

# 'Dreamers' Complete Two-Week Visit



Matt Purifoy, 13, was one of about 30 eighth-grade students from Portland who recently completed a two-week summer program at Whitman College. Purifoy dreams of someday being a Navy pilot.

But, standing outside a science laboratory at Whitman, he made it clear that college would come first. "Before I do anything, my mom wants me to go to college, so I'll always have something to fall back on," he said.

Purifoy and his summer classmates were enrolled in the I Have A Dream (IHAD) program to encourage and inspire pursuit of higher education. The students took classes in language arts, science, mathematics, music and fine arts, and participated in a variety of field trips, recreational experiences and local community ser-

vice projects. They lived in campus residence halls.

Purifoy, a student at Ockley Green Middle School, said the summer program has been fun and that he tried to take full advantage of the educational opportunities. "Most of us were here to learn. I know I was here to learn."

Classes were taught by Whitman faculty members, although Melanie Ramsey, a teacher at Tubman Middle School in Portland, helped teach the science classes.

"Most of these students are very serious about wanting to go on to some form of higher education," Ramsey said. "This is a great experience for them. It gives them a chance to experience life on campus, what it's like socially and academically. They've been enthusiastic in class, full of energy, asking a lot of ques-

tions."

The students spent parts of two days with students from the Umatilla Indian Reservation near Pendleton, meeting both on the Whitman campus and the Umatilla reservation.

A second group of Portland IHAD students, about 30 ninth-graders, arrived on campus July 18 and also will stay for two weeks.

In the Whitman College Radio Station are (left to right) Whitman counselor Jason Smith; and IHAD students Mannie Taylor, Andre Soloman, Kirk Green and Sufyan Dawan



Theo Palmore in class with Whitman counselor Vicki Brazell

## Paragon Cable Awarded For Its Outstanding Community Service

Last week the Oregon Cable TV Association (OCTA) presented Paragon Cable with three awards recognizing its outstanding community service -- Cable Community Participation Award, Parson's Award for Community Excellence, and a Cable in the Classroom Award.

Paragon received a Cable Community Participation Award for its support of local organizations during 1993-1994. Paragon was recognized for its involvement with the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center, Union

Gospel Mission and the Portland Art Museum, as well as for participating in the Festival of Trees to benefit Providence Medical Center, and for producing a local program focusing on Hispanic and Latino issues.

OCTA also honored Paragon Cable with a Parson's Award for Community Excellence, which is given to cable companies excelling in community outreach, media/communications, Cable in the classroom and political relations.

Paragon received a Cable in the

## Did You Know?

By Robert N. Taylor

Did You Know...that new research has discovered why some people can smoke and do other harmful things to their bodies but still live long, reasonably healthy lives? It seems they are "fast detoxifiers." This means they are simply born with genes which rapidly destroy cancer causing agents while at the other extreme there are "slow detoxifiers" whose bodies are so slow that they are prone to get cancer even if they live healthy lives.

Did You Know...that whether or not a person is able to cope successfully in the world is heavily determined by things which happen to them before they are four years old? Research done at the Toronto-based Canadian Institute for Advanced Research says a child's "predisposition" toward society and achieving success is "hugely dependent" upon the degree of nurturing he or she receives during the first three years of life.

Did You Know...that Germany and Colombia have pretty much abandoned the idea that it is possible for government to control what people put into their bodies? Recently, both countries legalized the use of drugs including marijuana, cocaine and hashish. The German court decision was based in part on a 1992 ruling in which a judge held that Germans "had a constitutions right to become intoxicated" if they wanted to.

Did You Know...that in America there is one burglary every 11 seconds; a car is stolen every 22 seconds; someone is robbed every 47 seconds; and someone is murdered every 22 minutes? And according to a Justice Department report released last week the biggest increase in crime is taking place among young people with guns.

Did You Know...that according to the latest Roper Starch survey, among sexually active teenagers 41% said they generally had sex in their parents home, 31% said in the home of their partner's parents and 9% said they usually had sex in a car? (Those figures suggest that a whole lot of parents are not spending enough time at home.)

Did You Know...that according to the latest crime figures from the Bureau of Justice Statistics, the group most likely to be a victim of a handgun crime is young black males between 16 and 19? These young black males are nine times more likely to be shot than other segment of the population.

Did You Know...that this week's favorite quote comes from entertainer Bill Cosby when he was asked what is the secret to success? Cosby responded, "I don't know the key to success, but the key to failure is trying to please everybody."

## Young Readers

The Portland Police Bureau is donating the use of a van to the Start clearances and educational program-Making A Reader Today (SMART) ming guides to local schools. There program. Smart is a book and reading are 150 local schools in this program. program involving 2,600 volunteers

"Every business has a civic duty and students in 48 elementary schools to give back to the community that throughout Oregon. Approximately supports it," said Kevin G. Kidd, Ex- twenty five Police Bureau employees

Manager of Paragon Cable. "Paragor The Story program runs from goes beyond that and takes an active July 19th through August 23, 1994, role in assisting local organizations. Monday through Friday from 11:00 We are proud to be involved in our a.m. to 3:00 p.m. a schedule of stops community and our schools." is included.

More information can be obtained from Rachael Whitaker of the Oregon Children's Foundation at 221-2012, or Officer Dorothy Elmore at 823-0333.

Ill. Hood  
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## Grass Fires

As temperatures remain high and local fire officials report increasing numbers of grass and brush fires across the state, State Fire Marshal Robert T. Panuccio cautions Oregonians to be extremely careful with cigarettes, matches, and other outdoor fire ignition sources.

Burning cigarettes tossed from vehicles have started a number of the state's grass fires as well as a 13,000 acre blaze last weekend near Reno, Nevada. "All fires start small," said Panuccio. "It takes just an ember to start a fire that ends up destroying people's homes, vacation cabins and timber."

Because it is a serious fire hazard, throwing burning material from a vehicle is a criminal offense with a \$500 bail. Oregon State Police officers are actively enforcing the law to help prevent summer grass fires.

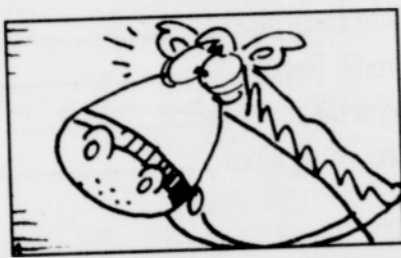
Panuccio stated that other common sources of grass and brush fires in Oregon are children playing with matches and lighters, trash burning, and vehicle catalytic converters. "All of these fires can be prevented with some care and common sense," Panuccio added.

## Business Camp Scholarships Available

The Solomon Fund and the McDonald's Corporation are sponsoring several scholarships for minority and female students ages 12-16. The sponsors are providing five tuition paid scholarships to minority and female students who will be selected to attend the Youth Entrepreneurial Camp. The Camp is organized and presented by the Small Business Development Center, Portland Community College Open Campus.

The "Business Camp" will enable students to develop skills in: business presentations, personal finance, computer skills, marketing, management skills, and entrepreneurial skills... The week-long business camp August 22-26, 1994 will be filled each day with exciting concepts, activities and lots of opportunities to interact with 25 other students from throughout the Portland area. "This will be an excellent opportunity for minority and female students to develop business skills, that will help to prepare them to be the next generation of business owners and operators", said Gregory White, of the Solomon Fund.

To qualify, students must be between 12-16 in age and attend a Portland area grade or high school. Additional program requirements and application materials can be obtained by writing and enclosing a self-addressed stamped envelope to P. O. Box 11463, Portland, Oregon 97211; attn: Youth Camp. Application deadline is Friday, July 29, 1994.



Most race horses are thoroughbreds—horses whose ancestry can be traced back to any of three Arabian stallions that were taken to England in the 1600s and 1700s: Byerly Turk, Darley Arabian and the Godolphin Barb.

## Portland's Minority Marketing Gets Rave Review

If the rest of the country was not familiar with Portland, they are starting to become aware of it now. Thanks to the efforts of Roy Jay's Oregon Convention and Visitor Services Network. Jay and Portland have recently received prominent attention in Black Convention Magazine, a nationally known publication, which is one of the main avenues for minority convention organizations and professionals across the country.

METRO Regional Government, in conjunction with MERC, unanimously voted last November to award a multi-year convention marketing contract to Jay's organization in an effort to increase Portland's visibility, locally and across the country with potential future convention customers "of color". From early returns, the investment by taxpayers is paying off even better than anticipated.

Less than eight months into the

first year, Jay's efforts has accelerated Portland from a mere participants at trade shows and conventions to now being recognized as one of the convention and tourism experts in the rapidly rising ranks of the African American Travel and Tourism Association.

The Portland native was a key speaker last May, in Memphis at the African American Travel and Tourism Conference. In August, Jay has been asked to participate in a distinguished panel of convention and hospitality professionals during the Black Convention Forum '94 to be held in Los Angeles. Jay says that his mission is not only to promote Portland as a destination site for future minority conventions, but also to bring economic empowerment from those events to the minority business and professional communities of Portland including African American, His-

panic, Asian and Native Americans.

Plans for the multi-cultural video are already on the drawing board with production scheduled to start in August. In addition, the first ever, Minority Convention and Visitors resource guide will be coming off the press within the next several weeks.

Black Convention magazine writer, Liz Flournoy's story ranks Portland as one of the top four cities across the country that has recognized the need for a separately funded minority convention and tourism entity and responded to the community need. "These types of responsible decisions helps demonstrate true ethnic minority empowerment and is certainly a positive factor for Portland when we start developing future marketing strategies with other local hospitality groups, hotels and organizations" said Jay.

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