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Portland State University Advisor/Coordinator for Student Activities and Leadership Programs

PSU seeks an Advisor/Coordinator for Student Activities and Leadership Programs with a background in student government and an interest in working with student organizations dedicated to academic disciplines. Almost 130 student organizations emerge each year with about 30% receiving substantial funding from the student incidental fee allocation process. Professional staff target their one to one professional advice, supervision, and initiatives for event or program management, leadership development, community building, student learning and academic success with student leaders of organizations organized via seven primary cluster areas (Student Government, Greek Life, Academic, Fine and Performing Arts, Multicultural, Recreational, Spiritual, and Service & Advocacy).

The Advisor/Coordinator positions emphasize the development of leadership skills, out of class learning, and foster connections between the wide variety of learning opportunities found on campus and within the large community. Advisors are expected to be strong advocates for all students, but particularly, are responsible for representing the students and issues of the designated cluster. These are full-time, fixed term, 12-month academic professional appointments. Candidates must possess a baccalaureate degree with related experience; master's degree and two years experience working with college students is preferred. Salary for this position ranges from \$34,000-\$38,000 based on experience and qualification.

For complete position descriptions please visit www.hrc.pdx.edu. Screening of applicants began on July 6, 2004 and will continue until finalists are identified. Portland State University is an Affirmative Action, Equal Opportunity institution and, in keeping with the President's diversity initiative, welcome applications from diverse candidates and candidates who support diversity. To Apply: Please submit cover letter, resume and the names and addresses of at least three references to:

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CITY OF WEST LINN JOB ANNOUNCEMENT Director of Human Resources and Risk Management

The City of West Linn is accepting applications for the Director of Human Resources and Risk Management. The successful candidate will have a Bachelor's degree in human resources, public administration, business or a related field and at least 7 years of successful experience in public sector human resources with labor negotiation and risk management responsibilities. Equivalent combinations of education and experience will be considered. The position requires sound management, supervision, problem solving and communication skills.

The salary range is \$4540 - \$5257/mo. (DOQ). Management benefit package provided. Qualified candidate must pass pre-employment background check, reference check and drug screen.

Application packets are available at West Linn City Hall, 22500 Salamo Road, West Linn, OR 97068, or by calling (503) 722-3427 (Voice Mail) or (503) 657-7845 (TDD). A Letter of Interest with resume and City of West Linn employment application must be received by the Department of Human Resources at 22500 Salamo Road, West Linn, Oregon 97068, no later than 4:00 pm, Monday, August 30, 2004. EEO www.ci.west-linn.or.us

Peninsula Children's Center Job Announcements

Child Care
Peninsula Children's Center, a non-profit childcare center in North Portland, seeks a Program Director for a new after-school program. Must have at least 30 hours college level coursework in ECE, Elementary Ed, or Phys Ed. And 2 years experience in center-based childcare. Competitive wages and benefits. Call 503-280-0534.

Child Care
Peninsula Children's Center, a non-profit childcare center in North Portland, seeks a part-time teaching assistant for a new after-school program. Must have 6 months experience in center-based childcare. Some college level coursework in ECE, Elementary ED, or Phys Ed preferred. Competitive wages. Call 503-280-0534

Position: City Controller, Recruitment No. 04-100

Approximate Annual Salary: \$79,688 - \$106,165

Position Description: The City of Portland, Oregon, is seeking qualified applicants for the position of City Controller. The City Controller is responsible for administering activities of the Accounting Division which oversees citywide accounting operations and reporting for all financial transactions, activities and funds. The position's scope is broad, supervising approximately 30 employees at varying levels throughout the organization and involves significant accountability and decision making to establish and enforce citywide fiscal policies and practices. **Please see the complete job announcement, application requirements and recruitment activity schedule at www.ci.portland.or.us/jobs/ or call Gail Thompson at 503-823-3515. Completed applications must be received by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, July 30, 2004.** The City of Portland is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Ex-Homeless Mother Overcomes Abuse

Now an author she gives all glory to God

Ten years ago, African-American Carolyn Denise walked the streets of Orlando, Fla. as a homeless mother of two. Ten years later she is signing autographs and gives all glory to God.

"A Mother's Tongue... Overcoming Verbal Abuse" is a book that delves into the lives of six characters as well as some of the writer's own issues with verbal abuse.

Carolyn says, "I think the time has come for us as African Americans to own up to the way we speak to our children, and begin the healing process by changing the words we release onto them, our mates,

friends, and even ourselves. Not too many people can look at themselves in the mirror and admit that they love themselves even though God has said that we are fearfully and wonderfully made.

"A Mother's Tongue" unveils the damage words can do to our psyche. The author goes on to reveal the road to recovery once you have been damaged by the words of others. She also reveals help for the abuser with the untamed tongue.

Carolyn Denise goes a step further by challenging each of us to

begin today to change the way we speak to the children and loved ones in our lives. She asks us to get rid of words like stupid, lazy, slut, bum, dumb, ignorant, etc.

She urges her readers to stop using phrases like "good for nothing," "just like your old no good daddy," and "another whore like your mother."

"We call our children negative names, and when they reach the age of 16 or 17 they begin to act out what they have been called for the last 12 years. We in turn are perplexed and wonder why they behave in such a hellish manner."

Denise knows her book will shed light on the problem of verbal abuse



Carolyn Denise



and help millions of mothers, fathers, teachers, pastors, and all with a tongue to begin to think before they speak.

You can buy an autographed copy of "A Mother's Tongue...Overcoming Verbal Abuse" by Carolyn Denise, by sending a money order in the amount of \$17 (S&H included) to: Carolyn Denise Kemp P.O. Box 608355, Orlando, FL 32860-8355.

Why Don't We Let God Decide?

People worldwide claim 'we're the chosen ones'

Christians, Muslims, and many other religions have had scores of murderous "Holy Wars," in the name of God for centuries. We are at it again in Afghanistan and Iraq, as well as several other corners of the earth.

When our own country is done killing militants, civilian bystanders and children in the Middle East, we will come back to America, "the land of the free and home of the brave," (except if you're black, Jew, Native American, Hispanic, etc.) and proudly celebrate "freedom."

I am not taking sides here. I am just pointing out the problem. Buddhists think they are right in their peaceful way. The Muslims think they are the chosen ones. Christians are certain they are God's only children. Catholics think they are the highest order

of the Christians. Each group has a bible or some kind of holy book that says they are the only ones who will be saved in the end. Each can point to scripture and show others they are right. Each religion claims authors that were inspired by the hand of God and a book that is the true word of God.

While Mohammad said he was "the last prophet," a certain Joseph Smith (Mormon) appears about a thousand years later to dispute this claim.

My own Christian faith is broken into churches that can or cannot obtain divorces, do or do not support abortions and the right

to choose or have broken away from their main church for a myriad of reasons.

Now we are breaking up once again. This time it is over the gay rights issue. Daily, newspapers report centuries old churches in disarray over the matter. Many higher-ranking church officials are threatening to divide several different faiths in half again over this particular matter.

As far as who is right, let's let our Creator make that decision. As far as America is concerned, I seem to remember that freedom of religion was one of the principles this country was founded on. Why

don't we all stop for a moment and think about what our holy books are trying to tell us.

Buddhism speaks of unity and peace. The Koran puts family first. The Jewish Torah teaches love and tolerance. The Christian bible tells us to "Love our neighbor." Most major religions agree on the same God. So why fight amongst ourselves?

Do you really and truly believe God wants us running all over the globe killing each other in his name? Is that honestly what he had in mind when he said, "Love thy neighbor?" Besides, who knows, we might all end up together in Heaven. Wouldn't that be wonderful?

Ron Weber is a guest speaker and writer on African-American history and a regular contributor to the Portland Observer.



By Ron Weber

'The Bud' Dancers Perform Saturday

The Buds of Promise Sign, Praise and Dance Troupe will have their annual recital on Saturday, July 17 at 4 p.m. at the Concordia University Fine Arts Building on Northeast 27th Avenue and Highland Street.

The Buds of Promise is a liturgical dance of African-American girls aged 4 to 13, under the direction of Rochelle McElroy, artistic director. The group has been performing for 10 years with new girls added and trained each

year. The mission of the director of "The Buds," as they are affectionately called, is to train young girls to dance, but also to place an emphasis on education, as well as building character and self esteem.

The community is invited to witness the superb skills in the art of dance that will be demonstrated by "The Buds." For more information and tickets, please call 503-823-3517.

Soul-Saving Revival

The Evangel Temple Community Church, 5417 N. Williams, is hosting the Holy Ghost Soul Saving Revival at 7 p.m. nightly through Friday with anointed

prophet Ronnie Nicholson from North Carolina. For more information, call 503-287-0060 or 503-774-0990 or visit www.hopehouseministries.com.

Church Hosts Polynesia Luau

The hospitality of Polynesia comes to northeast Portland at the St. Charles Church Benefit Polynesian Luau from 6 to 9 p.m. on Aug. 7.

The evening includes exotic and authentic food from the islands such as Imu style roasted pig, baked taro and baked sweet potato lau lau-taro leaf with New Zealand corn beef and lamb.

Entertainment includes music and dancing of the South Pacific Islands of Hawaii, Tonga, Tahiti, Fiji and New Zealand.

The event is at the St. Charles parking lot, 5310 N.E. 42nd Ave. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for seniors and children.

For more information, call 503-491-0973; 381-0339; or 503-281-6461.

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