

## Annual 'Salute To Blacks In Business' Conference To Be Held

Edward Lewis, publisher and chief executive officer of Essence Communications, will be the keynote speaker at the ninth annual Howard University "National Salute to Blacks in Business Conference," to be held Feb. 16-17 at the Washington Convention Center, 900 Ninth St., N.W.

The Howard University Small Business Development Center sponsors the annual meeting that celebrates Black History Month and pays tribute to successful black entrepreneurs. Each year the conference brings together hundreds of current and aspiring entrepreneurs to promote black business enterprises.

The theme of the conference will be "Global Communications: Connecting the Future." Johnetta Boseman, coordinator of the conference, says, "This year we are extending invitations nationwide, as well as showcasing successful businesses that provide and can benefit from global communications and expanding world markets."

On Feb. 16 there will be a "Busi-

ness-to-Business Expo" at the Convention Center, which is an exhibition of black businesses promoting their products to conference participants.

Lewis will speak at an awards dinner at 7pm on Feb. 17 where awards will be presented to him, as well as Joe Dudley of Dudley Products, Inc., a North Carolina hair care products company; Rep. Kweisi Mfume, D-MD, and chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus; Pedro Alfonso, president of Dynamic Concepts, a Washington computer systems company; Ofield Dukes president of Ofield Dukes and Associates, a Washington, D.C. public relations firm; Dr. Samuel Metters, president of Metters Industries, a telecommunications company based in Virginia; La-Van Hawkins, owner of La-Van Hawkins InnerCity Foods, a major franchise-owner based in Atlanta; and John Bryant, president of Bryant Cos., Inc., a California investment company involved in the rehabilitation efforts following the Los Angeles riots in 1992.

Additionally, the Chrysler Corp. will receive the Corporate Minority Business Advocate Award for its investment of over \$300 million in 264 black-owned businesses in 1993, and the Walt Disney Co. will be honored with a Corporate Community Service Award for its efforts to help rebuild Los Angeles after the riots in 1992.

On the morning of Feb. 17, there will be a variety of seminars focusing on topics such as management strategies, wealth creation, growth markets in communications, contracting with the federal government, strategies for international business and other business opportunities.

At 12:30pm there will be a "networking" reception for all participants and seminar presenters, followed by a business forum at 2pm, at which a panel will discuss "Building Black Business in the 21st Century." The forum will be sponsored by Black Enterprise magazine and the National Black Business Council, Inc.

Anyone interested in attending the conference should call 806-1150.

## Boeing Quality Expert To Address Urban League Equal Opportunity Dinner

Arlington W. Carter, Jr., vice president of Continuous Quality Improvement for The Boeing Company, will be guest speaker at the Urban League of Portland's Equal Opportunity Day Dinner February 24, 1994 at the Portland Hilton. Carter who was named Black Engineer of the Year by a national industry group in 1990, will focus on the important role a diverse workforce plays in building world-class organization that works together as a team.

Another highlight of the dinner will be the presentation of equal Opportunity Awards to three individuals who have contributed locally to the cause of equal opportunity: Edmund Jensen, former Vice Chairman, U.S. Bancorp and current President and CEO of VISA International; Edna Robertson, Executive Director of the Northeast Coalition of Neighborhoods; and Fred Stickel, President and Publisher of Oregonian Publishing Co.

Ed Jensen has served as chair of the \$8.4 million capital campaign to build the Center for Self Enhancement Youth center in a distressed neighborhood in Northeast Portland. The campaign has raised \$4.6 million in capital funds and \$1.8 million in operating funds, including a \$1 million contribution from U.S. Bancorp, the largest single corporate contribution



Arlington W. Carter, Jr.

in Oregon history.

Edna Robertson is a longtime community activist who has served as a mentor to many young people in Northeast Portland. Her efforts to help the less fortunate range from the Model Cities Program of the 1960's to pushing for a recent survey of abandoned houses in Portland.

As publisher of the state's largest newspaper, Fred Stickel has consistently promoted women and minority employees into leadership positions and supported the introduction of a minority residents program for young

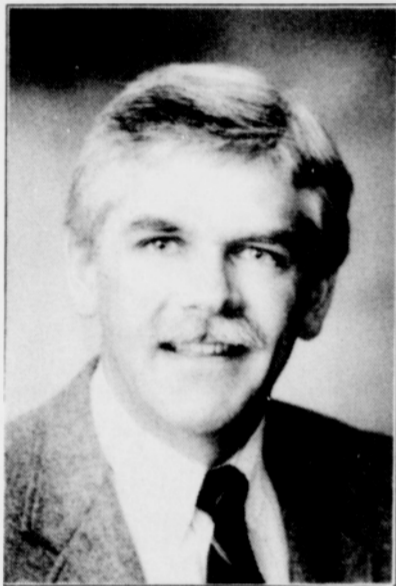
journalists.

"I urge the community to join us in publicly celebrating the achievements of this year's award winners," said Dinner Co-Chair Richard Woolworth, President and CEO of Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Oregon. His fellow Co-Chair Ruth Scott is President and CEO of the Association for Portland Progress. She added that "the dinner is an excellent opportunity for local businesses to show their support for the Urban League and for the cause of equal opportunity."

Oregon and the City of Portland have officially declared February 24th "Equal Opportunity Day" in honor of the event. The dinner program will include video profiles of the three award winners, entertainment, and the presentation of \$1,000 scholarships to three students of color currently attending a college or university. Urban League board chair Gina Wood said the board also hopes to name the League's new CEO in tie for that individual to appear at the dinner.

The event is the Urban League's major annual fundraiser. Tickets are \$150 per person, \$1500 for a table of ten. The dinner begins at 7:15pm, with a reception at 6:15pm. For more information, contact the Urban League at 280-2600.

## Local NECA Contractor Joins Leadership Of Associated General Contractors



Steve W. Johnson

Steve W. Johnson, President of Omni Electric Contractors, Inc., a member of the Oregon-Colombia Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association (NECA) has been chosen to join the leadership of the Oregon-Colombia Chapter of the Associated General Contractors (AGC).

### Landlords Act Against Problem Tenants And Drug Houses

As part of their overall public safety strategy, the Portsmouth Neighborhood Association (PNA) will sponsor the Landlord Training Program on February 23, 1994, at 6pm, at the Columbia Cottage which is located in Columbia Park on 4339 North Lombard. The PNA's Crime Committee decided to sponsor this program to enhance local property managers' and landlords; awareness of crime prevention strategies which are available to them.

The Landlord Training Program originated in Portland in 1989, and has developed in to a national program. Over 5,600 landlords and property managers have taken the course in Portland. Reactions are consistently strong and positive; a recent survey shows over 95% of participants agree the training gave them more confidence in their ability both to screen rental applicants and to recognize warning signs of drug activity.

The registration fee for the training has been waived by PNA. For schedule information and registration, please call the North Portland Neighborhood Office Crime Prevention Coordinator, Paul Dolbey, at 823-4098.

### Educators Attend Conference On Multiage Teaching

On February 22, K-3 educators from across the state will attend a one-day conference on multiage teaching at the Red Lion Hotel-Lloyd Center in Portland.

The conference, sponsored by The Society for Developmental Education, features classroom teacher Ellen Thompson of Vermont.

Thompson's presentation, "Creating the Multiage Continuous Progress Classroom," includes classroom management tips, instructional strategies, and evaluation techniques.

Registration and displays open at 7:45am. Conference sessions run from 8:30am to 3:30pm.

For more information, contact SDE at 1-800-462-1478.

Mr. Johnson joins the executive group which facilitates organization of the AGC as Second Vice President. In 1995, he will become First Vice President and the following year, President.

The AGC is a national organization which represents a cross section of construction industry contractors who work on commercial and industrial projects. It provides the industry with leadership on political, technical and labor issues. In the Portland area, there are approximately 1100, members, including contractors, subcontractors, and professional associates.

NECA provides leadership for the electrical contracting industry. The local Oregon-Colombia Chapter is nationally recognized for its positive relationship with the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW), Local 48.

"There are many commonalities between NECA and AGC," said, Mr. Johnson. "In my new position, I look forward to continued opportunities for cooperation between the two orga-

nizations."

As an example of this type of cooperation, Johnson noted that the two organizations have recently been meeting for talks in order to present cohesive views on legislative issues which affect the industry. They have also worked together and with local municipalities on issues relating to building codes, inspection and permit processes, and the creation of programs for minority-owned contracting firms.

"We're extremely pleased that Steve Johnson has been selected to help lead the AGC," said Tim Gauthier, Executive Manager of NECA, Oregon-Colombia Chapter. "His involvement in NECA has always been a strong asset to us and I'm certain his enthusiasm and conscientiousness will greatly benefit the AGC."

"In the future, cooperation between NECA and AGC will only get better," commented Mr. Johnson. "It's a real honor to work with both these fine organizations."

## Crime Stoppers Case For The Week Of January 31, 1994

**Crime Stoppers case #94-05: Triple Homicide/robbery**

Gresham Police, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in solving a triple homicide.

On Monday, January 17, 1994, at 6:35 in the morning, Gresham Police were dispatched to the Leathers Oil Company, 1225 SE Orient Drive, on a report of a shooting.

Upon arrival officers found the bodies of three female employees of the Leathers Oil Company. All three women had died from gunshot wounds to the head.

According to investigators, a yet undisclosed amount of money is miss-

ing from the premises.

Also, according to investigators, the time span of the crime can possibly be narrowed down to approximately 15 minutes, between roughly 6:20am and 6:35am.

If you have any information regarding this crime, please call the Crime Stoppers program. In addition to the Crime Stoppers Reward, Leathers Oil is offering a cash reward of \$10,000 for information leading to an arrest in this case and you need not give your name. Call Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP.

## President Clinton Names Deval Patrick

Assistant Attorney General For Civil Rights

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arose out of the destruction and replacement of low-income housing units, is just one example of his devotion to civil rights issues.

"I believe he is uniquely qualified to lead this division in this decade. He's been chosen because he has distinguished himself as a lawyer whose wise counsel, keen negotiation skills and mastery at litigation are held in the highest esteem," President Clinton said.

"I am standing here on the shoulders of so many women and men who have reached out to me in so many different ways over the years, and more than that, on the shoulders of those courageous advocates of every type and kind who have had the guts to stand up in some court somewhere and give the Constitution life," Patrick said. "I pledge to be true to that legacy and also to the legacy of the American people in the expression of their highest and most generous sense of justice," he added.

Mr. Patrick holds a B.A. from Harvard University and a J.D. from Harvard Law School. A resident of the Boston area, he serves as a member of the boards of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Boston, Harvard University Alumni Association, the Boston Bar Association Council and WGBH, Boston's public broadcasting station. Mr. Patrick is married and has two daughters.

As Assistant Attorney general, Mr. Patrick will establish policy and provide executive direction and control over litigation enforcement and administrative management activities in the Division and carry on the Clinton Administration's dedication to civil rights.

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### We're still here

The new Oregon Health Plan took effect Feb. 1, but we want you to feel comfortable knowing that we'll continue to be there for you ... just as we've always been for many years.

"We" are the employees of your Multnomah County Public Health Clinics. We're now part of CareOregon, which is a statewide network of public health care providers fully recognized by the state. We're here to serve you.

### A difference

As public health care providers, those in the Multnomah County system have an important distinction: we're non-profit. We're not in this business with our eyes on a profit margin. We are in this business to provide quality, convenient and friendly health care services to you and your family. Period.

### Part of the community

Our clinics are connected to their communities, and we have a reputation for giving personal attention and high quality care.

When you choose CareOregon through a Multnomah County Clinic, the doctors and nurses there will get to know you and be there for you. Multnomah County doctors and

nurses care about what's going on in your community because they know your community — and they know that what happens in your community affects your health and well-being.

### Our services

The CareOregon plan offers a broad range of services. Our local Multnomah County clinics provide:

- Disease prevention services like check-ups and shots;
- Care for chronic diseases like arthritis or diabetes;
- Immunizations & medical care for adults and children;
- Family planning services;
- Maternity care & well child check-ups;
- Health education materials and classes;
- Bilingual & interpretive services available at most sites;
- TTY and sign language service also available.

### Additional services

When you have a more serious medical problem, your CareOregon provider can refer you to a specialist or order hospitalization. Upon referral from your clinic, you may receive X-rays ... laboratory services ... prescription drugs ... medical equipment ... ambulance transport ... private duty nursing ... occupational therapy ... physical therapy ... speech and hearing services ... dental and vision ... emergency care and others.



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- BURNSIDE HEALTH CENTER: 618 NW Davis, Portland. 248-3678. All downtown buses.
- INTERNATIONAL & MID-COUNTY CENTERS: 12710 SE Division, Portland. 248-3149. Bus #4.
- NORTH PORTLAND HEALTH CENTER: 8918 N. Woolsey, Portland. 248-5304. Bus #4.
- NORTHEAST HEALTH CENTER: 5329 NE MLK Blvd., Portland. 248-5183. Bus #6, 72.
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