

Hair Bear has Birthday

First Year 'Hairy' Success

The Hair Bear, a shop for everybody, is celebrating its first anniversary this May here in Warm Springs. The shop has been so successful that the owner-beautician, Myra Johnson, has been able to hire Janet Billey as her assistant.

"This isn't just a beauty shop," the two women said. "We do hair for men, women, and children." The business is split about equally between men and women, according to Myra.

The Hair Bear, located behind Macy's in a converted and remodeled mobile home, offers convenience and prices that compare favorably with Madras, Bend, and Portland.

The shop specializes in cutting Indian people's hair. One

of the shop's customers said that you can't find people who really know Indian hair any other place around Central Oregon. "I think there's really a future for the shop," said another satisfied customer.

When asked how the Hair Bear got its name, Myra smiled and said that, that was an interesting experience. She said she had a "name the shop" contest. A box was put in Macy's store and about 50 entries submitted their ideas for the shop's name.

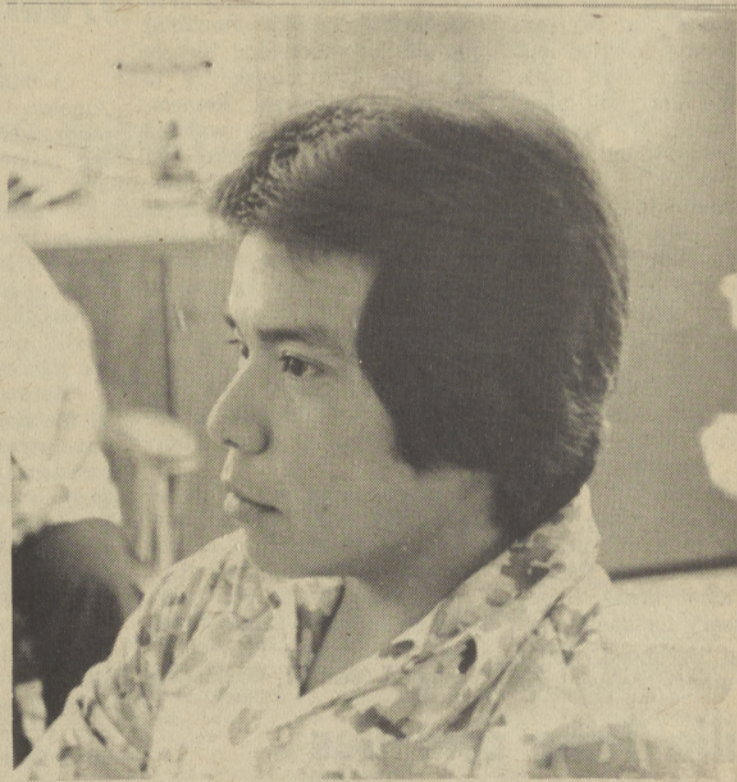
"A lot of good names were suggested," said Myra, "and it was a difficult choice. Hair Bear was finally selected because it was different and sounded cute, she said. The prize was a \$25 shop service.



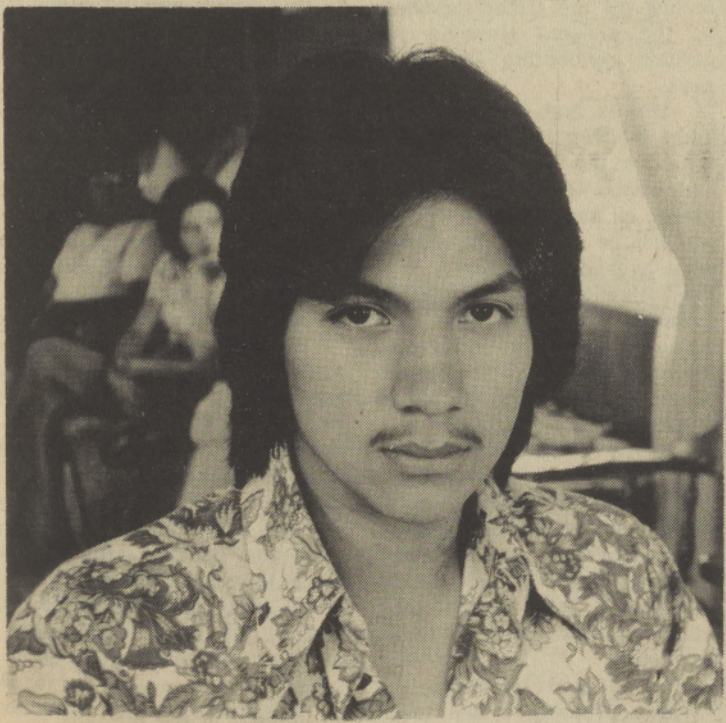
DONNA ELSTON has the kind of naturally curly hair that is easy to style in many ways. She was given a sculpture cut which was done with scissors. Photo by Sandy Rangila



SHIRLEY SANDERS is wearing a good style for naturally curly hair. Her hair is a blow-cut style, somewhere between a page and a shag. Photo by Sandy Rangila



LELAND TOM, who likes a medium length, has his hair styled so it won't look too short. It is a scissor-cut, and he also has a permanent to help condition his hair, making it more manageable. Photo by Sandy Rangila



STEVE DEFENDER, like most younger guys, likes his hair long. His hair is styled in a long, layered cut which was done with scissors. Photo by Sandy Rangila

The Hair Bear offers a variety of services. They include: men's, women's, and childrens hair cuts (both scissor and razor); permanents; shampoo, set, and-or blow-dry; manicures; facials; hair pieces and wiglets; hair tinting; special styling; and personalized, individual attention.

Janet explained why permanents are so popular among men. "It makes their hair more manageable, gives it more control, and softens and conditions the hair," she said. "Also, it's really a very quick procedure."

The Hair Bear is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and is open on Saturday by appointment. "It's a convenient location for

people wanting to have their hair fixed on coffee breaks and during lunch hour," said the women.

Prices range from \$4.50 for a child's style cut, to \$7.50 for an adult style-cut, shampoo and blow-dry. There are also special prices for just a trim, for example. The telephone number for the shop is 553-1451.