

METROPOLITAN

Rides to the polls provided for voters

Getting voters to the polls on election day will be the joint project of a coalition of non-partisan voter registration organizations. Voters who need rides to the polls, child care, or assistance in marking their ballots can get help by calling 284-1715 or 231-7158. A volunteer will arrange a convenient time to assist each voter.

"Many new voters will be voting for the first time," predicted Pam Smith of the Oregon Rainbow Organizing Committee, one of the participating organizations. "Many of those people will not have access to transportation or child care. We don't want to see anyone stay home because it is too difficult to vote. For anyone who has the will to vote, we'll find the way to make it happen," she promised.

Voters who anticipate difficulty in getting to the polls can request an absentee ballot and vote by mail by calling either the Multnomah County Elections Office, 248-3720, or the numbers listed above. Absentee ballot applications will be sent, and when filled out and returned to the Elections Office at 1040 SE Morrison, Portland 97214, ballots will be mailed back to the voters. Absentee ballots should be mailed back to the Elections Office no later than

Friday, November 2, so they will be received before the polls close on election day.

Rides to the polls and child care will be provided by volunteers working in one of the four quadrants of the Greater Portland area. North/Northeast Portland will be coordinated by the Rainbow Coalition (284-1715); Northwest and Southeast will be coordinated by Oregon Human SERVE at the Urban League (280-2600); Southwest and Washington County will be coordinated by Northwest Oregon Voter Registration Project (238-3539). In the Burnside and downtown area, Baloney Joe's will be operating a bus to take people to the polls; call 231-7158 for information.

"Getting voters to the polls on election day is the most essential aspect of any voter registration project," said Margot E. Beutler, campaign director of Oregon Human SERVE. "Although Oregon enjoys higher voter turnout than the rest of the nation, in 1980 385,000 Oregonians who were registered did not bother to vote. We're doing everything we can to make sure this doesn't happen in 1984."

Anyone interested in helping with rides or child care should call 284-1715 or 231-7158.



Bob Douglas, Director of Maintenance for the Banfield Light Rail Project was on hand to welcome news people for a reception and sneak preview ride on one of Tri-Met's first light rail vehicles. The event was held at the Ruby Junction facility in Gresham.

(Photo: Richard J. Brown)

NAACP seeks candidates

The Portland Branch NAACP met Sunday, October 21, at the Mt. Sinai Baptist Church. The speaker of the day was Barbara Roberts, candidate for Secretary of State.

The branch began its election process by selecting the nominating committee. They are Bobbie Nunn, Legal Redress Chair and Thomas Vickers, former Branch president and new Education chair. Nunn and Vickers are the required two members representing the Executive Committee. Others elected are Mrs. Jewell White, Mrs. Joy Hicks and Mrs. V. L. Bush.

The Portland Branch urges anyone interested in serving on the Executive Committee or in being a candidate for office in NAACP to contact the nominating committee

before November 15. Eligibility requirements are 30 days membership in the Branch before the nominating meeting, October 19. Anyone 17 years old or more may serve. The Portland Branch may be telephoned Monday thru Friday from 2 to 5 p.m. at 284-7722 or mail to P.O. Box 11367, Portland, OR 97211.

The next Branch meeting on November 18 will receive the report of the Nominating Committee and nominations from the floor are made at that time. The meeting is at 4:00 p.m. at the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, 116 N.E. Schuyler.

An election supervisory committee is elected Nov. 18. The Branch election will be held at 4:00 p.m. December 9 at Hughes Memorial Methodist Church, 111 NE Failing.



Mayor Francis Ivancie announced the expansion of a program for small business at the Portland Community College Cascade Campus. After four months of operation the Cascade Business Development Corporation has leased all available space and remodeling of the Peninsula Hall building is underway. The incubator program has now received additional funding support to allow development of up to a dozen new businesses. With Ivancie at the press conference were Portland Community College President, John H. Anthony and Portland Development Commission Director, Steve Peterson (from left.)

What should be cut by city?

What programs should the City of Portland cut in order to reduce its general fund expenditures by 40 percent if Ballot Measure 2 passes? Portland residents will have the opportunity to answer that question at Alameda Community School, 2732 N.E. Fremont on October 23, 1984 from 7 to 9 p.m.

For more information on this meeting, additional written material or speakers for group meetings on the impact of Ballot Measure 2 on the City of Portland, call Sue Klobertanz at 248-4523.

(Sponsored by the City of Portland Citizens Budget Advisory Coordinating Committee.)

Legal clinic celebrates 5th year

Friends and associates will celebrate the St. Andrew Legal Clinic's fifth anniversary of service on Friday, October 26, 1984 from 4:30 to 7:00 p.m., at the clinic's offices, 807 Northeast Alberta Street, Portland. A public interest law firm, St. Andrew Legal Clinic pro-


vides legal services on a sliding fee to people of low and modest incomes. For information about the upcoming open house, or about services provided by the St. Andrew Legal Clinic, interested persons may telephone 281-1500.

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