

## From Boring to Beverly Hills

# Banker faces new challenge

Local banker Bobbi Swan is going from Boring to Beverly Hills.

Swan will begin working July 1 at City National Bank in Beverly Hills, where she has been hired as senior vice president. She will also serve on the executive management committee, which is the bank's policy making board.

Swan said she and her husband, Norm, will miss their Oregon friends. They will also leave behind a home that they have landscaped extensively.

But Swan said it was an "excellent opportunity" she couldn't pass up. "I always like to look forward," she said.

Their home and the Four Seasons Car and RV Wash, which they also own, are for sale.

Swan, who grew up in Los Gatos, Calif., received a two-year degree in business administration from Foothills State College in Northern California and began working in a small, independent bank in 1962.

In the 11 years she was there, the bank grew in size from assets of \$2 million to \$11 million. When she left she was the second officer at the bank.

In 1974 they moved to Oregon so that Norm could take a different job. Swan began working at the Clackamas County Bank. She worked there for 11 years, serving

as chief executive officer when she left in 1985.

She then took a job as vice president at the First Interstate Bank of Oregon, which she recently resigned for her new position.

At City National Bank she will serve as head of operations, coordinating the bank's operations, including those of the 24 branch offices.

The Swans have two children. Rob, 22, is a senior at Oregon State University; Kris, 19, is a sophomore at OSU. Both are Sandy High School graduates.

Swan said she has been able to manage the roles of career woman, mother and wife because she has a "teamwork marriage."

"That's what made it work," she said, "both of us being supportive of each other." They celebrated their 25th anniversary in April.

Swan has moved twice so that Norm could take job advancements. Now they are moving so she can pursue what may be the most challenging job of her career.

City National Bank is a high performance bank, she said. She described it as a well-run bank with its own niche in the marketplace dealing with the entertainment business.

The bank takes good care of its



Bobbi Swan

banks, Swan thinks the competitive aspect has been good for the industry and it has made the business interesting for her.

"Bankers now feel the customer is someone to be reckoned with; we have a better-educated consumer. Eight or nine years ago, not everyone knew what the prime rate was. Now they not only know what it is, but they can probably tell you what the prime rate is today."

She doesn't see herself as a trailblazer for the women's movement. "I always felt if you worked hard, opportunity would present itself," she said.

Since 1978 Swan has served on the board of the Northwest Intermediate Banking Schools. The two programs are accredited by the American Bankers Association. The school was recently expanded to train bankers from a five-state area.

In August she will finish out her year as president of the board by attending a graduation ceremony.

She has also served on the executive council of the Oregon Bankers Association, the Mt. Hood Community College and Sandy High School business advisory committees, the Clackamas County Private Industry Council and the Sandy Fire District pension advisory board.

customers, Swan said. "Good service is the bottom line for the banking industry now."

When she began her career in the '60s, "truth in lending" laws were being implemented, which she said was the start of banking deregulation. Deregulation made managing people's money a business.

Although deregulation hurt some

## Honor roll students named at Oregon State University

Names of students who have made the honor roll for the spring term were announced recently by Oregon State University.

Students on the straight-A honor roll earned a 4.0 grade point average. They included:

From Boring: Ian R. Gordon, who is a junior majoring in science; Caroline L. Henry, a senior majoring in pharmacy; and Larry A. Sakauye, a senior majoring in engineering.

From Eagle Creek: Heidi Dewar, a senior majoring in science.

From Government Camp: Nancy L. Rundall, a junior majoring in business.

From Sandy: Joseph V. Betschart, a junior majoring in engineering.

Students who were on the honor roll with a 3.5 grade point average or better included Jena L. Strebin of Sandy, a freshman majoring in home economics.

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## Obituaries

### Inez Thompson

A funeral for former Sandy resident Inez A. Thompson, a great-granddaughter to the late President James Garfield, was held June 17 at Carroll Funeral Home in Gresham.

Mrs. Thompson, a resident of East Multnomah County, died June 12 at a Portland hospital. She was 82.

She was born Sept. 5, 1904, in Akron, Colo., to John and Inez Little.

She attended school in Akron and earned a degree in education from Colorado State University. She taught in Craig, Colo., for about a year before she married Edgar R. Thompson on May 15, 1926, in Greeley, Colo.

The couple established Longmount Monument Works, and Mrs. Thompson worked as a sales person. They sold the business in 1942.

They bought a farm in Sandy, and she worked as a cook and a nurse's aid at a local nursing home until her retirement. The couple moved to Portland in 1974, where her husband died.

Her hobbies included homemaking, canning, crocheting and fishing. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary Southeast Post No. 146 and was a member of the Rebekahs. She was a past noble grand.

She is survived by her children, Howard Thompson and Lawrence Thompson of Portland, Gerald Thompson of Kaiser, and Carol Harris of Tucson, Ariz.; her brother, William Little of Del Norte, Colo.; 23 grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

She will be buried in Forest Lawn Memorial Park. Her family suggests

memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

### Carroll Ball

Carroll Smith Ball, a resident of East Multnomah County and former resident of Gresham, died of cancer on June 19 at a Portland hospital. He was 78.

He was born in Berryville, Ark., on Sept. 16, 1908, the son of Ethal and Maude Ball. He moved as a young boy with his family to northeastern Oklahoma, where he was raised on a farm.

He married Eula Dean Jones in Miami, Okla., in 1932. The couple moved to Brightwood in 1942, and to

Gresham a few months later, where he was employed in heavy construction.

Mr. Ball was a resident of East County for the past 23 years. He worked for many years for Ross Hammond Construction Company. He was a member of the Carpenters/Laborers Union.

He is survived by his wife, Eula Dean Ball of East County; his children, Shirley Betts of Portland, James Ball of Sandy and Charles Ball of San Antonio, Texas; his brother, Bud Ball of Marysville, Calif.; sisters, Myrtle Stark of Portland and Etta Hayhurst of San Pablo, Calif.; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

A funeral was held June 23 at Carroll Funeral Home. He was buried in Pleasant View Cemetery in Wilsonville.

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On June 23, Sandy police issued a citation to Timothy Earl Kasch, 18, of Sandy, charging him with second degree theft. He is being charged in connection with the theft of a street sign from the corner of Shelley Avenue and Pioneer Boulevard. It was valued at \$75.

Kasch is scheduled to appear in Clackamas County District Court on July 14.

On June 23, Steven William Gannsz, 34, of Santa Cruz, Calif., was charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants.

On June 22, Thomas Lee Cansler, 24, of Sandy, was charged with driving with a suspended license.

On June 22, Margaret Ann Schelin, 33, of Sandy, was charged with driving with a suspended license.

On June 22, Tracey Gene Stapleton, 26, of Sandy, was charged with driving with a suspended license, driving without insurance and driving without a valid operator's license.

## University of Oregon names graduates for spring term

A number of local people were among the graduates at the University of Oregon this spring. They included:

From Boring: Kelly Shannon Marie Campbell, bachelor of arts, finance and management; Barbara Jane Dweak, bachelor of science,

marketing; and Selesa Adhiambo Nyiendo, bachelor of science, advertising.

From Sandy: Daniel Dean Martin, bachelor of science, history; and Steven Mark Richkind, doctor of jurisprudence, law.

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