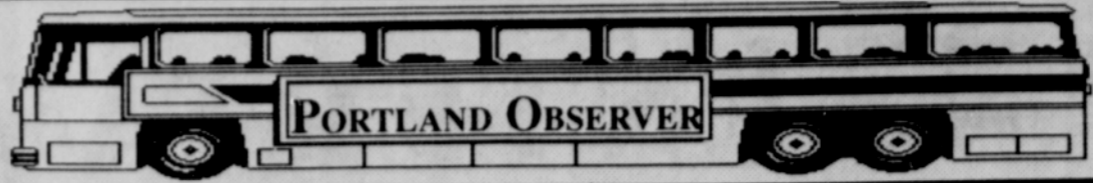


NEWS AROUND TOWN



Department of Revenue Increases Services to Taxpayers

SALEM—Beginning Jan. 3rd, taxpayers who call the Department of Revenue Tax Help Section will reach a telephone service which will provide recorded tax information. Taxpayers will be able to order tax forms, hear messages about current tax topics, and get answers to commonly asked tax questions. Beginning March 1, taxpayers can receive information about their refunds.

The system will operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. That means that taxpayers can order forms and get information about refunds virtually any time of the day.

When the system cannot handle the taxpayer's questions it will refer them to a Department of Revenue operator. Operators are available for assistance during normal working hours. Taxpayers may call the following numbers toll-free from Jan. 3rd to April 30th.

Portland - 243-2833; Salem - 371-2244; from elsewhere in Oregon - 1-800-356-4222. After April 30, call Salem 1-371-2244. There will be no toll-free number after April 30.

According to Cindi Chinnock, administrator of the department's Administrative Services Division, "By handling routine current year refund questions, forms requests, and commonly asked questions, the message system will allow the Tax Help staff to spend time answering more technical tax questions and requests. Taxpayers will have an easier time reaching the department, and we'll be able to provide faster service."

B,H,B,P&H Announces Vernellia Randall Accepts Faculty Position

Portland attorney, Vernellia R. Randall of the Bullivant, Houser, Bailey, Pendergrass and Hoffman law firm, has accepted a faculty position with the University of Dayton School of Law, Ohio. Ms. Randall received a grant to develop a course in Health Care Law which she will teach along with Torts during the Fall quarter.

Peace Corps Seeks Minority Volunteers In Stepped Up Recruiting Effort

The Peace Corps has begun a stepped up effort to recruit minority volunteers as part of an effort to more accurately reflect the multi-ethnic diversity that the United States represents. The recruiting effort will endeavor to place additional Black, Hispanic, Asian, and Native American volunteers in programs in 68 developing nations in Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Pacific, and Eastern Europe in 1990.

Robert Staats, recruiting manager for the Seattle Peace Corps recruiting office, pointed out that the agency has set as its goal 350 new minority volunteers, which represents ten per cent of the total number of Peace Corps volunteers to be placed in fiscal year 1990.

Staats emphasized that only a greater participation of minority Americans in the Peace Corps will show the developing world the rich multicultural composition of American society and, at the same time, give minorities a chance to share what the Peace Corps offers its volunteers.

Currently, less than ten percent of all volunteers are non-white, yet the Peace Corps can point to hundreds of former minority volunteers who, having received valuable leadership training in the Peace Corps, now hold key positions in government, education, business and finance, communications, and fine arts. "Many of these former volunteers are heads of institutes and major universities, reporters and editors for daily newspapers, corporate managers and artists," Staats said.

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Emanuel Rehabilitation Center Earns New Accreditation; Work Hardening Program Only One Of Six In The U.S.

The Emanuel Rehabilitation Center at Emanuel Hospital & Health Center has been awarded accreditation for six major program areas, making Emanuel the most highly accredited Physical Rehabilitation Center in the Northwestern United States. Program surveys and evaluations are performed by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF), an organization which evaluates rehabilitation services throughout the U.S.

CARF renewed the accreditation of Emanuel's programs for Comprehensive Inpatient Rehabilitation, Chronic Pain Management: Inpatient and Outpatient, Spinal Cord Injury and Brain Injury: Acute. New programs which received accreditation for the first time include Outpatient Medical Rehabilitation and Work Hardening.

Emanuel's Work Hardening Program is one of only six of its kind in the nation to receive this prestigious accreditation. Work Hardening is an individual treatment program which combines medical and vocational services to assist injured workers in returning to suitable employment.

In making the announcement, CARF said, "This important achievement on your part is a further indication of your dedication and commitment to improve the quality of the lives of people with disabilities. . . Everyone involved in your organization can rightfully be proud of the unique distinction of being accredited."

PCC Sets Nursing Career Day February 21st

Interested men and women are invited to take part in Nursing Career Day Wednesday, Feb. 21st, at the Sylvania Campus of Portland Community College, 12000 SW 49th ave.

The event will include PCC nursing students, faculty and nurse employers from throughout the Northwest to the College Center building's west mall from 11:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., said Elizabeth Ruff, Nursing Department chairwoman.

Visitors will have an opportunity to learn about the PCC associate degree nursing program and a wide variety of job opportunities available to graduate nurses. Tours of PCC's health program laboratories will be provided.

Further information is available from the PCC Nursing Department, 244-6111, ext. 4466.

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PNCAEP Offers Drawing Class In Northeast Portland

For the very first time the Pacific Northwest College of Art Extension Program will be offering a drawing class in Northeast Portland at the Albina Neighborhood Mural Project. Isaac Shamsud-Din, painter, muralist and Director of the Albina Neighborhood Mural Project will teach a class for persons wishing to draw the human form. Students will learn the basic techniques of rendering, form, shadow, line, volume and the methods of quick sketching and vigorous direct drawing. Special attention will be given to developing the African style and color.

The Extension Program offers evening and weekend courses in Fine Art and Design/Illustration for adults and children. Courses can also be taken for credit.

Call 226-0462 or 226-4391 for more information regarding Isaac Shamsud-Din's course or other Extension Program course. Register now to insure a place in the course of your choice.

Classes begins the week of February 7, 1990.

Parents Of Future Students Invited To PSU Reception

Parents and their college-bound students are invited to attend a special reception Tuesday, Jan. 30 at Portland State University, to discover the range of academic programs and student services available at Oregon's major metropolitan campus.

From 6:30-9:00 p.m. in the third-floor ballroom of Smith Memorial Center (on S.W. Broadway between Montgomery and Harrison Streets), speakers will outline PSU admissions requirements, financial aid, student housing, career options, athletic programs and freshman orientation.

In addition, other speakers from Portland State's College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, together with the professional schools of Business Administration, Education, Engineering and Applied Sciences, Fine and Performing Arts, Health and Physical Education, and Urban and Public Affairs, will each discuss specialties and strengths of their academic programs.

Free parking for this event is available in non-reserved spaces located in PSU multi-level parking structures.

Registration by Friday, Jan. 26 is suggested. For further information, contact Portland State's Office of Admissions, (503) 725-3511.

"We The People: Strength In Diversity."

The Sixth Annual Conference of the Oregon Multicultural Education Association has taken as its theme "We The People: Strength In Diversity." The conference is open to all and will be held at the Monarch Motor Hotel on March 30th and 31st, 1990.

Workshops will be conducted on both Friday and Saturday. Saturday's luncheon will feature a moment for appreciation of classroom teachers. The concluding session will be a lively presentation by Stephen Saffron, renounced educator, professor, humorist, motivator and the Director of American Indian Programs.

For further information about the conference or to obtain registration materials, call Dapo Sobomehin, president of OMEA, at 230-2378, or Robin Butterfield, vice president, at 323-7123 or 323-1378, or write P.O. Box 40749, Portland, OR 97240.

Mistakes Cause Delays In HARRP Refunds

SALEM—Roughly one-third of Oregon taxpayers filing a 1989 refund for the Homeowner and Renter Refund Program (HARRP) are not completing the required household assets test. This mistake is causing delays in processing the HARRP refunds. The Department of Revenue is reminding taxpayers they must fill out and return the household assets checklist before they can receive a HARRP refund.

If you and your spouse are both under age 65, you must meet the household assets test. The total value of the household assets of both you and your spouse must be less than \$25,000 to qualify for a HARRP refund. This is true even if your household income is under the \$17,500 limit.

To determine if your household assets are under \$25,000, fill out the household assets checklist in your income tax instruction booklet. If the total fair market value of these assets as of December 31, 1989, exceeds \$25,000, you don't qualify for a HARRP refund. However, if you or your spouse are age 65 or older, you aren't required to meet the household assets test.

Local Writers Invited To Submit Poetry In Honor Of Black History Month

In honor of Black History Month, U.S. Bank is requesting poetry be submitted for publication in area newspapers. Local writers are invited to submit their original works of poetry preferably limited to 20 lines to:

U.S. Bank Public Relations
African-American Reflections
P.O. Box 8837
Portland, Oregon 97208

Deadline for entries is January 31, 1990. All written pieces should be typed and double spaced. Please indicate whether the writer is an adult (over 18) or a young adult (13-18) or a child (12 and under), and whether the writer wishes to remain anonymous. All entries must include name, address and phone number for consideration. All entries must be original works by the submitter.

Up to 24 poems will be selected for inclusion in a special poetry section provided by U.S. Bank in local newspapers. Pieces selected will be published one time only during Black History Month, February 1990. Due to volume, pieces cannot be returned.

EAO To Offer Employment Workshop

Individuals with epilepsy can receive job search assistance through the Training and Placement Service (TAPS) of the Epilepsy Association of Oregon.

A free workshop will be held February 7th-8th at 718 W. Burnside, Suite 204. Topics to be addressed will include:

- * Options for Disclosing Epilepsy to an Employer.
- * Skill Assessment.
- * Self-marketing.
- * The Hidden Job Market
- * Contracting Employers.
- Plus More!!!

For more information and to register, please call 228-7651. Pre-registration is required for participation.

Project LEAD: High Expectations!

The Portland Chapter, The Links, Incorporated, invites your organization to be represented at an Informational Meeting regarding a demonstration project called: Project LEAD: High Expectations! which is designed to help prevent substance abuse, adolescent pregnancy, and sexually transmitted diseases among high risk Black youth.

Project LEAD: High Expectations! is an educational and enrichment program being implemented by members of selected Link chapters in various cities throughout the country. Link members are working in concert with other members of predominantly Black fraternal and professional organizations, parents, community leaders, representatives from educational and service institutions, subject matter experts and local government officials. Our collective efforts will be directed toward increasing the effectiveness of education in areas of drug and alcohol abuse and sexuality education.

Saturday, January 27th
Bethel A.M.E. Church
5828 N.E. 8th Avenue
Portland, Oregon

Time: 8:30 a.m.-12:00 Noon
Hope we can count on you! Your input is welcome! Funded by a grant from the Office of Substance Abuse Prevention, Department of Health and Human Services.

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