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SECTION B

Community Calendar

School Hosts Haunted House

Chills and thrills will be part of the Halloween fun at the Our Lady of Sorrows School haunted house, 5239 S.E. Woodstock Blvd. The dates of the event are Friday and Saturday, Oct. 27 and Oct. 28, from 7 p.m. to midnight, and Sunday and Monday, Oct. 29 and Oct. 30, from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Men's Clothing Needed

Sturdy men's clothing for the homeless and those in need of work clothes are being collected in a special "Make a Difference Day," effort for the Portland Police Bureau's Sunshine Division. Shoes, jeans, hats, coats, etc., of good quality can be dropped off at the Church of Scientology Celebrity Center at Southwest Salmon and Broadway.

Catlin Gabel Rummage Sale

The tradition of fabulous bargains continues when the 51st annual Catlin Gabel Rummage sale is held Nov. 2-5 at the Multnomah County Exposition Center. The sale fills some 25 semi-trucks and occupies over 60,000 square feet of space once it's sorted by department. Proceeds go to support student financial aid.

Medical Exams For Kids

Shriners Hospital will give free health exams for children who may benefit from orthopedic or burn scar care, Saturday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. No appointment is necessary. To participate, bring appropriate documents such as adoption papers, custody agreements, birth certificates and immunization records to the hospital at 3101 S.W. Sam Jackson Park Rd. For information, call 241-5090.

Casino Auction For Wishes

The Make-A-Wish Foundation presents its fifth annual casino/auction night and costume party, from 6:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Oct. 27 at the Willamette Valley Vineyards in Salem. Tickets are \$17.50. Make-A-Wish is an organization that grants wishes to children, battling life threatening illnesses.

Crisis Line Needs Volunteers

Portland Women's Crisis Line has openings on its volunteer board of directors. Women from all walks of life and women of color are encouraged to apply. For more information call the organization at 232-4176.

Faces Of Liberty On Display

A traveling photo-journal exhibit, Faces of Liberty, from the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation of Oregon, is on display in the Sylvania Portland Community College library through Nov. 2. The exhibit contains a set of 10 panels that document nine Oregonians who stood up for basic civil liberties.

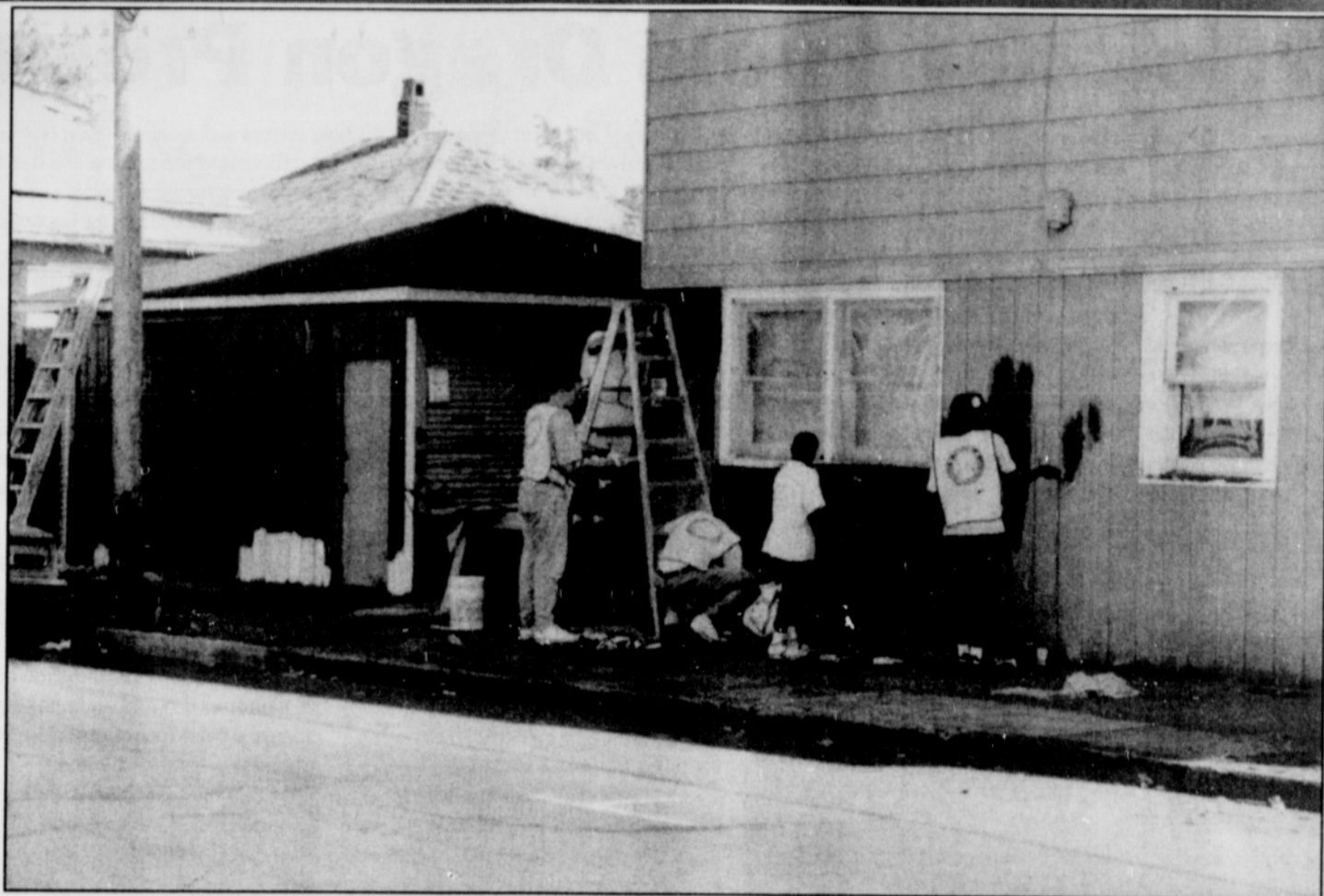
Training For Spill Workers

Stop Oregon Litter and Vandalism is offering free classes Oct. 25, Nov. 1 and Nov. 2 to train volunteers to help in the event of oil spills, should they occur on Oregon's coasts or inland waterways. To register call SOLV at 1-800-333-7658.

Boston Pops Tickets On Sale

The Boston Pops Esplande Orchestra Holiday Concert comes to Portland Dec. 5 at 8 p.m. for an exclusive northwest stop in the Rose Garden. Tickets are on sale at the G.I. Joe's Ticketmaster outlets, Blazers on Broadway and the Rose Quarter Ticket Office or by phone at 224-4400.

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Brad Dorsey (above) of AT & T Wireless Services does landscaping in front of an apartment on northeast Roselawn.

Kids (left) from the neighborhood in the northeast Roselawn area joined AT & T Wireless employees in a volunteer painting project

AT & T Workers Descend On Northeast

Volunteers and buckets of paint, hammers, nails and shovels went to work last week in a fragile pocket of Portland, the Northeast Roselawn area.

More than 150 volunteers from AT & T Wireless Services joined the Albina Ministerial Alliance, the Franciscan Enterprise of Oregon and the Northeast Community Development organization in the "community

service week" effort.

The volunteers focused on the painting and the rehabilitation of homeless shelters for several families. Landscaping and minor repairs were made for elderly and low-income residents. AT & T Wireless Services supplied the materials.

"This is exactly what has been needed on Roselawn," said Cornetta Smith, executive

director of the Albina Ministerial Alliance. "We began sheltering homeless families here in 1987. We thought, 'If we run who's going to take a stand?'"

Smith said the Ministerial Alliance is currently working to create affordable housing, but faces an increasing homeless population due to low-income families displaced by rising rents.

"This project will have a long-term effect on the morale and well-being of this neighborhood," Smith said.

The three non-profit groups provide continuous help to low-income families in north and northeast Portland. But each organization is faced with the challenge of preserving and creating affordable housing in an environment of rapidly escalating housing costs.

Cornel West To Present Chamberlin Lecture



Cornel West

Cornel West, one of the most prominent African-American intellectuals engaged in the public discussion of race and class, will speak Thursday in Portland on "Race Matters: The American Crisis of Poverty, Wealth and Power."

He will present the 1995 Chamberlin Lecture at 7:30 p.m. in Agnes Flanagan Chapel on the Lewis and Clark campus. His talk is free, but seating is limited and tickets must be reserved in advance.

West is a professor of philosophy of religion and Afro-American studies at Harvard University. He has authored 11 books on an impressive range of topics, including American pragmatism, Marxism, democratic theory, African-American theology and literature and healing the rift between blacks and Jews.

His most recent titles include *Jews and Blacks: Let the Healing Begin*, co-authored with Michael Lerner; *Race Matters*; *Keeping the Faith: Philosophy and Race in America*; *Beyond Eurocentrism and Multiculturalism and Breaking Bread*.

Study Shows Bicycle Helmets Work

Oregon's bicycle helmet law is being credited with a dramatic drop in the number of severe bicycle-related head injuries, according to a new Oregon Health Division report.

The study also shows that helmet use among children has doubled.

Dr. Katrina Hedberg, deputy state epidemiologist, says that helmet usage rates have risen from 25 percent to 50 percent.

The law, which went into effect in July 1994, requires children under 16 to wear helmets while riding bicycles. The Health Division conducted the study to evaluate effects of the legislation on bicycle helmet usage and head injury rates.

"This report clearly shows that the law has been effective in increasing helmet use among children," Hedberg said.

Head injury is the most common cause of death, disability and serious injury in child bicyclists who crash.

Nationally each year, about 600 persons die and 181,000 persons are treated in emergency rooms as a result of bicycle-related head injuries, officials said.

In Oregon from 1991 to 1993, 208 children bicycle-related injuries were



Portland Police and Kaiser Permanente promote bicycle helmet safety this summer in north and Northeast Portland. Since enactment of the helmet law in 1994, Kaiser has distributed over 1,600 free helmets to area children.

reported, 14 of those children died. Two-thirds of those injuries involved head trauma.

In addition, the study interviewed parents and children about bicycle helmet use and knowledge of the law.

Almost 90 percent of children and their parents knew about the legislation.

However, boys were less likely than girls and older children were less likely than younger children, to wear bicycle helmets.

"The study points out that additional efforts are needed to increase helmet use, particularly among older boys," Hedberg said.

Annual Cat Adoption Embargo

Pet owners are urged to take extra precautions to protect their pets this Halloween.

"Spooky masks and costumes may be fun for people, but they can terrify some animals, said Karen Brittain of the Oregon Humane Society.

Halloween is second only to the Fourth of July for runaway pets. Pets should be safely confined to a room away from incoming "trick-or-treaters" on Halloween night, Brittain said. People need to take a look around for such things as anti-freeze spills or other toxic substances before securing their animals, she said. Brittain said black cat owners may want to print their pets indoors now for the next several days.

Black cats at the humane society will be available for adoption after Halloween. The annual embargo is to assure that these cats are not adopted for mischievous purposes.

PSU President Gets Results

Portland State University President Judith A. Ramaley is being honored as a powerful example of an educational leader who stays committed, focused and gets results.

Ramaley is being credited with helping improve success at PSU with new student retention programs, despite budget cuts.

"People are complaining that education reform is stuck. But we know that good solid reform is going forward, such as that at PSU," said Carol Stael of the American Association for Higher Education.

The group is presenting Ramaley its first annual leadership award on Thursday in Washington, D.C.

Curricular reforms were initiated last year at PSU on the freshman level. Of the 715 student who began, 535 finished, marking a retention rate of 73 percent.

"That kind of student retention is remarkable for a nontraditional institution, such as PSU. The university should be proud of President Ramaley for what she's



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doing," Stael said.

PSU's new four-year general education reform has been applauded by several educational institutions as a national model.