

# METROPOLITAN

## Sisters to open children's bookstore

by Nathaniel Scott

Union Avenue, with the exception of a few unsavory things, such as prostitution, is fast becoming an avenue the Northeast community can be proud of.

In the near future, August 24th to be exact, according to sisters Pamela M. Russ-Glaster and Peggy Russ-Williams, a children's bookstore, the Gingerbread Bookhouse, will open at 3117 N.E. Union Avenue. The location is across the street from Union Plaza.

The Gingerbread Bookhouse, "An outgrowth of a need, will be a multi-culture children's bookstore," Russ-Glaster said. The focus of the bookstore will be Black, Hispanic, Native American, Asian and South Pacific literature, but, there will be children's books to meet the needs of the general public.

More over, the enterprising venture will incorporate, under one roof, a bookstore, an art gallery, and a playroom and reading center for children, she said.

"We are trying to provide an atmosphere where children can come and read in comfort," Russ-Glaster maintained. Such categories as fairy tales, plays, make believe, fiction, non-fiction, legend, folk tales, drama and poetry, we hope, "Will stimulate the idea and concept that reading is fun."

The idea for the Gingerbread Bookhouse began with the sisters, but it has since become "a family operation," Russ-Glaster said. In addition to a \$10,000 small business loan from the Oregon Bank, they held a month-long flea market which took in \$2,000. She added, "All of the merchandise (sold at the flea market) was donated by people



Peggy Russ-Williams and Pamela M. Russ-Glaster proudly show the location of their new children's bookstore on Union Avenue. The store will open on Friday, August 24th. (Photo: Richard J. Brown)

in the North/Northeast community."

Russ-Williams said presently they have an inventory of 800 books and when they open, the inventory will be at least 4,300 books. "We are dealing with publishers in New York (City), Chicago, San Francisco and other parts of the world," she said. "The store will also have a women's center. Why? Because being a Black female, I feel it's important that we have books on and about ourselves."

"The difference between our bookstore and the ones that now exist in Portland is, we will have a variety of books for minorities at a reasonable rate."



(l-r) Kris Altucher, Farmers Market; Mary Edwards, Gleaning and Preservation project; Kate Sears, project assistant; Dee Walsh, Neighborhood Self-help project; Maureen Karigan, Kitchen Accessibility project; Stephen Schneider, Shared Housing and Jude Niederhopher, Neil Kelly. (Photo: Richard J. Brown)

## Self-help efforts win

Portland received a National Merit Award, Monday, from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

The award honored the Portland Bureau of Community Development's Neighborhood Self-Help Program.

The competition involved over ten thousands projects in hundreds of cities, and Portland was among the 80 finalists.

Seven Portland organizations with completed self-help projects were honored at the awards ceremony. They were the Shared Housing Program of the Center for Urban Education, the Eliot Energy House, The Portland Farmers

Market, sponsored by RAIN Community Resources, the Brooklyn Community Garden, the Gleaning and Preservation Project sponsored by Oregon Gleaners, the Kitchen Accessibility Project of the United Cerebral Palsy Association, and Project Assist sponsored by the North Portland Youth Service Center.

The neighborhood self-help program makes available one-time Community Development Block Grants averaging \$5,000 to get the projects started. Most of the projects are in low-income neighborhoods and help residents meet some basic need. Volunteer labor and donated materials are encouraged.



Young child holds candle at Waterfront Park service Sunday evening to commemorate the bombing of Hiroshima. The candlelight ceremony followed a rally at Terry Shrunken Plaza. (Photo: Kris Altucher)

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