

It's Rick's now

Nick's Hallmark purchased by Stone

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Rick Stone, who owns a card shop in Sandy and manages the Gordon Stone's store, is expanding his greeting card business.

Stone recently bought the Nick's Hallmark Shop at 205 N. Main Ave. in Gresham. When that happened, Nick's became Rick's.

The change in ownership from Nick and Barbara Welsh to Stone "... makes it easy on the sign," he said. "I just changed one letter."

Stone said he hopes that the 3-year-old store will benefit from the downtown revitalization plan as well as the Gresham Town Fair shopping center under construction on Northwest Eastman Parkway.

"The outlook is excellent," said Stone, whose father, Gordon, has owned a Gresham clothing store for 48 years and a second one in Sandy for about nine years.

Stone has immediate plans for boosting sales through new Hallmark products like the Birthday Times computer. For \$2.50, it will print a fact sheet when given a name and birthdate. The store will feature a new line of gifts unavailable at nearby shops, Stone said.

Besides business potential, Stone said he bought the card shop to keep it under ownership of Gresham's founding families — his and the Welshes. Their friendship spans three generations.

"There is really only one family that should do this and that's us," Stone said.

Stone's Gresham store is part of what will be a small chain of Hallmark shops owned or managed by him. Stone continues to manage Sandi's Hallmark store, 3890 Proctor Blvd., Sandy. He has managed Sandi's Hallmark since its opening three years ago.

He opened a third Hallmark store on Nov. 1 at 12020 S.E. Divi-



Rick Stone is expanding his greeting card business with the purchase of a second Hallmark store.

sion St. in the new Division Street Center, described by Stone as "one of the more Cadillac centers in East County." The 2,800-square-foot Division Street store will feature Van Duyn's candy. Up to five persons will work there.

Stone will remain in his parents' business as an occasional consultant on men's shoes and clothing at the Stone's store in Sandy. He has worked in the family business for 22 years. He previously divided his time between managing Sandi's and Stone's.

"So I've got about nine hats that I've got to wear," he said with a laugh.

Stone's is truly a family business. Gordon oversees both Stone's stores, his mother, D.J., keeps the books, one brother, Randy, buys the men's clothing, and

another, Marty, manages the men's and shoe departments at both stores.

The Welshes have left the greeting card business after opening their first store at Hood Center in Gresham almost 12 years ago. It was sold in February 1985. The downtown shop was the last of five to be sold by the Welshes, who live in the Interlachen neighborhood north of Fairview. Nick is continuing to sell giftware wholesale while Barbara is semi-retired, he said.

"I hope to sell Rick things," Welsh said. The Welshes may also start another business in Gresham.

Now, Welsh said, "We're looking forward to Rick doing well. He's got lots of fresh ideas and a lot of potential."

Directory of loggers planned

An updated directory of Clackamas County small-job loggers is being prepared for area woodland owners and tree farmers by the Clackamas County Farm Forestry Association.

Loggers as well as people who provide contract services to private landowners are invited to be included in the directory.

"We frequently get questions from landowners who are looking for a logger who works with private landowners. Sometimes the jobs are only a couple of acres, other times they can be much bigger," said Mike Bondi, Clackamas County Extension Agent.

"This listing will provide names of such operators, the services they can

offer, plus references," he said.

Similar directories of loggers have been available, but there has not been an update since 1980.

To be included on the small-job logger list, contact Bondi at the OSU Extension Office in Oregon City, 655-8631, or the State Forestry Office in Molalla, 829-2216.

Holiday craft classes are scheduled

The Sandy recreation department is sponsoring a series of after-school holiday craft classes Tuesdays from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. beginning Nov. 18 at the Sandy Community Center, 38348 Pioneer Blvd.

Classes are open to children in

grades one through six.

Among the crafts to be made are homemade cards, gift wrapping, placemats, candy, sachet hoops, holiday felt crafts, cookies and graham cracker gingerbread houses.

Children may sign up for the entire

five-week series or for individual classes. Fee for Sandy residents is \$8, or \$2 per class. For out-of-town participants, the fee is \$13 for the series and \$3 per class.

For registration and other information, call 668-5569.

Group elects new officers

A new slate of Oregon Forest Products Transportation Association officers recently began their new 1986-87 term of office.

Cheryl Hooley of Sandy was elected secretary, and Earl Fultz of Estacada was elected treasurer.

Ed Huwaldt of Milwaukie is the new president and Darrell Jones of Oregon City is the new director.

The association is a voluntary organization of 850 Oregon men and women who transport forest products in Oregon or are directly associated with the industry.

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Builders Board fines man for failure to register

Larry Goodrich of Your Way Carpentry, Sandy, was penalized \$600 recently for advertising to do residential remodeling and repairs while not registered with the state Builders Board.

The penalty was levied for

violation of the Oregon homebuilders law, which requires residential construction firms — including self-employed individuals — to register with the state before they advertise, or bid on, or engage in, home construction or repair work.

Bazaar set by Sandy Rebekahs

The Sandy Rebekah Christmas Bazaar and Flea Market will be held Friday, Nov. 14 and Saturday, Nov. 15 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at the Odd Fellows Hall, 38885 Pioneer Blvd.

Tables are for rent. For more information, call 668-5231 or 668-4317.

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