

#### **Commission Meeting**

Date: March 13, 1991
Place: Portland Building
1120 SW Fifth Ave., 11th Fl.
Portland, OR
Time: 9:30 a.m.

Commission meetings are open to the public. A complete agenda is available at PDC. Call 823-3200.

PDC is the City of Portland's urban renewal, housing and economic development agency.

#### End Of War Called No Guarantee Of Peace

The end of the Gulf War will not guarantee peace in the Middle East as long as militarization there continues at past levels, a student of Jewish-Palestinian relations told the United Methodist panel on international affairs.

The spread of arms, said Jonathan Boyarin, is "fuel for the conflict, not the result of it." Boyarin, a practicing Jew affiliated with the International Jewish Peace Union, which seeks to establish a Palestinian state alongside Israel, said alternatives in the Middle East cannot be discussed as long as militarization continues. He cited statistics saying that, while worldwide military expenditures rose about 40 percent in constant dollars between 1960 and 1986, in the Middle East they sextupled.

#### Portland Public Schools Offer Parenting Classes

Metropolitan Portland parents may attend free and fee classes dealing with child-rearing at several Portland public schools this month.

All courses deal with popular concerns and issues and instructors allow ample time for questions and discussions. Free or fee childcare also is offered during some of the sessions.

Most classes are led by counselors and child-development specialists working in Portland School District schools serving students in kindergarten through Grade 5.

Please contact the school listed below for further information.

March Class Youth Gangs Forum Whitaker Middle School 5700 N.E. 39th March 6; 6:30-7:30 p.m. 280-6152

For more information, please contact Roselyn Taylor, program coordinator, 280-5840, Ext. 332 or Bill Garbett, director of public information and communication, 249-3304, Portland Public Schools.

#### What Will Fuel America

In the wake of the war with Iraq, the battle over our nation's energy policy continues: Were we FORCED into war because we depend on Arab oil? What should we do to avoid fighting this same battle again?

President Bush gave his answer when he released his "National Energy Strategy" on February 20th. The plan emphasizes development of oil resources within the U.S. and proposes increased research into nuclear energy. Conservation and alternative energy sources remain low priorities.

Critics complain his plan contains nothing new. They charge that its emphasis on increasing oil supplies, rather than decreasing DEMAND for oil, commits us to continued dependence on a finite resource controlled mostly by Middle Eastern countries. Opponents of the plan believe we could end our reliance on oil by greater emphasis on mass transit, combined with environmentally-benign energy sources like solar and wind power.

Is it time to kick the oil habit? CAN we? Are Americans really willing to car-pool, use mass transit, and/or pay steep gas taxes? Or is our lifestyle inseparably intertwined with oil? Must we risk the environmental damage of off-shore oil drilling to reduce our dependence on foreign oil? Could fuelefficient cars solve the problem? Are alternative energy sources ready to fill the void? What do YOU think? Join Jack Faust and his guests for this timely debate on Sunday, March 17 from 6-7 p.m. For seat reservations, please call Frank Mungeam, Alison Highberger or Lisa McQuade at 231-4620. Guests should arrive at KATU studios (21st & NE Sandy Blvd.) between 5:00-5:15 p.m. The public is welcome, but reservations are required.



#### Tektronix Employees In Vancouver, WA, Eligible For Trade Act

Assistance

The U.S. Department of Labor announced today that approximately 110 employees of Tektronix Inc.'s Visual Systems Group in Vancouver, Wash., have been certified as eligible to apply for assistance under the Trade Act of 1974.

Under the Act, employees who are adversely affected in employment due to increased imports of products may petition the Secretary of Labor for certification to apply for benefits, which may include job search assistance, cash benefits and relocation allowances, among others.

Employees of Tektronix's Visual Systems Group produce test and measurement oscilloscopes. The department's investigation found that major customers of the company reduced purchases and increased their reliance on imports of oscilloscopes, resulting in displacement of the employees.

Employees of Tektronix's Visual Systems Group who became totally or partially separated from employment on or after July 21, 1989, are eligible to apply for benefits.

Benefits are administered by the Washington State Department of Employment Security with funds provided by the federal government.

#### Urban League Sponsors Free Job And Career Classes

The Urban League of Portland's Northeast Youth Service Center is sponsoring a series of free job and career-related classes for Northeast Portland-area youth between the ages of 14 and 17. The classes will begin March 7, 1991 and will be held from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the Urban League of Portland, 10 North Russell Street.

The career exploration and job skills classes will focus on various aspects of employment including future career trends, search and interview skills, dressing for success, writing resumes, motivation and others.

The series of classes will run for four weeks. The Urban League encourages North and Northeast Portland area businesses with information or ideas to participate in the program.

Participants who finish the course will be awarded a Certificate of Completion and will receive continuing assistance throughout their job search.

To register for the course, parents and/or youth may call the Urban League's Youth Employment Coordinator at 280-2600.

BRING HOME THE TROOPS

#### Welfare Reform: Transition Requires Commitment

Oregon and the rest of the nation can successfully prepare welfare recipients to be self sufficient, according to leaders in the movement, with adequate investment in human potential and an insistence on performance.

Ruth Massinga, immediate past president of the American Public Welfare Association and chief executive of the Seattle-based Casey Family (foster care) Program, and Stephen D. Minnich, administrator of the Oregon Adult and Family Services Division, told the Portland City Club that meaningful welfare reform will require a change in the way this nation views welfare.

"Let us think about welfare as a real transition" of people into lasting jobs, Massinga said. "The expectation is that welfare clients can become 'job ready' and move out into the work force."

Welfare reform, required of the states by the federal Family Support Act of 1988, is aimed at preparing welfare recipients for self-sufficiency through training and job placement. JOBS for Oregon's Future is the state's welfare reform program. It began here last October as it did in most states.

"It will take time for all of us to stay the course," Massinga told the City Club audience, describing the massive undertaking of redirecting people's lives.

Still, early indications for

success are good in Oregon, according to Minnich, the state's welfare administrator. "We are making a difference right now," he said, noting that more than a thousand teen mothers are back in school programs as the result of welfare reform.

"We can't over emphasize the investment strategy," Minnich said. He described his "fight" to preserve a strong welfare-to-work program in Oregon, built on partnerships between state agencies, schools and private-service providers, and requiring "outcomes" that participants get lasting jobs.

The key to success, said Massinga, is a new way of looking at welfare: "We must change attitudes: the attitude of recipients, and our own." The new view, she said, should recognize the reality of tight funding in many states, including Oregon, along with the need to require those who have been trained to perform on the job. Accordingly she called for "strong ties" between those involved with welfare reform and the business community.

JOBS for Oregon's Future is based on partnerships throughout the state involving several divisions of the Department of Human Resources-Adult and Family Services, Employment, and Economic development-along with high schools, community colleges and private day-care providers.

### March Neighborhood Meetings

Please Note that these meetings are subject to change. Our information is a February 26, 1991.

04 Boise Neighborhood Association Meeting 7:00pm
Albina Youth Opoporutnity School 3710 N. Mississippi
05 Concordia Neighborhood Association Meeting 7:00 pm
Englewood Christian Church 3515 N.E. Killingsworth

06 Portsmouth Neigh.Assoc.General Membership Meeting 7:00pm
Portsmouth Middle School 5103 N. Willis
07 Irvington Neighborhood Association Board Meeting 7:00pm

Augustana Lutheran Church N.E. 14th and Knott

11 Beaumont-Wilshire Neigh. Assoc. Board Meeting 7:30pm

Beaumont Middle School Cafeteria 4043 N.E. Fremont

11 Eliot Neighborhood Association Board Meeting 7:00pm

Eliot Energy House 3116 N. Williams Ave

11 Humbolt Neighborhood Association Board Meeting 7:30pm Humboldt School 4906 N. Gantenbein

12 Overlook Neigh.Assoc.General Membership Meeting 7:00pm
 Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center 5340 N. Interstate

 13 King Neighborhood Association Meeting 7:00pm
 King Facility 4815 N.E. 7th

19 Grant Park Neighborhood Association Meeting 7:30pm
Fernwood Middle School N.E. 33rd & Hancock

19 Northeaset Coalition Monthly Board Meeting 7:00pm King Facility 4814 N.E. 7th

20 Woodlawn Neighborhood Association Meeting 7:00pm OddFellows Lodge 700 N.E. Dekum

Sabin Neighborhood Association Meeting 7:30pm
 Sabin School 4013 N.E. 18th
 Agenda: Sabin Neighborhood Plan.

 King Neighborhood Association Meeting 7:00pm

King Facility 4815 N.E. 7th

28 Piedmont Neighborhood Association Meeting 7:30pm

Holy Redeemer School 127 N. Portland Blyd.

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28 Vernon Neighborhood Association Meeting 7:30pm
Vernon School N.E. 20th and Killingsworth

**Vote** 

## Harold Williams PCC Board Zone 2 March 26th Mail-In Election

**Experienced** Harold Williams knows how government works. In 1975 he became Oregon's first Director of Affirmative Action, and has served as Labor Relations Manager and Equal Employment Opportunity Coordinator for the State as well. In the private sector, Williams has successfully negotiated numerous federal, state and local government

Qualified Harold Williams was appointed to the PCC Board of Directors in November of last year and has been an active participant since. In addition to owning his own business, Williams is an instructor at Linfield College and a consultant to Portland State University and the Portland Public School District. He has also taught at Oregon State University and Linn-Benton Community College.

Endorsed by Portland Association of Teachers Endorsed by AFLCIO

Committee to Elect Harold Williams, 132 N.E. Ainsworth, Portland, OR 97211

# Williams Run's For PCC Board Position

Harold Williams, President and owner of CH2A Associates, a mechanical engineering maintenance and consulting firm in Portland, announced his candidacy Wednesday for Portland Community College Board position, representing zone two.

The position will be posted on the March 26 mail-in ballot. Williams was appointed to the PCC board of Directors in November of last year and has been an active participant since.

Williams believes his business and governmental experience will help him deal with the Board's challenging issues.

"PCC is faced with a complex set of issues," Willims said, "that must be met head on, including crime, drugs, child abuse and unemployment. My background in business and educaiton, as employer and employee," Williams continued, "allows me to bring to the Board a broad understanding of these complex issues.

"Active involvement over the last 30 years in the Northeast Portland community has kept me in touch with community goals and needs. And, "Williams added, "being a memeber of the Board enables me to give something back to the community which has given me so much."

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SPECIAL DISTRICT ELECTION MARCH 26, 1991

