

Crime Stoppers Armed Robbery



Sketch of armed robbery suspect

Portland Police Bureau Detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in identifying and apprehending the suspect in an armed robbery.

On Tuesday, October 25, 1994, at 2:30 in the afternoon, a man was seen walking up and down the sidewalk in front of the Oregon Liquor Control Commission store at 550 SW Washington Street. The man entered the store and confronted an employee at the cash register. Placing his hand in a jacket pocket, he told the victim it was a holdup. The suspect then told the victim it was a joke, and left the store.

The robber is described as a black male, 40 to 50 years old, 6'0" tall, 200 pounds, with big shoulders, dark complexion, mustache, and black hair with a touch of grey on the sideburns. At the time he was wearing a black baseball cap, black nylon or silk jacket, black jeans, and athletic shoes.

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 can remain anonymous. Call Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP.

Drunk Drivers Targeted

The Portland Police Bureau will join other law enforcement in focusing on drunk drivers over the Thanksgiving holiday weekend.

A special detail of seven officers will be dedicated to locating and stopping alcohol impaired drivers. The officers will work from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m., hours that traditionally see an increase in alcohol related problems.

Members of the community are also important in the effort. Police encourage reporting drunk drivers. During Thanksgiving, a time when people come together to celebrate, a drunk driving accident can devastate families and neighborhoods.

Senior Program Serves Medical Consumers

Washington County residents can get help and information with Medicare and private insurance claims from 14 new volunteers joining the ranks of Oregon's Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance program.

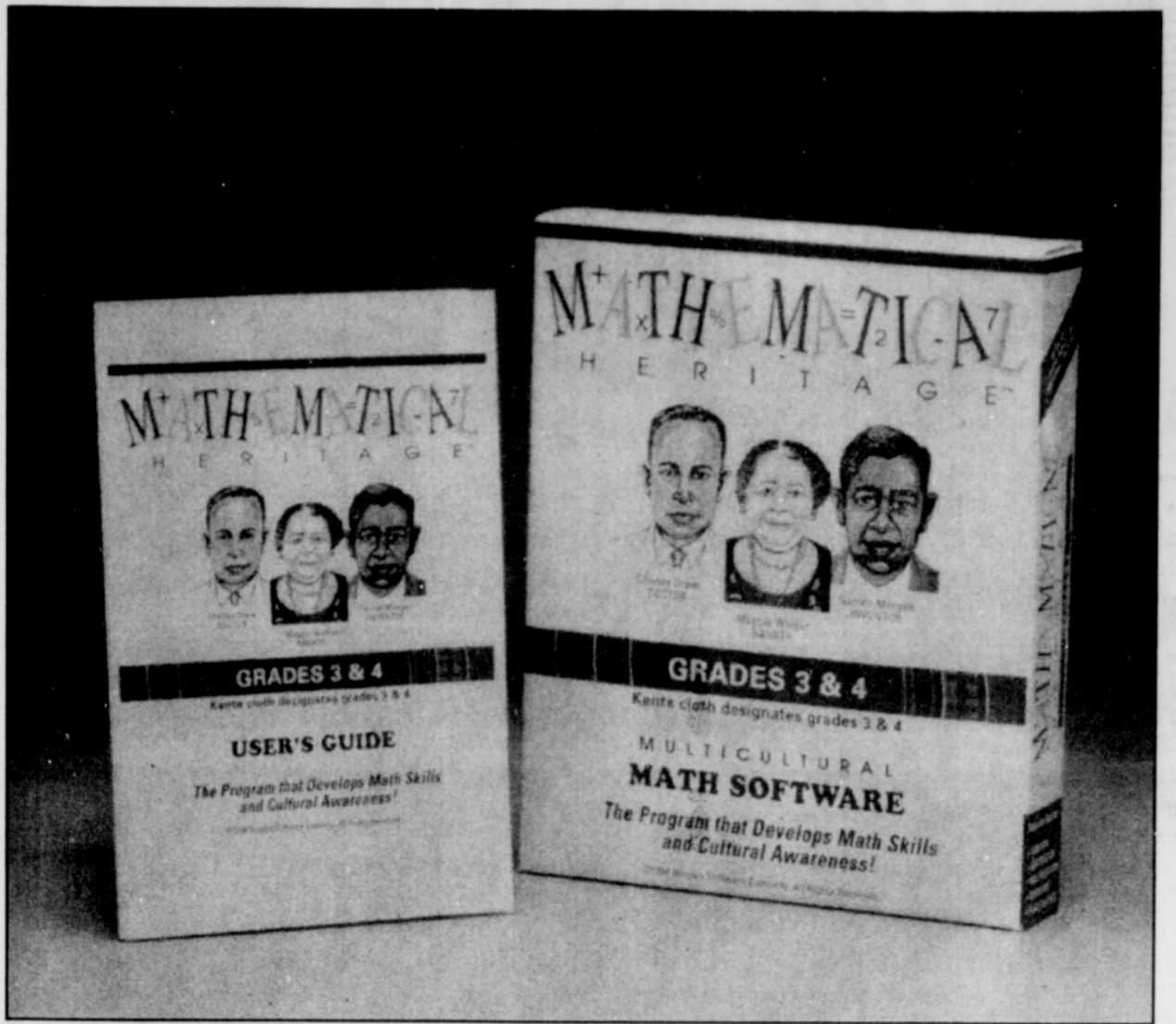
About 200 volunteers statewide provide insurance information, counseling and assistance to medical beneficiaries including claims filing assistance, policy comparisons and referrals to appropriate state and federal agencies.

They assist in the areas of Medicare, Medicaid, Medicare supplement insurance, long-term care insurance and medical Health Maintenance Organizations.

In Washington County, consumers who need the help can call the Washington County Department of Aging at 640-3489. In other parts of the state, consumers can call toll-free 1-800-722-4134.

The service is paid for by a health care financing administration grant to the Oregon Insurance Consumer Advocacy in the Department of Consumer and Business Services.

Software Builds Math, Self-Esteem



(left) Karen and Bill Shelton founded the Bingwa Software Co. to improve the math skills of children from kindergarten through high school and enhance the self-image of minority youth (software programs illustrated above).

For the most privileged of students, elementary school is hard enough. It is a time and place to endure the tribulations of growing up, the occasional cruelty of peers and the sometimes overwhelming pressure to succeed.

School is fraught with pitfalls, from exams to peer pressure, from popularity contests to drugs, alcohol and violence. Some students benefit, but many suffer from the establish-

ment of the social, intellectual and athletic pecking orders. Any reasonable student might ask why he or she should bother.

He or she should bother because education creates opportunity and generally, education is the cornerstone of a thoughtful, rewarding and productive life.

The founders of the Bingwa Software Co. share two simple goals: to teach mathematics and build self-

esteem. These two goals go hand in hand. If a child believes that she can excel, if she sees that others like her excelled before her, she will pursue the studies with confidence. On the other hand, if a child expects failure, he may will achieve it. For this reason, children must know that others from their own heritage have mastered their studies and made significant contributions to society. Bingwa's products show them.

Each module in Bingwa's Mathematical Heritage series of educational products exposes children to minority and women role models, scientists, inventors, explorers, entrepreneurs and others who have made significant contributions in their fields. As these animated role models "teach" children mathematics, they show children that no one is limited by race or sex. At the same time, the animated role models earn

children's respect and thereby command attention.

Since its introduction in the fall of 1993, Bingwa's Mathematical Heritage series has been incorporated into school systems in five states. In addition, Bingwa's home versions enjoy brisk and growing sales.

To find out more about the materials or to order, call 1-800-404-MATH.

Boy Scout Program Brings Character

Local youth need special skills to cope with the increasing complexities of contemporary society. That's why the Boy Scouts of America created the Learning for Life program, which is aimed at improving students' self-confidence, motivation, and self-esteem.

The program, developed in 1991, focuses on helping students in grades K-12 from positive personal values, make ethical decisions, develop character, acquire social skills, and understand how things work in the real world. By making academic learning fun and relating it to real life situations, students become more

confident and capable.

In the Cascade Pacific Council the Learning for Life program is geared to enhance the core curriculum of the school systems. The program is divided into two areas. The first is In-School Scouting. The focus here is on four areas of study: science and nature, community awareness, communications, and first aid. Students in the third through the sixth grades are exposed to these courses which help students develop an awareness of personal, social, and civic responsibility. Career Awareness is a series of seminars presented by community representatives. The

seminars cover careers that the students have chosen to learn about. They receive first-hand knowledge about entry-level requirements, special training needed, important academic disciplines that must be mastered, typical working conditions, promotion opportunities, and other relevant information to help them prepare for the real world of work.

The Portland Public Schools, along with Gresham, Hillsboro, David Douglas, and Pan Terra alternative School in Vancouver, Washington are Participating in the Learning for Life program. This is a great opportunity for mentors and role

models from business and industry to make a direct impact on the future of our youth.

"We applaud the Boy Scouts of America's efforts to prepare all youth in America for success by its development and nationwide implementation of the Learning for Life program. Learning for Life can make a difference in the classroom and campus environments, in your neighborhoods, and most importantly, in the lives of our youth," states William J. Saunders, Executive Director, National Alliance of Black School Educators, Washington, DC.

Jesuit High Placement Exam:

Jesuit High School invites all interested eighth grade students to take the school's Placement Test on Friday evening, December 9, at 4:30 pm or Saturday, December 10, at 9:00 am. There is a \$15.00 fee for the exam. Refreshments will be served. Test takers are not obligated to enroll, but those who plan to enroll as freshmen next year must take the test. Applications for the 1995-96 school year are being accepted now. Please call Jesuit High School at 291-5423 for reservations and further information.



Happy Thanksgiving

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