

PCC building named for Rev. John H. Jackson

Aid to runaway youth centers totals \$651,665

Reverend John H. Jackson, pastor of Mount Olivet Baptist Church in Northeast Portland, collects trophies and hangs certificates on his office wall.

More certificates filed away in an envelope simply won't fit on the crowded wall.

What do they all represent? Simply a commitment to the Black community, especially the youth.

As a tribute to Reverend Jackson's involvement in the community and his dedication to education and job training, the Portland Community College Board of Directors voted to name the new Cascade Campus building after Reverend Jackson.

Dedication of the building is set for Friday, Oct. 25, at 3 p.m. The public is invited to attend the ceremonies at 205 N. Killingsworth.

The trophies in the church office represent winning teams, most of them basketball. "Good sportsmanship is so important for youth to learn," Reverend Jackson said. He has had church teams in both Baptist leagues and the city league.

Jackson expressed some dissatisfaction with famous sports people,

however. "I'm concerned about this dope stuff," he said, "and how athletes spend their money. When they finish up as an athlete they don't have any money left."

Jackson has great pride in his own church athletes and pulled out his address book to talk about one of his favorites, now in Denver.

A big commitment to education, especially as it relates to jobs, permeates much of Reverend Jackson's community service.

Shortly after moving to Portland he helped organize the Portland Opportunity Industrial Center (POIC), patterned after a Philadelphia model run by a former New York classmate.

"When I came here there weren't many Black teachers and I started to work on increasing the skills so we could change that situation," Reverend Jackson said.

Through the Council of Churches Reverend Jackson worked to get drop-outs into POIC. "We were trying to find youngsters that wouldn't regularly go to school," he said.

The next step was to work through the Model Cities program, and Reverend Jackson said that was his first introduction to PCC. "A lot of the Model Cities money went to PCC for training projects," he said.

Reverend Jackson takes pride in the work of the Albina Ministerial Alli-

ance. "We put over a million dollars into the community each year," he reported. Many of the projects are youth oriented, starting with preschool programs.

One of the premier programs of the Alliance, according to Reverend Jackson, is the self-enhancement program which prepares student athletes for high school and college.

Through foundation grants and fund-raisers the Alliance sponsors a summer basketball camp which attracts students with poor grades who like to play basketball. Not only do they leave with sportsmanship-like attitudes, but they gain academic achievements.

Reverend Jackson expressed thoughts about political changes in the neighborhood over the year, as well as philosophy about education and jobs.

"We've worked to set the groundwork for real representation," he said. "Blacks have learned how to impact the system, not just sit on boards as representatives."

A continuing concern for the youth in the community backs each statement made by Reverend Jackson. A locked door into his office area was recommended by the police. "We shouldn't be judgmental about that," he said. "Jobs are so hard to get; you can't blame the youth for the stealing that occurs."



REV. JOHN H. JACKSON

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services announced grants totalling \$651,665 for 14 runaway youth centers in the Department's Region X which includes Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington.

The grants will enable the centers to provide basic temporary shelter for runaway and homeless, youth and counseling and on-going aftercare services for runaway and homeless youth and their families.

The grants are being awarded by the HHS Regional Office under the Runaway and Homeless Youth Act which is administered by the Administration for Children, Youth and Families, a constituent agency of HHS' Office of Human Development Services.

The runaway centers are among some 273 currently being assisted throughout the country by \$18 million in HHS funding. Nationally, the centers serve about 305,000 runaway and homeless youth each year on either an overnight stay or drop-in basis.

The grantees that have been approved for awards include Jamis Youth Programs, Inc., in Portland, which received a \$74,032 grant.

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Park Block dedicated as peace memorial

This block, on which is located the sculpture "PeaceChant," has been dedicated by the Portland City Council to the cause of peace, at the urging of Generations for Peace and the people of Portland. Through their unanimous action, the City Council created the first known peace memorial in the State of Oregon. May 15, 1985

Text of plaque marker commemorating Peace Memorial

A military bugler and color guard will initiate the dedication of Portland's Peace Plaza on Thursday, Oct. 24, at 10:00 a.m. Three downtown churches will join the celebration with simultaneous bell-ringing.

The ceremony will take place on the park site between S.W. Jefferson and Columbia, with Pastor Joe Smith as master of ceremonies. Mayor Bud Clark and Commissioner Mike Lindberg will participate along with Generations for Peace members John Whiteneck, Rabbi Joshua Stampfer and John Bentley.

The public is invited. First Presbyterian, First Methodist and the First Congregational Churches will participate in the bell ringing.

Pastor Joe Smith is pastor of St. James Lutheran Church across from Peace Plaza; John Whiteneck is the founder of Generations for Peace; Rabbi Joshua Stampfer of Congregation Neveh Shalom is vice president of Generations for Peace; John Bentley is a board member of Generations for Peace.

Minority business in Oregon

A state-wide conference and workshop on resources for minority business in Oregon sponsored by Oregon Task Force on Entrepreneurship, Oregon Department of Education, Oregon Alliance for Program Improvement, Small Business Administration, Minority Small Business Administration, Washington, D.C., Oregon Small Business Development Center Network, National Center for Research in Vocational Education and Northwest Regional Educational Laboratory will be held Tuesday, Oct. 29, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Monarch Inn in Milwaukie, Oregon.

The conference will focus on the most urgent needs of minority business and resources available to provide solutions to those problems. Keynote speakers are Douglas W. Bennett, Certified Management Consultant, Martech Associates; and Grace Gallegos, Vice-President of Impact, Inc. Outstanding leaders in minority business will be featured panelists. Group discussions will be led by representatives from agencies providing services to minority business.

Registration information is available by calling 754-2179 at Oregon State University. Registration fee for the conference is \$55.00.

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