

# Family Living

## A Must Try



### Ma & Pa Strong's Kitchen

A Family Tradition of BBQ Comes to the OAME Business Plaza at 4134 N. Vancouver

## "Career Connections '98"

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America, Coca Cola, Intel, Nordstrom, Oregon Lottery, State of Oregon, Wacker Siltronic, Wells Fargo, and many more. Many of these companies are members of the League's Employment Partnership, which helps employers recruit and retain a diverse work force.

Job seekers can attend the event free of charge. The Urban League is helping job seekers prepare for Career Connections by holding interview and resume preparation workshops in advance. "To take full advantage of the career fair, job seekers should bring multiple copies of their current resume," said the Urban League's Workforce Development Director Marnella Bingham.

Job seekers will attend a short orientation before gaining access to workshops and the employer exhibit area. In the Exhibit Hall, employers will set up booths where human resource staff and job seekers can discuss current openings and future out-

looks. Interview areas will be available onsite. Job seekers can explore immediate openings, assess their career goals and make important connections for their future.

Career Connections will start at 8 a.m. Friday with an Employers' Kick-off Breakfast. The kickoff breakfast will feature the presentation of the League's "Employment Partner of the Year" Award to the company that has gone above and beyond the call of duty in pursuing the goals of affirmative action, community involvement, outreach, and employee retention. Tickets to the breakfast are \$35 each.

Memorial Coliseum is served by Max light rail and by Tri-Met bus routes #1, 4, 5, 8, 10, 40, 41, 63, 70, 77, 85, and 91X.

Career Connections is a fundraiser for the Urban League's Workforce Development Department, which assists people of color, women and others in finding employment. For more information on Career Connections, contact Connie Deever at

503/280-2647.

The Urban League of Portland is a non-profit, community-based human service, economic and social justice agency serving youth and families, students, job seekers, and seniors in the metro area. The League is the home of the Multnomah County Northeast Family Center, Northeast Senior Service Center, and The N/NE One Stop Career Center. The League is one of 115 local affiliates of the National Urban League.

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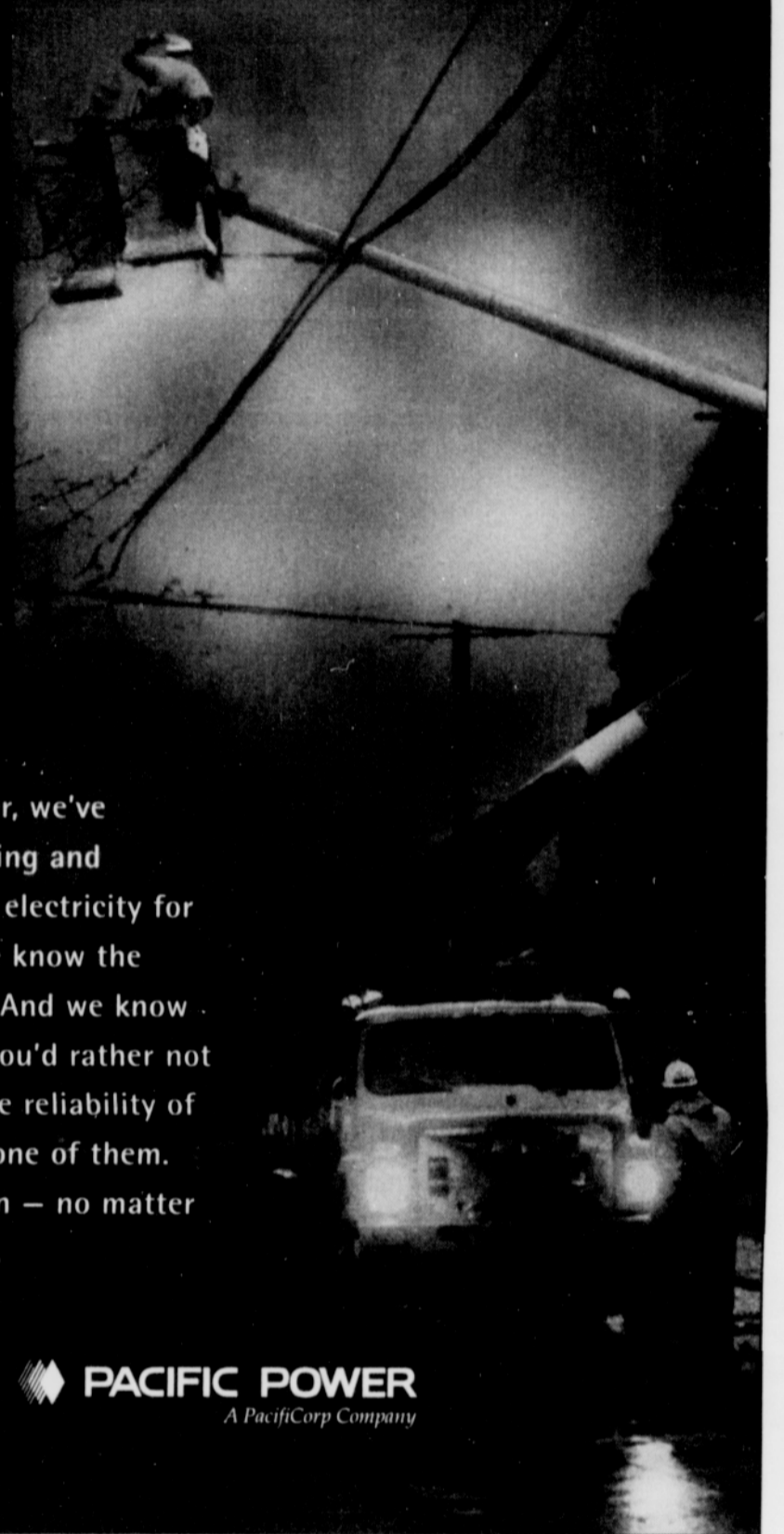
(1) Urban League of Portland President Lawrence J. Dark with Career Connections volunteers Helle Hill (left) and Myrtle Carr. Career Connections '98 is April 2.

(2) The Urban League's Tyra Gates assists a job seeker at the One Stop Career Center booth at Career Connections. The annual job fair is April 2nd at Memorial Coliseum.

(3) A full house of ninety employers is expected at Career Connections '98 on April 2.

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Finds Mistakes by "Data Dealer" Still Hurt Consumers, Despite New Laws

A national survey released today by the Oregon State Public Interest Research Group (OSPIRG) found that, despite passage of a 1996 federal law, nearly one-third of credit reports still contain serious errors that could cause consumers to be denied credit. The report also found that many consumers still cannot get through to bureaus to request their reports.

The report makes recommendations to Congress and state legislatures on ways to improve credit report access and assurance, since reports are now being used not only for credit, job, and insurance applications but also when consumers try to write checks, open bank accounts or even use ATM debit cards.

"Many credit reports are ticking data time bombs of inaccurate information that could devastate a consumer's financial health at any moment," said John Valley, OSPIRG Consumer Advocate. "The data dealers are selling businesses credit reports that are full of mistakes to, and innocent consumers pay the price."



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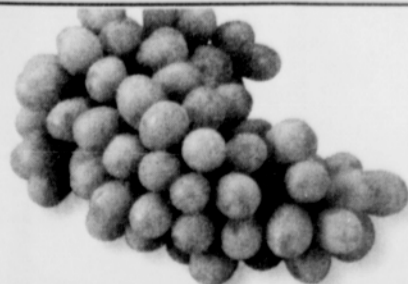
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