

News Around Town

NCNW Holds Annual Founder's Day Tea Party

The Portland Section of the National Council of Negro Women, will hold its Annual Founder's Day Tea on Sun., Dec. 3, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at 3143 N.E. 14th.

This annual event honors the founder of the National Council of Negro Women, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune. In conjunction with the Founder's Day Program, The Portland section will open its annual membership drive. Chairperson for the tea is Mrs. Betty J. Stephens. The newly elected president of the Portland section is Mrs. Edna Pitman. The public is invited.

Rene's Exotic Seasons Goes To Market

Portland's own, mother and daughter team takes steps to make it BIG! The largest distribution center in the Pacific Northwest takes new business under their wings.

Rene's Exotic Seasoning will be coming to your local supermarket soon. For more information, contact: Rene Richardson, (503) 240-5323 between 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; or Evelyn Richardson, (503) 284-1776, nights and weekends.

ART Announces Special Saturday Performance of "Holiday Voices"

Bring the whole family to the special, one-time only, movie matinee performance of "Holiday Voices," at Artists Repertory Theatre. This sumptuous feast of holiday songs, stories and family traditions is flavored with the intimate memories of our cast, and garnished with stories by favorite holiday authors. The movie matinee performance, at 2 p.m. on Sat., Dec. 9, is a special budget admission price, so your whole clan can attend for this special holiday rate of \$6.00 - general admission; \$5.00 for students and seniors; and \$4.00 for children under 12.

"Holiday Voices" is a moving and humorous celebration of winter festival and Christmas traditions, drawing material from Chinese, Protestant, Jewish, Catholic and European customs. The cross-cultural, multi-ethnic "Holiday Voices" performs through December at A.R.T., 1111 SW 10th at Main. Call A.R.T. at 242-2400 for reservations to the special 'Movie Matinee' performance of "Holiday Voices."

VOA To Kick-Off Christmas Campaign

On Mon., Nov. 27, Volunteers of America will kick off its annual Christmas Belling Campaign.

Rod Anders, television personality at KPTV, will host the kick-off celebration which will be held at Kienows, 1821 NE 33rd, at 10 a.m. Joe Reidy, manager of the Kienows store, will present a check to the campaign on behalf of Kienows stores. Students from nearby Fernwood Middle School will also be on hand to contribute to the campaign.

About 32 bellringers and red collection chimneys will be located at area businesses from Nov. 24 to Dec. 24. Donations collected during the campaign are used to buy food vouchers at Kienows stores. The vouchers are then given to families who would not have a Christmas meal otherwise. The dollar amount of the voucher is dependent upon the size of the family.

Volunteers of America hopes to raise enough money to feed 450 hungry families this year. The Belling campaign began in Portland in 1910 and has been helping families continuously since then.

N/NE Economic Development Task Force To Meet

The North/Northeast Economic Development Task Force has scheduled a community meeting on Nov. 30, at the King Neighborhood Facility, 4815 NE 7th, Room 142 beginning at 7 p.m.

The purpose of this meeting is to share the progress of the task force with the community-at-large. We encourage your attendance at this meeting, your input is critical as we seek to implement the North/Northeast Economic Development Action Plan.

MHCC Announces Start Of ECCO

Mt. Hood Community College announces the start of East County Career Opportunity (ECCO), a job search training program and placement center for low-income residents of East Multnomah County.

ECCO offers a free 10-day workshop, office facilities, career counseling, and job placement services. Orientations to be held throughout East Multnomah County.

For more information, contact ECCO, at 252-0758. ECCO is funded by the Private Industry Council and offered by Mt. Hood Community College in cooperation with the State of Oregon Employment Division/East Branch.

'Is Affirmative Action Dead' Topic Will Be Discussed

"Is Affirmative Action Dead? Which Way to Racial Equality?" will be the topic of a panel featuring State Representative Margaret Carter and Harold Williams of the Coalition of Black Men. Recent Supreme Court decisions have gutted affirmative action law. Carter and Williams have been active in leading the local response. Join the discussion and action on wed., Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. at the King Neighborhood Facility, 4815 N.E. 7th, sponsored by the Portland Rainbow Coalition.

VOA To Help Needy At Christmas

The Volunteers of America Adopt-A-Family program will begin accepting names of families who need Christmas assistance on Nov. 27. Families who sign up for the program will be matched with a business, organization, or family who would like to assist them by providing food, clothing, toys, or other special items they may need for the holidays.

Adopters will personally deliver the Christmas items to the family they help. Last year, over 200 low-income families were helped through the Adopt-A-Family program.

Families who need assistance may call 232-5031 between Nov. 27 and Dec. 9. Calls are taken from 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Businesses or families who would like to adopt a family may call 232-4746 up until Dec. 8. The hours are 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Volunteers of America is a non-profit social service agency. In addition to the Adopt-A-Family program, VOA operates a Child Care Center, two latchkey programs, a temporary shelter for adolescent girls, a residential facility for homeless women with children, a Senior Clinic and Senior Center, and adult day care program, and the Womens' Residential Center, a residential program for female felons.

Pathfinder Bookstore To Hold Malcolm X Celebration

A meeting will be held to celebrate the publication of a new book: Malcolm X: The Last Speeches. The meeting will be held Thurs., Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. at the Pathfinder Bookstore, 2730 N.E. Martin Luther King Blvd. The book contains six speeches and interviews recently discovered on tape and never available before in print, including two talks given the last week of his life.

An assessment of the book and the ideas of Malcolm X will be presented by a panel of speakers to include: Dr. Darrell Millner, Chair, PSU Black Studies; Lenny Edwards, writer and narrator of "Malcolm X: In Perspective;" Rick Jones, director of "The Meeting;" Mamadou Toure, former president of the Malcolm X English Club at his university in Senegal; and a representative of Pathfinder Books. A door donation of \$2 is suggested. For more information call 287-7416.

Child Development Center Open For Winter Enrollment

St. Vincent de Paul Child Development Center has immediate openings for winter child care enrollment. Located at 44 NE Morris, near Emanuel Hospital, the center is welcoming applications for two-to-five-year olds.

The center follows a developmental curriculum that focuses on each child's needs and growth potential, with a view toward school and reading readiness. A comprehensive speech and language program is directed by a speech specialist. Meals - breakfast, lunch, and snacks are provided in cooperation with USDA.

The center has offered child care for 50 years to North and Northeast neighborhoods. With funding from United Way, the center has structured its sliding fees and its schedule to best serve parents who need full-time, affordable child care in order to hold down jobs. For enrollment information, please call 288-0188.

Live Teleconference To Air Dec. 6

"The State of Black Health Care," a live teleconference via satellite, will be presented by the Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Department and the Minority Affairs Department at OHSU on Dec. 6, at 9:30 a.m.-12 Noon, at the OHSU Library Auditorium. The forum is free.

According to U.S. health statistics, each year, an estimated 60,000 Black Americans suffer preventable deaths. Health professionals and community leaders from around the nation will take part in a teleconference to discuss the major reasons for the poor state of black health in America. They will examine the problems and work towards solutions.

If you have questions about the forum, call Beth Britton at Minority Affairs, (503) 279-7574.

Commission On Aging Seeks County Delegates To Statewide Conference On Aging

Applications from seniors who wish to represent Multnomah county as delegates to the 1990 Governor's Conference on Aging, will be accepted through Nov. 30. The selection of 45 Multnomah county delegates will be announced by the Portland/Multnomah Commission on Aging at a Dec. 15th, countywide forum to be held from 12:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at 1819 NW Everet.

Delegates will carry the concerns of local seniors, currently being identified at eleven local forums held throughout the county through Nov., to the statewide conference. Delegates will develop priority concepts and advocacy strategies in preparation for the 1991 session of the Oregon legislature.

The Second Statewide Conference will be held at the Eugene Hilton, March 11-14, 1990. Scholarship funds are available to defray costs for those who cannot meet expenses associated with attending the Eugene conference. Applications can be obtained at a local Multnomah county forum or through the Office of the Portland/Multnomah

Commission on Aging, 1120 SW 5th, Room 518, (503) 796-5269.

Thanksgiving Food Baskets Brighten Holidays For Homeless

Employees from K-Mart store #3430 donated a pick-up load of Thanksgiving food baskets to the West Women's and Children's Shelter last week. Each basket contained a fresh turkey, cranberries, stuffing, and other trimmings for a complete turkey dinner.

The West Women's and Children's Shelter is "home" to nearly 60 homeless women and children. Thanks to the generosity of K-Mart corporation, which funded this effort in part, and the employees of store #3430, those women and children have celebrated Thanksgiving with a real turkey dinner.

The West is a program of Burnside Community Council.

OABA Annual Membership Meeting Set Dec. 2nd

Saturday, December 2, 1989
10 a.m. to 12 Noon
Salem YMCA Moore Room
685 Court Street, NE

Oregon Attorney General Dave Frohnmayer will be the speaker at OABA Annual Meeting in Salem.

According to Article V of OABA Constitution, the chairs of standing committees are to be elected on the odd years. The Nominating committee was elected at OABA September meeting. This committee will submit a slate of nominees for committee chairs at the annual meeting. Members in good standing who want to serve as committee chairs should contact the members of the Nominating Committee for placement of their names in nomination.

"Neat Kids" Instructor Auditions Scheduled For Dec. 11th

Are you looking for an opportunity to combine your dramatic talents with social service? Do you enjoy working with children? Then be sure to attend auditions for "Neat Kids, Safe Kids" instructors on Mon., Dec. 11 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Boardroom at the Red Cross Building, 3131 N. Vancouver, Portland.

"Neat Kids, Safe Kids" is a performance piece using puppets to teach children ages 4-7 safety and hygiene, fostering self-reliance and positive self-esteem.

People with physical and vocal prowess, warmth, spontaneity, and a rapport with children are encouraged to audition. Auditions will be in a group format. Instructor training will be held on Mon., Dec. 18 from 7-9:30 p.m. For more information, please call Youth Specialist Stacy Marsh, 284-0011, ext. 181.

Christmas Tree Recycling Groups Sought

Metro's Recycling Information Center wants to hear from civic groups and service organizations considering Christmas tree recycling as a fundraising project for the upcoming holiday season.

Last year, more than 5,000 people called the center to find out where and how to recycle their trees. Even more calls are expected during this season. Callers to the center are given information on tree recycling drop sites in their area and are informed about groups offering pickup service. Metro's Recycling Information Center also provides answers to general recycling questions.

Non-profit groups such as Scout troops and civic organizations charge a small fee for accepting the trees. They chip them and use the materials for their own projects or take the trees to one of two area yard debris processors, who accept them for a reduced fee from registered groups.

Groups interested in being part of the Christmas tree recycling program should call Charlotte Becker, 221-1664, ext. 224, to sign up and get more information on how to plan and organize a successful Christmas tree recycling project.

KUPL/Chevron Kick-Off Food Drive

Continuous Hit Country, KUPL 98.5-FM and 1330-AM Vice President/General Manager, Edward T. Hardy announced Nov. 21, that a joint effort between KUPL and Chevron to provide food donation outlets for the Sunshine Division of the Portland Police Bureau will begin Nov. 27 and run through Dec. 22nd.

"Sixty-seven Metro Portland and Vancouver Chevron stations have committed to participate in the food drive, Hardy said, and that effort combined with our on-air support will hopefully insure a large public response." The Portland Police Bureau Sunshine Division is a voluntary agency devoted to the relief of those in emergency need.

"We really appreciate the participation of KUPL and Chevron to help us reach the goal we have set to deliver 3,400 food baskets this holiday season," remarked Sunshine Division Commander, Sgt. Mike Salmon.

New Location:
Portland Observer
4747 N.E. Martin Luther
King, Jr. Blvd.
Portland, Oregon 97211

Homeless Programs To Be Subject Of HUD Briefing Session

The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will hold a special one-day briefing session on HUD's homeless programs on Dec. 7, at the Seattle Center in the Lopez Room of the Northwest Rooms Building, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. This session, which will be conducted by HUD's Office of Special Needs Assistance, Office of Community Planning and Development, will be open to nonprofit homeless shelter and service providers, as well as state and local government representatives.

Topics to be covered include new regulations for HUD's homeless programs, and the surplus property program. A brief overview of the application process will also be presented.

The session will be limited to 200-250 participants. Because of limited space, only one representative of any group or organization can attend.

For reservations, call Cristina Gadian at (206) 442-0374. There is no registration fee for this briefing session.

Media/Marketing Volunteers Needed For Hispanic Outreach

Receive valuable experience in marketing and communications and help gain exposure for an important service of the Red Cross by volunteering for the Hispanic Outreach Committee.

The Committee is searching for volunteers with marketing experience or with an interest in learning how to write, plan, and produce publicity for the Red Cross Hispanic Outreach program. Hispanic Outreach provides, among other services, health screenings at migrant farmworkers' camps and Ninos a cargo, a Spanish-language version of the popular Red Cross latchkey class When I'm In Charge.

Volunteers attend monthly committee meetings and work with the media subcommittee in developing and implementing a marketing plan for the program. Volunteers would help write press releases and public service announcements, assist in the production of cable access programming, and work with Red Cross marketing staff on various other projects.

For more information please call Ronnie Meyers, Hispanic Outreach specialist, at 284-1234, ext. 179.

MCC Hosts 4th Annual HIV/AIDS Vigil

Metropolitan Community Church of Portland is hosting its fourth annual HIV/AIDS Vigil, the weekend of Dec. 1-3.

Events are scheduled throughout the weekend from 7 p.m., Fri., Dec. 1st through 9 p.m., Sun., Dec. 3.

The public is encouraged to attend any or all of the event, which is planned as a celebration of the arts, particularly art by those who have AIDS.

The church will dedicate its new stained glass window, replacing the window that was destroyed in a fire on Christmas morning last year, and will receive the gift of a major piece of art reflecting on the AIDS crisis. This will occur during the opening ceremonies on Friday.

A breakfast is scheduled for Saturday Night/Sunday Morning at 2 a.m., followed by live entertainment.

Workshops and counseling as well as quiet time is scheduled throughout the weekend. Videos relevant to AIDS will be available at all hours for public viewing.

Red Cross Offers AIDS Course For Health Care Providers

Health care professionals of all levels are encouraged to enroll in "HIV/AIDS: Information for Health Care Providers," on Tues., Dec. 5 & 12, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at the Red Cross Building, 3131 N. Vancouver Ave.

Local AIDS educators and professionals offering direct care to people with AIDS will give class participants concise, current information. Topics will include: transmission and prevention; infection control procedures; legal and ethical issues; options for care; and personal perspectives on living with the disease.

Participants will receive a certificate of completion once they successfully complete the eight-hour course.

Cost: \$30. A box lunch is available for an additional \$5. Registration begins at 7:30 a.m. For more information or to register, call the Red Cross at 284-1234.

Supermarket Saturday Helps Gather Food For Oregon Food Bank

Faster than a speeding bullet - more powerful than a locomotive - collects mountains of food in a single day - it's Supermarket Saturday!! Its mission: to help Oregon Food Bank fight the evil forces of hunger in Oregon and Southwest Washington.

Over 100 Safeway stores throughout Oregon and Southwest Washington will transform into these mighty entities for the eighth annual supermarket Saturday, Dec. 2, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Campfire boys and girls, and over 100 radio stations throughout the state will encourage Safeway shoppers to buy extra food that day to donate to Oregon Food Bank.

Since 1982, Supermarket Saturday has consistently generated over 100,000 pounds of food each year to help fill the pantries of OFB's member agencies. It is Oregon Food Bank's largest holiday food and fund drive.

"There are more requests for emergency food boxes in the winter than at other times of the year," said Wayne Aulsebrook, OFB's Special Events Coordinator. "Our goal this year is to raise 120,000 pounds of food."

Items most needed are high-protein foods, such as powdered milk, canned meats and stews. Due to USDA cutbacks last year, powdered milk is sorely needed by agencies that help feed hungry people.

Holiday Food Drive Underway

As the holiday season approaches, many of us are looking forward to celebrations, family gatherings, and good food.

This Christmas, which will be their 67th year, the Portland Police Bureau's Sunshine Division will deliver Christmas food baskets to 3,400 families in the Portland area. These are families that would go without if we did not pitch in to help.

From now until December 21st, your local Portland area Domino's Pizza stores are working in conjunction with the sunshine division to help needy people in the Portland area. Domino's Pizza delivery drivers will pick up canned goods with your pizza delivery or you can drop your canned food donation off at your nearest Domino's Pizza store.

Vancouver residents will also be able to donate canned food to help the less fortunate in their area. Vancouver Domino's Pizza stores in conjunction with "The Columbian People in Need Fund" will distribute the food to food banks that serve Clark County.

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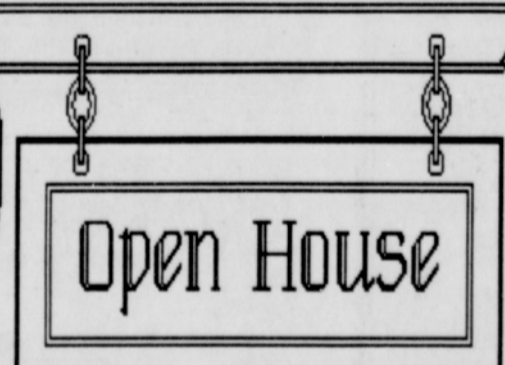
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Open House

Sat., Dec. 2, 1989 · 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Young men and women 16 through 21, parents, and relatives are invited to the Urban Plaza to talk with employment and training specialists from the Urban League of Portland and the Job Corps Program/Nero and Associates.

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For further information, Call (503) 280-2600 or 225-1941

The Urban League of Portland welcomes Nero and Associates' Job Corps Admissions and Placement Agency to its facility at Urban Plaza, 10 N. Russell.