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Kramer Apartments Open House

Please join the Housing Authority of Portland (HAP), the Oregon Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Services Division (MHDDSD), and The Mind Empowered, Inc. in celebrating the opening of the Kramer Apartments. An Open House will take place on:

Thursday, August 27, 1992
3-5 P.M.
303-317 N Beech Street
Portland, Oregon

The Kramer Apartments Project provides permanent housing for the homeless mentally ill. Elmer Kramer, for whom the complex is named, will be honored during ceremonies scheduled for 3:30 P.M. Now retired from the state Office of Mental Health Services as manager of community programs, Kramer is noted for his efforts in building strong partnerships between state and county mental health programs. He has been a long-time advocate for the psychiatrically disabled in the state of Oregon. Also, Denny West, HAP executive director; Dr. Richard C. Lippincott, MHDDSD administrator; and Garrett Smith, The Mind Empowered Inc. executive director, will speak.

The public is invited to tour the four-unit complex, which includes a community room.

Through a unique cooperative effort, three agencies partnered to develop this housing opportunity. HAP just finished an extensive rehab of the vacant complex that had suffered fire and smoke damage. The Housing Authority will also supply the on-going maintenance.

The Mind Empowered, Inc. is selecting the residents and will provide their support services. To promote independent living capability for the four residents, trained staff will maintain constant contact, providing support and assisting with all daily needs—emotional and physical. Also, Mind Empowered, a consumer-run, non-profit organization, will supply a 24-hour crisis intervention service.

Funded through the MHDDSD, The Mind Empowered Inc. operates under contract with Multnomah County. Its fully-trained case managers have themselves experienced mental illness. They bring an insight from making the transition to independent living that provides valuable in teaching others.

MHDDSD applied for project funding from the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and was awarded \$88,379 through the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act. This provides for development costs and subsidies for the first five years of operations. In addition, HAP and the MHDDSD matched funds of \$35,000 each for the building acquisition and rehabilitation costs. In addition, close to \$18,000 in energy conservation work on the complex was funded by the Multnomah County Community Action Program. This included installation of new doors, windows, and insulation.

Architect for the Kramer Apartments Project is William Wilson Architects, AIA, and Gil Solis Construction, Inc. is the contractor.

Technology Assistance Center Serves Needs of Disabled

The Technology Access for Life Needs (TALN) Center at Lane Community College in Eugene provides assistive technology services for people in Benton, Coos, Lane Lincoln, and Linn counties. Assistive technology includes products and devices that help to minimize the effects of impairments, and provide greater independence and capability for people with disabilities.

TALN coordinates an equipment loan bank, sponsors product demonstrations, and offers equipment evaluation on training. It also helps find funding for individuals who need to purchase assistive technology devices. The center helps businesses develop workplace accommodations for employees with disabilities and offers training for parents, professional, and others. TALN is building an interagency coalition and it advocates laws and policies to provide continued access to assistive technology.

LCC TALN is one of seven offices statewide. It is funded by a three-year grant from the US Department of Education in response to the Technology Related Assistance for Individuals with Disabilities Act of 1988.

For information about assisting technology for people with disabilities, contact the TALN Center at LCC at 747-4501 ext. 2149 or TT 726-3952.

Frank Martin Joins KUPL AM/FM Sales Staff

Continuous Hit Country KUPL 98.5 FM/1330 AM Vice President/General Manager, Edward T. Hardy announced today the addition of Frank Martin to the KUPL local sales staff as an Account Executive.

Martin, who has been in the Portland market for over eleven years has an extensive background in media including, most recently, local sales for KGW-TV, Channel 8 and KPTV, Channel 12. Prior to coming to Oregon, Martin worked for the Montana Television Network.

In addition to KUPL AM/FM, Scripps Howard Broadcasting owns and

Melissa Fern

Melissa Fern has been a waitress; a truck driver, has worked at a fast food place. In a foundry job, she knocked molds out of steel frames with a sledgehammer.

Now she's going in a different direction -- toward a doctorate in clinical psychology. She intends to have her own practice and has definite ideas about providing affordable care.

Melissa came to PCC Cascade for the first two years of her bachelor's degree. It gave her a good start. "The instructors were very supportive," she says. "They were willing to put out extra effort to help me."

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Black United Front Saturday School Volunteer Recruitment

You can help a child learn more about African-American history and heritage, you can teach a child cultural pride and you can assist children with basic skills, like reading and writing.

All you need is time, two hours Saturday mornings, as the Black United Front Saturday School begins its fifth year this fall. The school provides cultural and basic skills education, free of charge, to elementary-school-age children. Volunteers are needed.

Teaching experience is not necessary, just a desire to teach or help out as support staff. Those interested are asked to attend two orientation workshops on Saturday, September 26th and Saturday, October 3rd at the YWCA at 5630 NE Martin Luther King Boulevard from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm.

Two hours of your time can do a lot for these students. Volunteer now!!!!!!

Patents, Copyrights and Trademarks: Converting Ideas And Knowledge To Money

BY PROF. MCKINLEY BURT

The best kept secret in the world seems to be the fact that over the course of the last 6,000 years, and against all odds or repression, the black races have proven to be in proportion the most inventive and innovative people ever. And we have this veil despite thorough documentation from "Napoleon's Expedition To Egypt" to the 1895 citation in the "U.S. Congressional Record" of all the "PATENTED" inventions of African Americans shown at the Atlanta Exposition in 1895.

This record of accomplishment in no way takes into account the thousands of inventions and innovations contributed by black slaves who naturally received no credit. (Cotton Gin-McCormick Reaper). African Americans have no excuse today for not securing their property rights in the fruits of their genius, whether the idea is mechanical, written, (a novel or play), artistic (painting, drawing, sculpture, musical composition, photograph, etc.) or lies in several other areas; movies, videos and some computer concepts, also.

I briefly discussed these issues on page 2 in my article, "Perspectives; Real Minority Business; Now or Never." However, the field is very technical and I recommend that you avail yourself of the expert advice and resource cited here. Therefore, you should regard this article as an informative overview only. Your proper initial contact are as follows.

The basic source of information on Patents and Trademarks is the Federal Bookstore at 1305 SW First Ave., Portland, OR 97201; (221-6217). "General Information Concerning Patents," \$2.00, and "Basic Facts About Trademarks," \$1.75. A Toll-Free phone call to "Federal Information," (mention "copyrights") will secure an information booklet and three application forms each of the categories I cited earlier 1-800-726-4995. The State of Oregon also has a filing procedure for "Trade and Service Marks;" State Corporation Division 1-378-4166 for free information and forms.

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The reproduction below of the Table of Contents of the patent publication will give you an idea of how helpful the basic manuals can be to you. Do not forget that if you patent an invention (door stop to innovative hair roller), it is not necessary that you manufacture it yourself—or even that you make a working model in order to reap a financial benefit. You can assign the right to manufacture to a corporation which will then produce the item, paying you an agree-upon "royalty" for each item sold. Of course, you may sell your invention outright for whatever price you can negotiate (see my "Minority Business" article on page 2 for manufacturing and marketing your own merchandise).

Leading Senate Job Training Advocate: Just-Passed Bill Will Boost Oregon Workforce Efforts

Sen. Paul Simon, Job Trainees, AuCoin to discuss New Legislation, Innovative Oregon Efforts

Monday at Training Center in N/NE Portland

Senator Paul Simon (D-IL), chair of the Senate Employment and Productivity panel, joined Rep. Les AuCoin, participants in an innovative Oregon job training program, and others at a Monday press conference to talk about newly-passed federal employment training legislation and its impact on Oregon's job skills improvement efforts.

In addition to the discussion of the new bill and its impact on Oregon, two job trainees talked about their personal experiences with the North/Northeast Portland Employment and Training (NEET) Center's effective program.

With its Workforce Quality Council and creative integration of work and education, Oregon has led the nation in job training efforts. In August, Congress passed legislation to reform and strengthen federal job training assistance and sent it to the President's desk for his signature. This final step, which will make the measure the law of the land, is expected soon.

Senator Simon, an Oregon native, is the author of a 1985 book about the need for a greater federal role in providing employment opportunities and training.



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