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SECTION B

Community Calendar

Salmon View Walks At Oxbow

Weekend salmon-viewing walks at Oxbow Regional Park, east of Portland, will give park visitors an opportunity to watch the wild fish runs of fall and learn more about their life cycle. The Guided walks begin at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. every Saturday and Sunday in October.

Survivors Display Artworks

An art exhibit by survivors of domestic violence will be held during October at the Chapel Hall Gallery at the First Presbyterian Church, 1220 S.W. Alder. The exhibit called "Healing Happens" will feature 20-25 works by women from the YWCA of Portland's Shelter for Domestic Violence as well as nationally-recognized artist Cathy Salser.

Singer Brings Harmonica To Town

Harmonica Maestro Gary Primich will perform Wednesday, Oct. 4 at 9:30 p.m. at Key Largo, 31 N.W. First Ave. Primich is a blues performer from Austin Texas. His latest album is Mr. Freeze by Flying Fish Records.

Loud Sistah Plays Tuesdays

Loud Sister and special guest bands are scheduled to play Tuesdays in October at Belmont's, 3357 S.E. Belmont St.

Girl Scouts Recruit New Members

The Girl Scouts are recruiting and forming new troops in north and northeast Portland. Recruitment events are being held at several sites over the next two weeks. If you are interested and for more information, call Patty at 283-5535 if you live in northeast Portland and Leatha at 240-6173 if you live in north Portland.

Wanted: Original Artists

Key Largo is one of the last nightclubs in Portland to feature a "new band night" every Monday for original rock acts, groups or individuals who want to start playing professionally. To test the live music scene waters without a lot of hassle and no expense, send a brief band bio and demo tape should be sent to One World Music, P.O. Box 868, Lake Oswego, OR 97034.

House Ownership Help Offered

Information on how to buy a home with limited income will be provided Saturday from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. during a community forum at the Lutheran Inner-City Ministries Center, 4219 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. A light breakfast will be provided. The event is sponsored by Project Downpayment and the Portland Housing Center.

YWCA Offers Fitness Class

Beginnings, an exercise class for women whose weight, age and/or injury limit their physical movement options, is offered on Mondays and Wednesday from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. at the downtown YWCA, 1111 S.W. 10th Ave.

Home Composting For Gardeners

It's never too late to start a home compost pile. To help home gardeners get their compost cooking, Metro is offering free workshops. Those interested, should call Metro Recycling Information, 234-3000, to pre-register and get directions to the Home Composting Demonstration Center.

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New Speed Bumps Make Kids Safer At Schools

Ten new 22-foot speed bumps installed on Vancouver Ave. were dedicated by Commissioner Earl Blumenauer, parents, teachers and children of the Applegate and Holy Redeemer schools and neighbors of the Piedmont Neighborhood. Speed bumps are a traffic calming device designed to slow down motorists in the school zones.

The project also includes new curb extensions, two 14-foot speed bumps on Baldwin St., and a new signal at the intersection of Portland and Vancouver to separate pedestrians and turning vehicles.

"One of my first priorities is to create a safe environment for children in our community," said Blumenauer, who oversees the Office of Transportation. "This means taking special actions to make sure children can get to and from school safely. The partnership between the Office of Transportation, Piedmont Neighborhood Association, Holy Redeemer and Applegate Schools, the Maintenance, Police and Fire Bureaus, parents groups and the Oregon Truckers Association shows widespread commitment to school safety and demonstrates



One of several speed bumps added to North Vancouver slows traffic in the block adjacent to Holy Redeemer Area School. (Photo by Michael Leighton)

what we can accomplish when we work together."

The biggest citizen concern ex-

pressed to Office of Transportation is the speed and volume of traffic in school zones and residential neighborhoods.

According to the National Highway traffic Safety Administration, nationally and average of 34,000 pedestrians between the ages of 0 and 15 are injured in motor vehicle crashes with an additional 850 killed each year.

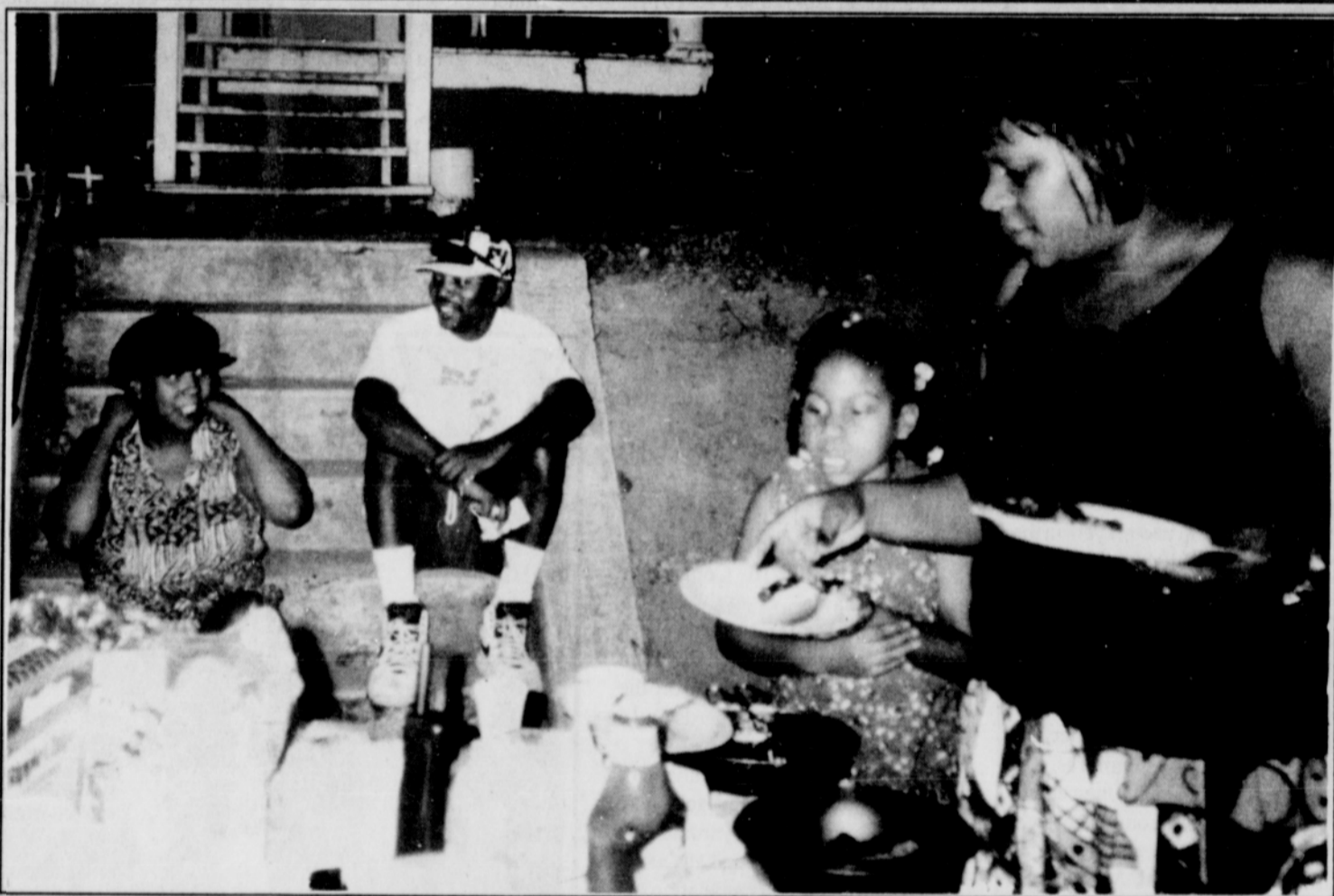
"These speed bumps and curb extensions will go a long way in making our neighborhood more livable and protecting our children and all pedestrians when crossing the street," said Tom Markgraf, Chair of the Piedmont Neighborhood Association. "The City's response to our concerns had been outstanding and I believe these projects will make a real difference in our neighborhood."

After a selection process, between two to five schools will be chosen to receive traffic calming safety projects this year.

In addition to engineering solutions to speeding traffic, the Office of Transportation provides education programs for grade school children to teach them how to cross a street safely, bicycle safety and basic street "smarts."

Two schools, King and Menlo Park, are already scheduled for the traffic safety workshop in October.

Trina and her daughter look over the festive food and Peaches and Bird enjoy the good company as area residents of Northeast 14th Place in the King Neighborhood enjoy a block party on Saturday. See additional photos on page A8 inside.



Pacific Power Donates School Supplies



For the sixth year, Pacific Power donated money and school supplies to the children at Sabin elementary School in Northeast Portland. Over \$200 and many boxes of supplies were delivered to the

school at the beginning of the school year. The supplies include notebooks, crayons, backpacks, pens, paper and other items.

Each year, Pacific Power employees collect money and educational supplies and

donate the items to area schools. "When you bring the supplies to the schools, you can see the faces light up," said Shaw. "Pacific Power is pleased to help the communities we serve."

Old Apple Tree Celebration

Vancouver's tenth annual Old Apple Tree Celebration is on tap for Saturday, Sept. 30. The event honors the Pacific Northwest's oldest apple tree, which was planted in Vancouver in 1826.

Old Apple Tree attractions include community exhibits, apple pressing, live entertainment, and hayrides to Old Apple Tree Park off Columbia Way. Riders will see the Old Apple Tree, the Maytag Family Antique Equipment exhibit and can participate in afternoon kids events.

Two special activities take place at Old Apple Tree Park. At 10 A.M. the Vancouver Bike Club hosts a 10-mile bike tour along the waterfront and Officers Row. All ages are welcome. Bike and safety helmets are required. From noon to 2:30 p.m. Apple Games for Kids sponsored by the Vancouver Parks and Recreation Funwagon will entertain kids with apple art, apple toss, apple relays and more.

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., the Farmers Market offers its popular Saturday fare of local produce, nursery, arts and crafts and food vendors. A special children's market is on tap where area youngsters will sell homegrown produce and handmade crafts.

Admission to Farmers Market, apple pressing, hayrides, entertainment and kid's games are free.

Sponsors are Vancouver Parks and Recreation Department, Downtown Vancouver Association, Vancouver Farmer Market and The Columbian.