

School Board Elections Challenged Hearing On 22nd

The Portland School Board has finally scheduled a hearing for 7 PM, Thursday, October 22nd at the Blanchard Center, on a controversial new election process, advocated by fifteen community groups and elected officials, led by the Portland Rainbow Coalition. Seeking more democratic elections to ensure greater diversity on the school board, the coalition has been pressing for board action since April.

The current all-white, very male, lawyer-businessman-professional board is not very representative of our school district, says the Rainbow Coalition.

The proposed election process -- representation by "zone", instead of "at-large" -- would "require much less money, allow for more grassroots cam-

paigns, and provide neighborhood and local school activists a chance to win a board seat", says the coalition's letter to the school board. "It is common knowledge," says the letter, "that city-wide name recognition and substantial funds are necessary to run for school board under the present system."

In a separate memo to the board, the Rainbow Coalition has warned that "in our opinion, the current system of at-large voting is a violation of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, because it inhibits representation from the African American community." The memo refers to the outcome of the 1991 election for position four, when an African American candidate won the most votes from within zone four, but ultimately lost the city-wide election.

Apprenticeship, Past, Present, and Future

The Oregon, Southwest Washington Cement Masons Joint Apprenticeship Training Committee was started by Local 555, in 1962, to provide trained professionals to enter the masonry trades.

The industry based masonry program is a career opportunity for people wishing to enter the trowel trades.

Apprenticeship training provides the foundation for job opportunities, stability and a higher income to provide a better future for working Americans.

The masonry programs offer individuals a chance to enter a high demand trade with a broad range of specialties and work environments.

The masonry programs expose apprentices to the latest developments in the trades. Our apprentices will have the security of knowing that their skills will be in demand well into the next century.

Come and join the Cement Masons at their First Annual Apprenticeship Day, as their apprentices demonstrate

the high level of skills and talents they have developed as members of the Cement Masons Apprenticeship Program.

Features will include:
Hands on displays
Step pouring
paneling
Curb and gutter work
Tool displays
And more

We will also be featuring booths and information from the Portland Community college, B-West program, as well as our other industry partners.

Door Prizes Will Be Handed Out!
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October 17, 1992
8:00 am-3:00 pm
20210 SW Teton
Tualatin, OR 97062

See map on back cover
Neither rain, nor snow, nor sleet, nor dark of night shall keep the Cement Masons' Apprenticeship Day from taking place!

Students Write Book On History Of Alberta Street

Students from Jefferson, Wilson and Grant high schools have co-authored a book about the history of the Alberta Street community entitled, "1992 Alberta Street Cultural Resource Inventory With Recommendations."

That book will be released to the public Saturday (Oct. 10) at 1 p.m. following a reception for parents at the Willamette Block Building, 722 SW 2nd Avenue.

Emanuel Medical Foundation is sponsoring the reception and Urban forestry, Inc., sponsor of the project, will host the event.

Students were hired during the summer to compile the report through the Private Industry Council's Youth Employment Program. The book, a study in cultural anthropology, botany, history and community, documents oldest trees, oldest people and historic buildings in the Alberta Street Neighborhood. The 150 page publication features historic maps and photographs and marks a significant achievement by students.

The project was developed in cooperation with Oregon Association of Minority Entrepreneurs and the Alberta Street Corridor Project.

Participants Needed For Eye Research Study

Individuals with a visual condition called intermittent exotropia (commonly known as wandering eye or wall eye) are needed for a research study now underway at the Pacific University Family Vision Centers.

Those qualifying for the study will receive specialized vision evaluation and may eventually be provided with a treatment program of vision therapy without cost.

Intermittent exotropia is a condition where one eye tends to drift outward at different times or when looking at different distances. People suffering from intermittent exotropia may occasionally experience double vision, have recurrent headaches or eyeaches, and be sensitive to bright light. Exotropia is treatable through a program of vision therapy or by performing surgery on the eye muscles.

For scheduling a free evaluation and for more information, please call the Pacific University Family Vision Center near you; downtown Portland, 224-2323 or Forest Grove, 357-5800.



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First Public Hearing on Action Plan Against Gang, Drug Houses

Several city officials will speak at a public hearing on an action plan against gang and drug houses that includes an ordinance aimed at gang members, skinheads, and others whose disruptive behavior becomes a chronic nuisance to their neighbors.

The hearing begins at 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 13, at Southeast Uplift, 3534 S.E. Main. Speakers include City Commissioner Earl Blumenauer and Chief of Police Tom Potter.

The nine-point plan was announced on October 6 by Blumenauer and members of the Drug House Enforcement Work Group, an inter-agency task force of area officials. Tomorrow's meeting is the first of several formal public hearings.

Biologist Discusses Threats To Crater Lake Water Quality

Douglas Larson, limnologist* and adjunct professor of biology at Portland State University, will present a free slide lecture on "Crater Lake's Muddied Waters" on Wednesday, Oct. 28, at 7 p.m. in Room 294 of Smith Center, located at 1825 S. W. Broadway. He will discuss the decline of Crater Lake's water quality and clarity due to the effects of pollution and untreated sewage. He also will discuss the National Park Service's management of Crater Lake. Handouts will be available at the lecture.

The lecture is sponsored by PSU's Friends of Biology. For more information, contact Mary Taylor at 244-8137.

*Limnology is the scientific study of physical, chemical, meteorological and biological conditions in fresh waters.

4,500 Volunteers Sought For Food Drive

To make its 53rd annual Christmas Food Program a success, the St. Vincent de Paul Society needs more than donations of food and money.

It needs volunteers. About 4,500 of them, in fact.

Starting in mid-November and continuing through the end of the year, the Society will need help with everything from collecting and sorting donated food, to packing boxes and delivering them to 5,000 needy families in the Metropolitan Portland area.

"We are beginning our program earlier this year," says Janice Pelster, the Society's executive director, "so our volunteers search program will get underway October 17 through St. Vincent de Paul conferences located at Catholic churches in the area.

"At first," she added, "we will be needing about 1,600 drivers and their helper to collect 100,000 pounds of

canned food during our Neighborhoods Food Drive on November 14 and 21."

Starting in mid-November, volunteers will begin to sort and box the food at the Christmas Warehouse, 2050 NW Front.

The drive will reach a peak of activity on December 19 when more than 1,500 volunteers will deliver the food boxes to needy families in the Tri-county area.

Families as well as school, business, church and civic groups are encouraged to volunteer.

Anyone wanting to volunteer, or any organization that would like to place a food collection barrel at its location, is asked to call the St. Vincent de Paul Society at (503) 234-1114.

To make a financial contribution, send checks to Christmas Fund, St. Vincent de Paul Society, P.O. Box 82849, Portland, Oregon 97282.

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