

Counsellor gives service to PCC students

It's not necessary to be student at Portland Community College to receive counseling from Odessa Hendrix, a PCC counselor at the Cascade Center, 705 N. Killingsworth, who has special training in counseling inner city minorities and community college students.

Hendrix is available to community members who are considering college as well as to PCC students.

"The potential student is welcome to come in and begin planning a schedule of classes," Hendrix said.

Hendrix said she helps students and potential students plan academic programs and she will help with personal problems if asked. Appointments are not necessary during daytime hours between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., but appointments are needed for evening counseling. There is no charge for counseling.

"Sometimes people hesitate to come in because they are afraid they might ask a stupid question," Hendrix said. "But I believe the only stupid question is the one you don't ask because that's the one you'll never find an answer for, so I encourage all questions."

Hendrix also has extended background in counseling Indochinese and other foreign students. For the past four years she was an administrator and counselor for the Indochinese Center at the PCC Rose Island Center. She is also bi-lingual in Spanish and English.

Hendrix said she believes her strong ties to the north Portland community also help her in offering practical counseling and advice to PCC students.

Mrs. Hendrix is a board member and consultant to Prison Ministries. She is also a board member of the

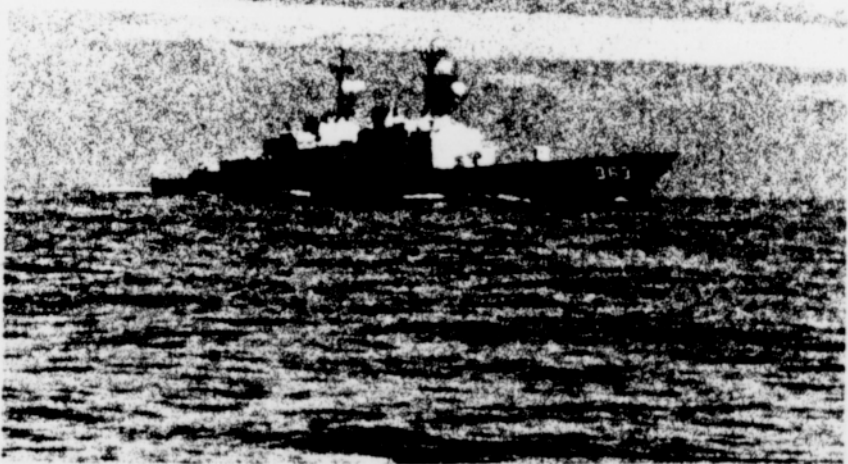


Portland Community College counselor Odessa Hendrix specializes in counseling community Urban 4-H. In addition she belongs to the NAACP, AAUW, Phi Delta Kappa education honorary, Phi Kappa Phi, national honor society, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Jack and Jill of America, Inc., and the

college inner city minority students interested in PCC's Cascade Center, 705 N. Killingsworth. National Council of Negro Women.

She is a former reporter for the *Oregon Advanced Times* and former co-hostess with her husband George Hendrix, of Channel Ten show, *Albina Mosaic*.

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