

Driving 65 MPH in Oregon

On September 27, 1987, Oregon will have a 65 mph speed limit. The new speed limit applies only to I-84 and I-5 outside the urban boundaries of Portland, Salem, Eugene, and Medford. The new law also permits the Department of Transportation to set speeds lower than 65 mph in rural areas for safety reasons. As area of I-5 near Myrtle Creek will be 50 mph and from Ashland to the California border will be 55 mph. All of the areas involved with the reduced speed will be clearly marked with highway signs.

"The new law does not apply to all vehicles," states Major Quillin. "In rural freeway areas trucks, worker transportation buses, and school buses are still limited to 55 mph." Commercial passenger buses such as Greyhound and Trailways will be permitted to travel 65 mph on rural freeways.

The Oregon State Police will not be observing a grace period with the new law. "The media exposure already given to the issue, current flow of traffic, and popularity of the law have served as an education process" states Quillin. "Officers will take action on September 27th."

With the new law also comes higher bail for violations. The bail for speeds of 66-75 mph will be \$57.00, 76-85 mph \$160.00 and over 85 mph will be \$260.00. By authorizing a higher bail schedule it is clear the Oregon Legislature expects the motoring public to obey the new speed limit. "Our officers are looking at strict enforcement of 65 mph on I-5 and I-84, and the 55 mph speed limit in all other areas."

Smoke Detector Give-A-Way to Begin

Who: Portland Fire Bureau/Community and Business Groups.

What: Kick-off of smoke detector give-away by Commissioner Dick Bogle and Fire Chief Kenneth Owens for the Inner Northeast Section of Portland which has only 5% of the population but has 26% of the fire deaths.

Where: 1322 N.E. Dekum (site of a recent house fire in the target area).

When: Thursday, September 24th at 9:00 a.m.

Why: Because the number of people who die from fire is unacceptable; a number of business and community groups have come together to canvas this target area and determine where smoke detectors are needed. These groups include Fred Meyers, Pacific Power & Light Co., The Urban League, Neighborhood Associations, the Albina Ministerial Alliance, Boy Scouts of America, the Mayor's Office and others.

The goal is to make certain that every house in this target area has a working smoke detector. We will be canvassing this area to contact residents and make them aware that low income and elderly residents can get a smoke detector installed free of charge.

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 markings 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.

New Camp Fire Clubs Forming

Camp Fire, Inc., a national youth organization for 77 years, provides enjoyable, educational and exciting activities for boys and girls from kindergarten through high school.

New friends, camping, crafts, trips and helping others are all a part of the fun and adventure awaiting the Camp Fire boy or girl.

New clubs are forming now. To join, return the survey distributed in your school or contact the Portland Area Council of Camp Fire, 718 W. Burnside, Portland, (224-7800).

Free Workshop

A free workshop on giving and receiving criticism effectively will be held on Saturday, September 26, 1987 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Central Northeast Neighbors office, 5540 N.E. Sandy Blvd. The workshop is designed to provide practical experience with positive communication skills that you can use with your family and friends, at work, and in your community. Call the Neighborhood Mediation Center to register at 243-7320. Bring a bag lunch.

The Neighborhood Conflict Management Program working with the Neighborhood Mediation Center is offering this workshop.

Single Parent Support Group

Every Thursday evening, from 7 to 9 p.m., this group offers support and social contact for women and men experiencing Single Parenting. Group discussion will include: Parenting Information, Referrals and Resources, Discipline Techniques, Finding Adequate Day Care.

For more information, contact: Sue Kaastad, 238-8819 or Debbie McFeron, 249-2825.

This group is sponsored by Parents Anonymous and Parents Helping Parents, a United Way Agency.

OPEU Strike Affects Welfare Recipients

Multnomah County Legal Aid Service is concerned about the potential effects of the current OPEU strike on the low income people of Multnomah County. The primary Adult and Family Services Division programs, among them Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Medicaid, General Assistance, and Food Stamps provide the only source of support for many people.

While we appreciate the efforts the agency is making to continue to serve clients, a number of concerns remain. We are especially concerned with the people who are in situations that are not classified as emergencies by the State, but who are without adequate food, shelter or medical care and who will be denied help. There will be many situations where the clients believe they have an emergency and the State will disagree. Helping these clients and ensuring quick hearings is essential.

The State must continue to meet the requirements of federal and state law, regardless of the difficulties this situation presents. We urge all AFS clients affected by the current strike to contact Multnomah County Legal Aid Service if they live in Multnomah County. The telephone number is 241-4111. People outside of Multnomah County should call the statewide legal aid hotline at 1-800-345-0455.

Educational Seminar: For Secretaries

Hilda Jones will present a one-day seminar, "For Secretaries: Writing and Editing," in Portland at the Red Lion-Portland Center, 310 S.W. Lincoln, on Tuesday, October 6, 1987—8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Jones is an associate professor emeritus, College of Business, Oregon State University.

Topics covered include grammar review, proofreading, letters, memos, formal and informal reports, and editing.

Enrollments are accepted in the order received until the limit is reached. Registration is completed by sending \$75 to Endeavors for Excellence, Continuing Education, Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR 97331-1640.

For further details call Endeavors for Excellence in Corvallis, (503) 754-2677.

Free Smoke Detector

Pacific Power & Light Company has donated \$5,000 to the Fire Bureau's Smoke Detector Give-Away Program, the company announced today.

"We were disturbed to learn that 26 percent of the city's residential fire deaths since 1982 occurred in a relatively small part of our service area in northeast Portland," said Carl Talton, Pacific's Portland district manager. "The smoke detectors will help save lives."

Aside from the cash donation for the purchase of 1,000 smoke detectors, Pacific's Employee Community Help Organization (ECHO), a non-profit volunteer organization, is recruiting volunteers to help canvass the area to alert householders of the availability of smoke alarms.



Firefighters prepare to blow smoke out of a Northeast Portland home. The cause of the fire appeared to be smoker's carelessness. North/Northeast Portland lately has had a large number of residential fires. Photo by Richard J. Brown

Please Drive Carefully

In 1985, almost 20 percent of all pedestrian injuries involved children under 15 years old. Oregon AAA asks motorists to drive very carefully. Remember, many youngsters are still learning the pedestrian safety rules.

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