

**ACTIVITIES
PLANNED FOR
NATIONAL
MINORITY
CANCER
AWARENESS
WEEK**



WASHINGTON, D.C.--In response to increasing cancer rates among blacks and Hispanics, the National Cancer Institute will promote National Minority Cancer Awareness Week, April 16-22, as organizations across the country sponsor activities such as free cancer screenings, presentations, health fairs, workshops, and seminars.

"Many facts about cancer in black and Hispanic populations concern us," said Samuel Broder, M.D., director of the National Cancer Institute (NCI). "For example, black men are twice as likely to have prostate cancer as white men, and higher percentages of both black and Hispanic men smoke. That means proportionately more of them will be dying of smoking-related cancers in future years."

Dr. Broder said NCI's media campaign for National Minority Cancer Awareness Week is intended to inform blacks and Hispanics of ways they can prevent cancer. The campaign theme, "Eat Your Way to Good Health," encourages them to:

- *Eat more fruits, vegetables, and whole-grained breads and cereals.
- *Broil and bake meats and poultry instead of frying them.
- *Use less oil in cooking.

In addition to prevention of cancer through avoiding tobacco use and eating healthy foods, Dr. Broder said minorities need to better understand the importance of detecting cancer early, when the chances of successful treatment are greatest.

"For example, a lower percentage of Hispanic women have regular Pap tests to detect cervical cancer, and that is resulting in cervical cancer rates that are double those of non-Hispanic white women," Dr. Broder said. "Likewise, two of the most common cancers among black women are breast and colorectal cancers--and both can be detected early through screening."

**BLACK
JOURNALIST
SAYS GOODBYE
TO LOS ANGELES**

By Lee Ivory, Karen's News Syndicate

Black writers are not known for making large sums of money. Of course, there is the exception of such people as Alice Walker, Alex Haley and those who write music.

For many years, Karen's News Syndicate has dedicated itself to the training of young Black journalists in Southern California and though it has been rewarding emotionally and spiritually, it has not afforded this writer the opportunity to move out of what has become one of the most violent war zones since Viet Nam.

Today, after much thought and consideration, Karen's News Syndicate is being moved to West Palm Beach, Florida. In some circles, it might be seen as a "retreat from the battle"; but not really. KNS will continue to work with young people, but not in the atmosphere of random and senseless murder.

More than 75 men, women and children were shot, stabbed or bludgeoned to death by gang members in Los Angeles during the first three months of 1989. The toll represented nearly a 40 percent increase in gang-related murders since the same period last year. In 1988, 257 killings were officially charged to the gang element that thrives on a drug-related economy that shows no sign of abatement. Blacks killing Blacks each and every day.

The stress of living in an area where drive-by shooting is a sport employed by predatory, crack-crazed young Blacks is not my idea of progress toward realization of Dr. Martin Luther King's dream. So, with regret, I say "Goodbye, Los Angeles."

News Around Town

SENIOR POWER

PORTLAND -- Portland's citizens over 50 years old are invited to attend SENIOR POWER 1989, a national job fair sponsored by Days Inns of America, Inc. Senior Power 1989 will be held on Saturday May 6, 1989 from 9:00am to 1:00pm at the Days Inn at the Portland airport, 11550 N.E. Airport Way. Over 20 Portland businesses with a strong desire to hire older workers will be accepting applications for part to full-time positions in various industries. Honored attendees include Congressman Ron Wyden. Mayor Bud Clark's office will issue a proclamation in honor of Senior Power 1989.

SOFTBALL CITY

Spring training is history. Let the tournaments begin! The Portland Park Bureau offers five sanctioned Amateur Softball Association tournaments in May, kicking off a season of at least 37 tournaments before post-season play even begins. Fast pitch, slow pitch; men's women's or coed; A League, C League, O League -- you name it, there's a tournament designed for that category and that caliber of play.

And why not? More than 550 teams are signed up through the Park Bureau for city-league play this year, and another 150 teams will probably sign up for recreational leagues later in the season. By the time the season ends, softball teams within the city will have played more than three times the number of games played by the entire Major Leagues!

So who needs the Mariners. Grab a mitt or a lawn chair and enjoy Park Bureau softball this season.

Days Inn at the Portland Airport Hosts National Job Fair for Older Workers

"Our goal is to match older workers who wish to re-enter the work force with Portland companies who are proactive in hiring the older worker," said Anne Kinkaid, Director of Sales of the Days Inn at the Portland airport, host of Portland's job fair. Industries represented at Senior Power 1989 include retail, hospitality, temporary agencies, food services, and others.

Senior Power 1989 in Portland is one of more than 120 job fairs being held at Days Inn hotels in 35 states throughout every region of the country, all on May 6, 1989. Days Inns of America, Inc., whose corporate offices are located in Atlanta, began recruiting older workers as reservations agents in 1985 and actively encourages its franchisees to hire older workers, recognizing skills valuable to service-oriented organizations. The Days Inn corporate office is coordinating the national job fair, assisting its hotels with recruiting other employers and interested older workers through various community agencies and organizations.

Portland businesses participating in the job fair are:

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| AARP | McDonalds |
| Providence Medical Center | Green Thumb, Inc. |
| Mount Hood Community College | Collins Foods |
| Fred Meyer | Days Inn |
| Burgerville U.S.A. | Safeway |
| Kelly Services | Private |
| Industries Council | |

- American Red Cross
- Mount Hood Medical Center
- Express Temporary Oregon Staffing Services
- Multnomah County Libraries
- Senior Job Center (PCC)
- Hewlett Packard
- Burger King
- Oregon Employment Division

**STUDENT
RESPONSE TO
VIOLENCE ON
CAMPUS**

On April 24 at 1:00 p.m. in room 338 of Portland State University's Smith Memorial Center, a comprehensive safety education program aimed at combatting violence against women in the campus community will be proposed. The program which has been designed by a coalition of independent PSU students and the PSU Womens' Union, responds to a lack of support by the PSU administration regarding the issue of women's safety. This student-sponsored, student-centered program has been endorsed by the Portland State Administration of Justice department, and the PSU Womens' studies Certificate Program along with a number of community organizations.

The program will combine education, advocacy, and direct action. In addition the development of sensitivity to racism, homophobia and continuum of violence against women will be crucial to the program and its implementation.

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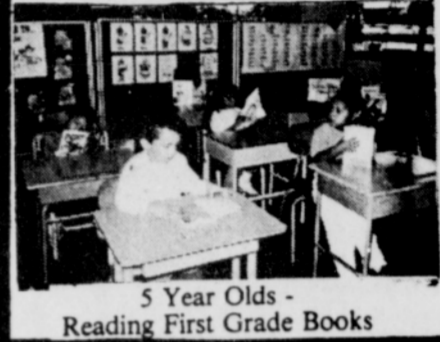
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