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Oregon AIDS Hotline has plenty of info

Those interested in obtaining information sheets about the latest AIDS treatments can do so by contacting the Oregon AIDS Hotline, which also stocks materials about alternative treatments available in Oregon, experimental treatments, women and AIDS, the pros and cons pertaining to AZT use by pregnant women, and an up-to-date reading list about various HIV/AIDS-related issues.

The hotline is open Monday through Friday from 10 am to 9 pm, and weekends from noon to 6 pm. It can be reached by calling (503) 223-2437 or 1-800-777-2437.

Harvey Milk Awards Dinner hailed as success

An estimated 265 people turned out for the sixth Harvey Milk Awards Dinner, sponsored by After 8, a Corvallis-based educational and advocacy group that promotes gay, lesbian and bisexual visibility and rights.

Corvallis Mayor Helen Berg offered the opening remarks during the Nov. 18 event, which was held at the First Congregational Church. Tom Ammiano, past president of the San Francisco School Board and member of the San Francisco Board of Supervisors, was the keynote speaker and gave an address entitled "Comedy and Politics: Surviving the Religious Right."

Lois Van Leer, associate minister of the First Congregational Church and a longtime sexual-minority-rights advocate, says, "We're all so involved in such serious work around this issue that it's nice to be able and laugh about it once in a while.... The dinner was a great success."

Portland residents Barbara Bernstein and Elaine Velazquez, creators of numerous video projects that detail gay and lesbian civil-rights struggles, and Ed Reeves, a Portland attorney who founded Oregon Speak Out Project (which has evolved into Northwest Speak Out Project), were honored for their "outstanding contributions to the gay, lesbian and bisexual communities in Oregon."

A tribute was also given to honor Donna Red Wing, national field director for the Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation. Red Wing, who lives in Portland, is a nationally known grassroots activist and is currently recovering from surgery to remove a brain tumor.

Apply for HIV/AIDS grants by Dec. 8

The Research & Education Group and Art/AIDS is currently seeking applications for two grants, the Paul Michael Starr Education Fund and the Living with HIV Fund, totaling \$60,000.

A Paul Michael Starr Education Fund grant of \$10,000 will be awarded to an organization providing HIV and AIDS education. The Living with HIV Fund will fund up to three proposals ranging from \$10,000 to \$50,000 for the implementation of out-of-hospital programs and services.

Applications can be obtained by calling Anne Clark at The Research & Education Group at (503) 778-5694. Dec. 8 is the deadline for submitting proposals for either grant.



Paul Starr

Two receive honors

The Oregon Commission for Women has selected Bend resident Myrlie Evers-Williams and Oregon lawmaker Kate Brown (D-Portland) as its 1995 Women of Achievement.

Evers-Williams is the chairwoman of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; Brown serves in the state House of Representatives, where she is heralded as a human-rights leader.

Page set to leave EMO in April

The Rev. Rodney Page, executive director of Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon since 1981, will step down from that position on April 12, 1996.

Page, who was very outspoken against anti-gay ballot measures 9 and 13, will move to New York City to serve as the deputy general secretary of the National Council of Churches of Christ and the executive director of Church World Service and Witness.

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Rob Buckmaster in a cast photo for Jeffrey

Actor passes away

Portland actor Rob Buckmaster, best known for his portrayal of the title character in triangle productions' version of Paul Rudnick's *Jeffrey*, died Nov. 2 at the age of 31. The cause was AIDS-related lymphoma.

His other roles at triangle included Jeff in *The*

Sum of Us and *Whizzer* in *Falsettos*.

Buckmaster is survived by his partner, Fred Ross; parents, James and Corline of Montana; and brothers, Jim of New York City and Brad of Washington state. The family suggests that remembrances be contributions to the Equity Foundation's Rob Buckmaster Memorial Fund.



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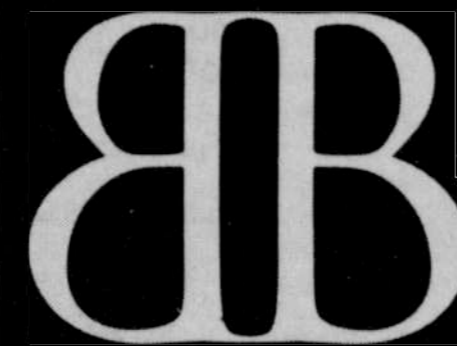
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