

Andrea, the volunteer coordinator supervisor, says 40 volunteers are staffing the crisis line. They donated about 350 hours in December alone, she says.

Call Jennifer at 503-232-9545 for more information or an application packet.

STEIN SAYS SHE WILL RUN FOR GOVERNOR

In a December letter to friends and supporters, Multnomah County Chair Bev Stein announced she is planning to run for governor in 2002.

She thinks government has a critical role to play in meeting the state's challenges. The next governor will need to transform government to facilitate the strengths of Oregon's citizens, she says.

"I believe I have the skills, the experience and the vision to be that kind of governor," Stein wrote in the letter. The former legislator, who has a strong record on sexual minority and human rights issues, has been the county's chair for seven years.

Stein's letter asked for contributions to her pending campaign, but supporters had to act quickly. Because of a newly passed Oregon law—and one not known about by many—candidates for governor can't raise money during the legislative session.

Donations had to be received before Dec. 31, the letter said. The Legislature goes into session the second week of January.

For more information call 503-221-7922 or send e-mail to steinline9@aol.com.

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP STARTS ON WEST SIDE

Love Makes a Family will expand its monthly meetings to a new westside location Jan. 23.

The support group will meet 6:30 p.m. on the fourth Tuesday of each month at the Community Church of Cedar Hills, 11695 S.W. Park Way near Cedar Hills Boulevard in Portland. The eastside meetings will continue as usual.

Organizers say the west side's schools are more reserved about alternative families than those on the east side, so some of the parents decided to meet together to discuss their own issues. The new meeting is starting to reach out to more families on the west side of the metropolitan area including Beaverton, Hillsboro and West Portland.

A few families already have shown an interest in participating, and organizers think more will come in time. The group welcomes parents and children at the meetings, where parents discuss pertinent topics and children meet



Bev Stein

together with an adult facilitator. Refreshments also are served.

"It has been good for both adults and children," says one father who is helping organize the westside meetings. "The children look forward to interacting with other children."

For more information call 503-228-3892 or send e-mail to lmfamily@teleport.com.

SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL FUNDS EIGHT ORGANIZATIONS

The Oregon Shakespeare Festival announced that \$55,000 was raised last August by its Daedalus Project, a 13-year-old benefit for AIDS. Eight local, regional, national and international HIV/AIDS programs received funding.

A 5K run/walk sponsored by Providence Medford Medical Center raised \$2,250. Other events included a reading of Moises Kaufman's *The Laramie Project*, a sale of theater and company items, a quilt raffle and a bake sale.

Funding went to OnTrack Inc.-Alan F. Collins AIDS Project, Names Project Foundation, Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS, Abdill-Ellis Lambda Center Association, Siskiyou County HIV/AIDS Foundation, AIDS Support and Prevention of Josephine County, the Rex Rabold Fund and Africare.

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