

## Local Business Provides Office Service to Small Businesses

by Jerry Garner

Are you a small business that could use the services of an office, but cannot afford the price? One Stop Word Processing and Business Center could be the place for you.

Located at 3802 N.E. Union Avenue, One Stop provides the following services: telephone answering, typing, copying, mail handling, booking, accounting, direct mail and small business marketing.

"We're looking for the independent entrepreneurs with promising businesses, yet moderate to low profit margins," said O.R. Booker, President of the firm.

Booker said service costs are determined on a volume basis and can be adjusted to the need and/or income of the client. "You only pay for the services you need," says Booker.

According to Booker, it is better for a business to have someone answering their phone for them and say you aren't available at the moment, than to have an answering service with a recorded message advising the caller that you aren't there.

"One Stop Word Processing and Business Center will be your office; it will enable business owners time to do business and make money," said Booker.

The firm is an Oregon Chartered Corporation and has been in business since November of 1985. It is fully staffed by professionals who are paid for the volume of work done rather than by the hour. This, according to Booker, provides clients with a professional service at minimum cost.

"Our prices are very reasonable for the service you receive. For \$350 month, a client can receive 10 or more incoming calls per day, have 10 pieces of mail handled per day, 28 pages of text typed per week, and two payroll periods per month," said Booker.

Like most new businesses, the Center is trying to make the public aware of its presence in the community and provide a good service. Booker said although at the present business is slow, potential growth for his firm is good. Booker urges local small businesses to give his firm a try, especially minority owned establishments.

## YMCA to Sponsor Camp for Disadvantaged Youth

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The North/Inner Northeast YMCA will sponsor 20 low-income youths at a horse camp on May 16-18, according to Fred Miller, Executive Director of the North/Inner Northeast YMCA.

The children were chosen to participate in the free camp based on their standard of living. Many are from single parent families.

Miller said third to fifth grade kids will spend two days at the Double H Horse Camp in Molalla, Oregon. The horse camp is owned by Jim and Diane Hurst.

Miller said the Hursts are strong supporters of the YMCA. Besides providing the horses and camping facilities for the children, the Hursts will provide horses for the St. John parade in May.

The camp will give kids an opportunity to learn about nature and horses.

Camping skills will also be emphasized at the two day gathering. "Equally important, the children will learn about each other," Miller said.

United Grocery will supply food for the children, while YMCA will provide the transportation to and from the camp.

Miller said the YMCA offers many services to all children, regardless of their economic situation. As in previous years, the YMCA will be offering their summer day camp beginning June 16 and lasting throughout the summer. The cost of the camp is \$40 per week. Miller said the YMCA will give 25 scholarships to low-income kids so they can attend summer camp. "We try to offer scholarships in all our programs for low-income youth who can't afford to pay," said Miller.



THE LEVERETTS

Ulysses and Beatrice Leverett celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary by the renewing of the wedding vows.

Ulysses and Beatrice eloped to Ft. Smith, Arkansas on April 12, 1936. The Leveretts resided in Muskogee, Oklahoma for six years and in 1942 moved to Portland, Oregon. Ulysses was employed by the Montgomery Ward Company as a Building Supervisor and retired after thirty-four years of service. Beatrice was employed as a Clerk Librarian II for the Library Association of Portland and retired after twenty-four years of service.

Three children, Ronald, Rosalind and Brenda, were born of this union. They have five grandchildren.

The original best man, James Thompson, participated in the same capacity for the repeating of the wedding vows.

Photo by Richard J. Brown

## Save Our Neighborhoods From Street Crime Campaign

The Save Our Neighborhoods From Street Crime Campaign will hold a rally on Thursday, May 1st, at 7:00 p.m., at the King Facility located at 4815 N.E. 7th. Speakers at the rally will focus on how citizens can get organized to implement crime prevention efforts in their neighborhoods and how they can effect policy issues such as the allocation of police resources and drug abuse prevention in the public schools.

Speakers at the rally will include Ron Herndon, chair of the Rainbow Coalition and Black United Front, Jean DeMaster, Director of Burnside Projects, George Mueller of the Elliot-King Crime Prevention Committee, and Muhammad Najeib of the American Muslim Mission. Inspirational music will be provided by the King School Choir.

The Save Our Neighborhoods From Street Crime Committee is made up of residents from all areas of Portland. The work of the committee is assisted by Ed Blackburn, Street Crime Prevention Organizer, a position funded by a Federal grant and administered by the city of Portland.



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Pacific Northwest Bell is aware that many of our customers are concerned about the problem of crime in Portland.

PNB's employees are also concerned.

We encourage our employees, our customers and all citizens of Portland to become involved in their community, to help reduce the problem of crime, and to make Portland an even better place to live and work.

We encourage you to attend

## The Save Our Neighborhoods from Street Crime Rally

Thursday, May 1st 7:00 P.M. at the King Neighborhood Facility Located at 4815 N.E. 7th. Residents from all areas of Portland are encourage to attend.

Find out how you get organized to FIGHT CRIME!

We urge you to become involved in the Neighborhood Watch Program. For information call the Office of Neighborhood Associations at 248-4519.

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