

Songwriters workshop

Portland has had a growing need to establish an organization dedicated to the encouragement, support and education of songwriters.

The newly-created Portland Songwriters Association (PSA) has been established to meet this need within the Portland-Vancouver metropolitan area. The PSA is a non-profit organization dedicated to educating songwriters through workshops, seminars, and showcases of all aspects of the music world, from creativity to the business aspects.

The PSA Songwriters Workshop is scheduled to take place Dec. 17 beginning at 7:20 p.m. It will be held at Rex Recording Studios, 1931 S.E. Morrison. All interested songwriters are encouraged to attend free of charge. For information, call Gary Perman, 236-0590.

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Marilyn McCoo, back again for the fourth consecutive year to co-host the "Lou Rawls Parade of Stars" sings a medley of songs from motion pictures on the show. The Oregon telethon will be chaired by Lucious Hicks and coordinated by Faye Burch. Local fundraising activities include several pre-telethon parties, and on Dec. 28, an Aerobics Marathon at the Olympian Fitness Center. Contact Junior Johnson for more information at 287-9883, and a viewing party given by AKA Sorority.

Volunteers needed

It is now time to begin recruiting studio volunteers for the Lou Rawls Parade of Stars TV special to benefit the United Negro College Fund (UNCF). Your active participation is what makes our fund-raising special successful. We hope you will be able to volunteer again this year.

The 1985 TV special is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 28, from 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. on KPTV Channel 12. We need studio volunteers to work in the following areas:

1. RECEPTIONISTS: Check in all volunteers and guests.
2. TELEPHONE OPERATORS: Record on-air telephone pledges.
3. RUNNERS: Escort visitors and volunteers to appropriate areas and/or pick up and deliver completed telephone pledge forms.
4. VERIFIERS: Copy information from delivered pledge forms.
5. ACCOUNTING: Tabulation of pledges.

You will need to attend one training session prior to the TV special for specific instructions regarding your area assignment. If you are interested in Receptionist, Telephone Operator, or Runner, please attend the training session on Monday, Dec. 16, at 6:00 p.m., Sylvan Learning Center, 4300 N.E. Fremont. If your interest is Accounting, please attend accounting briefing Thursday, Dec. 12, at 5:30 p.m., 2nd floor conference room, Pacific Northwest Bell Building, 421 S.W. Oak.

We look forward to seeing you at the 1985 Lou Rawls Parade of Stars TV SPECIAL. With your continued support, we can help over 50,000 students attending UNCF colleges and universities. Remember, "A mind is a terrible thing to waste."

Jazzy party

On Friday, Dec. 20 there will be "A Jazzy Christmas Party" at the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center (IFCC), 5340 N. Interstate, to raise additional funds needed to mount the IFCC's upcoming production of *The Resurrection of Lady Lester: A Poetic Mood Song Based on the Legend of Lester Young*.

Doors open and festivities begin at 7:30 p.m. with a showing of the short film *Jammin' the Blues*, a classic forties jam session featuring Lester Young himself, along with Illinois Jacquet, Red Callender, Jo Jones, and other jazz musicians.

Other entertainment during the evening will include Dino Franks on

piano with vocalists Julianne Johnson and Brenda Phillips; a performance of Ed Bullins' short comedy *How Do You Do?* by PassinArt; A Theatre Company; and robust, satirical Christmas carols by the Fallen Angel Choir. Pre-recorded jazz, blues and funk will be provided throughout the evening by KBOO disc jockeys George Page, Ken Berry and Dupree Casey, and the stage area will be cleared for dancing.

Tickets to "A Jazzy Christmas Party" are only \$5 at the door, and there will also be a no-host bar with beer, wine, cider and coffee, as well as free popcorn. For further information, call the IFCC at 243-7930, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday through Saturday.

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Rick Mitchell released

It was brought to my attention that the current music writer for the *Oregonian*, Rick Mitchell, is going to be replaced in mid-January by a music writer from Bellingham, WA (name not known). Rick Mitchell has been holding the position of head music writer since the dismissal of John Wendeborn a few months ago and has since been waiting upon a decision by the *Oregonian* to see if his position would be permanent. But instead of giving him a permanent position, they decided to replace him with someone who knows nothing about Portland or its music scene.

To my knowledge, Rick has been the only music writer for the *Oregonian* that has made it a point to give the Black and White musicians equal coverage. He also knows the music scene and has a relationship with the artists.

We, the public, should be concerned with matters of this nature because it affects all of us. If someone is to represent us, I feel that they should at least know us and our city and state. If you are concerned about this matter, you should address a letter to William Hilliard, *Oregonian* Editor, 1320 S.W. Broadway, Portland, OR 97201.

POSAF Benefit

Obo Addy and Kukrudu will be performing the traditional music of Ghana, West Africa, at Pine Street Theatre on Dec. 15 at 8:00 p.m. Addy has performed in Europe, Australia and the Middle East. The group's performance is enhanced by rich authentic costumes and handcarved instruments from Ghana. The Fallen Angel Choir will also be performing. This joint performance is an anti-apartheid benefit for POSAF (Portlanders Organized for Southern African Freedom). Tickets are available at Bass at Meier and Frank, Music Millennium, Artichoke Music, and House of Sound. For more information call 230-9427.

Miss Tan Pageant

On Sunday, Dec. 22, at 7:00 p.m., the Miss Tan Portland Scholarship Pageant will celebrate its 20th year of pageantry in the city of Portland, at the Cosmopolitan Hotel.

The pageant's theme is "20th Anniversary Celebration—Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow." The five finalists will compete in swimsuit, talent, and evening gown competitions to determine who will be the new Miss Tan. The 1985-86 finalists are Kim Mason, Dalya Hassen, Carla Bryant, Michelle Patterson, and Arya Trotter.

The show will be hosted by Ken Berry, Connie Stokes, and Lavern Davis. A disco dance will follow, music provided by the Berry-Berry Brothers. The public is invited to attend. For ticket information call 288-1662.

Sunday Funk

Cool'R, Portland's hottest Funk band, will be appearing every Sunday throughout December at the Key Largo (31 N.W. First Ave.). So if you want to dance, party or just hear some good music, you should be there. Admission for the Sunday Funk nights is \$3.00 and the music will begin at 9:00 p.m. You must be 21 and over. For the month of January, on Sundays, Cool'R will be alternating with Vision to keep bringing you fine and Funky music.

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