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SECTION B

Community Calendar

Juneteenth Celebration

The Community Care Volunteers will hold their annual Juneteenth Celebration Saturday, June 15 at the Bethel AME Church, at 5828 NE 8th Ave. Festivities begin at 10 a.m. Chucks Market, 2415 N. Williams, is promising depression era prices for the event. Organizers are still looking for entertainers volunteers. Call 288-5429.

Training In Tree Care

Friends of trees will hold a training session June 15 from 8:45 p.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Matt Dishman Community Center, 77 NE Knott St. The training is for any one interested in checking up on the new trees that are planted. The training will include hands-on experience assessing tree conditions and filling out a tree care list. A team member visits 20 to 100 trees on a regular basis to keep track of how they're doing and to provide information to property owners on how to care for them. Volunteers don't have to be tree experts to join the tree team. There is a small fee for the sessions and space is limited. For more information call 282-8846.

DePriest Project At Shango's

The DePriest Project Quartet is playing at Shago's at 333 SW Park Sunday evenings from 8 to 12 during the month of June. Band members include Janice Scroggins on piano, Thara Memory on Trumpet, Andre St. James on bass. The DePriest Project has released a new CD "Central Avenue Roots." All ages are welcome.

Domestic Violence Workshop

On June 11 the Regional Drug Initiative and Gresham Area Prevention Partnership will present a workshop on the effects of domestic violence from 2:30-4:30 p.m. at the Gresham Library, 385 NW Miller. Panelists for the event will include Dr. Linda Irwin of Legacy Emanuel Hospital; Vernon Baker of Self Enhancement, Inc.; Juanita Hernandez from the Portland Police Bureau Domestic Violence Reduction Unit; and Reverend Judith Mekling, founder of Portland Legacy Hospitals' Domestic Violence Prevention Task Force. For more information call 294-7074.

Stanton's Garage

Portland Actors Conservatory presents "Stanton's Garage," a play by Joan Ackerman, directed by Buck Skelton at the Firehouse Theater, 1436 SW Montgomery St. The inept mechanics at the garage help stranded motorists experience moments of compassion and grace. The play will run from June 7 to June 23 Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., Wednesdays at 7 p.m and Sundays with a 2 p.m. matinee. There will be a group discussion June 16 after the matinee, and preview shows on June 4, 5 and 6. Call 274-1717.

Brewers Fest Seeks Volunteers

Organizers of the Oregon Brewers Festival are recruiting individuals to work the July 26-28 event at Tom McCall Waterfront Park. Trained volunteers are needed to pour beer. In addition to a great time volunteers will receive a festival mug, scrip for beers and an official festival t-shirt. First time volunteers must attend a one-hour OLCC training class and returnees are encouraged to attend. There will be three training sessions July 15 and 16 at 7 p.m. and July 21 at 4 p.m. at the Clinton Street Theater, 2522 Clinton St.

SUBMISSIONS: Community Calendar information will be given priority if dated two weeks before the event date.

Teens Learn About Street Life



Carlos Lanz at Harbor Lights (left), a part of the Salvation Army's Education project on homelessness. Schola Njoku, Sarah Nieminen, and Marcia Gill (above) spend the night as homeless teens. Photo by Jay Turner

On Friday, May 24, 14 teenagers aged 12 to 15 experienced part of life homeless people are all too familiar with.

They spent the night in cardboard boxes in a soccer field, and, for 30 hours had only Kool-Aid, ice tea and water for fuel. They will never again take for granted the comforts of a bed, television, video games and junk

food. Some slept to quell the hunger, others lay awake restlessly. "It was fun, but it's kind of hard to smile -- It's sad to see all those people who have to live like that," said 15-year-old Mannie Taylor, a Jefferson High School Freshman.

A project of the Salvation Army's Moore Street Corps., they made it through Saturday,

serving food at Harbor Lights, touring the army's Greenhouse for homeless teens and learning more about the clients Harbor Lights serves. They passed free soft drinks at Portland Saturday Market, a random act of kindness, then joined the March for Jesus.

By 7 p.m. on Saturday it was impossible to keep them away from the 30 pizzas supplied by the California Pizza Kitchen. The hunger

was an important part of the experience. The first-year project aims to educate adolescents on the causes and conditions of street-living and what they can do to help Portland's homeless. Each teen solicited sponsors for the 30-hour fast. The money will help the army's homeless programs. Anyone who wants to donate may call Lt. James Wooten at 239-1241.

Alcohol And Minors Don't Mix

OLCC reminds adults of laws on providing alcohol to minors.

"There is no "safety party" for young people when alcohol is involved," reminds Richard Evans, Sr., Oregon Liquor Control Commission's director of Field Services. Evans' reminder follows the death of an 18 year old who attended a Clatskanie party last weekend allegedly hosted by adults. The hosts are alleged to have provided alcohol at the gathering, designed to keep the teen guests safe.

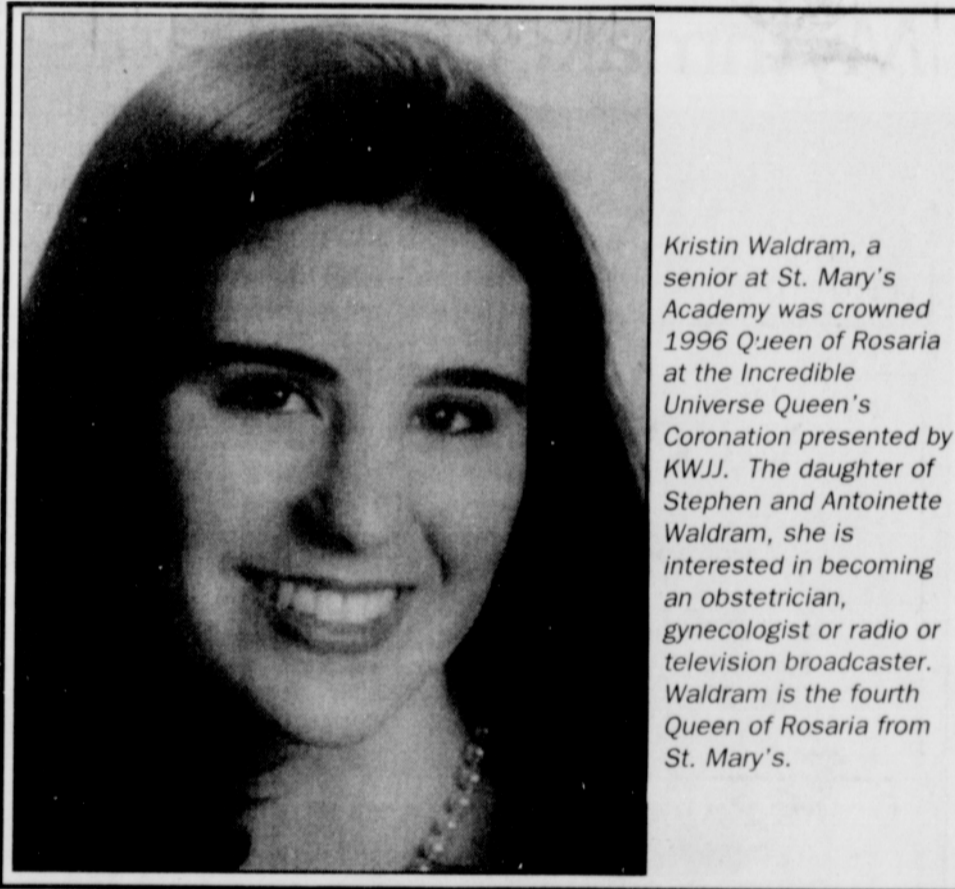
"Parents and other adults need to remember that providing alcohol to minors is illegal. Oregon law does not allow anyone but a parent or guardian to make alcohol available to their own under age child. It does not permit a person to provide alcohol to someone else's child," Evans emphasized. He said

serious civil liability as well as criminal liability can result if alcohol is provided illegally to minors.

A new Oregon law, that became effective last September, makes it illegal for the person in control of a house, apartment or other property from knowingly allowing a minor to drink alcohol on the property. There is a mandatory \$350 fine for violating that law.

Before each Oregon high school graduation season begins, the OLCC asks the cooperation of high school principals and other adults to help prevent parties involving teenagers and alcohol. "We receive good cooperation from school officials," Evans said.

Anyone with information about party plans involving minors and alcohol is encouraged to call the OLCC toll free, 1-800-452-6522. "We well trip to stop the party before it starts," Evans said.



Kristin Waldram, a senior at St. Mary's Academy was crowned 1996 Queen of Rosaria at the Incredible Universe Queen's Coronation presented by KWJJ. The daughter of Stephen and Antoinette Waldram, she is interested in becoming an obstetrician, gynecologist or radio or television broadcaster. Waldram is the fourth Queen of Rosaria from St. Mary's.

Summer Youth Jobs Available

This summer, The Private Industry Council and its partners will provide summer education and employment opportunities to more than 1400 low-income youth in Multnomah and Washington Counties.

Youth will have the opportunity to learn valuable job skills, gain school credits, and earn money.

Youth age 14 to 15, and first time job seekers will have access to a variety of subsidized work experience in both public and

non-profit work setting. Youth participating in work experiences will work an average of 24 to 28 hours per week up to 160 hours and be paid minimum wage. Typical jobs include landscaping, childcare, food preparation, clerical work, and building maintenance. Many work experiences are linked to academic curriculum which allow youth to earn school credits as well as wages.

Older, youth age 16 to 21, will have access to the Youth Employment Partnership, a collaboration of more than sixteen state and local

agencies working to connect youth unsubsidized employment opportunities. Wages, hours and the type of work available vary based upon the needs of individual employers. Last year, participating employers provided a variety of jobs, including machine shop work, Housekeeping at a major hospital, and clerical work. Wages ranged from \$4.75 to \$7.50 per hour. Participating employers benefitted by receiving referrals of youth pre-screened to meet their specific needs. Interested youth and employers can contact The Private Industry Council at

241-4600.

A primary funding source for summert employment programs for low-income youth is the Job Training Partnership Act. Last year JTPA provided \$870 million to fund employment opportunities for more than 600,000 youth nationally. Previously zeroed out by Congress in this year's budget, funding for summer youth employment programs was partially restored due to a large public outcry from youth, their families, business and community leaders and local elected officials.

Drugfree Zones Expand To Include Northeast

BY LEE PEARLMAN

You won't be welcome back if you're accused of selling drugs in parts of northeast Portland. Not for 90 days, under a proposed new law. Not for a year if you're convicted.

The Portland Police Bureau plans to set up two new drug free zones, Northeast Precinct commander Allan Orr says. Modeled after a similar program in Old Town, they would allow the police to order anyone arrested for drug dealing or possession "excluded" from the area for 90 days, or until the charges are dropped. If they are subsequently found in the area, they can be arrested for criminal trespass.

People who live, work or receive treatment in the zone could continue to come to these locations, but could not be in any other

place in the zone except to travel out of it. they may lose the right even to visit their homes if they're arrested for a second drug-related offense while the first case is pending. Anyone excluded may challenge an exclusion if they act within five days of being notified.

The regulations would be in effect in two geographic areas:

- **The Beech Street Area**, bounded by the I-5 Freeway, Northeast Avenue, and North and Northeast Fremont and Skidmore streets (extending south to Northeast Cook Street between North Vancouver Avenue and Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard); and
- **The Alberta Area**, bounded by Northeast 9th and 19th avenues, Wygant Street, and a northern boundary varying from Killingsworth to Jarrett streets.

Orr says the areas were selected due to the high number of drug-dealing arrests, and resident's complaints of drug-related activity. The bureau plans to discuss the proposal with interested community groups before bringing an ordinance to City Council in July.

For the police, it means that they can take some limited action against accused drug dealers while their court cases are pending, without having to prove that the dealers are involved in additional illegal activity.

When the program was introduced in Old Town in 1992 some critics, including the American Civil Liberties Union, questioned whether it was right, or legal, to impose penalties against people not yet convicted of any crime. Dave Fidanque, executive director of Portland's ACLU branch, says that the appeal provision satisfied some of the legal

issues. The ACLU never challenged the law because "we never found a good case," he says.

He feels that government should put more effort into prevention and rehabilitation, rather than law enforcement, to fight drug abuse. Efforts like the drug free zone "just move the problem around," he says. "I've never seen any evidence that it reduces the overall problem, and I doubt that there is any."

The fear that Old Town drug dealing would be "displaced" to another area was a major concern in 1992. Deputy district attorney Jim Hayden says, "There will always be some displacement from a law like this, but not to the degree that it's a major concern." He adds that the police

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