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Presidents Address Black Group

by Jerry Garner

The Presidents of Portland Community College (PCC) and Portland State University (PSU) addressed a group of African-American business, social and educational leaders last Tuesday during a reception held at Pacific Power's Hospitality Room, 220 NW Second. The reception was hosted by the Black Leadership Conference.

Daniel F. Moriarty, president of PCC, and Natale Sicuro, president of PSU, told the 100 or so who attended the reception that as heads of the two educational institutions, they will do everything within their power to ensure that the higher education needs of Blacks are addressed.

"I will make sure that educational opportunities are available to the Black communities. In addition, I will seek the advice of Black educational leaders on how best PCC can serve the educational needs of the Black community," said Moriarty.

Moriarty said the community and PCC should form a partnership for achievement. He told the crowd that he is committed both to attracting more Black students to PCC and seeing to it that they achieve once they are enrolled.

Sicuro also pledged his support to the goals and objectives of the African American community. "Presently, PSU has allocated \$500,000 for our Black Studies Department. However, I am not satisfied with the underrepresentation of Blacks on our faculty staff."

Sicuro said he plans to set up a 40-45 member University Advisory Board of community members from all walks of life to be involved integ-



(L-R) Carl Talton, Dr. Natale A. Sicuro, Margaret L. Carter, George E. Richardson and Dr. Daniel F. Moriarty.

Moriarty.

rally in the affairs of the University. He said another priority of his is a "Plan for the 90's". This plan is based on the state's system strategic plan and PSU's mission statement, and to talk extensively with the Foundation Board and development staff about fundraising goals and methods.

Sicuro is the former president of Southern Oregon State College in Ashland, Or. He earned a Ph.D. in Educational Administration from Kent State University in 1964. Sicuro

has served in administrative and faculty positions at Kent State, including Dean of Continuing Education and Associate Provost for Medical Affairs. For two years Sicuro was Manager-in-charge of Educational Consulting for Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co. in Los Angeles. Sicuro was appointed PSU president in July. He replaces Joseph Blumel and is the fifth president in the University's history.

Moriarty is past president of Triton College, River Grove, Illinois.

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He received his Ed.D. in Higher Education from George Washington University, Washington, D.C. He has vast experience in academic and financial administration, institutional administration, institutional development, and economic development and community relations. He was recently nominated to the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges Board of Directors by the National Council of Instructional Administrators and the National Council on Student Development.

Alcohol and Injury-Related Deaths in Oregon

Mixing alcohol with otherwise routine activities can be very dangerous. Alcohol-related injuries accounted for 426 deaths in Oregon during 1985. One-half of these deaths were a result of motor vehicle accidents. As part of its observance of Emergency Medical Services Week, the Oregon Health Division is reminding people that these deaths are avoidable.

Approximately one-half of all persons who died in motor vehicle accidents had alcohol in their blood. Males, aged 21-24, were more likely to have been drinking prior to their fatal motor vehicle accident than persons in any other age group. Of all the people who died in motor vehicle accidents, motorcycle riders were most likely to have been drinking before crashing.

Drownings and watercraft accidents ranked second only to motor vehicle accidents in the number of deaths. Sixty percent of the persons 15 or older who drowned or died in a boating accident had consumed alcohol.

Among all accident victims, there were differences between racial groups as well as geographical areas. Alcohol was related to 79 percent of Indian deaths, 55 percent of Black deaths, and 47 percent of all White deaths. A greater proportion of people living east of the Cascade Range had been drinking before they died of an injury or poisoning than those living west of the mountains.

Alcohol consumption impairs judgement and coordination. It also interferes with the body's ability to withstand impact and repair itself. Avoiding alcohol consumption when driving a motor vehicle, when operating machinery, and when swimming will reduce the number of avoidable deaths in Oregon.

Fifty People Died on Oregon Streets and Highways

September fatalities bring the nine-month 1986 total to 456 compared with 421 last year.

There were five double-fatality accidents in September; two in Deschutes County and one each in Coos, Multnomah and Klamath counties.

Five of the victims were from other states. The toll included six motorcyclists, six pedestrians, nine passengers and 26 drivers. Authorities have not determined the status (driver or passenger) of three of the victims.

Of the six motorcyclists killed, five were wearing helmets. Of those killed in car crashes, incomplete reports indicate that at least 18 were not using seat belts. Six victims who were not using their seat belts were thrown from their cars. Two victims were wearing their seatbelts. One of the 50 victims was a two-month-old baby who was sitting on her mother's lap when the car struck a tree. Oregon law requires that all occupants under 16 years old be in a safety seat or other restraint when riding in a vehicle. The two-month-old was the only fatality victim in September who was under 16.

There was only one traffic fatality in Oregon during the Labor Day holiday which lasted from August 30 through September 1.



Cheese, butter and rice was distributed from Baloney Joe's to over 500 people last Saturday. Photo by Richard J. Brown



Pacific University optometry students screen residents at Baloney Joe's. Photo by Richard J. Brown

Baloney Joe's Distributes Surplus Food to Burnside Residents

by Jerry Garner

Last Saturday, Baloney Joe's donated cheese, butter, and rice to more than 500 people, according to Michael Stoops, Director of Baloney Joe's.

Stoops said since President Reagan took office, more and more people are coming to Baloney Joe's for a variety of services. "I've been doing this work for ten years. Although people were homeless and hungry during the Carter administration, since Reagan became president, more people have been coming to Baloney Joe's and the West Women Hotel seeking food, shelter,

medical and dental care. We're quickly becoming the primary source of care for many of the poor in this city."

Furthermore, he said, those seeking assistance have changed during this same period. Stoops said they are younger, there are more minorities, more chronic mentally ill, children, women, and more families.

"People on the outside world need to realize that the skid row and the Burnside area is no longer the stereotype that we think of; it's all kinds of people," said Stoops.

Stoops said the Reagan administration's attitude that the federal government has no responsibility in dealing with the homeless and those who are hungry in this country is wrong. Saying that it's the responsibility of every church, civic group, state and federal governmental agency.

Stoops was asked how Oregon ranks nationally in caring for the homeless. He replied, "The whole state of Oregon is far ahead of many other states in caring for the homeless. We have some compassionate and caring individuals and churches

in Oregon. However, in Portland, one of the most livable cities in the country, we are still not sheltering and feeding all of the people who need help in the city."

Besides issuing the food last week, about 35 residents were screened at Baloney Joe's for eye

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pathology problems. The screening was done by students from Pacific University, Optometric Clinics, from Forest Grove. Maggie McGuire,

office manager of Eastside Community Medical Clinic, said it was the first time that the clinic offered eye screening at Baloney Joe's.

Hospice Volunteers Needed

Volunteers to work with terminally ill patients and their families are being sought by the Kaiser Permanente Hospice Program. A new training program begins the first week of October.

Especially needed are volunteers to assist patients during the day, and people to work with families who have lost their loved ones.

Free training will be provided through the community Hospice Training Program, supplemented by training at Kaiser Permanente.

For more information or to volunteer, call or write Terry Hashemi, hospice volunteer coordinator, 7201 N. Interstate Ave., Portland, OR 97217; (503) 286-6870.