



Don Moore, representative of Computerland in Tigard, explains computer techniques to Kim Martin (seated), Samuel Bernal and Robert Kellerhals (in doorway).

4-H conducts program

A 4-H pilot "Learn to Earn" program is underway in Portland's Albina district to test the feasibility of training young people in landscape care and maintenance for part-time employment.

Conducted by the Oregon State University Extension Service with the support of a small grant from the Jackson Foundation, six young men, ages 14 to 16, are being paid while they learn, reports William Boldt, Extension Youth Specialist.

The young men, recruited through the 4-H urban program in Portland, are receiving 80 hours of instruction in yard maintenance and care, small engine repair, leader-

ship, safety and business practices. Half of the instructional time will be spent in obtaining practical experience.

Lance Glover, 4-H program assistant, is leading the project under the direction of Ira Mumford, OSU Multnomah County Extension agent.

"Although six people are a small number in an area of high youth unemployment, we hope that what we learn this year can be applied on a much larger scale in 1983," Boldt said.

This initial group will be testing the new 4-H "Learn to Earn" materials which became available this

year through the National 4-H Council. The Toro Company supported development of the materials at the national level.

"One test of the effectiveness of the materials and training at the end of the four-week training period will be whether or not the young men are able to obtain part-time jobs in landscape care and maintenance," Boldt points out.

The Extension Service staff will also evaluate how well the instructional materials and plan worked.

A similar program, but one in which participants will not receive a stipend while being trained, is scheduled next fall for Clackamas County.

Mastering the college financial course

You can ride the college tuition escalator without falling off. Financial writer Roger advised in the May issue of Families, "Don't lose heart. Ironically, in these worst times for college costs, it's still the best of times for scrounging around for various loans, scholarships, work-study aids and other resources for meeting those costs."

Harris points out that if you don't qualify for a Guaranteed Student Loan or the National Direct Student Loan programs, you might check the Auxiliary Loan to Assist Students. According to Harris, "Like the federal student loans, this loan

plan is guaranteed by the government—only if carries a 14 per cent interest rate."

And scholarships are out there. "In fact," he writes, "there's an estimated billion dollars a year in scholarship and tuition-assistance grants waiting to be plucked from various donors."

The trick is to find out who is doing the offering. Consult high school and college financial aid offices, your state department of education, and local civic and professional organizations to see what they offer. Don't be reluctant to apply. Most scholarship committees don't expect applicants to have ge-

nus IQs.

And since housing costs play a large part in the rising cost of college, you might want to consider cooperative housing. Students can trade their labor for cost savings. In one cooperative house at the University of Michigan students were able to lop \$450-\$500 off the normal dormitory bill for the school year by working a mere four to six hours a week.

Harris compares searching for all the available financial aid to taking a course: "There's plenty of hard work involved, but if you master the course, it could be the most important grade of your financial life."

Upward Bound celebrates successes

by Claudia Fisher

July 30 brought celebration of individual and group achievement at the completion of the course-work phase of this summer's Upward Bound program at Portland State University. Fifty students from families with low incomes were chosen to participate in the program's second year of preparing students for post high school education.

Enrollees in the PSU program, from federal government assigned schools including Lincoln, Marshall and Wilson High Schools, are 60-70 per cent black and 20 per cent S.E. Asian with the remainder Hispanic and white. Students from other city schools attend similar programs at the University of Oregon and Pacific University. While students were recruited in the past, there is now a waiting list of 40-50 students.

Students interested in the PSU Upward Bound program must compete for fifty positions based on potential for academic achievement in college and on attitude. In addition, low-income guidelines, set by the U.S. Department of Education, must be met. A family of four qualifies if annual income does not exceed \$8,600.

The PSU program stresses math, English, and study skills like note-taking, text-scanning and using the library. In addition, says Armando Laguardia, whose dedication and enthusiasm are immediately apparent, students can specialize in computer study and journalism and are offered electives in Spanish, U.S. ethnicity, art, oral history and career exploration. Weekend field trips include visits to the Oregon coast, the Ashland Shakespeare Festival, Portland cultural events and steelhead fishing trips. PSU library and recreational facilities are also open to enrollees.

Laguardia was the first black Upward Bound graduate to receive a degree, following emigration from Cuba and graduation in 1965 from Jefferson High School where he participated in Upward Bound. He says the program has changed and that the PSU program differs from others. Laguardia, who completed a master's degree in educational curriculum, has worked to develop a year-round, continuous skill building program. During the regular school year students attend Saturday tutorial programs if desired, or if their GPA falls below 2.5. Three times a year outside speakers visit and high school groups meet monthly for discussion.

Students receive staff guidance and information with stress placed on students accepting responsibility for directing their own futures and for viewing education as an active rather than passive process. Though too soon, says Laguardia, to predict college success of students in the two-year-old PSU program, nationally 90 per cent enroll in college and fare better than average in academics and continued attendance. This year, every graduating student in the PSU program will begin post-high school education.

Students perform

July 30 was Presentation Day for students and staff. Energy and close bonds between students, staff and parents were evident as the program's and students' accomplishment were dramatized. Counselor Peggy Adams proclaimed the day one of celebration among the diverse people and personalities contributing to the program.

In a "highly integrated, intellectual, physical and emotional experience," with cooperative effort between staff, students and parents, enrollees "took a step not just toward college life, but toward knowing themselves, respecting others, and learning to listen and communicate," said staff.

Presentation Day included student interpretive readings, original poetry and essay reading by Alina Malray, Phung Dang, Stephina Waldron, Vinh Nguyen, Cindy Kinaman, Lisa Blackman, Gloria Dempsey and Regina Johnson. To an amused audience, Troy Thurgood and Larry Porter presented "the loser's approach" to a job interview. Jackie Huskey, interviewing staff member Paul Franklin

showing the right approach, concluded with the quip, "I'm sorry, but we don't hire grownups."

Spanish songs were sung, T-shirt silkscreening was described, computer equipment was displayed, and Purnell Marks, obviously chosen for his ability to entertain with wit and humor, provided "commercial messages."

One prolific poet, Stephina Waldron, read two of her moving poems, "Too Young to Understand," and "Black, Women, Child." Vinh Nguyen read his essay on "Differences between Vietnamese and American young people."

Nolan Kellerhals described Irish immigrant arrival to the U.S. and their climb out of poverty. Dana Harris, Melody Johnson and Robert Kellerhals described the history of Jews expelled from Palestine, travels to European countries and then arrival and success in the U.S.

Manuel Bernal described the employment he'll begin this summer and, in an impromptu recitation of an original poem, thanked the staff of the program:

We are like a school of fish.

We mustn't spread apart or we will lose ourselves in the vast sea.

So we must stay with the main fish of Upward Bound, For we are here for the world to see.

Awards banquet

The day ended with an evening Awards Banquet at Westminster Presbyterian Church. The "Strawberry Gamblers," 12-18 year old singing sisters managed by their father, provided entertainment.

Awards were presented for Most Improved Students in English, math and computers. English awards went to Houmphan Vongsa, Samuel Bernal and Dana Harris. Math awards went to Cheryl McGinnis, Ray Mitchell and Vinh Nguyen. Kim Martin received the Most Improved Computer Student Award with Nolan Kellerhals receiving the Best Computer Student Award.

Upward Bound Spirit Awards went to Stephina Waldron and Samuel Bernal. Perfect Attendance Awards were given to Phung Dang, Amh Tran, Carrie Love, Dana Harris, Houmphan Vongsa and Ray Mitchell. Most Helpful Student

Awards were presented to Natalie White, Larry White and Samuel Bernal.

Students to gain experience

With six weeks of summer classes accomplished, Upward Bound students will begin a month of entry-level work experience in areas including law, banking and finance, medicine and health, public services, and computer technology. CETA grant funds allow them to experience two weeks each of public agency and private sector career areas.

Public and private placements include: University of Oregon Health Sciences, Portland State University, U.S. Forestry Service, USAF ROTC, U. of O. Radiology, Army Corps of Engineers, Burnside Community Council, Portland Civic Theater, Providence Hospital, Peninsula Park, Brady Trophy Co., NW Ex-Offenders, U.S. Bank, John Powers School, Forest Jenkins Insurance, Steve Wright Construction, Qualitytype, Fire Service, Jean Fegan school, Esquire Motors, Oregon Trek, and two attorneys. Private sector involvement is not

limited to job experience assistance. Laguardia lauded the continuing assistance of firms including International Business Machines Corporation's local distributor in Tigard, Computerland, which loaned the program a computer terminal, a printout machine, programming, and a representative to explain it all. Pacific Northwest Bell Telephone Co. donated 50 instruction manuals and a computer terminal. U.S. Bancorp provided funds to hook the terminals to local computers via telephone lines. Tektronix will provide a tour of its Wilsonville facilities and demonstrations of computer graphic products used in manufacturing, engineering, science and presentation graphics.

Funding in jeopardy

Funding for the two-year-old Upward Bound Program will continue one more year. However, despite successes, the Reagan administration has cut nationwide funding two-thirds from \$66 million in 1981 to \$24 million in 1983. Extensive private sector involvement is touted these days, but thus far it is no means for survival for this program despite commitment and success.

POLICE OFFICER

\$1,648 starting per month

\$2349 after 5 yrs. service



The Portland Police Bureau's Minority Recruiting Unit is seeking qualified minorities and women for the position.

If you are interested in a career in law enforcement and are 21 years or older, have a high school diploma or G.E.D., are a U.S. citizen and have no felony convictions, the Bureau is interested in you.

Applications are now being accepted at Portland Civil Service 510 SW Montgomery, Portland, Oregon between the hours of 8:00 and 5:00. Registration must be done in person. Applicants will be notified by mail as to test date.

For further information contact:

Officer Paul Maxey, 248-5653, Personnel Division
222 S.W. Pine Street, Portland, Oregon