

# OMEA Conference To Be Held

by Jerry Garner

The third annual Oregon Multicultural Education Association (OMEA) conference will be held February 26-27 at the Nybergh Inn, in Tualatin. "Beyond The Melting Pot... Revitalizing Our Schools Through Multicultural Education" is the theme of the conference.

## N.E. Portland Resident Stabbed To Death

Police arrested a suspect in the stabbing death of a long-time northeast Portland resident after an apparent landlord-tenant related fight.

Gus Glass, 73, was stabbed twice and died at the scene of the altercation at approximately 3 p.m.

George Wills, 64, was arrested and is being held at the Justice Center Jail according to police spokesman Jay Drum. A disagreement erupted when the victim asked the suspect who was a tenant to leave and the suspect refused. The incident occurred at 5623 N.E. 15th Ave. on February 10th.

## ATTENTION

The North Portland Library, 512 N. Killingsworth, will be holding a 5-week "Parenting in the 80's" series. A parent education specialist from Portland Community College will lead the group in discussing such issues as communicating with your child, your child's self-esteem, activities for your child and techniques for positive guidance and discipline.

The series begins Wednesday, February 18th and are held from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. Below is the listing for the North Portland Library:

- 2/18: Being the parent of a 3-7 year old.
  - 2/25: Rainy Day Activities
  - 3/4: Self-Esteem for Children
  - 3/11: Guidance and Discipline
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- Participants will receive 1/2 credit from Portland Community College.

## Winter Mini-Term to Start

Classes will begin throughout the month of February for Mt. Hood Community College's winter mini-term, offering a wide selection of concentrated courses for those whose daily schedules don't fit with a regular academic term.

More than 60 courses make up the mini-term. Start dates range from Feb. 9 to the second week in March, depending on the course length and subject matter.

Business, computers, basic skills and AutoCAD training are among the subjects offered. Also included are a wide variety of community education classes and small business seminars.

Schedules listing the mini-courses are available in the MHCC admissions office. Telephone registration is available for part-time students. For registration or more information on mini-term courses call 667-7392.

## Sharpen Your Job Search Skills

Having trouble finding your way in your job search? Do you want a more challenging job, but don't know how to start finding it? The Job Opportunity Bank, a program of the Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, will hold an informational meeting on Thursday, March 5, 1987, at 7:30 p.m., to introduce PATH-FINDERS. This six session course helps participants in assessing their skills, preparing resumes, interviewing, and other personal marketing skills.

This informational meeting will be held at the Augustana Lutheran Church, N.E. 15th and Knott and is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served. Call 288-1602 for reservations or information.

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This year's conference will include an award dinner to be held Thursday evening, February 26th. Awards will be presented to persons who have demonstrated advocacy, support, development or implementation of multicultural programs during the past year.

Susan Miller, former principal in Gresham School District, now a San Diego consultant, and John Hurst will deliver the evening's keynote address, a multi-media presentation, "Beyond Equity."

According to Dr. Betsy Geddes, OMEA president, "The conference will focus on students facing poten-

tial school failure, school dropout or involvement with the law. These issues will be addressed through speakers and by having classroom teachers share their successful techniques and strategies."

On Friday, the 27th, at 8:30 a.m., there will be keynote presentations and workshops addressing the needs of "At-Risk Students, K-12". The focus will be on those students in danger of dropping out of school, abusing drugs and alcohol, and entering the juvenile justice system. Workshops will focus on programs and materials currently in use in schools throughout Oregon and

Washington. Dr. Matthew Prophet, Superintendent of Portland Public Schools, will address the conference Friday morning. Mako Nakagawa, of the Office of Multicultural and Equity Education, Washington State, will deliver the closing keynote presentation.

Participants of the conference will be able to pick and choose from over 15 individual sessions during the workshops. The conference is open to the public. For further information on the conference, interested parties may contact Dapo Sobomehin at 796-5136 or Betsy Geddes at 280-6415.

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Fitness Classes Offered

The Washington County YMCA offers continuing Adult Aerobic Fitness Classes Monday through Thursday evenings from 6-7 p.m. at the Merle Davies School on 13000

S.W. Farmington Road in Beaverton. The classes are co-ed and are taught by certified YMCA Fitness Instructors.

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# A LOOK AT BLACK HERITAGE

How many Black Americans are you familiar with in the history of our country?

Chances are, not that many because you won't find them in most history books. But Black History Month give us a chance to become aware of the contributions many Black Americans have made in science, medicine, industry, agriculture, literature and more.

Join us in the observation of Black History Month and broaden your knowledge of how we, collectively, as a people have made this country what it is today.

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