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PABA CELEBRATES 10TH ANNIVERSARY

The Portland Area Business Association will celebrate its 10th anniversary during its monthly networking luncheon from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. June 12 at the Lloyd Center Double-Tree Inn, 1000 N.E. Multnomah St.

The event promises to be an informative, fun look to the past, present and future. The organization will honor its founders and past presidents, elect its board members and officers, and unveil its new logo, Web site and Portland Pride 2002 plans.

For more information visit www.paba.com.

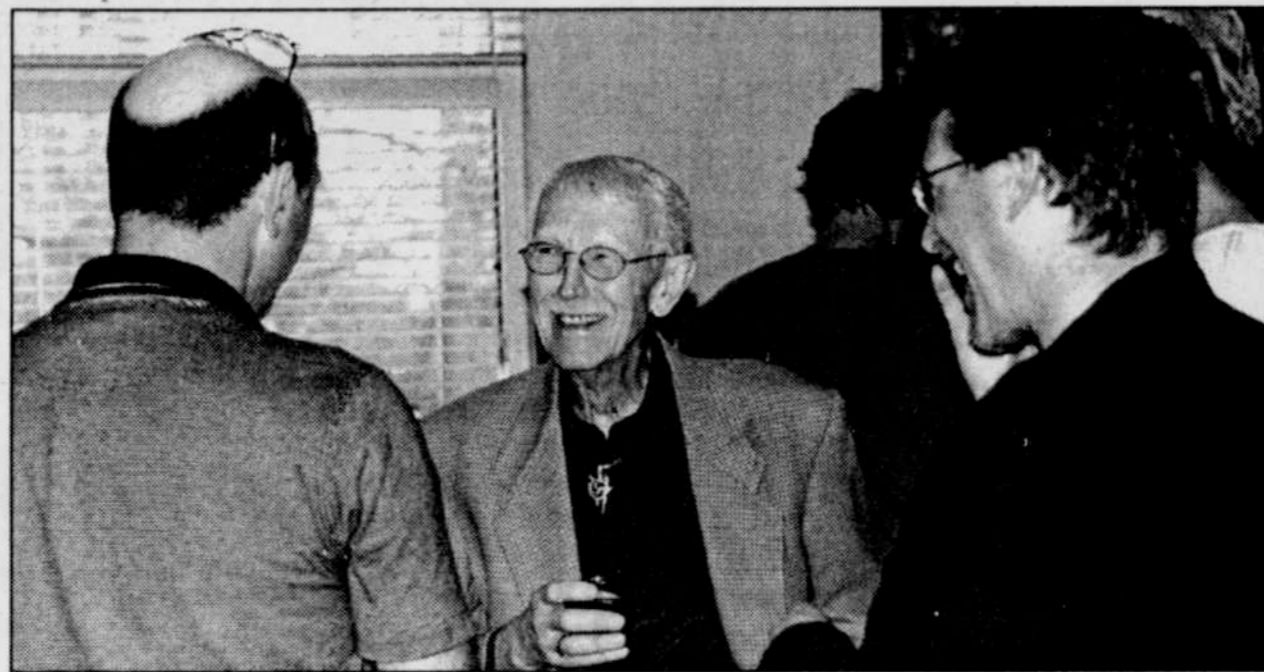
REPORTER WILL LECTURE

Investigative reporter Greg Palast—whose *London Observer* article led to the removal of Pat Robertson as Christian Coalition president and thwarted his attempt to become a partner in a Scottish bank—will lecture on his book *The Best Democracy Money Can Buy*, a *New York Times* best seller, from 7 to 9 p.m. June 18 at First Unitarian Church of Portland, 1011 S.W. 12th Ave.

The suggested donation is \$5 to \$10. No one will be turned away.

PFLAG ANNOUNCES GRANTS TO CHAPTERS

The national office of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays announced May 21 the recipients of \$55,000 worth of chapter grants.



Hank Stack (center) has been signing the morning news updates on KGW for more than 30 years

Through the gift of an anonymous donor, the organization is distributing \$35,000 this year as part of a new safe schools and public policy grants program. A second program for nonurban chapters was established with a grant from the Denver-based Gill Foundation, a \$260 million-endowed organization committed to securing equal opportunities for all people regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity.

The Corvallis chapter received a \$1,000 safe schools and public policy grant and a \$2,000 nonurban grant. The Central Oregon chapter received a \$1,150 nonurban grant.

"From Alaska to North Carolina, chapters are establishing and executing important programs that further the well-being of gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender individuals," said PFLAG president Arnold Drake, a physician in Memphis, Tenn. "With these two grant pro-

grams, chapters will be able to carry out a wide range of programs."

OREGON SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF HONORS KGW VETERAN

The Oregon School for the Deaf honored KGW-TV's Hank Stack with a Lifetime Achievement Award during commencement ceremonies May 31. In March he was one of seven gay and lesbian seniors saluted during the Portland Gay Men's Chorus *Vintage Voices* concerts.

In 1971, long before the advent of closed-captioning technology, Stack began signing the morning news updates on KGW. His reports provide thousands of deaf Oregonians with critical news and information.

"Hank Stack is a hero for Oregon's deaf community," said Jane Mulholland, Oregon School

for the Deaf director. "His commitment to the hearing-impaired is invaluable. No one is more deserving of a Lifetime Achievement Award."

An expert lip reader, Stack has been almost completely deaf since he was 6. He teaches at Portland Community College in the sign language studies and interpreter training programs.

In addition, Stack founded Northwest Theater of the Deaf, a community group using sign language for the hearing-impaired. He earned a bachelor's degree from Gallaudet University and received a state of Oregon Certified Public Accountant Certificate.

Stack grew up in the Ozark foothills of Missouri and St. Louis before moving to Portland in 1947. He is a widower with three daughters, Sharon, Kelly Magee and Holly.

FILM FEST DIRECTOR MAKES MOVE TO SAN FRANCISCO

Frameline, the leading distributor of gay and lesbian cinema to academic and institutional organizations, recently hired Maura King to be its new distribution associate. The company also presents San Francisco's queer film festival, the oldest and largest one in the world.

King spent five years with the queer film festival based in Portland. While completing her bachelor's degree in psychology at Reed College, she began volunteering for Sensory Perceptions, eventually serving as its director.

King was a key member of the team that restarted the festival after another organization folded. Through her leadership, Sensory Perceptions gained financial independence and expanded its audience year after year. □

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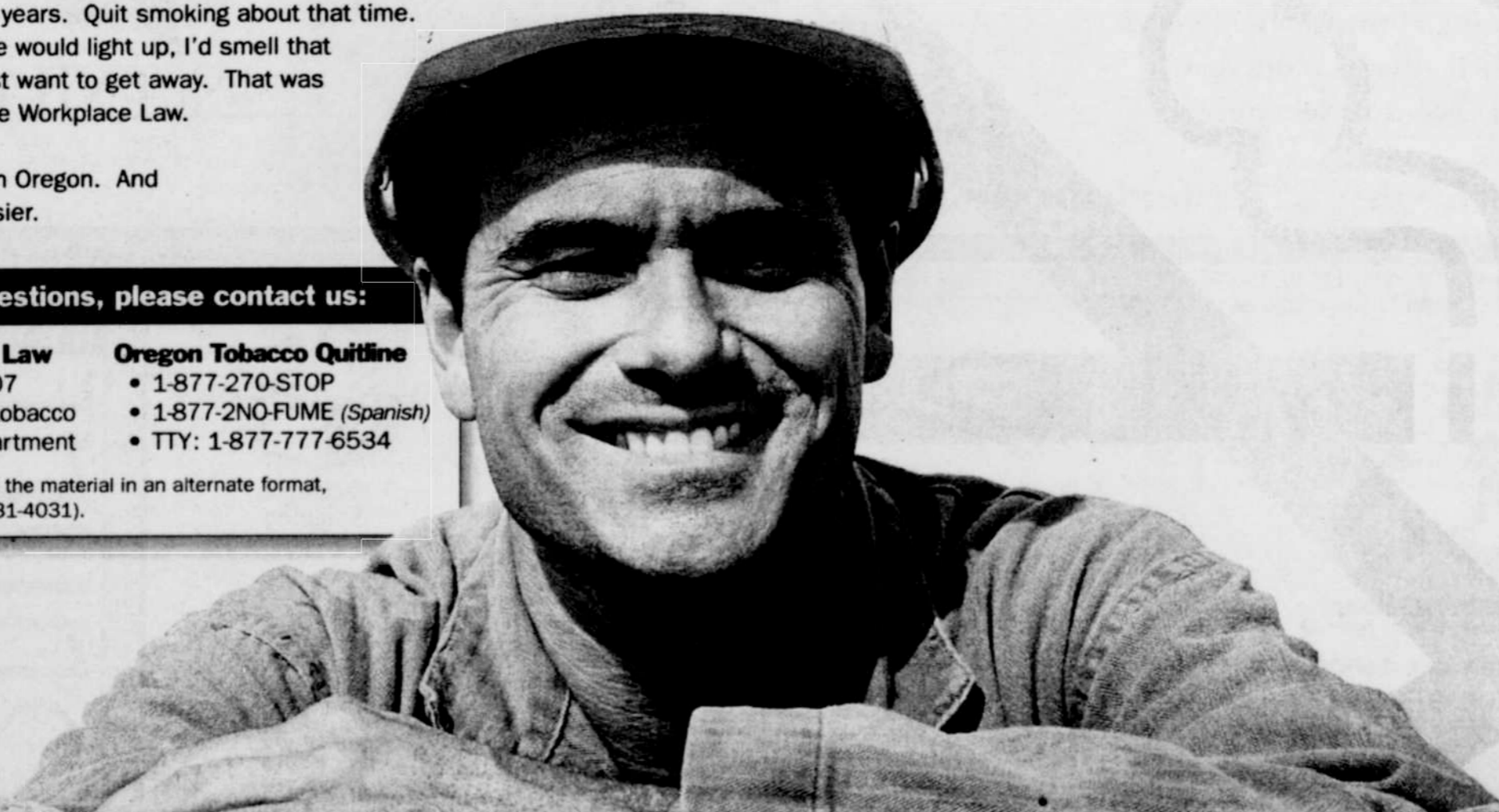
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