

## Oregon Earns \$6 Million For Charter School Development

The U.S. Department of Education has announced that Oregon will receive a \$6 million federal grant to help establish public charter schools. "This is a tremendous boost for public charter schools in Oregon," said State Schools Supt. Stan Bunn. "These dollars will be a huge incentive for parents and other community members to design high-quality charter schools." "This is an opportunity to take the best elements for public schools and design programs which serve as models for all schools," Bunn

added. Oregon will receive \$2 million annually for the next three years. The \$2 million grant this year should help as many as 15 prospective public charter schools design and implement programs. Applications will be available this fall. The Oregon Department of Education competed with other states for the federal funds. However, the grant would not have been awarded without charter school legislation. Senate Education Committee Chair Tom Hartung, R-Beaverton, said the law and federal

grant have set the stage for success. "But it will be up to local schools and their communities to step forward to design new and innovative programs." Hartung applauded the quick and professional work of the Oregon Department of Education in submitting the public charter school application. There are 22 schools that become charter schools under the alternative education law. Sixteen of the 22 received federal funds and are not eligible for the start-up grants available under Oregon's new charter school law.

## Senator Lim to Meet with Korean President Kim Dae-Jung

PORTLAND — Senator John Lim (R-Gresham) announced yesterday he will be meeting with Kim Dae-Jung, President of the Republic of Korea. Senator Lim was invited to Korea by the Korean Government and will visit the country for approximately one week.

Senator Lim will meet with President Kim on Thursday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, and will present him with Senate Joint Resolution 5, which was passed in the 1999 Oregon Legislative Session and formally invites President Kim to Oregon.

President Kim will also receive a personal letter of invitation by Governor John Kitzhaber. Senator Lim will present the Oregon State flag as a gift to President Kim as a symbol of good will between Oregon and Korea.

"Never before has the president of Korea visited Oregon, and it will be a great honor for me to formally invite him," Lim stated. "His visit to Oregon will bring more trade to our state through international visibility. The year 2000 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the beginning of

the Korean War, and I believe President Kim's visit will bring Oregon and Korea even closer together as foreign trade partners."

Senator Lim, who chairs the Senate Trade and Economics Development Committee, will also meet with company executives from a selected number of firms based in Korea who have branches in Oregon, such as Hyundai Semiconductor. He is seeking out these firms to help raise funds for an Oregon Korean War Memorial that will be constructed in Wilsonville, Oregon.

## Tenth Annual Walk-A-Mile To Save A Mind

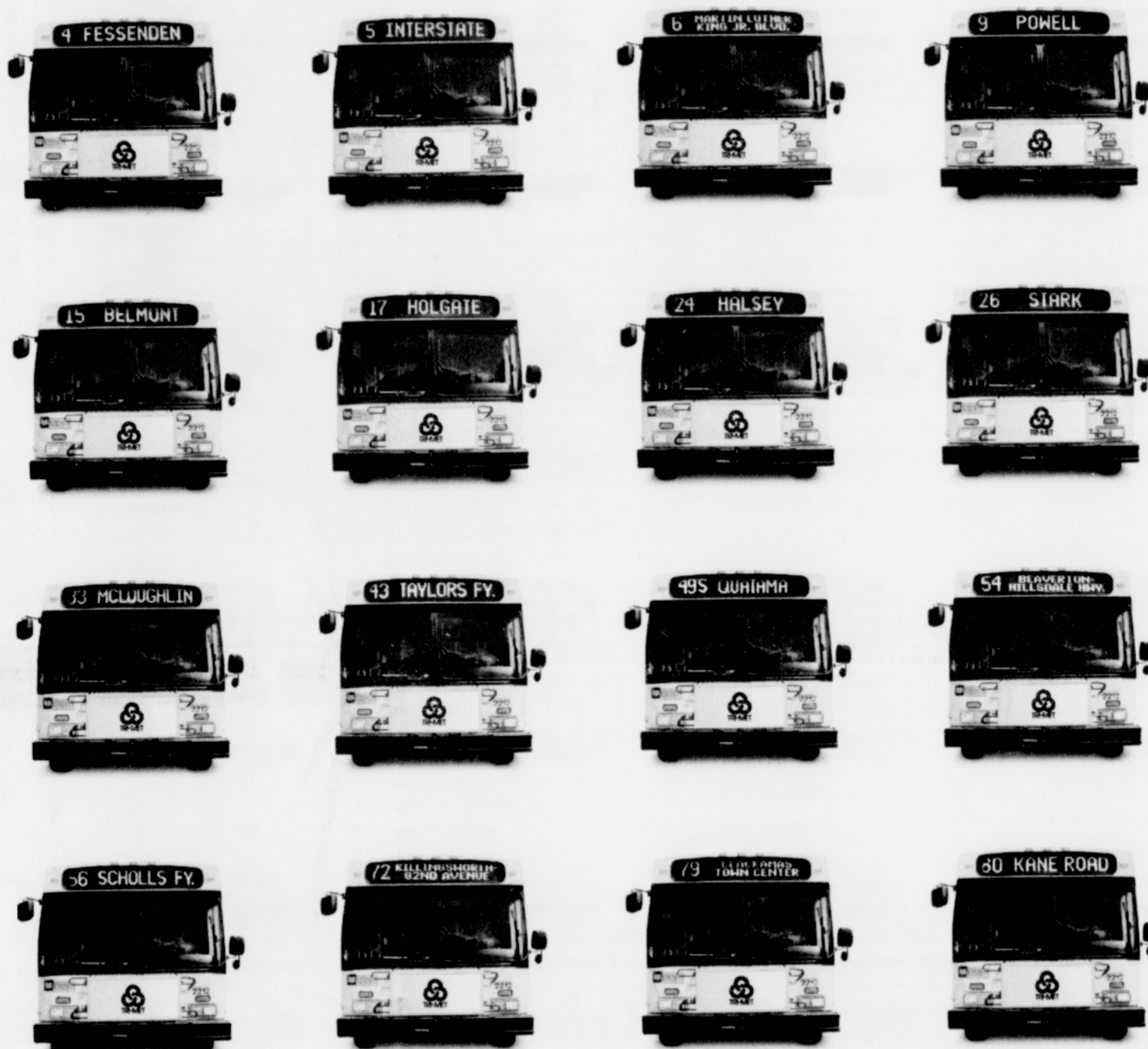
Join us in our Tenth Anniversary Celebration of the United Negro College Fund Walk on Saturday, September 11, 1999 at Peninsula Park, North Portland Boulevard. Registration begins at 8:00 am and the walk starts at 10:00 am.

Ronald McDonald, a friend to children of all ages, will lead walkers through North and northeast Portland neighborhoods in celebration of the last walk of the millennium. There will be food, music, and great prizes for individuals and teams raising the most money. One of Oregon's most famous musicians, Tom Grant will be our special guest. Registration and pledge forms are available at Portland Parks and Recreation Community Centers, the Adidas Store on NE MLK Boulevard, Stellers Coffee Café, Reflections Bookstore and CoffeeHouse, and Mrs. C's.

Bring the entire family and join hundreds of walkers of all ages representing the community corporations, churches, school and civic organizations. Together they expect to raise \$50,000 in scholarship funds for Oregon students. Every year the number of students from Oregon attending UNCF colleges increases and the need for scholarship increases significantly. Also these students come from various ethnic backgrounds, but the common denominator is each has chosen to attend a Historically Black College or university.

Our job is to raise the funds needed to ensure that these young students receive the quality education they deserve. The United Negro College Fund helps Historically Black Colleges and universities to provide scholarship to deserving students. The INCF has been providing students with money to help with tuition and laboratory expenses for over fifty years. Oregon is home to scores of students and alumni of UNCF schools.

Adidas, Washington Mutual, NW Natural, Nordstrom, Portland Parks and Recreation, 106.7 KKJZ Smooth Jazz and Oregon's 12 KPTV, will sponsor this year's walk. All of America benefits an educated workforce and supporting the United Negro College Fund is an investment in Oregon's youth and its future. "A mind is a terrible thing to waste". For registration information, please contact the United Negro College Fund at (503) 223-8890.



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