COMMUNITY FORUM

Cora Smith offers positive to high school students

"Trendsetters of Style" is the theme of Cora Smith's, The Cobi Techniques Fifth Annual series of Fashion Shows. You will see high school students as models, songsters, dancers, instrumentalists exuding talent and self-confidence. The Cobi Technique students will be accepting applause for successfully completing "The Cobi Techniques" twenty hour program designed to build selfconfidence, self-esteem and improve attendance and grades.

The Cobi Technique focus is to create a marketable outlet and incentive program for youth whose talents would otherwise go unrecognized and undeveloped. Students will perform at a day school assembly with an audience of approximately 1,000 at each school.

The schedule is as follows:

Roosevelt High School & Portsmouth Middle School November 30, 1988 - Wednesday 6941 N. Central Address: Cost: Free to Public Time: 7:00 p.m.

Harriet Tubman December 8, 1988 - Thursday Address: 2231 N. Flint Free to Public 7:00 p.m.

Jefferson High School December 15, 1988 - Thursday Address: 5210 N. Kerby Avenue Students \$1.50 Adults \$2.00

7:00 p.m.

Marshall High School December 16, 1988 - Friday Address: 3905 S.E. 91st Free to Public Regular school assembly time

The Cobi Techniques was first implemented in 1984 at Jefferson High School where the principal, Nathan Jones, pondered over ways in which to polish students character as well as thwart the grop-out, attendance and tardiness rate. Mr. Jones realized a non-traditional course was needed to act as an exercise for students to encourage their hidden abilities and at the same time, build self-confidence.

"The Cobi Techniques," a noncredit elective course was offered on a trial basis. Through one-onone sessions, a group dynamics, state production projects, grooming, acting, modeling and public speaking, attitude changes occurred in the scholastically inclined as well.

Today the course is offered throughout the School District. Not only are the High Schools being served but the Middle Schools as well. Since September, 1988, plans have been underway to introduce the concept of Private Institutions, Alternative Schools and businesses.

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Rev. Elbert Mondaine

by Mattie Ann Callier-Spears There are young Black men dying by the 1,000's; but, there are many positive Black men out there making good sound judgement calls for our seemingly diminishing group of young Black males. But, That's an entirely different story.

This Saga unfolds about August of 1985 when a young Black man by the name of Elbert Mondaine arrived in the Northwest. He had been with a non-denominational church in St. Louis when he received a call to become a youth pastor for a church in the State of Washington.

The Shepherd of Love Church, located in Salmon Creek, Washington, has never had a Youth group that was successful until Rev. Mondaine arrived.

Not only was he equipped with the WORD, when he came; but God had given him an extra stick to fight with. He is an extraordinary musi-

His desire to see more Blacks, caused him to cross the bridge. "When I came across that bridge" he continued to say, "I was afraid of the unknown."

Church, under the Rev. Dr. Tony Lloyd Lewis, for one year. During the interim, he was employed with the Albina Ministerial Alliance as a Teen Parent Coordinator. In that position, he helps young fathers who have low esteem, no jobs and who need someone to talk to. He teaches sex education and is very

The Young Rev. Mondaine

served at the Morning Star Baptist

interested in the health, welfare, and well being of the young men (especially the young Black male) in this city - because there are many programs for the girls but there are very few programs that are concerned with the interests and the needs of the young, inexperienced male who falls by the wayside of life.

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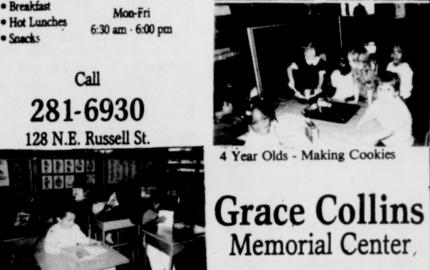
Black United Front Saturday School Enrollment open

Saturday School enrollment is now open at these sites:

Columbia Villa, 9338 N. Woolsey Ct.: Emmanuel Temple Church, 1032 N. Sumner: Piedmont Friends Church, 5736 N. Albina; Redeemer Lutheran Church, N.E. Killingsworth and N.E. 20th; St. Phillips Church, 120 N.E. Knott; YWCA, 5630 N.E. Union; Allen Temple Church, 4236 N.E. 8th; Mallory Ave. Church, 126 N.E. Alberta.

Children in grades 1 through 6 are eligible for the program which teaches African-American history and culture, reading and math. Children will also receive help with homework. Classes will be held from 10 a.m. until 12 Noon throughout the school year. Parents may enroll their children by going directly to one of the nine available sites. Space is available for 355 children on a first come, first served basis.

Over 100 volunteers are involved this year allowing for this expansion of the program. The Black United Front thanks the community for its generous support of this program.



PORTLAND OBSERVER

Celebrates Nineteen Years of Excellence With A Fund-Raiser/Banquet Honoring The James O. Brooks Memorial Scholarship Fund

Saturday, November 26th, 1988 **Montgomery Park Building**

2701 N.W. Vaughn Street Portland, Oregon 97210

No Host Bar: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Dinner: 7:00 p.m. **Attire: Semi-Formal** Dance to Follow

GUEST SPEAKER:

Lee P. Brown, Chief of Police - Houston, Texas

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