

Mt. Hood plan to be reviewed tonight

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A citizens meeting to discuss proposed revisions to the 1976 Mt. Hood corridor comprehensive plan will be tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Women's Club building in Zigzag.

The planning areas targeted by the revision extended from Alder Creek to the Clackamas County line at the summit of Mt. Hood. The plan must be updated every five years.

In addition to the required updating of the plan, last December, when the Clackamas County Comprehensive Plan, of which the Community Plan is part, went before the Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC) for approval, the county was instructed to further examine, with public input, four aspects of the plan.

One of the areas to be reviewed concerns the undeveloped portion of the Hoodland Service District, which lies near Highway 26 and the old Brightwood Loop Road.

The area south of Highway 26 is commonly referred to as Cedar Ridge, after a development that was proposed in the late sixties, which was defeated in court by a group of local citizens.

North of Highway 26 and laying south of the Loop Road is the Alderwood area. This area has just recently been approved as a site for development of a mobile home subdivision.

Levy for seniors is forum topic

The three-year senior services serial levy will be discussed March 16 at a continental breakfast at Bowman's in Rippling River.

Paul Gross, pastor of the Hoodland Lutheran Church and a member of the steering committee of the Hoodland Senior Center, will be the speaker.

The breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m.

It was in both of these areas that the LCDC, after receiving testimony by residents and members of the Environmental Committee On Suitability, who were represented by 1000 Friends of Oregon, that the county was directed to identify any wetlands that may exist and determine how they are to be protected.

The LCDC also directed that any wetlands outside the service district's boundaries that are not identified, should be designated as such and mapped.

In addition, the county is seeking

input on issues concerning the exceptions to LCDC's goals numbers three, which deals with agriculture, and four, which concerns the forest.

It must be shown that areas outside the service district that are no longer available for farm and forest use, but are designated as such, must be already under development or else they are "irrevocably committed or needed for other uses."

Also, the county must insure that there are no conflicts existing between uses "allowed by a Plan designation on a site and uses allow-

ed by zoning of the site."

The Mt. Hood Plan is to be made clearer so that property owners know how land is classified.

In relation to density transfers, the planning staff has recommended that the following standards for fragile or hazardous areas be accepted.

They have recommended that no density credit be allowed for the development of land within the 100 year floodplain.

All identified land movement areas, wetlands, and slopes that exceed 20 percent should not be

developed. In these areas, 50 percent of the density "may be transferred to an unrestricted area."

Development also shall not occur within "streamside corridor areas." They recommend that 100 percent of the density allowed by zoning be transferred to a non-restrictive area in the development's site.

All citizen meetings for the plan's review will be held at the Hoodland Women's Club in Zigzag at 7:30 p.m. They are scheduled for Thursday, March 18, and Thursday, April 20.

The citizen's meetings will allow

residents to review and discuss the plan, as well as allow members of the planning staff to field questions and hear any suggestions and improvements to the plan.

On Monday, May 10 at 7:30 p.m., the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the proposed plan and citizens may testify before the commissioners either orally or in writing.

The Board of County Commissioners will hold two open public hearings, which are scheduled for Wednesday, May 26 at 2 and 7 p.m.

\$160,000 motor coach catches fire

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An engine fire in a \$160,000 181 "Wonderlodge" motor coach sent firefighters up the mountain early Saturday morning.

Chief Don Armintrout of the Hoodland Rural Fire Department said that his department was notified at 3:45 a.m. of a bus fire just below Map Curve, a few miles west of Government Camp.

Armintrout said that the fire began in the vehicle's engine compartment, and although the cause is still under investigation, it was possibly the result of mechanical problems.

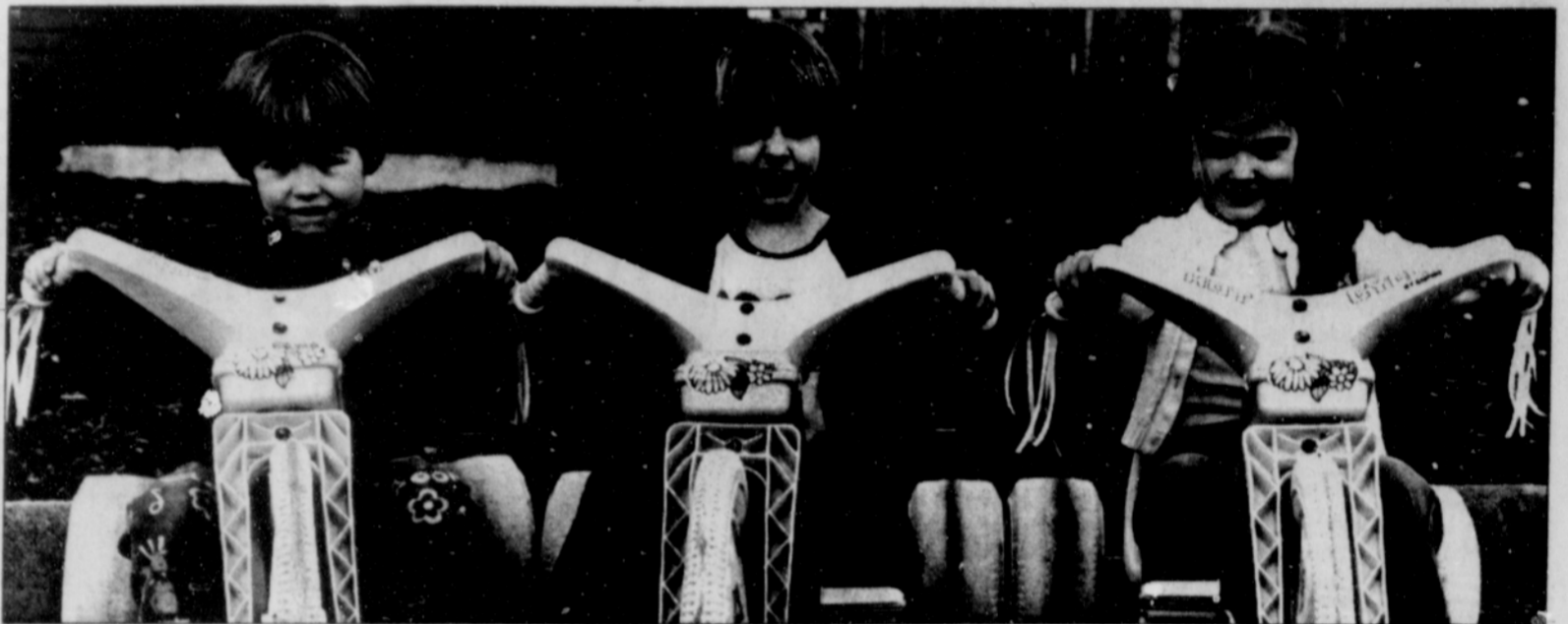
The vehicle's driver and owner, Lief Johnson of Bend, was alone at the time of the fire, and was stranded between the towns of Rhododendron and Government Camp when the blaze broke out.

Armintrout said that he took about ten minutes after discovering the fire to flag another vehicle down to get help.

He said that it took the passing motorist about ten minutes to drive down the mountain to notify the department.

Once the department was notified it took 20 firefighters, three engines, one tanker and one rescue rig 13 minutes to reach the scene.

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Taking advantage of the warm weather last week to get in some time on their Hot Cycles are, from left to right, Corina Fischer, Becky Forbis and

Sevena Forbis. They are the daughters of Al and Betty Fischer of Sandy.

Fatal accident on Orient Drive re-enacted

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A private engineering firm has re-enacted the Nov. 7 fatal car accident that killed a Clackamas County sheriff's deputy.

Friday the vehicle that Deputy Jimmy L. Shoop was driving the night he was killed was returned to the scene of the accident for tests, which were to determine the speeds of the vehicles involved.

Lyle McCuiston, a Clackamas County Sheriff's Department community service officer, said that the fatal accident that killed the 35-year-old Shoop was re-enacted. He said that the information gathered from last Friday's site work will be analyzed in a laboratory "to determine the speeds of the vehicles involved in the collision and basically what happened."

McCuiston said the results of the tests are expected to be completed in about two weeks.

Shoop, a resident of Rockwood, was en route on Orient Drive to assist at a fatal accident a short distance from where he was killed. He was struck by a vehicle being driven by 19-year-old Gaylyn May of Boring, who was driving northbound on a cutoff from Kelso.

She was hospitalized at Portland Adventist Medical Center for facial injuries received during the mishap.

McCuiston said that May was later charged with second degree murder

as a result of an investigation into the accident. He said that the case has yet to go to trial and he did not know whether the engineering tests would be used as evidence.

That same weekend there were a total of three motor vehicle accidents on that stretch of road, all within four miles of one another.

Three persons died as a result of those collisions. Shoop was the first Clackamas County deputy to be killed while on duty in 75 years.

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