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## Kelso readers top average in state test

Officials at Kelso School are almost at a loss to explain why the school's fourth graders did so well in a recent statewide reading assessment.

"I hope it's the basic instruction," said Principal Judy Warren, "and the time spent on the task."

Whatever the methods, the results speak for themselves.

The 1982 Oregon Statewide Assessment tested 2,467 students' reading abilities, including 37 fourth graders at Kelso School. There were 60 items on the test. Three Kelso children answered all items correctly.

In all four areas, Kelso students scored above the average.

The test is one of three administered by the state. The other two deal with writing and computing.

Kelso students scored 83.3 percent in word attack skills, compared to 80.2 percent statewide; 89.4 percent in vocabulary, compared to 84.3; 92.6 percent in comprehension, compared to 84.2, and 91.2 percent in application, compared to application.

Warren said the school follows a program of reading curriculum that emphasizes individualized reading. There is heavy emphasis on phonics that allows children to sound out words phonetically. Each child progresses at his or her own rate.

She said that the earlier program in grades one through three are that reliant on teaching comprehension as they are on teaching the phonetic aspect of reading.

While the overall news was good, specific skills scores fell below the state average in two areas: prefixes and suffixes, and compound words, both part of the word attack skills section.

"Because of the excellent reporting by the state of these results, adjustments have already been made to supplement our curriculum in these two areas," Warren said.

## Block grant aids search for new home

Clackamas County Commissioners last week gave formal go-ahead on a \$132,000 community development block grant that will lead to a new home for the Sandy Community Action Center.

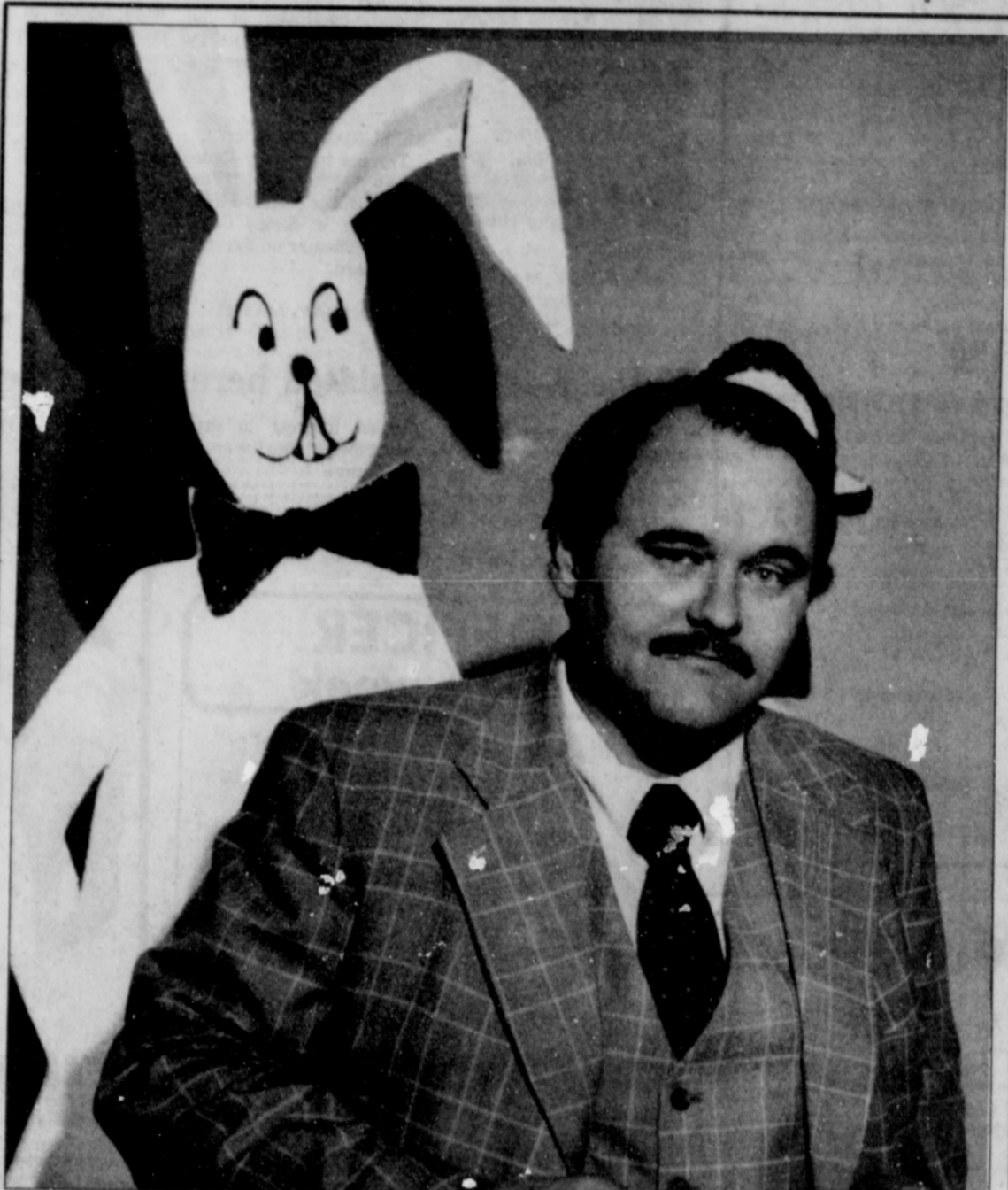
Currently, the center operates out of rented quarters on Pioneer Boulevard.

Under the terms of the grant, the Community Action Center will have to come up with \$30,000 of its own in matching funds. That money is available through a bequest from the estate of Lydia Cook.

Several sites are under consideration for a new home, according to chairman Pete Sulzbach. The center has been at its present site for five years.

Sulzbach has indicated that the center's aim is to purchase the Sandy post office building when a new postal facility is built.

Nothing is final on that, however.



Elwood P. Dowd (Harry McClain) and his rabbit pal Harvey are all ready for opening night of the Sandy Community Players' production "Harvey." The play opens Friday at 8 p.m. and continues weekends for four consecutive weeks.

## 'Harvey's' curtain rises tomorrow

by DAN DILLON

When the Sandy Community Players get together for a production, there is generally a twist that adds something a bit different to the occasion.

As it happens, the players' new production is no deviation from that norm.

The family comedy that opens this weekend at the Sandy Community Theater has almost gone overboard on the family aspect of things.

"It just kind of happened," explained Laura LaMarsh.

What just kind of happened is six husband-wife teams becoming involved in the Sandy Community Players' new production, "Harvey," by Mary Chase.

"We thought it was kind of funny with a family comedy that we have a lot of families working," explained LaMarsh, who directs the play. Her husband, Larry, is producer.

The Pulitzer-prize winning tale of Elwood P. Dowd and his imaginary rabbit friend attracted the interest not only of the families but captured the eye of a number of familiar faces as well.

Harry McClain, who started with the theater group when it was in its infancy, returns to the SCP stage as Dowd.

Stella Hemmer, seen in the recent SCP production "Tribute" returns as Dowd's sister, Veta Simmons.

A newcomer to the Players' stage is Donna Nash. She makes her SCP debut as Dowd's niece, Myrtle Mae.

Sprinkled throughout the rest of the cast of 12 are

some of the husband-wife teams involved in the production.

Rita and Terry Waibel, Stella and Mike Hemmer, and Shirley and Bill Lawson make appearances.

The Lawsons' son, Rob, designed the lighting for the production.

Lorene and Hank Emrich have been involved in the art and publicity. Meri and Gary Lange worked on props and set dressing.

The story follows Dowd, "a bit of a drinker," and the problems he and his imaginary pal Harvey cause his friends and the community. Veta wants him committed to a sanitarium so he will loosen his grasp on his vision of his six-foot tall rabbit friend.

Unfortunately for Veta, there is a mix-up about who is supposed to be committed.

She winds up on the inside. Dowd is gadding about with Harvey on the outside and the plot takes off from there.

The play runs Friday and Saturday evenings for the next four weekends. Curtain time will be 8 p.m. for each performance.

The May 29 performance is "Harvey Night." Everyone named Harvey will get free admission to that performance.

Reservations are available by calling Sandy Country Florist, 668-5633, or the theater, 668-7737.

Theater parties will again be offered, with reservations available by calling Jim Wilhite, 661-0219.

A pizza party will be offered after each performance at Buckboard Pizza. Stella Hemmer will provide entertainment.

## SUHS tax base rejected

Sandy High School district voters soundly rejected a \$3.6 million tax base Tuesday by more than 1,000 votes.

That action followed a pattern that saw all seven money measures presented to Clackamas County voters rejected.

Clackamas County Democrats also denied veteran County Commissioner Stan Skoko the opportunity to run for an unprecedented sixth term in the November general election.

The SUHS tax base, defeated

Democrat Martin Gage will challenge Republican Thomas Milne in the November election.

Silverton newspaper publisher Joe Davis was Clackamas County Republicans' choice for the nomination in the new Senate District 14. He defeated John Thompson of Welches countywide.

On the Democratic side, Steve Starkovich, a Canby warehouseman, was favored by county Democrats over Jean Robert, a retired educator



Dale Harlan



Bev Henderson

2,531-1,452, was designed to replace a \$313,853 tax base established in 1916. The proposed tax base was expected to finance the district's operations until at least the 1985-86 school year.

Skoko finished third in a field of six Democrats, with Milwaukie attorney and former state legislator Dale Harlan the victor. Duane Bock, also of Milwaukie, finished second.

Bev Henderson, a Lake Oswego City Council member, captured the Republican nomination. She defeated Pat Blue, executive director of the Oregon Tri-City Chamber of Commerce. Henderson unsuccessfully sought a seat on the commission in November 1980.

In the race for county clerk, former county assessor Juanita Orr out-

from Mehama. Final returns were not available at press time on the Senate District 14 race.

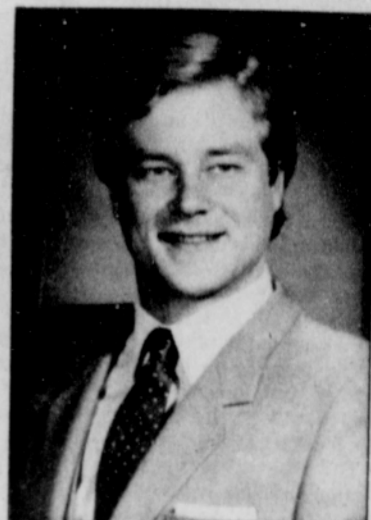
Clackamas County's new House District 23 will be a campaign between two political newcomers in the general election.

Bob Shiprack, a Beavercreek electrician, defeated two challengers to garner the Democratic nomination. He will be challenged in the Fall by Mark Pihl of Canby who defeated Dianne-Oliver. She had dropped out of the race, but made a strong showing, nevertheless.

On a countywide basis voters followed the lead of the rest of the state, favoring incumbent Vic Atiyeh and Democrat Ted Kulongoski in the



Bob Shiprack



Mark Pihl

distanced a crowded field of eight Democrats to gain that party's nomination.

She will be challenged by Robert Reilly who narrowly defeated Benton Marberry by 36 votes for the Republican nomination.

In the county surveyor race,

gubernatorial race, Mary Wendy Roberts and Mike Wooton in the labor commissioner race, and Verne Duncan in the superintendent of public instruction race.

(Please turn to page 2 for a complete list of election returns.)

## Councilman OK'd to review code

by DAN DILLON

The Sandy City Council did an about-face Monday night and by taking no action decided that its members may sit as private citizens on council-appointed committees.

The question arose when Councilman Don Blair asked for a legal

opinion after Councilman Jim Duff appointed himself to the Sign Ordinance Review Committee.

Blair contended that a councilman should not be allowed to serve on a committee whose recommendation he will later vote on as a member of the council. At the May 3 meeting it appeared he had the rest of the council in his camp when the members present agreed by consensus that councilmen shouldn't serve on the committee.

Duff wasn't present at the May 3 meeting and formal action was postponed until this week.

In the meantime, Duff wrote a letter to Mayor Ruth Loundree and the council outlining his reasons for nominating himself to the committee. He cited his role as a private citizen and taxpayer and noted the precedent established when councilmen served on the Zero Side Yard Committee.

"I don't recall any City Council member who sat on the Zero Side Yard Committee refraining from voting on the committee's recommendation," he said.

"When we get into signs in the city of Sandy, we're getting into serious business," Blair said. He pointed out that he didn't want the potential

deciding vote sitting on the committee as well as the council.

He noted the earlier consensus against the dual role and said, "What changes somebody's mind tonight, I can't understand."

His motion to deny council members from serving on the committee died for lack of a second. By taking no action, the council followed the legal opinion of City Attorney Jack Hammond. He had pointed out that failure of the council to make a decision would leave the committee's make-up up to individual members as to who would serve.

The committee meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at City Hall to begin studying possible revisions in the sign ordinance.

In other action, the city council:

—Declared Friday and Saturday, May 21 and 22, Sandy Buddy Poppy Days in support of the local Veterans of Foreign Wars Post's sale of buddy poppies. The proceeds from the sale will go to aid disabled American veterans.

—Spent \$17,507 for a 3,000-gallon sewage sludge truck tank.

—Appointed George Morgan of Walrad Insurance as agent of record for the city.



These three cowgirls will be part of the festivities when the Geyer School of Dance presents its sixth annual review featuring "Adventures in Time" next Thursday at Sam Barlow High School at 7:30 p.m. The program traces history from the opening Western scene "all the way up through 1983—and that will be a surprise," said Anna Geyer. From left to right are Melissa Estes, Taneal Morgan and Misty Grantz.

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