

Just news

International AIDS/ARC Candlelight Memorial

The Cascade AIDS Project will sponsor the local observance of the *4th International Candlelight Memorial* for people who have died of AIDS and ARC. The memorial, which will be observed in over 75 cities on four continents, is scheduled for Monday, May 25th, at 8:00 p.m., at First Congregational Church of Portland, 11 SW Park.

Noting that Memorial Day is the traditional day for honoring and remembering the dead, CAP Executive Director Tom Koberstein said: "It's important that we find ways as a community to collectively express our losses and our griefs, and at the same time speak of our hope and our solidarity in the face of AIDS' many challenges."

The international event is being organized by Mobilization Against AIDS, a San Francisco based group, which will be distributing a poster to advertise the event. According to Paul Boneberg, Executive Director of Mobilization Against AIDS, "The specifics of each local memorial is completely up to local organizers to determine." He stressed that all participating locations are urged to use candles as a unifying component.

The Portland Candlelight Memorial will feature musical performance, a collective expression of our losses and our hopes, and an address by Koberstein. The event is open to the public.

Great Peace March treks USSR in June

The intrepid members and supporters of The Great Peace March did not stop at walking from Los Angeles to Washington D.C., in June, 200 Americans and 200 Soviet Citizens will walk from Leningrad to Moscow, urging an end to the arms race. The group states: "The path to peace is through mutual understanding."

Rebecca Smith of Corvallis, Oregon, who walked the entire coast to coast march last year, will be one of the U.S. representatives. She joined this month long walk to continue her education and reach out to other people. On the march last year she learned to appreciate the changes that could be made on a grass roots level, changing peoples' minds by direct contact. On the U.S.-Soviet walk she expects that walking, cooking, and talking with Russians will help end the fear and distrust that arms buildup is based on.

Each representative needs to raise \$2500 plus airfare to Wash. D.C. Please make your check for 5 to 300 dollars out to: Rebecca Smith-International Peace Walk Fund, and send it to: Peace and Justice "Gofers," 101 NW 23rd St., Corvallis, OR 97330. Or write Rebecca via the "Gofers" for more information on how you can become involved in supporting the International Peace Walk.

State, city declare Suicide Awareness Week

Suicide is the 8th leading cause of death in the United States and in Oregon. It is the 2nd leading cause of death among teenagers. While the suicide rate dropped slightly in Oregon in 1985, it continues to be higher than the national rate. To help alert the public to this critical problem, Governor Neil Goldschmidt and Mayor Bud Clark have proclaimed May 3-9, 1987, Suicide Awareness Week.

Laura Scolar, Executive Director of Metro Crisis Intervention Service, stated that many suicides can be prevented. She explained that the typical signs that often precede a suicide attempt include depression, sudden or unexplained changes in behavior, and efforts to get one's affairs in order, including reviewing wills and giving away personal possessions.

Metro Crisis Intervention Service developed an area-wide telephone and mobile crisis intervention service. This service would help assure that individuals and families in the area would have assistance when facing problems which might overwhelm or exceed their coping skills.

Metro utilizes a large body of volunteers in this effort which holds down the cost of services. Another benefit to the community includes the training received by these volunteers which increases the number of individuals who work as natural helpers assisting friends and families who find themselves in crisis.

Metro Crisis Intervention Service is a 24-hour telephone hotline serving the Portland metropolitan area. The agency receives over 4,000 calls each month from individuals experiencing a wide variety of problems. Those who call receive free, confidential telephone counseling, information and referral to other community resources. The crisis line numbers are 223-6161 or 681-7020.

PSU course offers different view of women

Portland State University's 1987 Women's Studies Summer Program is offering a special five course component entitled: "Against the Grain: Alternative Perceptions of Women's Experience." Each of the classes will offer new representations of the female experience and femininity, designed to challenge traditional scholarship and ideas. The program will provide new perspectives in history, psychology, sociology, cultural studies, biology and health. Classes may be taken individually. Together, they provide a comprehensive overview of non-traditional ideas about the female experience.

The five courses include: **Contemporary Issues: Women's Health; Self-Image and Body Size; Insanity and Femininity; Women-Identified-Women; and Sexual Politics and Cinema.**

Two-career lesbian couple survey

Lucia Gilbert and Natalie Eldridge of the University of Texas at Austin are looking for women to participate in their study of dual-career lesbian couples. Research participants being sought are lesbian couples (together in a primary relationship for at least two years) where each woman

has been employed or in school full-time during most of the relationship.

Participants will be asked to complete a questionnaire. The identities of participants will be kept confidential. Participants who wish to receive a questionnaire mailed to "Resident" should so indicate. Those interested should contact Gilbert and Eldridge at: Counseling Psychology Program, EDB 504, University of Texas, Austin, TX 78712.

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