$1.6 million levy for MHCC on ballot

A special levy request of $1.6 million to maintain the current educational programs, services, and enrollment at Mt. Hood Community College will be on the ballot March 30.

The college has not requested additional operating funds since the spring of 1980 when district voters approved a revision of the college's tax base.

But even with the current tax base and proposed increases in tuition and fees, additional revenue will be necessary to balance the college's $19.3 million general fund budget.

MHCC President R. Stephen Nicholson told the college Board of Education the special operating levy is necessary primarily because of the steadily declining percentage of state aid the college receives.

He reported that six years ago the state funded 44 percent of the college budget. Two years ago that funding slipped to 39 percent and for next year state funds are estimated at less than 25 percent of the proposed college budget.

The 19.3 million budget for the 1982—83 years is an increase of only about nine percent over the current operating budget. It would require an estimated tax rate of $1.99 per thousnd and would increase the tax bill for a house appraised at $70,000 by less than $22 next year.

The college is striving to lower its costs. The MHCC cost per student is below the state average for community colleges, universities, and public schools.

Also, this year the college has saved about $66,000 in energy costs, reduced the number of class sections offered, increased class sizes, eliminated two administrative positions, and put a hold on filling vacant job positions.

For more information about the March 30 election, contact the college at 667—MHCC. Local newspapers will publish lists of the election day polling places.

For more information about your polling place or precinct number, contact the county election office, 665—8551.

Permits to burn required in county

With the coming of spring, backyard burning will be a common task for many residents in the Sandy-Mt. Hood area as they prepare yards and gardens.

In order to burn legally in Clackamas County residents must obtain a burning permit. In Hoodland, they are issued free of charge and are good for a year.

Permit holders are subject to daily burning regulations which, depending upon the air pollution index for that particular day, may either be allowed between specific hours or disallowed altogether.

Hoodland Rural Fire Chief Don Armintrout said that fire departments are notified early each morning by the Oregon State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) as to the burning status that day.

Residents can call the fire department at 8 a.m. each day to find out about any burning restrictions.

Burning permit information may be obtained by calling either the Hoodland Fire Department at 622-3256, or the Sandy Fire Department at 668-8093.

Water Safety class offered at MHCC

The time is now for people who want to find jobs at swimming pools and other aquatic facilities to begin the training that will qualify them for these jobs.

The Oregon Trail Chapter of the American Red Cross will be offering a Water Safety Instructor course at Mt. Hood Community College beginning March 30. It will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7-8:30 p.m. The course fee will include college tuition.

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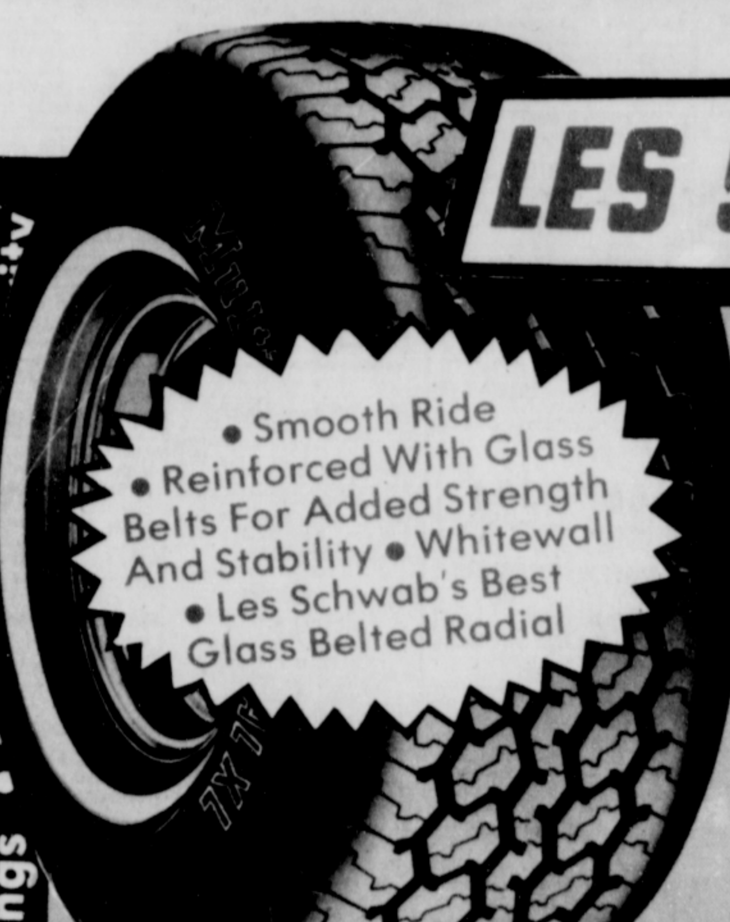

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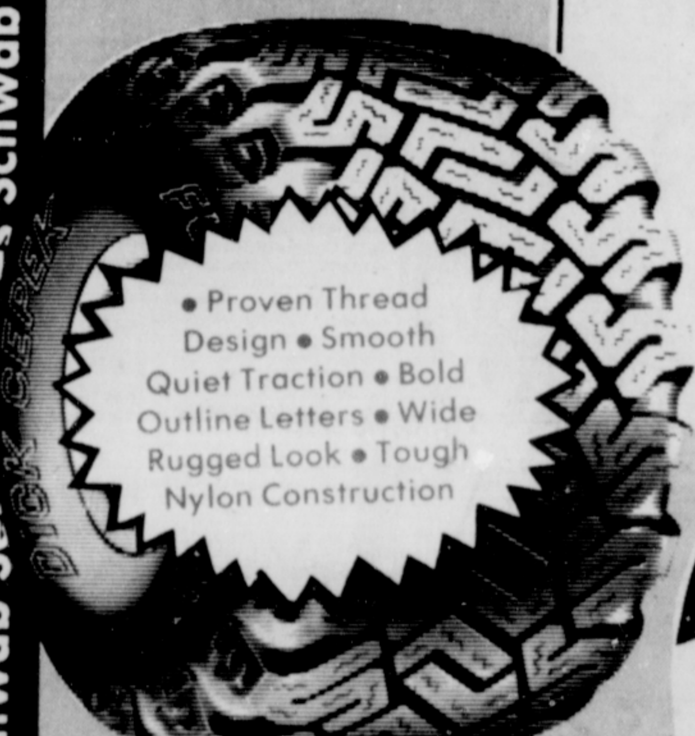

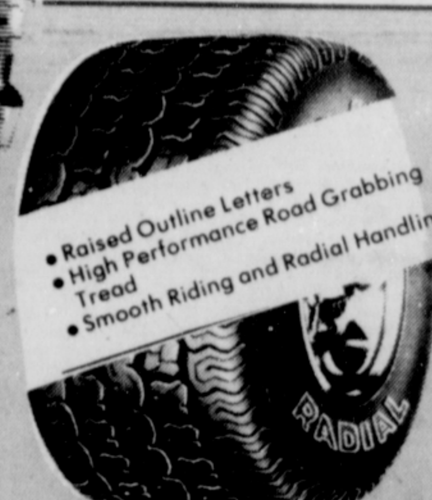

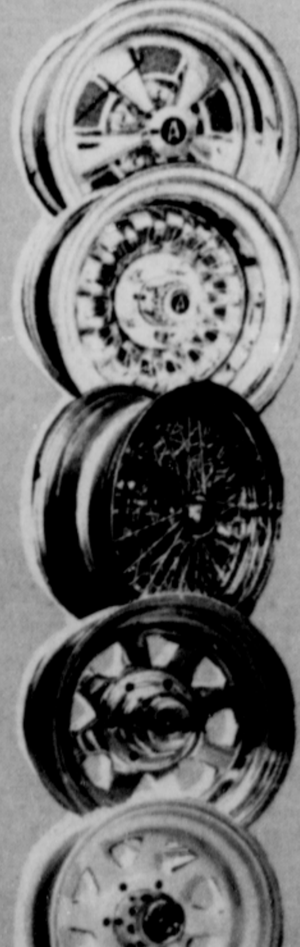

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