

On drugs

SUHS offers information

"Drugs have been talked about since these kids were old enough to watch television," said Randy Hutchinson, speaking of the students at Sandy High School.

"They are aware that we have a drug culture, but I don't think they are aware of what they do to their bodies," he said.

Hutchinson is head of the health and physical education department at the school. As such he had to devise a new drug education curriculum for this school year. Driver education was dropped from the health department and enabled the school to have a slot open for a full six-week program for all students.

Hutchinson said a curriculum advisory committee made up of educators, parents and others helped a great deal in devising that curriculum.

"They were very instrumental in finalizing some things we had considered," he said.

"What we want to do is present the students with all the factual information we can so they can make a reasonable decision concerning the use of drugs," said Hutchinson.

He said he did have some concerns about kids that

didn't receive education on the subject earlier.

"High school is a sad time to be teaching kids about drugs," he said.

Hutchinson said he felt drug use was declining, but still a problem, although in some cases in different forms. Students in physical education classes are approaching him and other coaches with questions about steroids and amphetamines.

He says some of these things are available through magazine advertising and points that out as a reason for the need for drug education.

"If they choose to use drugs, at least they know what they are doing to themselves," said Hutchinson.

The course covers everything from hallucinogenics to alcohol to over-the-counter drugs.

"We try to get the most updated source material we can," said Hutchinson.

"We will use as many 'experts' in the field as we can."

Hutchinson said the class will also try to dispel myths concerning drugs.

"We are not going to approach this as scare tactics," he said.

Drug program explained

Jim Duff, an instructor at Cedar Ridge, has a master's degree in health education and is an Emergency Medical Technician.

So it bothers him a little when people ask if Cedar Ridge shouldn't have an "expert" teaching drug education — such as a former drug addict, for example.

"I politely tell them if they were an expert they wouldn't have been a drug addict," Duff said, offering his standard reply.

"It's kind of frustrating, the attitudes parents have."

That doesn't mean Duff isn't supportive of guest speakers such as Jevon Thompson, who was to have presented workshops at area schools and for parents on Wednesday.

Duff feels that outside

speakers can share experiences to which students may be able to relate.

Students at Cedar Ridge receive four weeks of education on alcohol one year and four weeks of drug education the other while at the school. The courses are offered through the health sequence.

Interestingly, a community-based health curriculum advisory committee is revising the health curriculum from grades one through eight this year as part of a regular review.

The textbook for health has a copyright of 1977, so Duff doesn't use it much for drug education. He relies on a host of other material, but one of his major complaints is a lack of verifiable information.

Few outright statements

— if not verified by research — get past the students, he said.

One example is the premise that one marijuana cigarette is harder on the lungs than 16 tobacco cigarettes. Though this premise has been around for years, Duff said he has not been able to find research to verify it, even though he's checked source after source. "This is bad, because the kids want to know where the information comes from."

"We can't lie to 'em," Duff said, explaining that a teacher must maintain his credibility.

"The school certainly can't do it all," Duff said. Help from the home is needed, and Duff doesn't feel he can — or should — build values from the ground up. "I'm only building on the values built at home. It's not my job to build values."

He said, "We do talk a lot about the consequences." That can include the legal problems, such as when a person is charged with driving under the influence of a controlled substance.

Or, it can be the dangerous physical consequences.

"Teaching them about it is not teaching them to do it," Duff said.

Regardless of the education a student receives, or the training at home, in the end the decision about

whether to abuse alcohol or drugs rests with the individual. "They'd better have some knowledge about those decisions," Duff said.

He said he'll do what can to support the group of people who formed during the "Chemical People" television shows.



Jim Duff

Parents have to know as much about drugs as their children, Duff said. "They've got to be involved, they've got to be informed."

Chief to speak at local VFW

The Commander-in-Chief of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, Clifford Olsen Jr., will visit Sandy next week.

Olsen will arrive Dec. 8 at the Portland International Airport. Members from Districts 3, 15 and 16 of Oregon VFW will greet him. Color Bearers from Sandy VFW 4273 and Auxiliary will be part of the group.

A banquet will be held Friday evening at 8 p.m. at Cedar Ridge School with the Sandy VFW members hosting.

Olsen, of Pembroke, Mass., was elected Commander-in-Chief of the

VFW at the national convention in New Orleans, La., in August.

Olsen, 48, was born in the Dorchester section of Boston and is employed by the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.

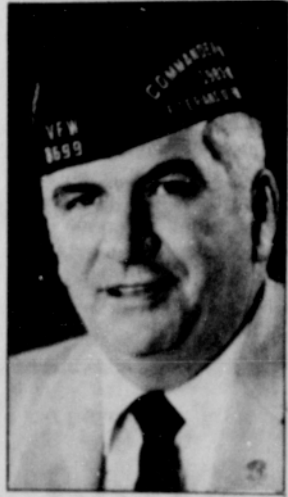
He entered the U.S. Navy at 17, serving as an air crewman and hydraulic specialist. During the Korean War he was assigned to Patrol Squadron 7, a PV2 aircraft unit that provided air cover for the 7th Fleet and worked extensively carrying out anti-submarine patrols, weather reconnaissance and intelligence sorties.

He initially became involved with the VFW through the athletic and community activity programs.

Olsen later became Commander of his Post in Mattapan, a Boston suburb, being accorded all-state honors in 1964 and 1965.

He was an All-American District Commander in 1971 and 1972 and an All-American Department Commander for the state of Massachusetts in 1978-79.

He was responsible for many programs, including cancer research programs. Olsen and his wife have four children.



Clifford Olsen

Wemme bank to hold open house

An open house will be held at the Wemme branch of the United States National Bank of Oregon today and Friday.

The remodeled bank includes a new conference room and an enclosed safety deposit box area.

"It's more convenient from the customer's point of view," said Geri Bell, manager. The remodeling more than doubles the size of the bank.

The enclosed safe deposit

area will afford customers more privacy, she said. The conference room, she said, "was needed in this community."

All in all, Bell said she feels the bank is more functional.

The open house will be held between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Dec. 1, and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Dec. 2.

The bank is located at Highway 26 and Welches Road.

Sandy VFW member dies

Funeral was Tuesday for Sidney A. Meyer of Boring. He died Friday at Gresham Community Hospital at the age of 63.

Mr. Meyer was born July 4, 1920, in Bagley, Minn. He lived in Minnesota until he was 19 years old, when he moved to Boring. He was employed as a mill worker until he was disabled in a work accident in 1955.

He married his wife, Jeanette, on April 4, 1942 in Vancouver, Wash.

Mr. Meyer was a member of the Sandy Post V.F.W. 4273.

Survivors include his wife, Jeanette of Boring; five children, Duane, Wayne, Van and Mallory, all of Boring, and Rodney of Portland; six brothers, Orlo of Bagley, Minn., Leo of Milwaukee, and Chester, Lester, Fred and Emmett, all of Boring; one sister, June Johnson of Bagley, Minn.; 13 grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.

Mr. Meyer was buried in Willamette National Cemetery.

Wash. Mr. Sanderson was a member of the Baptist church and an active member of the Gresham Senior Citizens Center. He enjoyed fishing, working in his garden and playing pool.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy of Boring;

one brother, Bill Sanderson of Medford; two sisters, Mabel Baltzer of McAllen, Texas, and Charlene Zepeida of California, and one grandchild.

Funeral will be at 10:30 a.m. Friday at Carroll Funeral Home in Gresham. Burial will be at Hilltop Cemetery in Independence.

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Portland man is arrested

The Sandy police arrested one person Saturday in connection with the theft of money from TJ's Restaurant Thursday night.

Meyer Michael Weinberg, who lists his address as Portland, was taken to Clackamas County jail and charged with theft and burglary.

The theft occurred Nov. 24 at 11 p.m. The arrest was made the morning of the 26th, according to a Sandy police department report.

Weinberg, 38, was employed as a dishwasher at TJ's Restaurant at the time of the theft, according to the police report. All the money was recovered.