

# News Around Town

## PORTLAND AUTOMOTIVE DEALER MAKES "BIG LEAGUE"

Playing in the "Big Leagues" is nothing new to Dorian Boyland. Boyland, the owner of Gresham Dodge, is a former first baseman for the Pittsburgh Pirates. His tenure in professional baseball taught Boyland that it takes something extra to succeed. He has used that experience to his advantage in the Portland automotive market. After a little more than one year, Dorian Boyland has succeeded in the "Automotive Big Leagues," having been named to the "Top 100 Black Automotive Dealers of America."

A graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Boyland was a 2nd round draft pick of the Pittsburgh Pirates, playing first base from 1976 through 1979. Returning to the Northwest to play for the Portland Beavers in 1979, Boyland entered the automotive industry in 1981 as a salesman. Working his way through the ranks, Boyland soon became a partner in Ron Tonkin Dodge. After he sold his portion of the dealership in 1985, Boyland became the first Portland area black automotive dealer with the purchase of Gresham Dodge in November 1987.

Based on "gross sales," Gresham Dodge is ranked 88 out of 468 black automotive dealers nationwide after just one year, placing the dealership in the top 20%.

## VOA OFFER CHILD CARE

Families seeking summer child care for children between the ages of 5 and 12 may contact Volunteers of America at 236-8492. Space is currently available in their summer day care programs which are operated at Buckman (320 SE 16th) and Whitman (7326 SE Flavel) elementary schools.

Children may participate in many fun activities including arts and crafts, skits, and field trips.

The day care programs are open from 6:30am to 6pm on weekdays. The cost is based on a sliding fee scale. For enrollment information, call Volunteers of America at 236-8492.

## Mt Hood Community College Student Wins National Scholarship Award

Vanelda Davis, a second-year student at Mt. Hood Community College, has won a \$1,000 scholarship offered through the Kraft/General Goods/National Urban League Scholarship Competition for 1989-90.

Miss Davis will receive formal recognition on Monday, July 17, 1989 at 10:00 a.m. in the Portland Urban League office, 10 North Russell. The Chairman of the League's Board, Louis J. Boston, and League President, Useni E. Perkins, will make the presentation.

Miss Davis was in competition with scholars from 113 Urban League cities across the county. Five \$1,000 scholarships were awarded. Winners were selected on the basis of academic ability and dedication to educational excellence.

THE URBAN LEAGUE OF PORTLAND INVITES MEDIA COVERAGE OF THIS POSITIVE EVENT.

## Dan Balmer to perform at free summer concert

Bring a picnic lunch and enjoy the sounds of the Dan Balmer Trio Thursday, July 20, noon to 1 p.m., in front of the Manor House on the beautiful Lewis & Clark College campus, 0615 SW Palatine Hill Road.

The Dan Balmer concert is the fourth in a series of six free Thursday-noon outdoor concerts sponsored by Lewis & Clark College Summer Session.

Dan Balmer, whom the Los Angeles Times calls "The model of what a contemporary guitarist should be..." is the latest in an impressive line of talented Northwest jazz and fusion artists to appear on the national scene. A native of Portland and a graduate of Lewis & Clark College, Balmer has performed with Andy Narrel, David Friesen and Glen Moore, but is best known for his featured work with artist Tom Grant.

Balmer has toured and recorded with Grant for the past six years, contributing several pieces to Grant's last five albums. In January 1989, Balmer released his first solo recording, *Becoming Became*, on CMG records. The album immediately received a great deal of media attention and jumped to the top of several radio airplay charts across the country.

In performances across the country, Balmer's playing consistently has won enthusiastic praise. The Palm Beach Post wrote "...guitarist Dan Balmer played exceptionally fast fingered runs and twisting figures that were arresting." The Seattle Times proclaimed "Balmer's top fuel solos and tasty octave work...were most satisfying."

When not performing nationally, Balmer composes. His works have appeared in a major motion picture, on national television and have been choreographed by Ballet Oregon.

Of his compositions, Balmer states, "My intent is to reach people on a tangibly emotional level. When I improvise, my goal is to create a unique expression for the audience of that particular performance."

In case of rain the concert will be in the Agnes Flanagan Chapel.

## RAMSEY LEWIS JOINS MT. HOOD FESTIVAL FRIDAY NIGHT EVENT

Piano artist Ramsey Lewis returns to Oregon to perform at the Friday Night Event of the Mt. Hood Festival of Jazz, Paul Kreider, Festival of Jazz Foundation President, has announced.

Lewis, who played the Mt. Hood Festival of Jazz in 1985, and 1988, joins the musical bill of fare set for 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 4. He will play a full set followed at 9:30 by the Pointer Sisters. The concert kicks off the Eighth Annual Mt. Hood Festival of Jazz, held outdoors Friday, Aug. 4, through Sunday, Aug. 6, at Mt. Hood Community College.

Lewis is one of the most enduring pianists in jazz. His jazz-related pop resulted years ago in hit singles, including "The 'In' Crowd" and other Billboard-charted tunes. But, in a career that dates back to 1959 and gigs in New York's Village Vanguard jazz club, he has continued to be a creative and successful jazz pianist.

Over the span of some 50 recordings, Lewis has established himself as an eclectic, contemporary musician. He combines electronics (synthesizer and/or electric piano) with acoustic piano with creative skill. His collaborations have been with such diverse musical talents as Earth, Wind & Fire's Maurice White, one-time drummer with Lewis, Stevie Wonder and vocalist Nancy Wilson.

The Chicago native has also moved into classical music on occasion, including a pair of LPs and concert appearances with symphony orchestras.

## WOODLAWN IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Since January of this year, a newspaper called the N.E. Reformer has been written and published by Ms. Joyce Boles. The majority of written content in the paper is one of insult to the coordinator, staff and elected officers of the Northeast Coalition as a whole. Ms. Boles is a person who is on the outside looking in, and therefore cannot truly understand the functions and operation of the Northeast Coalition, but merely assume. The fifth edition of the N.E. Reformer has personally attacked Mr. Charles Flake and the Woodlawn Neighborhood association. He's a volunteer for several organizations with no compensation other than his own. It is difficult to ascertain the true motive behind the publication of the N.E. Reformer. Mr. Flake is performing a service for the Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods. Therefore, answers should be requested for the following questions;

1. What facility supplies the equipment for the printing of the N.E. Reformer?
2. Who are the persons or organizations that provide the needed revenue for its publication?
3. Does the constitutional right, "freedom of the press" allow the printing of material that is untruthful and cannot be substantiated when degrading individuals by name, yet being without compensation for time rendered?

Currently Mr. Flake is seeking legal advice as to whether a suit can be filed against Ms. Boles, that includes the facilities and persons who are assisting in the publication of the N.E. Reformer. The City, County, and State are constantly seeking citizens as volunteers for different purposes and it is sad when an outside person can continue to insult those persons who are involved. Changes can be made without false statements being printed, and we hope that the Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods sees the action of Ms. Boles for what they are. Nothing, but the revenge she admitted as a possibility in earlier editions of the N.E. Reformer.

Note: The by-laws of the Woodlawn Improvement Association have been revised changing the name to Woodlawn Neighborhood Association.

## 10th ANNIVERSARY OF WOMEN-STRENGTH

On Thursday, July 13, 1989, at 1430 hours (2:30 P.M.), in the City council chambers, Portland Mayor Bud Clark will issue a proclamation proclaiming July 1989 to be the 10th anniversary of Womenstrength, the Portland Police Bureau's sexual assault prevention program. Since Womenstrength started in 1979, well-trained and dedicated volunteers have taught over 10,000 teenage and adult women assertiveness and survival-level fighting skills, and another 50,000 women, men, and children have learned about sexual violence and prevention strategies.

For more information, contact Mary Otto, Director of Womenstrength, at 796-3139.

## Delinquent Child Support Accounts Reported to Consumer Credit Agency

The Child Support Program of Adult and Family Services Division (AFS) is notifying child support payors with delinquent accounts that their name and their child support arrearage is being reported to a consumer credit reporting agency effective July 12, 1989.

The Child Support Program currently collects child support from wage assignments, withholding tax refunds, collecting from lottery winnings, and HARRP refunds. However, many payors still owe large arrearage amounts, and some have been successful in eluding these collection methods.

The Child Support Program has approximately 80,000 payors. Of this number, initial notices will go out to 4,140 payors. Referral is on-going. Once parents are referred they will continue to be referred until their support obligations end. The initial notification will go to those parents (payors) with an arrearage of \$15,000 or more. Subsequent notifications will be sent to payors owing lesser amounts. Payment in full of the arrearage is the only way a payor can avoid being reported to a credit agency. Many payors being referred have not resounded to work out a payment schedule. In some instances these are self-employed individuals or persons "working under the table" who have avoided previous methods of enforcement.

AFS anticipates this method of enforcement will induce parents, especially those who are self employed and dependent on a good credit rating, to pay their debt and avoid referral.

## FREE SUMMER FILM SERIES SLATED FOR HOLLYWOOD DISTRICT

An award-winning film, "Moral Choices and Ethical Dilemmas," will be presented at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church (1704 NE 43rd) this summer. Based upon the PBS "American Short Story" programs, the six-part film and discussion series will be held on Wednesdays from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. on July 12th, 19th, 26th, and August 2nd, 9th and 16th. The public is invited and admission is free.

"Moral Choices and Ethical Dilemmas" is made possible by the Oregon Committee for the Humanities, and affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The film series combines two uniquely American art forms--the short story and the motion picture--to explore the individual and collective response to the challenge of moral dilemmas. The series opens on July 12th with the film "Bernice Bobs Her Hair," adapted from the short story by R. Scott Fitzgerald. "Bernice" is the humorous tale of a young girl's transformation into a social butterfly as she submits herself to the tutelage of a more popular cousin, and the difficulties which ensue when the pupil ultimately outstrips her mentor. Replete with the atmosphere, language and social mores of the pre-flapper era, "Bernice Bobs Her Hair" portrays an individual's search to be accepted by her peers, yet remain true to herself.

Each weekly program of the series showcases the work of a eminent American writer. The complete series is as follows:

- "Bernice Bobs Her Hair," (F. Scott Fitzgerald) July 12
- "The Displaced Person," (Flannery O'Conner) July 19
- "The Blue Hotel," (Stephen Crane) July 26
- "The Man That Corrupted Hadleyburg," (Mark Twain) August 2
- "The Sky is Grey," (Ernest Gaines) August 9
- "The Jilting of Granny Weathrall," (Katherine Anne Porter)

The "culture shock" created by the appearance of a hardworking Polish refugee on a 1940's Southern farm... a fast talking stranger's scheme to expose the hypocrisy of a self-righteous small town... a 1940's black youngster's odyssey of discovery as his family struggles with racism and poverty... these and other portrayals of the American experience are featured in "Moral Choices and ethical Dilemmas."

For further information, contact Penny Hummel at 241-0543 or 287-7877.

## Miss Oregon National Pre-Teen Contest

Applications are now being accepted for the 9th Annual Miss Oregon National Pre-Teen Pageant and the Miss Oregon National Pre-Teen Petite Pageant which will be held September 2 and 3 at the Holiday Inn in Portland, Oregon. Rather than a beauty pageant we seek to select a young lady who is representative of AMERICA YOUTH AT ITS BEST. The Miss National Pre-Teen Pageant is affiliated with the Miss National Teen-Ager Scholarship Pageant now in its 19th year and giving out over 4 million dollars in college scholarships annually.

Girls ages 5-8 and 9-13 are eligible to participate. Contestants will be competing for cash awards, scholarships, and many other prizes. Among the many gifts the winners will receive, she will also represent Oregon at the National Pageants in Florida and have the opportunity to win a trip for her family and represent the nation as Miss National Pre-Teen or Miss National Pre-Teen Petite.

Participants will gain increased self-confidence, experience in communication with others, valuable training in self-expression, and make lasting friendships with girls from all over the state. Contestants will be judged in talent, poise, personality, scholastic achievement, and personal interview with the judges.

The purpose of the Miss National Pre-Teen Pageant is to recognize, both nationally and locally, the self-expression and leadership achievements of America's Pre-Teen and to pay special honor once a year to that girl who best exemplifies these qualities. Proceeds from the pageant go to benefit the girls themselves as well as children's Hospital and the Just Say No Foundation.

For more information or applications write to Oregon's Director at P.O. Box 59343, Renton, Washington 98058 or call (206) 631-4326.

## SUMMER--DANGEROUS MONTHS FOR TEENAGERS

by Margaret Hill

Batman and his fight against crime may be the latest fad to sweep America -- The Batman logo suddenly seen everywhere -- but summer is also a time of increased drug use, increased teenage drinking, and far more frequent reckless behavior.

Parents tend to give their teenagers more freedom once school is out. So it is a good time to point out the sobering fact that in the past 30 years, adolescents have been the only population in America who have not experienced improvement in their health status.

Medical sources estimate that 77 percent of adolescent deaths are caused by accidents and violence, frequently drug and alcohol related. From 1950 to 1980, both suicides and murders in the United States increased among teenagers four times over.

What can parents do to help ensure the safety of their teenage children? The expected advice would be such things as vigilantly policing curfew times, making sure you know what your kids are up to, being particularly alert for signs of drinking or dabbling with drugs, and generally becoming more sensitive to their safety.

However, I'm about to take a bit of an unusual approach here. Why don't you use the summer to learn more about your children's often frustrating and confusing behavior? Why not begin a campaign in the home to generally increase honest and frank communication with your teenagers?

For help on both fronts, there is a new book in book stores. *Scientology: The Fundamentals of Thought* is by L. Ron Hubbard, now one of the most acclaimed and widely read authors of all time. It details many new discoveries about the natural laws of communication and about the anatomy of problems.

The book can be used as a springboard for many family discussions about getting the most out of life. And it is a very workable and proven effective manual for improving life in a troubled world.

There are answers to many of the problems troubling adolescents today. But many parents don't even know the right questions to ask.

You will never scold your children into improving and behaving sensibly away from home. So why try? Why not take a new approach this summer?

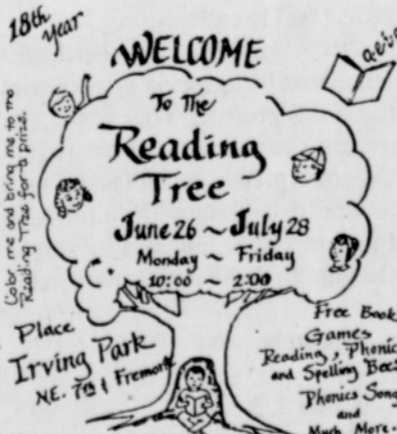
## PACKWOOD DISAPPOINTED WITH HIGH COURT DECISION ON WEBSTER; VOWS TO FIGHT IT

Portland, Oregon--Oregon Senator Bob Packwood expressed disappointment over the decision reached today by the U.S. Supreme Court on *Webster v. Reproductive Health Services*, a case involving a challenge to a state abortion law which severely limits a woman's access to abortion.

After hearing of the Court's decision in Webster today, Packwood stated, "Anti-choice leaders are preening about like the British generals after the battles of Brandywine and Brooklyn Heights. Their confidence is premature and misplaced. We will see them at Yorktown."

"The Court's decision in Webster is clearly an erosion of the present right to choice," said Packwood. "We have lost a battle, but we will win the war."

By a five to four majority, the Court upheld a Missouri statute which prohibits the use of public funds, employees or facilities for the performance of abortions not necessary to save the life of the pregnant woman. The Court did not explicitly overturn *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 case guaranteeing the right to abortion. However, Justice Antonin Scalia wrote a concurring opinion, adding that he believes the majority should have overturned *Roe*. Justices Rehnquist, White and Kennedy joined in a plurality opinion which was highly critical of *Roe*'s "rigid trimester analysis" of when fetal viability, and thus the state's interest in protecting human life, begins. The Supreme Court has agreed to review several more abortion cases in its fall term.



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