:45 a.m.

The cantata was written and will be directed by Richard Detherage. Evelyn Proctor will direct the dramatization.

Pastor Dale Edwards has invited the public to the musical presentation which will be climaxed with the choir singing "The Hallelujah Chorus" from Handel's "Messiah."

The public is also invited to attend the dress rehearsal Friday evening, Dec. 18, at 7:30 p.m. if they are unable to attend Sunday morning's performance.

Dinner set at Chapel of the Hills

The Chapel of the Hills will hold its annual Christmas Dinner this Sunday, Dec. 20, at 5 p.m.

A special program for children second grade and younger will be held with a birthday celebration included. Dessert will be served after the program.

For reservations, call Mike Whisner at 622-4395, Rosemary Landis at 622-4270, Welda Franko at 668-6357 or Madelyn Opperman at 668-4620.

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