

# Family Living

## Mayor Vera Katz

### Appoints Doug Blomgren To Portland Development Commission



Mayor Vera Katz today announced she will appoint Doug Blomgren to the Portland Development Commission.

Doug Blomgren law practice involves housing finance and business matters. Blomgren currently serves as a member of the city-county Housing and Community Development Commission, and sits on the Board of Directors for Downtown Community Housing, Inc., a non-profit developer of low income housing.

With such housing policy expertise Katz says she hopes he will bring an expanded perspective to the commission. "Doug's extensive knowledge of housing issues will provide

immediate expertise to an agency that has a tremendous role in assuring that balanced, affordable housing opportunities are available in our community," said Katz.

Blomgren has represented investors, non-profit organizations and public authorities in connection with housing development and regulation. Prior to joining Preston Gates in 1987, he was an attorney for the U.S. Department of Justice and a Special Assistant Attorney General for the State of Minnesota.

A former Chairman of the Oregon State Bar Election Law Reform Committee, Blomgren is still a member of both American Bar Association and the Oregon State Bar. He also formerly served on the Board of Directors of Friendly House, Inc.

Blomgren joins three other citizens on PDC's volunteer board: Chairman Carl Talton, General Business Manager, PP&L; Marty Brantley, General Manager, KPTV; and John Eskildsen, President & CEO, US Bank. He replaces Gale Castillo, who retired from the board to serve as a member of the Mayor's Business Roundtable. If confirmed, his term will end July 10, 2000.

City Council will consider confirmation of the appointment next Wednesday during their regular session.

## Youth Program Recruiting Young People Interested In Part-Time Employment

The Youth employment Program, operated by The Private Industry Council, is looking for 60 young people in East Multnomah and Washington Counties who need assistance securing part-time employment.

Youth participating in the program receive job readiness training, including resume preparation and interviewing skill training. Additionally, staff develop and match youth to specific job opportunities.

The program will continue through Sept. 30. Interested youth and employers can contact Robert McEwen at 667-7056 for additional information.

In total, the Youth employment program will have served approximately 400 youth, ages 16-21, throughout Multnomah and Washington Counties and the City of Portland this summer. The program's primary objective is to

match youth with employers who are willing to provide summer employment opportunities in a positive learning environment. The program is designed to encourage youth to stay in school by demonstrating connections between education and the world of work.

Employers benefit from the program by being able to recruit for summer and part-time job openings from a pool of youth who have been prescreened to meet their specific needs. Employers who participated in the Youth Employment Program last summer indicated 80 percent of the youth hired through the program demonstrated a positive work attitude and 84 percent completed tasks effectively.

Both the City of Portland and Wells Fargo Bank have contributed major grants that enable The Private Industry Council to operate the Youth Employment Program.

## YWCA Sponsors Anita Hill Lecture

The YWCA of Salem, in collaboration with other members of the regional Job Equity Coalition, is sponsoring a lecture by Professor Anita Hill on November 19 at Portland State University's Smith Center Ballroom. Ms. Hill will speak on, "History of Sexual Harassment and the Abuse of Power," for 6:30-8:30pm.

Ms. Hill, a former professor of law at the University of Oklahoma, gained prominence for her testimony during the 1991 confirmation hearings for Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas. She teaches, speaks, and writes as an authority on race and gender issues. Her presentations have received standing ovations nationwide, often given to audiences with standing room only. She is the author of *Race, Gender and Power in America: The Legacy of the Hill-Thomas Hearings* and the soon to be released, *Speaking Truth to Power*, her memoirs and reflections of the 1991 hearings.

During her stay in Oregon, Ms. Hill will also meet in Salem with

YWCA representatives and the Oregon State Personnel Management Association, a co-sponsor. Other event sponsors include The Black United Fund of Oregon, Portland.

State University's Office of Academic Affairs, the Oregon Commission for Women, the Oregon Women's Political Caucus, Hoevet & Snyder, P.C., Leahy Communications, Inc., Bennett, Hartman, Reynolds & Wiser, and Gaylord & Eyerman, P.C.

Reserved general admission is available in advance for \$35 each from the YWCA, 768 State Street, or by phone for VISA/Mastercard, at 503/581-9922. Patron tickets are available for \$100, which will include reserved seats and a special opportunity to meet Professor Hill at a private reception following her lecture. Autographed copies of Professor Hill's newly released book of memoirs will be available for purchase at the event.

To purchase tickets, contact the YWCA of Salem, 581-9922.

## Suzhou Designers Present Mayor With New Garden Model

A \$2 million dollar private sector capital campaign to build the first classical Chinese Garden in the U.S. got off to a great start, as Mayor Vera Katz announced Fred Meyer will be stepping up with a substantial six-figure contribution. In addition, Bob Naito, chairman of the Classical Chinese Garden Trust, which is charged with fundraising for the garden, announced other major private donations totaling \$535,000 have already been secured.

"I want to applaud all of our donors for their incredible gifts to the people of Portland," said Mayor Vera Katz. "Their commitments are helping to pave the way for Portland to become truly an international city by bringing a piece of Suzhou home, and helping to ensure that generations to come will be able to experience the unique tranquility of these urban oases right here in the Rose city."

Katz also announced that the Portland Development Commission has dedicated \$2.9 million of tax increment dollars over the next two years to the Garden's construction. "With citizens and business stepping up, I think it is only appropriate that the city itself become a true partner," said Katz.

The announcements came during a reception at the Governor Hotel, where garden designers from Portland's sister city, Suzhou, China, presented the Mayor with a new model of the future urban park.

"This project represents a unique opportunity for Chinese and American architects and construction workers to collaborate on a project that will bring traditional Chinese architecture and landscape design into the heart of a modern American city," said Naito.

In a world that is rapidly becoming more international in terms of economic trade and the exchange of culture and ideas, the Classical Chinese Garden will strengthen the relationship of Suzhou and the City of Portland.

## Waiting Children



Frank, Vaneeya and Shawn, Ages 10, 8 and 6

These healthy and active children are delightful to be around! Frank, Vaneeya and Shawn are three of over 350 Oregon children in need of adoptive parents.

With his great sense of humor, Frank is very likeable. His favorite activities include swimming and playing with his friends. Vaneeya is just as easy to like as her older brother. Very articulate, she is a cute kid as well. Bright and talkative, little Shawn is an adorable child. He enjoys being rocked and

hugged. Despite the efforts involved in parenting three, these children are a wonderful trio!

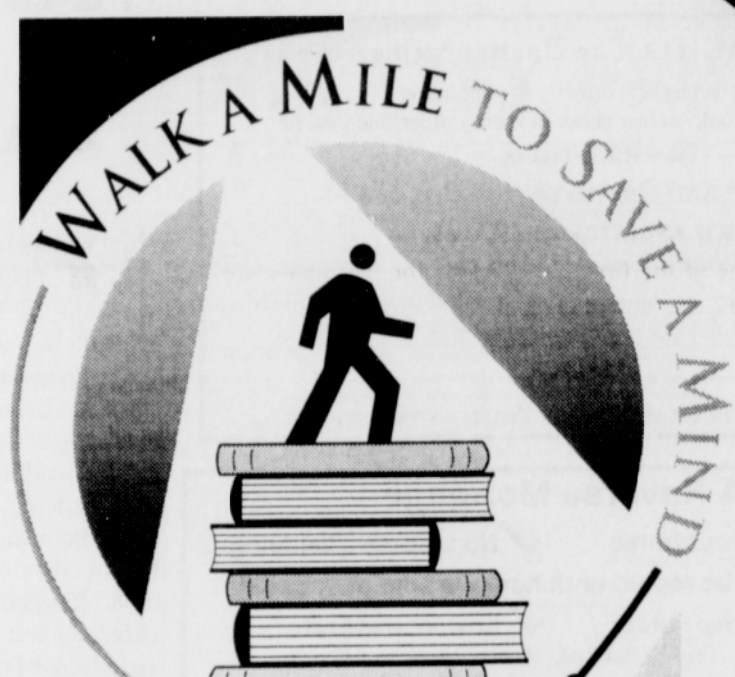
They will be fully freed for adoption when a family is found. Oregon agencies waive or reduce fees for the adoption of Oregon's children in state care, and pre-adoption trainings are offered statewide. To learn more about adoption and the children awaiting homes, contact The Special Needs Adoption Coalition at The Boys and Girls Aid Society, (503) 222-9661.

## Martinelli's Non-Alcoholic Drinks For Fall Festivities



The three steaming mugs pictured here are full of Martinelli's Hot Mulled Cider made with Martinelli's Gold Medal Cider. Warm up family and friends on chilly autumn evenings with cups of this delicious drink garnished with cinnamon sticks. The nutritious recipe makes the ideal refreshment at all of your fall festivities. Martinelli's Gold Medal Cider, Apple Juice and Sparkling Cider are made only from U.S.-grown fresh apples, contain absolutely no added water, no preservatives, no sweeteners nor additives of any kind and have been pasteurized for purity since 1917.

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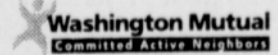
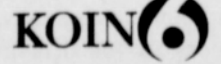
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