



Cawthorne fund raiser scheduled

Since his appointment to the Board of Education, Herb Cawthorne has, in the opinion of many observers, shown leadership, courage and a driving ability to work for positive change on the pressing problems facing public education in our City.

His writing in the *Oregonian* for three years spoke eloquently about liberal education, basic skills, standardized testing, creativity and language, and revealed his understanding of the broad issues.

Prior to his widely supported appointment to the School Board, Cawthorne served as the Research Co-chairman for the Community Coalition for School Integration, a multi-racial group that studied Portland's prior desegregation plan for two years and recommended sweeping changes. It was as a member of this Community Coalition that Cawthorne was recognized as an influential educational leader.

His tenure on the School Board has seen the elimination of the inequitable busing of Black children, the addition of Early Childhood Education Program at Boise School, the opening of a middle school for the more than 300 students who had no middle school grades in their community, and the beginning of a district wide teacher and principal selection process that'll include parents. Cawthorne's position on the School Board is threatened by the attempt to recall the four members of the Board who voted to dismiss former Superintendent Robert Blanchard.

When plans for the recall were announced, Cawthorne asserted that "if he was recalled he would not run for election to his vacated seat." Since then he has been approached by many who see the attempt to recall him as narrow minded, and against the welfare of the Black community, the school district, and has agreed at their urging to campaign for election...recall or not.

His grassroots campaign began on August 9th with a fund raising Champagne Sip sponsored by Z-Matt Inc., at the home of Harold and Cal Williams, and will continue with a series of informational and fund raising events throughout the City.

The next event will be a fund raising "Coffee" sponsored by Mr. Earl Chase, Sunday, September 14, from 2 - 6 P.M., at his home at 3234 NE Jarrett. A \$5.00 donation is being requested for the opportunity to meet Mr. Cawthorne and discuss his views on education, school board policies. The public is invited.



To young and old, Morty The Mission Meatball was one of the fun attractions at Artquake. Who wouldn't like a seven foot meatball? (above)

Artquake had many things for the young at heart. These three young ladies enjoy a puppet show. (left)

(Photos: Richard Brown)

New King principal discusses goals

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complex because it presents separate things. Sometimes they're the same. For instance, a teacher who is not yet hired by Portland Public Schools, comes to King to be interviewed for a position. Maybe we're the last school to be filling that particular spot. If we don't hire that person at King School, then that person is not hired at all. That's a different situation from teachers who are moving from other schools in the city because they want to transfer. That's a teacher who's already under contract to the district. If we don't hire that person at King School, that person still has a job and simply will be assigned somewhere else.

So what you're looking at, is a situation where in one instance a parent group may have been responsible for a person not having a job. In the second instance, you're looking at a situation where that parent group may have been responsible for that teacher or staff person not working at a particular school. You really have to view those very carefully because you're looking at different kinds of implications.

As far as parents being in an advisory role, I have no problems with that at all. In fact, I've always sought out the help of parents, and when those parents don't come forth, I have enough resources here to send someone out and say hey, when are you going to come and help us out and get involved? I welcome parent participation.

On that particular issue of what will eventually happen, that has not yet been spelled out. We don't know what the regulation is going to say about what kind of involvement that is. I would guess that for both sides it has to be handled very carefully, so that people are in a position of being protected. Both the parents and the staff. Parent participation I have no problem with at all. There's some aspects of that, that could get very sticky if you aren't careful in weeding apart certain circumstances.

Note: Recently the Portland Public School Board, conceded to the Black United Front's proposal of parent participation concerning the selection of teachers.

Q. What kind of feedback have you received from the Black com-

munity regarding your reassignment to King School?

A. Basically, I would say that the response so far has been excellent. I've talked with parents when they've come in, I've asked them how are they going to help us, and what do they propose to do. I've got a good feeling from the fact that we're going to get parents to come in and help us to do the job. I don't live in the King area, but I don't live too far away, just off Prescott. So I know many of the families.

Q. Could you give me some reasons why a lot of Black children have scored low on achievement tests?

A. Hmm, Hmm, yeah, I could give you some. I could give you some that are age old that we've been fighting. I've been a principal now for 20 years and I've never been in a school where they're not a significant number of kids who had low scores and we were always trying to work to pull those kids up on those math and reading scores. I think perhaps that it's all of those elements I described back awhile ago, that would make a successful program. Sometimes one of those elements might be missing, and if any one of those elements are missing, it's very difficult to build

that block with one little block missing. No matter how small it is. You sometimes get the parental help and cooperation that you're looking for, you've got a good school staff, you've got a good school program, but maybe the kids are not cooperating. Or you get the kid who comes in willingly and is ready to learn, the parents want him to learn, you've got a good facility, but maybe you don't have a great teaching staff. When you've got all of those elements together, you can do it!

You must know though, that over the course of the last 30 years, the successes are so small, that you could almost find them laying out there. If you go to the literature and start looking for a school system, or a particular school where anyone has turned things around, there's so few of them that it makes you know that you've got a very difficult job.

Note: In part II of the interview with Mr. Gerald the topics discussed will cover, Bussing, desegregation, possible effects of a boycott on the school system, Black english and culture classes, Black children and the controversy of standardized tests, and standardized academic curriculum.

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This week's Citizen of the Week is Sister Sydney of St. Andrews Parish.

Sister Sydney is a Holy Names sister and is in her tenth year of service in the Albina community. Sister Sydney is a strong supporter of the community and has worked to bring about improvements in the Albina area.

During her term as President of the Albina Chapter of the Oregon Fair Share, an ordinance was passed that would allow old, deteriorating, vacant homes to be restored and utilized by homeless citizens.

Sister Sydney is a native Oregonian and received her master's degree in psychology from the University of Seattle. She also received her master's degree in Theology from Manhattan College in New York.

Currently Sister Sydney serves as a volunteer Chaplain at the Women's County Jail and works with non-profit agencies to provide the basic necessities for deprived and poverty stricken families.

Sister Sydney is also working with the Black United Front in the struggle for a quality education for children. She was the first woman to join the Albina Ministerial Alliance.

"Albina is my home. I love it and my service in this community has been the most rewarding and enjoyable work ever."

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