

Walkathon aids local groups

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc. will sponsor the first annual Albina Neighborhood Walkathon on Sept. 26th. The first event of its kind in this community, the Walkathon is billed as a "self-help" effort to aid many of the social service agencies serving this community.

"There are difficult times ahead; many of the agencies will have reduced funds. We are asking the support of the community to help our

own," Kenny Adair, coordinator of the project said.

The Omegas are calling on all able-bodied persons to participate by obtaining a sponsor sheet form and asking businesses, organizations and individuals to donate a specified amount of money for each mile walked.

Proceeds will go to the Senior Adult Service Center, the Black Education Center, Community Care, Food Bank, Urban League and the Omega Psi Phi Scholarship

and Service Fund.

The Walkathon will begin at 12 noon at Irving Park, corner of NE 7th and Fremont St. The route will extend six miles through the Albina community.

Forms can be picked up at the Portland Community College business office, 705 N Killingsworth, or will be personally delivered. For additional information call Kenny Adair at 287-7691 evenings, or 224-6111 ext. 305 days.

Energy workshops begin

An innovative approach to the dilemma of rising energy costs has excited inner Northeast and Southeast Portland residents. A wide variety of community groups have joined forces to develop the Portland Community Energy Project, a series of do-it-yourself weatherization workshops for renters and low-income homeowners.

Since their inception, most weatherization loans or programs haven't been able to reach some of us who need help most. The workshops are designed for those of us who can't qualify for the loans or who are renting. These people often think there is nothing they can do on their own to their homes to lower their heating bills.

Meg Roland, a VISTA worker for Responsible Urban Neighborhood Technology who introduced the idea to the community, disagreed.

"The idea originated with a community group back East. As soon as I read about it I knew it was a good project for Portland because of the strong sense of self-determination in many of the communities," she said.

Interest in the project has gotten many business and community-based organizations involved and working together that haven't shared common goals in the past. Churches, utilities, social agencies,

contractors, hardware stores, and advocacy agencies are working together providing expertise, services or materials to the project.

Materials donated by local hardware stores and contractors will be used on private homes, The People's Food Store and the Sellwood Boys' Club, all sites for the hands-on workshops.

Volunteers from Pacific Power are working with members of Rose City Ratepayers Union and Fair Share on the outreach and workshop manuals. Even the Portland Energy Office and Commissioner Mike Lindberg have expressed an interest in the project and have offered assistance.

The whole idea behind the project is neighbors helping neighbors to help themselves. Roland said, "We hope that this experience will be so satisfying for everyone involved that similar projects can be done later."

Local experts will be used to run the eight hands-on workshops and eight information seminars. A seminar and workshop will alternate weekly from Southeast to Northeast with local organizations in each area sponsoring and providing the site for the workshop.

The workshops will run four hours on Saturdays. They will show how and where to caulk, weather-strip, replace broken window panes,

build inexpensive storm windows, and insulate. They will also provide information on where to get free audits, and information on weatherization, materials, conservation, and tax credits.

The information seminars will be held on Tuesdays, and will cover all the information in the workshops in more detail, without the hands-on work. There will also be a complete weatherization manual and directory available.

The project also offers an information hot line for do-it-yourselfers who run into problems weatherizing their homes or getting information on materials.

Since many homeowners and most renters don't have the necessary tools for weatherizing themselves, the project will have tools available through a tool lending library.

For more information contact the Energy House, 3116 North Williams, Portland, OR 97227, 284-7868.



An
Invitation

The Black Staff of Portland Community College and the Oregon Alliance of Black Educators are co-sponsoring a reception to welcome the new Vice-President of Educational Services, Dr. Paul Williams, and his family. This is an important event because Dr. Williams is the first Black professional to be appointed to a top management position within the P.C.C. system.

An open invitation is extended to everyone in the community to share in welcoming Dr. Williams.

The reception will be held on Sunday, September 20th, in the P.C.C. Cascade Campus cafeteria, 705 N. Killingsworth, from 3 pm to 6 pm. Music and refreshments will be provided.

Leonard topples Hearns

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the ropes. It was all over. Sugar Ray showed the world that in the ring he can do whatever he wishes, be it skillful boxing or powerful punching. Hearns was simply over-matched.

Give credit to the producers, for they led the masses to believe Tommy Hearns to be more than he ac-

tually was. Now they are laughing all the way to the bank, while all those they led to believe in Hearns are crying all the way to the poor-house.

Hearns is good but Leonard is the best fighter pound for pound to lace on a pair of gloves. Eat your heart out Luigi Pasquale.

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