

Bus purchase part of Welches School budget

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Earmarked in Welches School's \$1,018,661 budget for the 1982-83 school year is \$27,000 for the purchase of a used school bus. Superintendent Ken Blackburn said the purchase of a new bus is necessary because of the condition of the district's bus fleet. "Unless we start considering this now, we may find ourselves in a position of needing to buy several buses," said Blackburn. The Government Camp 36-passenger bus, which is a four-wheel drive, is 11 years old and has 122,000 miles on its chassis. Its engine was replaced after 97,000. Recently Blackburn said that the district's spare bus broke down and the activity bus had to be used as a replacement, forcing the cancellation of a basketball game.

The spare bus, said Blackburn, has over 102,000 miles on it. Blackburn said that "the total bus fleet relative to total mileage is getting old and needs to be replaced." Carl Ostergren, a Welches resident who serves as the PTA's representative to the school board, said at a recent budget meeting that he is in favor of buying this replacement bus but does not feel the district should buy others in the future just because a bus has traveled a lot of miles. He recommended that the engines be rebuilt, thus saving the taxpayers money. "I don't feel that as a group we should buy a bus every time it gets 50,000 miles on it," said Ostergren. "We should rebuild some of our others to prevent them from getting into this situation." Gary Dieterich, vice principal, said it isn't just the engines that are a con-

cern, but the bodies as well. Blackburn said that maintaining a good bus fleet is important because they no longer can borrow a replacement bus from the Sandy Union High School District. In case of breakdowns, the district would have to rely upon its already ailing activities

bus to assist in emergencies. Blackburn said that providing a school bus service is not mandated by the state, but given the economy in the Mt. Hood area, such transportation is essential in getting students to school. The longevity of a school

bus, said Blackburn, is about 10 years. He said the state Department of Education depreciates the buses each year and reimburses the district about 50 percent for what it spends for transportation. Such things as gas, tires, maintenance, and the salaries of bus drivers are

included in the reimbursement. The state reimburses the district anywhere from 60 to 70 cents per mile for transporting students to and from school, but does not reimburse for activities, such as athletic events. Field trips, however, are covered.

Jim Bulen, a transportation consultant for the state, said that there isn't any administrative rule in the department regulations concerning the amount of time a school bus is used. Bulen said that although it is recommended that a bus be retired after 10 years of service, some

districts will run them longer. Generally, he said, it depends on road conditions, the steepness of the routes traveled, and the number of miles traveled. Blackburn said that the district should have a new school bus by the time school starts in the fall.

Senior Center News:

Trip to apple blossom festival scheduled

Members and guests of the Sandy Golden Age Club are invited to attend a semi-monthly potluck at the Sandy Senior Center today, April 22, at noon. The meal will be followed by the monthly business meeting.

The Sandy Senior Center will sponsor a Spring Bazaar next Friday, May 7, from 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. in support of the Sandy

Loaves and Fishes program. Several tables for individual vendors and artists are still available for rent. Persons who wish to rent a table or would like to provide volunteer assistance coordinating the event are asked to contact the center at 668-5569. A Sunday excursion to the Hood River Valley Apple Blossom Festival is

planned April 25. Vans will leave the center promptly at 10 a.m. Seniors will have an opportunity to view acres of apple and pear trees in bloom from Panorama Point and take advantage of many craft sales, auctions, and bazaars that will be held throughout the area. Travelers will enjoy a smorgasbord at the Pine Grove Grange during a lun-

cheon stop. Price of a ticket is \$5. A birthday celebration will be held this Tuesday, April 27, following the Loaves and Fishes meal for all seniors born during April. The Silvertones will play a number of musical selections in honor of the occasion. For more information about programs and services contact the Sandy

Senior Center at 668-5569. 1 p.m.: Cards

Activities for the Week of April 22 to April 29
THURSDAY, APRIL 22
 9 a.m.: Exercise Class
 10 a.m.: Humanities Class
 Noon: Golden Age Club Potluck

FRIDAY, APRIL 23
 Noon: Loaves and Fishes
 12:30 a.m.: Musical Entertainment - Bill Knight-Weiler on hammer dulcimer
 7:30 p.m.: Community Card Night

MONDAY, APRIL 26
 9:30 a.m.: Exercise Class and Therapy Pool
 Noon: Loaves and Fishes

TUESDAY, APRIL 27
 9:30 a.m.: Medical Insurance Assistance
 Noon: Loaves and Fishes
 12:30 p.m. April Birthday Party with Silvertones
 1 p.m.: Ceramics

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28
 9:30 a.m.: Arts and Crafts
 Noon: Loaves and Fishes
 1 p.m.: Band Practice
 5:30 p.m.: Senior Dine-Out

THURSDAY, April 29
 9 a.m.: Exercise Class
 10 a.m.: Humanities Class
 11:45 a.m.: Frito-Lay Factory Tour
 Noon: Loaves and Fishes

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Shiprack fundraiser at Viola Center

Bob Shiprack, democratic candidate for state representative in District 23, will be at a fundraiser April 24 at the Viola Community Center on Redland Road. He will be there from 4 to 9 p.m. Refreshments and entertainment will be provided. Tickets are \$10 per person or \$5 for senior citizens, and will be available at the door. These contributions are eligible for state and federal tax credit. For more information call 631-3817.

'Austrian Weekend' set at Timberline

An "Austrian Weekend" is being planned for April 23, 24 and 25 at Timberline Lodge. Dance music will be by Al Schwend's Polkatones Saturday night. The group from Tillamook will perform in the lobby and dining room Sunday. Timberline's award-winning chef, Leif Benson, is preparing European specialties. Wine tasting on Saturday will be a new attraction to the annual event. Lunch will be served near the top station of the Magic Mile chairlift on Sunday, weather permitting, between noon and 1 p.m. Walter Aeppli and Dieter Nachmann, local musicians, will be there with accordions. Tyrolean folk tunes sung by Joe, Anneliese and Peter Einwallner will blend with lute and guitar. For more information call 226-7979 or 272-3311.

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