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- Dec 24 R: Rajneeshee announce that they will appeal the INS decision to the Minneapolis Office within 15 days and that after the appeal is clarified, the 30 day departure notice will be taken to an immigration judge; the Rajneeshee claim a travesty of justice, violation of the Bill of Rights, and that the INS was looking for reasons to reject Bhagwan's applications; they also state that they will immediately protest to the US Attorney General for Oregon about the rudeness and hostility of INS officials at the December 22 press conference on the matter
- 27 R: Rep. Leo Ryan's daughter is married amid much publicity, 100 guests and members of her family
- 30 It is reported that during the previous week the situation at the Madras weigh station "got out of hand" and that the Baptist pastor has decided to no longer attend the demonstrations
- 30 A: City Recorder resigns one day before her term of office expires
- 31 Radio Station KXXI rates Bhagwan "Newsmaker of the Year"; the Associated Press lists the "Rajneeshee" story as Number 3 in importance in Oregon for the year
- 31 R: Improvements to date: 29 new telephone lines installed; new 10 megawatt electricity substation nearly complete; 2 acre sewage treatment pond being added to the one constructed for the summer festival in order to recycle water for irrigation; 4000 square foot welding and metal shop and motor vehicle maintenance building under construction
- 31 It is reported that: a Dallas woman tried to offer to adopt Bhagwan to provide resident status; the Keizer newspaper and property owners having dealings with the Rajneeshee had received threatening phone calls
- 31 A: New A City Recorder sworn in by outgoing Rajneeshee member of City Council so that swearing in of newly elected City Government can occur

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- Jan 2 UPI mentions Rajneeshee story as one of the major events of 1982; the Bend Bulletin staff and residents select the Rajneeshee story as second biggest of the year; it is reported that daytime jazzercise classes are being offered at Zorba the Buddha Disco in Portland; Willamette University in Salem announces a "mini-course" for the community on the Rajneeshee

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- 2 R: 700 residents are reported
 - 2 A: 70 Rajneeshee residents are reported
 - 3 A: After having declined to swear in the new city officials, ex-Mayor states that the Rajneeshee have taken control of the city and she finds it "a little scary that now we have a Rajneeshe Marshal"; Rajneeshee City Recorder swears in Rajneeshee Mayor, City Treasurer, City Marshal, three Council members and one non-Rajneeshee Council member; Council declares they are accepting applications for the two vacant Council seats and the position of Fire Chief; Council finds A approximately \$400-500 in debt for lawyers' fees
 - 3 The Jewish Federation Council Community Relations Committee, based in Los Angeles, passes a resolution urging the INS to deny Bhagwan's petition for permanent US residency, claiming he is the leader of "a cult with a history of anti-Semitism" and one who would "serve as a destructive element in American society"
 - 4 A: New Mayor states goals as the improvement of the city and a review of the Comprehensive Plan
 - 5 ABC's "Good Morning America" television program; interviews with new officials of A; discussion of situation with winner and loser of A Mayor's race; topics include the previous denial of permits for legitimate Rajneeshee development projects, A support for deportation of Bhagwan, and religious discrimination by the former City Council
 - 5 Rajneeshee file a formal appeal of INS rulings in the Minneapolis regional office, saying Bhagwan's departure would interfere with their religious practices and that the INS had failed to comply with regulations in their determinations and in suggesting the manner in which a religion should be pursued (vocally and not in silence); the appeal specifically lists five grounds: Bhagwan meets all requirements to do religious work; INS misinterpreted and misapplied relevant statutes; INS stepped outside legitimate boundaries in defining what a religious worker is; INS failed to provide Bhagwan's attorneys with various findings, so they were unable to respond; INS acted arbitrarily and out of prejudice, exceeded its authority and engaged in discrimination based on religion
 - 6 It is reported that several businesses are suffering from "prejudice by association" with the Rajneeshee; for example, two restaurants in The Dalles stop ordering bakery goods from the R under pressure and another business considers a change of location

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- Jan 6 Rajneeshee spokesperson interviewed by CNN and CBS Eye-witness Newsmaker program
- 7 It is reported that: a "Jack Anderson Confidential" television program segment will be filmed at R; Rajneeshee in Germany hold demonstrations at US embassies to protest the denial of Bhagwan's applications for residency; over 50% of US Rajneeshee are Jewish; anonymous pamphlets encouraging citizens to oppose Bhagwan's petition for residency are being circulated in the state; INS officials are questioning the validity of Rajneeshee marriages;
- 7 R: First non-Rajneeshee wedding performed
- 7 R: Improvements to date: new 10 megawatt electrical power substation, the largest of its kind in W County and built jointly by W Electric Cooperative and Rajneeshee, complete and switched on; 2 women and 4 men sworn in as members of R Peace Force, fourteen residents are in a reserve officers' training program and 2 R Peace Officers are attending the State Police Academy; restaurant with 38 person capacity opens; Diogenes Computer System personnel begin developing software programs for maritime industry
- 7 R: It is reported that the former Big Muddy Ranch foreman and employee of R has disappeared after agreeing to return \$35,000 which was paid to him in error (\$1000 per week, instead of \$1000 per month)
- 9 R: Sunday Oregonian Magazine article cites the following: \$35 million invested in R; 270,000 disciples and 325 centers worldwide; 26 miles of creek bank seeded; 13 irrigation systems installed; several wells (one pumping 1300 gallons per minute); major dam containing 243,000 cubic yards of compacted earth, creating a 45 acre lake three-fourths of a mile long, and holding 330 million gallons of water completed; 600 loaf a day commercial bakery marketing baked goods in six cities; 3500 fruit and nut and 14,500 shade trees planted; 3000 acres under cultivation; plans for 150 cattle, 25 goats, 20 horses, 6 llamas, 25 acres of fruit trees, 10 acres of vineyards; investments have kept 35 to 40 mobile home employees working and saved \$200,000 in unemployment benefits
- 10 J: Daily demonstrations at Highway 97 weigh station near Madras continue
- 11 A: City Council meeting; repeat of swearing in ceremonies; no applicants for two vacant Council seats; Rajneeshee hired as City Attorney; total city debt is \$1,110.84, cash on hand is \$445.89; committee formed to review and revise water and fire ordinances

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- Jan 11 J: Baptist minister, 2 dozen protestors and 3 busloads of Rajneeshee at Hiway 97 weigh station; television crew present; minister says the demonstrations are a "patriotic response" to Bhagwan's daily drive-by and states his opposition to the Rajneesh religion
- 11 Bill introduced in State Legislature to require voter registration no later than 20 days before an election; said to be a result of the A disincorporation controversy
- 12 INS suspends order to Bhagwan to leave US by January 21 and says it will reconsider his applications for permanent residency; both religious and health applications opened for review due to a "procedural error" in the original proceeding (that Rajneeshee attorneys had not been supplied with visa application information so they could respond to the charges that it was false and misleading); Rajneeshee given 15 days to rebut INS evidence or present new evidence
- 12 Rajneeshee announce purchase of a four-story 127 room hotel in downtown Portland for \$1.4 million; one-third of the rooms will house Rajneeshee working in the city and two-thirds open to the public
- 12 It is reported that 3000 Rajneeshee held a peaceful demonstration at the US Consulate in Munich, Germany, asking that Bhagwan be granted US residency status and that they be allowed to visit him there; similar demonstrations are held in London (4000 participants) and Bonn (8000)
- 14 W: Rashneeshee file suit in W Circuit Court against former Ranch manager and his wife: alleging he had been overpaid \$28,000 for his work since 1981; his wife was mistakenly paid \$7,600; seeking punitive damages of \$10,000 each and repayment of \$35,600
- 14 R: Non-Rajneeshee appointee as Building Inspector one day a week; plant shop opens; Rajneeshee reply to charges of anti-Semitism with quotes from Bhagwan and testimonies from Jewish disciples
- 14 Reports of Rajneeshee demonstration in Zurich; 20 Rajneeshee attend the funeral of ex-Governor Tom McCall
- 14 J: It is reported that 10 days of demonstrations by Baptist minister and 40 others began on January 10; four busloads of Rajneeshee attend daily; State Troopers and members of the R Peace Force are present
- 15 R: Proposed annexation of 250 additional acres to the incorporated city postponed; proposed public hearing scheduled for January 17 cancelled
- 15 Rajneeshee begin 3 days of participation in the Portland Gift and Variety Show displaying cards and jewelry

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- Jan 19 Rajneeshee meet with press in Newport to deny rumors that they are purchasing property in Lincoln County
- 19 R: 750 residents reported
- 19 Rajneeshee panel attends Statesman-Journal Newsmakers' luncheon
- 20 1200 Rajneeshees demonstrate at US Consulate in Amsterdam
- 20 Newspapers begin to report extensive rumors of Rajneeshee purchase of businesses and property in several Oregon and Washington cities
- 20 J: It is reported that Hiway '97 weigh station demonstrations have ended after meetings held with a conciliator from the Community Relations Service of the US Department of Justice, arranged by J District Attorney; Baptist minister says the demonstrations have been occurring because the Rajneeshee have an immoral lifestyle, have taken over A, will possibly take over Madras, and because they represent "a type of crude communism"
- 21 R: Special edition of the Rajneesh Times devoted to charges that a US Senator from Oregon has interfered with Bhagwan's application for permanent residency; Presidential pressure and cooperation with a Senate committee investigating cults is claimed; two of the Senator's letters to constituents are reprinted, which seem to make opposite statements; one says that the Senator has been in close touch with A and INS officials about Bhagwan and his followers and that the INS denial of applications was "a relief but no surprise to me" and that he will do everything possible to "make certain...Bhagwan and the Rajneeshee...are scrutinized to the fullest extent of the law"
- 21 R: Construction of bar and lounge begun; prototype of A frame housing cluster unit completed
- 21 Peaceful Rajneeshee demonstrations in support of Bhagwan's application for permanent US residency in The Hague, Tokyo and Sydney; it is reported that the European Parliament's Youth and Culture Committee (EEC) has launched an investigation into Rajneeshism and other new religious movements; Rajneeshee voice concerns that the Committee's Chair is prejudiced
- 22 Rajneeshee spokesperson appears on half hour news interview on Channel 6 in Portland
- 22 It is reported that the Rajneeshee's hired lobbyist will no longer work for them and that they will represent themselves at the State Capitol

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- Jan 23 "Jack Anderson Confidential" television segment on Rajneeshepuram aired
- 23 Rajneeshee spokesperson at Clark College in Vancouver, Washington; 250 in attendance
- 24 LUBA: Rajneeshee given 20 days from this date to write their petition in the appeal of the incorporation of Keizer (No. 82-109)
- 24 LCDC: 1000 Friends files 38 pages of objections to the Rajneeshpuram Comprehensive Plan
- 25 LUBA: Motion of 3 nearby ranchers and their 1000 Friends' attorney applying for a stay on construction at R denied; case deferred until 20 days after LCDC action on the R Comprehensive Plan (Nos. 82-085/086)
- 25 Rajneeshee speakers at Tigard High School 12th grade class studying comparative religions draws protest from some parents; presentation had been approved by principal and PTA notified
- 25 R: Rajneeshee renew charges against Oregon Senator of "working against them while maintaining an artificial position of public neutrality"; letter to California man which refers to confidential documents related to Bhagwan's visa status cited in evidence
- 25 J: R Director of Community Development objects to the adoption of the J County Comprehensive Plan at a public hearing because it contains no recognition of R or R development and because J County had refused to work out an urban growth management agreement with R; he also claims that J County had failed to give R notice of the hearing in violation of Land Use Planning Ord 2, which calls for co-ordination between local governments; R Rural Fire Protection District Chief also objects to adoption of J Plan because the District had not received prior notice of the hearing
- 26 W: Rajneeshee request W County Court/Commission to grant mass gathering permit for the Second Annual World Celebration from July 2-8, expected to draw 15,000 followers; the first guests are expected to arrive at R on June 1, and the last to depart by July 15; W Court/Commission sets public hearing for February 23; Rajneeshee also request that the W Court/Commission allow them to assume jurisdiction of an 8 mile stretch of county owned Muddy Road, which goes through R; the turnover would not be unprecedented; the Court/Commission expresses concern that the road remain a public thoroughfare and agrees to schedule a public hearing on the request after the R City Council passes a resolution to formally request the transfer

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- Jan 26 J: Rajneeshee request J County Court/Commission to grant a mass gathering permit for the Second Annual World Celebration from July 2-8
- 26 It is reported that a California Rajneeshee group is seeking to raise \$50 million for the creation of an Academy of Rajneeshism at R, which, it is hoped, will be completed by 1988
- 27 R: 125,000 gallon water tower erected to increase water pressure for firefighting
- 27 Former A City Councilmember speaks out against Rajneeshee in Beaverton and claims that the Consent Decree in the civil rights suit was the result of duress
- 27 200 Rajneeshee demonstrate in Vienna
- 27 1000 Friends holds press conference on water-related objections to the Rajneeshpuram Comprehensive Plan and to incorporation, asserting: the minimum annual water consumption at Rajneeshpuram would be 1,787 acre feet per year; R relies too much on groundwater; R cannot store water run-off for reserve supplies; in dry years there would not be enough ground or surface water to supply R; R use of water would affect the flow of the John Day River; R use of water is a threat to commercial farmers and ranchers in the area
- 27 INS turns over some evidence used in denying Bhagwan's residency petitions
- 28 1000 Friends releases a 32 page report detailing dozens of objections to the R Comprehensive Plan; they claim that the Rajneeshee use of water will damage nearby farming operations and the John Day River and result in a well-drilling race between the Rajneeshee and nearby farmers; they call for LCDC to rein in R growth plans; Rajneeshee claim the water arguments are emotional and the facts exaggerated and that 1000 Friends is presenting several technical arguments simply to prevent LCDC from reviewing the R Comprehensive Plan; 1000 friends claims that the R growth plan violates 6 Land Use Planning Goals
- 28 Further Rajneeshee demonstrations reported in Kobe, Japan, Stockholm, Hamburg (1500) and Milan (2500)

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- Jan 28 R: Improvements to date: New experiment in dry-land farming to test 15 newly developed strains of legumes (lentils, peas, beans) after team of Rajneeshee researchers return from consultations with Idaho agronomists; the experiment is intended to find new rotation crops to resist disease, enrich the soil and bring a higher return on investment; work begun on a small dam to create a reservoir for storage of treated waste sewage water, dam to hold up to 16 million gallons of treated water to be used for irrigation and completion planned for March
- 31 By this date, 5 Rajneeshee had registered as Legislative lobbyists and spent approximately a week at the Capitol
- 31 Rajneeshee parade in Berlin (2000); representatives prevented from giving US Vice-President a petition supportive of Bhagwan's residency applications
- 31 INS announces decision to give Rajneeshee 30 days (to February 27) to respond to evidence and produce new evidence, rescinding earlier remarks that they would only have 15 days in which to reply in the case of Bhagwan's residency applications; INS official reportedly says to Rajneeshee that he does not regard her marriage as bona fide because of Bhagwan's outspoken statements on marriage
- 31 A: Mail vehicle used for trips between The Dalles and A obstructs Bhagwan's car as he drives through A; Rajneeshee file complaints with The Dalles post office and W County sheriff
- Feb 1 W: W Circuit Court judge grants former R manager's request that the suit against him filed by the Rajneeshee be heard in J County
- 1 Another Rajneeshee demonstration in Berlin; petition supporting Bhagwan given to US Consul; Rajneeshee also speak with German Chancellor and Mayor of Berlin on the matter
- 1 A City Council meeting; Treasurer reports that January balance was actually \$180.16 (not \$330), the current balance is \$352.46, with bills totaling \$1,338.22; it is also reported that although there was no formal contract, a former A City Attorney has submitted a bill for \$13,900 (\$5000 to a consultant attorney), none of the bill was itemized; it is announced that although non-Rajneeshee residents of A had been encouraged to apply for the two vacant Council seats, none had; two of the three Rajneeshee who had applied for the seats were selected and sworn in; Rajneeshee business license renewed; due to threats, the Council considers contracting for the services of the R Peace Force; Council passes Resolution requiring humor to be an integral part of all Council meetings, which are to begin and end with the telling of a joke

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- Feb 2 LUBA: Although the original due date for the Rajneeshee brief in the Keizer incorporation case was January 25, an extension for its submission is granted due to the fact that Marion County had only recently supplied them with a needed copy of the County Comprehensive Plan (No. 82-109)
- 2 R: It is reported that, contrary to growing rumors, the Rajneeshee are not purchasing property in Tillamook County; similar rumors are reported in Clatsop, Columbia Lane and Linn counties
- 3 Rajneeshee demonstration at US embassy in New Delhi (1000)
- 4 It is reported that 1000 Friends is attempting to postpone LCDC review of the R Comprehensive Plan scheduled for March 11; Rajneeshee claim that 1000 Friends water-related objections are not based on good data, but have been raised because water is an emotional issue in the area and that the 1000 Friends had shown no interest in gathering water data in the area until September, 1982; Rajneesh Times prints a point by point reply to 1000 Friends press conference arguments presented on January 27: while R residential water use estimates by 1000 Friends predict an average consumption of 400 gallons per day per person, that is four times the national average and R estimated use for all commercial, industrial and residential operations is 128 gallons per day per person; that 1000 Friends' estimate of water table recharge is absurdly low, but it is still twice the amount needed to fulfill the projected R demand; that a reputable hydrogeologist's groundwater reserve tests show water well in excess of projected need; that the recently completed 330 million gallon reservoir is enough to supply the entire projected population for two years and more dams are planned; drought research shows that groundwater recharge is adequate over two year periods and that no two consecutive years had less than 75% of average precipitation; the entire Ranch represents only 1.5% of the total John Day River Basin and the only creek emptying into the river provides less than 1% of its annual mean flow; that agricultural demands of nearby farmers are much higher than those of urban R residents will be; that poor irrigation systems nearby are wasting more water than R will ever use; that experimental water projects (drip irrigation, creek restoration, slowing of runoff, building the water table, dams, minimizing usage, recycling waste water) may provide useful water information for all in the area
- 4 R: Improvements to date: plans for a 20 x 75 solar greenhouse for seedling production underway; 300,000 seedlings to be planted by May (tomato, green pepper, egg plant, lettuce, brassica, fennel, endives); 20 new acres of

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- truck garden planned to be in production; all improvements planned to increase vegetable output by 700% to self-sufficiency; construction of a root cellar and vegetable washing area begun; welding shop and motor vehicle maintenance shop nearing completion for servicing about 330 cars and trucks, and to be equipped with hydraulic lifts, running crane, steam cleaning system, machinists room, power-vented fans, piped pressure grease and oil lines, as well as wood panelled exteriors
- 9 W: Joint meeting of W and J County Courts/Commissions to discuss mutual concerns, among which are the Rajneeshee applications for a mass gathering permit and a request from R to obtain jurisdiction over an 8 mile stretch of W County road running through the city; the Courts/Commissions state that public hearings on the mass gathering permit for the Second Annual World Celebration will be merely a formality, since they are required to grant the permit request if fire, police and sanitation standards are met; apparently 1000 Friends is not objecting to the permit application because the festival will take place almost entirely within R city limits and will use existing water and sewer systems; J Commission will consider an ordinance charging \$500 every 72 hours during the festival as a way to offset County costs; the maintenance of the W County road thus far has been a joint venture between R (spending \$250,000 on improvements) and W County (spending \$20,000)
- 10 Rajneeshee demonstration (600) at Portland INS office to protest shoving and threats by agents, illegal searches, bias and harassment in the review of the immigration status of several Rajneeshee recently married to US citizens
- 10 J: It is announced that a second Rajneeshee doctor will be available for consultations in Madras
- 11 Rajneeshee demonstrations: Geneva (1000); Rome outside the Vatican; New Delhi (5000 present petition to US Consul General); Bombay (February 4, 6000-7000); Madrid (February 2); Edinburgh (January 28); Dublin (first week in February); Sydney; many timed to coincide with US Vice-President's tour of Europe
- 11 It is reported that the Rajneeshee plan to spend \$11-12 million during the first half of 1983, \$5 million of it on festival preparations; R food costs per month equal \$80,000, diesel fuel costs equal \$100,000 per month; income from visitors to R equals \$500,000 per month
- 11 Rajneeshee take possession of and open Hotel in Portland
- 11 It is reported that an Oregon Congressman, speaking in Salem to a town hall meeting of 120 people, stated that if Bhagwan doesn't meet the INS definition of a spiritual leader, he should be deported

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- Feb 11 R: Improvements to date: a Quickframe prefabricated wall unit, complete with window, insulation and electricity, and measuring 16 feet by 18 feet is being produced every 15 minutes; a cluster of six to seven buildings intended to house the Meditation and Growth Institute is nearing completion
- 12 R: The State Representative from the area visits his constituents in R for the first time in over a year
- 12 A newspaper columnist speaks at Eastern Oregon State College in LaGrande, saying that R could be seen as a model society in adapting to the environment due to the following factors: solar energy generation; recycling of waste water; production of fuel by mixing alcohol and methane gas; construction of dams and holding ponds to reduce water run-off; the planting of fruit, nut and shade trees to transform wasteland; their intelligence, industriousness, determination, skills and attempt to "create a self-sufficient, integrative society"
- 15 First night of a four evening mini-course on the Rajneeshee at Willamette University in Salem; approximately 325 attend
- 15 Former Rajneeshee claims during a series of radio interviews that he was pressured to give money, to change jobs, and was subjected to psychological domination
- 16 LUBA: It is reported that the Rajneeshee request LUBA to dismiss their challenge of the Keizer incorporation and that Marion County and Keizer attorneys do not agree to dismissal (No. 82-109)
- 16 R mayor speaks at Clackamas Community College
- 16 Meeting of 60 parents and teachers over the controversy surrounding the Rajneeshee presentation at Tigard High School
- 16 Rajneeshee request that INS cease investigations of Rajneesh disciples and their marriages
- 17 INS denies Rajneeshee request to cease investigations of Rajneesh disciples and their marriages at a press conference; Rajneeshee reporters present at the conference
- 18 W: It is reported that Rancho Rajneesh is on the property tax rolls for \$3 million (as agricultural property) and that R paid \$33,000 in County taxes in 1982 (\$18,829 to the A School District, \$7,184 to W County, \$3,862 to the W Educational Service District, \$2,125 to the Treaty Oak Educational Center); none of the Rajneeshee property has been declared tax exempt and no application for tax exempt status has been made; it is assumed that the amount of property taxes paid in 1983 will increase as the Rajneesh-puram portion of the land will be taxed at the higher non-agricultural rate

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- Feb 18 Two members of the R Peace Force graduate from the Oregon Police Academy at Western Oregon State College
- 18 R: It is reported that the Rajneeshee have invested over \$45 million since June, 1981; a total of 800 Rajneeshee residents at the Ranch and in Atelope
- 18 Rajneeshee demonstrations: London; (Rome on February 11, with 300 and 2 attending an audience with the Pope); Copenhagen (February 14, 600); Auckland (February 14); Wellington (February 15); Palermo (February 16); Brussels (February 18); Antwerp (February 18, 700)
- 18 It is reported that an Oregon Senator has refused to supply the Rajneeshee with information sent to California last May on "what local jurisdictions can do to slow down and possibly stop the financial enterprises" of groups such as theirs
- 18 R: Improvements to date: two trucks constructed out of abandoned vehicles and recycled materials; use of a new seedling planting method which plants up to 20,000 per hour
- 20 Oregon Senator speaks in Santa Cruz, California; 200 Rajneeshee attend; he claims never to have discussed Bhagwan with the US President or the INS or any other political official
- 21 A State Representative publicly states concern over taxes in relation to Rajneeshee commune and businesses
- 22 R City Planner and Legislative Lobbyist, plus another Rajneeshee, speak at Rotary meeting in Albany; 250-300 attend; speaker says Rajneeshee have spent \$3 million with Albany companies over two years (\$1.75 million on mobile homes, \$1 million on toilet and shower trailers) and that they plan to spend an additional \$1 million on toilet and shower trailers this year; announcements of the speech had sparked rumors that the Rajneeshee were taking over an Albany real estate firm; 24 to 35 protestors picket the speech, saying they fear that it is a ruse to extend Rajneeshee influence to Albany; conservative Baptist minister from Madras attends protest and speaks, saying, "Bhagwan's way of life, which he termed 'crude communism' was a threat to Christians and Americans" and that "they have practices that are immoral" and finally that "They want to take over our cities and institutions...Are you going to let them take over the world?"; some non-Rajneeshee demonstrate against the protestors
- 22 J: Rajneeshee files for a position on Madras' Mountain View Hospital Board; she has been a registered nurse for 11 years and at the hospital for one year; she claims that patients are undertreated, over charged, and that there is religious prejudice

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- Feb 23. W: County Court/Commission holds public hearing on Rajneeshee festival permit application; 60 to 80 people attend; permit approved after DEQ representative, County Sanitarian and County Sheriff testify that they see no problems with the plans to care for health and safety needs and the Court/Commission determined that its approval was non-discretionary under state law if those needs were met; one person testifies against granting the permit on the basis that the festival would bring flies, and raises questions about child care, solid waste treatment and the degree to which festival water needs would affect local wells; the Rajneeshee reply that they plan to use three wells with a combined capacity of 410 gallons per minute, which is well above the estimated 125 gallons per minute which would be required for festival use; the Court/Commission grants a permit to be in effect from June 12 to July 15, requiring the Rajneeshee to post a \$25,000 surety bond which will be released after pipeline, major and minor structures are removed by the August 15 deadline; Court/Commission instructs the County Planner, Sanitarian and Sheriff to visit the festival site before during and after the event to ensure compliance with health and safety needs
- 24 Last night of the four evening mini-course on the Rajneeshee at Willamette University; approximately 100 attend the last three sessions, for which tuition was charged
- 24 Keizer City Council decides by a 2 to 1 vote, with 2 abstentions, to defend against the Rajneeshee suit filed with LUBA (No. 82-109)
- 25 It is reported that Rajneeshee real estate buy up rumors which began in December with speculation that they would purchase Mt. Angel College, are spreading and include the following: Dalles and Keizer bakeries; lumbermills along the Willamette River; coastal property in Lincoln City; cafes in Tillamook, Elkland Village, Cannon Beach; half of Madras; a \$1 million ranch near Scio; three cafes, a motel and a subdivision in Goldendale, Washington; the rumors are denied
- 25 R: Rajneeshee schedule dozens of talks for the last half of February; recent talks included: Gresham Optimist Club; Central Oregon Community College in Bend, Willamette University; the Quest Matrix Group in Salem, Albany Rotary Club; Mount Hood Community College; future talks include: Sunset High School in Portland; United Methodist Church in Wilsonville; pilots in Corvallis
- 25 LCDC: It is reported the DLCD staff have completed their recommendations on the R Comprehensive Plan; R Mayor states that they only raise three minor objections and one ob-

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- jection with regard to the efficiency of provision of services, given the way the UGB is drawn; the Mayor states that the UGB is drawn "to protect usable farmland" and that DLCD staff has rejected or refuted every objection to the Plan made by 1000 Friends
- 25 R: Rajneeshee react to Bend newspaper editorial which reported that a J County Building Inspector has been telling his church congregation "of the dangers of this movement"; Rajneeshee say they will demand some other official take over building inspection responsibilities for the part of their property in J County and are considering filing a complaint with the Oregon Ethics Commission
- 26 R: City Council meeting; Council decides to withdraw the resolution asking W County to turn over 8 miles of Muddy Road, which runs through the city, to the jurisdiction of Rajneeshpuram
- 27 It is reported that the Rajneeshee W County tax bills on property (19,000 acres assessed at \$3 million plus lots in A) plus equipment equalled \$33,00 in 1982; in J County, 44,000 acres was assessed at \$202,740 plus three mobile homes for a property tax payment of \$6,200; it is noted that both assessments would be higher in 1983
- 28 Two and one-half hour demonstration of 1200 Rajneeshee at Portland INS, with parade accompanied by music through the city; parade, during which roses were distributed, was reported to be well-received by onlookers; the purpose was to protest alleged INS withholding of State Department documents and other evidence/information needed by Rajneeshee lawyers to prepare rebuttal on Bhagwan's residency applications; INS denies withholding information
- 28 While Rajneeshee demonstrating in Portland, an INS investigator appears unannounced at the Ranch
- 28 LUBA: An order requested by 3 nearby ranch couples is issued to prevent further development of groundwater resources at Rajneeshpuram "in excess of current demand", to be in effect until LCDC rules on the R Comprehensive Plan; decision based on a hydrogeology report, commissioned in conjunction with 1000 Friends, which states concerns that "during drought periods the Rajneeshee will be mining groundwater" which might then "be gradually depleted"; it is speculated that the order could prevent the Rajneeshee from relying on groundwater for the summer festival; a letter stating that position was sent to the Wasco-Sherman County Health Department (No. 82-085/086)

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- Mar 1 A: City Council meeting; decision not to pay \$13,980 in legal bills of prior Council because only \$650 budgetted for that purpose, no existing contract for the fees, no budget amendment or resolution authorizing the overspending had been passed; decision not to pay bill of prior Council for \$662.50 in City Attorney's fees on the same grounds; decision not to pay bill of prior Council for \$541.46 in engineering firms' fees on similar grounds; reported \$1000 in the A treasury; decision to double A water rates (from \$10 to \$20 for residential and from \$20 to \$40 for commercial) and institute a \$20 irrigation fee for June, July and August; decision to raise the fire rate from \$1 to \$4 per month per property; noted that in the absence of property taxes in A, the water and fire rates were the only means of balancing the budget; decision to contract for the services of the R Peace Force in A; discussion of the legality of action by the former Council to transfer the community church to the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon and interest expressed in regaining possession in order to create a community gathering and meditation center for A; A American Legion Post #60 requests street closure and permission for a June 6 barbecue for 1000 people, which is tabled for 10 days pending more information about health and safety precautions and study by a committee; 5 Rajneeshee appointed to the Budget Committee and A residents invited to apply for two remaining vacancies; approximately 30 attend
- 1 CA: Decision reversing LUBA's holding that it lacks jurisdiction to consider W County Court/Commission action which set the R incorporation election on the grounds that it was not a land use decision (No. 82-052); 1000 Friends' lawyers call the decision "a major setback" for the Rajneeshee, saying "We are confident that LUBA will hold that the city exists illegally"; it is reported that "the land-use group would continue its efforts to force the Rajneesh followers to remove the majority of the members and their homes from the 64,000 acre Rancho Rajneesh" and that, in 1000 Friends' view, only 50 dwellings and about 200 Rajneeshee are legally entitled to stay at the Ranch; Director of LCDC states that he will recommend that the review of the R Comprehensive Plan be postponed until the legality of the city is firmly established; R mayor states that the city will consider appealing to the Oregon Supreme Court (No. A26426)
- 1 INS orders the Bhagwan's 69 year old mother deported on March 8, claiming she failed to keep a doctor's appointment and that her return to India would be no hardship even though an INS doctor who examined her in September stated that she suffers from high blood pressure, clogged arteries, heart disease and chest pains, told INS that her health "could potentially be damaged by travel to India"

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- and recommended "against extended travel or relocation in an area where the quality of medical care is sub-optimal"; the Rajneeshee accuse the INS of "conducting a vicious and inhumane campaign of discrimination against the Rajneesh community and its religion" and state that they will appeal either by filing for a stay or going to US District Court; the Bhagwan's mother entered the US on a visitor's visa in December, 1981 and was allowed to extend her stay after the April 26, 1982 deadline in order to receive medical treatment
- 2 It is reported that a Portland Rolls-Royce dealer has sold 14 cars to the followers of the Bhagwan at an approximate cost of \$120,000 each
- 3 Rajneeshee "buy up" rumors are reported in Springfield and Brownsville
- 3 It is reported that 1000 Friends has stated it will make an effort to postpone LCDC review of the R Comprehensive Plan and that they expect success
- 3 The Hotel Rajneesh in Portland holds official public opening party
- 4 It is reported that: a team of non-Rajneeshee auditors has been conducting a full audit of Rajneeshee coporations to be completed in mid-March; the first Zorba the Buddha Rajneesh Restaurant outside of Oregon opened in Santa Cruz, California, two weeks previously; the R mayor recently became the first representative of the city to testify before the Oregon Legislature, speaking to the House Revenue Committee on the question of the taxation of agricultural lands rezoned for urban use
- 5 President Reagan visits Klamath Falls; many protest demonstrators on hand; 45 Rajneeshee, unlike others, present to welcome his motorcade with singing and an American flag; the President makes no public appearances, but visits a wood products manufacturer and talks with Oregon businessmen and the media, including reporters from the Rajneesh Times
- 6 Rajneeshee firefighters complete second trip to Redmond to learn techniques for dealing with structural fires
- 7 R: City Council meeting; minor amendments made to R Comprehensive Plan to clarify points raised by DLCD; DLCD had reported compliance with 12 of the 14 Land Use Planning Goals, all but #10 (Public Facilities and Services) and #14 (Urban Growth Boundary), questioning whether the UGB had been drawn in such a way as to most efficiently provide public facilities and services; proposed UGB amendments discussed and referred to the Citizens Involvement Committee for further study; decision to insert jokes into each of the 3 volumes of the Comprehensive Plan; LCDC Field Representative attends and commends the Plan as being "excellent and comparable in quality and professionalism to those submitted by major cities such as Portland and Salem"

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- Mar 7 INS District Director grants a stay of deportation for Bhagwan's mother in order to allow an INS administrative judge in Seattle to review the case
- 7 W: It is reported that the head of the W County Planning Department has questioned the renaming of 43 places on the Ranch in R Comprehensive Plan maps and has sent a list of new and present geographical names to the Oregon Geographic Names Board; the Board states that no formal proposals for name changes had been submitted to them, so the new names will not go on the US Geological Survey maps; the Rajneeshee state that they had no intention of formally changing the place names, but only wished to use the names which had become popular locally; LCDC states that the use of the new names in the Comprehensive Plan is no problem, and merely similar to the use of nicknames
- 8 The INS announces that an immigration judge in Portland will consider an appeal in the case of the deportation order against Bhagwan's mother
- 8 Former A City Councilmember and defeated mayoral candidate speaks to Hood River Lions Club on the A situation
- 8 Wife of former A City Councilmember and defeated mayoral didate demands and is given time to speak to Sunset High School class scheduled to hear a presentation by the Rajneeshee in one week; she claims: Rajneeshee harassment of A residents and disruption of City Council meetings; that the Rajneeshee had "forced all but 15" of the original A townspeople out of their homes and had used "legal blackmail", bribery and propaganda to get what they wanted; that LCDC had let the opponents of the Rajneeshee down, as did the Bureau of Labor when she reported the "forced labor" of five year olds on the Ranch; parental permission slips are being required for students to attend the Rajneeshee presentation in one week, due to the controversy over their appearance at Tigard High School
- 9 By this date, two of the five Rajneeshee lobbyists at the State Capitol had unregistered; the lobbyists state that they are at the Capitol merely to meet legislators, answer questions and observe how the process works
- 9 It is reported that a Rajneeshee petition requesting that the INS be ordered to reopen Bhagwan's mother's case, which was filed with the Ninth US Circuit Court of Appeals, S.F., March 8, will automatically delay her deportation while the court decides whether to review the case; a new deportation order is expected to be delayed for about 4 months
- 9 INS District Director agrees to delay a decision on Bhagwan's applications for permanent residency until March 31 and to reset a deadline for the filing of testimony opposed to deportation from March 10 to March 28; the action came during a hearing in US District Court on a

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- Rajneeshee motion for a temporary injunction requiring the INS to record all evidence it considered regarding Bhagwan's request for permanent residency; the District Court judge states that he is very concerned about issuing an injunction before the INS has reached a decision in the matter and sets March 21 for a hearing on whether or not he has jurisdiction
- 9 It is reported that there has been an ongoing Press Room squabble at the State Capitol on whether reporters from the Rajneesh Times (circulation 2500) should be given legislative press credentials; some raised an objection to the credentialing on the grounds that some Rajneeshee had registered as lobbyists; a Capitol Press Corps meeting on this date settles the issue by agreeing to recommend that a press pass be granted, with only one dissenting vote
- 11 R: R mayor announces that Rajneeshpuram will appeal the CA decision on whether incorporation is a land use decision, since "several significant constitutional questions" are left "unresolved" (No. A 26426); it is announced that the Oregon Legislature's House Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs will hold a public hearing in R on March 16, which will be the first such visit to R by a Legislative Committee, the purpose being to discuss local government issues unique to R and to answer citizen questions; new "Quit Smoking" course announced
- 11 It is announced that a design studio, bookstore, boutique and medical clinic are proposed activities at Portland's Hotel Rajneesh, as well as meditation, jazzercise and other classes
- 11 It is reported that, during the last two weeks, an elephant led a demonstration of 800 Rajneeshee in Stuttgart and that petitions in support of Bhagwan's applications for permanent US residency had been submitted to US embassies and consulates in Florence, Genoa, Trieste, Naples, Bordeaux, Lyons, Bremen, Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, and Helsinki
- 11 LCDC: Meeting on R Comprehensive Plan; DLCD staff recommend that LCDC review of the Plan be postponed pending the outcome of challenges to the legality of R incorporation before LUBA; 1000 Friends requests indefinite postponement of LCDC consideration of R Comprehensive Plan until a final court decision on the legality of incorporation is reached; Rajneeshee argue that their appeal of the CA decision to the Supreme Court could take up to one year, that a delay by LCDC for that long would disrupt people's lives, prevent development decisions and hold up review of the W County Comprehensive Plan; a representative from the Attorney General's office states in response to a LCDC question that Rajneeshpuram is, at this time, a legally incorporated city; LCDC rejects the recommendation to postpone consideration by a vote of 4 to 3 and decides

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- to consider the R Comprehensive Plan at its June 2 meeting by a vote of 6 to 1
- 12 A: Special City Council meeting; no one having responded to calls to serve on the Budget Committee, the Council decides that it should be constituted by its 5 present members plus the members of the Council; Council authorizes a letter to be sent to all of the members of last year's Budget Committee (all non-Rajneeshee) asking them to continue serving or resign; a request from the Rajneesh Neo-Sannyas International Commune to lease four city lots is granted, a five year lease at \$25 per month per lot, with RNSIC assuming responsibility for taxes, is issued; committee reports on American Legion #60's barbeque request for June 6 and responses to questions related to health and safety issues, Council agrees to grant the permit and close the streets if all health and safety recommendations are complied with
- 13 Rajneeshee "buy up" rumors reported in Salem; Rajneeshee claim that they receive at least 5 calls a day from the media to verify the accuracy of "buy up" rumors
- 14 It is announced that all Rajneeshee businesses will close on March 21 for the Enlightenment Day Celebration, one of four days of religious observance each year
- 15 An Oregon State Senator meeting with senior citizens in Bend is reported to have defended freedom of religion as members of the audience "condemned the Rajneeshees and their guru"
- 16 R: Oregon State House of Representatives' eight-member Committee on Intergovernmental Affairs visits R as part of a multi-city fact-finding trip; legislators state that the visit was a positive experience, they were amazed and impressed; topics raised during the R public meeting included land use issues, same-day voter registration, Rajneeshee presence in A; religious prejudice, R dealings with W and J counties
- 17 Rajneeshee speakers at Sunset High school class (also attended by Aloha High students) for which parental permission required; no ensuing public controversy
- 17 LUBA: Rajneeshee drop their challenge to the incorporation of Keizer (No. 82-109), saying that the court case had served its purpose by heightening public awareness of the significant constitutional issues related to incorporation and land-use planning
- 18 R: Two female peace officers and R firechief leave R to attend 7-week training course at the State Police Academy in Monmouth; 16 horse stable in operation; new 75-page water report published which shows: the existence of a 1900 alluvial aquifer under R, which contains 625 million gallons of water; that the aquifer contains over three.

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times estimated city needs in the year 2002 (170 million gallons) and is recharged well in excess of present city consumption; the shallow aquifer lies entirely on the Ranch and has no connection to regional aquifers and, therefore, can be used without affecting the water supply of neighboring ranchers; another area of the Ranch contains localized basins of underground water, with wells typically producing 15-50 gallons per minute

- 21 R: Enlightenment Day Celebration
- 22 Hearing in US District Court on Rajneeshee request for a final decision by the court on Bhagwan's applications for permanent US residency and an injunction prohibiting Bhagwan's deportation without a court review of INS procedures, and requiring that INS officials make available all negative evidence they have compiled and seeking a declaration defining the appropriate scope of the INS District Director in determining what constitutes a religious worker-teacher; INS lawyer states that no INS decision on Bhagwan's applications is expected for two to three months and contends that sufficient court review of any decision INS may render is already available; Judge takes requests under advisement, expresses his concern that courts interfere too often with administrative processes, states that he will study the relevant case law carefully and render a decision well in advance of any INS decision; Judge also states that if he decides not to intervene, he will allow Rajneeshee lawyers two additional weeks to complete their rebuttal to adverse information developed by the INS, thus removing the March 28 deadline which he had set earlier
- 22 Oregon State Senate approves SB 360 which would specifically require that the formation of new cities comply with state land use goals in an attempt to clear up what the CA in the Rajneeshpuram case stated was a poorly-worded existing law; State Senator from Portland says that the legislation will not affect the status of the Rajneeshpuram cases before LUBA and the Supreme Court
- 24 Rajneeshee spokesperson gives opening prayer at Oregon State Senate floor session; some phone calls of protest (29) received; a different religious person is traditionally invited to give the opening prayer each day of the Legislative Session
- 24 J: Former Ranch foreman files suit against the Rajneeshee in County Circuit Court, claiming that: he was defamed in a January 7 article appearing in the Rajneesh Times; Rajneeshee took some of his personal property; they took some of his personal documents from a locked desk without his permission and failed to return them all; former

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- foreman asks \$3,520,000 in damages (\$1 million in general damages over the newspaper article, which he claims was "false and malicious and damaged his personal and professional reputation"; \$20,00 in general and \$1 million in punitive damages relating to household and personal property charges; \$500,000 in general and \$1 million in punitive damages with regard to the alleged invasion of privacy by taking records)
- 25 R: Improvements to date: Lounge offering snacks, beer, wine, videogames, disco music opens; high protein typhon crop used to feed dairy cows, serve as a break crop in rotation with grains and as a source of fertilizer; twelve sheep used to begin test of rest-rotation grazing methods for stimulating grass growth; three new Bhagwan books published; 800 residents on the Ranch
- 25 It is reported that the Rajneeshee Bakery in Portland has expanded both hours and facilities in response to demand
- 25 It is reported that petitions have been presented by Rajneeshee to US consulates in Nairobi (March 4), Johannesburg (March 8), Mauritius (March 14), Strasbourg (March 11) Marseilles (March 14)
- 28 A: Budget Committee meeting; consists of 11 Rajneeshee and 2 non-Rajneeshee; discussion of one year special levy of \$11,242 to be placed on the May 17 election ballot; budget set at \$26,751 (General Services-\$10,420; Water-\$4,650; Fire-\$2,431; Street-\$6,100; Landfill-\$3,150)
- 29 W: Special election on special levy for financing W County operations and one for financing road maintenance; R residents vote 328 to 0 in favor of first levy and 327 to 0 in favor of second, but both fail countywide
- 30 Legislator complains on the House floor that the Oregon House of Representatives has bowed to pressure in inviting a Rajneeshee to give the opening prayer on the 31st; other Representatives defend the Rajneeshee's right to be invited as representatives of a religious group
- 31 Rajneeshee delivers House of Representatives Floor Session prayer; some controversy in the media as up to six Representatives walk off the floor before the prayer
- 31 J: Madras Pioneer prints an "open letter" from the area's State Representative which opposes the Rajneeshee
- 31 A: It is reported that "longtime" residents of A have filed six referendum petitions challenging ordinances enacted by the new City Council since January; the referenda, signed by 11 A residents, will be placed on the May 17 ballot and challenge actions which raised water users'

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fees, fire rates, which established rules of procedure for the City Council, contracted with the R Peace Force for police protection if needed, contracted with a Rajneeshee to serve as A City Attorney, authorized the leasing of four city lots to RNSIC

- 31 Rajneeshee host one of the traditional monthly "Pay Day" parties for legislators and employees in Salem; one of several Rajneeshee bands provides music

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- 1 R: April Fool's Day issue of Rajneesh Times jokes about takeover of Madras, 200 Rolls Royces, INS, Oregon's US Senator, 1000 Friends, a news columnist and TV broadcaster, a huge R city hall building and festival attendance

- 1 It is reported that Rajneesh challenges to 1000 Friends' claims that R will seriously lower the water table during drought years is supported by staff studies of the Oregon Water Policy Review Board; study shows that R " can meet the long range water needs with existing groundwater and surface water in the area--enough to provide for 16,000 in the commune", that "groundwater aquifers (geologic formations holding water) from which they are drawing water are too limited in extent to effect anyone elses' groundwater use" and "there could be some effect on the John Day River, but very minor."

- 1 It is reported that an Oregonian and ex-Rajneeshee has founded "Oregonians Against Rajneesh", to provide organization for those who feel that the presence of the Rajneeshee could be a threat to the quality of life

- 1 It is reported that a Rajneeshee family filed suit on March 15 in the Northern California District Court against the INS and seeks \$1 milion in damages; the suit grew out of an incident in which the husband claims INS pressured him to withdraw a visa application and sign an affidavit against his wife and daughter, by threats of prosecution on criminal charges for a fraudulent marriage; the wife and daughter were jailed in San Francisco for four days after INS arrest and their \$11,000 cash bond initially refused

- 1 It is reported that: the Dalai Lama of Tibet praised the work of Bhagwan on February 3 in India; the first issue of the German Rajneesh Times has been circulated in Germany, Switzerland and Austria; the greatest number of Rajneeshee in Western Europe reside in Germany, where there are 40 meditation centers and 1400 businesses (including 13 Zorba the Buddha restaurants)

- 1 R: Improvements to date: best week for book orders (3000); seedlings being transplanted (carrots, peas, beets, onions,

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chrysanthemums, nasturtiums, lettuce, peppers, tomatoes, spinach, celery, parsley) with the aid of special transplanting machine; popular, cherry and plum trees being planted; industrial park, including six major projects nearing completion (gas station with 42,000 storage capacity, 9,000 sq. ft. vehicle maintenance depot, 4,000 sq. ft. garage workshop, 4,000 sq. ft. materials storage building, 2,500 sq. ft. carpentry workshop, 5 wing therapy building with a total of 2,200 sq. ft. and constructed with Quickframes)

- 4 W: Invitation-only meeting held at The Dalles High School in opposition to the Rajneeshee attended by approximately 500; ex-Rajneeshee and other speakers "represent a group of 18 organizers with no single leader and no particular name, that encourages citizen support of the deportation of the Bhagwan and the demise of Rajneeshpuram"; audience encouraged to write to elected officials, to newspapers, use the radio and bumper stickers to oppose the Rajneeshee

- 5 A: City Council meeting; current assets-\$1,578.05; April expenditures of \$279.35 approved; mayor recommends that monthly water rates be lowered if operating levy is adopted; Fundraising Committee formed to seek ways to generate extra monies; transfer of Community Church to the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon discussed: legality of transfer questioned since it did not appear on the May 4, 1982 meeting agenda, no public notice was given, due process not followed, nearby ranchers oppose return of church to city ownership, mayor suggests it be used for community meetings as well as church services, defeated A mayoral candidate charges a conflict of interest for the City Council to investigate the legality of the transfer, Council votes to investigate; contracting with R Peace Force for emergency service discussed, defeated mayoral candidate again claiming conflict of interest on part of Council; the same charge repeated with virtually every item discussed; Ordinance #37 (approved November 23, 1982 which established property owners of record as of July 8, 1981-excluding the Rajneeshee- and exempting them from capital improvement costs and taxes) repealed by Ordinance No. 45 (as being in violation of the 14th Amendment of the Constitution); the filing dates of referendum petitions challenging Ordinance Numbers 39-44 discussed; Ord. No. 46 specifying fire rates as \$4 per month on residential property with a structure and \$10 per month on commercial property with a structure passed (repealing Ord. No. 44); discussion of recent cases of the discharge of firearms within the city and Ord. No. 47, prohibiting such discharge and providing for a \$50 fine, passed; contracting with R for garbage and recycling service discussed, Council decides to obtain 3 competing bids (Ord. No. 48); Ord. No. 49, authorizing

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- the city to administer the structural, mechanical and plumbing codes, mobile home utility codes and setups and to contract with Rajneeshee state certified building inspector passed; Ord. No. 50, repealing Nos. 17, 22, 25, 38, 41 providing for water and including provision for decreasing rates if operating levy passes, adopted; Ord. No. 51, authorizing lease of four residential zone lots to RNSIC passed; Ord. No. 52 contracting with R City Attorney for legal services until fate of Ord. No. 44 decided by referendum passed; Ord. No. 53 adopting emergency rules of procedure for the Council passed; Ord. No. 54 contracting with the R Peace Force for emergency service passed; Resolution 83-03 authorizing A to join the League of Oregon Cities passed; Res. 83-04 authorizing the purchase of federal surplus property passed; agreement to apply for a \$250 LCDC grant to review the A Comprehensive Plan; report on the disarray and missing records of the prior City Council presented; letter from defeated A mayoral candidate and Commander of American Legion Post #60, saying that the request for the Annual Barbecue on June 6 was being withdrawn due to what he perceived as Council prejudice, read into the record; 50 to 75 in the audience; several heated statements, particularly with regard to the issue of the community church
- 5 US District Court Judge rules that court intervention into INS handling of Bhagwan's applications for permanent residency is premature in the absence of an INS administrative decision; INS states that no administrative decision on the applications is expected in the near future
- 5 It is reported that Rajneeshee in Los Angeles are attempting to raise \$53 million for an Academy of Rajneeshism on the Ranch, five-eighths of which is planned to be underground
- 6 J: County Court/Commission hearing on Rajneeshee application for summer festival permit to allow 4,104 of the expected 15,000 to camp on J County land between July 1-15; approximately 18 attend; 2 Rajneeshee testify in favor; 8 testify against, claiming potential fire and security danger and probable non-removal of temporary structures; Court/Commission reminds audience that a \$25,000 bond is required by state law in order to ensure removal of temporary structures, states that it will receive written testimony for one week
- 6 Rajneeshee speaker at Southern Oregon State College

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- Apr 6 It is reported that the Rajneeshee have offered to fly state legislators and staff to R free of charge; State Senator requests Ethics Commission opinion on whether the offer violates a gift prohibition of more than \$100; Commission Director states that free travel is permissible to an event "that bears a relationship to a public official's office" and if the public figure is "appearing in an official capacity"
- 7 Rajneeshee state that the trip to R is for legislative fact-finding purposes and to enable legislators to respond to constituent requests for information
- 7 Ethics Commission rules that free travel to R is permissible if the tour is related to official public business of the Legislature; expenses of the trip, however, must be reported by the two R registered lobbyists
- 8 One legislator, Vice-Chair of the House Committee on Environment and Energy, and seven legislative aides say they will tour R
- 8 It is reported that the Hotel Rajneesh in Portland will hold nightly meditation sessions and begin various programs to control smoking and weight, to learn voice and music techniques
- 8 R: Improvements to date: 800 residents, ranging in age from 3 to 71 (71% between 23 and 42, average age 37); Oregon's only crime free city in 1982, according to the Annual Report of Oregon Law Enforcement Agencies; three members of Redmond fire department complete an informal review of R fire safety procedures; 5 miles of road to be "blacktopped" before the festival; a 6 acre, state-licensed, 2000-bird poultry farm producing over 1000 eggs per day and plans for breeding; 80 acre truck garden; sanded recreation area near dam reservoir; 10 acres of grapes; 340 cars; 35 busses; beauty salon
- 10 A: Budget Committee meeting; review of Ord. No. 50, which lowers water rates if special levy passes, rise in cost of electricity, street maintenance problems resulting in a budget increase; budget doubling since previous year defended by reference to inflation, improved public services, lower than expected 1982 income, added cost of referendum election, doubling of population; new budget adopted (Resources-\$12,069, Expenses-\$27,786 [General Services-\$10,930, Water-\$4,950, Fire-\$2,521, Street-\$6,235, Landfill-\$3,150] Proposed Tax Levy-\$15,717); defeated mayoral candidate asked to leave by W County Deputy Sheriff after refusing to refrain from smoking in a public meeting in violation of state law

- Apr 10 A: Special City Council meeting; discussion of whether pledge of allegiance to the flag should be said (never used by former Council); reporters present and photographing; Fundraising Committee report suggests a Western Fair and given go ahead to propose plan and budget; RNSIC request for a porch on their trailer approved as an outright use in a commercial zone; request for a Rajneeshee residential porch to be heard on May 3 as a conditional use; City Attorney reports that referendum petitions on Ord. Nos. 39, 40, 41, 42 not received in time to be placed on the May 17 ballot; petitions on Ord. Nos. 43, 44 given titles and to be placed on the ballot; non-Rajneesh Councilperson asks that those speaking about taking action against him outside the law not act behind his back; 2 Rajneeshee appointed to fill Council seats until May 17 election; Council calls for other interested residents to file for these seats by April 13 so that their names may be placed on the ballot; A mayor reads letter of April 15, 1982 from Oregon US Senator which states that he had conferred with the ex-mayor of A, concurred in the disincorporation decision and stood ready to help slow or stop the establishment of such "cults"
- 12 A: 95 residents reported
- 13 Aumsville invites Legislature to visit, in response to the R tour invitation
- 13 A: It is reported that: a special city tax levy of \$17,699.12 will be placed on the May 17 ballot; 1982 A property assessments equalled \$987,621 and that the Rajneeshee owned 12 properties assessed at \$205,000 of the total; in 1982, A residents paid the following amounts per \$1000 valuation-- County-\$2.40, A School District-\$6.29, W County Educational Service District-\$1.29, Treaty Oak Educational Center-71c, for a total of \$10.69 per \$1000 valuation; passage of the proposed A city Levy would result in taxes totalling about \$27 per \$1000, or equal to that of The Dalles
- 13 R: It is reported that: Rajneeshpuram has called for a \$38,835 city tax levy on property valued at about \$2 million; the assessed value of the Ranch had been \$198,186 in 1980, \$233,830 in 1981, \$1,831,709 in 1982 and \$6,277,563 in 1983; in 1984 Ranch property might be assessed at about \$8 million of a total W County valuation of about \$600 million
- 13 J: County Court/Commission had received no written testimony on Rajneeshee summer festival permit application; permit granted for 919 platforms for campsites to accommodate 3,676 people, but permits for two of four campsites (107 platforms and overflow area for a total of 4,104 people in J County) refused due to inspection by J County Sanitarian claiming inadequate sanitary facilities

- Apr 13 CA: Agrees with W County DA that granting the 1982 festival permit was not a land use issue over which LUBA has jurisdiction and affirmed W Cty Court/Comm. decision to grant the 1982 permit; no opinion was written in the case, which had been filed on appeal by 1000 Friends and nearby ranchers (LUBA No. 82-039) (No. A 25658)
- 14 W: The Dalles Weekly Reminder prints story on A City Council meeting, claiming that "long-time A residents" tired of waiting for legal protection, that the controversy close to the exploding point, that violence is coming and repeating threats of violence by A non-Rajneeshee residents and nearby ranchers; editorial claims Rajneeshee intimidation in A and urges readers to write to federal, state and local officials
- 15 By this date, Rajneeshee had appealed the CA ruling on incorporation as a land use matter to the Oregon Supreme Court; 1000 Friends and nearby ranchers given until May 1 to respond (No. A 26426) ()
- 15 A: Rajneeshee resident files harassment complaint with W County Sheriff's Office against defeated mayoral candidate for incident occurring after April 10 City Council meeting
- 15 A: It is reported that the special tax levy would raise the A tax rate to a total of \$28.62 per \$1000, as compared to the following: Mosier-\$27.20; Dufur-\$24.66; The Dalles-\$24.25; Maupin-\$24.24
- 15 R: Improvements to date: juniper being used in riparian recovery, rip-rapping of stream banks, small wildlife sanctuaries, walkways, soil recovery, shelter, shade, landscaping, table tops, carpentry projects; exercises staged to train Emergency Medical Technicians, it is hoped that 15 EMTs will be certified by May
- 15 J: District Court Judge fines J County rancher \$150 for careless driving in an incident occurring in February at the highway intersection near Madras and involving Bhagwan
- 16 It is reported that a Kansas woman filed a suit against Bhagwan and RFI in March claiming they had broken up her 19 year marriage and convinced her husband to donate \$125,000; Rajneeshee attorney claims husband freely chose to get a divorce, gave the woman a considerable settlement, had donated money to the commune by choice, that neither the Bhagwan or RFI had ever been in Kansas; attorney states he will file a motion to dismiss for lack of jurisdiction
- 18 Two anti-Rajneeshee meetings in Albany; sponsored by Concerned Citizens for Cost of Living Rights which turned from concern with higher utility rates to concern about Rajneeshee after February Rotary Club controversy; speakers are defeated A mayoral candidate, ex- A councilperson, ex-Rajneeshee; 60 to 140 attend

- Apr 18 It is speculated that the Rajneeshee are interested in buying a college campus in Mt. Angel
- 19 Rajneeshee speaker at World Affairs Council meeting in Portland
- 20 W: County Boundary Board considers petitions submitted by nearby ranchers to remove property currently in A School District and transfer it to other school districts, thus leaving the Rajneeshee as the only significant population supporting A School District; petitions propose removal of 200 square miles from the district, leaving only the property in A and on the Ranch and a connecting strip 15 miles long by one foot wide to support the district beginning in July, 1984; petitions accepted; the R petition to form its own school district has not yet been acted upon
- 22 R: It is reported that: R mayor had testified before House Environment and Energy Committee of the Legislature during the previous week on incorporation and land use issues; 17 Commanche Society aircraft pilots visit R; 3 members R Peace Force nearing completion of State Police Academy's seven week training course in Monmouth; 2500 bees have arrived at R; Rajneeshee computer service now offering statistical packages to international shippers and port authorities; 2 Rajneeshee have passed the multi-state bar exam and been admitted to the Oregon Bar Association; a Rajneeshee participated in the 6.2 mile Tom McCall run in Portland
- 22 A: It is reported that the Archives Division of the Secretary of State's Office has recently completed an inventory of city records in order to determine which are missing or incomplete
- 22 Ex-Rajneeshee invited to Forum at Clark College, Vancouver, entitled "Coping with Cults" in response to the earlier appearance by a Rajneeshee speaker
- 23 It is reported that business has suffered at a Gresham restaurant because of rumored ownership by the Rajneeshee; business in not owned by the Rajneeshee
- 24 R summer festival (Second Annual World Celebration) included in Statesman-Journal's listing of summer activities in Oregon
- 25 R summer festival budget reported to be \$9 million, \$5 to \$6 million of which is for capital improvements; first of festival's attendees said to have arrived; gross income of festival expected to be \$10-12 million

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- Apr 25 An anti-Rajneeshee group in Albany offers transportation to The Dalles for special showings of "Ashram in Poona" on May 2,3,4
- 27 Unknown gunman shoots and wounds horse belonging to ex-J County Deputy Sheriff who is now the non-Rajneeshee head of the R Peace Force
- 27 It is reported that a research document is circulating in the Legislature which shows that 1000 Friends may not be representing the interest of Oregonians, may contribute to rather than alleviate the high cost of land use litigation, and criticizes the group for the amount of time and money it spends lobbying the Legislature and delays it has caused in the acknowledgement of local Comprehensive Plans by LCDC
- 28 A: It is reported that the tax rate will be \$28.62 per \$1000 if the May 17 ballot passes and that none of the levy will be available for partial state funding by the Property Tax Relief Program, since it will be on a "B" ballot
- 28 It is reported that the film "Ashram in Poona" will return to The Dalles for showings on May 2,3,4
- 28 It is reported that Air Rajneesh Travel has received approval from the International Air Travel Association, but an application to the Air Travel Commission has been denied and is now on appeal to the agency commissioner; the reasons for the denial were stated to be that the agency is not open to the general public since it is down a winding dirt road and that it violates the "20% rule" (doing more than 20% of its air ticketing with itself or financially related companies); an appeal hearing has been set for May 2
- 28 R: Bhagwan's personal secretary and husband have second marriage ceremony
- 29 R: It is reported that: 75% of festival preparation money will be spent in Oregon (\$ 1 million for food, \$3-4 million on running costs, \$2.5 million on new buildings, \$3.4 million on toilet and shower trailers and heavy construction machinery, \$400,000 on upgrading and sealing roads, \$30,000 on tents, \$300,000 on transportation); recent visitors to R have included a group of 40 senior citizens, 80 Portland Community College students, several parents of Rajneeshee adults, representatives of all the major airlines serving Portland and of the airport authority, 4 Evergreen State College students doing a week-long research project, an Oregon State University professor who has received a grant from the Oregon Committee on the Humanities to study Bhagwan's teachings, a State

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- Representative from Multnomah County; recent Rajneeshee speaking engagements have included the Living Enrichment Center in Portland, the Oregon Buddhist Church, the Oregon State Penitentiary, Lane Community College, and an hour long talk show on radio station KOHI; future Rajneeshee speaking engagements will include a Channel 8 television talk show on May 1, R mayor at Lake Oswego Rotary Club on May 2; in recent weeks Rajneeshee displays have appeared at the Whole Life Times Exposition Show in San Francisco, the Western Graphic and Stationery Show in San Francisco; future displays are planned for the Los Angeles Future World Exposition in May and the Annual Booksellers Association Convention in Dalls, Texas in June; the R Fire Chief recently received an award from the Central Oregon Firefighters Association as the R Firefighter of the Year
- 29 R: Improvements to date: 7 miles of irrigation, water and sewer pipes laid for festival; work begun on a food pavillion covering 5 acres and seating 6,000 and 3 permanent shopping centers; a "robot" invention turning out 10 tent platforms every hour
- 29 By this date, R attorneys had appealed the decision by a Federal District Court Judge not to intervene in the INS decision on Bhagwan's residency status applications; appeal filed in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals claims that the judge erred when he said court decision must await INS action because of the harm that could result and because he did not consider the bias, prejudgement and denial of due process already displayed by the INS in Bhagwan's case
- 29 Southern Oregon State College hears rebut to a previous Rajneeshee presentation by a Catholic pries and an ex-cult member (not an ex-Rajneeshee) entitled "Rajneesh , Gurus and Cults: Another Side to the Story"
- 29 By this date, 1000 Friends had published and mailed letters and flyers entitled "Rajneeshpuram Alert" to Central Oregon residents containing: a letter by a nearby ranch couple describing efforts to block development at the ranch, the key support of 1000 Friends' attorneys in these efforts, pleading for contributions to 1000 Friends; a flyer containing a picture of a Rajneeshee spokesperson and claiming the "only wrench in its (Rajneeshee) steamroller is 1000 Friends" claiming they have worked hundreds of hours to prevent urban development and declare Rajneeshpuram invalid, citing "victories" in the Court of Appeals decision and the LUBA stay on the development of groundwater systems, stating that "We still must get LUBA to rule that the city was unlawfully created", soliciting 1000 Friends' \$25 memberships or one-time contributions of \$25, \$50 or whatever people can afford, stating "Your financial contributions are critical to the success of our efforts", and including a note that all contributions are tax-deductible

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- Apr 29 A: Previous City Council, which has been out of office since January, meets to pass a "retroactive ordinance" attempting to legitimize a resolution passed by them in May 1982 transferring legal title of the community church to the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon
- May 1 KGW TV talk show entitled "Between the Lines" features R mayor, ex-A councilperson and ex-Rajneeshee; R mayor serves papers on ex-A councilperson for a \$990,000 defamation suit which had been filed in W County Circuit Court over several statements and a letter she wrote to the Beaverton Valley Times that quoted an unnamed source as saying, "The only way to defeat these criminals is by dirty tactics, the same methods they use themselves. Don't entertain any scruples. If necessary, slaughter them because if not, they'll do the same to you when they achieve power."; several other acts or hints of violence discussed on the program
- 2 R mayor speaks to Lake Oswego Rotary Club
- 2 Ex-A councilperson denies charges in defamation suit, saying she was only quoting a letter sent to A in March of 1982 by a resident of Bombay, India
- 2 J: County Educational Service District accepts 111 square miles of land valued at \$2.4 million to be added to the J County 509-J School District in a transfer from W County School District 50-J which serves Antelope; 30 days were given as time for objections; the annexation date is set for May 31, 1984; while the Board approved the annexation, they question the legality of the one foot connecting strip of land which ties the remainder of A School District to property on the Ranch; one Board member questions why parents would want k through 6th graders to have such long bus rides to other school districts; residents say they fear they will be outvoted by the Rajneeshee in determinations of how the A school will be run; apparently the Rajneeshee do not object to the property transfer; the transfer would lower property taxes in Madras
- 3 A: City Council meeting; location of meeting changed from A school basement to Rajneeshee owned house, which is protested by non-Rajneeshee residents; Mayor announces public speaking guidelines to curb disruptive behavior (A residents must sign up before the meeting to speak on agenda items; non-A residents and property owners must request the right to speak in writing 3 days prior to each meeting; a person causing a disruption may be escorted out); guidelines amended to allow a legal or professional representative of A resident to comment without 3 days' notice and to allow comments on new or previous subjects during the additional time set aside for public comment; Assets= \$1946; April bills = \$800; April 10 actions of the Budget Committee approved, expenditures of \$27,786 for 1983-84 authorized and notice given of operating levy election on May 17; Fund Raising Committee

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reports on progress in planning for August 20 A Street Fair, \$200 approved for advertising and expenses; Landfill Committee reports on a letter from DEQ praising A interest in recycling and upgrading area, suggesting public notice of bidding in local paper, which will be done; announced that A has received a \$250 grant from LCDC to review its Comprehensive Plan and a consultant to be sought; records of the former Council still being reviewed and items missing so far have been reported; \$13.30 authorized for a plexiglass display box for public notices; Ord. #55 prohibiting dangerous buildings, allowing abatement, providing for a lien and declaring an emergency passed; Ord #56 repealing Ords. #21, 27, 31, prohibiting the growth or accumulation of materials which constitute a fire, health or safety hazard, providing for a lien, declaring an emergency and complying with state law passed; residents invited to look for properties violating Ords. #55 and 56; Ord. #57 forbidding disruption of a public meeting, defining disruption, providing for Peace Officer citation and setting fine not to exceed \$300 passed; A attorney reports on terms of the conflict of interest law, states no conflict of interest exists for councilmembers who are Rajneeshee, however, a potential conflict could be declared if a relevant issue arises; A pictures and information in the Oregon Bluebook noted; Rajneeshee resident's request for a conditional use permit for a porch extension granted; A residents invited to submit designs for a new city seal before June meeting (to replace the missing city seal); defeated A mayoral candidate's application for building permit for new A post office approved; Arbor Day tree planting in city reported; it is reported that the only bid in response to public notice of the leasing of A property has come from RNSIC, lease granted to them for 4 city properties; the public comment period revolved around: the change in Council meeting place, opposition to the lease of property to RNSIC, opposition to the new rules of procedure, the absence of the American flag and the presence of a picture of Bhagwan, questioning about the credentials and powers of the Peace Force Officer, question of who is to be invited to the Street Fair; several people from Albany attend

- 3 A: Executive Session of City Council to discuss the possible litigation of the A Community Church transfer issue
- 3 R: It is reported that the city has offered water management consultant services and declined to attend a seminar on "Managing Low Water Year Emergencies"
- 4 It is reported that rumors of sales of property to the Rajneeshee persist and that many businesses are posting signs dissociating themselves from the Rajneeshee; rumored sales, which never occurred, include: a marina in Garibaldi, cafes in Tillamook and Oceanside, a store in Redmond, a paper

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mill in Columbia City, a College in Mt. Angel, a medical center property in Bend, bakeries in The Dalles and Keizer, Elkland Village in Cannon Beach, a \$1 million ranch in Scio, 3 cafes plus motel and subdivision in Goldendale, Washington and "half of Madras"

- 5 Professor of religion at Oregon State University awarded a research grant by the Oregon Committee for the Humanities to study the teachings of Bhagwan says he will offer some public presentations and a course in 1984 upon completion of his study
- 5 R: Portland Park Bureau sponsors trip to the Ranch
- 6 R: City joins the Council for Economic Development in Oregon; recent visitors include 41 members of the Marion County Historical Society, ex-Governor Tom McCall's sister and family; Portland Educators , a video team from Lewis and Clark College, the publisher of The Dalles Chronicle and family; several parents of adult Rajneeshee; transit system spends \$6000 per month on gas, plans new garage and maintenance area, is scheduled to have approximately 75 busses for the festival, and retires its school busses by converting them into trucks, coffee break rooms, etc.
- 7 R: City Council imposes a 1c per gallon city gasoline tax for street maintenance projects and agrees to sell city T-shirts during the festival to raise money for projects
- 7 Anti-Rajneeshee speaker at Crabtree Community Hall
- 9 Ex-Rajneeshee speaks at Lake Oswego Rotary Club to rebut previous presentation by R mayor
- 9 R: 6 businessmen from India tour as part of a 5 week Rotary sponsored tour of Oregon; they warn that the Rajneeshee could "take over the people and their minds" and "one day may be demanding a separate state", that they "will be a big threat to the United States of America" and that Americans are less sophisticated than Indians about mind control and therefore can be victimized by Indians
- 11 J: County Court/Commission approves 107 additional tent platforms for the festival after a site inspection by a building inspector and clearance for health and sanitary services (on April 12, 874 and 45 had been approved in other areas of J County); thus, the Rajneeshee original request to tent up to 4,104 people in the county during the festival has been granted
- 12 A: It is reported that the May 17 ballot will ask approval of a one year operating levy of \$17,699.32 to balance the budget and provide funding for city services
- 12 R: It is reported that the May 17 ballot will ask approval of a one year operating levy of \$38,835 to balance the budget and provide funding for city services

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- May 13 R: It is reported that more than 7500 have been registered for the summer festival, a dining area for 6000 is taking shape as is a large boutique, centralized water and waste disposal systems are laid, docks are being built on the lake; Rajneeshee greeted Prince Charles and Princess Diana, to whom they are known, along the way of the Royal tour in Wellington, New Zealand; recent visitors include more than 100 members of the Up With People cast, 3 faculty from Whitman College, faculty and students from the University of Oregon Geography Department, the editor of the Redmond Spokesman and Redmond Rotarians, a videoteam from Mt. Hood Community College, four students from OSU studying organizational behavior, several parents of adult Rajneeshee and that several wedding ceremonies have taken place; 3 Rajneeshepuram Peace Force Officers graduate from the Oregon Police Academy, one winning the Lee M. Brown Memorial Award as top officer in the class
- 14 Celebration at Hotel Rajneesh for the remarriage of Bhagwan's personal secretary and her husband
- 16 R: Mayor states that he will seek legislation to clear up the questions about whether R is legally incorporated in order to defuse increasing hostility and chance of violence in area; Rajneeshee offer, once the R UGB is secure, to move out of A, saying they are there reluctantly and would prefer to live in R; no specifics of legislation discussed; aide to the House Speaker says that such legislation is unlikely to be heard so late in the Session
- 17 Newspaper report contends that R has so far received \$2194 from the state highway fund, \$1142 from state liquor tax distributions and \$284 from state cigarette tax revenues
- 17 W: Rajneeshee resident of A files suit in W County Circuit Court against defeated mayoralty candidate of A for a "grabbing" incident which followed the April 10 A City Council meeting; \$15,000 in damages asked
- 18 R: City celebrates its first anniversary
- 18 Attorneys for Bhagwan file lengthy rebuttal with INS, consisting of 3 videotapes, 51 photographs, 48 pages of brief, and 628 pages of evidence; evidence is to challenge the INS contention that Bhagwan is not a religious leader-teacher; attorneys claim that Bhagwan should have been given a "grace period" from activity due to his poor health and that it is constitutionally impermissible for the INS to require that he talk in order to qualify as a religious teacher
- 19 W: Election results published: R City levy passes 343 to 0; A levy passed 64 to 15 (raising property taxes from \$10.69 per \$1000 to \$28.62 per \$1000); A referendum to overturn the ordinance leasing real property to RNSIC defeated 64 to 15; A referendum to overturn the ordinance contracting with a Rajneeshee attorney defeated 66 to 12; R votes on other levies were as follows: W County Special Operating Levy yes 353 to 0; Columbia Basin Nursing Home Operating

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- Levy yes 352 to 3, Sheriff's Department Special Levy yes 355 to 1, Libraries and Museum Special Levy yes 355 to 0, Recreation Pine Hollow Fairgrounds yes 357 to 0, Extension and Predatory Animal Control yes 350 to 4; Animal Control Special Levy yes 354 to 4; the rate of voting in R was 82% (359 of 434 registered); A votes on other levies were as follows: WCSOL yes 75 to 23, CBNHOL yes 81 to 18, SDSL yes 76 to 21, LAMSL yes 74 to 24, RPHF yes 71 to 27 EAPAC yes 68 to 32, ACSL yes 65 to 33; the rate of voting in A was 62% (100 of 159 registered)
- 19 R: 750 permanent residents, including 55 children reported; 200 to 300 festival participants already arrived to participate in longer programs; 44 milk cows; 2200 birds; 1400 eggs per day; 12 sheep; 16 horses; 51 calves; 82 beef cattle; 1100 two week old chicks
- 19 It is announced that the Rajneeshee are seeking the adoption of an amendment to HB 2295 (a major land use bill which has passed the House and is before the Senate Energy and Environment Committee) which would exempt all cities incorporated since 1981 (Rajneeshpuram and Keizer) from land use law compliance in the sense that their incorporations regardless of the classification of the land would be considered legal; the general attitude is that the amendment's passage would be a "long shot"
- 19 It is reported that the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service in Seattle is reviewing the A situation in relation to provisions of the 1982 mediation agreement
- 20 R: Largest single book order received (for \$26,000 from B. Dalton chain); writer doing an article for New Yorker magazine visits; pre-festival conference held to review safety precautions, attended by J and W County DAs, J and W County Sheriffs, representative of State Emergency Management Division, several state police officers; the list of Rajneeshee restaurants/night clubs/discos in the world include: 8 in the US, 2 in Australia, 2 in Denmark, 1 in France, 2 in Holland, 2 in India, 1 in Israel, 5 in Italy, 1 in Sweden 1 in Switzerland, and 15 in West Germany
- 21 OSU Professor studying Bhagwan's teachings, value orientations and meditation practices says of a recent visit to R that he was impressed by Rajneeshee hard work, environmental concern and international flavor
- 23 W: 750 to 1000 "Concerned Oregonians" attend anti-Rajneeshee meeting in The Dalles by invitation only (press included); speakers include reporter for The Dalles Weekly Reminder, a Dalles evangelical minister, a Portland attorney defending ex-A councilperson in defamation case (he is also former Vice-President of the disbanded CCC of 1981-82), defeated A mayoral candidate; these solicit money, request the signing of petitions to the INS to deny Bhagwan permanent residency, urge the audience to write public officials
- 24 Rajneeshee speakers at Milwaukie Kiwanis Club

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- May 25 W: County Court Commission meets to discuss Rajneeshee request that they write a letter in support of the proposed amendment to HB 2295; 30 attend morning meeting and urge Court/Commission to remain silent; in the afternoon, on their way to inspect festival preparations at R, the Court/Commission stops in A in response to a request by defeated A mayoral candidate to discuss the legislation with A residents; about 40 attend meeting, which includes only 3 Rajneeshee, does include media representatives; those in attendance urge the Court/Commission not to write in support of the legislation; Court/Commission unanimously votes not to write the requested letter; Court/Commission carries on to inspect R festival site; W County Sanitarian states that all legal guidelines and specifications for the festival are being met
- 26 R: It is reported that another dam will be built this year and that plans for a school on the J County portion of the Ranch have been dropped due to many difficulties experienced
- 26 Preliminary initiative petition filed with the Secretary of State's Office by 2 Albany women and a Eugene man; "Request for an initiative petition which will: expel the Rajneesh cult from Oregon. Whereas, all power is inherent in the people--they have at all times a right to alter, reform or abolish the government in such manner as they may think proper--Article I, Section 1. Therefore, a majority vote by the people approving this initiative petition identifies the Rajneeshees as an alien cult that has invaded Oregon and threatens our governments--and herewith commands our governor to expel immediately from Oregon all members and vestiges of said cult. Any attempt by a judge or any other public servant to obstruct enforcement of this directive will be a disobedience to the people, hence a violation of our Oregon Constitution and therefore be punished as treason"; the petition garnered 47 signatures in the first hour; it has been forwarded to the Attorney General's Office for a ballot title; if it is intended to become law it will need 62,521 signatures by July 1984; if intended as a constitutional amendment it will need 83,361 signatures
- 27 J: J County residents of the Ranch announce that they will seek signatures on a petition for permission to hold an incorporation election for Rajneeshville; the new city would consist of 16,000 acres and sit on land now occupied by 20 trailers, a medical facility and 87 registered voters; 150 registered voters are needed in an area before it is eligible for incorporation; the move was evidently in response to the frustrations of dealing with the J Court/Commission which: a few weeks prior refused to allow the inclusion of the area in the Rajneeshpuram UGB; refused to reconsider the placement of the J and W County borderlines, refused to write a letter supporting the proposed amendment to HB 2295; chair of the Commission says the petition will be denied on land use grounds

- May 27 R: It is reported that: the Rajneeshee consider letters written by three former A council members to DLCD in opposition to the R Comprehensive Plan to be a breach of the May 1982 mediation agreement and they may reopen claims for the \$19,000 in attorneys' fees waived as a part of the agreement; recent visitors include 25 Portland Community College students, 46 senior citizens from Salem, John Day senior citizens, 50 members of the Farm and Land Institute of the Bend Chapter of the National Association of Realtors, parents and festival arrivees; the transformation of a political extremist and accused bomber, for whom police have been looking for 5½ years, into a peaceful 2 year follower of the Bhagwan has caused a sensation in Japan as a result of his arrest; there are 9 Rajneeshee centers and 9000 followers in Japan; people have become upset in Molalla as a result of a Service Center employment counselor's revelation that she is a Rajneeshee, rumors of "take over" and telephone calls urging her firing resulted
- 28 Oregon's Congressman for the R/A area meets with citizens in The Dalles to answer questions, many of which involve the Rajneeshee
- 29 Willamette University professor's guest opinion describing the role of 1000 Friends in the A situation and encouraging passage of the amendment to HB 2295 appears in Salem Statesman-Journal
- 29 R mayor and Rajneeshee attorney appear on "Town Hall" television program along with many others to discuss religion and moneyraising as they relate to tax law
- 31 A: Special City Council meeting to discuss the proposed amendment to HB 2295; 3 day advance sign-up for non-residents waived in the interests of full discussion; proposed amendment clarified (HB 2295 states that land use goals will apply to the incorporation of cities, the amendment suggests that the new law not be applied retroactively); some discussion of the W Court/Commission meeting in A on May 25, with complaints that it was an unannounced meeting and virtually no A residents were present; Council votes to support HB 2295 with the amendment, with the non-Rajneeshee councilmember abstaining; Council votes to postpone consideration and implementation of A 1983-84 budget and tax levy until HB 2295 settled or the end of the fiscal year; A mayor offers to resign if R survives challenges to its incorporation through adoption of the amendment; Council passes a resolution to call for a disincorporation vote if R incorporation settled by the amendment, with the non-Rajneeshee councilmember voting no; 100, several reporters, 2 TV teams attend
- 31 W: A City Council files suit against the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon and 6 former A officials in W County Circuit Court; suit claims unlawful action in transferring ownership of the A Community Church on May 4, 1982 because no prior notice was given to the public that the item would be on the

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- June 1 R: It is announced that 9000 have pre-registered for the Second Annual World Celebration festival; participants in longer therapy and meditation programs begin to arrive
- 1 The State Senate Environment and Energy Committee hears testimony on the Rajneeshee proposed amendment to HB2295; the proposal reportedly receives a cool reception, with only one committee member speaking in its favor; committee chair says the proposal will be considered along with others to amend HB2295
- 1 J: Petition seeking to form Rajneeshville with 60 signatures filed and accepted by J County Court/Commission; to be discussed at June 14 hearing
- 1 W: It is reported that Rajneeshee have sent letters of protest to the County Court/Commission over the unscheduled May 25 meeting in A; it is claimed that the meeting did not comply with state open meeting laws, since no notice was given; the power was turned off to prevent a Rajneeshee from taping the meeting; one Rajneeshee was not recognized to speak
- 1 W: Rajneeshee file a \$75,000 lawsuit (\$50,00 in compensatory damages, \$25,000 in punitive damages) against 4 ex-A City Councilmembers in W County Circuit Court; suit charges a breach of the July 8, 1982 mediation agreement when they wrote to the Director of the DLCD urging that he and staff oppose adoption of the R Comprehensive Plan; the relevant portion of the mediation agreement reads: "The parties to this agreement agree in their individual and official capacities to support the incorporation of Rajneeshpuram and the comprehensive plan amendments and zone change, without qualification, and agree to say nothing and do nothing which might tend to contradict or interfere with the spirit or content of the resolution."
- 2 J: It is reported that a Madras minister plans to lead a demonstration at the Portland office of the INS to urge that Bhagwan be deported.
- 2 Governor states in a press conference that the Rajneeshee offer to move from A if legislation legalizing R is passed is a "blatant offer of trade" which he resents, that the Legislature should not interfere in the dispute now before the State Supreme Court, and that he would oppose the adoption of the Rajneeshee proposed amendment to HB2295 by the Legislature
- 2 LCDC: hearing and review of J County and R Comprehensive Plans; staff recommends approval of J County Plan, which is acknowledged over the objections of both Rajneeshee and 1000 Friends; J now one of 12 counties to have acknowledged plans; approximately 150 attend, including W and J County residents; 4 hours of testimony on R Comprehensive Plan; staff recommends that UGB be revised; LCDC takes four votes: rejects

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- request by 1000 Friends for an enforcement order that would have nullified R incorporation by 4 to 3; rejects a proposal to deny the Comprehensive Plan because it does not contain an exception and justification for exception to two of the planning goals by 4 to 3; rejects a proposal to postpone action on the Plan because of litigation before the State Supreme Court by 4 to 3; approves the R Comprehensive Plan as being in compliance with 13 of the 14 planning goals but sends it back for 150 days to correct "flaws" in the portion dealing with the UGB by 4 to 3.
- 2 W: Rajneeshee speaker explains festival arrangements to The Dalles Kiwanis Club; 113 busses reported to be in the transportation system; more than last year's 91 press people expected; 2.2 acre greenhouse said not to have worked out and will be turned into a meditation hall
- 3 R Mayor states in press conference that the City has asked their state representative to seek an opinion from the Attorney General's Office as to the constitutionality of R participation in the state's revenue sharing programs
- 4 American Legion fundraiser for A held in Tygh Valley; disappointing turnout reported, but two state legislators attend
- 4 W: Announcement of a June 6 meeting of the W County Planning Commission on revisions of the R UGB in response to LCDC critique of the R Comprehensive Plan Goal 14 provisions that the boundary does not lend itself well to providing for public facilities and services; part of the boundary would be in J County, where officials have taken a position not to allow the expansion of the boundary; it is stated that the W County Planning Staff recommendation will be not to approve the boundary until it is complete (including the J County portion)
- 6 It is reported that a state representative from Albany has asked the AG and the DEQ and the W County Sheriff to "make inquiries" regarding activities of residents at R as a courtesy to a constituent who felt certain sanitation, safety and public access laws were being violated
- 6 W: W County Planning Commission meeting; hearing on UGB revisions for R tabled; hearing reset for July 11 to give the South W County Planning Advisory Group time to meet and look at the effect the proposed city of Rajneeshville in J County would have on the boundary issue; the proposed revision of the R UGB would be reduced to 1800 acres, but would include more buildable land; the SWCPAG had already recommended that land outside the revised UGB be disincorporated as a condition of accepting the revised boundary; 50 people attend
- 7 A: City Council meeting in A School basement; a reported \$3289.43 in the General Fund with \$730 in outstanding and expected bills; budget hearing to discuss the approved budget of \$27,786 announced for June 29; advertizing reportedly begun

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to attract vendors to the August 20 A Street Fair; a landfill fire of May 30, which smoldered for 1½ days, was reported to the DEQ; announced that DEQ recycling information will soon be circulated; report on the city records: all deeds missing, all oaths of office before 1983 missing, former A City Attorney has A City Council minutes prior to 1976 and other records and intends to keep them as a lien against bills he feels the City still owes him; A City Attorney authorized to take legal steps to retrieve records; request of 2 non-Rajneeshees and 1 Rajneeshee yield offer by R City Planner to work on A Comprehensive Plan; contract for 20 hours of R City Planner time at \$250 (to be paid by LCDC grant) for work on A Plan approved; sketches for A City Seal reviewed and one adopted; A City Attorney reports on lawsuit against the Episcopal Diocese and 4 ex-A City Councilmembers, papers to be served this week; letters authorized to be written to 2 non-Rajneeshee property owners in A to take care of public nuisances on their property before July 5 Council meeting; letter authorized to be written concerning weed abatement; ad in The Dalles Chronicle authorized to solicit bids for weed abatement on A City property; Ordinance #59 allowing A to enter into contract for toilet rental and use of land at A Street Fair passes; contract for toilet rental approved; Ordinance # 60 adopting state building codes and fees and declaring an emergency passes (R Community Development Department will administer the codes in A according to a previous ordinance); resolution establishing state fees for building permits passes; contract with R to perform duties of Building Officials to be presented next meeting; Ordinance #61 accepting a bid from RNSIC to recycle A city waste for \$150 per month adopted after A Mayor declares a potential conflict of interest; RSNIC bid to respond to DEQ request to cover and move location of landfill by June 30 for \$300 accepted; Mayor states wish that A City receive more bid competition on such jobs; Ordinance #62 adopted unanimously, reads as follows: "AN ORDINANCE SETTING ASIDE CITY PROPERTY FOR RELAXATION AND RECREATION WITHOUT WEARING CLOTHING. Many residents of Antelope wish to have a place where they may become more in tune with nature by relaxing and enjoying each other without wearing clothing. The people of Antelope believe that the human body is beautiful and that much benefit, including better health and vitality, can be gained by understanding it. The only way to truly understand and relate to the human body is to learn to accept it once again with the unaffected nonchalance of a new born babe. At birth there is no concept of nakedness. The body is completely natural and accepted without question. Later, people learn to hide behind their clothing. The people of Antelope wish to regain their innocence by getting in touch with themselves and nature and learning to accept themselves totally as they are. Therefore, THE CITY OF ANTELOPE does ordain as follows: The city property located at Blocks 5, Baird's Ad-

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- dition, Antelope, will be set aside as a place where citizens and visitors to Antelope may gather without wearing clothing, and relax with each other in true openness and honesty. This ordinance shall take effect after proper facilities, as determined by the Council, have been provided, and the Council announces the park opening."; committee appointed to look into details of implementation; W County DA later says that W County has an ordinance prohibiting public nudity, but that it only applies outside of incorporated areas; discussion of events related to R proposed amendment to HB2295, including a RSNIC letter stating that if the amendment is adopted by the Legislature, they will put all their property in A up for sale and encourage all Rajneeshees to move to R; Treasurer authorized to spend up to \$75 per month on things authorized by the Council; City Attorney authorized to increase work hours from 2 to 5 per week; material of gravel for post office parking lot approved; announcements; public comments; non-Rajneeshee appointed to committees for weed abatement and for public nudity; flag issue raised again
- 8 Guest opinion by Western Oregon State College professor appears in Albany Democrat-Herald and outlines how the proposed initiative petition to expel Rajneeshees would violate more than 40 provisions of the US and Oregon Constitutions
- 8 By this date, rumors had been reported that the Rajneeshee have purchased a ranch near Langlois and want to buy land near Mollala for an airport, school and recreation area; Rajneeshee deny the rumors
- 9 It is reported that R has been allocated a total of \$6,326.14 in state revenue-sharing funds between December 1982 and April 1983; the AG has received at least 17 letters and is investigating the constitutionality of this; the Legislative Counsel's Office is also examining the issue at the request of the state senator from the area; revenue-sharing funds are allocated as based on a certified R population of 606, which is .0406% of the state's incorporated population of 1,492,753; \$2,412.82 of the shared funds have come from liquor receipts, \$394 from cigarette tax receipts, \$3,519.32 from various highway related taxes
- 9 W: The Dalles Weekly Reminder, which has been publishing a great deal of material unfavorable to the Rajneeshees, reports that the US State Department has been investigating Bhagwan and Rajneesh Foundation International since November 1981 on "allegations of extensive tax problems, sexual entrapment, and 'the possibility of fraud or willful misrepresentation in connection with the Rajneesh's application for a non-immigrant status'" (an alleged quote from a State Department document); the story further states that: "tax authorities did not recognize it as a religious organization"; "tax authorities revoked the ashram's tax exempt status" in 1977 and assessed back taxes to 1974; the ashram attempted "to place sympathetic

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- individuals in sensitive" public offices; after entrapment, offers of silence with regard to charges of sexual molestation of Rajneeshee females were made in order to trade for things wanted by the ashram; "'It is possible that Rajneesh's claimed illness was not as severe as he portrayed....'"; all allegations stem from activities in India, prior to coming to the US or Oregon; the INS states that there will be no decision on Bhagwan's immigration status until after July .
- 10 Oregon Attorney General's Office decides that the initiative petition to expel Rajneeshees from the state must be rewritten, since it provides "no specifics on how to accomplish their goal"; AG's staff said to be certain that the proposal, if passed, "would violate the religious freedom provisions of the U.S. and state constitutions. But he said initiative petitions don't have to meet constitutional requirements to appear on the ballot. The constitutional issue would be determined by courts if the measure became law, he said."
- 10 R: R City Planner accuses W County Planning Commission of being unethical at June 6 meeting by asking "'for information which we had no authority to give them, and which they had no right to ask for, and then [using] that as an excuse to delay hearing on [R] plan amendments."; he charges that the Commission yielded to the pressure of the crowd present at the meeting; it is reported that RFI is taking legal action to recoup \$1010 from Andromeda Lighting, a former Medford firm, which failed to deliver special lighting ordered over a year ago; Rajneesh Times editorial castigates Governor for his remarks regarding the Rajneeshee proposed amendment to HB2295
- 10 R: Improvements to date: beergarden for festival and cafeteria to serve 6000 persons per hour completed ; recent visitors to R include 5 aides to state legislators, 2 legislative employees, an author/anthropologist and the Assistant Director of the Educational Coordinating Commission
- 11 It is reported that the Rajneeshee have filed a petition for review in the US Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals in an attempt to halt the deportation of Bhagwan's 70 year old mother; the INS has been given 20 days to reply; the INS states that July 1 is the deadline for rebuttal information on the separate case of Bhagwan's application for permanent residency
- 12 It is reported that the Mollalla Service Center job developer who recently revealed that she is a Rajneeshee will stay on the job in spite of having been the target of a letter writing and telephoning campaign calling for her to be fired
- 14 R: City Council meeting; Council approves Ordinance establishing a permitting process for people wishing to use an area for public nudity in response to residents' requests; both permits and nudity would be required to enter the area set aside for this purpose; excerpts from the Ordinance and the

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discussion prior to passage are: "The residents of Rajneeshpuram wish to have a place where they can enjoy the sun, and their bodies, in the nude. The people of Rajneeshpuram believe that the human body is beautiful and that there is no need to hide it. In fact, it should be accepted and enjoyed openly." "Several members of the public stepped forward to air their views on the subject, including...M.D., Psychiatrist, who is the vice-chancellor of Rajneesh International Meditation University."; it is announced that public tours of the Ranch will be suspended between July 1 and 9 to those not registered for the festival

- 14 J: County Court/Commission meets and agrees to research the issues related to Rajneeshville; no hearing date is set pending the study and location of a site large enough to hold the expected audience; it is reported that the County Judge/Commissioner had said when hearing of the proposal that he would vote to deny the petition on land use criteria and "the proposed town would include some of the best farm land on the sect's ranch"; it is also reported that the previous month a Rajneeshee had demanded that the Judge/Commissioner disqualify himself from voting on Rajneeshville since he showed "personal animosity to the Rajneesh community."
- 14 30 people demonstrate at the Portland INS Office in favor of deporting Bhagwan .
- 15 A: Former A City Attorney publicly says he will keep A City records and official meeting minutes until the \$4300 allegedly owed him by the City is paid
- 15 R Mayor, Rajneesh Times editor and RFI attorney travel to Washington, DC seeking help from Oregon's congressional delegation in dealing with the INS since they feel they are being treated unfairly and discriminatorily
- 17 It is reported that a 1000 Friends' letter to the Chair of the State Senate Energy and Environment Committee has asked for an amendment to HB2295 which would enable easier retroactive application of new rules governing the incorporation of cities to R; a probable committee hearing on the proposal is expected on June 20
- 17 R: Harvard College library orders several of Bhagwan's books; the Austrian pea crop is reported to be doing so well that some will be sold rather than using all as green manure
- 20 State Senate Energy and Environment Committee hearing on 1000 Friends' proposed amendment to HB2295; Rajneeshee and League of Oregon Cities testify against; the amendment is tabled, along with the Rajneeshee proposed amendment; Rajneeshee, 1000 Friends representatives and committee administrator to meet to try to reach a compromise on the issue
- 22 R: Bhagwan's secretary welcomes early comers to the festival; announces the pending publication of a small book on the religion of Rajneeshism

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- June 22 R: 1000 Friends staff attorney and planner visit R City Hall to check building permits; a demonstration of 75-150 Rajneeshee occurs; 1000 Friends staffers claim harassment
- 23 Governor agrees to visit R in statement made at Greater Portland Convention and Visitors Association breakfast, but sets no date; a number of the Governor's aides are reported to have recently visited R
- 23 AG's Office approves a ballot title for the initiative petition to expel Rajneeshees from Oregon
- 23 R Mayor states at a press conference that R should continue to participate in the state's revenue-sharing programs like any other city and calls for an AG's opinion in the matter
- 24 LUBA: 1000 Friends files a motion for a stay on development at R on behalf of 3 nearby ranch couples, claiming that they will suffer irreparable harm from urban development and have an interest in retaining the rural character of the area: in the petition, 1000 Friends staffers claim that they were harassed, badgered and subjected to abusive remarks when checking R city records for building permits on June 22; structures approved and/or built and listed in the petition as evidence of urban development are: 125,000 gallon steel reservoir, a sewer system for 16,000 people, an additional central treatment plant, a 32,000 sq. ft. shopping mall, a restaurant, dormitory, barber shop, school, adult education office, 41 A frame quadruplexes, 21,900 sq. ft. counselling and meditation complex, 9,000 sq. ft. repair garage and retail sales offices (No. 83-
- 24 W: It is reported that the Superintendent of the W County Educational Service District has told the R Committee for Citizen Involvement that votes against the A School District levy on June 28 would be bad public relations and had explained that in one year the A District would contain no one but Rajneeshees, since others had applied to pull their property and children out; it is reported that the Rajneeshee replies included the following: the A District is planning to pay \$118,000 to educate 12 children when it would be about 60% of that cost to send them to Madras and most of that fee could be paid for by A District assets of \$50,000; the former A Mayor and J County Judge/Commissioner had asked the Rajneeshees to sign a letter in 1981 saying they wouldn't send their children to the A school as a basis for issuing housing permits to the commune
- 24 R: It is reported that a 126 year old guru visited the Medina Rajneesh Center in England and commented favorably; Improvements to date: R restaurant features the Rajneesh Room, the Oriental Room, Fondue Room, Crepe Room; Mexican Restaurant to open soon; 10 motorcoaches purchased for festival; Bear, an illegal-drug-sniffing dog, arrives to check festival visitor's luggage

- June 24 State Senate Energy and Environment Committee adopts a compromise amendment to HB2295 which states that it is not the Legislature's intent to affect the legal battle over R now before the Supreme Court
- 24 Guest opinion by Willamette University professor appears in Oregonian outlining the outbreak of intolerance against Rajneeshees appearing in letters to the editors of Pacific Northwest newspapers over the past two years
- 25 R: City Council meeting; \$180,000 General Fund budget adopted; Council passes a gay rights ordinance, believed to be the first of its kind to survive in Oregon and prohibiting discrimination against any person because of sexual preference or orientation in public accommodations, employment, housing or education; it reads, in part: "AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEXUAL PREFERENCE OR ORIENTATION. Whereas, sexual preference or orientation, is the concern of each individual, and women may find joy in the company of other women, and men may find joy in the company of other men, just as men and women find joy in the company of each other....And whereas, it is not the place of any government, organization or person to judge, or restrict the sexual practices of other individuals....No person in the City of Rajneeshpuram, nor the City of Rajneeshpuram, shall discriminate against any person because of sexual preference or orientation."
- 25 A: An ex-Rajneeshee and outspoken German critic of the group is cited for criminal trespass for driving on private Rajneeshpuram property and asked to appear in W County Court on July 10; another critic, freelance writer from The Dalles Weekly Reminder, is cited for taping a person without his consent and asked to appear in W County Circuit Court on July 11; W County Deputy Sheriff issues citations at the the request of R Peace Officers and in the presence of the W County Sheriff and an Oregon State Police Officer in A after the alleged violation
- 28 W: Special election day; A School District request for \$62,334.4: outside the constitutional limit loses by 439 to 45 (R votes decisive); Rajneeshee defeats non-Rajneeshee candidate for A School Board four year term by 440 to 47 (R votes decisive) W County Extension Service Office Support Fund levy of \$58,760 passes by 2166 to 1711 (R vote is 387 for to 2 against); W County Special Road levy of \$169,500 loses by 2029 to 1822 (R votes are in favor); W County Sheriff's levy of \$90,400 passes 2133 to 1766 (R vote is 393 to 0 in favor); W County Fair Maintenance levy of \$6,328 loses by 1958 to 1894 (R votes are in favor); The Dalles and Dufur Recreation Support levy of \$8,475 loses by 1939 to 1896 (R votes are in favor); the countywide voter turnout is 29%
- 28 Rajneeshee file suit in federal court on behalf of Bhagwan's

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- mother seeking \$125,000 in damages and an injunction preventing the INS from enforcing its February 28 deportation order until she is well enough to travel; the suit states that she suffers from arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease with angina, diabetes, hypertension and congestive heart failure
- 29 It is reported that a California Superior Court judge has lifted a ban and will allow a boy to visit his Rajneeshee mother at the Ranch for one month, after favorable testimony is given by an Oregon Children's Services official and a San Jose psychologist as to the positive environment there
- 29 A: Special City Council meeting in A School basement; City seal to be completed in one month for \$100 by a Portland firm, approval; contract implementing the ordinance authorizing R to administer and enforce A building codes passes; A School Board response to City Council request to move meetings from A School basement to gym discussed and maintenance problems related to move to be looked into; request that interested A residents write ~~Mar~~ by July 5 to participate in Comprehensive Plan changes as a Committee for Citizen Involvement ; Treasurer reports that state revenues will decrease by \$455.92 and suggests alterations in allocation of funds to several budget categories; resolutions approving the operating levy of \$17,699.32 and adopting the City budget of \$27,330.08 and appropriating the funds all adopted; resolution authorizing \$100.65 for A Mayor to attend Mayors Association Convention on August 17 passes; meeting of committee on public nudity held after adjournment of Council
- 30 A: School Board meeting; discussion of whether to hold another election in August; if that is decided and again fails, there will be four alternatives: send 12 elementary students to Madras, where 13 junior and senior high students are already sent, with the A School District paying an as yet to be determined amount; sell A District assets or assign them to another district; raise funds by a method other than taxation; disband the school and let parents fend for themselves
- 30 J: It is reported that in a letter to the J County Court/Commission dated June 25, the Rajneeshee requested postponement of the August public hearing on Rajneeshville, pending LCDC decisions relating to what process petitioners to incorporate a new city should use in applying the statewide planning goals; Court/Commission to take action on the letter July 6
- 30 Oregon Supreme Court rejects Rajneeshee appeal, declines to review the CA decision that the R incorporation must satisfy land use goals; the decision is made without comment, affirms the CA reversal of the LUBA decision and sends the case back to LUBA for reconsideration on the merits; R Mayor says he feels R complies with the goals, but R may decide to appeal for a rehearing or go to the U.S. Supreme Court; at stake is the question of whether any incorporation on EFU land is prohibited by Oregon's land use laws (LUBA No.82-052, No. A26426,)

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- July
- 1 R: Improvements to date: 4½ miles of "red-topped" roads; ~~the~~ DC-3 and one Convair airplane; wharf, recreation platform at dammed lake; new post office building; four new books published; holistic health counselling and laughing meditation added to festival program; recent visitors include former State Senator, associate editor of The Oregonian, two legislative employees, the coordinator of Neighbors North Office in Portland and representative of the City Club of Portland

 - 1 It is reported that a former State Senator and co-sponsor of SB 100 (Land Use Planning Law) stated recently that it was not intended to apply to the evolution of a city in a semi-desert area; creating farmland and a city for services in such an area was "fine by him" as it added to Oregon's agricultural resources; it is "commensurate with the intent of our legislation, and I fervently pray that you will be sustained in your efforts to establish this community here1000 Friends has done a lot for Oregon but on this issue they're full of baloney....Their interpretation of Senate Bill 100 and mine are two completely different things....We never envisaged an experiment like this.... This city is in support of a wonderful agrarian experiment."

 - 1 An INS official denies the request of Bhagwan's attorneys for more time (30 days after the US 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco rules on charges of INS bias) to present rebuttal material on the application for permanent residency; at the request of the US attorney representing the INS, however, a 15 day extension is granted to both him and Bhagwan's attorneys; due date for material is July 15

 - 1 J: County Judge/Commissioner states that no action is planned to change the August 24 hearing date on Rajneeshville

 - 2 R: First day of the highlighted week of the Second Annual World Celebration; 1000 residents reported, including 55 children from 18 months to 18 years; 29 Rolls Royces available for Bhagwan's use

 - 3 R: More than 15,000 followers reported present for festival, approximately one half of them from Europe, with all paying from \$500 to \$3050 for a one-week to three-month stay; plans to make the private school, which has 5 full-time and three part-time teachers, a public school as soon as the detailed curriculum is ready for state accreditation consideration are announced

 - 3 R: City Attorney reports receiving a letter from LUBA dated June 30 stating that the stay on the development of ground water resources issued in February at the request of 1000 Friends representing nearby ranchers has been lifted because R does comply with Land Use Planning Goal 5 (Water Resources) as determined by LCDC in June .

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- July
- 4 A: It is reported that 13 non-Rajneeshee residents remain
 - 4 R: It is announced that 38 quadruplexes will become the R Hotel complex after the festival
 - 4 W: It is announced that there will be no W County Planning Commission meeting in July due to lack of a quorum; hearings on the R Comprehensive Plan and UGB change is rescheduled for the August meeting
 - 5 A: City Council meeting in the A school basement; Treasurer reports \$2,952.74 on hand; payment of \$707.91 in bills is authorized; it is reported that 70 press releases soliciting vendors and artists for the August 20 A Street Fair have been sent; a councilmember is authorized to select a site for the Fair; it is reported that the landfill was covered on June 15 and moved to a lower area; the committee for public nudity, which met on June 29, suggested the location be moved from Lot 5 to Lot 6 and an ordinance was passed to move the site; an advertisement soliciting donations for the nudity park fencing and landscaping was authorized; the Comprehensive Plan consultant suggests minor revisions in the plan and an update of historical information and recommends that a councilmember work with him and the Committee for Citizen Involvement; 11 letters requesting CCI participation received and deadline extended to July 12; first CCI meeting set for July 15; update given on community church litigation; discussion of two public nuisances; discussion of a new bill for \$4,550 received from former A City Attorney, discrepancies with old bills, lack of records of his being hired, missing city documents in his possession; present City Attorney authorized to spend three hours sorting out the bill and the status of the former attorney's lien on Council papers; ordinance and contract passed with RNSIC to mow city lots for weed abatement at a cost of \$400; public comments
 - 6 R: Guru Purnima Day (Master's Day) which is the highlight of the festival; state authorities report that everything has gone peacefully; 6 full-time R Peace Officers with State Police Academy training and 34 Reserve Officers on duty; R spokesperson appears on the "Today Show" and "Nightline" television programs
 - 7 R: W County Court/Commission and Sanitarian tour to inspect festival facilities and all found to be in order
 - 7 W: District Attorney announces that ex-Rajneeshee cited for trespass and free lance writer cited for "taping without consent" on June 25 will not have to appear in court on July 11; his office has not filed the charges; the information will be presented to the W County Grand Jury on July 28 instead; trespass is a Class C misdemeanor with a maximum penalty of 30 days and \$500; taping charge is a special felony with a maximum penalty of 3 years and \$3000; it is rare but not unknown for misdemeanors to go to the Grand Jury

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- July 8 R: Approximately 35 cars and pickups drive through R on the county road in a planned media event; no adverse incidents reported; last day of festival's highlight week; in departing speech festivalgoers are told that if they share all of their positive energy with the world, there is a possibility that they can "reverse this trend toward nuclear catastrophe that we seem to be on."
- 11 A: Special City Council meeting to discuss DLCD staff presentation to LCDC on July 13 which will propose temporary rules concerning how land use laws are to be applied to new cities; Council passes a resolution asking the LCDC to consider that small cities which already exist in rural areas may not want growth or the cost of added services and that those who want to incorporate a new city should be allowed to do so if they meet population requirements outlined in the Constitution; discussion focuses on the potential effect of the temporary rules on A, its population size, taxes, and soil quality (which is better for agriculture than that of R)
- 12 W: It is reported that the R request for a revised UGB includes 201 acres for a fairgrounds, which would eliminate the need for the application and issuance of an annual mass gathering permit for each festival; the R UGB request may be considered on August 1; the request would reduce the UGB size from 2135 acres to 1344 acres, but would include more buildable land, since it would eliminate cliffs but add 279 acres for the fairgrounds, transportation and public facility zones on level land; the R Comprehensive Plan projects a total population of 3700 by the year 2000 and includes prospects for hi technology industry and a hotel-resort operation; still at issue is whether the proposed population of Rajneeshville in J County should be subtracted from the 3700 total in the R Comprehensive Plan or be considered separately
- 12 W: District Attorney reports that no complaints have been filed in his office in relation to the recent festival
- 12 Two additional proposed initiative measures aimed at forcing the Rajneeshes to leave Oregon are on file in the Secretary of State's Office; one "would require the governor to 'contain and repel' certain cults identified as 'Rajneesh or a similar type'"; the other "would require public servants to comply immediately with a 'majority vote of the voting on any subject'"; a previous similar petition gained an approved ballot title from the Attorney General's Office on June 23 and needs 62,251 valid voter signatures to be placed on the ballot as a proposed law; these two need 83,361 signatures as proposed constitutional amendments; the AG's Office approves ballot titles for these two on this date
- 14 Former A City Councilwoman, who is being sued for \$990,000 by the Rajneeshes, ~~announces~~ a countersuit for defamation charging that RFI President wrote a letter to The Rajneesh Times

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accusing her of being an "insolent racist and religious bigot, that we were spreading fear through outrageous lies and biased opinions"; the suit is also for approximately \$1 million

- 14 A: School Board meeting; operating request reduced from \$62,334 (which failed to pass by 439 to 40 on June 28) to \$39,640 and placed on the August 9 ballot; meanwhile the process initiated by nearby ranchers to remove their property from the A School District proceeds and it is believed that the new District boundary, which will contain only Rajneeshee property and A property, will be completed this year
- 14 It is announced that the 9th US Circuit Court in San Francisco has ruled that Bhagwan's attorneys are to be given an extension to present rebuttal evidence to INS until 14 days after the court has ruled on allegations of INS bias and a request for a preliminary injunction, thus overruling the INS denial of extension on July 1
- 14 LCDC: By a 4 to 3 vote, LCDC approves an 8 page set of temporary rules, to go into effect immediately, which are to regulate the formation of new cities in Oregon; one provision states that when a county authorizes an incorporation election for land outside of a UGB, it must file for an exception to the land use goals to allow urban uses on rural land and show a need for a new city; the provision applies retroactively to all incorporation decisions after August 21, 1981, which includes the W County Court/Commission decision on Rajneeshpuram; the rules create a retroactive standard by which to judge the validity of R incorporation; the DLCD Director says the rules are needed to guide LUBA in its review of the adequacy of the R incorporation procedure now that the case has been returned to LUBA by the Oregon Supreme Court; the R lawyer protests that the rules are unfair because they are retroactive and the County could not have known in 1981 that this would be the required procedure; a 1000 Friends' lawyer says the requirements are "nothing new"; a 1000 Friends' spokesperson says they expect R to be dissolved when the rules are applied by LUBA; the Mayor of R protests that the final draft of the rules was completed only two days before the vote and no copy was available to R officials before the day of the vote and that was a violation of the spirit of Oregon's public meeting laws; a permanent version of the rules is expected to be approved in August, since LCDC has 180 days to make them permanent or let them lapse; Rajneeshee say they intend to ask the Oregon Supreme Court to rehear the incorporation case, and that if they refuse Rajneeshee will appeal to the US Supreme Court; a Task Force is created to consider the adoption of permanent rules in the matter
- 15 J: It is reported that the petition for the incorporation of Rajneeshville has been withdrawn, since the petitioners wish to wait to file until the new LCDC rules on incorporation procedures are finalized

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- July 18 LCDC: Task Force on permanent rules for incorporation procedures meets; representatives of Rajneeshpuram, the 1000 Friends, the League of Oregon Cities, the Association of Oregon Counties, Agriculture for Oregon, four areas hoping to incorporate soon, DLCD staff and an LCDC Commissioner attend; discussion revolves around whether the rules should become a land use goal or merely administrative rules
- 19 J: County Court/Commission votes to accept the withdrawal of the Rajneeshville petition and cancel the August 24 public hearing
- 20 It is reported and confirmed that the Rajneeshee are locking at real estate in the Medford-Ashland area for light industry or a restaurant-resort; they are also considering lots of 50 to 150 acres in Banks (near Portland) and on the coast (Bandon, North Bend, Coos Bay); they are especially interested in land inside of UGBs, given their past land-use problems; the Mayor of Ashland says that he opposes Rajneeshee attempts to move there and thinks his citizens do too
- 21 Supporters of the anti-Rajneeshee initiative petition drive begin to collect signatures, since their proposed ballot measure has been certified by the Secretary of State's Office
- 21 US 9th Circuit Court of Appeals denies a preliminary injunction request to postpone the deadline for submission of rebuttal material to the INS in the matter of Bhagwan's application for permanent residency status (No.)
- 22 Former A City Councilwoman holds press conference on her \$1 million countersuit against the Rajneeshee for defamation to be filed in Multnomah County Circuit Court(No.
- 22 R: Plans for a destination resort at R are announced; it would include a health spa, 25 yard long pool, manmade lake, 100 unit hotel, saunas, sun decks; it is also announced that subdivision plots in the area will be sold to non-Rajneeshee; Chair of the R CCI writes to the Governor protesting the new LCDC temporary rules and especially the striking of a clause which would have exempted areas with reservoirs from the exceptions process as being aimed specifically at R; the estimated gross income from Ranch agricultural operations in 1983 is \$870,000 as compared to a maximum estimate of \$125,000 which could be expected from conventional ranching of the land; it is stated that the previous owner ran 600 head of cattle and couldn't make the Ranch pay, that it changed owners 6 times before that and the Rajneeshee are the first to successfully farm there in three decades; it is estimated that the 2135 acres of R if left in its original state could have generated \$1650 in income and supported no more than 8 head of cattle, but that it now generates millions of dollars in income from visitors; an

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- Italian director films at R as part of a 12 program series in which he is trying to capture the spirit of different countries by focussing on one small town; he sees R as an example of America's spiritually-based communes, a capacity to absorb immigrants and allow for experiments; an estimated \$60 million invested to date; Peace Force reaches 35 members
- 22 A: Preparations for the August 20 Street Fair with vendors, a continuous program of entertainment and 2000 predicted visitors continues
- 23 W: It is announced that a new anti-Rajneeshee group called Americans For Constitutional Rights has been formed; its first meeting, organized by a minister from The Dalles, is said to have attracted 600 to 700 people; AFRC does not support the anti-Rajneeshee initiative petition drive; all officers of AFRC reside in The Dalles and membership overlaps with Concerned Oregonians; CO is reported to have held a recent meeting in Hood River and contacted all members to write the Governor protesting the fact that his last three appointees to LCDC all voted against the recently adopted temporary rules on incorporation procedures
- 23 W: It is reported that the scheduled W County Planning Commission discussion of the R Comprehensive Plan and UGB revision request will be delayed from August 1 to September due to a feeling that more investigation is needed in light of the recently adopted LCDC temporary rules on incorporation procedures
- 25 LCDC: Task Force meets on permanent rules; R Mayor says that such rules should apply statewide and not be used to focus on R alone
- 25 A newly formed anti-Rajneeshee group called Americans for Constitutional Rights (ACR) holds its first statewide meeting in Gresham; 200 in attendance urged to write INS urging Bhagwan's deportation
- 26 It is reported that last week the Rajneeshee filed a \$12 million defamation suit against the Oregon Farm Bureau Federation and employees in Multnomah County Circuit Court over an article in the Oregon State Farm Bureau News of July/August 1982; the suit claims that the article attributed statements to Rajneeshee which were not made, compared the presence of photos of Bhagwan to displays of Marx, Lenin and the Ayatollah Khomeini in other countries, charged inaccurately that farm buildings were not being used for farm purposes, implied the Rajneeshee lost their individuality, and said that the "Rajneeshees may constitute one of the largest ward-healing, ballot-stuffing political dictatorships ever seen in Oregon." (No.)

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- July 27 W: The Educational Service District approves a change in boundaries that puts 5 sq mi of A School District in Maupin Elementary School District; earlier W ESD had approved another petition putting another part of ASD in J County's school system; no children who attend public schools live in the area affected by the most recent change, but the non-Rajneeshee property will be removed from the ASD property tax base; changes to take effect in May, 1984
- 27 W: County Court/Commission meets with County Planning Director and Rajneeshee; recommends a delay in consideration of the proposed R UGB revisions and request for recreational site permit
- 28 Three anti-Rajneeshee groups are reported to be active: Citizens for Constitutional Cities (CCC), headed by unsuccessful A mayoral candidate; Concerned Oregonians (CO), based in Wasco County; Americans for Constitutional Rights (ACR), based in The Dalles
- 29 R: First grapes begin to appear on the 12,000 vines; plans for a fully automated solenoid controlled irrigation system linked by a central computer are discussed; other plans are: to market herbs such as dill, basil, screl, creganc, celentrc and parsley this fall; build root cellars to store winter crops; begin a chicken hatcher and breeding program; double the dairy herd; 50 calves have been born to the herd; a new pollen screen has been designed for the bee operation
- 29 A: It is reported that an A city official has personally met with Oregon's US Senator said to be opposed to the Rajneeshee and invited him to attend the A Street Fair
- 29 Three bomb blasts (one at 1:22am and two at 2:57am) rip through the top floor of the Rajneesh Hotel in Portland, causing a two alarm fire which is controlled after 30 minutes; about 60 people in the hotel; only one man seriously injured; he had registered under an alias, is a non-Rajneeshee from California and is accused of three counts of first degree arson; it is reported that he may have been registered for a meditation program at the Ranch with two other men the day before; damage to the 4 story 127 room hotel is estimated variously between \$89,213 and \$1.25 million; Ranch security is tightened; Rajneeshees report that they have received a continuing series of threats over several months
- 29 W: Grand jury declines to indict two men charged with trespass and taping in June 25 R incident
- 29 R: Book and tapes sales reported to average between \$120,000 and \$160,000 per month; Asiaweek cover story features Rajneesh
- 30 Phoney bomb threat called in to Rajneesh Hotel

- Aug
- 1 W: County Planning Commission meeting; hearing and decision on proposed R UGB revision delayed until the Commission's new legal counsel, LCDC and the W County Court/Commission review the situation; R request for conditional use permit for recreational area near dammed lake approved
 - 1 A: Reported population is 95
 - 1 Rajneeshee reported to be interested in the purchase of property in Illinois Valley, Southern Oregon
 - 2 Reported that accused Rajneesh Hotel bomber a possible member of a Muslim sect; search for his two companions continues
 - 2 A: City Council Meeting; non-Rajneeshee Council Member absent; approval of OLCC package sale permit renewal and new beer and wine service application by Zorba the Buddha Restaurant; buy fire equipment in budget to be purchased; Street Fair plans discussed; cost of fencing for Public Nudity Park between \$2600-6000 and only \$5 in donations to date; Committee for Citizens Involvement (CCI) meeting on July 27 discussed proposed A Comprehensive Plan revisions; letter sent to non-Rajneeshee resident on public nuisance; weed abatement completed; Episcopal Diocese filed motion to strike and A filed amended complaint on community church; discussion of how to proceed in matter of ex-A City Attorney bill and withholding of city documents; suggestions and bids solicited for city stationery
 - 3 R: Three Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife employees visit to discuss various ongoing environmental projects
 - 3 W: Two members of the County Court/Commission meet with 20 people in The Dalles to answer questions about R
 - 3 Rajneesh Hotel receives call from Seattle stating that someone has discussed hiring a person to kill Bhagwan
 - 4 W: County Court/Commission meets with DLCD staff to discuss R UGB revisions in relation to pending court cases
 - 4 Anti-Rajneeshee meeting arranged by supporters of initiative petition held in Myrtle Creek; several 100 attend
 - 4 Deadline for Rajneeshee to submit rebuttal material to INS; attorneys and 35 others deliver a two foot stack of documents consisting of over 1000 pages, including a petition signed by over 900 residents of R; material concentrates on three issues: that Bhagwan came to the US initially to have surgery which would have been more dangerous elsewhere; that there was no preconceived intent to stay in the US; and that Bhagwan's presence is of value to the world and the US
 - 4 San Mateo County man files suit in Superior Court to have his son return early from visiting mother at R due to alleged threats to his safety
 - 5 Oregon Farm Bureau states that it will fight the \$12 million lawsuit filed against it by the Rajneeshee (No.)
 - 5 Several Oregon religious leaders attending the 6th Assembly of the World Council of Churches in Vancouver, B.C. issue a statement deploring the acts of violence and bigotry against the Rajneeshee

- Aug 5 LCDC: DLCD staff officially recommend a delay in the review of R Revised Comprehensive Plan until challenges to the city's incorporation are resolved on the grounds that once the plan is acknowledged the incorporation question could be rendered moot
- 5 R: Improvements to Date: 550 lbs. of fresh sprouts harvested and consumed daily; harvest begins of 150 acres @ 35 bushels per acre of spring barley and 100 acres of spring wheat; Married couple announces a suit soon to be filed against 3 INS officials to claim damages for refusing to process the husband's application for permanent residency for over 16 months on the basis of religious discrimination
- 6 R: Two California men arrested on extortion and criminal conspiracy charges involving a year long series of threatening letters and taken to jail in The Dalles; R Peace Force's first felony arrests
- 8 San Mateo boy allowed to complete his visit with mother at P
- 8 LCDC: Commission members ask R land use attorney and 1000 Friends' attorney to prepare a joint presentation on new standards for the creation of urban areas in Oregon
- 9 R: San Diego State University Professor of Religious Studies administers questionnaire to residents
- 9 A: School levy request of \$39,640 defeated by a vote of 416 no to 42 yes
- 9 ACR holds anti-Rajneeshee meeting in Baker; 200-300 attend
- 10 A: School Board meeting; decisions delayed until Aug. 15
- 10 W: County Court/Commission votes 2 to 1 to direct the W County Planning Commission to conduct hearings on proposed R UGB revisions
- 11 30 to 40 members of anti-Rajneeshee groups convene in Salem for picnic on Capitol lawn and to meet with Governor's aide
- 11 R ambulance responds to car accident call 6 mi. east of A
- 11 CO begins voter registration drive in support of initiative petition
- 11 W: 1000 Friends, a Ranch couple and 2 individuals file suit in W County Circuit Court against W County, LCDC and R seeking to invalidate W County Court/Commission order allowing the R incorporation election and to require LCDC to issue orders forcing R and W County to comply with land use goals and state land use law compliance procedures on the grounds that W County had failed to recognize that R residents would be primarily engaged in agriculture (No.)
- 12 R: Improvements to Date: a firewatch tower built and staffed 24 hours a day from July-Oct to act as an early warning system for over 30 ranches and an area of 2000 sq. mi. is part of a statewide network coordinated by BLM and Oregon Depart-

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- ment of Forestry; 50 adult and 50 baby peacocks; over 30
Rolls Royces; reported that neighboring ranches pump 5700
gals. of water per min. for irrigation and that R total ex-
pected use by the year 2000 will be only 375 gal. per min.
2 Directors of the Rajneesh Institute for Nature Living at-
tend the national convention of the American Sunbathers As-
sociation; construction of warehouse begun; W County Court/
Commission member who recently resigned to pursue missionary
work in Nigeria praised by R officials and states that the
Court/Commission has made the many controversial decisions
about R based on the law
- 14 CO anti-Rajneeshee meeting in Wamic attended by 140
- 14 R and CCC attorneys debate the issue of separation of church
and state in relation to R on local TV program
- 15 R: Two remaining members of the County Court/Commission and two
candidates for vacant seat tour R to ensure all temporary
festival structures removed and state they are satisfied;
R attorney writes letter to Banks garage owner demanding
he stop selling "Nuke the Guru" T-shirts displaying pictures
of Bhagwan
- 15 A: School Board votes to close A school and send its 12 non-
Rajneeshee elementary students to Madras 34 miles away; de-
velops a new budget of \$85,610; shows revenue of \$62,962;
sets a special levy election for \$23,000 for Sept. 20
- 15 Portland Rajneesh bakery moves to Hotel Rajneesh; Hotel also
announces opening of a medical clinic, new coffeeshop and
Mexican restaurant
- 15 CCC holds anti-Rajneeshee meeting in Bend and begins fund-
raising effort for a lawsuit asserting that R violates the
US constitution's requirement of separation of church and
state, which will be filed when enough funds are pledged;
150-200 attend
- 16 Anti-Rajneeshee meeting for fewer than 40 people in Hood River
- 17 Anti-Rajneeshee meeting for 40 in Parkdale
- 17 R spokesperson makes presentation at public information meet-
ing in Santa Cruz held to counteract misinformation, threats
and violence; 300 attend
- 17 SC: Oregon Supreme Court denies Rajneeshee request to recon-
sider its June 30 ruling that R must meet statewide land use
goals; case remanded to LUBA for a decision on the merits
(LUBA No. 82-052, No. A26426,)
- 18 R: Rajneeshee announce they will appeal the Oregon Supreme
Court ruling to the US Supreme Court on the grounds that the
First Amendment rights of the residents of R have been vic-
olated (LUBA No. 82-052, No. A26426,)

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- Aug 18 W: Grand jury votes not to press extortion and criminal conspiracy charges against two California men arrested at R on Aug. 6
- 18 California man pleads innocent to first degree arson charges in connection with the Rajneeshee Hotel bombing in Multnomah County Circuit Court (No.)
- 18 R: It is reported that at least 50 individuals and real estate agencies have offered property to Rajneeshee in Ashland-Medford area; 250 offers have been made statewide
- 18 San Francisco Rajneeshee announce opening of a once a week disco
- 19 Oregonian article by Willamette University professor cites 1000 Friends' responsibility for a portion of the climate of fear and intolerance directed against Rajneeshee in Oregon
- 19 R: Improvements to Date: 1200 eggs a day produced; sagebrush being cleared for recreational area near dammed lake; 80 acres of Austrian peas ready for harvest; construction of museum planned; record July tape and book sales of \$350,000 announced; bakery output at 400 loaves of bread and several hundred dozen pastries per day (during festival: 2000 loaves total of 100,000 cookies; 11,000 pieces of cake; 7000 pieces of pie; 12,000 shortcakes; 22,000 croissants; 11,000 brownies; 8000 pieces of torte; 15,000 cheesecakes and 5400 pieces of poppyseed cake); University of Oregon Department of Psychology launches in-depth, on-going study with demographic survey of R residents; Professor of University of East Anglia's School of Economics and Social Studies in England completes book on Rajneeshee and a BBC2 TV documentary, both to be released this fall; names of 4 Rajneeshee submitted to be considered for appointment to fill a vacancy on the W County Planning Commission
- 20 A: Street Fair; booths, music, a wedding; hundreds of Rajneeshee attend; estimated profits between \$400-500
- 200 Anti-Rajneeshee meeting held by supporters of initiative petition; 100 attend; Rajneeshee spokesperson in Medford to respond to meeting
- 21 Oregon Mayors Association meeting attended by 59 of Oregon's 243 mayors, including R mayor and A City Recorder
- 22 ACR holds anti-Rajneeshee meeting in Gresham; 100 attend
- 22 J: Madras School District 509J Board agrees to accept non-Rajneeshee A elementary school children on a tuition basis; 21 total A students, including high schoolers, will be charged \$62,441; A School Board member says A school bus will be sold, revenue raised and a levy of \$23,000 sent to voters on Sept. 20

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- Aug 23 ACR holds anti-Rajneeshee meeting in Beaverton
- 23 W: County Planning Commission Special Meeting; for the third time tables discussion of proposed R UGB revision, which would constitute a net loss of 300 acres from the UGB, until courts determine the legality of R incorporation; 30 to 40 attend; R attorneys say they will appeal to the W County Court/Commission since the Oct /Nov deadline for submitting R Comprehensive Plan revisions to LCDC is nearing
- 23 W: County Court/Commission members meet with citizens to answer questions about R
- 23 LUBA: denies a request to stay implementation of the R Comprehensive Plan and Development Code filed by 1000 Friends on behalf of five ranch couples, saying the claimed "irreparable injury" which would result from their implementation had not been shown
- 24 R: City Council holds public hearing on the annexation of 103 acres of land
- 24 W: County Court Commission meeting; appointment of third member; hearing on 1984 Rajneeshee festival permit
- 24 W: Petition seeking recall of W County Sheriff filed which cites as one of reasons the arrests of two for trespassing and taping in June 25 R incident; 1,708 signatures needed within 90 days to place petition on the ballot
- 25 ACR holds anti-Rajneeshee meeting in Oregon City
- 25 R: Officials announce the start of a \$3.5 million construction project to include a 72 unit hotel, a 62,000 sq. ft. furniture factory, a lounge, a 60,000 sq. ft. cafeteria with outside seating for 15,000, airport additions, a security building, a tourist reception center, an 8000 sq. ft. recreation hall and a 25 acre parking lot; 1000 Friends charges that R is speeding up development to circumvent land use requirements
- 25 LCDC: takes no action on 1000 Friends' request to block further building at R pending the LUBA decision on incorporation
- 25 R attorney files motions in Oregon Supreme Court and Oregon Court of Appeals claiming the state's land use planning rules are unconstitutionally vague and infringing on R residents' First Amendment rights and requesting a stay of the SC June 30 decision that R incorporation is a land use action to which planning goals apply (LUBA No. 82-052, No. A26426,)
- 25 Multnomah County judge rules that Bhagwan must be available for pre-trial deposition taking by attorneys representing ex-A City Councilwoman in her countersuit for defamation; R attorney states such questioning would endanger Bhagwan's health and that he will appeal to the Oregon Supreme Court

- Aug 26 R: Improvements to date: significant success of a fly and mosquito control program reported; leading German intellectual of the Green Party visiting and participating in meditation programs; Rajneesh Medical Corporation offers new health courses; personal delivery food service started out of Rajneesh Hotel; excerpts from Bhagwan's Oct. 14, 1982 interviews with the INS printed
- 27 LCDC: acknowledges W County Comprehensive Plan, but sets aside Rancho Rajneesh portion of the Plan pending the outcome of proposed R UGB revisions
- 28 R: City Council hearing and approval of request to annex 119.2 acres, rezone them and thereby revise UGB
- 29 LCDC: Ad Hoc committee formed to decide how land use goals should be applied to new Oregon cities reports progress; LCDC rejects request by 1000 Friends to reconsider the R Comprehensive Plan
- 30 "Ashram at Poona" film reported to be showing again around Oregon
- Sept 1 S. F. Rajneeshee weekly disco opens
- 2 R: Improvements to date: Rajneesh Times receives approval for second class mailing permit; Oregon Dept. of Revenue commends R efforts in putting together city budget; Portland police chief thanks R resident for aiding with arrest in his city; ex-US forest ranger familiar with former Big Muddy Ranch visits and praises environmental and water development efforts
It is reported that Bhagwan has predicted the next 15 years will include nuclear war, floods, earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, the destruction of New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Tokyo and Bombay; that R Mayor states the recent annexation of 119.2 acres is getting attention while the removal of 700 acres from R's UGB and its return to EFU has been getting little; that Komsomol Pravda Russian newspaper recently warned of the danger of US religious movements and cited the exploitation of R workers, the terror of A inhabitants and accused the Rajneeshee of being anti-Semitic, anti-African and anti-Asian
- 3 Anti-Rajneeshee meeting held by petition supporters in Medford; 50 attend; speakers compare R to a concentration camp
- 4 R: Improvements to date: private school educates 60 children, has 5 teachers, a program strong on basic and practical skills, students attend school every day of the year, are grouped by ability and maturity level, 4th graders tested at 6th grade reading level; R school preparing for a public school district by 1984 and evaluated by the Superintendent of the W County Educational Service District (ESD) as having a sound program; 22% R residents hold Master's degrees; up to 200 people per day tour R; \$64 million invested to date

- Sept 5 R: First day of Mahaparinirvana Celebration, one of four religious festivals
- 6 A: City Council Meeting; non-Rajneeshee Council Member absent; 1982-83 fiscal year ended with balance of \$2,051.09; Street Fair income of \$1,095.11, expenses of \$525.04, profit of \$570.07; bills of \$323.67 paid out of ending August balance of \$3,533; Street Fair praised; CCI meeting on Comprehensive Plan revisions set for Sept. 13; Recycling Center site established near fire hall, bids opened for construction and signs pamphlet to be written and distributed; another letter to non-Rajneeshee resident on public nuisance; A has filed second amended complaint over community church and former City Council has been served; noted that ex-A City Attorney holding city documents is no longer practicing law; fire drill set for Sept. 14; designs for city stationery solicited; report on recent Mayors' Convention; \$125 authorized for City Recorder to attend Oregon Planning Institute on Sept. 29-30
- 6 W: Ad appears in The Dalles Chronicle soliciting money for 1000 Friends to continue their court fight against R; same ad seen to appear in other Eastern Oregon newspapers
- 6 A: School Board meeting; acceptance of a proposal that the Board reverse its earlier decision to close the school and reopen Sept. 19 with 50-60 R children attending and volunteer teachers from R in return for R support for the Sept. 20 levy election for \$25,200 needed to bring budget total to enough to cover tuition costs of non-R children being bussed to Madras at present; based on 60 pupils, the A school would be eligible for \$60,000 in state Basic School Support funds; legal and teacher certification ramifications to be looked into and the Board to meet for further consideration on Sept. 15
- 7 W: County Court/Commission meeting; LCDC Chair asked about proposed R UGB revisions and replies that LCDC staff recommends delaying hearings on R Comprehensive Plan until LUBA rules on the legality of R incorporation; decision to defer the Rajneeshee appeal of the W County Planning Commission decision to table proposed R UGB revisions until Sept. 14
- 7 Rajneeshee Disc in Berlin firebombed by arsonist at 8am, sustaining over \$70,000 in damage; Rajneeshee spokesperson places responsibility on media for recent coverage of the gro
- 8 San Mateo Superior Court receives request to bar mother from taking her son on visits to R one or two weekends per month and for part of school holidays and summer vacations
- 8 Rajneeshee spokeswoman in Austria criticizes conference on psychology and religion after first being invited to participate on panel and then being disallowed by reason of sex
- 9 R: Improvements to date: four new books published on last day of Mahaparinirvana Celebration; drawing to be held on Dec. 11 in celebration of Bhagwan's birthday for ownership of a 1981 Rolls Royce valued at \$117,000 with RSNIC paying up to \$20,000 of delivery costs announced; couple visits to thank R physician for saving their son's life in auto accident-related surgery in Madras last April; plans to enclose an 88,000 sq. ft. former greenhouse turned auditorium announced more than 250 1300 lb. rounds of alfalfa hay baled; new range of herbal cosmetics made from materials gathered at Ranch go on sale

- Sept 10 Approximate date when 38,000 mailings from 1000 Friends entitled 'Rajneeshpuram Alert' begin arriving in Central Oregon homes soliciting \$15-\$1000 memberships to "help stop the powerful Rajneesh Investment Corporation from obtaining special treatment under the law...."
- 11 CO holds anti-Rajneeshee meeting in Lincoln City; approximately 40 attend
- 12 It is reported that a Portland auto dealer has received orders for 14 more Rolls Royces to be given to Bhagwan
- 12 W: The Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon begins to seek funds to fight a suit filed by the City of Antelope in W County Circuit Court aimed at returning ownership of A church to city; no court date has been set for the suit; recently A filed a second amended complaint in the case alleging that the previous A City Council failed to follow proper procedures in giving away the valuable property and seeking its return as well as damages and lost rental revenue since the May, 1982 deed transfer
- 13 A: School Board meeting to discuss bussing R high school students to Madras and rehiring non-R teacher for grades K-6; 75 attend the 3 hour discussion, including officials from W County ESD; no decisions made; meeting continued until Sept. 15
- 13 Anti-Rajneeshee meeting held in Banks; 200-250 attend; one speaker reportedly claims that R has received \$16,986 in revenue-sharing funds from the state to date
- 14 LUBA: hearing of arguments on the legality of R incorporation; 1000 Friends' attorneys argue for 3 hours, again accusing ex-W County Court/Commission Judge of possibly being influenced by a cattle sale to Rajneeshee on Nov. 15 in making the Nov. 4 decision to allow an incorporation election; the State Ethics Commission dismissed those charges on May 12, 1982; 1000 Friends also charges that Rajneeshee are trying to mislead officials by misrepresenting facts and trying to prejudice the case by hinting at improprieties in 1000 Friends' behavior; R lawyers argue that it is inappropriate to reconsider the incorporation decision of 2 years ago since many land use conditions have changed since then; LUBA is expected to issue a final order in the matter by Oct. 8 (No. 82-052, No. A26426,)
- 14 1000 Friends' spokesman reportedly says "The only way they (LUBA) can side with the Rajneesh is to give them special treatment." and that if LUBA rules in favor of 1000 Friends they will seek a stay on further development and "also try to seek removal of some buildings."; 1000 Friends announces it is preparing new court actions which will address additional construction at R
- 14 W: County Court/Commission executive session decision not to proceed with review of proposed R UGB revisions until LUBA decides on legality of R incorporation and until alleged R violations occurring in the Aug. 28 annexation decision are dealt with; the delay in reviewing R UGB revisions is a reversal of the Court/Commission's Aug. decision; Court/Commission public meeting/hearing; decision to "red flag" Raj-

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neesh property and not consider any action on applications for land-use or building permits until R annexation and rezoning of 119.2 acres on Aug. 28 cleared with county on the grounds that those actions violated the R Comprehensive Plan and LCDC annexation rule and land-use goal #14 as well as W County's urban-growth management agreement, all of which state that a UGB change should be a cooperative process between the city and county; the "red flag" decision automatically tabled an R appeal of a recent W County Planning Commission decision to require that conditions be placed on the location of portable toilets in conjunction with the issuance of a conditional use permit for a recreational park near the dammed lake; Court/Commission postpones hearing on Rajneeshee application for 1984 summer festival permit until Oct 5 and holds hearing on proposed W County ordinance to regulate outdoor mass gatherings such as the festival; the proposed ordinance calls for the W County Health Dept. to conduct a minimum of 6 investigations to determine compliance with state Health Division regulations, for at least 2 inspections by the W County Sheriff's Dept. to determine compliance with state safety and mass gathering laws, and a minimum of 2 inspections by the W County Court/Commission to determine compliance with state laws and would allow the County to charge \$20 per hour and 20c per mile for costs involved; W County Sanitarian says cost of enforcing 1983 festival health regulations was approximately \$2000; the constitutionality of the proposed ordinance in light of a recent Eugene court case is questioned; 43 people attend meeting, many from anti-Rajneeshee groups in the area

- 15 R: Improvements to date: construction of 2 new greenhouses and a 4000 sq. ft. root and vegetable storage cellar with four temperature and humidity control rooms; shopping mall soon to include pizza parlor, delicatessen, jewelry store
- 15 A: School Board meeting; Rajneeshee school board member states that he is only legal Board member because the petitions by area ranchers to shift their properties to Maupin or Madras school districts and the acceptance of those petitions, effective in May, 1984, disqualified them from voting in A School District elections and therefore from serving on the School Board; it is stated that the charge has been confirmed by the W County ESD and Secretary of State's offices, which said the petitioners' property had been removed from A School District tax rolls, that they were not eligible to vote in the Sept. 20 levy election and that Oregon law forbids them from serving on the A School Board; Rajneeshee Board member announces that A school will open Sept. 16 as a public school with a state certified Rajneeshee teacher, that the first project would be a school cleanup, that he would propose 4 new Board members to the W County ESD and would not support a plan to bus R high school age children to Madras; he ratified the appointment of Rajneeshee as School District Clerk and Legal Counsel, authorized an ad

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- to seek volunteer teachers, stated that the A school is open to any resident of A School District and set the next meeting for Sept. 22; 100 attend meeting
- 16 Oregon Department of Education confirms the ineligibility of 4 non-Rajneeshee, A School Board members
- 16 A: School opens; 53 Rajneeshee children attend; no non-Rajneeshee children attend
- 16 W: Suit filed by 1000 Friends and 3 nearby ranch couples in W County Circuit Court seeking an order to stop further development on Rancho Rajneesh on grounds of violation of land use laws
- 16 R: Improvements to date: program to loan Bhagwan audiotapes free to the blind and physically disabled announced; representatives of the state Dept. of Fish and Wildlife visit R to check progress of fish stock; R cleaning department reported to use 35 gal. of cleaning soap, 90 lbs of cleaning powder, 40 gals of window cleaner, 300 vacuum bags and 200 sponges per month; reported that R residents pay 10 times as much to state agencies as get back in revenue-sharing funds: R received \$7,298 in revenue-sharing during the first seven months of 1983, while having paid in \$73,976 in taxes on cigarettes, liquor, gas and diesel fuel (\$8,491 paid to OLCC in permits and liquor revenues, \$2,420 returned; \$50,000 paid to highway fund in gas taxes and licenses, \$4,288 returned; \$15,282 paid in cigarette taxes, \$590 returned)
- 17 Rajneeshee Disco in Berlin reopens after firebombing cleanup
- 17 Wife of California man accused of Rajneesh Hotel bombing posts his bail and reportedly states that Bhagwan is secretly working with the communists; companions still being sought; tentative trial date set for Sept. 29
- 18 Last day of three day ESP and Psychic Fair in Portland where Rajneeshee have booth
- 20 CO holds anti-Rajneeshee meeting in Sweet Home; 100 attend
- 20 A: School levy election requesting \$25,200 rejected by a vote of 359 to 7 with a 60% voter turnout; Rajneeshee member of A School Board says new situation must be assessed before another levy election is scheduled; only 2 non-Rajneeshee children remain within A School District boundary; Madras School District says 20 non-Rajneeshee children of nearby ranchers will be kept in Madras schools even though there is not enough money in A District School budget to cover their tuition; A District has \$42,00 in operating funds without approval of the levy; Rajneeshee students in A School said to be involved in an "applied arts workshop" to fix up the school

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agenda, the transfer is not in the best interests of the city and was an illegal donation of government property to a religious body; the A Council had asked the Diocese to return the Church on May 10, the Diocese refused on May 24; the suit seeks return of the property plus damages of \$5 per day for loss of use and \$10,000 for loss of property and its rental value

- 31 The Board of Immigration Appeals dismisses a Rajneeshee request that an INS judge be ordered to reopen deportation hearings to determine if Bhagwan's mother should remain in the US at this time because of her serious medical condition

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- 1 R: Improvements to date: a total of over 3000 acres cleared and planted, 2730 of which are under dry-land cultivation including crops such as wheat, barley, oats and Austrian peas, 163 acres in fodder for the dairy herd, 80 acres in vegetables and green manure crops, 10 acres in vineyards, 10 acres of orchards, 2 acres of experimental farming and greenhouses; truck garden expected to grow produce worth \$500,000 this year; 9000 sq. feet of greenhouses producing seedlings, sprouts, flowers and house plants; 52 milk-producing cows providing 300 gallons of milk per day which is consumed on the Ranch as milk, cream, yogurt, cheese, cottage cheese; 50 young stock dairy cows; 84 head beef cattle; over 3000 chickens producing 1500 eggs per day; ducks, geese, 2 emus; 20 riding horses, 2 draught horses, 12 sheep, 100 beehives producing wildflower honey; \$1.5 million dam holding 350 million gallons of water in a 40 acre reservoir-recreation area; 15 miles of streambeds repaired, rip-rapped and seeded to prevent erosion; 150 check dams to catch silt and create holding ponds; several thousand willow trees planted along creek beds; only using 1.8 to 2.2 acre feet of its 5 acre feet per year water rights along the John Day River due to conservation efforts and irrigation methods; 23,000 sq. ft. in 5 connected quickframes housing the Rajneeshee International Meditation University; 2 story, 11,000 sq. ft. garage with 27 vehicle bays and 8 hydraulic lifts; 3500 sq. ft. welding shop; 3000 sq. ft. carpentry shop producing furniture; 30,000 sq. ft. 2 story office and shopping mall; restaurants and lounges; 4800 sq. ft. boutique; 4000 sq. ft. bookstore; an additional 38 residential, airconditioned quadruplexes; jewelry shop; gas station; bicycle shop; computer services; 5 physicians, 2 medical technicians, a chiropractor and an RN; visits by non-Rajneeshee family members of R residents continue; 850 residents reported
- 1 W: It is announced that the Antelope American Legion Post #90 will sponsor a fund raising dance on June 4 in Tygh Valley in place of its A barbecue; the purpose is to raise \$9000 to pay legal bills of former A City Council

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- Sept 20 W: County Court/Commission executive session, lasting 2 hours and attended by County's Land Use Attorney and Planner; decision to file suit in W County Circuit Court to stop development on the 119.2 acres recently annexed to R; discussion of possibly joining suit recently filed by 1000 Friends and 3 nearby ranch couples for an injunction against all further development on Rancho Rajneesh but no decision to do so; "red flag" on R land use applications lifted; Court/Commission will deal with tabled appeal of W County Planning Commission requirement that conditions be placed on the location of portable toilets in conjunction with the issuance of a conditional use permit for recreation area near dammed lake; Court/Commission will also deal with requested permits for greenhouse and for building within R UGB
- 21 W: County ESD names four Rajneeshee, the only applicants, to fill vacant seats on A School Board; it is reported that regular classes have not begun because there is only one certified teacher and applications for other emergency certifications cannot be submitted until A has a full School Board to make a recommendation; 30 Rajneeshee attend meeting
- 22 W: Recent anti-Rajneeshee meetings held by CO: 168 attend in Wasco; 75 in Kent; 100 in Maupin
- 22 A: School Board meeting; allocation of funds for school supplies adoption of \$118,000 school budget; approval of applications for emergency certification of teachers to be sent to Teacher Standards and Practices Commission; former Chair of A School Board says no parents plan to send non-Rajneeshee children to A school because the teachers are Rajneeshee
- 23 It is reported that many California Rajneeshee are making plans to leave that state due to Bhagwan's predictions of disaster; L.A. Center has already closed; Santa Cruz, Berkeley Centers and SF Disco to close by Dec.; an estimated 1500 Rajneeshee in California
- 23 R: Improvements to date: new workshops on past lives to be conducted at Rajneesh International Meditation University (RIMU); estimated truck farm produce, most of which consumed at Rancho Rajneesh, valued between \$400,000-500,000; tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers harvested; potatoes, beets, carrots, turnips, parsnips, onions, squash, broccoli, cauliflower, brussel sprouts, kale, lettuce continue to grow; 125 tons of recycled scrap metal sold; 75,000 gals. of fuel used by R vehicles in August to drive an estimated 250,000 miles; 170 bicycles, 25 motorbikes, 6 coaches, among 109 buses; 45 tractors, graders and loaders; 226 cars, vans and pickups; 10,000 sq. ft. garage worth an estimated \$300,000
- 25 R: A School Board meets in R at invitation of RSNIC President; invites public response to proposed new names for the District; resolves to move its administrative offices to R; decides to terminate funding for the school bus to Madras

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- Sept 26 LUBA: rules that the procedures used to incorporated R were flawed, but that does not necessarily mean that R is illegally formed; says the issue should be sent back to the W County Court/Commission for redetermination due to the retroactive rule adopted by LCDC on July 14 which states that all cities incorporated after August 21, 1981 have to apply for an exception to Gal 14 requirements; LUBA states that W County must comply with that rule in the R incorporation case and it must be shown that the city should be in the area proposed, that it will not damage the environment or the economic, social and energy qualities of the area or the state and that it is compatible with adjacent uses, including agriculture; the LUBA recommendation must be reviewed by LCDC before becoming final; final LUBA order expected by Oct. 8
- 26 W: CO holds anti-Rajneeshee meeting in The Dalles; 800-900 attend; state representative from area, among the speakers, criticizes the Rajneeshee and states that he and others have asked the state Attorney General to rule on whether R can deny public access, can receive state revenue-sharing monies and whether A School can be considered a public school eligible for Basic School Support monies
- 25 J: Madras School Board states that tuition must be paid for non-Rajneeshee children of ranchers near A; A School Board states that former A Board had no authority to enter the verbal tuition agreement, that A District has little money and that it is withdrawing from the agreement; beginning May 31, 1984 the students will be bona fide members of the Madras School District and no tuition will be required for them to attend Madras schools
- 28 Director of 1000 Friends is reported to deny that the recent "Rajneeshpuram Alert" mailing/fundraising effort was directed exclusively to take advantage of anti-Rajneeshee sentiment; "'If we used the Rajneeshees to raise money, that would be improper,' he said. 'This is just one of many mailings we've done.' Mailings by the group are targeted to particular interests or local concerns" the Director said
- 28 Rajneeshee file another petition with the INS accompanied by a seven foot tall, 10,000 page stack of supporting documents requesting that Bhagwan be permitted to stay in the US under a visa category for "leaders of exceptional ability"; the new petition will be considered separately from those pending which ask for permanent residency status based on professional ability as a religious leader and teacher
- 28 35 parents and children from Central Oregon meet with State School Superintendent and Attorney General and their staffs to discuss A School District situation

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- Sept 29 LCDC: votes by 5 to 2 to accept LUBA recommendation on R incorporation of Sept. 26 with minor changes; minority of Commission state the unfairness of applying LCDC's retroactive rule in the case; the matter is returned to LUBA for its formulation of a final order and then the matter will be returned to W County Court/Commission for reconsideration; 1000 Friends hails the decision as a victory and states they will seek an immediate court order halting any further construction in R
- 30 LUBA: issues an order incorporating LCDC suggestions which returns the question of the legality of R incorporation to W County Court/Commission for reconsideration
- 30 W: County District Attorney files suit against former and present A School Board members, current and former A School District employees and taxpayers requesting that the district's assets be placed in the care of W County until the status of the new A School Board is decided; there are \$32,392 in cash assets
- 30 W: 1000 Friends files request in W County Circuit Court to issue a temporary restraining order to stop all building in R; Court issues temporary order blocking most building by disallowing R from approving subdivisions, land partitions, annexations, permits for permanent buildings and limiting construction to buildings that can be removed without permanent damage to the land; the temporary order is not expected to affect any current building plans nor the \$3.2 million project underway on the recently annexed 119.2 acres; Court sets hearing for Oct. 13 to determine whether temporary order should be made permanent
- 30 R: It is reported that: a yoga group conference in Portland first invited, then excluded Rajneeshee representatives; a non-Rajneeshee running for Santa Cruz's Live Oak School District Board is doing so on a platform of Rajneeshee educational ideas; the new A School Board has found legal documents relating to nearby ranchers' suits against Rajneeshee in school files; R Mayor has accused LCDC staff Director of changing his advice on what is required for the incorporation of new cities several times over the past two years; several Rajneeshee are featured in a new Portland-produced soap opera; RFI has begun a project to supply 150 volume sets of Bhagwan's works free to US prison libraries; the Rajneeshee are taking \$40,000 worth of clothing to California for sale after a recently revised color code eliminated light pink, peach and bright orange from approved dress; Rajneeshee spokespersons say they will appeal LCDC approval of LUBA decision on incorporation to Court of Appeals

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It is reported that a provision withdrawing state revenue-sharing funds from any city whose incorporation is declared invalid by a state agency or court has been added to municipal bonding bill HB 3028 by the State Senate Rules Committee during the Legislative Special Session; the bill passes the Senate 22 to 8; the House concurs by a vote of 47 to 11; the provision states that revenue-sharing monies will go into escrow until questions of the legality of any such cities are settled; R is the only city affected; Legislature also discusses withdrawing Basic School Support (BSS) funds from A School District in response to the concerns of 35 parents and children who recently visited with the AG and the State Dept. of Education, no action taken on this matter; an AG's opinion is due soon on incorporation and school issues in response to questions posed by a State Representative from Albany and State Senator from Hood River

30 W: Committee of Concerned Parents (CCP) ~~sports~~ Circuit Court injunction to block A School Board from removing the District's \$32,392 property tax reserve held in A city treasury; A Board Member says most of the money is already committed to renovation project and books and bills are now due

Oct 1 R: Improvements to date: Air Rajneeshee includes 7 pilots, 5 flight attendants, 4 mechanics who operate 3 DC 3's, a Convair 240, a Mitsubishi Marquise and an Islander running a thrice weekly shuttle between R and Portland and an on-demand charter; 3000 lbs. of wildflower honey harvested from 100 beehives with three types of bees; 1200 residents; expected revenue-sharing check from Dept. of Transportation does not arrive

2 R: A School Board meeting; CCP (parents of 22 non-Rajneeshee children in area) protests withdrawal from tuition and transportation funding to bus children to Madras; Circuit Court summonses served by W County Sheriff's Deputies on Board and CCP Members to appear and testify on the request to place the funds of A District in the care of W County; A school to open Oct. 24; Board votes to sell school bus to raise operating money for District; all area children invited to attend A School

2 Santa Cruz Rajneeshee Center holds sale to clear all goods in preparation for closing

4 Several Sonoma City California Rajneeshee reportedly plan to leave the state; Santa Rosa Center to close; many Laguna Beach Rajneeshee to stay in state

4 CA: Rajneeshee file a motion requesting a stay in LCDC concurrence with LUBA that R was improperly incorporated pending the outcome of their appeal of the decision in CA (No.

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- Oct 4 Three week Special Legislative Session adjourns
- 4 State Attorney General (AG) interprets state law to say that "no teacher in any public school shall wear any religious dress while engaged in the performance of his duties"; AG opinion does not address BSS issue; AG meets with Chair of A School Board on A School District situation
- 4 A: City Council meeting; non-Rajneeshee Council member absent; \$5721.81 on hand, bills of \$611.63; reported that fiscal 1982-83 financial report filed with Secretary of State this month showing \$10, 697.01 received and \$9297.02 spent; reported that Committee for Citizen Involvement (CCI) met on Sept. 13 on proposed revisions in A Comprehensive Plan and recommendations to the Council; R Council Member notifies A that due to recent LUBA and LCDC decisions and pending injunction request in W County Circuit Court A might experience an influx of people and building permit applications ; Treasurer of RNSIC says Commune might turn to A for development projects if they are not possible at R; Ordinance #66 dealing with the adoption of A Comprehensive Plan revisions passes unanimously; LCDC grant of \$500 to revise Comprehensive Plan received; two bids received for construction of A Recycling Center; bids reviewed, Ordinance #67 authorizing a contract with RNSIC for completion of the center by Nov. 15 on Fire Hall property unanimously adopted; letter sent to non-Rajneeshee property owner for removal of public nuisance; reported that A community church suit filed and Episcopal Diocese has filed a motion to dismiss; Rajneeshee Council Member letter of resignation read, applications to fill vacancy to be accepted until Oct. 25; bids to be let for road repair work; authorization for A representatives and expenditure of up to \$230 in registration fees and expenses to attend Nov. 13-15 League of Oregon Cities (LOC) Convention
- 5 W: County Court/Commission meeting; continued hearing on proposed ordinance to regulate mass gatherings, adoption without proposed time limits on the number of days between application and final permit and permit and festival due to recent Eugene court case which stated that lead time can be as long as 2 years; hearing and approval of R 1984 Summer Festival permit application, a maximum of 15,014 people allowed to attend upon deposit of \$1600 in fees and posting of \$25,000 bond; 25 people attend; no one opposes festival permit application
- 5 A: State Senator from area meets with Chair of A School Board and R Mayor for briefing on A School situation
- 5 Religion Professor from OSU files report on the teachings of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh with the Oregon Committee for the Humanities which gave him a \$2000 grant for the study

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- Oct 5 Reported that Orange County Superior Court Judge rules RFI did not conspire to take over a Laguna Beach church from the Church of Religious Science (CRS), the ownership of which has been in dispute since Sept. 1981; CRS announces its intention to appeal the decision; 150 Rajneeshee connected with the Laguna Beach property said to be valued at \$3 million (No.)
- 5 A: Reported that a clerk and bus driver recently fired by A School Board claim they have not been paid for Sept. work, even though \$12,674 was withdrawn from the school funds on Sept. 26; they claim they were fired on Sept. 15 and told the Board did not have funds enough to pay them; they are considering filing suit for their entire Sept. wages since they did not receive notice of dismissal in writing
- 5 W: Reported that the W County District Attorney has filed a complaint in W County Circuit Court asking for a decision on the legality of the A School Board at the request of former and present Board Members and CCP
- 5 CA: Rules in favor of R in case brought by 1000 Friends and nearby ranchers seeking injunctions against land use decisions by R; upholds W County Circuit Court which had earlier dismissed the action saying that 1000 Friends sought the injunctions while the LUBA decision was pending and issuing an injunction prior to a final ruling on the legality of R incorporation would be premature
- 6 Candidate for Second US Congressional District seat officially announces and says she is opposed to the actions of the Rajneeshee
- 6 R: Improvements to date: using only 1.8 to 2.2 acre feet of water per acre per year due to unique irrigation measures; 12 tractors; 85 head of beef cattle being raised for sale; over 3000 chickens; 20 riding horses and 2 draught animals; 150 check dams
- 6 AG issues opinion in response to questions from Albany State Representative ; says R violates state and federal constitutional guarantees of separation of church and state, cannot provide any city services because of the "'pervasive and unavoidable'" intrusion of religion in city government due to the city's land being owned by a religious foundation and the assumed fact that only Rajneeshee can live within the city's boundaries; claims the separate statuses of R city government and Rajneeshee Corporation, Foundation and Commune are only technical and "'In a pervasively religious city, exclusively owned and exclusively inhabited by the religion and its members, every city action would directly affect the religion...This would clearly constitute the prohibited government entanglement with religion.'"

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the opinion is based on the as yet unproved assumptions that the religion owns all the land, restricts residence to members of its faith, controls or has the ability to control government affairs and is the direct, even the sole beneficiary of government actions; AG says his department and other state agencies will investigate the validity of those assumptions and if they are borne out the state will challenge R's legality in the courts; the opinion does not carry the force of law and must be tested in the courts; AG advises Governor to sign HB 3028 to place R revenue-sharing funds in escrow until the question of R legality is determined by the courts; the 59 page opinion concludes that R should not receive state revenue-sharing funds because "'A city must behave as a city; not as the secular arm of an organized religious group.'"; AG still working on an opinion for the State Dept. of Education on whether A School District is eligible for BSS (\$27,000 in BSS due to A in '83-84 next payment scheduled for Oct. 15)

- 6 R: R Mayor accuses AG of "'a political maneuver born out of bigotry'" and a "'misinterpretation of the doctrine of church and state to harm our community'"; he says R City Attorney will not challenge the opinion since it does not have the force of law and that residence in R is not restricted to Rajneeshee
- 7 Governor declares that he will sign HB 3028 into law, thus supporting the placement of state revenue-sharing funds in escrow until the legality of R is decided by the courts
- 7 Rajneeshee spokesperson says they may sue the AG
- 7 A: CCP Member says in light of the AG's ruling she believes A School Board has no right to sell A school bus; it is reported that a non-Rajneeshee Portland woman is seeking to move to A so that her two children can attend A School
- 7 State Public Utilities Commissioner announces that R is seeking a state permit to operate a charter bus service to Portland; public hearing is set for Dec. 16 in R
- 7 LUBA: R requests a stay on the Sept. 30 LUBA decision pending the outcome of its appeal to the CA (No.)
- 7 SC: Rajneeshee attorneys file a petition seeking to overturn an order that Bhagwan appear for pretrial questioning in a defamation case in Multnomah County Circuit Court, saying that the Aug. 25 ruling violates the leader's practice of silence and Bhagwan has no relevant or necessary information to give
- 7 R: UO Psychology Dept. researchers present a preliminary report on their demographic survey of R residents to the R CCI; 81% of the 700 surveyed found to come from professional and white collar backgrounds compared to 27% of Oregon residents as a whole

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- Oct 7 R: Improvements to date: over 200,000 of 12 newly published books to appear in 1983; 43 additional books planned
- 8 R: R spokesperson says that a 90 lot subdivision planned to be open to anyone wanting to live there now halted because of the temporary injunction on subdivisions won by 1000 Friends in W County Circuit Court
- 8 A School Board Chair meets with State Superintendent of Public Instruction (SPI), invites him to send an investigating team to A school; SPI agrees to send team; Dept. of Education official says there has been no high school program in A for 30 years and whether one is offered will be very important in determining BSS funds
- 8 R: A School Board meeting; high school classes planned in American Government, English, French, Algebra and General Math; 56 children from ages 5 to 16 to attend K through 12 classes; a certified elementary teacher from Salem and a certified secondary teacher, both Rajneeshee, hired; 3 other Rajneeshee seeking emergency certification; all teachers hired on a voluntary, no-salary basis
- 9 Rajneeshee panel discussion in Talent
- 10 J: Madras School Board meeting; recommends that A area students be allowed to attend Madras schools and that a bill for tuition be sent to parents if it is not paid in another way
- 10 W: Suits filed by R City and Rajneesh Times in W County Circuit Court against W County, County Court/Commission and County Court/Commission Judge, claiming that County officials violated state open meeting law on Sept. 14 by holding Executive Session 2 hours earlier than scheduled and by failing to notify Times reporter while telling others; suits also claim that officials failed to reveal that part of the Executive Session discussion would be relevant to possible litigation against R, failed to list several matters on Sept. 14 open session agenda pertaining to R, failed to list consideration of R UGB revisions on July 27 meeting agenda and yet decided to recommend that the County Planning Commission postpone their consideration of the R UGB revisions; suits seek reasonable notice on any future meeting pertaining to R, reasonable attorney's fees, and to void the County's Sept. 14 decision to postpone the review of proposed R UGB revisions by the Court/Commission.
- 11 Rajneeshee spokesperson on set of ABC's "Good Morning America" and Oregon AG in Portland studio discuss AG's recent opinion on legality of R on national TV broadcast
- 11 R: Expected cigarette tax revenue-sharing check does not arrive
- 12 R: Expected liquor tax revenue-sharing check does not arrive
- 12 Governor signs HB 3028, thus halting the distribution of state revenue-sharing funds to cities whose incorporation has been challenged; R is only city affected

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- Oct 12 State Land Board reviews application by RNSIC to place 200 cubic yards of fill and deflectors for bank protection along a 1000 foot section of the John Day River Scenic Waterway at Mile 116; hears report from state inspection team which had visited Ranch; approves 400 cubic yards of fill and 3 deflectors along a 75 foot section
- 13 A: Visit of 5 member fact-finding team from the Dept. of Education headed by Deputy SPI postponed at the request of A School Board Chair who had asked for additional time to gather required documents; Dept. of Education announces it will withhold A District's \$2,202 in BSS funds for Oct. until it receives fact-finding team report; A District has already received 16% of BSS for 1983-84, or \$4,404; enrollment in the District reported to be 77 students in grades K-12; A School Board Chair states that Dept. of Education has been very slow in responding to a letter from the current Board charging the former Board with 6 improprieties: keeping improper records, allowing release time for Bible study at the community church, allowing the clerk to keep school records at home, hiring a teacher with only two years of college and no degrees, controlling and using the community church, charging former clerk with misrepresenting a termination date to the State Employment Board; the Chair further says that there is no reason for the withholding of BSS funds and that the Dept. of Education should be helpful instead of "harassing" the new Board
- 13 Reported that a US Senator from Kansas is making inquiries about the Rajneeshee because of concerns expressed by his constituents
- 13 Governor formally requests AG to seek court rulings on the status of R
- 13 W: County Circuit Court Judge extends temporary order prohibiting new subdivisions, annexations or permits for permanent buildings to be issued by R to Oct. 24, by which date he will have studied papers and will rule on the request by 1000 Friends and nearby ranchers for an injunction against further building at R on the grounds of "irreparable harm" and on the cross-claim by W County requesting land use decisions affecting R revert to them due to alleged violations in the R annexation of 119.2 acres; hearing of arguments by 1000 Friends, R, Rajneeshee, W County attorneys for four hours attended by more than 200 people; 1000 Friends claims that R does not exist as a city due to the LUBA Sept. decision to remand the matter of incorporation to the W County Court/Commission and that the LUBA order is a "final order" in the matter; 1000 Friends accuses R of accelerating building activities since the Sept. 30 W County Circuit Court order was issued; R attorneys argue that incorporation decision of Nov. 4, 1981 is valid until

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- completely overturned, W County Circuit Court has no jurisdiction until a final decision is made by the W Court/Commission, only the state and not 1000 Friends has the right to challenge the city's status and that the 1 year time limit on challenges by even the state has already been passed
- 14 R: Reported that RFI attorney has labelled the AG's opinion as "'a cheap political attack' which was 'unrestrained and unbalanced'"; Rajneeshee will attend the Nov. Portland Conference on Unity in Yoga after earlier having been invited, then excluded, then reinvited
- 14 Rajneeshee couple files suit against INS in Portland federal Circuit Court for taking more than 16 months to consider an application by one spouse for permanent US residency status on grounds of violation of First Amendment rights; suit requests that the application be expedited and asks for \$50,000 in damages (No.)
- 14 A: State Senator from area agrees to submit questions to AG pertaining to the legality of actions of the former A School Board which allowed release time for Bible study, resulted in only Christian-religious works being found in the school library, a chaotic filing system, the bussing of students on the basis of religion and without sufficient funds, approved the payment of all of the District's funds for the tuition of a minority of students in the District
- 14 Workshop on participatory democracy takes place as part of an in-service program for teachers in Salem sponsored by a private group named the Willamette Valley Council for Social Studies which had invited 2 Rajneeshee to take part; Salem School Superintendent had received a number of calls protesting the participation of the Rajneeshee earlier in the week, but no incidents occur during the workshop
- 15 R: President of RFI sends letter to Governor saying that the foundation "'has never influenced any city action and no coercion has ever been alleged'"; R Mayor and City Attorney make public the content of their letters to AG and Governor protesting attempts to outlaw R as an "'adventure in religious persecution and political opportunism'" and stating that the hypothetical facts and assumptions upon which the AG's opinion was based are untrue and that the AG's Office had never attempted to discuss them with R officials; President of RNSIC also writes Governor saying that the group is simply trying to build a community
- 15 Second US Congressional District candidate speaking in Umatilla County reportedly says that "acts of violence against the religious group may have been orchestrated by Rajneesh members to spark support for the group when public opinion reaches a low ebb" and repeats other charges

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- Oct 16 Religion Professor at OSU who recently studied writings of Bhagwan declines comment on AG's opinion but says Rajneeshee have been subjected to "anti-cult hysteria since coming to Oregon" and urges "'open, honest dialogue ...mutual civility, respect and a genuine desire to understand.'"
- 17 1000 Friends Land Use Planner speaks in Beaverton at Washington County Public Affairs Forum and says R should be disincorporated, allowed to exist as a rural religious commune, forced to dismantle buildings incompatible with that designation, should not be permitted urban uses or growth; he reportedly expresses wonder that it has taken the AG 2 years to issue an opinion on the status of R
- 17 R: BBC TV team films R as part of an 8 program series on different cultures and countries of the Pacific Rim area
- 18 R: Candidate for State Treasurer visits: W County Legal Counsel visits and later claims he is not allowed to enter or photograph private property in R
- 19 OSU Religion Professor studying R speaks to a Corvallis Experimental College class planning to tour R on Oct. 22
- 19 A: Department of Education Task Force visits A School to determine its ability to offer an adequate secondary program; regular classes scheduled to begin on Oct. 24 with 17 high school students and 41 elementary students
- 19 R: Department of Education Task Force attends A School Board meeting lasting 2½ hours; Task Force and Dept. of Education accused of trying to thwart A District progress by bringing a list of very detailed questions about school, requesting answers to these and other questions on short notice, withholding BSS funds before a fact-finding investigation and without proof of violation of state standards and without the required 90 days notice; Task Force report expected within a few days; 4 TV teams accompany Task Force to A and R
- 19 W: W County Educational Service District (ESD) votes unanimously to approve petitions transferring former A School District land of 100 sq. mi. to Maupin grade and high school districts; 5 parcels of land to the Madras school district (with the observation that the areas are not very contiguous); moves to become effective on May 31, 1984; names Chair of A School Board as an alternate on the W County ESD Budget Committee
- 19 Central Oregon District Hospital's Board of Directors and staff doctors discuss recent application of 6 physicians from R for hospital privileges since Rajneeshee are often hospitalized there; Board adopts the staff recommendation that "active physicians must live 'close enough' to provide adequate medical care"; it is decided that each application will be dealt with individually, but there is some discussion of the possibility that R doctors might not be close enough to the hospital to provide adequate care

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- Oct 20 Reported that Rajneeshee are looking at property in Fossil
- 20 Rajneeshee spokesperson at Seaside Rotary Club meeting
- 20 State Treasurer's Office notifies agencies of escrow account number for revenue-sharing funds withheld from R
- 21 Reported that the Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon will support the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon in its legal battle with A over title to the community church; EMO asks its 12 member denominations to contribute money to the case at its state convention of 150-200 in Burns
- 21 R: Reported that 843,000 paper plates and 525,000 paper bowls, 16,000 mattresses and 75,000 roses were purchased for the 1983 Summer Festival; Rajneeshee Body Center, restaurant and bar opened in London; new Rajneeshee disco planned in Cologne
- 21 R: A School Board meeting; announcement that A Board has hired a retired non-Rajneeshee Gresham man as A District's third certified teacher and presented the State Board of Education with a curriculum plan
- 21 State SPI releases \$2,202 BSS check to A School District; Task Force had reported that A District still lacked curriculum, teachers, texts and laboratories to meet state standards for high school programs, but the SPI states that the District has made significant progress in addressing these problems; SPI says that issuance of Nov. BSS check will depend upon implementation of plans the District has submitted to the state and that a full standardization visit will occur in early 1984
- 22 R: R Mayor reportedly accuses AG of secretly investigating the city, citing a 2 day visit by AG staff members the previous week; AG staff allegedly asked questions and requested to see city records without identifying their connection with the AG's Office; R Mayor says the city would have been glad to provide the information if asked by the AG's Office; AG's Office states the investigation was to further support the AG's opinion by verifying the assumptions upon which it had been based
- 22-23 Rajneeshee attend Portland conference on religion in the public schools sponsored by Oregon Council for the Humanities; ACLU, Portland State University, Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, American Jewish Committee, National Council of Jewish Women
- 23 A: 13 non-Rajneeshee "original" residents reportedly remain
- 23 R: 1202 reported residents
- 24 Oregon State Liquor Commission (OLCC) hearing on R request to serve liquor; OLCC Hearings Officer recommends approval; OLCC decides to send the application back to the Hearings Officer for further investigation after questions about accessibility of R to the public raised; R Mayor states that the public has unlimited access to proposed liquor service areas; next hearing set for Nov. 21-22

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- Oct 24 W: County Circuit Court Judge orders a stop to further development inside R UGB stating that as long as the injunction is in effect R must apply for planning, zoning and building permits to W County; Judge denies 1000 Friends' and nearby ranchers' request for injunction due to an insufficient showing of harm but rules that W County has the authority to make land use decisions affecting R since LUBA's ruling renders R incorporation invalid for land use purposes until an exception to Land Use Goal 14 is taken; Judge issues the preliminary injunction to W County giving it the power to enjoin the following activities: issuance of building permits, mobile home permits, or other permits authorizing development, construction, or installation, or establishment of structures, facilities, and urban uses; authorization or approval of subdivisions or partitions; construction or expansion or other establishment of any urban development within the R city limits; annexation of any additional lands to R; City of R enjoined from decisions only on land use, only in the listed areas, and only within the R UGB; the ruling is a preliminary injunction and will become final depending upon appeals by R or upon the court's final order (No.)
- 24 R: Reported that affidavits in the W County Circuit Court preliminary injunction case No. state that there have been 70,000 visitors to the Ranch since March 1982 and that 80,000 visitors are expected in 1984; R affidavits also claimed that they would lose average monthly receipts of \$372,063 if their business operations were shut down (the Circuit Court decision did not halt such business activities); Ranch income for six months in 1981, 12 months in 1982 and 6 months in 1983 was reported to be: Donations--\$2,785,075 and \$5,169,562 and \$943,140; Labor of Commune Members--\$393,700 and \$4,400,755, and \$1,423,585; Surplus on Business Operations--zero and \$2,121,044 and \$1,519,163; Other Income--\$25,566 and \$205,916 and \$511,242; the average monthly gross receipts listed for various businesses and the date they opened on the Ranch were: Restaurant, Dec. 1982, \$29,772; Mexican restaurant, June 1983, \$8,250; Ice cream and pizza shop, Sept. 1983, \$12,664; Boutique, June 1982, \$119,538; Hotel, July 1983, \$30,750; Hairdressers' shop, Feb. 1983, \$5,764; Newspaper, Sept. 1982, \$10,247; Snack bar, June 1982, \$36,837; Bookstore, June 1983, \$72,567; Recreational activities, June 1982, \$6,340; Lounge, Sept. 1982, \$31,064; R affidavits say the Rajneesh Corporation has spent \$20 million on construction alone at the Ranch
- 24 W: County Treasurer's Office reports that the Rajneesh tax bill just mailed is for \$95,607.66 and that last year it was \$33,656.33

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- Oct 25 R Mayor, RFI President and two other Rajneeshee speak at Southern Oregon State College in Ashland; an estimated 300-500 attend
- 25 W: R, RNSIC and Rajneesh Investment Corporation (RIC) attorneys file notice of claim, taking first step to sue W County, County Court/Commission Members and "other unknown defendants" for \$80 million or more if the development of R is delayed or R incorporation is declared invalid; the notice of claim states that "The Commune may suffer out-of-pocket loss of over \$20 million and lost profits conservatively to exceed \$30 million over three years. Investment's damages may exceed \$30 million" and that the bodies will seek to recover if W County Court/Commission was in error in its Nov. 4, 1981 decision that land use goals had been complied with and approval of incorporation (No.)
- 26 R: Two W County Planners visit R to inventory building activity so that W County can monitor compliance with the W County Circuit Court preliminary injunction of Oct. 24, the W County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Ordinance; they are allowed access to private property in R without the requested court order; they hold discussions with two officials from the State Building Codes Division and the R Building Inspector; 3 TV teams accompany them; they report that 287 building permits have been issued by R since Jan. 1, 1983
- 27 LUBA: hears 3 hours of arguments on the R request for a stay of execution of the Sept. 30 LUBA order while the decision is being appealed to the CA; hearing continued to Nov. 21-23 due to scheduling conflicts
- 27 Fuel tanker on way to R overturns and catches fire 2 mi. from A; R fire truck and ambulance respond; no injuries
- 27 One of 2 men accused by Rajneeshee of extortion in August announces plans to have his attorney file a complaint against R alleging false arrest, false imprisonment and assault
- 27 AG's Office sends reply letter to 8 letters and telegrams from R and RNSIC protesting Rajneeshee public statements and asking 31 specific investigatory questions
- 28 R: Reported that couple suing INS believes the agency admitted it was wrong in delaying approval of application for permanent residency status by one spouse when after 18 months it sent notice of approval of the application two days before depositions were scheduled to be taken; they will pursue the case despite the granting of approval; depositions in the case taken on Oct. 27 and 28; RFI is presented with award for excellence in design of letterhead in national competition; Rajneeshee attorney has applied for the post of US District Court Judge in Oregon

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UO Dept. of Psychology researchers present data from demographic study of R to Oregon Psychological Assn. meeting in Salem; panel discussion includes OSU Religion Professor and 2 Rajneeshee; first demographic questionnaire in Aug. answered by 732 people (of about 800 total at R), 635 of these were analyzed (representing 80% of R population including 50 children); second survey conducted in Oct. was of a random sample of 250 of first questionnaire respondents; 100 interviews conducted; Results--average age of R residents about the same as that of Oregonians in general (34 years); 54% women at R (50.5% Ore.), 46% men (49.5% Ore); 35% R residents from cities of over half a million population; R residents highly educated compared to Oregon residents (high school graduates 95%R and 76%O, university graduates 64%R and 17%O; 36% R residents have advanced degrees, 12% hold doctorates and 22% degrees in psychology or psychiatry); 75% have been Rajneeshee for over 3 years; 60% came from Rajneeshee centers elsewhere; 74% married (61% married only once); of those married, 77% live with spouses at R, only 25% have children; in the 10 years prior to coming to R, 97% report they were generally successful in their work and 45% report having had four or more jobs during those years; average reported income before coming to R (approximately 5 years prior) was between \$20,000 and \$30,000; 98% are satisfied with their present work at R, most have had a change of jobs since coming to R and 16% have changed jobs 4 or more times at R; 91% are caucasian and most US citizens; before age 18, their major religious affiliations were--Protestant (30%), Roman Catholic (27%), Jewish (20%), no affiliation (14%); 60% would not characterize themselves as religious before becoming sannyasins, but 61% said that religion was somewhat to very important to their family lifestyle (39% said it had not been important); 51% characterized themselves as liberal or very liberal prior to becoming sannyasins and 11% as formerly radical; 91% said they had been searching for a "more meaningful existence " prior to becoming sannyasins, 30% said they had first become interested through friends and 30% through a book or tape; 72% said a personal characteristic or teachings of Bhagwan led them to take sannyas, 10% mentioned some sort of unusual experience; 82% reported being extremely satisfied with their present lives, 11% very satisfied and only 2% extremely dissatisfied; 8% reported being extremely or very satisfied with their life during the year before becoming sannyasins, 10% extremely dissatisfied, most being in the middle range; the 100 Rajneeshee interviewed scored low on measurements of perceived stress, higher than average on self-esteem and feelings of social support and lower on depression; the researchers plan more questionnaires and in-depth interviews in their continuing study

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- Oct 30 Reported that San Diego Rajneeshee are selling property and preparing to move from the state in early Nov.
- 30 R: A School Board meeting; unanimous vote to repeal existing School District policy (Section 5220) dealing with "physical discipline" guidelines and replacing it with policy entitled "No Physical Discipline"
- 30 A national cult awareness group called the Citizens Freedom Foundation holds annual conference near L.A.; includes a workshop on Rajneeshism in which speaker connects R with Jonestown
- 31 State SPI holds press conference on A School situation
- 31 A: School reported to have 17 high school students, 35 elementary and junior high students, 1 non-Rajneeshee and 1 Rajneeshee certified secondary teacher, 1 Rajneeshee certified elementary teacher, 2 Rajneeshee working as teaching assistants pending certification; school furnished with sofas and conference tables instead of traditional desks; high school curriculum includes General Math, Algebra, American Government, English, Art and P.E.
- Nov 1 "Week Night" TV show in Seattle quotes R area non-Rajneeshee rancher as saying "'If shooting starts around here, I think it will catch on pretty fast and there's a lot of people who want to get their licks in.'"
- 1 A: City Council Meeting; non-Rajneeshee Council Member absent; monthly bills of \$1000, income of \$880, \$890.62 in outstanding bills, \$3435.14 in liquid assets; reported that CCIs of A and R met jointly in R on Oct. 22 and Oct. 29 to discuss tourism benefits to A; discussion of requests by out of town parents to send children to A school and impact on A housing; discussion of needed study of A sewage and water system for which \$750 already budgetted; bids to be opened to study 2 wells, reservoir capacity, fire protection, septic tank, drainfields, soil conditions; contract with RNSIC for recycling between Nov. 15, 1983 and June 30, 1984 approved; agreement to write a letter requesting that DEQ establish a new permit fee category for cities under 500 in population ; street repair discussion tabled; announcement that public nuisance on non-Rajneeshee property had been removed by owner; report that Episcopal Diocese motion to dismiss A church case had been denied; decision to file a complaint in W County Circuit Court against former A City Attorney who is claiming bill payment and withholding city documents; discussion of attendance at upcoming LOC convention; A contract with R Peace Force amended to: include an April 4, 1984 termination date, a provision for termination by either party upon 30 days' notice, raise fees from \$7.50 to \$15 per hour; discussion of petition

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submitted to W and J County ESD's by non-Rajneeshee residents of A to have their property (over 50% of that privately owned in A) removed from the A School District and annexed to the Madras School District, mention that although the removal has been approved by the W County ESD and Boundary Commission, there is a 30 day period for the A School Board to respond and the removal has not yet been considered by the J County ESD and Boundary Board, mention that most petitioners do not have children of school age and that removal would make it difficult for subsequent residents to send their children to A School after purchasing the property, approval of sending a strong letter to A School Board opposing withdrawal of the property from the District ; approval of two additional representatives and up to \$150 in additional registration fees and expenses for the LOC convention Nov. 13-15 after City Attorney offers to pay hotel costs of all representatives; 3 applications from Rajneeshee to fill A City Council vacancy considered and one selected; reading of letter of resignation from non-Rajneeshee Council Member due to his "extended absence" from A, announcement of another Council vacancy and acceptance of applications until Nov. 25; announcement of Nov. 7 hearing on amendments to the A Comprehensive Plan; reported that RIC owns approximately 10-15% of the property in A

- 1 R: Improvements to date: 2 warehouses of over 160 ft. long completed to store materials used during Summer Festivals; chicken refuges insulated and heated; 70% of trash being recycled; reported that R has received \$10,484 in state revenue-sharing monies to date
- 1 US Second Congressional District candidate claims that the Rajneesh Times editorial of Oct. 28 is a "'vicious attack'" on her character
- 2 W: County Court/Commission meeting; review of county planning staff inspection of building at R; planners still gathering information and will visit R again; County Attorney tells Court/Commission that some construction at R may violate W County Circuit Court order of Oct. 24, specifically citing a hotel and prefabrication plant being built on the 119.2 annexed acres; County Attorney states the County will take responsibility for making R land use decisions in spite of the notice of claim filed by R and potential lawsuit for damages
- 2 Rajneeshee speaker at Springfield Rotary Club, 100 attend; Rajneeshee speakers at University of Portland
- 2 W: City of R files motion in W County Circuit Court to have the injunction order against further building vacated (No.)

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- Nov 2 Reported that a Kansas County Judge has dismissed a suit filed by a woman claiming that the Rajneeshee persuaded her husband to divorce her; Judge agrees with Rajneeshee attorney that Kansas courts have no jurisdiction in the suit since the Rajneeshee are located in Oregon; the woman's attorney states that she will appeal the decision
- 3 R: W County planners make second visit to inventory land use and building in progress
- 3 AG takes under advisement a request by 1000 Friends that he instruct state agencies to stop considering R as an incorporated city; meeting between Director of 1000 Friends, AG and W County Officials in Dept. of Justice building in Salem; R officials neither invited to nor notified of the meeting; Director of 1000 Friends argues that the State Building Codes Administrator should issue a stop work order for construction, the DEQ should rescind earlier approval of the R sewer system, and LCDC should be forced to withdraw its approval of the R Comprehensive Plan and asks AG to determine whether R is violating the W County Circuit Court injunction against further building; AG agrees to last point; AG currently defending DEQ and LCDC in suits filed by 1000 Friends over the sewer system and comprehensive plan acknowledgement
- 4 R: R Mayor describes the Nov. 3 meeting at the Justice Building as "'unethical, undemocratic and a conspiracy against the Rajneesh community.'"; three officials of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association visit R to examine eligibility of the Rajneesh Times application for membership; Rajneesh Times reprints AG' Office letter of Oct. 27 and criticizes contents; Rajneeshee booth recently at Whole Life Times Expo in L.A.
- 4 San Mateo Superior Court Judge rules that Rajneeshee mother cannot take her son to R or any Rajneesh ashram for more than 48 hours at a time, saying "'The lifestyle of the mother at the ranch is completely controlled by the Rajneesh group.'"
- 5-6 Two members of the A School Board attend the annual convention of the Oregon School Boards Association in Portland
- 6 R: City Council meeting; agreement signed between city and RIC to lease property for a park; decision to provide a re-surfaced parking lot, install parking meters and look into the feasibility of a public library
- 6 Reported that the Oregon Builders group founded by Rajneeshee in Freemantle, Australia won a City Council award from that city for its contributions to the environment
- 7 A: City Council meeting; discussion of the creation of a Local Contract Review Board to facilitate standards for the implementation of contracts, public hearing to be held on Nov. 25; Committee formed to look into A security situation, es-

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pecially in light of the possible disincorporation of R and the resulting lack of access to the R Peace Force and the 1 to 2 hour reaction time for the W County Sheriff's Office; public hearing on comprehensive plan revisions, City Recorder reports on meeting with the State Citizens Advisory Committee which needs to review A's CCI program and report on plan revisions requested by DLCD, the most major ones being a 40 day notice of public hearing for comprehensive plan changes, 10 days' notice in an emergency, and notice in the plan of A's role as the gateway to R; report on input from the State Parks Dept. on historic buildings and from the State Health Dept. on preparations for possible growth in population and the resulting impact on sewer and water systems, no public comment, hearing continued until Nov. 25; contracts with RNSIC for construction and operation of A Recycling Center declared void until after Nov. 25 public hearing on a conditional use permit to locate the Center on Fire Hall property

- 7 US Second Congressional District candidate, who is also a Democratic National Committeewoman and heads the party's Northwest Regional Finance unit, declares that the Democratic Party has decided to support her recommendation not to accept campaign funds or support from Rajneeshee and that she is looking into Bhagwan's applications to the INS for permanent residency status
- 9 OSU Religion Professor speaks on Rajneeshee to History Club sponsored program at OSU
- 9 A: Reported that non-Rajneeshee teacher in A School is happy with his job, makes a monthly salary of \$2000 and pays \$300 for room and board in A property owned by Rajneeshee; two officials from the State Dept. of Education visit A School to advise, review progress and assist with the development of programs, making clear that they are not part of an ongoing investigation of the school or a standardization visit
- 9 W: AG files a complaint for declaratory judgment and relief on behalf of the State of Oregon against R, RFI, RNSIC, RIC, and officials of all four in W County Circuit Court; complaint seeks a ruling declaring that R may no longer exercise governmental powers, is ineligible to receive public monies, and giving the State attorney's fees and other relief; complaint alleges that R violates the state and federal constitutions' provisions regarding separation of church and state; complaint does not deal with land use laws or issues; complaint charges that R is owned by a religious organization and that residence there is controlled by RNSIC or the President of RFI; R Mayor says "' It is a frivolous lawsuit that is politically motivated'"; R Mayor and RFI President state they will consider filing a countersuit (No.)

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- Nov 9 CA: Rules that securities sold by RFI are subject to state registration requirements in a suit filed by RFI after State Corporations Commissioner refused to adopt a rule exempting them from registration; RFI contended the Commissioner is required to exempt securities sold by a non-profit religious or charitable organization; CA rules that Commissioner has discretion in granting such exemptions (No.)
- 9 Anti-Rajneeshee meeting at Judson Baptist College, 50 attend
- 10 W: RIC files suit in W County Circuit Court seeking \$3.5 million (\$500,000 in actual, \$3 million in punitive) damages and asking that a purchase contract be rescinded with Mitsubishi Aircraft International Corporation, Garrett Turbine Company, Garrett Corporation and 100 John-Does; suit claims that a Mitsubishi purchased on June 23, 1982 for \$1.4 million has defects making it unfit and unsafe for flight and that false claims about the plane were made at the time of purchase(No.)
- 10 R: Group from anti-Rajneeshee meeting at Judson Baptist College tours R; 15 courses reported to be offered at Rajneesh International Meditation University (RIMU)
- 10 W: Reported that Moro woman received a call from the office of a US Senator from Kansas requesting letters by area residents with impressions of and comments on Rajneeshee presence in the area
- 10 R Mayor, RFI President, RIC President, RNSIC President hold press conference on AG's W County Circuit Court suit expressing outrage, claiming political motives, saying his opinion was not based on facts and that the suit had already had an impact on R's capacity to receive loans and credits
- 11 R: Improvements to date: 200 two year old beef cattle and almost as many calves recently purchased and added to existing herd of about 100; a total of 550 head projected eventually in a nine month per year grazing and beef sale program
- 13-15 Four A representatives attend League of Oregon Cities convention
- 13 Several Rajneeshee attend and one addresses conference on Unity in Yoga in Lake Oswego; Rajneeshee admittedly excluded from the invocation
- 13 W: Reported that the CCP has sued in W County Circuit Court to prevent the sale of the A District School bus (No.)
- 13 R: Improvements to date: 2,370 acres of grain and legumes; 80 acres and 60 varieties of vegetables; 10 acres each of grapes and fruit trees; 163 acres of forage crops; 70% of Commune's food needs supplied by the Ranch
- 14 CO attorney speaks at South Lane Public Issues Forum in Cottage Grove, claiming the Rajneeshee have purchased land in Jackson County and own at least 36 separate corporations

- Nov 14 Anti-Rajneeshee speaker travels from Oregon to Park County Montana in his first out-of-state speaking engagement to residents concerned about the presence of a group known as the Church Universal and Triumphant
- 14 R: R Mayor writes letter stating the city may take legal action to gain release of revenue sharing monies from the State Executive Dept. since he feels HB 3028 approves the withholding of funds only in cases where the incorporation of a city is determined to be invalid and such a determination has not yet been made with regard to R
- 15 R: Improvements to date: 5 fully operative weather stations
- 15 SC: Refuses without comment to overturn an Aug. 25 Multnomah County Circuit Court order requiring Bhagwan to appear for pretrial deposition in a \$1 million defamation suit and \$12.5 million (\$2.5 million in compensatory damages on each of 3 counts of alleged libel and \$5 million in punitive damages on a charge of conspiracy to impair civil rights) countersuit; RFI had sought to overturn the court order and its attorneys say they will appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary; on grounds of a religious right to silence (No.)
- 16 R: Rajneeshee say they will file a motion to reconsider in SC and then seek a writ of certiorari in US Supreme Court in matter of pretrial deposition (No.)
- 17 Meeting of Rajneeshpuram Research Interest Group of Oregon scholars from UO, OSU, WOSC and Willamette U. at UO in Eugene
- 17 Reported that a Rajneeshee attorney has stated that US Second Congressional District candidate lied in recent announcement of Democratic National Committee refusal of funds or support from Rajneeshee; he and non-Rajneeshee attorney witness say she solicited Rajneeshee money for a Democratic Party Telethon and that Rajneeshee did not offer any to her or to Party in meeting of six months ago; Democratic National Committee spokesperson states they will refuse Rajneeshee money however, since that might create a conflict of interest related to the INS review of Bhagwan's application for permanent residency and because of controversy surrounding the group
- 17 A: Non-Rajneeshee resident pickets against security patrols in A by Rajneeshee
- 17 W: Letter from non-Rajneeshee recently resigned from A City Council appears in The Dalles Weekly Reminder saying that the edited version of his resignation letter was not accurate and gave a false impression of the reasons for his resignation; DWR prints entire resignation letter
- 17 LCDC: Hearing; RFI President urges LCDC to reject a permanent retroactive rule that says any city formed after July 1, 1981 would be legally incorporated only if it had filed an ex-

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- ception to Goal 14; Oregon Farm Bureau Federation, Oregon Environmental Council, 1000 Friends testify in favor on the grounds of preserving farm and forest land; decision postponed until after another public hearing on Dec. 15
- 18 Ad appears in Bend Bulletin for group named C.O.V.E.R.T. (Central Oregon Vigilantes Eliminating Rajneesh Takeover) soliciting members and selling T-shirts
- 18 R: Rajneesh Times alleges that revenue sharing funds going to R were stopped more than a week (Oct. 1) before Governor signed HB 3028 (which was introduced and passed in less than 7 hours on Sept. 30 during the Special Session of the Legislature) into law (Oct. 12) and before AG's opinion (Oct. 6) issued; state officials from DOT now asking AG's opinion on whether funds should continue to be withheld; AG's Office quoted as saying it would not and could not advise any state agency to cut off funds on the basis of the AG's opinion
- 18 R: Rajneeshee representatives claim that they have been requesting copies of public records from the AG's Office since Nov. 7 and that very few were made available on Nov. 15; reported that Articles of Incorporation for the R Chamber of Commerce which will promote tourism and business in the area were approved last week; reported that medical staff from the Central Oregon District Hospital in Redmond and Madras medical staff toured R the previous week; reported that the first issue of the Dutch Rajneesh Times printed Oct. 19
- 19 Reported that Oregon Dept. of Transportation has begun putting revenue sharing gas and weight-mile tax monies in escrow account rather than sending it to R; R Mayor claims action is illegal because city has not been declared invalid; DOT memo dated Nov. 17 instructing the action is circulated by 1000 Friends which says the action is in response to its letter of Nov. 14 requesting it; 1000 Friends says it has also sent letters to the State Treasurer, the Revenue Dept. and the OLCC; R share of gas and weight-mile tax money is about \$600-700 per month
- 20 Reported ACR anti-Rajneeshee meeting in Portland, 50 attend; ACR claims its newsletter sent to 1000 people but the group actually has fewer members
- 21-23 LUBA: Hears arguments by 1000 Friends, R and W County Attorneys on a motion by R to stay the Sept. 30 order pending a decision on their appeal to the CA; R Mayor testifies that the decision has impaired police and medical services; RFI President testifies that the moratorium on building permits could interfere with religious freedom; RNSIC Treasurer testifies the order has had an ill effect on ability to gain credit and deal with businesses
- 21 OLCC approves conditional license to sell liquor in R; conditions involve unrestricted access to the Zorba the Buddha Rajneesh Restaurant and Lounge (no search, registration or identification other than age can be required)

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- Nov 21 Western Oregon State College Student Senate approves honorarium of \$1000 by a vote of 11 to 9 to fund the appearance of Bhagwan as the College's 1984 commencement speaker; Bhagwan's name and two others had been suggested by the Senate's Ad Hoc Commencement Committee and approved for referral to the administration by a Senate vote of 11 to 8; Committee Chair states Bhagwan meets the apparent criteria for commencement speakers (well-known, bring publicity, money provided for appearance, and silence might be more valuable than what past speakers had had to say); appropriation of \$1000 had received prior approval of the Student Financial Board and the Student Senate Ways and Means Committee
- 21 Fossil City Council enacts an immediate moratorium on any construction requiring a building permit; Rajneeshee had requested time to speak, but did not appear
- 21 A&R: Group of students from Metropolitan Learning Center school in Portland visit A school and tour R
- 22 R: Three INS investigators make an unannounced visit to view Bhagwan's driveby
- 22 W: County Court/Commission Meeting; announcement that the effort to recall the W County Sheriff has failed since the petition with the requisite 1,708 signatures has not been filed by the deadline; approval of a request by RNSIC for a drainfield and toilet trailer in recreation area near dammed lake, thus overruling the requirement set by the County Planning Commission that chemical toilets be used
- 23 ASWOSC Student Executive Board meets in Special Session and votes to return \$1000 appropriation to bring Bhagwan as 1984 commencement speaker to Senate for reconsideration
- 23 Reported R Mayor recently addressed tri-state meeting of editorial writers
- 23 Central Oregon District Hospital Board gives hospital administrator discretion in whether or not to grant request by R to share blueprints and specifications for their medical services building facilities
- 23 Bhagwan's physician speaks to Bend Rotary Club
- 23 LUBA: Hearings on request by R to stay Sept. 30 order conclude; LUBA requests written arguments on problems with police, medical services, religious freedom be submitted by Dec. 7; DLCD Director testifies that LCDC may hold off on final approval of R Comprehensive Plan even if CA or LUBA rules in favor of R
- 23 W: County Circuit Court Judge grants preliminary injunction barring A School District from selling its bus unless they can guarantee that money will be available to buy another if the courts invalidate the legality of the current A School Board; A School District Attorney had argued that the CCP had no standing in the matter, that only the previous A School Board could have challenged the current Board's legality but that the deadline for such a challenge has passed

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- 24 R: Reported that the President of RFI called the AG "a communist, a fascist, a jerk, and a thief in a letter to the editor purportedly sent to The Oregonian"
- 24 A: Reported that Rajneeshee attorney sent a letter on Nov. 15 to the wife of A man picketing in protest against Rajneeshee security patrols on Nov. 15-16; letter charged that man "'has been acting in an increasingly hostile and irrational manner' towards Rajneeshee and gave notice that if his actions continue "'we will file a civil action for intimidation...and seek criminal prosecution for harassment.'"
- 25 A: 12 residents, some from Wamic, travel to A to show support for A man picketing in protest against Rajneeshee security patrols
- 25 Reported that R CCI has been calling citizens of Dufur, Fossil, Madras and Kent to determine the impact of a population influx on those towns in an attempt to gather information for Goal 14 exception documents should those be necessary; some area residents view the calls as a threat
- 25 A: City Council meeting; public hearing, Council discussion and granting of a conditional use permit for A Recycling Center, draft recycling flyer circulated, Recycling Center contracts with RNSIC amended, updated and adopted; public hearing Council discussion on and decision to create a Local Contract Review Board with Council members serving as Review Board members, adoption of rules for contracts and purchases; continuation of public hearing on adoption of amendments to A Comprehensive Plan, report of CCI, reported approval of DLCD, mention that in 1984 A will have to do a thorough update of the Plan, mention of diversity of A residents added to the amendments, Council discussion and adoption of amendments to the A Comprehensive Plan and A Zoning Ordinance; discussion of A Security Committee report mentions placement of lights on signs near A School designed to slow trucks, the necessity of traffic control, that the refusal of OLCC to issue a beer and wine license to Zorba the Buddha Cafe was due to the objections of St. Mary's Catholic Church and A Community Church on the grounds that adequate law enforcement is not available, other incidents which illustrate the need for more law enforcement; Security Committee reports that it has written to W County, J County, Madras and R Peace Officers to determine what kinds of protection they could provide A on a contract basis, no response yet; member of A Council authorized to attend J County ESD and Boundary Commission meeting on the removal of A property to Madras School District; member of A Council authorized to send letters to the cities of San Francisco and Portland inviting them to join A in officially welcoming homosexuals and other minorities as part of their communities

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- Nov 25 R: Reported that 2 telephone bomb threats were received at R, one on Nov. 15 and one on Nov. 18; reported that Rajneeshee communes and restaurants are flourishing in Europe, especially Zurich and Cologne; Rajneesh Times calls Governor to task for actions since Mar. 12, 1982 radio show and more recently on revenue sharing issue; birth of the first registered pure bred Holstein calf; second Jersey dairy cow purchased; 80-90 tons of potatoes harvested; reported that the Rajneesh Times recently sold by RNSIC for \$15,000 to the newly formed Rajneesh Times Incorporated, a new editor chosen; weekly circulation has reached about 4000 in just over one year
- 28 Spokesman for Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon speaks to 61 in Milton-Freewater about the A Community Church case
- 28 Federal Judge refuses to issue a temporary restraining order preventing attorneys in defamation countersuit from taking pretrial deposition from Bhagwan, but says that deposition taking planned for Dec. 1 cannot take place until Dec. 13; Rajneeshee attorneys say they will appeal to the Ninth US Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco
- 28 Seven part news series begins on KATU-TV, said to strongly stress a negative view of R and Rajneeshee
- 28 J: Madras School Board meeting; non-Rajneeshee residents of A present reasons for requesting annexation of 5 parcels of A land to Madras School District; Board decides to recommend approval of the annexation by a vote of 3 to 2; final decision due on Dec. 5 after a hearing by the J County Boundary Commission; annexation already approved by the W County Boundary Commission; Madras School Board Chair votes against the annexation because it affects children who have recently moved to A and another Board member opposes it because it would "cut up" the town; the 5 parcels are valued at about \$425,000
- 29 Special Session of ASWOSC Senate fails to occur due to boycott by six Senators; Senators say they do not actually want Bhagwan as commencement speaker but are trying to make a point about the selection of such speakers; no further action expected until schedule Jan. 9 Senate meeting.
- 30 State Ethics Commission decides at request of unsuccessful A mayoral candidate to investigate whether Rajneeshee actions in R and A are violations of state law against using public office for private gain and says it will investigate the relationships between R, A, RFI, RIC, and RNSIC; Director of Commission had recommended that the investigation be delayed because it would duplicate the efforts of the AG's Office, recommendation rejected by a vote of 5 to 1; unsuccessful A mayoral candidate alleges as many as 400 violations of ethics laws; R Mayor attends and claims no violations; several members of anti-Rajneeshee groups attend

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- Nov 30 Reported that the AG's Office has advised state administrators of revenue-sharing funds to refer all questions on R situation to them
- 30 Rajneeshee couples publicly protest the INS scheduling of interviews with 21 of them over just two days on Dec. 14-15 although only two attorneys are representing all 42 people
- Dec 1 Reported that INS agrees that due to scheduling conflicts it will add another day, Dec. 16, to interviews with 21 Rajneeshee couples where one spouse is seeking U.S. permanent residency; Rajneeshee attorney had called the original schedule "'an administrative bullying tactic they are using to harass us'"; INS advised Rajneeshee in a letter dated Nov. 30 that further rescheduling could occur if there were conflicts
- 1 Window broken by lead pellet fired into second story room of Hotel Rajneesh in Portland
- 1 Reported that Medina Rajneeshee Center in England offers several courses, has sauna and sensory isolation tank, two physicians, 100 residents, kitchens, stores, accounts department, computerised books and tapes section, carpentry workshop, plumbers' workshop and garage
- 1 R: Improvements to date: two new restaurants specializing in pancakes and vegetarian hamburgers to open by Dec. 11; Commune doctors form Rajneesh Health Associates which plans a quarterly magazine entitled Rajneesh Health and first annual convention at R in July; 100 room quadrangle hotel with enclosed courtyards, saunas and hot tubs under construction
- 2 Rock thrown through window of Rajneesh Disco in Portland
- 2 W: Reported that W County has filed a motion in W County Circuit Court asking for clarification of the Oct. 24 preliminary injunction against further building at R; County seeking to know whether it has authority over the issuance of all building permits and over ongoing construction under the state building code; matter to be heard on Dec. 12 (No.
- 2 W: Reported that RNSIC has sent a series of letters to W County demanding that they repair a 15 mile stretch of County Road 305 leading to R; A School Board Chair also sent letter saying the road is dangerous for the busing of children from R to A School; County Court/Commission Judge reported to have replied that County has already spent more than \$46,000 on the road during the last two fiscal years, but will do repairs when feasible
- 2 Director of the Mid-Columbia Economic Development District (MCEDD) says their recent mailing of 3000 labor force surveys which included an envelope sealed with a red sticker has caused some residents to be alarmed that the survey was connected with the Rajneeshee

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- Dec 2 R: Reported that: RNSIC spokesperson issued a press release on Dec. 1 blaming KATU-TV series for escalating anti-Rajneeshee harassment and violence, claiming the station had deliberately employed people having a negative view of R to research the programs entitled "Rajneeshpuram Revealed"; Presidents of RNSIC and RFI send telegrams to KATU-TV protesting its series as being prejudiced and inflammatory; recently formed Citizens Committee to Save Rajneeshpuram says AG refuses to meet with them; 10,000 people worldwide have entered RNSIC raffle for Rolls Royce, drawing to be held Dec. 11; world famous opera soprano who recently became Rajneeshee taking courses at RIMU; 8 Rajneeshee discos in Germany and 2 more to open soon (Cologne, Munich, Berlin, Hamburg, Dortmund, Kiel, Hannover); 500 news articles, 10 TV shows, 50 radio programs on Rajneeshee in Germany since August; Australian Rajneeshee being asked to coordinate conferences and fund-raising events due to their reputation for organization; Australian press recently featured Melbourne Rajneeshee Center as followup to comment by Australian PM that his government may consider communes as a way of providing alternative employment for the jobless
- 3 R: A School Board Meeting; since District funds are still tied up in litigation, the Board authorizes acceptance of a loan offer from a parent; a bid of \$4200 received on the school bus, but the District enjoined from selling it by the W County Circuit Court action of Nov. 23; another bid opening authorized; reported that the former school clerk and bus driver each have been paid one month's salary and dispute with them settled; authorization to dispose of unnecessary school supplies; a recently certified Rajneeshee elementary teacher hired; report on school building improvements; approval of Budget Committee recommendation to transfer funds from some categories to others; approval of The Dalles District resolution to provide counselling to emotionally handicapped students in W County; discussion of obtaining a computer
- 3 R: City Council Meeting; actions of special meeting ratified; approval of amendments to Rules of Procedure for personal services contracts; authorization for up to \$10,000 for legal consultants; litigation update; discussion of items for a supplemental budget; approval for rent of Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) computer to aid Peace Force; financial report; sale of Peace Force dog to RNSIC for \$4000 and approval of retainer agreement for R use of the dog when needed; presentation on R Rural Fire Protection District (RRFD); hearing on R withdrawal from RRFPD and establishment of its own fire department set for Dec. 26; position of Peace Force Commissioner abolished and a letter of thanks to former position holder authorized; discussion of hardship posed by temporary injunction due to the need for permits for a medical center, housing for non-Rajneeshee Peace Force member, lavatories, plumbing, heating and ventilation systems in existing buildings .

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- Dec 3-4 KOIN-TV begins showing previews of "Pillars of Portland", a 2 hour locally produced soap opera featuring Oregon figures and Rajneeshee as actors; station reports receiving a rush of phone calls
- 5 J: J County Boundary Board votes 5 to 2 to approve annexation of five parcels of A land to Madras School District 509J (to which 100 sq. mi. of A District land has already been approved for annexation); A School Board has 30 days in which to file an objection with the State Board of Education; A School Board Chair says objection likely, petitioners motivated by prejudice, the change would create a complicated boundary and adversely affect A District's ability to provide educational programs; petitioners testify that they believe A School will not provide adequate high school education and may not meet minimal state standards; if no A School Board objection, annexation to become effective May 31, 1984; currently 18 A area students are picked up by Madras school bus at Willowdale, about 20 miles from Madras
- 6 R: First meeting of R Chamber of Commerce; development of a travel and tourist brochure discussed
- 6 A: City Council Meeting; \$7,408.62 in general fund, total of \$3,288.44 in tax levy monies received so far, authorization to transfer \$400 from street department to general administration fund, authorization to pay \$625 in bills, announcement that due to one year special levy monies available, fire rates were discontinued on Nov. 1 and water rates have been reduced from \$40 to \$20 per month on commercial and from \$20 to \$12 on residential property; Recycling Center to be operational by Dec. 20; announced that the Episcopal Diocese has filed an answer and cross claim in A Community Church suit; report on hostility of representatives of local governments towards A representatives at Nov. 13-15 LOC convention; discussion of need for increased security due, among other things, to recent Seattle and KATU-TV programs; discussion of security proposal from J County at a cost of \$4903 per month and from R Peace Force for \$1500 per month, mention that A can only afford contract on monthly basis and J County could not agree to monthly contracts, that W County and Madras Police had responded they could not supply security service, decision to transfer \$1000 from street fund to general administration to be spent on security, decision to hire R Peace Froce for 12 hours per day for 2 months beginning Dec. 7; discussion of two applications by Rajneeshee to fill Council vacancy and one, a lawyer, selected; A Trailer Park business license with RNSIC renewed; discussion of A renewal of membership in Mid-Columbia Council of Governments and fact that fee should be based on population of 95 rather than the 39 suggested by MCCOG; public comments on bags of leaves in city park, city firearm ordinance, snow removal, Dalles Weekly Reminder story on resignation of non-Rajneeshee A Council Member, and the problem of non-Rajneeshee not applying for Council vacancies when they occur

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- Dec 6 Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge denies request in def-
amation suit . counter suit that plaintiff and attorneys
be allowed to enter homes of Bhagwan and others at R, but
grants request that they be allowed to enter R to obtain
license numbers of all Rolls Royces; Judge also orders plain-
tiff to submit to physical and psychiatric evaluations by
Rajneeshee doctors, orders that results of exams be used
only for this suit; also orders that financial information
disclosed by Rajneeshee not be used for any other purpose
than this suit (No.)
- 7 Eugene School Board votes 6 to 0 to suspend teacher who is
an American Sikh for wearing her turban to class, saying that
they are enforcing the AG's recent opinion on Oregon law
that no religious garb may be worn by teachers in public
schools; teacher's attorney says she will appeal to the U.S.
Supreme Court if necessary; UO Law School authority says the
Oregon law against religious garb in the classroom was passed
during the 1920's KKK anti-Catholic campaign in the state
- 7 Presentation on R at Winston Assembly of God Church, spon-
sored by them, the Tenmile and Riddle Assembly of God
churches and a Winston bakery
- 7 Reported that a Rajneeshee attorney has been told that the
Governor's Executive Assistant would not speak to Rajneeshee
due to pending litigation
- 8 R: 1222 residents reported; RIC spokesperson states Rajneeshee
have enquired about property for sale in Fossil, Madras,
Kent, Dufur, Mitchell, Condon, Service Creek, Spray, Maupin,
Tygh Valley and Grass Valley; member of R CCI has visited
Fossil, Mitchell, Maupin, Dufur, Madras, Shaniko, Kent and
Ashwood to survey properties available if R is disincorpor-
ated; Rajneeshee report no actual purchase of property out-
side of Portland and the Ranch
- 8 R: Emergency City Council Meeting; discussion of pleadings to
be filed on Dec. 9 in US District Court in case brought a-
gainst the legality of R by AG (No.); non-Rajneeshee
attorney authorized to be hired to sign pleadings; report
on on-going audit; discussion of CCI telephone survey of
nearby towns to gather information for land use goal excep-
tion if needed; update on drafting of Exception Rule find-
ings for LCDC, should they be needed
- 8 Rajneeshee speakers at Oregon State Penitentiary workshop
- 9 Bend Bulletin reports that W County Sheriff's Office has
received request to call out the National Guard to remove
R Peace Force Officers from A

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- Dec 9. Reported that New Rose Theatre in Portland will present the world premiere of a play entitled "Christmas at the Juniper Tavern" by area author from Jan. 6-Feb. 4 which may be based on A and R controversies
- 9 Chemeketa Community College Courier prints special section on R growing out of a 2 day visit and an editorial supporting the civil rights of Rajneeshee
- 9 R: Improvements to date: 15 miles of streambeds repaired; water table has risen more than 150 feet; 53 milking cows yielding 7.5 gallons milk each per day
- 9 W: R lawyers file petition in W County Circuit Court requesting that AG's suit against the city be transferred to federal court due to the U.S. constitutional issues involved; effect of the petition is to automatically remove the case to federal court (No.)
- 9 Director of 1000 Friends tells East Salem Rotary Club that the group will file suit on Dec. 12 in W County Circuit Court against a number of state agencies, including the DEQ and Building Codes Division, for not moving quickly enough to invalidate the incorporation of R; he also criticizes the AG and Governor for their lack of involvement in land use challenges to R
- 9 R: Rajneesh Times article charges that while HB 3028 requires challengers to a city's incorporation to file a certified copy of an agency or court opinion declaring the incorporation invalid with agencies which distribute revenue-sharing funds within 30 days of its issuance in order for funds to that city to be withheld, 1000 Friends did not send a certified copy of the Sept. 30 LUBA decision to revenue-sharing distribution agencies until Nov. 16, 17 days after the deadline and up to 6 weeks after funds actually began to be withheld; 1000 Friends did send a memo and copy of HB 3028 to agencies on Nov. 14, but that should have had no legal effect and was also after the deadline; article also charges that funds were withheld up to 20 days before the State Treasurer's Office issued an escrow account number and that number issued 27 days before a certified copy of the LUBA decision was sent to agencies
- 9 R: Rajneesh Times prints article by Vice-President of the Isaac Walton League and past member of the Advisory Council for the BLM and well-known local conservationist stating that Rajneeshee have actually created more than expected farm land and therefore R not in violation of Goal 3 (preservation of agricultural lands) but a model experiment; article alleges 1000 Friends has not looked at the facts with regard to R and questions the group's motives; author cites the fact that before the retroactive LCDC rule upon which the Sept. 30 LUBA decision to return R incorporation to W County was based, the R Comprehensive Plan had been passed upon by 12 federal agencies, 41 state agencies, and 17 county agencies and that the State of Oregon and W County both had recognized R as a city

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- Dec 11 R: Bhagwan's 52nd birthday celebration with 2000 visitors, including a Buddhist nun from Japan; four new books published; 200 lb. birthday cake; Swiss Rajneeshee wins Rolls Royce drawing; street fair
- 12 W: 1000 Friends files suit against several state agencies for not moving quickly enough to invalidate the incorporation of R (No.)
- 12 Reported that the U.S. Congressman from R area has been speaking in Southern Oregon for the past week and responded to various questions by saying: the federal government should only be involved with R to ensure that immigration and federal laws are not broken; that the rights of minorities must be protected; that the AG's suit to determine whether R violates constitutional doctrines of the separation of church and state is justified
- 12 W: County Circuit Court hearing on legal name change of daughter of U.S. Congressman killed at Jonestown to her Rajneeshee name (No.)
- 12 Reported that 1000 Friends' Newsletter claims the "Rajneeshpuram Alert" mailing of 60,000 copies in Sept. generated nearly 400 new members in Central Oregon (Deschutes, Jefferson, Crook, Wheeler, Wasco, Klamath Counties) and nearly 350 contributions from people in the area who did not join; that 1000 Friends now has more than 8000 members; that R "'racing ahead with development'" that could deplete the area's ground water supply
- 12 A: San Francisco Mayor replies to A Council Member's letter encouraging SF to follow A's lead in officially welcoming homosexuals and other minorities as part of the community by calling the idea interesting; no reply from Portland Mayor to date
- 12 Two judge panel of the Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco rules in a one sentence decision that Bhagwan must appear for deposition in defamation suit and countersuit scheduled for Dec. 14 in Portland; Rajneeshee attorneys say they will appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court if necessary (No.)
- 12 W: County Circuit Court hearing, arguments by R and W attorneys; Judge denies R motion to vacate the Oct. 24 preliminary injunction against further building at R and to dismiss 1000 Friends' lawsuit claiming land use violations, but clarifies that a ban on new building permits does not affect ongoing construction over which R Building Dept. still has jurisdiction; he orders State Building Codes Division to monitor R Building Code Officials to ensure compliance with state law; R attorneys say they will request the Court to allow R to issue some minor permits such as for partitions within existing structures; Judge requests R officials to compile a list of ministerial acts which require building permits but are not land use decisions in order to consider the request (No.)

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- Dec 13 Meeting of the Willamette Chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists addressed by 2 Rajneeshee who say coverage of R generally fair except for the Willamette Week, The Dalles Weekly Reminder and a KATU-TV reporter
- 14 "The Pillars of Portland" 2 hour local soap opera screens on KOIN-TV featuring Oregon figures and Rajneeshee as actors
- 14 INS cancels series of interviews scheduled for Dec. 14,15, 16 with 21 Rajneeshee and their spouses who are seeking permanent residence status; no explanation offered for the cancellation, but INS says its investigations into the applications will continue
- 14 U.S. Supreme Court Justice denies without explanation a petition by Rajneeshee attorneys to prevent today's scheduled deposition taking from Bhagwan in defamation suit and countersuit; Bhagwan does not appear for deposition; plaintiff's attorneys refuse to reschedule; Rajneeshee attorneys say they will file a motion in Multnomah County Circuit Court to dismiss the countersuit by a summary judgment on the grounds that the alleged defamatory statements were only opinions while statements by the countersuit plaintiff accused the Rajneeshee of illegal activities; they state that this will be accompanied by a motion to delay the court order that Bhagwan appear for deposition until the request for summary judgment has been ruled upon; countersuit plaintiff's attorneys say they are considering their next move which could include a request for a civil contempt judgement and/or a possible default order against Bhagwan (No.)
- 14 Eugene Register-Guard editorial opposes Ethics Commission investigation into R and A officials' potential conflicts of interest urged by unsuccessful A mayoral candidate, saying it will duplicate AG's investigation and give the impression that Oregon is "ganging up" on the Rajneeshee
- 15 Seaside Signal takes 1000 Friends to task for bulk mailing of "Rajneeshpuram Alert" to that city
- 15 R: Improvements to date: registered Arabian show horse; 8 spring foals expected
- 15 INS issues green card to one Rajneeshee spouse seeking permanent residence status after a two year wait
- 15 R: Reported that R city officials issued 122 building permits between Aug. 1 and Oct. 24 W Circuit Court preliminary injunction against further issuance of new building permits, 84 of them in the 28 day period just prior to the Oct. 24 injunction; permits for both major and minor construction were issued as follows: Aug. 1--3 single story multiplex units; Aug. 7--16 multiplex units; Aug. 9--cold storage;

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Aug. 17--Sariputta; Aug. 23--convert Nagarjuna basement to cool storeroom, Alan Watts Hotel Reception; Aug. 24--2 warehouses, housing factory; Aug. 30--Zarathustra; Sept. 2--multiplex factory, Buddha Hall Music Trailer, RIMU; Sept. 7--Devateerth Mall; Sept. 15--Vimalkirti, Vimalkirti pilots and machine office trailer, Vimalkirti toilet trailer; Sept. 16--install 2 evaporative coolers in kitchen and laundry of Nagarjuna, Hassid Road Cafeteria; Sept. 17--single story wood frame structure in Jesus Grove; Sept. 26--25 permits including Sariputta Shed, 4 Zarathustra Dormitory units, Zarathustra housing laundry trailer, Zarathustra housing utility trailer, Vimalkirti office trailer, 7 single story townhouse units, 8 townhouse units, Hassid Road Cafeteria, bus shelter; Sept. 27--9 permits including 3 buildings for RIMU housing, 4 portions of Zen Road Hotel, Zarathustra factory, health spa; Sept. 29--11 permits including Buddha Hall Music Trailer water and sewer connections, Zarathustra factory shower, toilet, and 2 tool trailers, 3 Buddha Hall toilet trailers and 3 shower trailers; Oct. 3--health spa; Oct. 4--13 permits including Annex A and B of Welcome Center, Lao Tzu Garage, 2 permits for lobby and deck addition, 8 townhouse units; Oct. 6--5 permits including cleaner's supply, sheet metal shop, Noah's Ark storage, Welcome Center, Jesus Grove House addition phase one; Oct. 7--Zen Road power station and airport reception; Oct. 10--domestic supply building, bus and transport office, Buddha Hall pump station and electrical plant; Oct. 20--tire and bus repair building; Oct. 21--cinema, Raidus office, Jesus Grove house addition phase two, Lao Tzu Garage, 14 townhouse units

- 15 Rajneeshee attorneys appeal to another U.S. Supreme Court Justice to delay or stop the Multnomah County Circuit Court ordered appearance of Bhagwan for deposition in the defamation countersuit; both the suit and countersuit are scheduled to go to trial on Mar. 19 (Nos. and)
- 15 LUBA: hearing on a request by 1000 Friends that the Aug. annexation of 119.2 acres to R be nullified on the grounds that R not authorized to take such land use actions since the Sept. 30 LUBA decision; case taken under advisement; ruling on Rajneeshee request for a stay of enforcement of the Sept. 30 LUBA decision expected next week (No.)
- 15 LCDC: hearing on permanent rule relating to the incorporation of cities since 1981; R Mayor suggests readoption of the temporary rule scheduled to be replaced by Jan. 1 until court cases have been decided and says R attorneys will appeal a permanent rule if it is adopted; Commission decides to delay vote on permanent retroactive rule which would require cities incorporated since 1981 to have gained an exception to Goal 14 in order to consider amendments which would allow such exceptions for reasons in addition to just economic activity relative to the development of a nearby natural resource

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- Dec 16 LCDC: approves a permanent rule applying to incorporations within UGBs, adjacent to UGBs or in rural areas which require an exception to Goal 14 to have been granted and citing as justification for an exception only economic activity related to the development of a nearby natural resource; R attorneys appeal the adoption of the rule, retroactive to 1981, to the Court of Appeals (No.)
- 16 U.S. District Court Judge in Portland denies Rajneeshee attorneys' request for a two day stay in the Multnomah County Circuit Court order requiring Bhagwan to appear for deposition in the defamation countersuit; plaintiff's attorneys state that they will seek sanctions for Bhagwan's nonappearance on Dec. 14 in a Dec. 28-Multnomah County Circuit Court hearing (Nos. and)
- 16 U.S. Supreme Court clerk says one Justice has referred to the full court a request by Rajneeshee attorneys that Bhagwan not be required to appear for pretrial deposition in defamation countersuit; Court will consider the request in a closed conference on Jan. 6 and announce its decision on Jan. 9; Rajneeshee attorneys state they will file a motion to stay all proceedings on the deposition in Multnomah County Circuit Court until the Supreme Court announces its decision (Nos. and)
- 16 35 Rajneeshee couples file suit in U.S. District Court in Portland to force INS to speed its processing of permanent residence applications by foreign spouses without regard to religious beliefs and affiliation; suit also seeks ruling that several immigration officials are personally biased against Rajneeshee and therefore incapable of fairly processing their applications and petitions; suit claims delays are part of a "pattern and practice of invidious class-based religious discrimination", a conspiracy to deny legal and constitutional rights and "chills their free exercise of religious freedom" and alleges that while normally the process takes 60 days, some of the plaintiffs have been waiting up to 2 years for approval of their applications (No.)
- 16 Rajneeshee attorneys file an additional petition with INS asking that they consider another criteria in Bhagwan's request for permanent residence status, his role as a skilled worker under the sixth preference category
- 16 R: Reported that a trainee Protestant minister in Germany who became a Rajneeshee was asked to resign from his church in Bremen; Christmas Party recently held at Hotel Rajneesh in Portland for business people, attorneys and media contacts

- Dec 18 Vancouver Columbian runs lengthy feature story on R
- 18 Reported that "Rajneeshpuram Alert" has been mailed to 500,000 households by 1000 Friends since Sept.; first Chair of LCDC and State Senator who says he is no great supporter of Rajneeshee calls the mailings "'crass'"; R Mayor says mailing amount to an attempt to capitalize on prejudice and bigotry; Director of 1000 Friends says mailings have produced donations or memberships from 3250 households and reports about 8500 members total
- 18 R: 200 students reported to be enrolled in RIMU courses
- 18 U.S. Second Congressional District candidate campaign committee runs full page ad in Bend Bulletin claiming the paper is biased in favor of the Rajneeshee and against her because its facilities are used to print The Rajneesh Times for an income of about \$35,00 per year and which reprints an Oct. 14 anti-Rajneeshee speech which she made in The Dalles
- 19 W: Scheduled County Circuit Court hearing on a suit filed by R charging the W County Court/Commission with violations of the Oregon open meeting law (No.)
- 20 W: Four term area anti-Rajneeshee state representative files for re-election
- 20 Reported that PSU Center for Population Research and Census estimates R was the fastest growing Oregon city in 1983; overall state population estimated to have declined .8% to 2,635,000; A population estimated at 95; R population estimated at 1000, up 65% from 1982
- 21 Rajneeshee attorneys withdraw U.S. Supreme Court request to overturn Multnomah County Circuit Court order that Bhagwan appear for deposition in defamation countersuit, saying that the matter is now moot since the plaintiff's attorneys are no longer pursuing a deposition but instead seeking sanctions which include a default judgement; next hearing scheduled for Dec. 28 in Multnomah County Circuit Court (Nos. and)
- 22 R: Emergency City Council Meeting; authorization for City Attorney (CA) to file a counterclaim against the AG in US District Court for injunctive relief after discussion of refusal of LEDS hookup; authorization of a suit against the State of Oregon for illegal withholding of funds from R; authorization of legal consultant fees of \$1200 in AG's suit against R (Nos. and)

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- Dec 22 Oregonian editorial takes 1000 Friends to task for "Rajneeshpuram Alert" mailing
- 23 R: Reported that the AG's Office has instructed the manager of Oregon's Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS) to deny request by the R Peace Force Chief for access to the system on the basis of the AG's opinion of Oct. 6 and LUBA's Sept. 30 decision; reported that AG's Office has decided to defend 5 ex-A non-Rajneeshee City Council officials in a lawsuit filed by Rajneeshee corporations charging them with breaching the July 1982 "truce" agreement and that a deposition was taken from ex-A Mayor by AG officials on Dec. 20 (No.); reported that a copy of a cable (#4705) to US State Dept. from the American Consul General in Bombay dated Jan. 6, 1982 has been released in a press conference called by the President of RFI, cable states the Consul's belief that no visa fraud was committed in Bhagwan's original application for a medical visa to the U.S., contradicting INS statement in 1983 that the reason they were denying Bhagwan's request for permanent residence status was that there was a "'preconceived intent to seek permanent residence'", the President of RFI states that there may be more evidence of INS misconduct in the case and calls for an investigation by senior INS officials in Washington D.C.; reported that LCDC officials and 1000 Friends admitted to Rajneeshee on Nov. 22 that a 1000 Friends' attorney wrote LCDC's temporary rule dealing with the incorporation of cities and retroactive to 1981
- 24 By this date, an administrator of RIMU had appeared on one of Holland's most popular TV talk shows, "Sonja on Tuesday", to talk about R; much time was devoted to the subject of Rolls Royces; an estimated 30% of Holland's population viewed the show
- 24 R: Special City Council Meeting; discussion of Peace Force Chief's job and salary; two Councilmembers empowered to authorize CA to enter into litigation without having to call emergency Council meetings, provided that a report and ratification occur at the next scheduled Council meeting; vote to place the proposed state sales tax measure on the ballot; ordinance to prohibit drinking in public tabled; Ord. No. 83-15 prohibiting littering in R parks, streets and bodies of water and providing for a fine of up to \$100 for violation adopted; general nondiscrimination ordinance tabled; Ord. No. 83-16 regulating the possession of firearms adopted; CA asked to prepare an ordinance to regulate parades; discussion of solid waste disposal and recycling system; audit completed; insurance for R officials' errors and omissions purchased for \$1200; Councilmember resigns; discussion of revenue-raising fair on May 18; later press reports focus on Ord. No. 83-16 which bans firearms, loaded or unloaded, and other dangerous weapons in public buildings and accommodations and requires that weapons carried on a public street, in public places and in vehicles within R must be

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unloaded; ordinance is modelled on a broadened interpretation of Oregon law and on a recent Portland ordinance; four exceptions are provided for Peace Officers, people summoned to assist Peace Officers, military personnel on duty and persons licensed to carry concealed weapons; ordinance provides for a weapons "check-in" system, the posting of notices and a fine of up to \$1000 for violation; R CA states that the Council felt the ordinance was called for in light of threatening gestures of people driving trucks through R with rifles in racks

- 26 R: City Council meeting; public hearing to consider clarification of Ordinance 83-12 pertaining to rezoning action of Aug. 28; passage of Res. No. 83-10 stating that findings adopted on Aug. 28 were adopted in support of both Ord. No. 83-11 (annexation) and Ord. No. 83-12 (rezoning); preliminary decision and granting of permission for the RFPD to withdraw R from the District and create an R city fire department, final decision in the matter due Jan. 7
- 28 Molalla Pioneer editorial takes Bhagwan to task for refusing to give deposition in defamation countersuit (No.)
- 28 Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge rules that Bhagwan is liable for potential damages in entering a default judgment on the grounds of nonappearance for deposition in defamation countersuit ; order means that Bhagwan will not be allowed to contest personal liability for any damages which might later be proved and granted in the case and will not be allowed to testify at any future time in the case Judge asks plaintiff's attorney to submit details of legal costs involved in Bhagwan's nonappearance and attorney says those amount to \$26,500 (Nos. and)
- 28 R attorney files suit in Marion County Circuit Court under the Oregon public records law to obtain any Oregon Dept. of Justice/AG Office records related to the Rajneeshee; Dept. claims records requested are exempt from disclosure (No.)
- 29 AG writes letter stating it is impossible for him to meet with the Citizens Committee to Save R (CCSR), saying such a meeting would be "'nothing more than an opportunity for you to engage in ad hominem attacks'"; letter cites Nov. situation in which he agreed to meet with small delegation, then tried to accommodate 31 people for Nov. 16 meeting, while on Nov. 15 CCSR cancelled; CCSR spokesperson says AG himself refused to attend Nov. 16 meeting and planned only to send staff and this caused cancellation; CCSR spokesperson states that while AG met in person with W County officials, 1000 Friends and A School District residents who oppose R, "' he has been unwilling to extend the same right to Rajneeshees.'"
- 29 La Grande Observer votes AG's opinion on R the No. 2 story of the year

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- Dec 30 A: Reported that Rajneeshee teacher who was given Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) restricted teaching certificate in Nov. has completed required 3 courses at PSU making him eligible for an unrestricted teaching certificate
- 31 Grants Pass Courier votes story of Rajneeshee seeking property in Illinois Valley No. 7 of the "bottom ten" stories of the year
- 31 R: First tour group of 12 non-Rajneeshee Oregonians spends the night in R

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- Jan 1 Anti-cult magazine published in Weston, Mass. prints story saying that Lutheran ministers responsible for cult information and education in Germany have cited the Rajneeshee as the group which now most concerns them
- 1 The American Lawyer magazine published in New York prints a feature article on Rajneeshee attorney at R; Oregon Market Place real estate publication prints feature story on R Mayor
- 1 Bend Bulletin rates R as No. 1 story of 1983; Associated Press stories in Salem Statesman-Journal and Portland Oregonian rate R No. 3 story of 1983; Oregonian rates Bhagwan and personal secretary (Pres. of Academy of Rajneeshism, AR) 1983 Persons of the Year
- 1 Improvements to date: lending library; creation of Rajneesh Legal Services Corporation (RLSC) with 17 lawyers, 6 of them licensed to practice in Oregon
- 1 Reported that anti-Rajneeshee initiative petition drive has gathered 31,000 signatures to date
- 3 A: City Council Meeting; decision to contract for a second R Peace Officer to patrol A
- 4 A: Public hearing by OLCC Hearings Officer on application for a beer and wine license by Zorba the Buddha Rajneesh Restaurant; 40 attend; City Council and petition of 40 residents support the request; pastor of A Community Church and priest of St. Mary's Catholic Church testify in opposition, stating religious and public safety reasons; petition signed by surrounding ranchers presented in opposition which states concerns about drunk driving; R Peace Force officer states that there have been no drunk and disorderly problems during the past year; Hearings Officer takes request under advisement
- 4 W: Ex-W County Commissioner who resigned April 14, 1982 in protest following a 2 to 1 vote which granted a Rajneeshee festival permit request files for position on W County Court/Commission

- Jan 4 R: A School Board Meeting; decision to hire a new Rajneeshee teacher when he obtains a Restricted Teaching Certificate in math and science; decision not to appeal the annexation of 5 A city parcels to the Madras area school district in order to "avoid lengthy litigation"; decision not to remonstrate with the State Board of Education on the annexation
- 4 AG's Office confirms it has advised the Accounting Division of the Executive Department to withhold money for the R 911 emergency telephone system; R Mayor writes in protest that, given continuous threats, R is in more urgent need of such funds than other cities of its size who are receiving them and that courts have not yet upheld the AG's opinion as to the legality of R; R does have limited emergency telephone facilities at present
- 5 Milwaukee, Wisconsin Journal article ranks Bhagwan No. 4 on a list of "most dangerous quiche-eaters at large"
- 5 BLI memo on this date states that RNSIC members in Portland are not considered employees for several reasons in investigation urged by state legislator from Beavercreek
- 5 The Dalles Weekly Reminder rates R the No. 1 story of 1983
- 6 100 person meeting with area US Representative in Bend; several questions on R and Bhagwan to which Representative replies by saying that Rajneeshee have right of appeal and to equal application of the laws as does everyone else
- 6 R: Improvements to date: bakery producing 400 loaves of bread daily in addition to croissants, bran muffins, sweet rolls, doughnuts, cookies and pound cakes; 15 new menu dishes created for cafeteria
- 6 Reported that authenticity of cable #4705 to US State Dept. from US Consul in Bombay has been verified, but that it was sent and received in Dec., 1981 (rather than Jan., 1982); cable states that copies were to be sent to INS Headquarters and to Portland office and that Consul does not believe visa fraud was committed in relation to Bhagwan's entry into US; INS offices refuse to confirm whether cable is in their files
- 6 W: By this date, R had filed a Motion for Summary Judgement in W County Circuit Court seeking to dismiss 1000 Friends' request for a permanent injunction and declaration that R is illegal (No.)
- 7 R: City Council Meeting; adoption of Ord. No. 84-1 banning discrimination by persons or corporations based on race, color, sex, marital status, religion or national origin in public accommodations, housing, employment or education; the ordinance provides, however, that churches and religious organizations may hire employees of the same faith if this preference best serves its purposes, discrimination in employment is not unlawful if it is based on the occupation requirements

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- necessary to the business (both standard exceptions) and that residents in communal housing will still be able to select the people they share their home with; adoption of Ord. No. 84-2 banning the consumption of alcohol in all public outdoor areas not designated as eating areas and providing for up to a \$100 fine for violation
- 7 Three R Peace Force Officers attend funeral of Madras Police Chief
- 7 R: A School Board Meeting; opening day for bids on school bus announced for Jan. 10; non-Rajneeshee teacher's contract extended for two weeks; reported that hearing date of Jan. 11 set on the Motion for Summary Judgement and the Motion to Dismiss on the school bus; computer purchased for \$2096.50 and partially funded by a W County ESD grant of \$1200; discussion of potential standardization assessment by the State Dept. of Education in Mar.; \$4000 moved from Site Improvement to Building Improvement category to enable funding for completion of work on the A School basement (\$16,595.14 spent on the project to date); funds transferred into the Benefit and Building Permit categories; approval of contract agreement with Rajneesh Medical Corporation (RMC) to provide school nurse; approval of two volunteer teacher's aides; discussion of SJR 30 proposing a state sales tax and decision to approve it for placement on the ballot; decision to cooperate with UO researchers in allowing psychological testing of A school children with parental consent
- 8 Public Utilities Commissioner (PUC) spokesman reports that R has withdrawn its application to provide a charter bus service between R and Portland
- 8 A School Board Chair states that even though A School District will not appeal or remonstrate on the annexation of 5 parcels of A land to the Madras area district, the move is not rational, will make a mess of A District boundaries and it is an action "'completely motivated by politics and prejudice'"
- 9 BLI notifies RNSIC that its investigation, urged by a state legislator from Beavercreek, is completed and thanks them for their cooperation
- 10 ASWOSC Board of Administration rules that the Executive Board improperly returned to the ASWOSC Senate their action form appropriating \$1000 for the appearance of Bhagwan as commencement speaker; consequently, the allocation will be treated as approved
- 10-11 Rajneeshee send series of letters to the Governor criticizing him for soliciting nominations for voluntarism awards while opposing the voluntary efforts of the R community

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- Jan 11 W: Baker County Circuit Court Judge sitting in for the regular Judge of the W County Circuit Court hears 35 minutes of arguments on the legality of the A School Board and the CP request for prohibition on sale of the W school bus; Judge denies A School Board request for Summary Judgement and release of \$33,000 in impounded District funds and permission to sell school bus in the preliminary proceedings; Judge orders case to be set for trial as soon as possible; both parties expected to file answers to the rulings within 5 to 10 days (No.)
- 11 R: Reported that RMC has been offering free flu vaccinations to residents of R, A and Shaniko and has given more than 800 injections to date
- 12 Reported that the final 20 Rajneeshee (of 200) remaining in Santa Cruz are preparing to leave after having liquidated 6 of its 7 communes, one of two retail stores and its meditation hall and restaurant
- 12 Rajneeshee speaker at Whitman College in Walla Walla, Washington; 150 attend
- 13 Approximate date of mailing by New Oregon Federation (NOF) headed by former State Chair of the Republican Party; letter claims 1562 signatures have been gathered as co-plaintiffs on a criminal complaint "against the Rajneesh and his colonization in Oregon", solicits funds for an Oregonian ad to demand that the US District Attorney of Oregon conduct a grand jury investigation of the "Rajneesh", calls Rajneeshee a "cult invasion" and solicits interest in becoming a Precinct Committeeperson; enclosed is a reprint from India Today magazine of a June 15, 1982 article entitled "Sins of Bhagwan" which recounts his move from India and controversies there
- 13 Reported that R Peace Force Chief and Assistant Chief attended the annual meeting of the Oregon Chiefs and Sheriffs in Bend; they were the only 2 of 118 attending who were female; one of the meeting topics was sexual harassment and discrimination
- 13 R: Improvements to date: massive irrigation pipe network being laid to allow planting of trees and flowers and to be fed by dam water; plan for intensive grain farming; emus sitting on 15 eggs; recycled sewage water to irrigate animal feed crops; construction of large hi-technology greenhouse with temperature and humidity control underway to raise up to 500,000 seedlings at a time; announced opening of the Institute for Social and Environmental Studies as an activity of the Rajneesh Humanity Trust, the purpose of which is to encourage studies of R and make results available to the public through publications, seminars and courses; Lt. Colonel in the German army for 23 years who became a Rajneeshee in 1983 participating in RIMU courses

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- Jan 13 Reported that the Executive Department has notified R that the city can request a hearing within 20 days on the Department's decision to revoke money for the 911 emergency telephone system; such a hearing would be a first for the Department under the Administrative Procedures Act revised in 1981; R officials say a request for a hearing is likely
- 15 R: Joint meeting of City Council and Board of Directors of RRFPD; agreement to set up a joint Fire Department conditional on R approval of a supplementary budget including a fire fund; agreement modelled on joint departments in Cottage Grove and Bem; RRFPD will provide equipment and R will operate the department; all existing agreements with the State Forestry Department and BLM will be binding on both R and RRFPD; application for Chief and Assistant Chief (volunteers) opened until Feb. 3
- 15 R: Meeting of Board of Directors of RRFPD; Board vacancy filled; decision to sell some medical equipment; ambulance already sold; decision to lease generator for pumper truck; Budget Committee to meet in Feb. to begin working on budget for next fiscal year
- 15 R: Improvements to date: construction of two-story townhouses nearing completion; 32 businesses in R
- 16 Two Rajneeshee attorneys formally admitted to the US District Court in Portland
- 16 State Department of Education, which until 1983 sent standardization teams to each of Oregon's 309 school districts once every 5 years, says it has all but stopped such visits and only has one scheduled for 1984--to the A School District
- 16 International edition of Time magazine issued on this date reports that Rajneeshee disco in West Berlin attracted more than 250,000 customers in its first year, the Cologne disco now accommodates 20,000 customers a month, a new disco is to open in Hannover; Rajneeshee operate 13 total discos and 15 restaurants in West Germany, doing an annual business of \$6 million; 50,000 Rajneeshee reported in West Germany, about 5000 living in communes; West German Rajneeshee also operate construction companies, medical clinics, jewelry and clothing boutiques, holistic health centers and an earthworm farm
- 16 ASWOSC Student Senate votes 14 to 2 to rescind the \$1000 honorarium for Bhagwan as commencement speaker, saying the original action had achieved the purpose of convincing the faculty-run Commencement Committee to hear input from graduating seniors before selecting a speaker
- 17 Rajneeshee speaker at Portland Community College in Rock Creek
- 17 State Executive Department and State Police notify R of plans to terminate R access to LEDS based on AG's opinion that the city is illegal

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- Jan 18 R Mayor speaks to Salem Rotary Club
- 18 FBI agent in Portland states that his agency will block the R Peace Force from using the National Crime Information Center (NCIC)
- 19 W: Dalles Weekly Reminder story on ex-W County Commissioner who resigned in protest over Rajneeshee festival permit vote on April 14, 1982 states that he views the R incorporation as a violation of land use laws and the Rajneeshee festivals as purely commercial operations which are also in violation of land use laws
- 19 W: Reported that a complicated situation surrounding the power lines and substation installed for R was settled this week; R requested additional power in 1982 and the W Electric Co-op was obliged by law to supply it; 20 ranchers initially opposed the placement of lines and poles for R, although they are now enjoying upgraded electrical service at no additional cost as a result of the project; many complex issues related to the project during the last two years included right-of-way and easement problems involving ranchers and ELM, contract discrepancies, the loss of a \$33,000 tower, several claims and suits between R, W Electric Co-op and Claiborne Construction Co. of Twin Falls, Idaho; after a final settlement, the Company is to be paid \$476,525 for 7.8 miles of poles and lines along the east side of the John Day River, which includes a cost overrun of about 5% of the total project cost of \$360,000; the overrun cost is to be split three ways, with the Co-op and R each picking up an \$18,000 share; Rajneeshee paid \$860,000 in cash up front for the project and as a result of the settlement will receive a \$15,639 refund; according to records it is reported that the Rajneeshee paid about \$58,000 for electricity at the Ranch in Dec. and the Jan. bill is expected to be about \$70,000
- 19 Reported that RLSC this week obtained a tape of speech given by ex-wife of unsuccessful A mayoral candidate on Aug. 4 to 200 people in Millsite park in Myrtle Creek from Roseburg News-Review reporter by subpoena; at the meeting petitions seeking to deport Bhagwan were circulated and an estimated 500 signatures gathered in the Myrtle Creek area; the speech claimed that Rajneeshee had forced A residents to flee town, that mail coming into R was opened and mail leaving was censored; tape of speech to be used by RLSC in \$140,000 defamation suit by RNSIC and two Rajneeshee and \$1 million defamation countersuit against RNSIC, RFI, Bhagwan and one Rajneeshee (Nos. and)
- 19 Reported that a state electrical inspector has been ordered to stop accepting plane rides to R where he routinely inspects new building projects; a former chief electrical inspector had authorized him to make such trips, an area

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- State Representative had complained that the trips were improper and the administrator of the State Building Codes Division of the Commerce Department subsequently said that accepting the rides "could be perceived as favoritism" and ordered the inspector to use state vehicles to make regularly scheduled inspections
- 19 W: W County Planner reported to have said that if R Aug. 28 annexation of 119.2 acres is ruled illegal all construction there would be ruled improper; that structures being built, however, could be converted to uses that are permitted conditionally or outright; that the County is concerned about the use of the buildings, not their existence; if conditional use permits are required in future, R would have to apply before the W County Planning Commission
- 20 Rajneeshee speaker at McMinnville Rotary Club; statewide media flap occurs when regular meeting site moved to accommodate the larger than usual crowd and the move was misinterpreted as being due to censorship by the regular meeting site manager; 150 attend; Yamhill County Commissioner at meeting congratulates Rajneeshee for "'maintaining your sense of humor and friendliness in light of what I consider an attack of bigotry and fear by 1,000 Friends.'" (referring to recent mass mailings)
- 20 Reported that the AG has filed a motion in US District Court in Portland to remand his case challenging the legality of R back to W County Circuit Court (Nos. and)
- 20 R: Improvements to date: opening of new Hassid cafeteria; introduction of Rajneesh Currency prepayment Card by Rajneesh Financial Services Trust (RFST), more than 1000 applications received in the first week and more than 50% of purchases in R for \$2 or over now being made by using the card; Rajneeshee Health Associates (RHA) 3 day worldwide conference to be held June 22-24 issues call for papers; RMC reports that R gonorrhoea-free and only 6 of 1000 residents have high blood pressure, R has 8 licensed physicians, 15 licensed nurses. lab technicians and a pharmacist; recent visitors include famous songwriter, promoter and actress who is former wife of President of 20th Century Fox, both of whom are entertained by R resident film producer who is former wife of producer of "The Godfather"
- 21 R: Notice received that R Peace Force will no longer have access to NCIC; R residents complain that the public and law enforcement officers are endangered by the move; former SC Justice is appointed Hearings Officer in the matter; if R loses the hearing, the city will have the right to appeal to the CA
- 23 Rajneeshee speaker at Bend Kiwanis Club

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- Jan 23 CA: One hour and 10 minutes of arguments on appeal of LUBA No. ; R lawyers argue that the city complied with all land use laws and rules in effect at the time of incorporation and that LCDC has no authority to adopt retroactive rules; 1000 Friends' attorney argues that R does not legally exist because it did not follow the intent of land use laws and that the LCDC rule is not retroactive because it is consistent with past LCDC decisions; he states that 1000 Friends is seeking removal of all urban development in the area; W County lawyer says the County has been going through an evolution in its thinking about R; Pres. of AR reportedly calls 1000 Friends' lawyers "'stupid and fanatical'" and states that she "'found the judges to be very receptive. I think they are very fair, incredibly fair.'" (No.)
- 23 AG says that he will not make controversy over R an issue in his re-election bid but is prepared to defend his suit against the city if it does become an issue
- 23 One hour of oral arguments on a Motion for Summary Judgment to strike rancher spokesperson's counterclaim of defamation heard in Multnomah County Circuit Court; RFI attorney argues that statements made by the President of RFI (now the President of AR) were not defamatory because they offered opinions rather than facts and the rancher spokesperson is a public figure; attorney for rancher spokesperson calls for a resolution of the suit and countersuit by jury trial and claims that statements by the RFI President were motivated by malice; Judge takes matter under advisement; case tentatively set for March trial (Nos. and)
- 24 California man accused of Rajneesh Hotel bombing of July 29, 1983 fails to appear for court hearing at which the prosecution and defense were to exchange documents; he had been freed on \$20,000 bail and his case scheduled to go to trial on Feb. 21 after several delays (No.)
- 24 R: Representative of R Chamber of Commerce having attended a meeting of the MCEEDD the previous week writes a letter expressing surprise that the MCEEDD Board does not consider R a legitimate city and issuing an invitation for all Board members to visit R
- 24 Oral arguments before administrative Hearings Officer (ex-Supreme Court Chief Justice) on whether the SPI should revoke the teaching certificate of a Eugene teacher for wearing the white clothes and turban of an American Sikh; the teacher's attorney charges that the law is unconstitutional and overbroad, is vague and violates state and federal civil rights protections against employment discrimination based on religion; attorney for the Eugene School Board argues that the law conforms with separation of church and state requirements and that similar laws have been upheld in other states; Hearings Officer expected to make recommendations to SPI in early February

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- Jan 24 R: Mayor receives formal notice that the Executive Department and State Police will revoke R Peace Force access to LEDS within 30 days and notice of the city's right to contest the decision at a hearing before representatives of both agencies on Feb. 15 in Salem; R spokespersons restate their position that the denial is unfair since it is based on the AG's opinion which has not yet been ruled upon by a court of law and that the denial will endanger R residents; FBI spokesperson says the denial of access to LEDS means automatic denial of access to the NCIC; the head of LEDS says the AG's Office directed him to recommend that the R Peace Force not have access to the NCIC; AG's Office denies having made a direct recommendation
- 26 W: The Dalles Weekly Reminder writer and anti-Rajneeshee speaker has article published which compares Rajneeshee to The Church Universal and Triumphant in Park County, Montana, where he recently spoke
- 26 R: Improvements to date: RMC offering free training in the statewide Emergency Medical Technicians course, 20 enrolled; proceeds from a second Rolls Royce giveaway reportedly to go towards building an Academy of Rajneeshism which will house a library
- 26 Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge denies RFI's Motion for Summary Judgement and request to dismiss counterclaims in defamation suit involving rancher spokesperson and President of AR; suit and countersuit to tentatively go to trial in March (Nos. and)
- 27 R: Improvements to date: fleet of 15 taxis making over 200 runs daily; Swiss Rajneeshee flies to R to pick up Rolls Royce she won in Dec. 11 drawing; reported that during the month of Nov., 1983 more than 700 media articles were written about Bhagwan and Rajneeshee
- 28 Conference at OSU on "Extending the Growing Season" sponsored by Tilth (an organization promoting biological agriculture and regional self-sufficiency) includes two Rajneeshee speakers describing Ranch greenhouse projects
- 28 Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge issues a no-bail bench warrant for the arrest of California man accused of July 29, 1983 Rajneesh Hotel bombing who is considered to have jumped bail after failing to appear for a Jan. 24 court hearing (No.)

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- Feb 2 J: Rajneeshee internist practicing in Madras along with Rajneeshee psychiatrist and pediatric allergist is Chair of the Mountain View Hospital CODE Committee (for cardiac arrest), Co-Chair of the Critical Care Committee and member of the hospital's committee for the revision of staff by-laws; he is also a member of the Oregon Medical Assn, the American College of Physicians, the American Diabetes Association President of the RMC and Bhagwan's doctor, it is reported
- 2 Natural father of President of AR reveals at Portland press conference that he legally adopted Bhagwan on Jan. 12, 1936 when the boy was four years old, saying he kept the adoption secret for 48 years due to his promise to Bhagwan's natural father (who died Sept. 8, 1979), but as he is 78 years old and his health is fragile he wishes to tell the story before he dies; documents produced were signed by the adoptive father, natural father and natural mother, the latter said to be worried about an astrological prediction that Bhagwan's life would be very short unless he were adopted and cared for by others; adoptive father files a second preference petition with the INS to grant Bhagwan permanent residency under the theory of family unification, since his children and grandchildren have been US citizens or permanent residents for many years and he a permanent resident since 1973; Pres. of AR announces that the adoption documents will be placed in the AR archives, along with 150,000 other rare volumes, papers, photographs and tapes chronicling Bhagwan's life; celebration party held at R
- 3 Portland INS Office says the request from Bhagwan's adoptive father is being processed, it is true that lawful permanent resident aliens may petition for their children to be permitted to stay in the US, but that the INS will have to determine the residency status of the father and the authenticity and legality of the adoption certificate and that there is currently a 7½ month wait for visa numbers available to immigrants from India
- 3 R: Reported that the attorneys for Bhagwan's mother in her year-long fight against an INS deportation order cancelled a scheduled deposition-taking from INS officials this week when they learned that the officials would not explain their motives for wanting her out of the country (No.)
- 3 R: Improvements to date: Rajneesh Humanities Trust (RHT) announces formation of the Buddhafield Experience: A Community Service Program through which visitors can participate in the R community; among the previous week's visitors was one of the world's best known free lance news photographers and founding partners of Sygma (a Paris based free lance photo agency which regularly supplies Time, Newsweek and other publications in 37 countries); new street sweeping machine; reported opening of the first Rajneeshee disco in Holland, located in Amsterdam; reported that BLI found no law violations in its recently closed investigation of RNSIC in Portland

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- Feb 4 R: Public hearing on proposed supplemental budget: General Fund and Peace Force resources and requirements--\$84,730; Fire Fund resources and requirements--\$35,885; Street Maintenance Fund resources and requirements--\$13,850.85; Emergency Telephone resources and requirements--\$1,006.54; Total resources and requirements--\$135,472.39 with no tax levy; Budget Advisory Committee makes final total recommendation for a supplementary budget of \$141,977.39
- 5 R: City Council Meeting; member of CCI named to fill Council vacancy; Budget Officer presents supplemental budget of \$141,977.39 for adoption; Council officially withdraws R territory from RRFPD, creates new Fire Dept. and approves contract with RRFPD providing for joint ownership of property and R administration of firefighting funds; Council and RRFPD in separate votes select Fire Chief and Asst. Fire Chief; litigation update; CA has filed a motion opposing the AG's effort to move his case against R from US District Court back to W County Circuit Court and has filed, under protest, a request for a hearing on the Executive Dept. decision to withhold 911 emergency telephone funds; R Peace Chief announces posting of her position as a paid one and open for applications for appointment
- 6 J: County Boundary Board puts final stamp of approval on annexation of 111 sq. mi. of land southwest of A valued at \$24 million and 5 parcels of A land valued at \$425,000 to Madras School District; annexation had been approved last year by W and J County ESDs and Madras School Board; no objections had been filed; new boundaries effective as of May 31, 1984
- 7 Lebanon Express editorial opposes anti-Rajneeshee initiative petition on the grounds that it is unconstitutional
- 7 A: City Council Meeting; R Peace Force officers patrolling A asked to issue "'loving reminders'" in place of tickets; no major crimes reported for A this year; 3 Rajneeshee named to fill Budget Committee vacancies; discussion of economic development portion of A Comprehensive Plan, A's tourism benefits as "The Gateway to R", potential need for more gas stations, restaurants and hotels, potential of nudity park; adoption of Res. No. 84 in full support of urban development at R since it benefits A in terms of tourism and economic development; A Comprehensive Plan to be revised by the end of 1984
- 8 J: County Court/Commission public hearing on Rajneeshee festival permit application for June 1-July 15; Rajneeshee testify as to several improvements in transportation (visitors to be bussed directly from Portland, thus alleviating traffic through Madras), safety, security and medical facilities; four Madras residents testify in opposition, saying that

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the Court/Commission should deny the permit even if the application meets the criteria for a mass gathering, that 15,000 people might damage farm land or all might get food poisoning, that the festival is only a way to create a "power structure" and "'We will do anything possible to get that ranch back for Antelope, the deer and the coyotes...'" ; Court/Commission decision expected on Feb. 15

- 9 LUBA: Rules that the R Aug. 28 annexation of 119.2 acres is invalid; the Hearings Officer finds no violation of the R Comprehensive Plan nor any problem with findings made by R in relation to the annexation, but bases the ruling on R's lack of authority to annex under the Sept. 30 LUBA decision that R is not legally incorporated due to its not having complied with LCDC's retroactive rule; the ruling effectively places the acres under the jurisdiction of W County and renders the future of 14 major construction projects on the land uncertain; 1000 Friends' attorney says they will seek the removal of buildings and other developments from the land, calling them blatant actions "in defiance of the state's land use laws"; R Mayor states that the city will appeal the ruling to the CA because it is based on the retroactive LCDC rule which he alleges is illegal (No.)
- 9 INS spokesperson says they are proceeding carefully in their investigation of the request by Bhagwan's adoptive father, that the man is a permanent resident alien, that the adoption had to occur before the child was 16 and the child had to have lived with the adoptive parent for at least three years; the adoptive father is to be interviewed in about a week
- 10 R: Improvements to date: first emu egg hatches; a comprehensive Italian Book of Citations includes three quotations from Bhagwan; prison libraries in Pennsylvania, Washington, Texas, Virginia, California and Wisconsin have been supplied with free sets of Bhagwan's books by RFI
- 10 R: Reported that R has received notice that an administrative hearing on the decision to deny the R Peace Force access to LEDS and consequently to NCIC which was scheduled for Feb. 15 has been indefinitely postponed by the AG and the state will not cut off access as of Feb. 25 as originally planned; AG Office spokesperson stated on Feb. 9 that the status quo on the LEDS issue will be maintained until a US District Court decision on whether the AG's suit against R will be heard in that arena or in W County Circuit Court; Rajneeshee spokesperson calls the delay in hearing a "'manipulative procedure'"

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Feb 10 W: County Planner says the County is issuing to R 26 notices of violations of the County's zoning ordinance since the Feb. 9 LUBA ruling returns control of the 119.2 acres to W County and the zoning of the acreage therefore reverts from urban-use designation to EFU; the LUBA ruling also puts the State Building Codes Division, through the County, in charge of building inspections on the 119.2 acres; W County land use Legal Counsel says "'Hopefully, the state Building Codes Division will put stop-work orders on everything in this questionable area.'"; notices include an order to disconnect water and sewer services to the buildings immediately under provisions of the UGB management agreement between R and W County which stipulates that no water or sewer service can be connected without County permission; R maintains that the agreement is not in effect until LCDC has approved the R UGB; RIC and RNSIC will have 15 days to resolve the violations (show that buildings are for outright uses or conditional use permits have been granted); Planner states that if violations not resolved eventual removal of buildings might be required after review by the W County Circuit Court; Planner will make field inspection next week; it is estimated that the County Planning staff spends about 30-40% of its time on R issues

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The German Tribune reprints Jan. 21 Die Welt article on Rajneeshee disco in Bielefeld, West Germany (pop. 315,000), citing opposition from two political parties (CDU, SPD), a local retailers association, representatives of business, the catering industry and local churches who feared the "'red menace'" would spoil the city's image and harm business which Rajneeshee had to overcome to finally convince the City Council to grant their application for a license; Bielefeld disco has since applied for membership in the city's Catering Assn.; reported that in Weisbaden, the City Council rejected a Rajneeshee disco application, the rejection was upheld in a lower court where the Council argued that the license would endanger public order "'because the Bhagwan movement is not Christian.'", however, a higher court reversed the ruling on the grounds that the German Constitution does not require business activities to be compatible with Christianity; reported that opening of Rajneeshee disco in Hanover was opposed by SPD, CDU, FDP and Communist parties, but a temporary license was issued and opening occurred in Jan.; reported that in Düsseldorf the Council is pressing breweries into boycotting the Rajneeshee disco, has stated it will never grant a license and a cabinet member has joined the opposition; reported that the publicity resulting from all of the opposition has had the effect of attracting large numbers of customers to Rajneeshee businesses

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- Feb 12 R Mayor calls 1000 Friends' W County Circuit Court request for removal of all structures built in R under permits issued since the adoption of the R Comprehensive Plan in Sept. of 1982 "'looking for senseless destruction'" and says the group has "'gone beyond bigotry'" in a Portland press conference
- 13 W: By this date, 1000 Friends and Rajneeshee had filed at least five preliminary motions in W County Circuit Court in the case of 1000 Friends' request that the court order the Rajneeshee to vacate and remove all structures within R city limits that were built under permits issued since the adoption of the R Comprehensive Plan in Sept. of 1982; 1000 Friends is also requesting that all facilities serving R, including its sewer and water systems, be removed; 1000 Friends and W County are both seeking a halt to all construction in R through issuance of a permanent injunction; RIC, RNSIC and R have requested Summary Judgements and or a modification of the Oct. 24 preliminary injunction to allow R building officials to issue permits for "'very small'" modifications to existing structures; W County Circuit Court Judge hears arguments on the motions on this date in a packed courtroom; RIC and RNSIC lawyers argue that since the incorporation case is before the CA, the W County Circuit Court is not the proper forum in which to settle the issue; W County Legal Counsel argues primarily against permits issued in relation to the 119.2 acres annexed on Aug. 28; 1000 Friends' attorney argues that R has rushed to erect buildings in order to make removal difficult, that modifying the Oct. 24 preliminary injunction would allow expansive construction to continue and asks that the Judge add five state agencies (DEQ, LCDC, Building Codes Division, Real Estate Commission and Health Division) as defendants in the suit as they have all taken actions which authorize urban developments at R; Judge takes matter under advisement, saying that if it can be reduced to an interpretation of the law, he will rule in a few weeks and get his ruling made part of the CA case; Feb. 27 hearing date set on W County motion to prohibit RNSIC and RIC from occupying or using any buildings or utilities on the annexed 119.2 acres
- 13 OEPBS television program "Front Street Weekly" carries a story titled "In Memory of Antelope" which includes footage of R Mayor saying "'If we are forced to, we will take over Oregon. If we are forced to; we would hate to have to do it.'"
- 13 W: Meeting of 40 in The Dalles with area US Representative; he says Rajneeshee matters are in the hands of government agencies and not ones to be settled politically
- 14 A: Meeting of CCI; further discussion of economic development links between A and R; 4 subcommittees created; city services, including water and sewer systems, currently being studied

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- Feb 15 W: Baker County Circuit Court Judge sitting in for W County Circuit Court Judge denies A School District's second motion for dismissal in the A School Board status case and, therefore, denies the release of the \$32,000 in impounded funds; trial date set for June 6
- 15 J: County Court/Commission gives conditional approval to Rajneeshee summer festival permit for June 1-July 15; conditions include: posting of a \$25,000 cash bond to assure the removal of temporary facilities by Aug. 1, a recommendation that no temporary restaurants be installed, the inspection at any time of sanitary facilities by a five member committee (a County Court/Commission member, Sheriff's Deputy, Sanitarian, Building Inspector and representative of the Health Dept.); temporary installation of 1346 four-person tents to occur in 1984 (855 in 1983), a snack bar, sanitary water facilities and up to 5000 (of 15,000) visitors to use 36.4 acres (21.4 acres in 1983) of J County lands (the rest to use W County land); anticipated gross gate receipts in J County of \$2,692,000
- 15 New bi-monthly newsletter called Counterpoint prints article stating that 1000 Friends' anti-Rajneeshee mailings had "irked both supporters and non-supporters" of the group, citing a letter by a Portland attorney and former land-use hearings officer to the Director ("Your solicitation... confirms my worst fears about your motives in this entire matter. The document does nothing to persuade or educate. It is as clear an appeal as I can imagine to the very worst in the uninformed, already confused public. It is not an appeal to high ideals, but an attempt to prey on and foster hatred, fear and prejudice...You are not attempting to solve the problem...You are attempting to aggravate it and exploit it.") and the statement of a State Senator, ex-head of LCDC ("I think it's crass...They're just trying to find a scapegoat. There are a lot of other major land-use issues in this state.")
- 15 R: Two W county Planners inspect construction inside the 119.2 acre area
- 15 R: Improvements to date: 40 wells' water levels measured each month and levels comparable to the same months in 1983; anticipated that the 57 acre truck farm will yield double the 1983 harvest in 1984; hi-technology recording studio
- 15 INS reverses its Dec. 1982 ruling and approves Bhagwan's request to be classified as a religious teacher saying that supporting documents and evidence submitted to rebut the derogatory evidence prior to Dec. 1982 played a key role; despite the reversal, INS spokesperson says a decision on permanent residency status is not expected "in the immediate future."; the religious teacher status places Bhagwan on a list and classifies the permanent residency appli-

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- cation as 3rd preference on the quota for India, which is 20,000 per year (1st preference is for the unmarried children of US citizens; 2nd preference for the unmarried children of lawful permanent residents); there is room on the quota, but other factors are being considered, the INS says; the original petition was filed in Nov. 1981 and four others have been filed since; Bhagwan's attorney says that granting of permanent residency is almost assured since Bhagwan is not covered by any of the 33 reasons for excluding a petition (for example, insanity, drug or alcohol addiction, prostitution, mental retardation, psychopathic personality, pauperism, polygamist, deported alien, anarchist, stowaway or Nazi); Pres. of AR holds press conference in Portland; celebration at R
- 16 Two Rajneeshee speakers in Eugene to address the Oregon/Cascade Chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators
- 16 W: Reported that four Rajneeshee have filed for seats on the A District 50J School Board; there is one incumbent Rajneeshee, the Board's Chair
- 16 Reported that the US Representative from the Eugene area has asked R Mayor to explain his "takeover" statement shown on OEPBS television segment of Jan. 13
- 16 Rajneeshee attorneys request Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge to issue a court order barring the use of the photo and statements of rancher spokesperson involved in defamation suit and countersuit in 1000 Friends' "Rajneeshpuram Alert" fundraising mailer and barring dissemination of the pamphlet in Multnomah County, saying it could prejudice potential jurors in the case; 1000 Friends' attorney opposes the request saying it would prevent the group from exercising its First Amendment rights; Judge sets Feb. 24 hearing date but declines to sign a temporary order barring distribution of the mailings; trial in the suits to begin Mar. 19; Judge rules that Rajneeshee attorneys may have the Mar. 21 Enlightenment Celebration Day off from the trial (Nos. and)
- 17 R: Improvements to date: Two R representatives attended the annual conference of the Chamber of Commerce Officers and Managers from Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Alaska last week; Visitor's Bureau expects 100,000 visitors to R in 1984; Press Relations Bureau; Public Information Bureau to respond to speaking invitations; approximately \$85-\$100 million the estimated induced income for Oregon as a result of R; new reception building opened; average size of Rajneesh Times edition is 22 pages, 4000 copies circulate to 16,000 readers (30% in R, 14% in Oregon, many of which are complimentary or exchange copies, 22% to other western states, 33% to other states and countries); six independent editions of the Rajneesh Times now published in the US, Germany, Hol-

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- land, Italy, UK and Japan and another planned for Australia; 8000 copies of the German Rajneesh Times sold regularly in Germany, Austria and Switzerland and Dutch edition which is now bi-monthly is soon to go weekly; reported that the previous week Der Spiegel news magazine in Germany published a cover story of 10 pages on Rajneeshee business ventures, including a total of 50 discos expected by the end of the year in Europe (35 of them in Germany), a planned hotel chain with locations in Hamburg, Cologne, Berlin, Munich, Hanover and Zurich and restaurants already in Milan, Copenhagen, Zurich, Vienna and planned for Berlin, Darmstadt, Wurzburg and Freiburg; a Rajneeshee has been the harbor director of the port of Cologne for 5 years
- 21 Reported that the previous week an RFI attorney wrote to an out-of-work Albany printer to threaten an injunction and damage suit if he did not stop selling posters, T shirts and hats bearing an image of Bhagwan and sayings, including "Not wanted dead or alive"; letter states that RFI is owner of all rights to Bhagwan's name and image and that the uses by the Albany man are "demeaning, violent and hostile."; Albany man claims he is merely expressing his opinion
- 21 LUBA: Denies R request for a stay on the Sept. 30 ruling which would allow the city to continue exercising land use authority pending the outcome of the CA appeal, saying the city failed to show irrevocable harm if the ruling were allowed to stand; R Mayor says the city will appeal to the CA as soon as possible (No.)
- 21 The Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association (ONPA) President announces that the ONPA Board rejected the membership application of The Rajneesh Times on Feb. 9, saying the Board was not satisfied "as to the distinction between the ownership and management of the newspaper and the government of the community"; Times editor says the Assoc. is motivated by politics and acted in secrecy without allowing Times representatives to address the Board; ONPA represents 20 daily and 87 weekly papers in the state and lists membership criteria as general interest papers with a paid circulation that hold second class mailing privileges, are published at least weekly and operated according to the Association's ethical and business standards
- 23 Reported that Albany T shirt seller has said he has received moral support, money offers and many orders for his products since publicity about the letter from the RFI attorney threatening a damage suit; ACLU reportedly told him on Feb. 21 that it probably would not represent him if he is sued since they are leery of involvement in commercial copyright disputes
- 24 Reported that the Oregon Association of Chiefs of Police (OACP) annual meeting of about 80 law enforcement officers

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- in Umatilla has accepted R Peace Force Chief for membership by an 8 to 4 vote of the Executive Committee after what the President called "some heated discussion"; she is believed to be the second woman Chief to become a member of the Association
- 24 R: Improvements to date: first registered quarter horse foal born
- 24 Reported that a new draft report submitted to the European Parliament by a committee studying new religious movements has backed down from its hostile stand towards Rajneeshism, which was evident in its preliminary report of last year
- 24 US District Court Judge hears 1 hour and 10 minutes of arguments on the AG's motion to return his suit against R to W County Circuit Court; Deputy AG argues that the case is purely intragovernmental, the state cannot be made to appear against its will or be sued without its consent; R attorney argues that the AG invoked the US Constitution in his claim that R violates the "establishment clause", that the state is not being sued but is suing, that if "establishment" could be proved the remedy would be to cease the "establishment" and not to destroy R and that federal constitutional and civil rights issues are involved; RFI attorney argues that R was established by people not by a religion; RIC lawyer argues that cases cited by the Deputy AG do not apply because the state is the aggressor not the defendant in the suit; RSNIC attorney shows how AG's complaint cites the US Constitution on 16 pages; Judge to issue a written opinion (No.)
- 24 Evidentiary hearing in Multnomah County Circuit Court, during which a 1000 Friends' planner admits that the 1000 Friends' Director and Public Education Co-ordinator had drafted rancher spokesperson's letter for the "Rajneeshpuram Alert" pamphlet which had been mailed to 850,000 Oregon residents since the spring of 1983 (250,000 of them to addresses in Multnomah County where the defamation suit and countersuit trial is to take place); Judge bars rancher spokesperson from allowing 1000 Friends to use her photo or statements in its fundraising pamphlets until after jury selection in the case; Judge denies Rajneesh's request that 1000 Friends be enjoined from disseminating any pamphlets featuring her photo or her comments about the defamation suit and countersuit, saying that they are not a party to the suit and therefore cannot be enjoined (Nos. and)
- 24 R Mayor and attorney for ex-wife of unsuccessful A mayoral candidate in defamation suit and countersuit both speak to a meeting of 135 before the Salem City Club

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- Feb 24 R: Reported that the Pres. of AR will leave in a few days for a tour of Europe to include Brussels, Bonn, Cologne, The Hague, Amsterdam, Frankfurt, Stuttgart, Munich, Vienna, Zurich, Milan, Rome, Madrid, Paris, Hamburg, Copenhagen, Berlin; she says she is "'going to let the world know once and for all that we are a religion.'"
- 25 Gala wedding at Hotel Rajneesh in Portland attended by 250 people
- 27 R: R Mayor replies to US Representative from Eugene area's request for an explanation of Jan. 13 OEPBS "takeover" statement, saying that R has no crime, full employment, innovative land use planning, citizen-government cooperation and has already made Oregon famous and inviting Representative to visit R
- 27 W: County Circuit Court Judge hears arguments on W County motion to order people to vacate and to prevent any occupancy or use of buildings in 119.2 acre area of R (No.)
- 28 A: W County Sheriff's officers respond to R Peace Officers' call relating to a rock thrown in the path of their car
- 28 A: Special City Council Meeting; suggestion, discussion and endorsement of a plan to rename A city streets after those who have been an inspiration to humanity; up to \$200 authorized for new street signs; public hearing set
- 29 Rajneeshee speaker at St. Helens Rotary Club
- 29 A: School Board meeting; adoption of a "School Without Walls" program in which grade 9-12 students will spend up to 75% of their time outside the classroom, learning in such community settings as the RMC
- Mar 1 Rajneeshee speaker at Molalla Union High School global studies class; 125 students and 25 from community attend; rumors of trouble and opposition before the presentation; no incidents
- 1 W: Reported that: unsuccessful A Mayoral candidate is to run against area State Senator; two California men arrested at R in Aug 6, 1983 incident are expected to file a \$1 million lawsuit in Multnomah County District Court against the President of AR, R, and several R Peace Force officers charging a violation of their civil rights and using same attorney who is involved in CO and in defending ex-wife of unsuccessful A Mayoral candidate in \$1.1 million defamation suit and countersuit

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- Mar 2 R: Improvements to date: recently completed 140 room hotel with special handicapped wing beginning to book guests; recent visitors include two Korean Buddhist monks; three new busses; 3 out of every four days in Mar. will see the preparation of 20 recipes daily for tasting preliminary to the creation of a 200 recipe cookbook to be published in July, 1984; R Chamber of Commerce committee planning a two day celebration of R's second birthday on May 18 and 19 to include a banquet, free tours, performances, a street fair, free recreational activities; 5 of 42 students enrolled in the seven week basic training program at the State Police Academy in Monmouth are R Peace Force officers; Dutch edition of Playboy magazine publishes article on what the discerning European Rajneeshee should wear when travelling to R
- 2 Salem Statesman-Journal editorial and regular columnist take ONPA to task for rejecting the membership application of The Rajneesh Times
- 2 W: Reported that W County Planner is withdrawing 4 of 26 violation notices for buildings on R's 119.2 annexed acres since the buildings mentioned in the violations (a cinema, 2 trailers, a furniture factory) do not exist
- 3 RIMU teachers introduce their techniques to a conference of 300 in New York City entitled the "March Event"
- 3 Reported that there are 2500 Rajneeshee in Australia
- 4 Reported that one of the nation's foremost constitutional lawyers, professor of constitutional law at Harvard, who is currently defending the head of the Unification Church in a tax evasion case has volunteered to serve as an unpaid consultant to the AG in his case against R; Rajneeshee had sought his aid only to find him helping the AG; Oregon is also retaining the Dean of the Law School at UC Berkeley in the case
- 4 R: President of AR begins her European pilgrimage

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- Mar 6 A: City Council Meeting; public hearing and approval of re-naming city streets; suggestion, discussion and adoption of names for city property, including the Adolph Hitler Landfill and Recycling Center and the Jesus Fire Station; Ord. No. 84- adopted prohibiting overnight camping in A streets, including sleeping in vehicles; proposal for ballot measure to abolish A charter provision prohibiting gambling; Peace Force officer report; approval of A welcome sign saying "Welcome to Antelope, Gateway to Rajneesh-puram"; 1983-84 city budget of \$32,936; 1984-85 projected city budget of over \$40,000; proposal to introduce a ballot measure for a new city tax base to replace the 1983 special tax levy; up to \$250 authorized for new name signs; explanation of naming Landfill after Hitler since it is necessary to remember him as a reminder that people can abuse their power and potential and to prevent such an abuse recurring; the Hitler name causes much media furor during the next few weeks
- 6 W: Reported that the ex-W County Commissioner who resigned in protest after the Commission approved the R festival permit on April 14, 1982 will file as a candidate for the W County Court/Commission
- 7 W: Unsuccessful A Mayoral candidate who will run against the area State Senator in the general election (since both are unopposed in the primary) says he will not wage an "anti-Rajneesh" campaign
- 7 Rajneesh speaker at Eastern Oregon State College, sponsored by the Psychology Club; approximately 200 attend
- 9 R: President of AR announces Bhagwan's prediction that AIDS is the disease which will kill two-thirds of the world's population during the next ten years, fulfilling a prediction by Nostradamus; several protective measures are suggested: if one is ready, to drop sex altogether; or to remain with one partner; to use condoms and rubber gloves, avoid oral and anal sex and wash carefully; RMC begins to provide free condoms and surgical gloves to R residents and visitors
- 9 R: Improvements to date: 13 attorneys and over 20 paralegals in RLSC
- 9 W: Unsuccessful A Mayor candidate is disqualified for his Democratic primary filing in a bid to challenge area State Senator in the general election when County officials discover that he is registered as an Independent; according to Oregon law, a candidate seeking a major party's nomination must be registered in that party at least 180 days prior to filing as a candidate; he says he is undecided now about whether he will seek the post

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- Mar 10 A: Special City Council Meeting; consideration of new tax base and ballot measure wording
- 12 Unidentified person posts sign at Lane County solid waste central receiving station saying "Bhagwan Rajneesh Garbage Dump"; authorities remove sign
- 13 W: Reported that unsuccessful A Mayoral candidate will run a write-in campaign for the Democratic nomination to run against area State Senator in the general election and that he will change his party registration to Democrat
- 13 R: It is announced that no public tours will be conducted during the March 21 Enlightenment Day Celebration; Rajneeshes begin to arrive for a week of activities leading up to the celebration
- 13 W: W County Planner warns RIC attorney that RIC must respond by March 29 to 22 violation notices relating to buildings on the annexed 119.2 acres which were mailed on Feb. 10 or citations will be issued; if citations are issued the matter will move to the W County Circuit Court for a determination of whether violations exist; the County violation notices say the use of the structures must cease and that no further work may be done on incomplete structures
- 13 State SPI revokes the teaching certificate of a Eugene American Sikh who was suspended on December 7, 1983 for violation of the "religious garb law"; her attorney says she will file a civil suit against Oregon in the U.S. District Court in Eugene claiming that the law violates her constitutional rights to religious freedom and that the prohibitions of the law are vague and overbroad; SPI sends letters to all school district superintendents reminding them that the law prohibits the wearing of religious dress by teachers in the classroom; SPI advises the Chair of the A School Board that Rajneeshee teachers may be in violation of the law; SPI is quoted as saying, "My interpretation of the law is that by wearing red every day the Rajneeshees are wearing religious dress".; Rajneeshee teachers had decided previously that they would not wear malas visibly when teaching; A School Board Chair and A School teachers say they think the law unconstitutional, that teachers may properly wear the color red and that they may attend school in the nude if the "religious garb law" is enforced against them; the April 7 meeting of the A School Board is expected to discuss the issue
- 14 R: Improvements to date: construction of more than 50 two-story townhouses nearing completion

- Mar 14 Reported that earlier this month an R speaker testified at a Water Resources Department hearing in Canyon City on Fish and Wildlife and DEQ determinations of minimum streamflows in Grant County to eliminate pollution and protect fisheries, saying that there is enough water in the area for all uses if appropriate techniques are employed
- 15 R: RIC spokoesperson declines to confirm or deny rumors that RIC is negotiating for a 4000 acre parcel of land near Emigrant Lake Dam east of Ashland
- 15 Announced that a State Department of Education accreditation team will visit A School on April 3-4; team will consist of the State Director of Standardization, W County ESD Superintendent, Gilliam-Wheeler County ESD Superintendent and three State Department of Education staff specialists; it is suggested that the Rajneeshee may petition to annex all Rancho Rajneesh property to the A School District; at present only 19,000 of the more than 64,000 acres of Ranch property are within the boundary
- 15 W: Reported that the State of Oregon (with the AG representing the State Building Codes Division) has joined court proceedings requesting an injunction against building on R's 119.2 annexed acres; the injunction would prohibit, among other things, allowing or engaging in the installation, construction, expansion, connection or establishment of any structure or facility, utility, the occupancy or use of such buildings except those constructed under permits issued previously by W County; W County Planner has not yet issued 22 building violation citations pending a W County Circuit Court hearing on the injunction slated for March 16 (No.)
- 15 W: Two entrepreneurs begin selling beef pepperoni sticks called "Bhag Weenies" in The Dalles, offering a 5¢ donation from every sale to "Help Return Native Oregonians to Antelope, Oregon"; they are also considering selling T-shirts and producing a radio advertising song called "The Ehag Weenie Bop"
- 16 W: W County Circuit Court Judge hears four hours of arguments in a packed courtroom on the show cause hearing on a request for a permanent injunction against building on R's 119.2 annexed acres; R Mayor testifies that no permits have been issued for building on the acreage since Feb. 9 and no new construction has started there; Judge denies W County motion for a Summary Judgement and permanent injunction which would have declared all R land use decisions null and voided every R land use action to date; Judge

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- grants joint State of Oregon and W County motion for temporary injunction against new or continuing construction on the acreage, although he states that the 20 completed structures may be used until there is a final determination by the higher courts on the legality of R incorporation (No.)
- 16 W: Candidate for area US Representative speaks in The Dalles, saying that she hasn't changed her anti-Rajneeshee position and that they have "'harassed American citizens, running up taxes, closing schools....sending a message to the Governor to change the laws or we'll hold Antelope hostage.'" and saying that "'...Rajneeshpuram is a tourist trap....'"
- 16 Announced that LCDC has appointed a committee to study the issue of destination resort land use classification under Goal 8 which could affect R; committee is composed of a real estate developer, an LCDC member, a 1000 Friends' attorney and is to report to LCDC at its April 12-13 meeting
- 16 A: Reported 13 non-Rajneeshee residents in A and only 12 or so there longer than the Rajneeshee
- 16 W: Reported that W voters will be asked to vote on March 27 for a County tax levy of \$1,574,866, which includes \$41,160 to pay the W County land use attorney (who is spending the majority of his time fighting R) in addition to the salary of a third staff person at the W County Planning Department (which has estimated it spends 40% of its time on R related issues)
- 17 A: Wamic man brings 60 picketers to A to protest Rajneeshee influence there; another demonstration is planned for April 15, the second anniversary of the unsuccessful A dis incorporation election
- 18 Portland Oregonian editorial urges repeal of Oregon's "religious garb law"
- 19 R: President of AR returns from her European pilgrimage; reported that 5000 Rajneeshee had gathered in Cologne, Germany to greet her; media coverage of the trip extensive
- 19 Multnomah County Circuit Court Judge dismisses \$1.5 million defamation suit by RNSIC against A area rancher for statements made on June 24, 1982 taping of Merv Griffin TV Show, saying that the statements at worst were exaggerations and the case was a "'tempest in a teapot'"; Judge states that the rancher's claims in her defamation countersuit may be no more serious than the claims against her; Rancher drops defamation countersuit claims against RNSIC, leaving only Bhagwan, the President of AR and RFI as defendants; since the three remaining have already been judged as defaulting

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- as a result of Bhagwan's failure to appear for pre-trial questioning on December 14, the only issue remaining is to determine the amount of damages due to the rancher; Judge rules that rancher is not entitled to have a jury determine the amount of damages in her \$12.5 million defamation countersuit and sets a damage hearing for March 22 (Nos. and)
- 20 A: School Board Meeting; finds that 5 Rajneeshee teachers at A School have not violated the "religious garb law" and refuses to prohibit them from wearing red saying that such an action would be unconstitutional; SPI says he will consult the AG on the matter, since the law requires school boards to take action against teachers violating the law before any action can be taken by others
- 20 CA: Rules against 1000 Friends' and three nearby ranch couples' challenge to R and overturns LUBA Sept. 30 decision, saying that the W County Court/Commission decision to incorporate R did not violate land use planning goals in effect in 1981; the ruling invalidates the application of LCDC's retroactive rule requiring that new cities go through an exceptions process to Goals 3 and 14 before being allowed to incorporate; CA remands the case back to LUBA for further consideration; LCDC and 1000 Friends say they will appeal the ruling to the Oregon SC; R Mayor says the city will ask W County Circuit Court to lift the Oct. 24 injunction prohibiting the city from issuing building permits and taking actions on land use matters
- 21 R: Celebration of the 31st anniversary of Bhagwan's Enlightenment; over 1000 visitors to R; drawing for 1982 Rolls Royce Silver Spur won by R resident who refuses to claim her prize, saying that the rose she had received earlier in the day from Bahgwan was enough
- 21 Rumored that A&R residents are shifting their party registration to Democrat in order to launch a write-in vote against unsuccessful A Mayoral candidate who is hoping to become the D write-in nominee against area State Senator
- 21 W: W County Planner states that W County Sheriff's deputies are serving 16 building violation citations each against RIC and RNSIC; each citation constitutes a misdemeanor charge for violation of zoning rules carrying a maximum fine of \$1000; issuance of the citations is based on the LUBA ruling declaring the 119.2 acre annexation void; W County says that the 16 disputed buildings should not be occupied due to the citations; R and W County are in dispute as to whether portions of a meditation hall and hotel fall inside or outside of the 119.2 acreage; the issue now goes to a W County

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Circuit Court hearing scheduled for April 9; State Building Codes Administrator says he may issue some building permits for completed buildings on the 119.2 acres to allow minor work such as the completion of a boiler facility for the hotel, but will issue none for new construction; his decision is based on the Mar. 16 W County Circuit Court ruling that the completed buildings on the disputed acreage may be occupied

- 22 W: Reported that although in previous elections nearly all Rajneeshee residents of R and A had been registered Republicans, the party identification count as of March 13 was 235 Democrats, 203 Republicans and 62 Independents; W County Clerk's office says that there have been 275 new or re-registrations by A and R residents, but that many had been required by law to re-register due to the change of street names/addresses
- 22 J: Reported that if all 64,000 acres of Rancho Rajneesh are annexed to the A School District, Ashwood School, which serves 6 to 10 students with one teacher in a two classroom elementary school and which is in Madras School District, J County, will lose \$10,000 in property taxes annually; annexation proposal not yet made but still expected
- 22 Eastern Oregon Health System Agency newsletter reports that RMC has proposed building a 36 bed skilled nursing facility and ambulatory surgery unit in R at a cost of \$5.8 million; this proposal presumably replaces an earlier letter of intent from RNSIC to construct a \$150,000 free-standing emergency medical center
- 23 W: "Bhag Weenie" entrepreneurs report sales of 2000 pepperoni sticks, 2880 sausages and 100 T shirts with best sales in The Dalles, Mt. Hood and Damascus in about 100 stores and taverns; they plan to market Bhag Weenie caps and have included a law firm as a 10% owner in the business in case of Rajneeshee lawsuits; they announce that the first group to receive a donation from their sales will be the CO
- 23 R: RFI attorneys state that they are not planning to sue the Albany man selling Bhagwan T shirts, posters and hats; Albany man claims sales of 28 dozen T shirts, but says sales of 10 dozen remaining are problematical, that he has not made much profit, but that he will continue the enterprise
- 23 R: Rajneesh Times editorial urges R residents to vote against W County tax levy request of \$1.5 million due to the funds included to fight R; balloting will take place on March 27

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- Mar 23 R: Improvements to date: publication of a Neo-Tarot deck, over 600 decks sold in first 24 hours and classes in neo-tarot being offered by RIMU; artistic mural on walls of hotel lobby completed; 7 new books of Bhagwan's teachings published, bringing those in English to a total of 154
- 23 Sikh teacher files lawsuit in US District Court to get her teaching certificate and job restored after losing both on March 13 due to SPI's enforcement of the "religious garb law"; she is also seeking back pay, reimbursement for legal expenses, but no punitive damages; an Oregon ACLU spokesperson announces that organization's position to be that the law is constitutional, but that a teacher should not lose a teaching certificate in consequence of violating the law (No.)
- 23 US District Court Judge in Multnomah County rules that the AG's suit against R should remain in federal court since it relates to federal law and the US constitution; the ruling was made to deny the AG's request that the suit be removed to W County Circuit Court (No.)
- 25 J: Reported that a couple from India who are Christians plan to establish a "half-way house" in Madras for "burned-out Rajneeshees"
- 26 AG files a motion of dismissal with regard to his suit against the constitutionality of R in Multnomah County US District Court (No.)
- 26 Reported that Albany man will continue to produce and sell Bhagwan T shirts, that he has sold 350 since Feb. 20 media coverage, and has received a loan to produce 28 dozen more as well as 3000 additional posters; the man claims that ACLU has agreed to defend him if the Rajneeshee file a suit; RFI attorney says no final decision has been made on whether to sue him, but that RFI still claims copyright infringement
- 26 R: W County Planner and assistant receive a \$30 ticket from R Peace Force Officers because their vehicle has no back license plate as they drive around R on a surveying project; the citation is only the fifth one issued by the Peace Force; W County Circuit Court appearance date on the ticket is April 9
- 27 W: W County's proposed \$1.5 million operating levy defeated in special election by a vote of 2409 to 2059; nearly 99% voter turnout in R where 512 (of 518 registered) votes are cast in opposition, presumably due to inclusion in the levy of funding for W County's land use battles against R; of A's 147 registered voters, 63 vote no and 23 vote yes; of the County's 12,387 registered voters (?11,869), 4651 (?4136) or about 35% turn out to vote; W County officials

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- state that they will propose a new \$2.9 million tax base on the May ballot; the new tax base proposal will include the current \$1.4 million tax base and the defeated \$1.5 million tax levy request; W County Judge/Commissioner had earlier said that the Rajneeshee threat to vote against the levy amounted to "'balckmail'"; in the special election four Rajneeshee are elected unopposed to seats on the A School Board
- 27 W: AG withdraws his suit challenging the constitutionality of R from Multnomah County US District Court and refiles a modified suit in W County Circuit Court; the new suit includes W County, the W County Sheriff and one additional member of the R City Council as defendants; AG spokesperson says the refileing is due to the too-lengthy federal court process which is expensive; R attorneys say they may file another removal action to transfer the new suit to federal court since it involves federal law and US constitutional issues still (Nos. and)
- 27 Fourth day of damage hearings on area rancher's \$12.5 million defamation countersuit against Bhagwan, President of AR and RFI; testimony heard from rancher, President AR, psychiatrist, psychologist, former Ranch manager's wife, ex-CSD private school inspector, R Peace Force Chief, Vice-President of RNSIC, R farm coordinator, former lobbyist for Rajneeshee, various W County anti-Rajneeshee ; Judge dismisses the rancher's claim that RFI and President of AR filed the defamation suit against her as part of a conspiracy to deny her free speech rights; Judge dismisses claim that Merv Griffin TV Show statement by President AR defamed rancher; Judge rules that statements made by President AR on a July 26, 1982 Portland radio broadcast and in an April 29, 1983 letter to the Rajneesh Times were defamatory, uttered maliciously and intended to damage the rancher; Judge awards damages of \$75,000 instead of the \$12.5 million requested; rancher says she is unsure of whether the amount will cover her legal fees; Rajneeshee attorney says he will recommend that RFI and President AR appeal the decision
- 27 W: The Dalles Chronicle takes a Judson Baptist College administrator to task for arousing fears that the Rajneeshee may buy his school's property if the school is closed; a letter from the administrator referred to "'a rapidly growing group within our area'" which would buy the property and appealed for \$730,000 in donations by April 15 to keep the College, which has a \$3.2 million short term debt, open; editorial says "Stirring the public emotion with speculation or rumor doesn't help the situation"; by law,

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- if the state forecloses on the College property, it must first be offered to state agencies, counties, cities, schools and special districts as well as the federal government before it could go on the private market
- 28 R Mayor holds press conference at Hotel Rajneesh in Portland; states that AG's maneuvers in the suit against the constitutionality of R are an attempt to win the case through technicalities; states that backers of the new W County tax base will try to use "'prejudice against the Rajneeshees'" to obtain its passage on May 15
- 28 R: President of RNSIC and of AR are served with papers by the AG's Office in the new case against the constitutionality of R which has been filed in W County Circuit Court (No.)
- 28 W: W County Judge/Commissioner says that the Rajneeshee "bloc vote" must be countered by other W County voters
- 29 Reported that the ex Mayor of A and her husband left their A home three months ago on advice of her doctor; she says the Rajneeshees are "'draining us emotionally and financially'" but she is going back to A because it is her home and she has to be there for court trials which are scheduled; she states that only four of the 20 non-Rajneeshee, pre-1981 families are left in A
- 29 R City Attorney files petition for removal of AG's second suit against the constitutionality of R from W County Circuit Court to Multnomah County US District Court, alleging that adding W County and the W County Sheriff as defendants was a move made by the AG solely to defeat removal and that they are not appropriate defendants, but rather are hostile to the existence of R like the plaintiff; removal petition also alleges that the US constitution is still at issue in Oregon's suit (Nos. and)
- 30 R: Reported that: negotiations are underway to open a 130 room Hotel Rajneesh in Cologne, Germany; 2000 non-Rajneeshee nightly attend the Rajneesh disco in Cologne; a Japanese Nippon TV Corporation team has recently filmed a show in R to be aired in April; estimated R population of 1400; Rajneesh Times April Fool's issue spoofs nudity, bigotry, the "religious garb law", AG, land use rules, clothing, outerspace visitors

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- Apr 1 R: Improvements to date: three new foals expected; on call taxi service making over 200 runs per day; strolling musicians performing in restaurants; kids establish a business corporation and open disco
- 1 By this date, 1000 Friends had begun mailing a new fund-raising brochure charging that R is being built out of deception and illegal actions as an international Rajneesh headquarters and quoting extensively from old issues of Indian newspapers
- 1 Oregon magazine article cites accusations that "Rajneesh...cult...enforce(s) sexual participation" as a form of "psycho-social control"
- 2 April Fools pranksters in Forest Grove pose as Bhagwan and followers inquiring whether a piece of land owned by Mayor is for sale; Mayor and police receive several calls, including one from a woman getting ready to sell her home because the Rajneeshee "are coming"
- 2 R: School Board meeting; A School renamed Lincoln School and District renamed Rajneeshpuram School District, W County District 50 J (formerly known only as W County District 50 J)
- 2 W: Planning Commission hearing on RNSIC application for conditional use permits for two 75 sq. ft. Academy of Rajneeshism buildings for church archives and religious education and research; church and school uses are conditional uses in EFU zones; the buildings would be within the original UGB requested by R, not on the annexed land
- 3-4 A: State Dept. of Education standardization team of 6 inspectors (Gilliam County ESD Superintendent, Asst. State Superintendent for Curriculum, State Director of Standardization, State SPI's Executive Assistant, School District Administrative Specialist, W County ESD Superintendent) visit Lincoln School, with a reported 5 teachers and 76 students; religious garb law not an issue for the team; verbal comments by team on the school without walls learning centers, and other program and building improvements since their last visit are quite positive; teams' written report expected to be submitted to State SPI by April 9; if team determines that state standards not met, the District will have 90 days to devise a plan for improvement
- 3-4 W: Two day hearing in W County Circuit Court involving A Community Church transfer, ownership and damages with a Judge from Bend presiding; the church was built in 1896 by the Methodist-Episcopal Church, purchased in 1953 by A citizens who gave the deed to School District 50J, which transferred ownership to the City of A in 1969; the A city Council transferred the Church to the Episcopal Diocese of Eastern Oregon on May 4, 1982; present A City Council is

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alleging illegal and improper transfer, seeking damages of \$5 per day beginning May 24, 1983 from the Diocese (the date they refused to relinquish ownership) and damages of \$10,000 from the former Councilmembers and Mayor and return of the church; they allege that the old "Council did not follow proper procedures, acted outside its authority, gave no public notice, gave away valuable property when the city was in debt and acted in violation of the federal and state constitutions"; attorney for former Council contends that they were not owners, but only trustees of the property, which belonged to the Methodist Church members who had subsequently deeded it to the Episcopal Diocese; land under church is valued at \$3975 and replacement cost for church building is \$80,000; testimony by three former Councilmembers, present A Treasurer, Rajneeshee architect, A church member, non-Rajneeshee A resident, Episcopal Bishop; 150 attend; decision expected in a few weeks (No.)

4 A: City Council meeting; \$2525 in bills approved for payment; Peace Force reports "loving reminders" working well; reported that A landfill recently set on fire, DEQ recently inspected and filed report on Landfill and Recycling Center; CCI sub-committees on community services and finances, economic development, population projections and land use requirements are continuing work; bids for in-depth water/sewer study to be solicited; report on the A Community Church case; report on city insurance costs, found to be only \$772 and not \$2000; adoption of an ordinance to prohibit dogs from running at large, establishing a license fee of \$10 and providing for enforcement and fines; adoption of an ordinance allowing TransCascades Telephone Co. to bury a phone facility under the street; adoption of a contract requiring certain conditions be met in burying the phone facility; Mayor and two Councilmembers empowered to enter into agreement with the League of Oregon Cities (LOC) and membership dues of \$66 approved; City Recorder mentions insults occurring during breaks and after A Community Church trial

4 US District Court Judge in Portland denies motion filed by INS attorneys after a Rajneeshee refused to answer 75 questions relating to the validity of his marriage; Judge denies INS request to have all 50 spouses answer all 75 questions, saying the conduct is not designed to get information, but rather to harass; Judge hears Rajneeshee attorney's argument that the questions are not relevant to the suit by the 25 couples claiming that the INS is biased against and denying spousal applications for permanent residency status and requesting the court to order the INS to process those applications and do so without regard to religious affiliation (No.)

- Apr 6 Five R Peace Force Officers are among 41 students from 28 Departments to graduate from the seven week basic training course of the Oregon Police Academy at Western Oregon State College; one Peace Officer wins the award for outstanding achievement in physical development; R Mayor and R Peace Force Chief attend graduation ceremonies
- 6 R: Reported that RNSIC Director of Resource Management has been appointed by the Governor to a Citizens Advisory Committee that will work with a Strategic Water Planning Group made up of the executives of ten state agencies; they will develop a state water planning program, but will begin by conducting a pilot study on the John Day River Basin
- 6 R: Improvements to date: R showerheads use only 1/6th as much water as those commonly used elsewhere; 25% to 30% of Ranch irrigation water provided by treated waste water; greenhouse seedlings beginning to be planted by precision seeder; banana tree produces first fruit; RMC sponsoring one of two state-approved courses in Oregon leading to prescription privilege licensing for nurse practitioners; three RLSC law clerks pass Oregon State Bar Examination, each has practiced law elsewhere
- 6 UO psychologists report to the Western Psychological Assn. annual convention in LA on their research at R and the team's conclusion that it needs to develop new scales to measure Rajneeshee values such as self-awareness and the master-disciple relationship; Rajneeshee psychiatrist and Vice-Chancellor of RIMU give slide presentation and answer questions
- 11 It is reported that a Rajneeshee is trying to find others to help him establish a school in King County Washington, south of Seattle; this is not an RFI sponsored project
- 11 W: County Court/Commission meeting; briefing on R summer festival which is expecting 15,000 and requires temporary kitchen, dining hall and dishwashing facilities; W County Commissioners will visit R to view festival preparations on June 10
- 11 CA: Hearing of arguments in an R appeal of the Feb. 1 LUBA decision on the legality of the annexation of the 119.2 acres; R attorney argues that R followed proper procedures for annexing the land, which is inside the R proposed UGB; 1000 Friends' attorney argues that since the status of R is in question, so is the status of the annexation and that until LCDC acknowledges a UGB a city may not begin to build without going through an exceptions process; W County attorney argues that R and W County should have agreed on a mutually acceptable UGB before activities took place on the land (No.)
- 12 Announcements and articles appear in Madras and The Dalles papers inviting the public to picnic lunch and protest march in A on the anniversary of the disincorporation election

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- Apr 12 Mollalla Union High School Board meeting; receipt of and testimony on a petition signed by 200 residents, some parents, calling for the resignation of the teacher of the global studies class who invited a Rajneeshee speaker; the Teachers Assn., students, minister of a local church support the teacher; 75 attend
- 12 W: CO (Concerned Oregonians) announces the formation of a PAC called Concerned Oregonians of Wasco County or COWC; the Directors say COWC supports the present area state representative, two anti-Rajneeshee W County Commissioner candidates, unsuccessful A mayoral candidate running for area state senator and a new W County tax base
- 12 W: Editorial in The Dalles Weekly Reminder states "Vote-by-mail seems to be an answer to the problem experienced in recent Wasco County elections, where small groups of voters turn out and determine the destiny of the vast number of taxpayers who don't vote."
- 12 1000 Friends' attorney speaks at Eastern Oregon State College, sponsored by Grand Ronde Resources Council and EOSC Community Service: charges that Rajneeshee tried to use intimidation tactics last June to prevent him from obtaining R records, accused them of repeatedly altering their land use intents and said only 84 persons are needed to run the Ranch farm operations
- 13 R: Rajneesh Times editorial cites "bullying tactics of the INS": calling the parents of Rajneeshee at R and repeating unfounded rumors; intimidating ex-spouses of Rajneeshee; sending negative press clippings to embassies abroad to influence officials there to deny visitors' visas to those traveling to R; distributing negative press clippings to Rajneeshee entering the country, especially through Seattle
- 13 R: Improvements to date: US Supreme Court admits 2 RLSC attorneys to practice before them, they join R city Attorney who was certified in 1981; cuttings of willow, cottonwood and poplar arrive for creek bank planting; truck farm yielded vegetables with a market value of \$44,368 in 1982 and of \$253,715 in 1983; underground drip irrigation system being installed; value of dairy products in 1983 equalled \$167,000
- 13 European Rajneeshee : German has 2 exhibits of self-created toys; 3 are opera singers performing regularly in Germany and Austria; Rajneeshee in Denmark manufacture massage tables and meditation stools, own a restaurant in a ten-year old center housing 30-40 residents and own an island cottage; two are judges in Hamburg, one for 18 years, one in Family Court; reported that Medina Rajneesh opened a fashion shop in London on March 28

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- Apr 14 OEPBS TV runs a videotape of "Christmas at Juniper Tavern", effort of a local playwright said to be based on R and A situations and to be performed this summer in McMinnville
- 14 A: City Council meeting; RMC presentation on proposed 36 bed nursing and surgery unit; Council votes to hold public hearing on April 25 to discuss the establishment of a Medical Facility Authority which could obtain revenue bonds for the project; Recycling center renamed after Bauls (wandering holy performers) since there was agreement that the point in originally naming it after Hitler had been made; Council member authorized to attend LOC convention in Redmond on April 25
- 15 A: Nearly 200 march through A on the second anniversary of the disincorporation election; protest coordinated by Wamic man to object to taxes in A, Community Church issue, new street names; marchers include unsuccessful A mayoral candidate now running for area state senator
- 15 R: Improvements to date: willow cuttings, grasses and wildflowers being planted along major creeks, whose banks are also protected by juniper log deflector fences; approximately \$100 million invested in the Ranch to date
- 15 Convention of the Republican Party of Oregon sees the AG entertaining by singing a song called "The Guru in the Sky"
- 15 Convention of the Libertarian Party of Oregon concludes; the Party takes a stand against the anti-Rajneeshee initiative petition that would label Rajneeshism as an "alien cult" and ask the governor to remove their threat; Party says the petition violates natural rights, First Amendment guarantees and smacks of "'1930's anti-Semitic literature circulated in Germany'"
- 16 1000 Friends' attorney speaks at Chemeketa Community College in Salem; he claims that the Rajneeshee have "disobeyed the law and gotten away with it" and that the 1000 Friends may seek removal of all non-farm related buildings at the Ranch; 40 attend; two weeks previously 300 had attended a Rajneeshee speaker's presentation at the same time and place
- 18 Rajneeshee speaker at Mt. Hood Community College as part of Religious Awareness Week; some protestors present are quietened by other audience members
- 19 Three RLSC attorneys are sworn in as members of the Oregon Bar
- 19 US District Court Judge in Portland rules that all INS questioning of Rajneeshee couples must cease after INS continues asking questions about the validity of Rajneeshee marriages in 18 depositions taken during the last week; the ruling is in response to a Rajneeshee attorney's request for a pro-

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- protective order to stop further harassment; INS Washington DC attorney involved in questioning not present; it is noted that all Rajneeshee couples have had to travel from R to Portland for the deposition taking; a compromise is reached whereby five Rajneeshee involved in the suit will agree to respond to all of the INS questions in written interrogatories: (No.)
- 20 R: New Rolls Royce drawing announced open for July 6 with voluntary contributions going towards building the Academy of Rajneeshism; Rajneesh Times editorial calls AG's singing of "Guru" song "inappropriate, tacky, unethical and cowardly"; recent visitors include two DEQ recycling specialists who compliment the R recycling program
- 20 European Rajneeshee: Augsburg, Germany and Amsterdam, Holland have Rajneesh discos; 50,000 Rajneeshee reported to be in Germany; followers in Zurich rent an apartment complex; renovation of a Bavarian farmhouse brings local requests for Rajneeshee gardeners; in Bonn, one is Senior Executive Officer in the German Federal Dept. for Education and Science and responsible for the vocational education of girls throughout the country; Rajneeshee company in Altbessigen, Germany produces natural fertilizer; recent news stories in Finnish color magazine, national German weekly magazines Bunte and Quick, Yugoslav newspaper
- 20 W: While arguing against the incorporation of R, W County is trying to raise taxes in certain areas to urban and commercial levels; 15 acres on Krishnamurti Lake formerly assessed for farm use at \$5 per acre has been reassessed as \$6292 per acre recreational land; 8 acres surrounding two warehouses raised from a value of \$5 per acre to \$5200 per acre; 21 acres in the annexed area under and around a meditation hall has been raised in value even though a tax exemption has been requested since it is used for religious purposes
- 20 SC: 1000 Friends appeals the CA decision to return the question of R incorporation to LUBA after striking the temporary LCDC rule as a basis for that decision and also asks that the CA reconsider the question of R incorporation (No.)
- 21 Wamic candidates' fair; area state representative discusses what he calls a Rajneeshee desire to "'generate controversy'; ways in which the Legislative Session refused Rajneeshee requests, and states that he believes the establishment of R will be found illegal in court as a violation of "church and state" statutes; R candidate for W County Court/Commission says "'I don't think the pagan people in the southern end of the county have the right to establish a shrine and call it a political entity.'"

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- Apr 22 R: Improvements to date: 100 beehives producing \$8605 worth of honey and \$661 worth of pollen; 61 tons of Austrian dry peas harvested in 1983; 60 acres of vegetables producing 329 tons per year; 175 acres of alfalfa, grapes and orchard fruits; 1900 acres in dryland cultivation of wheat, barley, oats, peas and lentils; 54 cows producing 300 gallons of milk per day; 2800 chickens producing up to 1500 eggs per day; 100 ducks, 20 geese, 2 emus; 550 head of cattle; 40 miles of new fence and 27 miles of repaired fence; 140 check dams and 12 miles of seeded creek bank; 70% of materials and waste recycled; 15 tractors; estimated to pay \$60,681 to W County in property taxes , \$13,949 to J County and in taxes on personal property an additional \$24,270 to W County; total farm income in 1983 was \$707,895 and it is expected to increase to \$1.5 million in 1984; R farming and conservation practices have been lauded by the sponsor of Oregon's Land Use Planning system, by the US Soil Conservation Service's district conservationist, by W County Extension agent and State Fish and Wildlife district biologist in recent interviews
- 22 R: Personal invitations sent to all city council and chamber of commerce members in the state, to news media and political figures to attend the May 18-19 R Second Anniversary Celebration, which is open to the public
- 23 W: County Roadmaster pleads not guilty in W County District Court to a citizen's complaint regarding reckless driving at R in a March 26 incident
- 24 US District Court hearing concerning INS failure to comply with Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests by Rajneeshee (No.)
- 25 LOC regional convention in Redmond attended by representatives of R and A
- 25 A: City Council meeting; public hearing on the formation of a Medical Facility Authority; RMC representative testifies that the proposed 36 bed skilled nursing facility will have ambulatory and surgical services, cover 70 acres, have 30 outpatient rooms, space for research and classrooms and that 50 Oregon licensed medical doctors and 50 Oregon licensed nurses are in residence at R and finally, a certificate of need has already been submitted to the state; others testify as to need for such a facility in the area; City Council approves an ordinance authorizing the Council to create a Medical Facility Authority with one representative for the A City Council and five other members, providing that there is no liability to A or its residents; it is reported that the A welcome sign is ready to be erected and that a request has been filed with DEQ to cover the landfill quarterly instead of once a month

- Apr 25 American Planning Association annual Oregon conference opens in Bend; Oregon Chapter of APA's March-April newsletter took 1000 Friends to task for appealing "' primarily to people's fears of Rajneeshism.'" in their recent fundraising efforts, the newsletter reprinted a letter to that effect which had been approved by the board of the APA and sent from APA to 100 Friends in March; 30 APA members tour R as part of the annual conference, many are quoted as having been excited and impressed with the outstanding experimental projects at R
- 25 Newberg Graphic reprints in letter-to-the-editor form a portion of the 1000 Friends' mailer signed by Director, soliciting contributions to fight the alleged establishment of a Rajneesh international headquarters in Oregon after India wouldn't allow the establishment of one there
- 27 R: First meeting of the R Bar Assn. had been held by this date, officers selected, discussion of Mid-Columbia Bar Assn. (based in The Dalles) proposal to hold its July meeting in R
- 27 LCDC: By this date, attorneys representing RFI, RIC, RNSIC, R and others had filed a request to have the retroactive rule repealed or suspended
- 27 An Orange County California Superior Court Judge had ruled by this date the the Church Board and religious practices of a church in Laguna Beach were both proper; these were the first of several expected preliminary rulings in the three year old lawsuit involving a group of Rajneeshee; trial date set for June 4
- 28 German Rajneeshee in Augsburg hold a peaceful demonstration after a court allows the owner of a disco they had sublet to evict them and said "'Since they (the Rajneeshees) are an Asian, non-Christian sect, they are not suitable as a tenant.'"
- 29 R: Budget Committee meeting
- 30 European Rajneeshee: It is reported that a group of Rajneeshee who purchased a manor house and 10-14 acres about 2½-3 years ago at an estimated cost of 350,000 pounds at Herringswell, Suffolk, England has grown large enough that, by law, the village must create a Parish Council (the smallest unit of British local government and responsible for lighting, recreational facilities and for making planning recommendations to District Councils); the village has approximately 279-287 eligible voters, about half of whom are Rajneeshee; there is a Rajneeshee standing as candidate for each seat on the Parish Council