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Welcome National Black Evangelical Association 28th Annual Convention



From Left: Bishop A.A. Wells, Convention Chairman; Bishop George McKinney, President of NBEA; Rev. Aaron Hamlin, Executive Director of NBEA

Photo by Veronica Green

For the first time in the Pacific Northwest, the National Association will hold its 28th Annual Convention, beginning Wednesday, April 3rd through Sunday, April 7th, 1991 at the Sheraton Airport Hotel, and the new Oregon Convention Center in Portland, Oregon.

Local Black and White Pastors, ministers who are committed community leaders and concerned citizens are working together diligently to exemplify the love that Christ has for us and promote the unity he demonstrated. Galatians 5:13 states, "through love

we serve one another", and the love Christ has for us transcends cultural, racial and socio-economic barriers. Our love for each other should be patterned after his love for us. The Convention Committee's are working feverishly for the success of this National Convention and everyone is looking forward to the new spiritual enrichment and restoration of the Christian Community and a revival throughout the Portland Metropolitan Community. This Convention will attract Church leadership from all over the United States, including Missionaries from Africa.

One of the highlights of this Convention will be the Pulpit Exchange Program, this will be held on April 7th, whereby Black Pastors will step into the pulpit of predominately White churches and the same opportunity will be given to the White Pastors to exchange pulpits with Black Pastors. This process will emphasize the need for multi-cultural enrichment and diversity; not only in our schools and community, but also in our churches. A Children's program is being designed which will include Praise and Worship, Bible Study, Arts and Crafts and

field trips.

There will be three separate receptions; one is scheduled for the honoring of Mayor Bud Clark, the N.B.E.A. Executive Officers and the Black Judges of Oregon. The Mayor's Reception will be held at the Sheraton Airport in the Garden Foyer on April 4, 1991 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. A reception will be held in honor of the community on April 5, 1991 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Sheraton Airport Hotel and on April 6, 1991 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the same location, the N.B.E.A. Officers and Black Judges will be honored. These receptions are being sponsored by the N.B.E.A., Augustana Lutheran Church, Christ Community Church of Tualatin, Oregon; the Black Lawyer's Association, Albina Ministerial Alliance, Walker & Warren Law Firm.

There will be an opening musical on April 3, 1991 at Maranatha Church beginning at 7:00 p.m. Bishop George McKinney, President of N.B.E.A.; Pastor of St. Stephens C.O.G.I.C. will be speaking April 4, 1991 at the Sheraton Hotel. Dr. James Martin, Pastor of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church will also be speaking on April 5, 1991 at 7:00 p.m. at the Sheraton Airport Hotel.

Finally, on April 6, 1991 there will be an Awards Banquet and musical. The keynote speaker at the banquet will be Dr. O. Virginia Phillips from One Church-One Child. The evening will also include a special reception for the Black Judge's and Executive Officers of N.B.E.A. scheduled prior to the banquet at 6:00 p.m. at the Sheraton Hotel.

**Volunteer
 Of The Week**



James B. Williams

James B. Williams (J.B.) can be found these days volunteering at St. Andrew's After School Program since retiring from Portland Public Schools in 1988. He is now teaching Black History and Poetry. He educates students about famous American poets and teaches students to memorize and recite poetry...one of the best methods of teaching, especially primary students. It motivates them to read and learn. Selections of poems were taken from works of Paul Lawrence Dunbar and James Weldon Johnson, who wrote the Black National Anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

For Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday, Mr. Williams was guest poet at Beaumont Middle School during Black History month, and featured with New Hope Baptist Church Choir at Warner Pacific College. He recited "O Black and Unknown Bards" by James Weldon Johnson and "The Wreck of the Hesperus" by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow. He also recited at the University of Portland and North Portland Library.

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Sgt. Jimmie P. Trice son of Mr. & Mrs. Jimmie E. Trice, returned home from the Persian Gulf on March 30, 1991. Jimmie comes from a family that has had three other members involved in the Armed Services.

His wife Carla, his son Chauncy, his three brothers and four sisters and parents are very happy to have Jim home.

"In the Midst of These Years... Revive Us"

CSD Names Assistant Administrator

Children's Services Division Administrator Bill Carey has named Karen Lee Assistant Administrator for Communications. Lee, a 37 year old native Oregonian, is replacing Alice Galloway who now works for former Governor Neil Goldschmidt.

Lee has eleven years experience in broadcasting. Her most recent position was 11:00 news producer at KATU-TV in Portland. Other experience includes KOB-TV in Medford and KOMO-TV in Seattle. In addition to experience as a news producer, Lee has worked as a reporter, anchor, and producer/director of commercials.

Lee was graduated from Oregon State University with a degree in Journalism and Educational Media. For two



Karen Lee

years she taught TV Journalism for the Portland Public School District's Talented and Gifted program.

Lee says she is "excited about helping people understand the CSD goals of protecting children and helping families." Her salary is \$44,160 per year.

Pepsi Contributes Funds For Project Scholarship



Al Harris of Pepsi (ALPAC) general manager greets director & founder Bill Barber of Project Scholarship

Some Portland area high school student/athletes, affected by proposition 48 will soon have an opportunity to continue their education as a result of a grant from the Pepsi Co. Vic Oenning, General fund manager of the company's Portland Division recently announced a \$4,000 grant to "Project Scholarship".

Project Scholarship sends students/Athletes back to the classroom to talk to boys and girls in grades 7-9, emphasizing the importance of maintaining a grade point average acceptable for college entry.

Students/athletes are paid a small

stipend and are themselves beneficiaries of the project.

The founder of "Project Scholarship", is Bill Barber, a former Ford Motor Co. employee who moved to Oregon after a "chance visit to do some fishing".

Expressing total elation over the award, Barker stated, "It is important that all communities focus on our youth to provide the best educational process possible."

Pointing out that this is the first program of its kind in the U.S.A. and expressed confidence in its current and future success.



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