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Building Permit Process Changes

Portland has a new building permit application process for one and two family homes.

A guide has also been developed to help customers prepare the site plans which are required as part of the application. It contains the steps necessary to complete the permitting process and easy to use worksheets.

The new process will allow customers to arrange appointments for permit reviews for new R3 dwellings which include single-family residences, duplexes and two-unit rowhouses.

One new goal for city officials is to check applications within 10 working days.

Bureau of Buildings officials said the city is continuing efforts to make services accessible and efficient.

New OLCC Rule To Require Liquor Liability Insurance

Starting March 1, 1995, new applicants for liquor licenses that allow sale of alcoholic drinks must show proof of liquor liability insurance coverage of \$300,000 or a \$300,000 bond before their licenses are granted. Public events that include the sale of alcohol and expect to draw 300 or more people daily will also be required to have the insurance.

The Oregon Liquor Control Commissioners recently adopted the rule requiring liquor liability insurance that became effective on Jan. 1.

"Businesses that apply for a bar, restaurant or tavern license before March 1 will be exempt from the new requirement," said Gene Hallman, chair of the board. He also noted that sponsors of special events who have had a liquor license for an event before March 1, will be exempt from the rule at future similar events.

According to Hallman, state law requires liquor licenses to demonstrate financial responsibility in order to be licensed. Oregon's Dram Shop law

holds liquor licensees liable if the business operator or employees illegally sell alcohol to a visibly intoxicated person or a minor and a third party is killed or injured by the visibly intoxicated person or minor.

"This new rule is a safeguard for Oregonians, whose lives can dramatically and in some cases unalterably be changed by a drunk driver," Hallman said.

The new rule exempts current bar, restaurant or tavern licenses. Grocery stores and other liquor li-

censed businesses that sell only packaged (to go) malt beverages and wine are not subject to the insurance requirement. Winery, brewery and grower's sales privilege licenses who do not sell drinks of wine and beer at their businesses are also exempt.

Any business that sells alcoholic drinks that wants to change their business structure, sell 50 percent of their ownership or apply for additional license privileges must meet the new licensing requirement, according to Hallman.

Public Invited To 1995 Alameda Home Tour

Five architecturally significant homes on the Alameda ridge will be featured as part of the upcoming 1995 Alameda Home Tour. The event takes place on Sunday, March 12, 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. and features several interesting architectural styles within this historic Portland neighborhood including a home on the National Register of Historic Places.

The 1995 Alameda Home Tour is a benefit to raise funds to trans-

form the ailing playground at Alameda Elementary School into a revitalized urban green space that would be a community resource for the neighborhood. It is part of an ambitious effort to raise over \$100,000 to improve and upgrade the playground. The tour was organized by the Alameda Community Playground Committee who worked with homeowners in the neighborhood to make some of the finest homes available for the tour.

Cronin & Caplan Realty Group, sponsor of last year's Alameda Home tour, will again participate as a major sponsor of the 1995 Alameda Home Tour.

Tickets for the 1995 Alameda Home Tour are \$15 and can be purchased at Fred Meyer FASTTIX outlets or charged by phone - 224-TIXX. Tickets may also be purchased at The Arrangement, 4210 NE Fremont, and at Alameda Elementary School, 2732 NE Fremont.

1995 Oregon Dairy Princess

Emily Schmidlin was crowned as the 1995 Oregon Dairy Princess during ceremonies at the Quality Inn, in Salem, Saturday night. Emily is the daughter of Leonard and Betty Schmidlin, and represented Washington County dairy farmers in the state-wide event. First Alternate was Danise Hill, of Tillamook, representing Tillamook County. Danise received \$600 in scholarship money.

Bobbi Jo Coleman, of St. Paul, representing Marion County, was named second alternate and received a \$250 scholarship. The Miss Congeniality silver pitcher award went to AuTossie Boeckman, of Clackamas County. Six county princesses from across the state competed in the two day event, sponsored by the Oregon Dairy Women.

During her reign, Princess Emily will be involved in state-wide dairy promotional activities as a part-time employee of the Oregon Dairy Women. She received an \$800 course from Cinderella's School of Professional Development, of Salem, one thousand dollars in scholarships from Dairygold and Stockwell Manufacturing, and will be awarded more continuing education scholarships at the end of her reign.

Emily, 18, has been active in 4-H for eight years. She has won numerous awards showing her Aryshires. A senior at Vernonia High School, Emily has received academic awards for world geography, phys-



Emily Schmidlin

ical science, algebra, biology, physical education and is a member of National Honor Society. She also participates in her church youth group. Emily plans to attend Pacific University next year. She has one sister Melissa, and brothers, Pat, Matt, Peter, Greg, and Eric.

Outgoing State Dairy Princess Dorothy Rupprecht crowned Princess Emily and received \$4150 in scholarship money from several industry leaders.

Princess candidates spent a day and a half preceding the coronation in speech and poise competition, being evaluated by a three judge panel for poise, appearance, personality, dairy knowledge, and public speaking.

Candidates for the 1995 Oregon Dairy Princess and the dairy areas

they represented were: Jody Vernholm, Haines, representing Baker County; AuTossie Boeckman, Canby, representing Clackamas County; Bobbi Jo Coleman, St. Paul, Marion County; Danise Hill, Tillamook, Tillamook County; Jessica Johnson, McMinnville, Yamhill County.

Republican Takes Back Comment

House Majority Leader Richard Armye, R-Texas, called Rep. Barney Frank, D-Mass., "Barney Fag" and then apologized, after an interview with reporters. Frank is a homosexual.

Environmaniacs Invade Dishman

Who: Children in grades

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What: FREE Environmaniac Program-classes that teach kids to appreciate the fragile environment around them and the interesting animals that depend on it.

Where: Dishman Community Center, 77 NE Knott, 823-3673

When: Wednesday nights January 18-February 22, 1995; Sessions from 3:30pm-4:30pm for ages 6-9 and 4:30pm-5:30pm for ages 10-12.

Register: Call Dishman Community Center, 823-3673

For more information about the classes or how to register, call the Portland Parks and Recreation Hotline at 823-2223 V/TT.

There is no time like the present to start educating your children about the wonders of nature. Portland Parks and Recreation and the Bureau of Environmental Services have created the Environmaniac program to help teach kids how to appreciate our environment and the interesting animals that depend on it.

Happy Birthday
Gregory Taylor
at Washington Mutual.

Six Elected To Medical Services Board

Members of McKenzie-Willamette Medical Services elected six board members at the corporation's annual meeting Tuesday evening.

Incumbents re-elected are John Lively, executive director of the Eugene/Springfield Metropolitan Partnership; Marvin Berkman, M.D., anesthesiologist with McKenzie Anesthesia Group; and Donna Buell, Buell Chapel. Newly elected to the board are Maureen Maine, owner of PICO Information Systems, Inc.; Jamon Kent, superintendent of the Springfield School District; and Frances Jean Phelps, executive director of the Relief Nursery. The non-profit parent corporation, which operates McKenzie-Willamette Hospital, has a 15-member board of directors.

In his annual report, Board Chair Bill McCabe noted the hospital's goal in affiliating with Planetree is to focus on providing patients more access to health information and education, and to involve their families as much as possible in their care. According to McCabe, this fits the managed care environment because shorter hospital stays accentuate the need for patients families to under-

stand their illness and participate in their recovery.

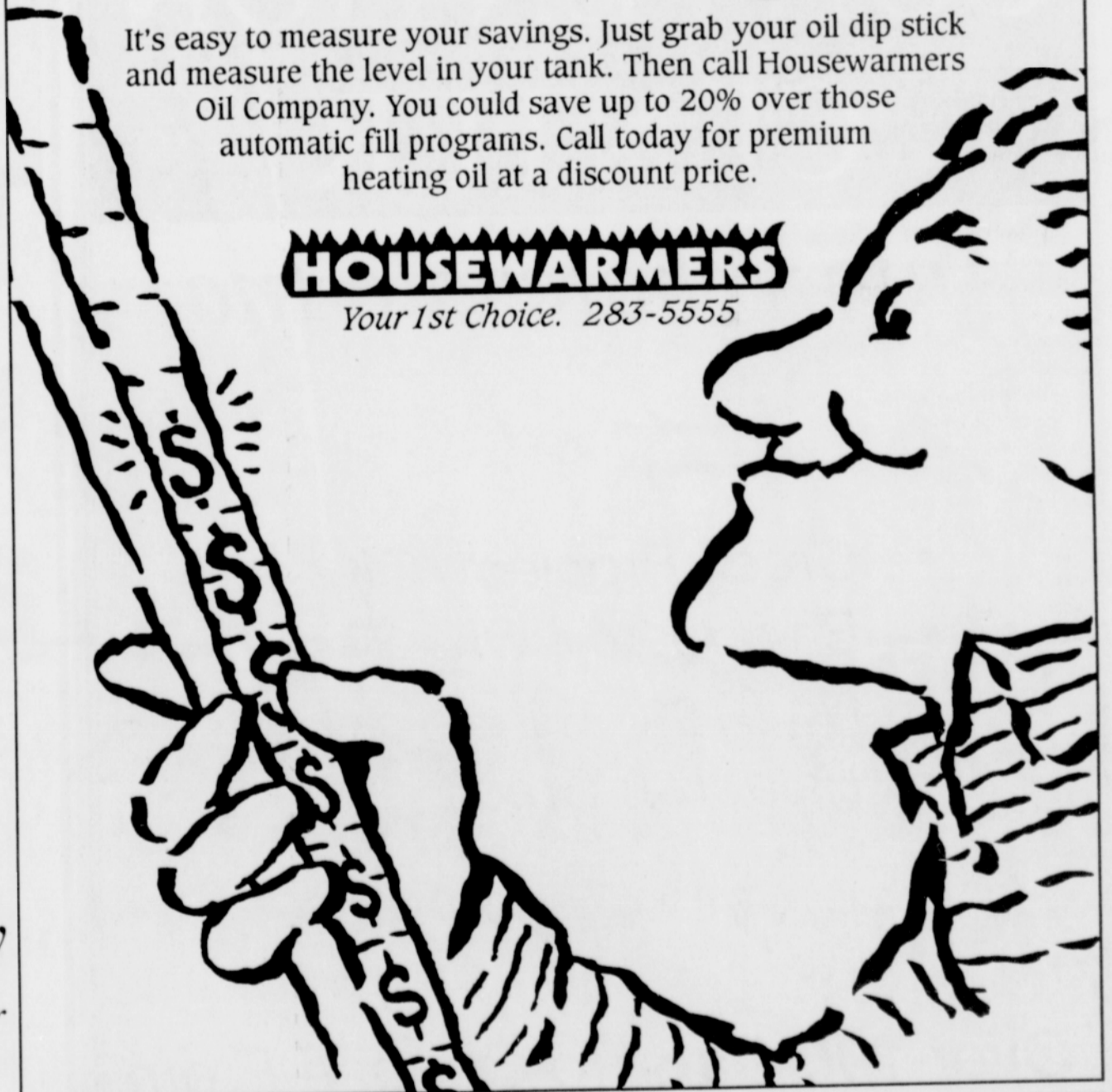
Chief Executive Officer Roy J. Orr called 1995 a year for partnerships between McKenzie-Willamette and other health care organizations. Orr cited the partnership between McKenzie-Willamette, Surgical Care Affiliates, PacificSource and local physicians to build the McKenzie Surgery Center this year on Country Club Road in Eugene. He also noted McKenzie Health Care, a partnership launched in 1994 that integrates efforts of the hospital and 160 physicians, and the growing relationships with insurance partners. "We are in an age when many hospitals are hoping to survive the storm of change," he said. "We're not happy with that. We are taking an active role in creating our future as a high quality health care provider."

According to 1994 Chief of Medical Staff Robert Gunderman, M.D., some services are up while the average length of stay is down. "Activity with MedExpress, our worksite emergency medical treatment service increased more than 40 percent," he said. The average length of stay fell slightly, from 3.26 days to 3.13.

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Correction: In article "It Takes An Entire Village To Dream," Kevin Fuller was featured with Cristi Larry, not Marjorie Arignon.

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celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary.