

Dayton men finish literacy course

'They all learned to read;' VISTA teacher Judy Collins reports complete success

THESE ARE seven happy men. In just four months they learned reading and writing. They want to take more classes later. Some said they want to try for their high school diploma in the future.

ESTOS SON siete hombres felices. En solamente cuatro meses aprendieron a leer y escribir. Quieren tomar más clases en el futuro. Unos quieren tratar de ganar su diploma de "high school."

FROM LEFT to right: Quince Martin, James Whitely, Charles Anderson, Lawrence Goodall, Eugene Heflin, Wally Jones, Bob Rodgers, and their proud teacher VISTA Volunteer Judy Collins.



By Rick Simon

Last January nine men walked into the Dayton Opportunity Center. They had worried looks on their faces. They were nervous. They were about to begin going to school again, for the most of them it had been many many years since they had last been in a classroom. For some it was the first time in their lives.

Last Friday, just four months from the date they started, they looked like new men. They were laughing and happy. They had a look of confidence. The reason:

they had just finished learning how to read and write. Friday was their graduation day.

They had accomplished a lot in a short time. When they started most of them could not read or write. After attending the classes they had an average of a 6th grade level.

And they do not want to stop studying now. Each of these seven men plans to take more classes in the future. **The Opportunity News** congratulates them, and wishes them success in their new studies.

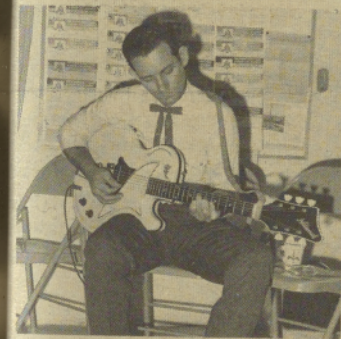
El enero pasado, nueve hombres entraron en el Centro de Oportunidad de Dayton. Tenían caras preocupadas. Estaban nerviosos. Iban a empezar a ir a la escuela otra vez, y por la mayoría hacía muchísimos años que no asistía a una clase. Para unos, era la primera vez en su vida.

El viernes pasado, solamente cuatro meses desde que empezaron, parecieron hombres nuevos. Estaban riendo y felices. Tenían un aire de confianza. La razón: acabaron de aprender como leer y

escribir. El viernes fue su día de graduación.

Habían hecho mucho en poco tiempo. Cuando empezaron la mayoría no podía leer ni escribir. Después de asistir a las clases han llegado a un nivel promedio del año 6.

Y no quieren dejar de estudiar ahora. Cada uno de los siete planea tomar más clases en el futuro. El **Opportunity News** les felicita, y les desea mucho éxito en sus nuevos estudios.



WHEN BILL SMITH plays his guitar people just naturally listen. Bill is chairman of the VML Adult Farm Workers Club in Sandy.



THE GUESTS ENJOYED seeing slides of VML center activities. Ken Killary, Supervisor of the new Sandy Center spoke of the purpose of a VML Opportunity Center.



LEFT: KEN KILLARY, Sandy Supervisor, Mrs. Nedra Cunningham and Lee Cunningham, Assistant Supervisor.



RIGHT: ELLA RIGNEY VISTA Volunteer was chairman of a successful open house.

VML CENTER AT SANDY ATTRACTS ATTENTION

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were interesting wall decorations, including photo displays by VISTA Volunteer Richard Pollak. Ray Climer, the janitor, could be proud of the glistening floors. The whole atmosphere was most inviting.

And the refreshments, too! The ladies of the Farm Workers Club of Sandy — Mrs. Bill Guernsey, Mrs. Fred Delrose, Mrs. Bill Smith and others—provided cakes and pies, tea, coffee and punch. Those who poured were Mrs. C. L. Foreman, Mrs. Ken Killary, Miss Elaine Furumoto of VISTA, and Mrs. Bill Guernsey. The pretty silver service came from the Women's Guild of the Presbyterian Church.

Many people of the community attended: the Farm Workers Club; representatives of the East Multnomah-North Clackamas Migrant Care Committee; Reverend Edward Nuenfeldt, former president of the Migrant Care Committee; representatives of Sandy civic groups and churches; members of the VML staff; and VISTA Volunteers. Lee Cunningham, the new assistant supervisor at Sandy, and Mrs. Cunningham were present.

Bill Smith brought his guitar to furnish entertainment, and Ken Killary showed slides of different activities of the Sandy center.

The chairman of the preparations for the Open House was VISTA Volunteer Ella Rigney. How does one prepare for an open house? "You work!" said Mrs. Rigney. She was assisted by the other VISTA Volunteers at Sandy: Elaine Furumoto, April Scheyer, Richard Pollak, Harold Macy and Richard Meyer.

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ard Pollak. Ray Climer, el portero, tuvo orgullo con el suelo brillante. Todo el ambiente dijo "bienvenido."

¡Y refrescos también! Las damas del Club de Trabajadores de Agricultura de Sandy — la Sra. de Bill Guernsey, la Sra. de Fred Delrose, la Sra. de Bill Smith y otros—proveyeron las tortas y "pies", té café, y ponche. Los que sirvieron fueron la Sra. de C. L. Foreman, la Sra. de Ken Killary, la Srta. Elaine Furumoto de VISTA, y la Sra. de Bill Guernsey. El equipo de servicio de plata vino del Club de Mujeres de la Iglesia Presbiteriana.

Muchas personas de la comunidad asistieron: el Club de Trabajadores de Agricultura, representantes del Comité del Oeste de Multnomah-Norte de Clackamas Pro-Trabajadores, El Reverendo Edward Nuenfeldt, ex-presidente del Comité Pro-Trabajadores; representantes de grupos cívicos y religiosos de Sandy, miembros del VML; y Voluntarios de VISTA. Lee Cunningham, el nuevo asistente al supervisor de Sandy y su Sra. también fueron presentes.

Bill Smith trajo su guitarra a proveer música, y Ken Killary mostró transparentes de las varias actividades del centro de Sandy.

La directora de las preparaciones para la Abertura fue Voluntario de VISTA Ella Rigney. ¿Cómo se prepara una abertura? "Trabaja," dijo la Sra. Rigney. Fue ayudada por los otros voluntarios de VISTA en Sandy: Elaine Furumoto, April Scheyer, Richard Pollak, Harold Macy, y Richard Meyer.