

A R O U N D T O W N

Summer Babysitting Courses Offered In June & July For Boys And Girls Entering Grades 6 to 9

Babysitting courses for boys and girls entering grades 6-9 in the fall will be offered in June and July by the Portland Area Council of Camp Fire. The registration deadline for June courses is June 15; for July courses, July 8. The Camp Fire Babysitting course covers:

How to prevent emergency situations and what to do in an emergency.

How to handle behavior problems, children who are afraid, bored or lonely.

How to play creatively with different age groups of children.

The differences between babies, toddlers, preschoolers, and school age children.

How to make your own Babysitting Resource Kit.

How to find jobs and what "being in business" is all about.

Babysitting courses will be held at the following locations:

- St. Luke's Lutheran Church
6835 SW 46th (45th & Vermont),
Portland
Friday-Saturday, June 25-26*
10a.m.-2pm. Take a sack lunch.
- Trinity Lutheran Church
507 West Powell, Gresham
Monday-Tuesday, July 19-20**
10a.m.-2pm. Take a sack lunch.

10a.m.-2pm. Take a sack lunch.
Fremont United Methodist Church
2620 NE Fremont, Portland
Monday-Tuesday, June 28-29*

10a.m.-2pm. Take a sack lunch.
Grace Memorial Episcopal Church
1535 NE 17th Avenue, Portland
Wednesday-Thursday, July 21-22**

10a.m.-2pm. Take a sack lunch. Participants receive a handbook and a certificate upon completion, and they will be entered in a job bank for possible referrals. The cost is \$17 per participant. To register, please call the Portland Area Council of Camp Fire at 224-7800 by June 15* for June courses; July 8** for July courses.

The purpose of Camp Fire is to provide, through a program of informal education, opportunities for youth to realize their potential and to function effectively as caring, self-directed individuals responsible to themselves and others; and, as an organization, to seek to improve those conditions in society which affect youth. Acceptance and participation in Camp Fire are the same for everyone without regard to race, color, national origin, sex or disability.

At Risk Teenage Girls Need "Big Sisters"

Volunteers of America's Kletzer Hall is seeking women to sign up now as volunteers for their Big Sister Program. The volunteers will spend approximately 10 hours per month becoming role models and caring friends for at-risk teenage girls.

Kletzer Hall will host a Big Sister volunteer training June 15, 17 and 22nd from 6:00 P.m. - 8:30 P.m. Those interested in volunteering as a Big Sister need to attend all three meetings. To register please call 234-9211.

Kletzer Hall provides short-term shelter for adolescent girls who come from unstable home environments. Volunteers of America is a nationwide social service organization with branches in over 200 communities. As well as Kletzer Hall, Volunteers of America Oregon, Inc. serves the community through child care, family preservation programs, a shelter for homeless women with children, a senior center, senior health clinic, adult day care program, residential substance abuse facilities for adult felons, and a Christmas Assistance Program.

Portland Police Bureau Establishes LET Program

During a hiring ceremony held at the Justice Center, the Portland Police Bureau appointed seven candidates to the position of Law Enforcement Trainees.

The goal of the LET program is to train candidates to enhance their skills for the next Police Officer Examination in order to improve their ability to score within hiring range on the next test. It is hoped that this can be accomplished through assignment to various units and divisions within the Police Bureau, as well as improving basic test taking and study skills.

Candidates who are selected for this program must have previously participated in the police officer examination process which includes the written exam, writing skills exam and the oral exam. A LET candidate does not have to pass each of these phases to be selected, but their performance in these areas is considered during the

selection process.

Law Enforcement Trainees will be given a broad exposure to law enforcement and will participate in comprehensive education and training. Through their exposure with the bureau, they will gain an understanding of the Police Bureau's Community Policing philosophy and problem solving efforts and answer citizens questions as they relate to law enforcement.

The LET will also assist precinct personnel in the compilation and maintenance of neighborhood statistical information, attend community meetings and participate in ride alongs.

The LET will wear a uniform which is distinctively different from regular sworn police officers. The uniform will be worn, depending upon the assignment, but it is not expected that the LET will wear the uniform while on a ride along. They do not

have any law enforcement authority beyond that of a private citizen, they are not police officers.

Although seven LETs were hired today, there are ten authorized LET positions and three additional LETs are expected to be hired within the next several weeks. The Police Bureau expects to add another ten positions in the next fiscal year, bringing the total number of authorized positions to twenty. The position, which pays \$10.63 an hour, is a one year paid temporary position and upon completion of the program, it's envisioned that the LET candidate will maintain an interest in law enforcement and score high enough on a future police exam to be permanently appointed as police officer.

For further details regarding the LET program, contact Officer Dorothy Elmore-LET Coordinator, (503) 796-3200.

Kickoff Of Summer Youth Employment Project

The Community/Business Partnership today announced the kickoff of its summer youth employment project for 1993. The project will help bring together qualified youth seeking summer jobs with companies that have those jobs available.

In its second year, the Community/Business Partnership is the outgrowth of community concerns about the imbalance in unemployment between North and Northeast Portland and the remainder of the metropolitan area. Its goal is to bring unemployment in North and Northeast Portland to comparable levels in the general population.

The program drew immediate response from the community during its first year. The original goal was to place 300 youth into unsubsidized employment. In fact, approximately 586 youth were placed in jobs through this effort and 84 new jobs for youth were created. Additionally, 700 youth received assistance in job readiness. The experience clearly indicates that there are more youth ready and willing to work than there are jobs.

Spearheaded by the N/NE Economic Development Alliance, participants in the Community/Business Partnership include the City of Portland through the Portland Develop-

ment Commission, Portland Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce and its affiliate the Business Youth Exchange, Association for Portland Progress, State of Oregon Employment Division, Oregon Outreach and the Private Industry Council. The effort has also been joined by a number of private companies.

"The benefits from this program flow in two directions," said Owen D. Blank, chair-emeritus of the Portland Chamber and partner in the law firm of Tonkon, Torp, Galen, Marmaduke and Booth. "A young person has the opportunity to engage in productive activity and learn about the workplace. The employer reaps the benefits of having a hard-working, energetic employee while at the same time contributing to the overall welfare of the community." Blank related that in his firm's case, the program placement worked so well last year that they invited the student back during winter break to cover for people on vacation.

The first year of the program was so successful that this year the program has been expanded. Two hotlines will be available; one for employers wishing to place job orders and one for youth seeking employment. The Employment Division and the Business Youth Exchange are teaming up to

handle job orders. The employers hotline number is 228-8617. BYE has also set up an afternoon training session for supervisors of youth. The session will be June 3 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Portland Chamber, 221 NW Second Avenue. Interested businesses can call the employers hotline for more information. The Portland Chamber and the Association for Portland Progress are urging members to fill summer jobs through this project. Through their efforts last year, more than 80 companies offered summer jobs through the program.

Oregon Outreach will coordinate the job-seekers side of the program in cooperation with other agencies in North/Northeast Portland who are working with youth. Oregon Outreach is located in the King Neighborhood Facility, 4815 NE Seventh Avenue. The Outreach Hotline is 281-8817. The program will also provide job preparation assistance including helping youth obtain documentation such as birth certificates, work permits, food handlers cards and photo identification.

Any interested business, regardless of size, is encouraged to participate. For more information, contact any of the partnership members or call the employers hotline.

A Forum On Homelessness

A Forum on Homelessness and its Impact on Inner Southeast Portland-public safety concerns, educating the community and developing creative solutions to alleviate the problem of homelessness.

Sponsored by the Inner Southeast Coalition, a committee of the Southeast Uplift Neighborhood Program

On Tuesday, May 25th from 6:30 to 9:30p.m., the Inner Southeast Coalition will sponsor a forum on homelessness and its impact on inner Southeast Portland neighborhoods and business districts. Panel members including Marilyn Miller, director of Portland Impact; Doug Stroh of Portland Radio Supply (business); C.W. Jensen of the Portland Police Bureau; formerly homeless and currently homeless citizens will be speaking about the issue from their individual perspectives. Panel discussion will be moderated by Chuck Currie of the Burnside

Advccates Group. Facilitated small group sessions addressing personal and common concerns, and what action individuals will take to help alleviate the problem will immediately follow.

Local area church members, social service agency staff and clients, neighborhood and business association members and homeless individuals and families will attend the forum.

Information tables and resources on the many agencies and groups who are working in the area of homelessness will be available throughout the evening. Participants will be encouraged to become involved with a current program and/or start their own effort.

The forum will be held at the St. Francis Dining Hall at 330 SE 11th. Soup and conversation will begin the evening at 6:30p.m., formal program runs from 7:00p.m. to 9:15p.m., dessert will follow from 9:15p.m. to 9:45p.m.

Things are goin' on at Lee Owen Stone.



Lee Owen Stone Preschool is registering students for fall. We'll be closed for summer, so now's the time to register. There's art, dance, gym and music for kids age 2 1/2 to 5. Register now for some serious fun!

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Young Professionals Host Membership Socials

The Urban League Young Professionals will host a series of Membership Socials during their annual membership drive in May and June. Events include:

Mixer/Dinner at Doris' Cafe--Friday, May 28, at 6pm, corner of NE Russell and NE MLK Jr. Blvd. Discounted dinners at Portland's top soul food bistro, with special guests State Rep. Avel Gordly and Carnell Crum, chair of the Black Dollar Days Task Force.

Rip City Dance--Friday, June 28, at 9pm, 3100 NE Sandy Blvd., age 21 and over only. Night club dance hosted by Oregon Black Professionals. There is a cover charge.

Happy Hour at Cleo-Lillian's Social Club--Friday, June 25, at 6pm. 3041 N. Williams, age 21 and over only.

Membership applications will be available at all events. Annual membership dues are \$25, which includes membership in the Urban League of Portland. The Urban League Young Professionals is an auxiliary of the Urban League of Portland created to provide a forum for professional development, networking and community service.

Starting Your Business Basics

The "Starting Your Business Basics" seminar will be presented Tuesday, June 8, from 6 to 8pm at the Small Business Development Center, 123 NW Second Ave., Suite 321, in Portland.

This free two-hour class is an introduction to the fundamentals of going into business. It is a must for every new entrepreneur. This class is a prerequisite to the five-hour Starting Your Business Workshop and to the free Business Advising for first-time business owners.

To register or for additional information, please call the Small Business Development Center at 273-2828.



The residents of Del's Care Center celebrated national Nursing Home Week May 9-14 with many activities, but one of their favorites was our "Neighborhood Parade."

\$5,000 OMSI/Tektronix Award Recognizes Outstanding Science And Math Teachers

The Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI) and Tektronix Foundation announce the recipients of the 1993 Award for Excellence in Teaching Science and Mathematics.

A \$5,000 cash award is given to each recipient for personal enrichment or program improvement related to his/her individual pursuit of excellence in the teaching profession. The purpose is to recognize, reward and encourage excellence in teaching and the improvement of educational programs in Oregon and Clark County, Washington. Now in its tenth year, the OMSI/Tektronix Award for Excellence in Teaching has awarded over \$250,000.

A ceremony to be held today, Wednesday, May 26 at OMSI will recognize the winners, who are nominated by their peers for outstanding educational achievement. Oregonian newspaper columnist Jonathan Ni-

cholas will emcee the ceremony, and Portland Mayor Vera Katz will present the awards. The five recipients of the Award for Excellence in Teaching are:

- Nancy Bailey, Kraxberger Middle School, Gladstone, OR
- Michael Brown, Seaside High School, Seaside, OR
- Dennis Corliss, Corvallis High School, Corvallis, OR
- Don Kirkwood, North Salem High School, Salem, OR
- Mary O'Malley, Harrisburg Union High School, Harrisburg, OR

The OMSI/Tektronix Awards have become a national model for cooperation between the private sector, a regional science center and the education community. The awards are open to all full-time math and science teachers of grades 7-12 in Oregon and Clark County, Washington.

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