

Observing Vancouver

Meals On Wheels Warns Of Unauthorized Collections

Someone with no affiliation to the City of Vancouver "Meals on Wheels" program has been using the program's name to collect aluminum cans from local businesses. "This person does not represent us and has never turned any money over to us," says Gladys Sheldon, coordinator of the senior nutrition program.

The alert comes at a time when the local program is stepping up its

own legitimate fundraising efforts in response to federal funding cuts. Support for the local Senior Nutrition and Activities Program (SNAP) has been cut 13 percent in the current federal budget with a 5 to 8 percent cut for "Meals on Wheels."

In 1995, the local "Meals on Wheels" program provided an average of 1,117 in-home meals per week to seniors throughout Clark County. SNAP served 901 mid-day meals per

week at seven sites in the county. That figure has been cut to 732 in 1996.

Anyone claiming to represent "Meals on Wheels" will carry either an authorization letter from the director or a "Meals on Wheels" letterhead or a "Meals on Wheels" badge.

People with questions should call "Meals on Wheels" at 696-8158.

Advisory Group To Provide Advice

Presidents of neighborhood, civic and business associations in the southeast area of Clark County have formed a Citizens Advisory Group that will provide advice, information and recommendations to the City of Vancouver and Clark County on issues related to the planned annexation. The city and county are cooperating on a boundary adjustment to take place January 1997. "We will assist in developing

realistic levels of service during the transition period and in communicating these facts to our citizens," says George Burkhart, a volunteer with the East Precinct Sheriff's Office and chair of the advisory group. "This is an opportunity to play a major role in our future."

Groups involved in the Citizens Advisory Group include the Cascade Park Business Association, Cascade Park Civic Association and the Fish-

ers-Mill Plain, Village at Fishers Landing, Fairway Village, Pinebrook, Fircrest, Burton-Evergreen and Airport Green Neighborhood Associations.

The group meets twice a month or more often when necessary. Other associations that wish to be included in the advisory group or want information can contact Burkhart at (360)696-4215 or (360)892-8041.

Keep Kids Healthy Fun Day Planned

Vancouver's Marshall and Luepke Centers at 1009 E. McLoughlin will be the new site of the 1996 Keep Kids Healthy Fun Day.

As many as 3,000 youngsters and their parents are expected to attend the 12th annual Fun Day set for Saturday, May 11, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The event features activities re-

lated to the health and safety of children. Displays, demonstrations, prizes and hands-on exhibits will be available all day.

Special guests include story-teller Lizbeth, Ronald McDonald, Sunshine Generation performing group, Friends Puppet Theatre and Steve Taylor's Komedie Kreation. Face-painting, visits with Smokey Bear,

the Red Robin, Clifford the Dog, McGruff the Crime Dog, Barney the Dog, demonstrations, hands-on activities and information are also scheduled.

The Vancouver Fire and Parks and Recreation Department, Clark County Fire District 5, The Columbian, C-TRAN and McDonalds are sponsors of the event.

Walk For The Animals To Benefit Pets

The Vancouver Humane Society is holding a "Walk for the Animals", a fund raiser to help the shelter care for homeless and unwanted animals in the Clark County community.

The Walk will take place on Saturday, May 11th. Registration is at 8 A.M. followed by the Walk at 9 A.M. The Walk begins at Esther Short Park at Broadway and 6th Streets and travels around downtown Vancouver, ending again at the park.

Walkers bringing in the most pledge donations will receive awards and prizes donated by local area merchants. Walk pledge sheets

are available at the Vancouver Humane Society; the Paws & Claws Thrift Store, Kaufmann and Fourth Plain; PETSMART; Northwest Bank and other downtown businesses.

Walkers are permitted to bring their dogs for the walk, but this is optional.

Dog owners will be provided with bags for use in cleaning up after their pets.

Sponsors of the event are PETSMART, Northwest National Bank, the Downtown Vancouver Association and the City of Vancouver Parks and Recreation Department.

The Vancouver Humane Society is the largest animal shelter in Southwest Washington, handling nearly 7,000 animals each year. The society is a non-profit organization dedicated to preventing cruelty to animals, providing care for homeless and distressed animals, and educating the public about proper animal care.

The Vancouver Humane Society is located at 2323 W. 26th Street Extension, Vancouver, WA 98660. From I-5 head West on Fourth Plain. Over the railroad overpass and follow Humane Society signs. (360) 693-4746.

Be Kind To Animals Week

The Vancouver Humane Society is celebrating "Be Kind to Animals Week," May 5-11, with several special events:

Pet Adoption '96
What better way to celebrate Be Kind to Animals Week than with the adoption of a new four-footed friend?

The Vancouver Humane Society

Urban Forestry Commission Invites Applications

The City of Vancouver is seeking applicants to fill a vacancy on the Urban Forestry Commission.

The seven-member commission is established to enhance the city by managing and conserving trees in Vancouver's city-owned parks, public areas and public rights of way. It also helps property owners

are one of hundreds of shelters across the United States and Canada participating in a first-ever effort to bring thousands of homeless dogs, cats, puppies and kittens together with good adoptive families, all in a single weekend.

The shelter will be open for adoptions starting at 9 a.m. Saturday, May 4 and continuing through 9 p.m. Sun-

day, May 5. Prospective adopters can stop by anytime during the 36 hours to adopt an available orphaned pet.

All adoptions include a free starter package filled with lams dog or cat food and helpful information about proper pet care. Call (360) 693-4746 for more information. 1996 Walk for the Animals.

year terms. The commission regularly meets the first Wednesday of each month at 4 p.m. in Vancouver City Hall. Applications are available through Marie Day, Vancouver City Hall, P.O. Box 1995, Vancouver, WA 98668-1995 or by calling 696-8211. Applications must be submitted by Monday, May 20,

Making Soldiers In The Public Schools

Harold Jordan, National Coordinator of the American Friends Service Committee's Youth and Militarism program, will be speaking in Portland, Thursday, April 25, 1996 at 7:00 p.m. at Portland State University's Koinonia House, 633 SW Montgomery, Portland, OR. Mr. Jordan will be speaking on the subject "Making Soldiers in the Public School."

Harold Jordan will be available to the press during the day on Thursday, April 25, 1996.

Harold Jordan is the Coordinator of the National Youth and Militarism Program of the American Friends

Service Committee. He has worked on military service and peace issues for more than 20 years. From 1983 to 1988, he served as Director of the Militarism

Resource Project. In that capacity he coordinated a project on sexual harassment in the U.S. military. Harold has worked as a paralegal at Community Legal Service (Philadelphia), assisting disabled veterans with bad discharges and Agent Orange veterans and their families. In 1980 and 1981 he served as the National Field Coordinator for the Mobilization for Survival, a coalition of orga-

nizations working for nuclear disarmament.

Harold has published articles on sexual harassment in the military, Blacks and the military, military involvement in the public schools (recruiting; the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps; etc.), gays and lesbians and the military, federal job training programs, and about a range of veterans and military policy issues.

In addition, to working at the American Friends Service Committee, Harold serves as the Co-Chairperson of the Military Law Task Force of the National Lawyers Guild.

Police To Restore Gang List

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matched before a letter can be mailed.

Anyone listed as a suspected gang member has 30 days from the notice to appeal the label to a gang enforcement team supervisor. If that fails he or she can appeal to a community panel then to a hearings officer.

People designated as gang affiliates -- someone with ties to a gang but not a member -- will have that listing on their record for four years. After that time, if there has been no

more contact with police about gang activities, the designation will be erased from the police computer.

National gang experts say it is necessary to keep tabs on gang members in order to fight them. Keeping track helps says Stg. Wes McBride who works with the gang unit of the Los Angeles County Sheriff's office and author of "Understanding Street Gangs."

"You need a way to solve the crimes these guys commit," McBride says. "It's not going to end gangs. I don't think anyone's that naive. It

just gives an investigator a place to start looking."

Richard Brown, chairman of the Black United Front, has monitored the way police have handled the growing gang problem.

"If a list is going to be kept, people need to know they're on it and they need to know how to get off it," Brown says.

Civil Rights attorney Spencer Neal, who challenged the original listings in court, still opposes the new methods. "It still smacks of McCarthyism," he said.

Senator McCoy Dies

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worked in the import-export business, as a counselor for the Multnomah County Juvenile Court, a caseworker for the state welfare agency and as program director for Providence Child Center.

Senator McCoy was born in Indianola, Miss. and grew up in St. Lewis. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II and graduated from The University of Portland with a Bachelor of Arts in Business Ad-

ministration and Political Science. He completed graduate course work in Public Administration at the University of Oregon and in Gerontology at the University of Southern California.

He is survived by his mother, Lucille Shelton of Portland; daughters, Krista, Mary, Cecelia Elberston, and Martha Swanson, all of Portland; sons, William and Paul both of Portland, and Peter of San Diego. He had 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services for Senator McCoy

will be 11 a.m. Thursday at Holy Cross Parish, 5277 N. Bowdoin St., in Portland. A rosary will be said 7 p.m. Wednesday at Holy Cross Church.

The family suggests remembrances be sent to the Gladys McCoy Social Work Scholarship Fund at Portland State University. Gladys McCoy, the senator's late wife, was also an important figure in Portland Politics serving as a Multnomah County Commissioner 1979 to 1984 and as the county commission chairwoman from 1986 until her death in 1993.

Western Pacific Sets May 9 For PDX Inaugural Flight

Western Pacific Airlines has announced that it will begin serving Portland International Airport (PDX) on Thursday, May 9, with one daily flight between Portland and its Colorado Springs hub.

Western Pacific, a low-fare carrier with service across the United States, will become PDX's 16th scheduled passenger carrier when it begins service in May

Western Pacific will use 138-seat Boeing 737-300 aircraft for the daily nonstop service. The Portland to Colorado Springs flight is scheduled to depart Portland at 12:50 p.m. from Gate C13.

"The addition of Western Pacific to PDX's airline service will be a benefit for PDX users who want to fly to the Rocky Mountain area and beyond to the East Coast. Western

Pacific also will bring much needed capacity to our east-west service," said Port of Portland Aviation Director John Brockley. The Port owns and operates PDX.

Portland will be the 20th city to be served by Western Pacific, which began operations April 28, 1995. Reservations on Western Pacific Airlines may be made by calling 1-800-930-3030 or through local travel agents.

Minority Small Business Advocate Honored

Humberto O. Reyna, owner of Reyna-Moore Advertising and current President of the Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce of Portland, has been named as the "Minority Small Business Advocate of the Year" for Oregon by the Small Business Administration, Portland District Office. This award recognizes outstanding individuals who have contributed their time and efforts toward furthering minority business development.

As the Hispanic Metropolitan Chamber's first President, Mr. Reyna has contributed numerous hours in organizing and developing the Chamber into one of the larger minority focused business organizations in Portland

Through his efforts, and the con-

tributions of the resources of his advertising agency, the Chamber has steadily increased its membership among Hispanic-owned businesses and has become a powerful voice of the Hispanic community in Oregon, enjoying wide support from both the public and private sector.

The Chamber programs provide its members with business information and networking opportunities. The Chamber also raises money for scholarships for Hispanic youth and to provide Christmas gifts to underprivileged children.

In the past 18 years Mr. Reyna has been involved in his own business where he continues to work with and assist other minority businesses by providing advertising and collateral

materials at reduced rates. He is one of the founding members of the Oregon Association of Minority Entrepreneurs and has provided substantial donated services to support the programs of this organization, including the development and publication of brochures, marketing materials and an annual directory of minority businesses in Oregon.

In announcing this award, John L. Gilman, SBA District Director, stated, "Humberto Reyna has a major impact on the minority business community in Oregon. He has taken a leadership role in many programs and initiatives to assist this community, and his contributions of time and energy have significantly enhanced the participation of minority businesses in our local marketplace."

Foundation Seeks Nominations For Community Service Award

The Oregon Community Foundation is requesting nominations for the George A. Russill Community Service Awards, a \$2,000 award given to an individual who has performed exceptionally useful and effective volunteer service in the greater Portland area.

Nominees should demonstrate

leadership, vision and initiative as well as service. Candidates for public office and holders of public office are not eligible. Awards are not made posthumously.

The George A. Russill Award was established in 1978 by the friends of George Russill, a Portland attorney who was an active volunteer in city

and state politics.

Nomination forms for the George A. Russill award are available through The Oregon Community Foundation, 621 SW Morrison Street, Suite 725, Portland, Oregon, 97225. (503) 227-6846. Deadline for nominations are April 18, 1996 at 5 p.m.

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