

THE ENTERTAINMENT SEEN



It seems like the only time we get together is at a funeral, was the way Robert Butler, of Travel Roberts, explained the impetus for the gatherings that happened in Portland Aug. 26 & 27. Over 250 people, some coming from Texas, Colorado, California and Washington joined friends in Portland for what turned out to be a very successful weekend. Although many people were missed, this time, the organizers don't intend to let that happen at future events. Renewing acquaintances that have spanned as many as 40 years and reliving old times around Portland kept the gatherings buzzing. The week-end started with a reception Saturday evening at IFCC, a picnic at Columbia Park Sunday, where Dunny Miller kept barbecued meat in everyone's fingers (above), and ended with an evening at "Tippin-in".

Photo by Richard J. Brown

Walk-A-Thon

Southwest United Church will sponsor a Walk-A-Thon Saturday, September 12, at Buckman Field, N.E. 12th and Davis, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. All contributions are tax-deductible, and will benefit Burnside Projects' youth shelter and Outside In. For information and sponsor sheets, call 222-9362 or 635-8048.

Second Annual Awards Banquet October 22, 1987

The Awards Banquet will be held at the LLOYD CENTER RED LION. Awards will be presented to various businesses and person in the community. There will be a delicious dinner, soft jazz and a DYNAMIC SPEAKER... all the makings of a great evening! Make plans now to attend the FUND RAISING (the only one) sponsored by the NNEBB. For ticket information, call the office at 240-5323.

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... are invited to attend a meeting on Thursday, Sept. 17th at Shepherd Refrigeration, 3916 N. Williams at 5 p.m. We will be discussing current happenings in that area, what programs are available to businesses in that area, and most exciting, developing a Business Watch and Telephone Tree to help curb crime in the area. Mark this date on your calendar now!

Audition Notice

Auditions will be held for the musical "Working", from the book by Studs Terkel. Please prepare a brief song and read from the script September 17th, 19th or 24th. Call 643-0251 to make an audition appointment. Roles available for six (6) men, six (6) women and one (1) ten-to-twelve-year-old boy. Cast make up is multi-ethnic; performers play multiple roles. "Working" is an Open Door Theatre production presented by the Columbia Theater (2021 SE Hawthorne Ave.) and will be directed by Marty Decker. Performances will run from November 13th through December 19th.

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Remarks at the "Feel 'N' It Jam" September 5, 1987

by Commissioner Dick Bogle

The reason we are all here today is to get high... on music and entertainment, **NOT DRUGS.**

We've had it with drug use, and drug abuse, and drug deals, and drug houses! Those are terms for **pollution**... pollution of mind, body and spirit.

Drugs are widening the gulf of disparity between the "haves" and "have-nots" in our society.

Drugs are making "might-have-beens" out of our young people. We all know someone who has been dragged down by drugs... Someone who **might** have been a star athlete... **might** have gone on to college... **might** have become a force for good in the community.

Instead, that potential is wasted... those dreams, unrealized.

Drug users give up the most basic rewards of a clean life. They wind up caring more for their drugs than they do for their families, their friends. They wind up unable to hold steady jobs. They have unhealthy babies... innocent victims of their addiction.

The bright side is that people like you... people who say **NO** to drugs



... are getting together at rallies like this, and saying **NO** with one voice.

Your voice **IS** being heard... by citizens who are just beginning to work their courage up, to come out strong against the drug profiteers.

Your voice **WILL** be heard... by the dealers, and the suppliers, and all the others who exploit our young people, and sell them into this terrible form of slavery.

To be a free people, we must be free of **drugs**. We must be free to choose our own destiny, and live up to our full potential.

I'd like to quote the first four lines of a poem of hope, written by a street youth who kicked his drug habit:

I've had a hard time...
But I'm starting to see...
That without the dope...
I'm a brand new me.

It is my **personal** hope that by banding together, we will **WIN** the battle to free our neighborhoods of drugs.

Once we do that, we can use those same energies to make **other** changes: More jobs, and job training... educational opportunities... clean and safe neighborhoods, and everything else that's part of the good life.

Let's go for it! Thank you.

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