



Gideon Abraham, right, talks with a visitor.



Karen Henderson, crew leader.



"Coffee break..."

YCC provides summer work opportunity

"It is a pretty neat place, this YCC camp." O.C. Frazier, 15 years old, Grant High School.

"I'd like to come back next year as a leader." Grey Hall, 18 years old Benson High School.

"These young people have learned a lot about getting along with each other." Gideon Abraham, Camp Director.

Clackamas Lake Youth Conservation Camp (YCC) will be home for 40 Portland young men and women for 8 weeks this summer. Located between Timothy and Clackamas Lakes off Skyline Road on the Mt. Hood National Forest, the camp has provided a summer job (3.10/hr), an opportunity to learn about the environment, and a chance to make new friends for these young Portlanders.

At YCC they have made cedar shakes, built fences, maintained the camp, dug out a spring for livestock, and improved habitat for wildlife. Such tasks have provided the young people with meaningful work, and also a chance to learn about themselves. "The opportunity to take responsibility," says Director Abraham, "lets them grow socially. There have been squabbles, but they have dealt with them and solved their problems."

Besides providing work, another major objective is to give the YCC'ers some environmental

education. They have learned to identify different types of trees, calculated how much life a particular stream would support, taken field trips to a lumber mill, and a PGE dam, and visited with a bird of prey expert.

"They get a hands-on experience," says Cammi Hamilton, Environmental Education Instructor, "and they take class work quite well."

The YCC'ers live in small 5 person cottages segregated by sex. Each YCC has a cot, sleeping bag, and foot locker. At the end of the row of cottages is a trailer with men and women's bathrooms. Two cooks provide substantial meals to keep the YCC'ers going on their busy schedule of working and learning. And oh yes, there is recreation, too. There have been volleyball tournaments, dances, swimming and hiking.

For these young Portlanders, Camp Clackamas Lake makes the summer one of discovery.

"The worst thing about YCC, says one camper, "is having to go home."

Applications will be accepted now through March 15th for about 1,000 jobs with the Youth Conservation Corps (YCC) in Oregon this summer.

The youth work program is operated by Oregon State Parks, several Bureaus of the Interior

Department, and the U.S. Forest Service. The YCC provides jobs during the summer for persons at least 15 and not yet 19 years of age.

The YCC is open to youth of all racial and economic backgrounds, yet applicants should have an interest in the natural environment. Selections for jobs will be by statewide random drawings by computer.

Former YCC participants are not eligible for a second year, but may apply for youth leader positions. Former participants interested in a youth leader position should apply to their former camps.

Participants in the YCC, a work-learn conservation program, are introduced to environmental issues, contribute to their solutions and work with the management and development of public lands.

In past years, the YCC has completed projects involving stream improvements, tree thinning, range fencing, trail construction, fish and wildlife habitat improvement, and construction of recreation facilities.

Young men and women work side by side beginning on or about the last week of June for periods ranging from 4 to 8 weeks. Enrollee pay is based upon the federal minimum wage, with deductions made for room and board at

residential camps.

Persons interested in the program may obtain more information and applications at high schools, state employment offices (Job Service), youth and social organizations, and Forest Service and Interior Bureau offices.

Applications should be sent to: YCC Selection Office, P.O. Box 800, Falls Church, VA 22046.

Debutantes featured

The Red Lion Inn, Jantzen Beach was the scene of the 29th Annual Debutante Ball given by the *Les Femmes* presenting 1980 high school graduates to the community. The Ball serves as the crowning event following extensive leadership training, charitable, civic, and community service which is the purpose of *Les Femmes*.

Theme for the Ball was "Ventures Into The 80s -- Our New Day Begun." Music was furnished by "Velvet." Debutantes were introduced by Miss Rica Brooks, a 1979 Debutante.

Debutantes were: Lavonne Dorsey, Robin Marks, Martha McCoy, Cheryl Newborne, Sisaretta Yvette Talton.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing will be held before the Portland City Planning Commission on the City of Portland's Housing and Community Development Program (HCD) on Tuesday, February 17, 1981 at 7:30 p.m., in the Planning Bureau Hearings Room, 621 SW Alder, Room 200. This will be the first of two public hearings held before the annual HCD grant application is submitted in April.

Public testimony will be received on:

- The 7th year (1981-82) grant application to the Department of Housing and Urban Development for \$10,802,000 in Community Development Block Grant funds;

- The revised Citizen Participation Plan for the Housing and Community Development program dated September, 1980;

- Proposed policy amendments to the 3-year Community Development Plan adopted April 11, 1979.

Changes, modifications and comments will be considered in preparing final documents for approval by the Portland City Council.

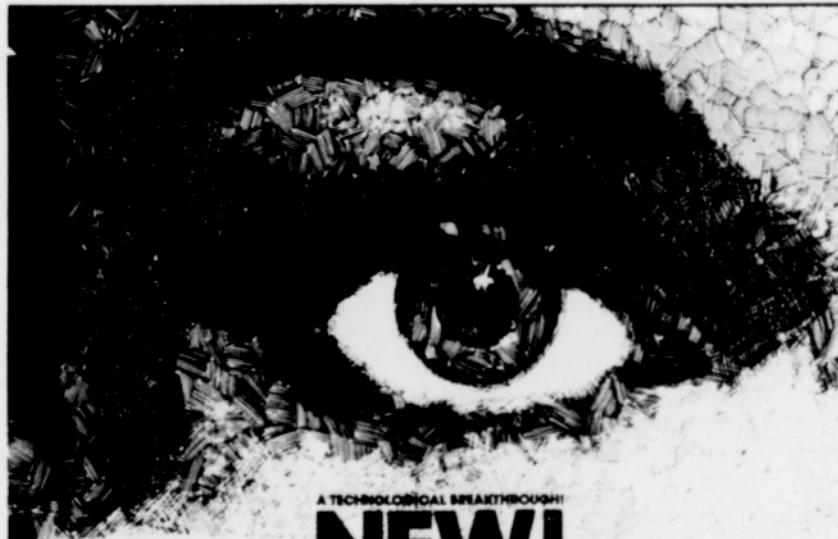
If you are unable to attend, or would like to provide your comments in advance, citizens may send written comments directly to the Planning Commission by addressing them to:

Portland City Planning Commission
621 SW Alder, 2nd Floor
Portland, Oregon 97204

Please identify the material as regarding the February 17 HCD hearing.

Further information or copies of the above documents can be received by calling Connie Lively-Trudeau, HCD Program, at 248-5353.

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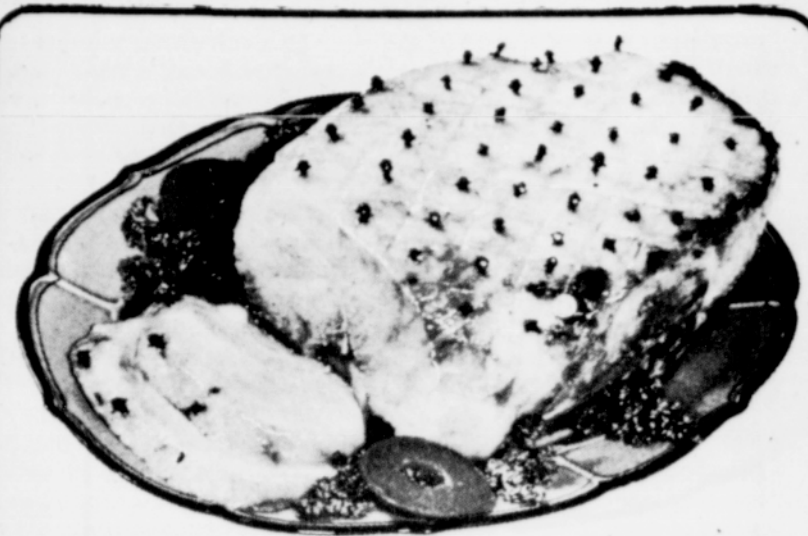
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Citizen of the Week



Torrae Harry, a student employee of Bonneville Power Administration Company recently received a monetary award from the Management Service Computer Operations Section.

The award consisted of a check of \$100, and a certificate for outstanding works.

Torrae, a fifteen (15) year old sophomore at Benson High School, and the son of Barbara Harry, was awarded this check and certificate by a combination of managers at Bonneville Power Company. They stated that "Torrae has contributed highly to our organization during the current summer months."

This was the first award to be given to any Black youth in the summer program.

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