

Sandy chiropractor earns new degree

Mark Mullins, owner of Mullins Chiropractic and Rehabilitation Center in Sandy, has completed post-graduate work in orthopedics and has earned the title, Diplomat of the American Board of Chiropractic Othopedists.

To earn the degree, Mullins took 300 hours of course work from Western States Chiropractic College in Portland. After completing the course work a year ago, Mullins began studying for the seven-hour written exam and later the two-hour oral exam. He successfully passed the written exam in October 1986 and was recently notified that he has successfully completed the oral exam.

Only about 300 chiropractors nationwide have earned the diplomat title, he said.

Orthopedics — the study of the relationship between muscles, joints and bones — and X-ray are two areas of specialty for chiropractors, Mullins explained.

The traditional chiropractic office treats medical problems through the manipulation of the spine. The cause of a number of problems can be traced to the spine, he said.

In addition, Mullins said his practice includes treatment of musculoskeletal injuries and rehabilitation, with sports injuries an area of emphasis.

Some rehabilitation includes recognizing future limitations, Mullins said. Sports medicine can be different in that an athlete may hope to return to pre-injury status.

Mullins can also cast simple, closed fractures, or those that do not penetrate the skin.

He is a member of the American Chiropractic Association and the American College of Sports Medicine. He is a member of the ACA's Council on Orthopedics and its Council on Nutrition.

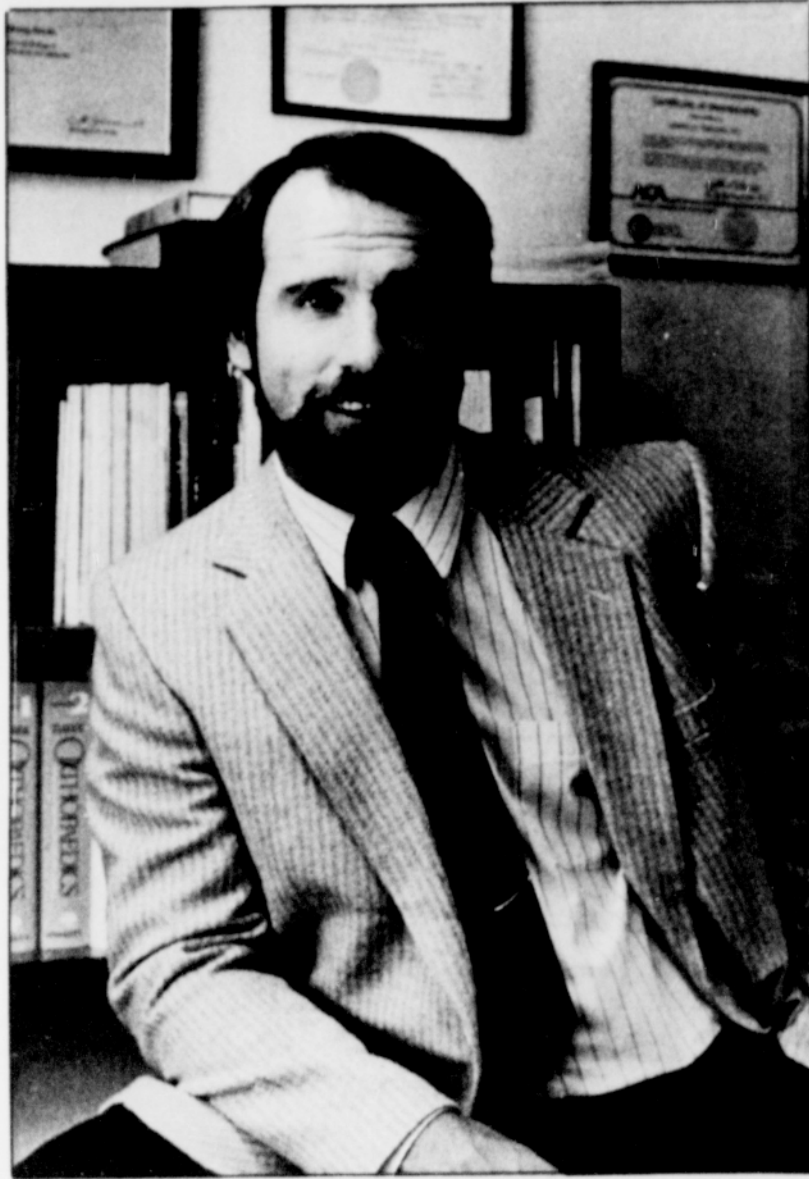
He is also a member of the Foundation for Chiropractic Education and Research.

Mullins, a native of North Bend, studied physiotherapy at the University of Oklahoma for four years, then transferred to Western States Chiropractic College in Portland, where he earned his degree as a chiropractic physician.

To earn the diplomat degree, Mullins did advanced study in neurology, pathology, clinical laboratory interpretation and diagnosis, the spine, pelvis, extremities, fractures, and bone and joint conditions. Those areas were covered in the written exam.

In his oral exams, Mullins was tested on clinical competency and case management.

Mullins and his wife, Renee, live in Sandy. He has practiced here for six years.



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Photo by Scott Newton

Berries rot as state tries to ease crisis

by CHRISTY TRUE
Staff writer

As strawberries rot in local fields and on cannery docks, Gov. Neil Goldschmidt has formed a task force to deal with a statewide farm crisis brought on by a worker shortage.

State farmers are facing an "emergency of unprecedented proportions" because they lack workers to pick crops, Goldschmidt said at a press conference in Salem Tuesday.

Confusion over the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 has discouraged Mexican migrant workers from crossing the border this year. An especially abundant and early crop of strawberries has intensified the worker-shortage problem, local farmers say.

Goldschmidt blamed the federal bureaucracy for the worker shortage. He said more than half of Oregon's potential farm laborers are still in Mexico, where they are unable to complete the paperwork needed to enter the United States.

"They are trapped in a paper chase in Mexico because the new law is so wrapped up in red tape and bureaucracy," he said. "The system isn't working. It probably cannot work. We intend to insist that the Immigration and Naturalization Service speed up the process."

About 10,000 farm workers who normally would come to Oregon have stayed in Mexico because of the confusion and uncertainty surrounding the law, said Oregon Agriculture Director Bob Buchanan.

He also blamed the INS for causing that confusion by changing its rules and not providing needed education on the law.

Oregon farmers could face a \$200 million to \$300 million crop loss if adequate farm labor cannot be secured this season, he said.

"We will mobilize any and all state services or resources to help our farmers get the workers they need this summer to grow and harvest their crops," he said.

Goldschmidt and Buchanan said the task force efforts will include:

- A statewide education campaign on the new law for employers and employees.
- An effort to obtain workers from non-traditional areas.
- An active lobbying effort to try to get Congress to modify the Immigration Reform Act to allow seasonal farm labor to come to the United States.

Under terms of the immigration law, illegal aliens who were not in the United States by May 1 and were not eligible for general amnesty, but who worked in agriculture for 90 days last year, must apply for "special agricultural worker" status in Mexico.

Serious labor shortages already have resulted in as much as a 30 percent loss of the state's strawberry crop, the first perishable crop to be harvested this year in Oregon, Buchanan said.

Local berry farmers said they are losing money as strawberries go to waste. With only about a week left in the strawberry season, farmers could not estimate how high the losses would go, but they said they would be substantial.

"We will lose our share," said Jim Fujii of Fujii Farms in Troutdale. "No labor is available. We are trying all the alternatives to get the strawberries picked."

Sharon Strebin of Strebin Farms, which is east of Gresham, said she has a "beautiful" crop her family is trying to pick.

"We have 50 acres of prime strawberries. There are six people in this family and they are all out there picking. We will lose a lot."

The same problem has hit the canneries, and even when the strawberries have been picked, they may go to waste before they are canned, said Dean Bredenkamp, president of Scenic Fruit near Orient.

"We have the same problem the farmers have," he said. "It's going to hurt us and cost us a lot of money."

The farm bureau estimates that Multnomah, Washington, Clackamas and Marion County areas need 3,000 to 4,000 more workers for the strawberry harvest.

High school and college students who are getting out of school this week also may help in providing needed labor, the farmers said. But the real problem is that few people are willing to do the type of labor harvesting demands.

"It's a lack of total labor, not just Mexicans," Fujii said. "Picking is most people's last resort."

Long hours and hard work discourage people from working in canneries as well, even though workers are paid 50 percent more for their overtime labor, Bredenkamp said.

"People don't stay on the job very long," he said. "They don't like the long hours."

In brief

Gordon receives \$500 scholarship

Ian Gordon of Boring is among 58 top students in the College of Science at Oregon State University awarded scholarships for the 1987-88 academic year.

Gordon received a \$500 Jesse Hanson scholarship.

Gordon is a junior studying geology.

Gleason among PLU graduates

Laura Gleason of Boring has

graduated from Pacific Lutheran University in Tacoma, Wash.

Gleason received a bachelor's of arts degree in education. Elementary social science was her major field of study.

Fair memories to be published

Stories about past Clackamas County fairs are sought by the Clackamas County Fair Board.

The board wants to compile a book of fair memories for publishing before this year's fair, scheduled for Aug. 18 through Aug. 23.

People with "exciting, embarrass-

ing, tender or special" stories, old letters, diaries, photo and other memorabilia are wanted.

For information about the fair "book of memories" call 266-1136 or write the fair board at 694 N.E. Fourth Ave., Canby, Ore., 97013.

Migrant children offered program

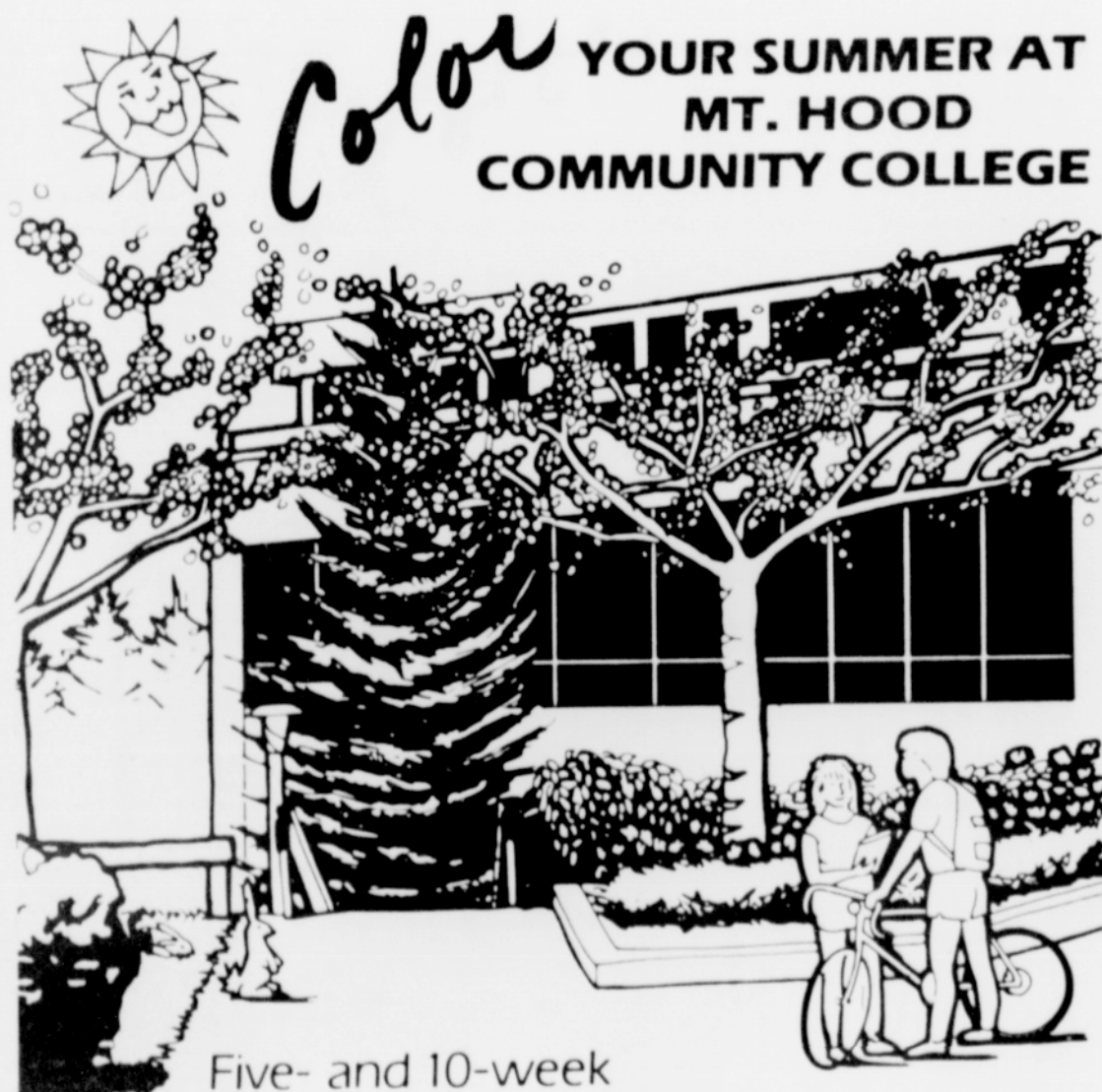
A summer education program for all Clackamas County migrant children in kindergarten through 12th grade will be sponsored by the Clackamas Education Service District.

The program will be offered at Ackerman Junior High School in Canby.

Classes will begin June 16 and end July 17. Elementary students will attend school from 7:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

Secondary students will attend school from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

A U.S. Department of Agriculture-supported breakfast, lunch and snack will be provided for elementary students, and a dinner meal will be provided for secondary students. Bus transportation is available.



Five- and 10-week sessions begin June 22. Second five-week session begins July 27.

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