

AFRICAN MARKET



Senegalese adults and children join the Pepsi-Cola national essay contest winners in a leisurely walk through an African market in Dakar, Senegal. Mark Smalls, Manager, Ethnic Marketing, Pepsi-Cola Company, is in tee shirt at left and Sandra Hanna of Tufts University is second from right. The group of seven African-American college students won the trip to Senegal for essays they wrote on the topic "What is the Most Important Event in African American History in the Last 20 Years?" Each student was allowed to bring one guest.

Crime Stoppers: Fraud Suspect

Washington County Sheriff's Department Detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in identifying and apprehending a subject responsible for a large series of check fraud forgeries in at least two states.

In October 1993, a subject, who claimed to be Sammy Barrera, arrived in Oregon from New Mexico where he wrote over \$20,000 worth of "bad checks".

After obtaining an Oregon State Department of Motor Vehicles Identification Card and opening a checking account, the subject began writing checks to local merchants. During one 3-day period, from October 22 through the 24th, he wrote at least 45 checks totaling over \$18,000. Based upon the items the suspect bought, investigators believe he is possibly setting up housekeeping somewhere.

The suspect, known as Sammy Barrera, is described as a Hispanic male who speaks fluent English. He claims to be 41 years of age with a DOB of 7/4/52. He



The suspect, Sammy Barrera

stands approximately 5'8" tall and weighs approximately 145 pounds, with brown eyes, brown hair, and a mustache.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, that leads to an arrest in this case, or any unsolved felony crime, and you need not give your name. Call Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP.

Crime Stoppers: Wanted Subject

The FBI Fugitive Task Force and Portland Police Bureau Child Abuse Team detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in locating William Ladd Martin. A felony no bail arrest warrant, charging Martin with Failure to Appear on an original charge of unlawful Sexual Penetration, which involved young children, has been issued.

William Ladd Martin is described as a 24-year-old white male (DOB/020669). Martin stands 5'11 tall and weighs 144

pounds, with brown eyes, blond hair, and tattoos on both of his arms. His last known address was 4014 SE 39th Avenue, Portland, Oregon, but he is reportedly no longer staying there.

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NATION OF ISLAM

This year (1994) education will prove to be a critical issue. The worst plight in every city is not crime, racism or sexism. The worst plight in the cities is ignorance. And when the leadership desires to remove ignorance from the people, then we are going to see change in all the cities and towns of America and the world. Ignorance needs to be replaced with enlightenment by proper education. Education is a guide for the people to keep and maintain a civilized life. It is education that civilizes us. Image a society where new buildings are going up while the homeless are under bridges and resources for education are dwindling. This is shameful and this is America. Portland Public School leaders predict that budget cuts will decrease teaching staff. They estimate that in 1994-95 231 teachers will be eliminated, and in 1995-96 1,100 teachers will be eliminated.

"A 80 percent cut in the last two years has already affected the curriculum department."

Where are the city's priorities? As I said earlier - education keeps and maintains civilization. If the major, commissioners and others want to save the city they must make the funding of education priority. This goes for other cities as well.

The quality of a nation is measured by the level of human development, and human development is measured by the quality of education present, in the nation, used to advance society.

The city(ies) are on a downwards trend, because education is not priority. Let me say it this way - making education priority will stimulate us to continue the refinement of education. But at present schools are producing rebels or 20th century slaves (Quoters of pass thinkers). We would like to help the school systems do a better job at educating. But we would also like to build our own schools to show a good example of proper education. "Can any good thing come out of

Nazareth?" John 1:46 can any good come out of the destroyed black people in America?

Under the leadership of the Hon. Louis Farrakhan the nation of Islam has schools in Washington D.C., Chicago, IL, New York and other major cities in America.

The wonderful students our schools produce shows the quality of the education that we depart to our students. Allah willing, we will soon establish one of our schools in this city. "School is not school --- it is the steward of the life force in your and my children. It is the other mother, the other nurturer and fosterer of this child and its development on the road to its meeting with God." Self-improvement speech by Min. Louis Farrakhan. In conclusion, you owe it to yourself to study the Nation of Islam and its successes. 1994, another number, another winter, spring, summer and fall - let us make the best of it. Thank you for reading this. ElijahX=Ghetto Rise

Ombudsman Training Scheduled

Volunteers are needed to improve the quality of life of the elderly living in long term care facilities. Certified Ombudsmen advocate for the residents of nursing homes, adult foster care homes and residential care facilities. While the volunteers work to improve the quality of care for the citizens living in long term care facilities, they also promote dignity, autonomy and the rights of the residents. A six-session training program will begin on February 12, 1994.

Certified Ombudsmen investigate complaints and concerns on behalf of the residents and then work with the facilities to make changes that best serve the residents. The role takes a special kind of volunteer--volunteers must not only care about the elderly, but must also have excellent communication and problem-solving skills. While the job is challenging, the Certified Ombudsmen find their work very rewarding. It is an opportunity to make a real difference in the lives of

the residents while developing new skills in communication, problem-solving and advocacy. Certified Ombudsmen spend between one and five hours weekly at their assigned facilities, and a one-year minimum commitment is required.

Interested volunteers should call Kathy Walter at the Office of the Long Term Care Ombudsman, toll-free at 1-800-522-2602, to receive additional information and an application.

Older Women's League

Monday, January 10, 1994; 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM

Midlife and older women are invited to a free "soup" supper meeting of the Portland Chapter of the Older Women's League (OWL).

Topic: "Staying in Control of your finances -- Retired or Not"

Speaker: Leslie Pike, Financial Counselor

Place: Portland Impact S.E. Senior Center, 4707 S. E. Hawthorne. Off-street parking; #5 Tri-Met on Hawthorne.

Free and Open To The Public. Coffee and tea will be available. Donations will be accepted.

Call 245-4271 for directions or information about meeting or OWL.

Time For A Change?

Come to the FREE "Northwest Career Fair" Saturday, January 15th from 10am to 4pm at the Oregon Convention Center!

This annual fair features many options for career-minded people, whether they are actively seeking employment, planning to make a career change, or simply "just looking". Representatives from local and regional businesses, agencies, industries, and colleges will be there to meet attendees and discuss what their companies have to offer; many will provide literature, offer applications, and conduct interviews on site.

In addition, free presentations on How To Do A Job Search, Franchise Ownership Opportunities, Successful Career Changes, Careers in Real Estate, Dynamic Interviewing, Becoming Self-Employed and more will be offered continually in the two stage areas.

Sponsored by KXL Newsradio 750 and the new Star 95.5, the "Northwest Career Fair" is a popular annual event because it offers the public a FREE opportunity to see what's going on in the Northwest job market and learn ways to better market themselves, all under one roof, all in one day.

Start out the New Year right.....and make a resolution to attend the FREE "Northwest Career Fair"!

Jacobs Joins Coca-Cola Board Of Directors



John Jacobs (center), president, National Urban League, is greeted by Coca-Cola Enterprises executives Philip H. Sanford (left), vice president and executive assistant to the CEO, and Vicki Roman, vice president and treasurer, at the recent Equal Opportunity Day dinner in New York City. Jacobs, who recently announced his retirement from the National Urban League, serves on the board of directors of Coca-Cola Enterprises, the world's largest soft drink bottling company.

Grants Totaling Nearly \$800,000 Target School Improvements In Portland

Stormy weather on Portland School District's financial horizon hasn't clouded the outlook of school staff members, parents and students who've kept the vision of school improvement in view and landed some \$800,000 in grants to make that vision a reality.

The school district recently received 18 21st Century School Restructuring Grants totaling \$359,280 from the Oregon Department of Education. Those grants help train school staffs to put in place the elements of Oregon's Educational Act for the 21st Century (House Bill 3565) and to prepare students for both higher education and the workplace. Developed and monitored by local school site councils, the 21st Century School Restructuring Grants "shift responsibility for school improvement to the local school in very significant ways," according to Pat Burk, Portland School District's director of Oregon Education Improvement Act Development.

Two additional state grants

totaling \$367,200 will be used to create curriculum and connect high school and community college programs in the area of health services for the Certificate of Advanced Mastery (CAM) program. The CAM requires students to reach high levels of performance through work and study in one or more of six career areas: Arts and Communication, Business and Management, Human Resources, Industrial and Engineering Systems, Natural Resource Systems and Health Services.

Some \$50,000 in funding to develop work-experience projects and to build on a successful job shadowing program will benefit Roosevelt Renaissance 2000 (RR 2000), a Roosevelt High School program that combines academics with career planning and guidance. The Youth Apprenticeship/Work-based Learning grant aims to build on successes in the school's restructured program. Additional funding for transportation needs in the program may follow.

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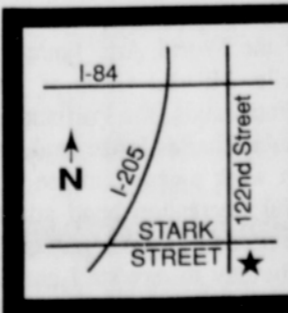
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