

ADT Security Systems and the National Crime Prevention Council "Spotlight" Local Portland Citizens for Crime Prevention Efforts



ADT Security Systems and the National Crime Prevention Council (NCPC) recently "Spotlighted" six local citizens' efforts to reduce crime and improve community life in the Portland area.

Since 1985, ADT and the NCPC have spearheaded a major effort to bring crime prevention information to communities and corporations

nation-wide. This joint partnership has enabled millions of Americans to learn how to help themselves and others. The Portland "Spotlight Awards" ceremony was the seventh in a series of such events, designed to honor local crime prevention efforts.

The "Spotlight Awards" winners featured left to right are: front row, Tony Hopson for the Self Enhance-

ment Program; Bob Thompson, Regional Manager of ADT Security Systems; citizen Irine Tate; Susan Hunter for the Council for Prostitution Alternatives; citizen Alan Lashbrook; and Fred Stickel for Regional Drug Initiative.

Pictured in the back row are: McGruff, the Crime Dog (partially hidden); award winner Ray Leary for

the Self Enhancement Program; Police Chief Richard Walker; award winner Roy Ciappini for "Project Payback"; Jack Calhoun, Executive Director of the National Crime Prevention Council (partially hidden); and Allie Bird, NCPC Director of Corporate Initiatives. Kneeling in front is Portland Mayor J.E. Bud Clark

Minority business enterprise VII. Good faith requirement sustained by Circuit Court Judge Bagley Affirms state's right to document good faith.

by Stephen E. McPherson, Special Correspondent

Judge Raymond R. Bagley of the Clackamas County Circuit Court recently ruled that the state has the right to insist that contractors document good faith efforts to include disadvantaged persons in the bidding process for public works. This ruling will go far to offset the negative impact made by decisions of both the Federal court in Oregon and the United States Supreme court with regard to Minority Business Enterprise set asides.

Last month, Anna McNeil, a buyer for more than eight years in the state purchasing department rejected the apparent low bid of the Brackamp-Jaeger Corporation for the construction of the Department of Transportation building at LaGrande because they had failed to show that a reasonable effort had been made to gain the participation of women and minorities. Instead, the \$2.5 million contract was awarded to the McCormack Construction Co. which in Mrs. McNeil's view was the lowest responsive bid. The Brackamp-Jaeger Corp. sought an injunction which was denied in Judge Bagley's court.

The question of whether the state could legally require firms to make any special effort to include women and minorities in bid proposals was placed in a state of confusion after the Hoffman construction Co. won a decision in Federal court with regard to the awarding of a contract to build a correctional facility in Northeast Portland. Such special set asides were further complicated by the fact that the U. S. Supreme Court ruled in favor of the Croson Construction Co in Virginia.

Since then all set-aside programs

had been abandoned in the state based on a very narrow interpretation of the attorney general. The only program left viable was the one established by the Metropolitan Service district under ordinance 87-231.

In response to this dilemma, Governor Neil Goldschmidt convened a task force to explore other avenues which would lend support to disadvantaged persons.

One concept, that of an "emerging small business" was considered and rejected because according to the American General Contractors who were plaintiffs in both of the aforementioned cases, more than half of their membership would be eligible to participate. Despite this fact HB3001 establishing such a unit was sponsored by Representative Margaret Carter. It is interesting to note, that although she was a member of the governor's task force, she never participated in any of the deliberations and the final report of the task force was never released.

Last week the Governor's office announced that SB 1189 had been signed into law establishing an Emerging Small Business account for a pilot program in the Department of Transportation. The amount deposited for the biennium was established as \$2.2 million. Now that the concept of an emerging small business has been chisled into law, it is very likely that it will erode the WBE/MBE program practiced by the Metropolitan Service District.

It is very encouraging to observe that Mrs. Anna McNeil had the good sense to protect those gains made under a loosely constructed "good faith effort".

FOURTH ANNUAL MEET THE LENDERS CONFERENCE TARGETS THE FASTEST GROWING BUSINESS SECTOR IN THE STATE: WOMEN-OWNED BUSINESS

The target of the conference to be held Wednesday, September 20, 1989, will be **women-owned businesses**, the fastest growing sector of Oregon's economy. This fourth annual one-day conference, whose theme is the Capital Connection, will be held at the Holiday Inn-Airport. It is sponsored by the United States Small Business Administration, Meet the Lenders, Inc., a coalition of women's business and professional organizations and Lenders. The conference is aimed at women who own small businesses.

New this year are one-on-one appointments with bankers or small business counselors from the Small Business Administration and the Small Business Development Centers. Workshops will address the financial

needs of start-up and expanding businesses, including basic information on how to apply for a loan and writing a business plan. The cost of the conference is priced at \$50.00 before September 8 or \$60.00 after, including lunch.

The conference features keynote speaker Barbara Sue Seal, owner and founder of Barbara Sue Seal Properties, Inc., employing 90 people. In five years' time, her company has expanded to include five offices and West Coast Mortgage Center, founded in 1987.

A "Lenders' Fair," giving business owners a chance to meet with Lenders to discuss their specific financial needs will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Banks, governmental agencies, venture capital firms

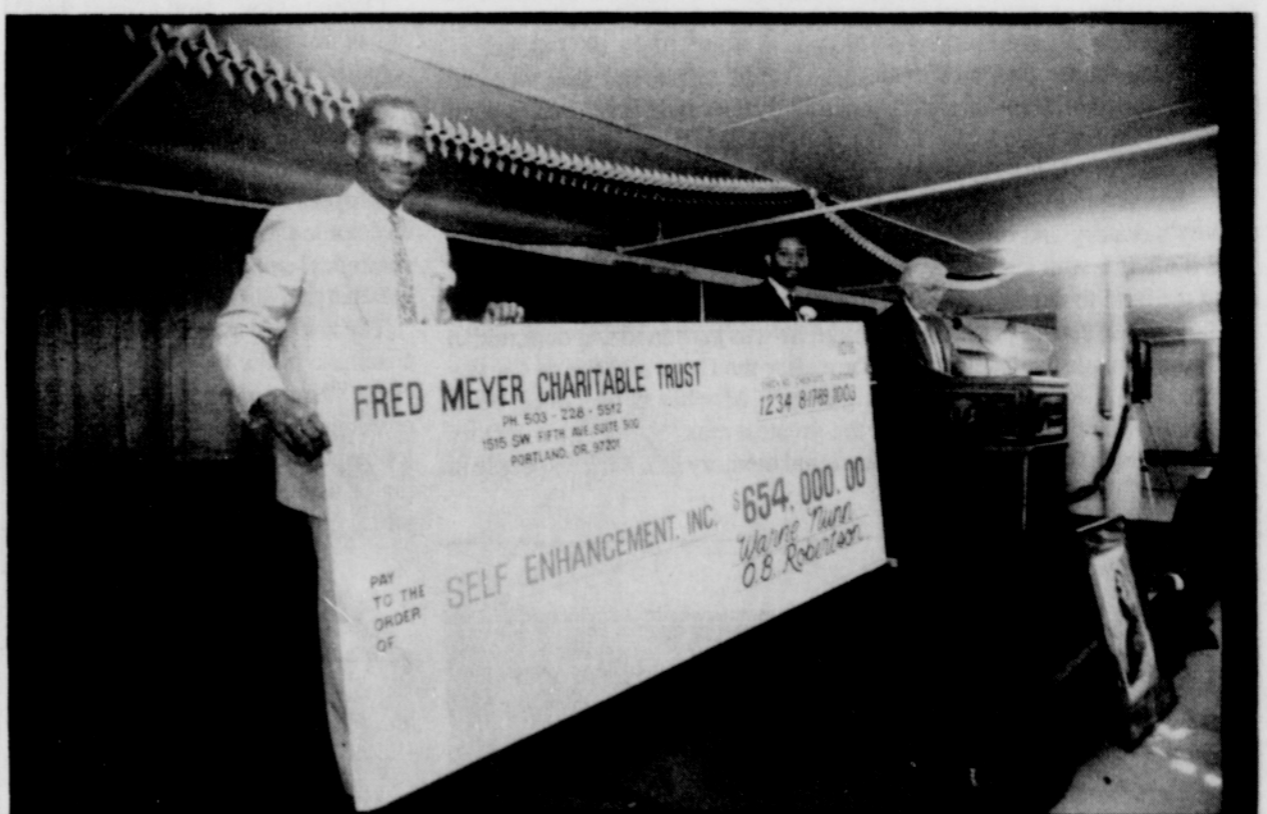
and private financial and management companies will offer their expertise at the fair.

To close the conference, Meet the Lenders will hold a special reception to enable informal networking among small business owners, speakers and sources of capital.

Meet the Lenders, Inc. is a non-profit organization established to assist women and to bring together small businesses and capital resources. It serves Oregon and southwest Washington businesses in all stages of development.

For more information and preregistration, contact the Small Business Administration (503) 221-2682 or Jeanne Whitbeck (503) 656-4447.

SEI GETS BOOST FROM FRED MEYER CHARITABLE TRUST



By Jimi Johnson

Self Enhancement Incorporated received a \$654,000 grant from the Fred Meyer Charitable Trust. This grant will enable SEI to hire additional staff, including a Parental Coordinator which is "critical" according to Joy Cross, Curriculum Specialist. SEI will expand services to include more students and parents, for the purpose of increasing chances for success in life added Cross.

SEI Co-Directors; Tony Hopson and Ray Leary hope that SEI will be an on going positive instrument in aiding Urban Youth. Hopson and Leary feel that networking with community agencies to provide more services for our youth is a must during these crucial times.

Self Enhancement served over 600 second thru twelfth grade students throughout the school year and summer months. The curriculum included

Drug/Alcohol problems, Peer Assessment, Communication, Human Sexuality, Employment Skills, Positive Mental Attitude (P.M.A.) and Health. These subjects were taught at various schools throughout North/Northeast Portland. "The Curriculum areas will be adjusted appropriately for each grade level", stated Ms. Cross.

In addition to the academic curriculum students are given a chance to participate in basketball camps and other activity based programs.

"The name Self Enhancement reflects a sense of self-esteem which makes our youths feel worthwhile", remarked Ms. Cross.

"The most important and effective tool in working together with staff and students is a committed and collective vision as well as the establishment of positive relationships", stated Cross. "If you want to impact

effectively a child's life, you must be there with them, and be a consistent part of their lives, particularly African-American students", Cross continued.

Education is the foundation upon which dreams become reality and we commend the SEI staff for their commitment and dedication to Urban Youth.

Halim and Khaleelah Rahsaan Earn National Honors

Halim Rahsaan, academic advisor specialist at Sylvania Campus, and his daughter, Khaleelah, 12, were spotlighted on separate national stages during July.

Halim, chairman of the Desegregation Monitoring Advisory Committee of the Portland Public Schools, was a featured speaker at the 10th annual National Black United Front Convention July 20-23 in Chicago. Halim's presentation was titled "Models of Educational success for African-American Youth."

Twenty-eight Black United Front chapters across the country have adopted the African-American Baseline Essays curriculum in areas of language arts, science, social studies, music, art and math. Halim said the curriculum, known throughout the educational world as "the Port-



land Model," was developed by Portland Public Schools at the urging of the Desegregation Monitoring Advisory Committee and Black United Front.

Khaleelah, meantime, won multiple honors at a national baton twirling competition at the Louisville, Ky., convention center July 15-22. She was on the nine-member Oregon team which won first place in one category and third overall.

Individually, Khaleelah received a first place trophy for her two-baton routine, was seventh out of 30 youngsters in strut competition, fourth place in solo, fifth in dance twirl, ninth (out of 20) in national pairs and won two seconds and a third place award in marching categories. Halim's wife, Fran, and their son, Karim, accompanied the two limonaries on the trip east.

An African American Oregon Lottery Millionaire Details on Page 4.