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Community Calendar

Merix Corporation Open House

Visit the Open House on Friday, April 4th, 12noon - 8pm and Saturday, April 5th 8am - 2pm For directions to the facility, south of Highway 26 in Forest Grove, call 503-359-9300. Merix Corporation is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.

Flute Fair at Lewis & Clark College, April 5

Portland, Ore.-Lewis & Clark College and The Greater Portland Flute Society will present the society's annual Flute Fair, Saturday, April 5, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., in Evans Music Building, Lewis & Clark College, 0615 S.W. Palatine Hill Road. Admission is free. For more information about the master class, call Marcy Lohman, of the Greater Portland Flute Society, at 503-288-4954.

International School Auction

Adventure, travel, gourmet dining and international theme items will be featured at The International School's Fourth Annual Auction. April 19, 5:30 Silent Auction, 7:30 Oral Auction. The Atrium of the Legacy Emanuel Hospital, 2801 N. Gantenbein Avenue, Portland, Oregon. Tickets \$15 at the door or in advance by mail. Contact: Sheri Dowley 235-9461.

Older Women's League

On Saturday April 12, 1997 10:00 AM to Noon midlife and older women are invited to an open meeting and discussion opportunity. **Title:** "Are toxins in our homes and environment making us ill and affecting our hormones?" **Speaker:** Roslyn Hamilton, B.A. in Psychology, member of National Environmental Health Association. **Place:** Portland Impact Senior Center, Tabor Building, 4610 S.E. Belmont. Enter from parking lot and ramp at the rear of the building. Tri-met 315 bus on Belmont. Wheelchair accessible. Call 721-0848 Ruth Currie for information about OWL directions. Free and open to the public of all ages.

Child abuse prevention info

April is National Child Abuse Prevention month. On Saturday, April 5, 1997, the Multnomah County Child Abuse Team, in cooperation with the Portland Conference Center, will host the Abuse Prevention Information Fair. This event will take place between 8:00AM and 4:00PM and will be held in the Morrison Room of the Portland Conference Center, located at 300 NE Multnomah, Portland, Oregon, across the street from the Oregon Convention Center.

Tugging the strings at the Young of Heart

"Pinocchio" will be featured as the final show in Tears of Joy Theatre's very successful family series. While all of the shows are geared toward family audiences, the spring show has traditionally been focused for the younger set: ages 3 and up. Performances will be at the Portland Center for the Performing Arts (PCPA), 1111 SW Broadway, Portland, Friday, April 4 at 7:30PM; Saturday, April 5th at 11:00AM and 2:00PM (signed for the hearing impaired); and Sunday, April 6 at 2PM and 4PM. Tickets are available at Tears of Joy Box Office (503)248-0557 or (360)695-0477 and at Columbia Arts Center, 400 West Evergreen, Vancouver and PCPA Box Office, 1111 SW Broadway, Portland.

Explore and Record Your Family's Heritage!

Discover the joy of recording and learning about your family's past with two important workshops offered by the Oregon Historical Society. Join us on Saturday, April 5 from 10:00am-3:30pm for an

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Pamplin Conducts Youth Summit

BY NEIL HEILPERN

A high-spirited series of speakers, discussion groups and a basketball game this past week end highlighted the first annual youth summit coordinated by high school Pamplin Fellows at the Center for Self Enhancement.

"We wanted to have an impact on the community and figured if we brought young people to this event we could impact the community as a whole," said Alisha Moreland, a Pamplin Fellow and junior at Jefferson High School.

Approximately 60 participants were encouraged to "Take it to the next level," by kick-off speaker J.W. Friday, a local minister and former KKSL radio talk show host.

"Loving your self takes you to the next level," he said, noting that many at-risk youth "have no idea where they are going, because they are followers." He urged his listeners to become leaders.

"As you strive, talk to professionals," he said. "What they have to give is yours -- if you take it -- then take it to the next level, by sharing it with someone else."

"Success will not knock at your door," said Friday. "You have to be prepared at all times."

He noted that being turned down at one level only means a successful person needs to find the person at the next level who will listen and have power to make things happen.

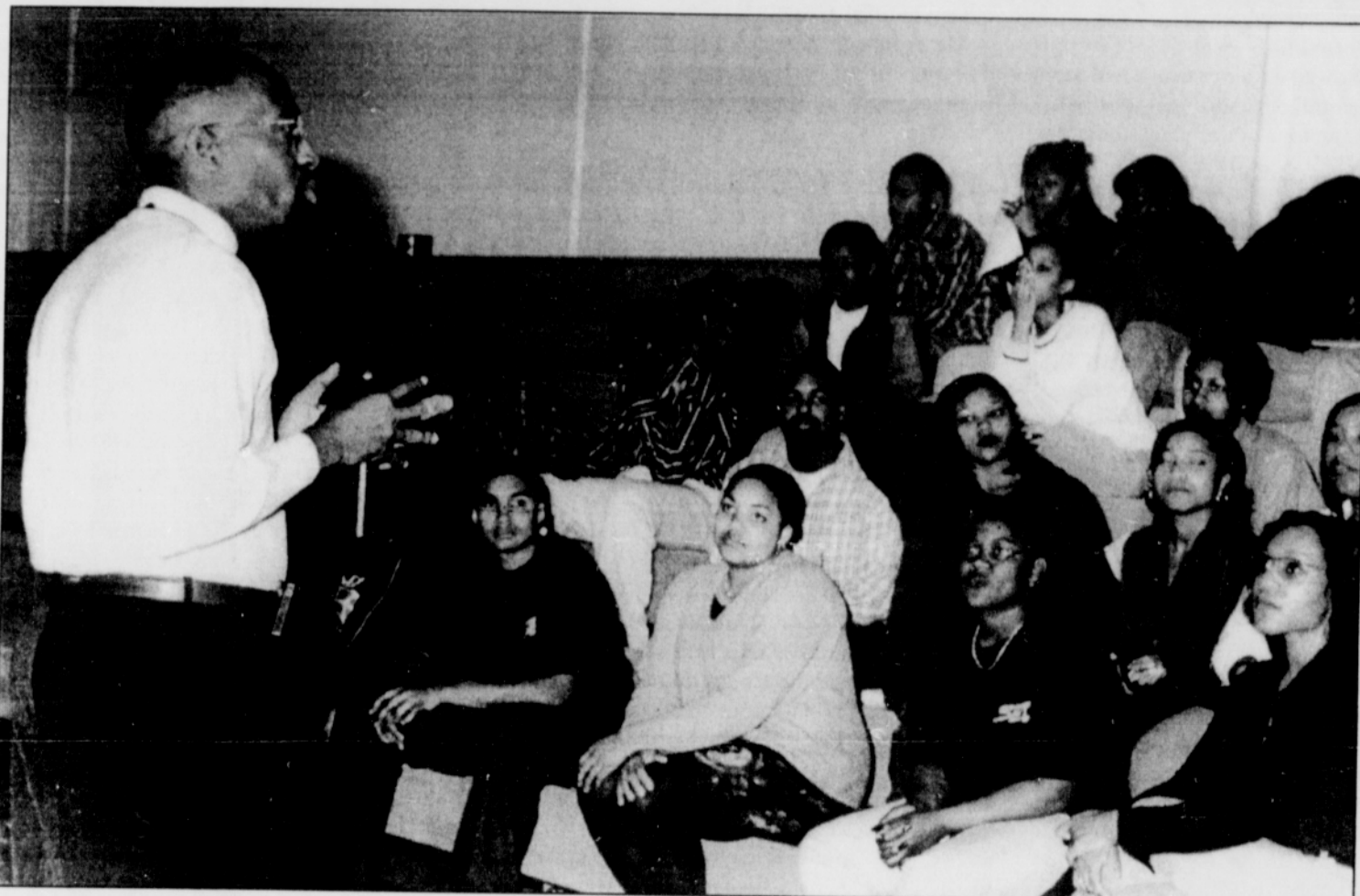
"If you have no application, you have no success," he said.

"I want your life to shine because you are who you are."

Pamplin co-coordinator Cornelius Williams told the participants, "I'm so glad you are here because it is time to change the guard, time for new blood to start flowing and you are the new blood."

"I'm very pleased with the way things went," Williams said after the program. "The kids got wonderful information and the speakers did a phenomenal job."

Co-coordinator Anthony Deloney told The Observer the young Pamplin Fellows were



J. W. Friday challenged students at the Pamplin Fellows first annual youth summit, Saturday, March 29, 1997.

Photo by Neil Heilpern

"initially disappointed in the number of people that showed up, but once the meat came from the speakers they were glad they picked the ones they did and they had a great sense of accomplishment at the end of the day."

He expressed pride in the student organizers, noting "They tackled the task and ran with it."

State Representative Margaret Carter (D-Portland) engaged the students in a lively discussion about goal setting and confidence building.

"If you don't know where you are going now, you won't know where you will wind up later," she said. "Challenge your assumptions."

She urged students not to let outside influences determine how they feel about themselves, asking "Where does feeling good or bad about yourself come from?"

One student eagerly answered, "from the heart."

"How do you make someone else understand you value yourself more than they value you?" she asked, setting off a buzz of exciting discussions, ranging from self esteem to child raising.

Portland rap music artist Cool Nutz led another session, "From Basement to Billboards," centering on the process of becoming a professional entertainer and learning the value of time management and finding appropriate people connections.

He talked about financial considerations and the sacrifices one has to make to get to a professional level. Nutz recalled getting up at 4 a.m. to bicycle around town to put up posters publicizing his events. He told the youngsters his road to success was a 10 year process.

The "Now Hiring" presentation by SEI coordinator Troy Hollis included tips on preparing job interviews and how to effectively follow up. He discussed writing resumes and cover letters, how to act during interviews, and created a time line showing the teens how decisions they make today can play out later in life.

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OMSI billboard mannequins kidnapped



They were last seen standing very still on the AK Media/NW billboard at the corner of SE 2nd Ave. and Hawthorne Blvd.

AT&T Wireless services is searching for missing "children" mannequins Rex and Cera Tops swiped from an AK Media/NW billboard promoting a dinosaur ex-

hibit.

The two billboard mannequins have been missing since Wednesday, March 12.

AK Media/NW will be on hand to answer questions and give demonstrations as to how the mannequins were taken.

The 3D billboard, strategically located near the Oregon Museum of Science and

Industry, uses mannequins of children to create awareness and emphasize the mammoth proportion of "The AT&T Giants of the Gobi" exhibit. Someone has taken the mannequin children from the highly visible AK Media/NW billboard.

AT&T has filed a missing mannequin report with local authorities and urges the

abductors to return the missing children unharmed. No questions asked.

AT&T is the title sponsor of the OMSI exhibit, "The AT&T Giants of the Gobi." It is the largest exhibit ever staged by OMSI and showcases a rare and important collection of dinosaur and mammal fossils from the Gobi desert of Inner Mongolia. The support of AT&T is key to bringing the Gobi exhibit to the Northwest, as well as to help ensure the future of Portland's landmark, OMSI.

MISSING:

• **Cera Tops:** a girl mannequin, age 5; 4-foot 3 inches; 72 pounds; dark brown hair; brown eyes. Last seen wearing brown-rimmed glasses, a blue jacket and blue jeans, a blue baseball hat, white sneakers and holding a red balloon.

• **Rex Tops:** a boy mannequin, age 8; 5-foot, 2 inches; 84 pounds; brown hair; blue eyes. Last seen wearing a plaid shirt and blue jeans, a green and white University of Oregon baseball hat and carrying a blue backpack.

AT&T Wireless Services' recently filed missing mannequin report with local authorities. Anyone with any information leading to the peaceful return of Rex and Cera will receive a free membership to OMSI from AT&T Wireless Services. **Missing Mannequin Hotline: 1-503-306-6002.**

Internet guide service to Portland expanded

Finding a good restaurant, the nearest recycling center or what bands are playing on Saturday will soon be a whole lot easier. Want to know what the Portland City Council discussed at its last meeting? Portland will be able to tap into that as well. By early summer, access to Portland information will soon be available at the click of a mouse thanks to CitySearch, a market leader in creating comprehensive interactive community guides on the Internet.

"Portland was selected as the eighth U.S. market for CitySearch for several reasons,"

explains Charles Conn, CitySearch CEO. "The distinctive community aura that makes Portland special translates to an ideal expansion opportunity for our unique service. Because we hire all local people and build our business from within the community, CitySearch Portland will capture the unique qualities and nuances of the city, and be a valuable addition to local residents, businesses and community organizations."

Jan Bureson, executive director of the Portland Development Commission, says CitySearch is a kind of company the com-

mission wanted to attract when it selected multimedia as one of its top five target industries for Portland.

"CitySearch is providing 40 quality jobs in the central city, contributing toward further diversification of our economic base, and offering an important service to the community," says Bureson. "The opportunities they offer to small to medium businesses and non-profit organizations are very impressive."

CitySearch builds websites on the Internet for Portland companies and organizations

that may not have an online presence due to cost or lack of access. CitySearch handles all the technical details and logistics for its customers, so businesses don't even need a computer. It is also very affordable, fitting any marketing budget from the burrito cart at Pioneer Square to large shopping malls. Businesses get listings for free and can post detailed information for less than \$100 a month-costing much less than other methods of advertising.

For more information see CitySearch online at www.citysearch.com.