

Vera Pool Runs For Multnomah County Sheriff

Vera Pool has announced that she will run for Multnomah County Sheriff. With 31 years of service in the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, Pool is clearly prepared to lead. She has extensive knowledge, education and experience in criminal justice, which has prepared her to meet the challenges facing Multnomah County. She has proven leadership skills combined with an action plan to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the Sheriff's Office. As its new leader, she will make a positive difference.

Vera Pool has an outstanding record of success in criminal justice, corrections, and administration. Her thirty-one years of diverse service in the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office boasts twenty-six years in supervision administration. For two-and-a-half years, she served as the Multnomah County Division Commander, in which she was the acting sheriff in the absence of the



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County Sheriff. She currently manages a team of over 100 deputies and employees. She served for five years as commander of the Restitution Center, an all-male inmate facility, and two years as manager of an all-women correctional facility. Currently, she is a shift commander at the Multnomah County Justice Center.

Pool is committed to improving the overall effectiveness of the Sheriff's office in

servicing the people it protects. She believes in working with community, public and private constituents. As the new county sheriff, she intends to review the proposed occupancy of Wapato Jail and sources for operational funding. Pool will work with various partners toward moving mentally impaired inmates out of jails and/or expand the existing mental health services provided at the Justice Center.

Pool will seek support in relocating the enforcement office closer to unincorporated areas to ensure a more rapid response. Other priorities include forming a task force to assist in the Multnomah County Correctional Facility at Troutdale to accommodate future growth utilizing an existing site.

Back to School at Portsmouth

As part of Back to School Week, Portsmouth Middle School is hosting its 5th annual Family Literacy Night on Thursday, April 25th, from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The purpose of the event is to bring the community and school together in an environment of learning.

Community agencies and organizations will participate to foster the idea of literacy in a broad sense: environmental, health, safety, identity, culture, art, and music literacy.

"We want to provide the opportunity for members of our school and community to enhance

their understanding of the world around them," school officials said.

In addition, there will be food, games, music and lots of free books to give away.

For more information, call Portsmouth Principal Velma Johnson at 503-916-5666.

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The extraordinary gathering will take place in the gymnasium at Portland Community College's Cascade Campus, 705 N. Killingsworth from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 7.

The 6th annual event is free and open to the public.

Besides the employers, participants can enjoy employment workshops offered in Room 106 of the Cascade Library, located in Student Center.

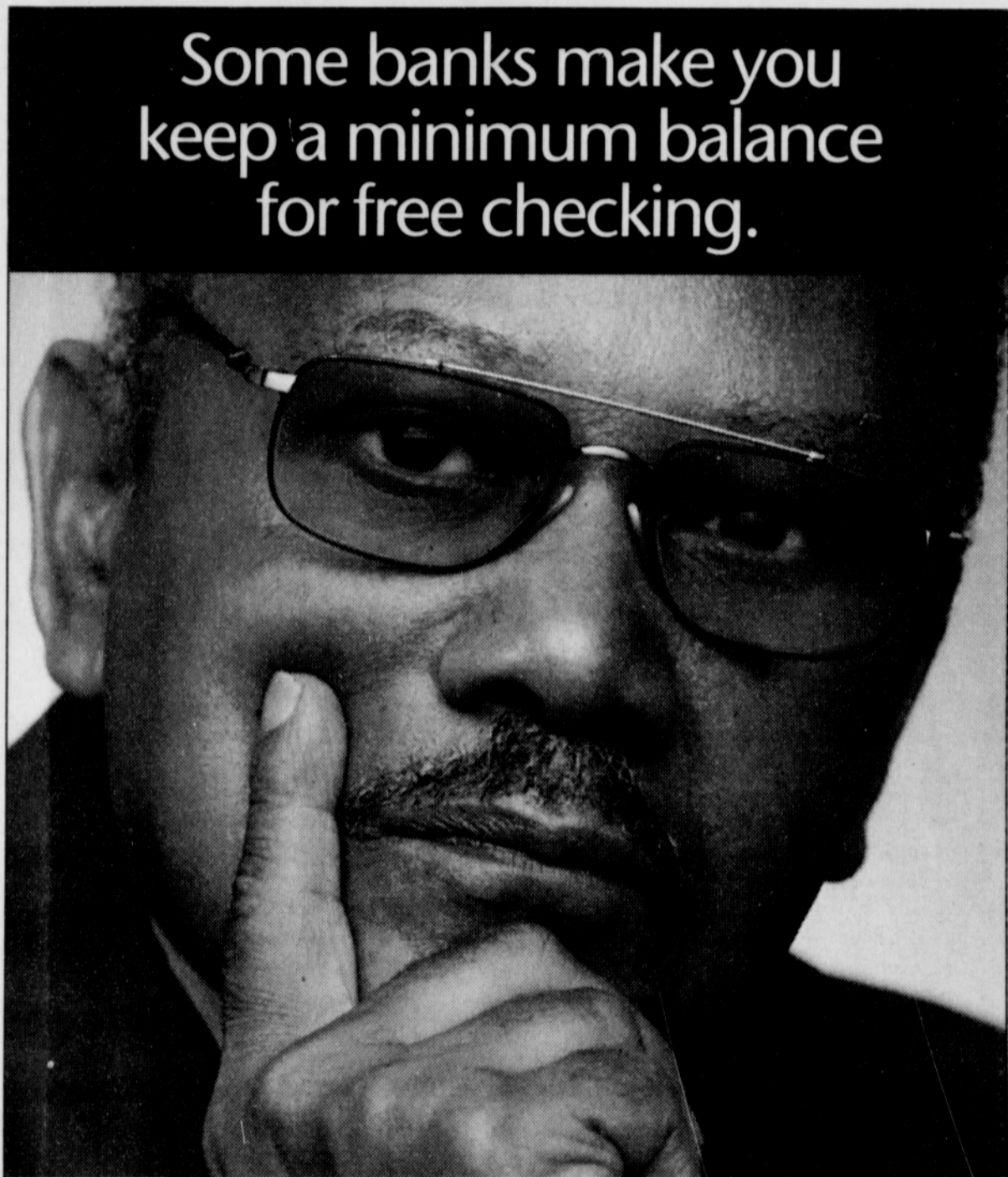
The workshops will focus on topics like: "Resume Success: Building a Resume for the Digital Age," at noon with Mark Johnson (Tektronix); "Interview Like a Pro," at 1 p.m. with Kristin Staver, career consultant with Wise Transitions; and "Job Search Strategies for Today's Tighter Job Markets," at 2 p.m. with Frank Brown and Tina Cruz, with the Regional Workforce Training

Team at PCC.

Businesses that will be attending include American Medical Response, Fred Meyer-IT Services, Kaiser Permanente, Mt. Hood National Forest, Oregon Lottery, the Portland Fire and Police Bureaus, Providence Health System, Salem Hospital, Tektronix, Underwriters Laboratories, VA Medical Center and Xerox Corporation. These companies are looking for full-and-part-time workers and are recruiting for summer jobs.

"We place a heavy emphasis on inviting companies related to medicine and science, and business and government because of the number of professional and technical programs offered in these areas at Cascade," said Kay Coryell, coordinator with Career Services at the Cascade Campus.

For more information, visit the fair's web site www.pcc.edu/cascadejobfair, or contact Cascade Career Services at 503-978-5600.



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