

Olympic workers boycott site

Ironworkers at one of the principal Olympic venues are refusing to return to work until investigators explain why a five-ton steel roof truss collapsed shortly after installation this week, union officials said Wednesday.

The decision, which slowed construction at the Georgia Tech Aquatics Centre, has the backing

Among a selected few

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and balance functions, Haven completed her doctorate and began to pursue an artistic career.

Reflecting not only her mathematical acuity but also her newfound visual and cognitive perceptions, Haven says she chose fiber art and quilts as a medium "because they utilize small and manageable discrete units to produce an overall integrated image."

As a result, her contemporary art quilts are in fact the visual execution of a mathematical concept.

Haven says she hopes to work with Very Special Arts Oregon after the institute to share information on what she learned and also plans to participate in a VSA festival.

In addition, she will serve as an artist-in-residence with schools in northwest Oregon.

of the local Ironworkers union, which lost a member in a fatal construction accident last year at the Olympic Stadium.

"We don't want any more accidents," said Steve Jones, who heads local 387 of the International Association of Bridge, Structural and Ornamental Ironworkers.

"I do not like going and explaining to the family that their husband, brother or loved-one has died in a construction accident. It's too hard," he said.

The accident at the site of the Olympic swimming, diving water polo and synchronized swimming competitions is being investigated by federal safety investigators, contractors and Olympic officials.

Oregon's camping adventure

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and Humbug Mountain, near Port Orford; Tugman and Umpqua Lighthouse, north of Coos Bay; and Bullards Beach, near Bandon. Tent and primitive sites--South Beach; Honeyman, south of Florence and Harris Beach, near Brookings.

Willamette Valley: Electrical--McIver, near Estacada, and Champoeg, near Newberg.

Southern: Electrical or full-hookup--Valley of the Rogue, south of Grants Pass.

Columbia River Gorge: Tent and full-hookup--Memaloose, east of

Meanwhile, other workers, including electricians and pipe-fitters, remained on the job in another section of the aquatics centre.

The truss that collapsed was designed to support a temporary roof above a section of the centre where bleachers for 11,000 Olympic spectators are to be installed. But the structure came crashing down from a height of 130 feet (39.6 metres) Monday evening, just 15 minutes after being installed.

Last year's stadium accident was traced to a mathematical error in the design specifications.

Like the aquatics centre roof truss, the stadium light tower was a temporary fixture earmarked for removal after the Olympics are over.

Pick Pocket Thief Strikes Downtown

Since July 30th, 1996, Portland Police Bureau Detectives have become aware of three similar thefts involving what appears to be one or more subjects. These thefts are occurring in downtown Portland in the Tri-Met Max Train boarding areas.

The suspect will be standing in line near the entry to a Max Train when he will stumble, fall, or is caught or grabs the victim. The suspect, upon being assisted, will leave the boarding area without getting on the train. The vic-

tims in all cases have discovered their wallets missing after the suspect has fled. In one case several by-standers observed a second subject standing behind the victim run from the scene in a hurry. Visa cards and checks are used by the suspect(s) in the Downtown area immediately after the theft.

Theft locations- Max Train boarding areas: SW 6th and Morrison and SW 6th and Yamhill.


Thefts have occurred between

2:00pm and 3:15pm on Tuesday and Thursday.

The suspect is described as a black male, 40-60 years, 5'5" to 5'8", 120 to 145 pounds. A second subject who was seen running from the area is described only as a white male. The suspect(s) select white male victims between the ages of 79 to 82 years.

Anyone with information regarding these crimes contact Central Precinct Detective Duane Wentland at 823-0231.

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Miss Black Oregon USA Scholarship Pageant Introduces An Innovative Leadership Program To Empower The Contestants For A Lifetime!

BY MZURI HUDSON

The Miss Black Oregon USA Pageant has introduced a Leadership Through Self Management Program, the first of its kind to be incorporated into a scholarship pageant. Wanda Washington, Director of MBOUSA realizes that although the young ladies bring a lot of talent and intellect to the pageant many additional aspects of the contestants must be enhanced and developed in order to be a proper representative of MBOUSA.

In the areas of leadership and community service. Leadership is a function and not just a title since, MBOUSA must be a leader for her peers, family and community Ms. Washington knew that the ladies must receive some training. Therefore, she introduced the Leadership Through Self Management Program.

The components of this program includes:

- Self Esteem - The Blueprint of Your Future
- Becoming A Self Disciplined Achiever
- Leadership Skills For The 21st Century
- Becoming A Role Model On The Path To Making History

Through the support of a grant from the Black United Fund, Ms. Hudson of Empowerment Through Self Management in New York City was contracted to facilitate this program. She instructed the young ladies everyday for one week in leadership skills training. The challenges and responsibilities the contestants met in order to participate in the Scholarship Pageant spoke to their commitment to making a difference. Ms. Washington through her insight and introduction of the Leadership through Self Management Program has established a foundation for holstering that committed attitude into a lifelong pursuit of excellence and achievement.

Ms. Washington gives to credit her spirit to serve youth from those who have set a path of excellence and achievement before her. Mainly, Joyce Washington, her mother-in-law whose commitment to community and youth was an example she is much grateful for. "Joyce Washington was a catalyst for the Miss Black Oregon USA Scholarship Pageant, says Wanda Washington. She not only, believed in what the pageant could do for young women, but so demonstrated through strong sponsorship as one of the pageants first primary sponsors giving the pageant its initial start. The Portland Observer Newspaper continues to be a strong supporter of the pageant. The pageant is honored to pay tribute to Joyce Washington in a special way at the pageant event on August 17, 1996, at the Portland Center for the Performing Arts.

The Leadership Program was made possible by a grant from the Black United Fund. Scholarship contributors includes Stewart Group Realty, U.S. Bank and The Portland Observer.

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