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## Helping Hands Gives Area Kids A Boost

Value Based Center Accepting New Enrollments

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A local learning center is doing its part to get kids ready for school in north and northeast Portland.

According to recent statistics, more than a third of Oregon kids are not ready for school.

The people at the Emmanuel Helping Hands Development Center are working to improve those odds.

"We're highly oriented toward academics," said Cinda R. Jackson, director of the center.

Located in the lower level of



Cinda Jackson directs the Helping Hands Development Center at Emmanuel Temple Church.

Emmanuel Temple Church, Helping Hands works to provide a safe and healthy learning environment for each child, while also helping to establish and maintain a quality level of academic, social, physical and emotional development.

Helping Hands believes that all children can learn, and that the diversity of each child will enhance and enrich the knowledge of cultural environment.

Jackson said the program's curriculum includes reading, writing, arithmetic, science and foreign lan-

guage. Value-based instruction includes the improvement of life skills like responsibility, attitude, compassion, courage, honesty and self-discipline.

Other activities include games, music, story time, field trips, performances, arts and crafts, and outdoor activities.

Helping Hands has a staff for up to 39 students with new enrollments now being taken. The staff includes herself as director, two teachers and an assistant director.

The non-profit program is part of the Emmanuel Temple Church but is open to people of all faiths. The cost for one child in all day care is \$350 a year. Part-time day care is \$250 a year. Drop-off rates are \$2.95 an hour.

The program also provides free transportation, and is open on days and vacation periods when schools are closed. There are no application or enrollment fees.

For more information, you're encouraged to call Helping Hands at 281-1511.

## Officers Pay Last Respects to Slain Deputy

CLACKAMAS, Ore. (AP)—Police officers from Idaho, Washington and Oregon paid their last respects Tuesday to the Clackamas County deputy who was accidentally shot by a firearms instructor during a training exercise last week.

Amid the sound of somber bagpipes, the coffin carrying the deputy, William Bowman, was carried into the New Hope Church and placed in front of family by six white-gloved officers. The coffin was covered with the American flag and topped with Bowman's deputy hat.

A black hearse carrying Bowman wound its way under a large American flag that was hoisted over two fire trucks.

Bowman, 35, was eulogized as a man of action and intensity. Mourners said he loved jokes, golfing, rafting, his job—and most of all, his wife Corie and their two daughters, 3-year-old Lauren and 3-month-old Grace.

"The world felt like a safer place with Bill in it, because I knew he loved me," his sister Dacia Bowman told about 2,000 people gathered in the church. "As I struggle with the loss of his presence on this earth, I've gained in the realization that he is still protecting us, only now it is as a guardian angel."

Bowman, a six-year veteran, died instantly last Tuesday after a fellow deputy used real bullets during a SWAT team drill that was supposed to be run with dummy rounds.

The shooting is still under investigation, but authorities have described it only as a tragic accident.

"There's no making perfect sense of what has happened," Sheriff Ris Bradshaw said during the service. "There's no drunk driver, no microbes or cancer, no bad guy."

"It's time to restore ourselves," he added. "It's time to accept our responsibility to move on. Bill would insist that we go on and stay together."



Deputy William Bowman

Bowman's wife, sister and brother-in-law echoed those words, saying people have to remember the good things about Bowman and try to get on with their lives.

Corie Bowman read a short poem on that very subject. Bowman's sister and brother-and-law gave lengthier eulogies, taking long pauses to catch their breath and swallow their tears.

"I kept asking why this had to happen," said Ryan Foote, Bowman's brother-in-law who is also an officer. "The only thing I can think of is God must have had two little girls in heaven who needed a daddy."

The officers in attendance wore black ribbons across their badges. Foote vowed to wear his for the rest of his career.

The man who shot Bowman, Deputy Rick Vail, was at the service and on the minds of the mourners.

"I grieve for him as I grieve for the wife and those two girls," said Debbie Besner, who works for the Clackamas County Sheriff's Department. "He has to carry that for the rest of his life. Though Bill would never blame him, he'll blame himself."

After the service, the pallbearers lifted the coffin and walked out of the church with Bowman's family close behind. The hearse and the procession drove to Lincoln Memorial Park, where Bowman was buried.

## 'We Are One Body' - A Jubilee Conference

"We are one body," is the theme for a jubilee conference being sponsored by the Archdiocesan Marriage and Family Life and Ministry to the Aging Offices.

The seminar will reflect upon the various meanings of being embodied persons throughout the life cycle: in marriage and family and in the aging process. The conference will be held on Oct. 14, at St Anthony parish 3600 SE 79th, from 8 am to 4 pm.

Franciscan Sister Mary Timothy Prokes will give the keynote presentation. Her talk is titled "Theology of the Body Through the Life Process." Sr. Mary Timothy is professor of Theology and Spirituality at Notre Dame Graduate School in Alexandria, VA. The theology of the body a fad based in current health trends. It is faith seeking understanding of Jesus Christ's coming in the flesh, and the consequent understanding of our own embodiment.

Dr. Robin Maas will present a workshop "The Sanctifying Power of Marriage." Dr. Maas is professor of Spirituality and retired academic dean of the John Paul II Institute in Washington, DC.

People commonly embark on the married life with high hopes that it will make them "happy" by satisfying all of their needs and longings. This workshop will draw on the history of an actual marriage, in many respects bitterly difficult, to illustrate how the sanctifying power can operate in any marriage when we desire above all things to be faithful to Christ.

"The family and the Challenge of Violence," to be presented by Harold Burke-Sivers, will assert that the key to combating violence is a commitment to marriage and family life.

## In loving Memory of Theresa Camie Richardson

Civic-minded Grandmother, Volunteer Dies at 81

Theresa Camie Richardson parted from this life September 11, 2000 at the age of 81.

Theresa was born in Satartia, Mississippi on September 17, 1918. She was the 7th of 10 children born to Jeff and Lillian Thompson-Richardson. She led her siblings in-migrating to Portland, Oregon in 1940.

Upon arriving to Portland, Theresa held many occupations such as, domestic, factory worker, and office administrator.

In 1939 she married Willie Jenkins, with whom she had two daughters, LaVerne Carr and Constance Jenkins. She was a devoted and loving mother. LaVerne preceded Theresa in

death in 1983.

Theresa was civic minded, and involved in many social programs such as Model Cities, SHEP Hypertension Research, and the Foster Grandparent Program.

She was a wonderful cook, excellent gardener, and an active community volunteer.

She is survived by her daughter, Constance Jenkins of Portland, Oregon; Grandchildren: Damon A. Carr, JR. of Korea, and Martin Moore, JR. of Portland, and Great-granddaughter, Nia J. Murat of Portland, Surviving siblings, Zelma Scarborough, Cornelia Montgomery, Osborne D. Richardson, all of Portland, and Ardean White of Pontiac Michigan.

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