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Straight Shooting

Photo Project Underway

"Straight Shooting 2," the project that puts cameras and the knowledge of their use into the hands of at-risk and gang-affected youth, is currently in its fifth week. The project is designed to cultivate a mentor-protégé relationship between professional photographers and at-risk youth, providing them with positive role models. The photographs send a powerful message to the community while providing youth with a positive and empowering learning experience.

Straight Shooting 2 is proving to be provocative, exciting and rewarding. "I want to show people, like people out there in society who think we're crud, that we can do good things," says youth David Avalos.

While beautiful and powerful images are a product of Straight Shooting 2, the interaction with the professional photographers serving as mentors and the other youth involved in the program is just as important.

The program is funded by Cellular one, First Interstate Bank, Bogle & Gates, Quintana Galleries and many other business contributors. The project is being coordinated by the Oregon Commission on Children and Families, the state's largest advocacy group for children and young people, in cooperation with Metropolitan Events Public Relations of Portland. Portland Community College is providing classrooms, darkroom facilities and supplies at its Sylvania Campus, where instructor Richard Kraft teaches youth in the program the basics of photography.

Straight Shooting 2 mentor Linda Kliever illustrates that learning is a two-way street. "The exposure to someone different from me, hanging around together, is supporting my views that youth out there are very worthwhile people, rather than what you might think. Everyone has a vision and it's a matter of giving them the space and opportunity to have it."

You can see the vision of these youth at their Portland Art Museum exhibit opening Thursday, June 16th.

Further Comments On Educational Goals

BY PROF. MCKINLEY BURT

Those were some interesting responses to my comments on the original components and directives for "Goals 2000" - type educational structures. It's not so much that I actually thought you all had forgotten the sacred oaths many took to raise the art of pedagogy to Olympian heights, but more that I felt the subsequent stresses and strains of half-a-decade of controversy (violent) may have clouded some issues.

Then, with tongue even further in cheek, allow me to re-visit another set of "bright-eyed and bushy-tailed" commitments, the finalization of the dream, shall we say:

The National Education Goals.

The Goals 2000: Educate American Act, includes these eight goals to be achieved by, no surprise, the year 2000.

1. All children in America will start school ready to learn.

2. The high school graduation rate will increase to at least 90 percent.

3. All students will leave grades, 4, 8 and 12 having demonstrated competency over challenging subject matter, and (all students will be) prepared for responsible citizenship, further learning, and productive employment.

4. The nation's teaching force will have access to programs for the continued improvement of their professional skills.

5. United States students will be

the first in the world in mathematics and science achievement.

6. Every adult American will be literate.

7. Every school in America will be free of drugs and violence and will offer a disciplined environment conducive to learning.

8. Every school and home will engage in partnerships that will increase parental involvement and participation in promoting the social, emotional, and academic growth of children.

Doesn't that sort of grab you? I mean it's sort of like Brigade just before that fateful charge into the valley. Hopefully, we will have survivors this time, and we will not later find ourselves sinking into a morass of finger-pointing and other disturbing conduct. After all, the job of education will still have to be done. Let's control our frustrations with the inevitable.

Several parents thanked me for providing that "generic" model of the thinking behind current development of goals, standards and competencies for the sciences. But, one lady in particular had questions about an "integrated science approach." Seems that it was not about anything multicultural or bi-racial, but to her way of thinking, lumped together everything that could be possibly identified as a science, biology, physics, chemistry, earth science, ecology, etc.

I was just as confused until I dug

back into my files and found a copy of a brochure, mailed of a few years ago to puzzled parents of children participating in a new program: "Dear parents, your child is now participating in a new science program called 'Scope, Sequence and Coordination of Secondary School Science' (SS & C). Your school provides this brochure to answer your questions about this program and how it relates to your child's science education." Wasn't that nice of them? I mailed the lady a copy.

What this is all about is a program of the "National Science Teachers Association--jointly funded by the National Science Foundation and the U.S. Department of Education. It is extremely difficult to find out how far it got off the ground and, if so, in what areas of the county, let alone gain any operative feedback. This is especially true when dealing with major federal agencies now that we have not only had a change of administrations, but this regime in Washington has yet to fill a large number of administrative slots, including science and education departments.

In the meantime, we can only wonder how many various and varied educational programs their are out there with scores of different approaches, goals and standards, speaking in a polygot pedagogic language in a new Tower of Babel. We will not despair, however. We still may achieve "Goal 2000," but not at the turn of the century.

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Celebration Tabernacle

The Youth/Children's department of Celebration Tabernacle is sponsoring a community fair on Monday, May 30, 1994, from 10am to 3pm at 1505 N Bryant on Interstate. Parking is available behind the building. Join us on Memorial Day! Admission is free with some of the booths and the food costing various charges.

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