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LITTLE LEAGUE



Showing their winning form, Charles Stearns and Mike

Lindblad smile after getting top money for their league in a batting contest.

Lindblad, Stearns earn \$200 for league

Two Parkrose Little League boys made big league money after hitting home runs in a batting contest held on Father's Day.

Mike Lindblad and Charles Stearns, both 12, each earned \$100 to go toward their league for their hits. They both belong to the Roto Rooters team.

The contest was held at Civic Stadium before a Portland Beavers baseball game, but the batting contest was played on a roped-off, Little League-sized field.

HBO and local cable operators sponsored the event and asked leagues in the Portland metropolitan area to send 15 of their players to the contest.

Jerry Goodland, Parkrose Little League president, says it was "the luck of the draw" that the boys representing his area were on the same team.

He says an estimated 2,000 people watched the contest, which paid \$10 for a hit and \$100 for a homerun to benefit the league.

The contest was a good opportunity for the players, says Goodland, because the Beavers "talked to them and gave them some hints."

Although Lindblad hit two home runs, the maximum prize was \$100 per hitter.

Stearns is a catcher and shortstop on the Roto Rooters and Lindblad is a pitcher. Both attend Parkrose Middle School.

As for playing in the big league arena and coming out a winner, Lindblad says he felt "pretty good."

Free food available for kids

Children and teenagers who need food assistance this summer can take advantage of a summer food program held at local schools and community centers.

Some centers require that the youth be enrolled in a special food program while others operate less restrictive drop-in services, says Cheryl Uchida, supervisor of foods services for Portland Public Schools.

Uchida says that most lunches are served around noon each weekday and food must be eaten at the site.

Sumner School, 8678 N.E. Sumner St., and Parkrose United Methodist Church, 11111 N.E. Knott St., are participating in the program.

Information on other sites can be obtained from Uchida at 249-2000, extension 397.

Clinic developer praised for work with residents

A proposal to build a new medical clinic at Northeast 122nd Avenue and Fremont Street met with some initial concerns from the Argay Neighborhood Association, but builders have ironed out those differences and a construction start date is being set.

Providence Hospital submitted the proposal for the 12,050-square-foot brick building, which would have two driveways and 57 parking spaces.

Dave Underreiner, project manager for the clinic, says it was designed to accommodate six to eight doctors, preferably, "established physicians in that area."

The original architect's plans called for one driveway on Fremont and one on 122nd. Wayne Garber, chairman of the Argay Neighbors, says area residents were concerned about the "traffic on Fremont being overloaded."

After a quick notice was sent out to Argay residents, the group drafted a proposal requesting that Providence work out some of the problems with the neighbors before starting construction.

At a meeting with the neighborhood group in June, Providence agreed to eliminate the driveway on Fremont and have two off of 122nd Avenue.

Garber says the neighbors were very pleased with the receptiveness of the hospital in addressing their concerns.

He points out that since the subject land is already zoned for office/light commercial use, Providence was not legally obligated to seek neighborhood approval, or even to notify residents of construction plans.

"I really hope that all the developers along 122nd will be half as considerate," says Garber.

The Argay Terrace area was recently annexed to Portland, and now, Garber says, the city is attempting to integrate its codes with Multnomah County's for the properties in the area.

In some facets, he says, Providence even went beyond these minimum code requirements. Ten feet of landscaping at the back of the building will be its noise buffer, although only five feet are required by the county.

Also, the hospital has agreed to add eight more parking spaces, to bring the total to 55, to avoid overflow parking into the neighborhood. This figure is 50 percent higher than code, Garber says.

Overall, he says, residents were pleased that the development was going to be a medical office building.

"It really could have been a gas station," he says.

As for the view the neighbors enjoy, he says the building will be a split-level structure no taller than an average home.

"I'm pleased to see that they took our concerns to heart and rearranged some things," Garber says.

"I'm sure we delayed their construction a little."

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Merchants ask for business revitalization funds

By JANE BRAATEN

In an effort to restore the business districts in the area, mid-county merchants are applying for a block grant to participate in a revitalization plan from the Oregon Downtown Development Association (ODDA).

Floyd Geller, who has been active in the application process with the Eastside Business Alliance, says this is the second year the group has applied for the federal money.

He says they are asking for \$65,000 — the average fee ODDA charges for its program management and training.

ODDA is a non-profit, charitable organization that works with towns and cities to fund central business district renewal projects and provides them with a management consulting team.

The ODDA assistance would allow the entire Parkrose, Gateway and Rockwood districts to improve the look of their stores, plan a good mix of different businesses and enlarge their parking facilities to create cohesive shopping districts.

In May, the city invited ODDA representatives to meet with district and neighborhood leaders to discuss their program. Since then these representatives have held individual meetings to present more information.

Brian Scott, who grew up in the Alameda District and now coordinates ODDA's new Urban Centers program explained why renewal projects are so important.

"Because of the large investment in these older, neighborhood business districts in streets, sidewalks and sewers, the residents just can't afford to leave them for waste," says Scott.

"These districts also, because they offer cheaper rent than larger shopping malls, are in effect incubators for new businesses," he says.

He emphasizes the the ODDA programs are designed to create a plan and train a manager to manage the district much like a shopping mall, probably its biggest competitor.

"Shopping centers really work well — they have accessible parking, a good store mix, a full-time manager and a board of directors.

"We may as well learn from what works," says Scott.

Ruth Gonzalez, director of ODDA, says the first step in working with ODDA is to develop a cohesive business district group, one that wants to promote its own identity to the market area.

Then the business group applies for an urban center contract by writing to ODDA by June 1 (these deadlines are the same every year). An agreement would then be signed July 1, with management training to start in September.

Gonzalez says ODDA is able to meet with groups to determine whether a business group is ready to make the two-year commitment of revitalization.

Once a district has contracted with ODDA, a comprehensive plan is begun for improving building structures, inviting new businesses, promoting district activities and restructuring the makeup of the district.

Each plan is geared to the individual district, Gonzalez says, with a minimal amount of research and planning to be done before plans are carried through.

Representatives of the City of Portland also attended the meeting, emphasizing that Mayor Clark supports the idea.

They stress, however, that districts need to become cohesive units in planning and to develop adequate private funding bases before the City Council would consider contributing money.

Phil Thompson, an aide to Mayor Clark, says the council will consider one or two projects this year if the district's plans with ODDA are underway.

ODDA's fees have been \$60,000 for the two-year plan, but Gonzalez expresses a willingness to scale that figure down for smaller business districts.

Gonzalez says the first and most important thing for a district to work is developing a sense of commercial district identity, even if the district borders several neighborhoods.

The next step is to gather funds from different sources, such as community block grants, city or state matching funds and city economic development funding.

"Frankly, if a district is short on money it will develop more quickly than if it has lots of money," she says.

"The government has thrown more money toward revitalization projects than you can think about.

She says ODDA's successes come through motivating districts and supplying proven management formulas to make plans work.

The team that works with the district gets extensive training in the area to familiarize it with the issues in that area.

Yet sometimes, she says, an "out-of-town" approach can help in sorting through the hundreds of ideas that already exist in the district.

One of ODDA's sponsors was reviewing its work to see if it wished to continue contributing, she says, and spoke with managers in nine Oregon cities that have implemented ODDA's "Main Street" program.

Eight of the managers said the programs are wonderful and both the businesses and the community as a whole are prospering.

One manager said the program was all right, but didn't come up with any ideas that the citizens didn't already have.

"That last manager called later and explained the point to his comment was that 'while we could do it ourselves, we weren't.' That, more than anything, sums up what our program does," Gonzalez says.

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An active Parkrose High School senior takes "Student of the Month" honors for July as chosen by the Gateway Elks Lodge.

Jeffrey D. Wallace, 17, received a plaque and a family dinner from the Elks, which honors one outstanding student each month nominated from area high schools.

Jeffrey, the son of Don and Rosalie Wallace, is a three-year member of the French Club and is active in the student council. He was elected student body president for the 1985-86 school year.

In addition to his 3.6 grade-point average, he is a varsity basketball player and a track member. He also finds time to volunteer with the Special Olympics program.

Besides school related activities, he enjoys traveling, bicycling and motorcycling.

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Decreasing the trauma associated with the birthing process — and lowering the infant mortality rate — are the focus of a two-day workshop by a prominent obstetrician.

Dr. Michel Odent, author of "Birth Reborn" and "Entering the World," was invited to the area by the Oregon Gentle Birthing Project, 320 N.E. 120th Ave.

The Project is a group of professionals and parents committed to "lowering the infant mortality rate and delivering provably healthier and happier babies."

The project is modeling its clinic after the work of Dr. Odent, whose approach to the study of childbirth practices has been compared to Dr. Leboyer and Dr. Lamaze.

Held at the Portland Airport Holiday Inn, the workshop will be July 25 and 26. Total cost is \$110, although some presentations can be purchased and attended individually.

The project, 255-1385, can provide additional information.

MEMO

A Madison High School senior will have firm fall plans, thanks to a scholarship awarded from Portland Community College.

Nhi Tang Tran, who plans to study nursing, received the Recognition Award for three terms of tuition at PCC. The award is estimated at \$630.

Twelve Portland area high school students received the award.

MEMO

Sporting everything from a parade to a male-only

cake decorating contest, the neighbors at Northeast 85th Avenue and Billinger Drive in Montaville are holding their 10th annual block party Saturday, July 27.

The 19 families in the area plan swimming, buffet picnics, a white elephant sale and the parade, which is set to feature a surprise grand marshal.

Streets near the area will be blocked off for the event.

MEMO

With the opening of Blue Lake Park and the hot summer weather, children's thoughts can turn to water and swimming.

The Northeast YMCA, 1630 N.E. 38th Ave., is holding its summer "Learn to Swim Week" July 22 to 26. Non-swimmers and beginners between the ages of seven and 12 can participate.

The spring swim week boasted over 125 participants, and requests from parents prompted the summer week.

Sixty spaces are available for the classes, which meet daily for one hour in the afternoon. The program costs \$10 for community members and \$15 for non-members.

Registration information can be obtained from the YMCA at 281-1169.

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Area residents can watch some big league action, on a somewhat smaller scale, as the Parkrose Little League sponsors the major baseball district tournament from July 13 to 27.

All games will be played at St. Aubin Stadium at Northeast 135th Avenue and Burnside Street.

The tournament will determine the District 1 champions. District 1 covers an area from mid-county to Astoria.

State winners will go on to the regional tournament later in the summer.

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The Hazelwood Community Group will meet at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 18 at the Multnomah County Educational Service District Building, 220 S.E. 102nd Ave.

The group meets the third Thursday of each month.

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The Parkrose High School Band lighted the skies — and the judges' eyes — in the Starlight Parade June 1.

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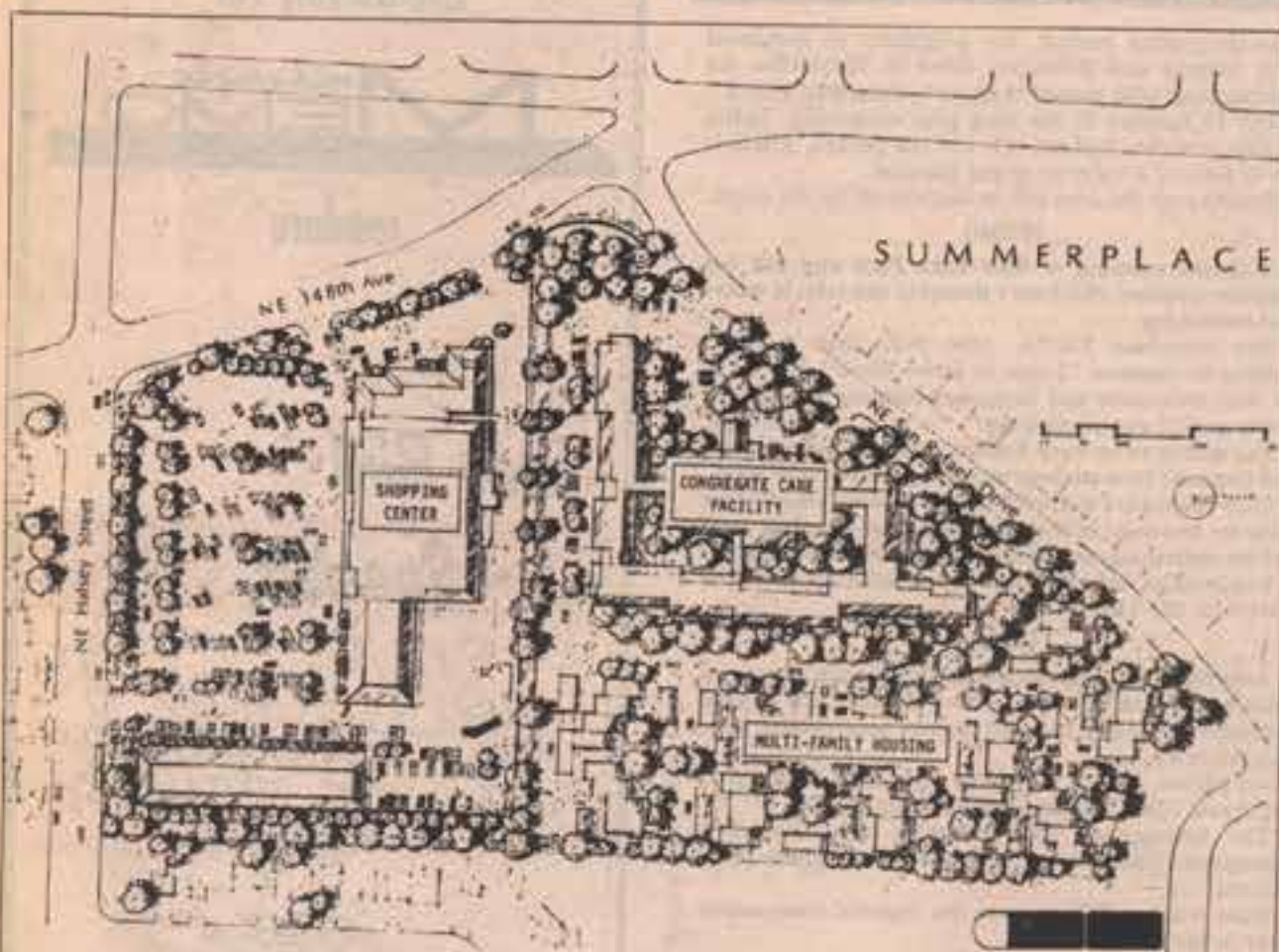


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A shopping center for the mid-county area has been proposed, but neighborhood groups oppose it and want the newly annexed property to follow existing community land-use plans.

Hayden Corp. has tentative plans to build a 104,000-square-foot retail center at Northeast 148th Avenue and Halsey Street, adjoining the Summerplace residential development.

Linda Nutter, chairperson of the Wilkes Community Group, says the focus of her opposition is that to

change the zoning of the area to commercial is unnecessary.

"We have more than sufficient commercial zoning in the area," she says, citing such zoning at Northeast 162nd Avenue and Halsey Street, 181st Avenue and Glisan Street and 162nd Avenue and Glisan Street, and the San Rafael and Menlo Park shopping centers.

She says her group is waiting for Hayden to make a formal application to the city planning commission and then to organize public testimony at the hearings to voice its opposition.

"The community is very aware of what's going on and I feel there's a great deal of opposition to it," says Nutter.

Because the property lies in an area recently annexed to the City of Portland, she says planners will combine city and county codes with the Wilkes Community Plan for their interpretation of the validity of a zone change.

"Basically this type of development does not fit with the Wilkes Community Plan," she says.

Because of the concern over the future of community plans, the East County Coordinating Committee has stepped in to oppose the Summerplace development as well.

The latter committee is made up of representatives from seven community groups: Wilkes, Parkrose, Hazelwood, Powellhurst, Gilbert, Centennial and Rockwood.

Jane Baker, chairperson of the ECCOC, says the group normally does not discuss issues pertaining only to one community, but it saw far-reaching consequences in the outcome of the Summerplace building.

"We are very much interested in protecting the integrity, the credibility of these community plans," Baker says.

As to whether the city will uphold the directives in the plans of these newly annexed areas, she says, "This is our first real go-round in this situation."

She also cites sufficient commercial development in the area.

"In comprehensive planning, the first thing you establish is need," Baker says.

"When you look at all the commercial development in the area, it seems hard to determine a need."

She says her group will be meeting with a Multnomah County planner to assist them in interpreting the specifications of the community plans.

Howard Page of the Hayden Corp. says the firm has met three times with community groups but says the designs are too tentative at this point to discuss them.

As for the Summerplace residents, Bill Knoff says of his neighbors opinion of the shopping center, "Some are for it, some are opposed."

Personally he says, "I'm opposed to it. I don't see any reason for it."

He says he hopes the city will stay with the original plans of the development.

The Hayden proposal is expected to include plans for a large supermarket and several retail shops, with parking areas.

Another concern for parents in the area, Nutter says, is that schools are located close to the proposed site and "I'd just as soon there was no local commercial stop-over place" for kids to hang out.

She adds, though, that "This can look like the local community against the big bucks."

"But they (Hayden) do have the right to apply for what they want," she says.

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YMCA tax-exempt status challenged

By JANE BRAATEN

As the YMCA proposes building two new fitness centers, including one near the Gateway light-rail station, the area's private health clubs are challenging the organization's tax exempt status.

The YMCA now has until July 27 to present its case to the Multnomah County tax assessor's office to defend its long-standing tax exemption.

The issue began when a group of private businesses filed documents with the state tax court asking that the YMCA pay property taxes.

State tax court officials then asked county assessors to either tax the YMCA or show why it should not be taxed.

Bob Sheffield of the Multnomah County assessor's office then issued a similar directive to the YMCA and now the organization must supply a reasonable defense or pay taxes on its property for the last six years.

Sheffield says, "Actually, they have not been changed on the tax roll yet. We told them it was going to be changed and asked them to show cause if they didn't think it should be."

He says, "The main question is whether or not they are primarily charitable," and says the county will consider each branch on a separate basis.

"We hope they'll provide us with information about individual branches. We're interested in whether they all operate the same," he says.

The YMCA has four centers in the Portland metropolitan area — Metro Center, 2831 S.W. Barbur Blvd.; Hollywood Center, 1630 N.E. 38th Ave.; Leach Center, 6036 S.E. Foster Blvd., and Camp Collins on the Sandy River.

If the YMCA is ordered to pay back taxes on all the properties, it could cost almost \$1.5 million.

Other properties the YMCA is currently developing centers on are the downtown waterfront facility and the Gateway site.

Recently, waterfront developers have announced that the YMCA was not going to have sole consideration for the athletic facility on their site and will begin to accept offers from other firms.

This announcement came after the YMCA declined to sign an operating lease because of the uncertainty of the tax situation.

Bill Flowers, owner of the Court Club, 10501 N.E. Fargo St., says he and other business owners see a trend away from charitable community work and toward aggressive marketing techniques in these YMCA facilities that can hurt small businesses.

He belongs to NAME (Northwest Alliance for Market Equality), the organization that filed with the state tax court. NAME consists of 35 athletic club owners from Portland and southwest Washington.

Flowers contends that the Metro facility and the two proposed sites are part of the YMCA's effort to appeal as an executive athletic club and that this is in contrast with the original charitable purpose of the organization.

"The YMCA in its pure, original sense is nothing we want to harm," says Flowers.

"But we see no indication that they have charitable goals in mind."

He cites an anticipated loss of business as the reason the issue came to the forefront, but he says the issue is still the definition of charitable work.

"Sure, we want to protect our market area. We've already lost 20 to 25 memberships to the downtown 'Y,'" he says.

As for the impact of the new Gateway facility, which would be located eight blocks from his businesses, he estimates that one-third of the clubs within a two-mile radius of the new centers would have to close.

The main conflict, he says, is that the Metro center is an up-scale facility which offers no family or youth memberships or daily drop-in rates and which has closed memberships paid by an automatic checking account.

He says the United Way funding and private donations, each totally about \$500,000, to the YMCA

"do not find their way to the kids they're trying to serve."

However, the YMCA maintains that the Metro center does provide family memberships, many scholarships, a sliding fee scale and program fees for non-members.

YMCA president James F. Chapel says that as long as a lawsuit is a good possibility in the future that he will decline to comment on the tax exemption issue.

Chapel did issue a statement emphasizing that the YMCA has retained its tax-exempt status in Oregon for 117 years and is operated as a benefit to the community in a legal charitable purpose, with affordable fees and fee waivers.

Clearly, many of the definitions of charitable, memberships and other more complex tax terms must be worked out between the county, the state and the YMCA in the months to come.

Offering an incident of how one phrase can have many meanings, Flowers tells of a hearing held before the ground-breaking for the waterfront YMCA facility.

He says the YMCA made the point that the condominiums next door to the center would appeal to young, single mothers who would benefit from the YMCA day-care services.

"Then they said how the cheapest, one-bedroom condominium cost \$89,000," Flowers says, "That just broke up the meeting."



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Primary students at Sumner Elementary School prepare to twirl their way to summer vacation at their field day on the last day of school.

Heather Miller concentrates on her balance as she participates in the egg contest as part of field day at Sumner School.

Sumner Elementary field day

Freshner, Gateway aid with Army drive

Area service stations are "barrelling" toward a Salvation Army food drive, which will run from June 28 through Aug. 10.

Two mid-county Shell stations will participate by placing food collection barrels at their stations so gas customers can have a convenient spot to donate food.

The drive is being held by the Salvation Army in conjunction with Shell's 50th anniversary celebration.

Cecil Freshner of Freshner Shell, 1327 N.E. 82nd Ave., says he is pleased to participate.

"Anything we can do along those lines, we like to do," says Freshner.

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Chuck Mau, manager of Gateway Shell, 12216 N.E. Halsey St., says his station hosted the kickoff event for the food drive.

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By MARCIA PRY

The most unusual form of recipes to come across my desk recently is really a typeface directory. Titled Alphabet Soup, the book really is a display case of type styles and their creative uses. Writer and designer Mo Lebowitz chose the soup recipes as a format within which to complete his chore. I'm sorry you can't also see the illustrations by Lionel Kalish; they make the book.

The nice surprise is that the recipes are good ones. After all, this is a book designed for buyers of type, not makers of soup. The fact that you can also get some really good soup recipes is a real bonus. Here are a few.

VEGETABLE BROTH

- 4 leeks
- 4 onions
- 4 cabbage leaves
- 2 heads of lettuce
- 4 stalks of celery with leaves
- 8 full stems of flat-leafed parsley
- 1 tablespoon thyme
- 2 bay leaves
- 3 quarts water

Thinly slice the leeks, onions, cabbage leaves and lettuce heads. Chop the celery and parsley. Put everything in a heavy pot and slowly bring to a boil. Skim the surface, partially cover and simmer for 45 minutes. Strain.

HARVEST SOUP

- 4 tablespoons butter
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 1 leek, white part only, cleaned and chopped
- 1 pound canned pumpkin
- 4 cups chicken stock
- salt and pepper to taste
- 1/2 teaspoon curry powder
- pinch each of nutmeg and ginger
- 1 bay leaf
- 1 cup cream
- chopped chives

In a large saucepan melt the butter and saute the onion and leek for about eight minutes. Add the pumpkin, stock and spices. Bring to a boil, reduce heat and simmer for 15 minutes. Take out the bay leaf and puree the soup in a blender or food processor. Return the puree to the saucepan and add the cream. Heat thoroughly. Sprinkle each serving with chopped chives.

ROQUEFORT SOUP

- 3 tablespoons butter
- 1 1/2 cups minced onions
- 1 cup minced celery
- 1 1/2 cups minced carrots
- 6 cups homemade chicken stock
- 1/2 cup finely diced potato
- 3 ounces Roquefort cheese
- 3 tablespoons heavy cream
- 2 egg yolks
- salt and pepper to taste

Melt the butter over low heat and add the celery, onions and carrots. Cook until the onions wilt, then pour in the stock and add the potatoes. Bring to a boil, reduce the heat and simmer for 15 minutes. Mash the cheese and cream together in a bowl, then mix in the yolks and a quarter cup of the hot soup. Take the soup off the heat and stir in the cheese mixture. Return the soup to the heat but do not let it boil. Season with salt and pepper.

ASPARAGUS SOUP

- 2 10-ounce packages frozen asparagus
- 1 garlic clove
- 1/3 cup olive oil
- freshly ground pepper
- 7 cups water
- 1 1/4 teaspoons salt
- 4 medium or 3 extra large eggs
- 6 tablespoons grated Parmesan cheese
- 6 slices toasted Italian bread

Cut frozen stems into bite sized pieces. Chop the garlic very fine. In a two-quart pot saute the garlic and asparagus over medium heat for about eight minutes. Add five twists of pepper, the water and salt and bring to a boil for five minutes. Beat the eggs into the cheese and drop into the boiling soup. Quickly stir with a wire whisk. The eggs will cook in shreds. Ladle the soup into soup bowls over bread slices.

Just for the record, this column is set in a typestyle named Century Textbook. The size is 9 point, the lead (space between lines) is 10 point and the width is 19 picas. The recipe names are set in Century Textbook bold. This typeface is sort of a can of mushroom soup typeface. You can always depend on it; it is a workhorse, adaptable to many uses and commonly available. There are many more typefaces and, like soups, some of them are very nifty.

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Butzien, Nelson represent mid-area to county

Area residents now have a new outlet for Multnomah County planning and policy decisions as a new citizens' advisory committee prepares to set up shop.

Approval of a county charter amendment last November allowed for creation of the 23-member Multnomah County Citizen Involvement Committee, which meets monthly.

The meeting schedule increased during June to hire a new director, Merlin Reynolds. Reynolds, 35, is a graduate of Portland State University's urban planning program and leaves his current job at the Portland Planning Bureau to take his new position July 1.

This job, a secretarial support position and the committee's activities will be paid from a \$71,833 operating budget for the 1985-86 fiscal year.

Committee members include representatives from Portland neighborhood associations, mid-county cities, community groups and civic organizations.

Ben Butzien, 42 S.E. 83rd Ave., says the committee can serve an important purpose of allowing citizens direct access to county officials.

"I see the county as being the last jurisdiction to involve citizens," he says.

"It has really been difficult for citizens to deal with." He says the committee will be able to communicate both county policies to the community, and individual ideas and complaints to the county.

"We can allow county policies to flow out into the community. It gets more support this way," says Butzien.

"People would feel a lot better if they didn't feel as if it was a steamroller."

As for citizens' concerns, "The committee will have access to all county department heads and be able to get to the bottom of an issue a lot faster," he says.

Butzien says he feels a large need in the mid-county annexation areas to relay information about existing urban services and proposed changes in these services.

He says that while citizens do require adequate services, the question is "whether annexation is the only way to accomplish this."

Another committee member, Robert Nelson, was

nominated from the Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods and says a goal he sees for the group is to "have a better opportunity to get people from all over the county to get together on problems."

The problems he pinpoints as needing the most immediate help are the street prostitution in areas such as 82nd Avenue, Broadway Street and Sandy Boulevard, and inadequate jail space to deter crime.

He says that these have contributed to an attitude that Portland is "a good place for criminals to operate," and he hopes to address these issues in the committee.

One pitfall that Nelson says he hopes to avoid is that of operating as a county-controlled group.

"It's one of the hazards (of being funded by the county)," he says.

"One of my goals is to keep it a citizen committee. That may not be easy, but it's got to be done."

City annexation halts nude dancing for a bit

City-county boundary lines, city entertainment codes and business prosperity were all shifting drastically the past few months for one tavern owner, but a recent court ruling may have put all of these firmly back on track.

The Gratic Tavern, 10810 N.E. Sandy Blvd., had offered nude dancing prior to its annexation to the City of Portland. Multnomah County allows this form of entertainment, but the city did not.

Until, however, Circuit Judge Robert P. Jones struck down the ordinance in June, arguing that nudity is allowed in other public places in the city and therefore discriminates against those selling alcoholic beverages.

After the ruling, the tavern was back in business June 19. Manager Larry Earley says "we're back to normal. This is our first day, and things are picking up a little bit."

Earley says some customers welcomed them back and that "feels good," but he estimates the loss to the business at about \$10,000.

Before the ruling, the tavern saw many of its customers seek other nearby businesses that still had the nude entertainment while the Gratic was forced to comply with the city ordinance.

Owner Rick Sekne, who brought the suit against the city, said the jurisdictional change was "killing us."

Sekne says his business declined because "the other clubs are able to offer what we can't have. It's putting us out of business."

Sekne said that during the period where the tavern had to require some token garments to be worn by its entertainers, it suffered a 70 percent decrease in business.

To help out sales — and to publicize to its former customers that it was back in business — the tavern offered two-for-one drinks in a "grand opening" celebration the last week in June.

The tavern was annexed into the city at the end of March; in late April Sekne prepared to file suit to win back the right to offer the type of entertainment that he says brought in the majority of his customers.

Sekne's attorney, Don Roach, said he challenged the city on two counts: He questioned the validity of the ordinance regarding nude dancing on first amendment grounds and the validity of procedures involving annexation.

The annexation issue is currently under appeal although the main issue for the tavern has been settled.

In addition to the entertainment legal proceedings, Sekne is also prepared to do battle over the city's video games ordinances.

These require that games award no more than 10 free games and prohibit games of chance.

Sekne, who insists that "all these games are games of chance," says that challenge is currently in the Court of Appeals.

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Laid-off carpenter tends winning roses

Tiny umbrellas protect the rose blooms, and add to the attractiveness of the arrangement, for one Northeast resident.

Thomas McGinn, 748 N.E. 78th Ave., won second place in the Frank L. Beach Visibility Awards in the annual Rose Festival rose contest.

McGinn has 176 rose bushes surrounding his house, and he estimates that he has about 70 varieties of roses.

The umbrellas protect the blooms from rain damage and from excessive sun, and this is important because he grows the roses mainly for contests and shows.

"I like to grow them, and I also like the competition," says McGinn.

He says he attends about four or five shows in the spring and more in the fall, and usually takes home a number of trophies or ribbons.

A carpenter who recently suffered a layoff, McGinn says he now spends a great deal of time caring for the roses, and for his large garden.

He says he has been exhibiting roses for the past three years.



Thomas McGinn surveys prize-winning rose blooms to make sure umbrellas are saving them from rain damage.

Events set at library

Children's creativity will be stirred with events at the Midland Branch library during the month of July.

School-age children can enjoy the following activities on Thursdays at 2 p.m.:

July 11 — Guest librarian Joan Demers will present songs and stories.

July 18 — "Terrible Whatzit" features creative dramatics and writing for kids.

July 25 — Dinosaurs and dragons will highlight a discussion of "Extinct Monsters."

Children ages three to five can enjoy story/play times at 10:15 a.m. on Fridays.

Farma will be the topic for July 19, and July 26 will feature animals.



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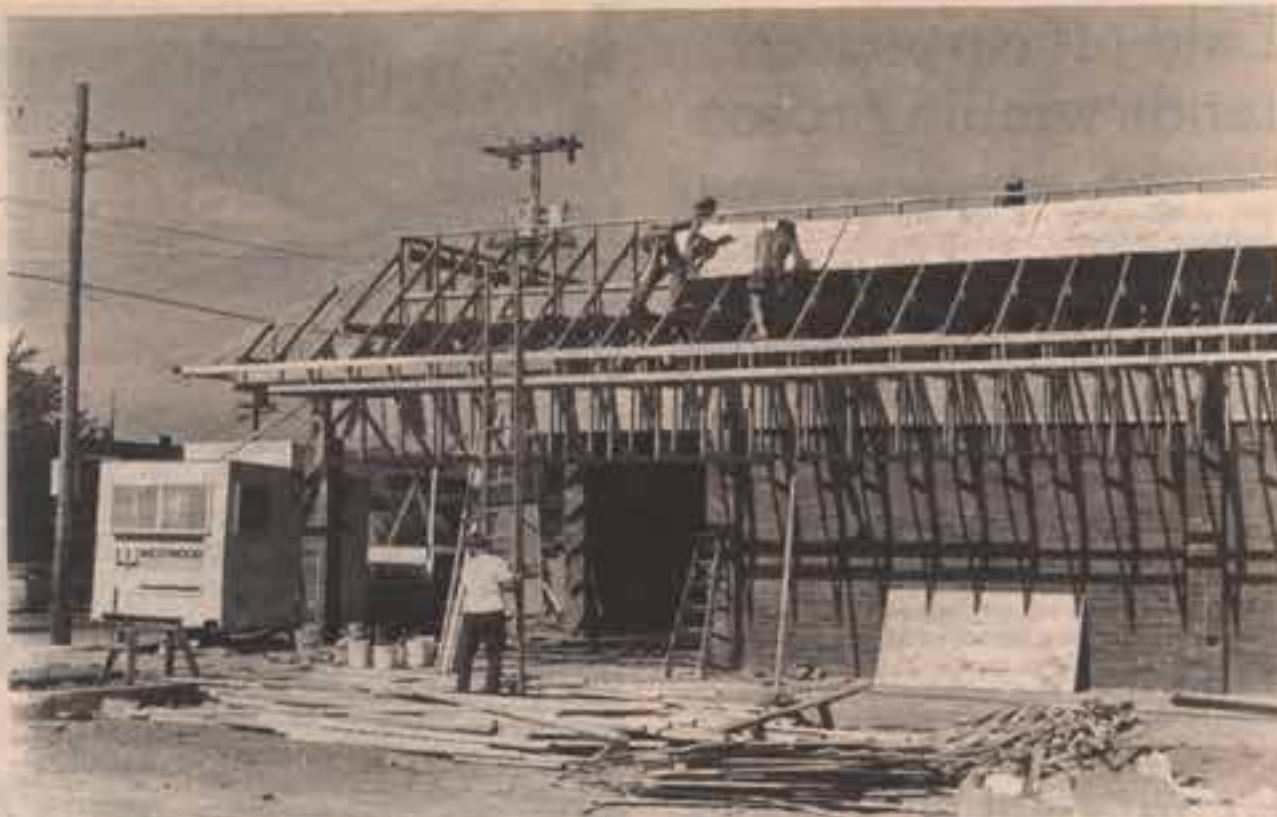
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Law suits abound in new city plans

As the charter commission members for the proposed
new city in the mid-county area contemplate the fate of
their document, members are busy filing their
summons for court.

The four commission members — Tom Dennehy,
Bonny McKnight, Marv Woldyla and Jan Shearer —
are being sued individually by the cities of Gresham
and Portland for their involvement in producing the
proposed charter.

In mid-June Gresham filed suit in Circuit Court
against Multnomah County, the City of Fairview and
the four members; Portland is suing the City of
Fairview, the charter commission as a whole and the
four individuals.

On June 29, Fairview accepted the charter from the

commission and prepared to put a ballot before the
voters within 30 days.

The charter proposed to combine the City of Fairview
with the 125,000 residents of mid-county, specifically
the areas of Multnomah County which remain
unincorporated before 1983.

Gresham and Portland, which have both made large
annexation gains in this area, contest that the new city
proposal is unconstitutional.

And yet the individuals who drafted the charter
expressed initial outrage and later concern at having
appointed citizen representatives sued as individuals.

Dennehy summed up his reaction to the suits by
saying, "Nothing better exemplifies why I don't want
to belong to either city."

He cites the citizen mandate to form the charter
commission as the chief reason for resentment of the
suit.

"Eight thousand people signed a petition, and the
(charter) commission is a consequence of this," says
Dennehy.

"As for 'You can have this block, and we'll take this
block,' we're not in a position to negotiate. You don't
negotiate a difference of interpretation of the law," he
says.

Besides the members' suit situation, he says he feels
this type of move will discourage citizens from being
involved with governmental advisory groups.

"Jan Shearer said now she has much more
understanding of people who say they don't want to get
involved."

"This is the worst form of tyranny — it's the
deep-pocket government imposing its will," he says.

He points out an ironical point in that if the area he
lives in is annexed he will pay the costs, in city property
taxes, of the suit against him.

"How can you remain in a city that does that?" he
says.

What the commission members, land-use groups and
mid-county residents must wait for now is the court
decision on the suits and the possible outcome of the
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As for right now, Dennehy says, "I must be keeping
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Northeast Rotary shoots for a league success

The Northeast Portland Rotary Club is shooting for success with a summer basketball league, and some big name professional players will be pitching in as well.

Mike Miller of the Rotary says the club is sponsoring the NCAA-sanctioned league that is being organized by John Phillips of the talk show PDX Sportsline.

Miller says the league was formed because of "a need for a high-quality summer basketball program that's well organized."

Most summer leagues are so affected by poor officiating and unsportsmanlike conduct that "most quality players can't play in these because of their coaches (prohibiting it)."

The eight teams in the league will each be sponsored — and possibly coached — by a professional basketball player.

Mychal Thompson of the Portland Trail Blazers, Sam Bowie of the Seattle Supersonics and A.C. Green, recently drafted to the Los Angeles Lakers, are set to head up teams.

Miller says the teams will consist of top college players, recent high school graduates, some high school underclassmen invited to play, retired pros and visiting professional players.

Each team will have 12 members. Nine are pre-determined and three slots will remain open for players who might not be able to play all summer or those in town for a few days.

Dennis Johnson of the Boston Celtics and Michael Cooper of the Lakers are expected to play in a game while visiting Portland, says Miller.

The games will be played at the Mt. Scott Community Center, Southeast 72nd Avenue and Harold Street, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Games began June 26 and will run through Aug. 16; league playoffs will be the last week in August.

"People might think, 'Why would players be involved all summer?' but anyone committed to playing is always trying to improve their skills," says Miller.

Since the admission price will be only \$1, he says the focus is on providing "good family entertainment."

This emphasis is the main reason the Rotary Club was chosen to sponsor the league, Miller says.

"Evidently beer companies offered to sponsor this but Phillips said 'no.' The Rotary was a perfect match."

The league is NCAA-sanctioned and Miller says, "I don't know of any other league like this in the Northwest."

College athletes and prospective college players are prohibited in participating in leagues that do not comply with the NCAA rules.

Miller says another aim of creating the league is to "provide something for our top high school talent in Oregon."

"We've lost a lot of basketball and (other) athletes to other teams around the country," he says, and this may be a way to keep them in the state.

College coaches might possibly be on the line-up as well, says Miller, though they would not be allowed to coach any player who will be on their college team in the fall in accordance with NCAA rules.

Of plans for next year he says, "What would be ideal would be to have a Blazer sponsor each team and play."

In conjunction with the games, a local cable company will be offering the "Cable Game of the Week," says Miller. One game a week will air on Rogers channel 35 for fans to enjoy at home.

The game will also be on Liberty channel 11 and Storer channel 27.

For those traveling courtside, Miller estimates the seating capacity of the building at 1,000.

He says he hopes to eventually have a "wider participation of more fund-raising groups," and would like to see events such as "Bring a can of food to the game" to benefit the Food Bank in the future.

"We're new at this; we're learning," he says. "But we're really excited about it."

lower and fishes

FRIDAY, July 5 — Orange juice, molded beet salad, cheese royal, green beans, wheat roll, cherries, milk.

MONDAY, July 8 — Orange grapefruit juice, marinated bean salad, sweet and sour meatballs, baked rice, carrots, rolls, cantaloupe, milk.

TUESDAY, July 9 — Cold cabbage salad, savory chicken, whipped potatoes, spinach, raisin cake, milk.

WEDNESDAY, July 10 — Carrot raisin salad, baked fish, potato patties, far east vegetables, cornbread, fresh cherries, milk.

THURSDAY, July 11 — Pineapple juice, tossed salad, barbecued beef sandwich, vegetables, tomatoes, butterscotch pudding, milk.

FRIDAY, July 12 — Tomato salad, baked ham, colcannon, peas, roll, lemon squares, milk.

MONDAY, July 15 — Apple juice, pork steak, yams, cauliflower, wheat raisin bread, honey dew melon, milk.

TUESDAY, July 16 — Orange juice, tossed salad, lasagne, green beans, french bread, peach crisp, milk.

WEDNESDAY, July 17 — Tomato/cuke salad, sliced beef, whipped potatoes, gravy, veg. medley, dinner roll, raspberry rhubarb cake, milk.

THURSDAY, July 18 — Fruit salad, meatloaf, au gratin potatoes, mixed vegetables, roll, cinnamon crispie, milk.

FRIDAY, July 19 — Coleslaw, chicken drumstick, baked beans, marinated carrots, bread, apricots, milk.

MONDAY, July 22 — Tomato juice, pear/cheese salad, chicken rice squares, gravy, veg. roll, orange sherbet.

TUESDAY, July 23 — Coleslaw, swiss steak, new potatoes, baked squash, wheat roll, nectarine, milk.

WEDNESDAY, July 24 — Apple juice, tomato/cottage cheese salad, pork and noodles, peas, roll, melon, milk.

THURSDAY, July 25 — Tossed salad, veal steak, whipped potatoes, fresh veg. medley, dinner roll, pear and oatmeal health bar, milk.

FRIDAY, July 26 — Cranberry juice, sliced turkey, zucchini corn casserole, gr. beans, roll, carrot cake, milk.

MONDAY, July 29 — Apple juice, sliced tomatoes, oven chili bake, veg., soda bread, blueberries and pineapple, milk.

TUESDAY, July 30 — Pineapple grapefruit juice, marinated cucumbers, baked fish, rice and lentils, spinach, yeast biscuit, deep dish plum pie, milk.

WEDNESDAY, July 30 — Tomato juice, tuna and macaroni salad, cheese quiche, carrots, beans, bran bread, fresh peach, milk.



Although the sign says "The Roses," none are in sight at the home of Eldon Rose, 3122 N.E. 177th Ave.

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mid-county memo pad

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In an effort to aid needy people in installing home security locks, area hardware stores have donated goods to Central Northeast Neighbors.

The Handyman Store, 750 S.E. 122nd Ave., gave drill accessories to the neighborhood group for its "tool bank," a collection of supplies to help people who can purchase a lock but cannot afford the installation.

Central Northeast Neighbors began the program when the City of Portland cut funding for the free lock program on July 1.

Parkrose Hardware, 10625 N.E. Sandy Blvd., donated a drill, and Parr Building Supply, 7620 N.E. Sandy Blvd., gave a number of goods as well.

MEMO

A neighborhood flag is on the agenda for the Parkrose Heights Association of Neighbors, and the group is asking for ideas.

The association's board will judge the design entries, which must be turned in by Sept. 11. Anyone "between the ages of 2 and 102" is welcome to submit an idea.

Designs must be turned in on standard letter size paper, and the board asks that they be in color.

MEMO

Golf enthusiasts can swing their way around the state — and help the Oregon Lung Association at the same time this summer.

The association has come out with the Golf Privilege Card which allows the holder to play a round of golf at nine participating courses in Oregon through Oct. 15, 1985.

The card costs \$15, and proceeds will go toward the environmental programs of the Lung Association.

Glendoveer Golf Course is participating in the event, as well as Crooked River Ranch, Kah-Nee-Ta Resort, McKenzie River, Florence Golf Club, Bandon Face Rock, Bear Creek, Devil's Lake Golf and Racquet Club, Inc. and Hawk Creek.

For more information, call Darlene Frederick at the Lung Association, 224-5145.

MEMO

The Kiwanis Club of Columbia View held its first meeting June 27. The new club is composed of the former Airport '79 and Rocky Butte branches of the Kiwanis.

MEMO

Wide load trucks will face a detour off the Banfield Freeway through July and August as construction

workers complete a noise wall near the I-205 interchange.

Trucks carrying wide loads of more than 12 feet will be detoured off the freeway at the Gateway exit and allowed back on the Banfield across I-205 at the Glisan Street on-ramp.

This detour is in effect from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. and applies only to eastbound trucks.

MEMO

Dinky Duds, 1414 N.E. 101st Ave., is a children's

resale clothing store that recently gained something new — a new owner.

Rene Montgomery bought the store in early June and says the store has a "great potential. I'd like to see it grow."

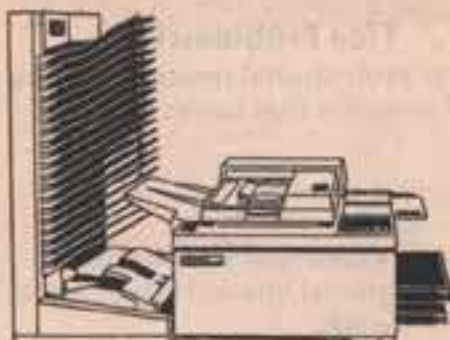
Montgomery, who has two children, says she sees a need for resale stores and "I like the idea of it."

Dinky Duds sells clothing on mainly a consignment basis, and also features hand-made and used children's furniture and toys.



At John Luby Park, Northeast 126th and Brazee, the sign depicts the neglect of the park near Russell School.

Weeds and tall grass have taken over the wooded park, and vandals have used the signs for their own message board.



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In front of the log cabin front part of the home, Ted Schoessler checks the lawn plants.

By JANE BRAATEN

Though the outside may look somewhat unassuming, one mid-county homeowner has built a virtual "rugged resort" from his original home.

Ted and Velda Schoessler, 12243 N.E. Brazee St., purchased their log-cabin home in 1960 and it has remained "under construction" ever since.

Ted says the original home must have been built from a kit, because half-logs were used. While only the front and sides of the home are built of logs, the Schoesslers chose to keep other additions to the home in an outdoor motif.



A "wishing well" motif adorns this outdoor barbeque near the gate for the swimming pool.

Their 1960 home, purchased for \$10,000, had only two small bedrooms on the main level and an attic and small basement.

The 1985 home, on its half-acre lot, has 3,000 square feet of living space that includes four large bedrooms, a dining room, living room, family room, two bathrooms, two large fireplaces and a spa room.

They first added to the house to accommodate their four children, who are now ages 30 to 17. Now, however, Ted describes their home as having "a whole lot of room to bounce around in."

Their youngest daughter, Dayna, is the only one who lives at home now. She is a senior at Parkrose High School.

Ted says she helps out by mowing the large expanse of lawn that covers their lot. With so much ground space, Ted explains why they do not have a garden.

"The first year we moved in, we had a garden. Then I got home from work one day and the kids had harvested everything in the garden.

"They had it all piled up like cordwood. They were ready. The garden wasn't."

He says the garden attempt was immediately replanted with lawn grass.

One addition to the backyard that met with more approval from the Schoessler family was the standard size (about 15-by-30 foot) rectangular swimming pool.

Ted says in his off-duty time from the air freight department at United Airlines, where he has worked for 29 years, the pool is the part of his home he enjoys the most.

"As you can see," he says, turning back his wristwatch to display a white line against his browned

skin, "the pool is where I spend most of my time."

The pool, and the household water, are heated by four solar panels that are atop the home. But the distinctive features of their "cabin" do not stop there.

In building the family room, instead of uprooting a large tree, he built the room around the tree and left it as a display.

Now he says that the tree has grown so much that the hole in the roof and ceiling will have to be expanded to accommodate it. The tree stands near the corner of the family room surrounded by a rock and waterfall display.

The base of the tree is circled by a rock structure so that "any rain that does come in can just run down the tree" into the display, says Ted.

Outside, a tree stump posed a landscaping problem near the pool so he covered it with a metal barrel to make a permanent outdoor barbeque.

Once the barrel was covered with rock and topped with a wooden covering, it became a "wishing well" looking barbeque.

Further back in their property is a 12-by-12 foot homemade gazebo. Ted says he stripped the bark from the trees that make up the gazebo and built it himself.

It blends it well with the wooded look of the area; he says that "the land looked like wilderness when we moved in."

Alas, civilization does come to the wilderness — witnessed by the spa room. The room's additions to the original home extend in an L-shape to the back lawn; the spa room lies the furthest back.

An approximately six-foot diameter hot tub is built into the wooden deck-looking floor and the room is decorated with green houseplants.

A sliding glass door and a skylight offer the outdoor view to the Schoesslers' mini-resort.

The spa room, built about five years ago, is the latest room addition to their home and Ted says that as far as construction is concerned, "This is it."



A large tree provides a spot to lean up against — inside the home.

He says the only drawback to the room has been "the squirrels looking down on us from the skylight."

Recent construction in the area must have brought out the squirrels, he says, because the area did not have any before then.

Though he works and his wife is a freelance legal secretary, Ted says they still found the time to do all the construction.

"It takes a whole lot of whims and stupidity, I guess. Of course, once you start something, you have to finish it."

He says they really did not foresee drastically increasing the size of the home when they bought it, they just "knew this is what we wanted," says Ted.

In his modesty about the work involved in adding beautiful comforts to his home and in his wife's meticulous interior decorating, one wonders why he would not want to expound at length on the construction phases of his home.

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