

## Burkett, others on display for special event

During the month of October, Portland will be celebrating a premier event, Photo Americas 2000, placing itself first among West Coast cities to host an international Photography Festival. Capitalizing on that energy the Photographic Image Gallery will hold a group show of 53 gallery artists.

Mixing with highly recognized photographers like Christopher Burkett, Chip Hooper, Phil Borges and James Balog will be some of today's more contemporary emerging photographers like Connie Imboden, Beth Yarnelle Edwards, Deborah Whitehouse, and Paul Kozal. For a complete listing of Photographic Image Gallery artists see <[www.photographicimage.com](http://www.photographicimage.com)>

Photographic Image Gallery is open Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and is located at 240 S.W. First Avenue, on the MAX rail line at the Oak Street Station. For more information, call (503) 224-3543.

## CTPA presents country/western musical

"Pumpboys & Dinettes" is one of those musicals that came to life in a tiny theatre in rural Georgia, created by the six talented people who made up the original cast. Its overwhelming success pumped it up and on to New York City's off Broadway, and then to Broadway itself, where it was nominated for five Tony Awards.

Pumpboys doesn't worry much about plot, but its foot-stomping hilarity provides a framework for a look at the nature of friendship and personal relations. The gas station-diner setting on a Georgia highway provides the platform for twenty great songs, such as "I May Be A Re-tread But I'm Not A Spare."

The four boys who pump gas (also play a surprising number of instruments) are supposed to be overhauling a Winebago, but are sidetracked by the charms of Prudie and Rhetta Cupp, proprietors of the Double Cupp Diner. "It's as comfortable as your favorite easy chair", said someone in describing the performance.

The opening event of the 2000-2001 Roadshow Series at the Columbia Theatre for the Performing Arts, Pumpboys & Dinettes is presented with corporate assistance from Key Bank.

The show plays Friday, Sept. 29 at 7:30 p.m. Ticket prices range from \$19 to \$34, with discounts for students and seniors. Subscription tickets are also available. Tickets may be purchased by phoning 360-575-TIXX or toll free 1-888-423-TIXX. The ticket office at 1538 Commerce is open from

## A bridge on a bridge



A bridge section on its way to Burris Road is about the same length as the span over Rock Creek in Vernonia.

## Stages presents Christian play adapted from book

Stages presents "Left Behind," a drama about the earth's last days, based on the best-seller by Tim LaHaye and Jerry B. Jenkins. The first book in the series, The In Dwelling, was no. 1 on the New York Times bestseller list and the series has sold 24 million copies.

The play begins on a 747, when millions of people all over the world suddenly disappear. The confusion and chaos make way for a new, sinister world leader. Adapted by Rich Peterson, the play opens September 21 and runs through October 28.

Rayford Steele, a married 747 pilot and a beautiful, single flight attendant, Hattie, have suddenly lost over a hundred passengers, leaving nothing but their clothes behind. While journalist Buck Williams tries to unravel the mystery of the vanishings, he uncovers a plot to place the Romanian president, Nicolae Carpathia, into UN world leadership. Buck is involved with a car bombing, an international murder investigation and a glowing romance before it's all over. Is it all just a coincidence, or was this the Rapture and is Carpathia the Antichrist? A true cliffhanger, this story has captivated millions around the world and broken records for advance sales for the next volume in the seven

12:30 to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Additional performance information is also available on-line at <<http://www.kalama.com/~ctheatre>>.

book series.

Directed by Rich Peterson with Ty Russell, the cast surrounds the audience and puts them right in the middle of the action. "It's been an awesome privilege adapting the book and directing this talented pool of actors from all over Portland," said Peterson.

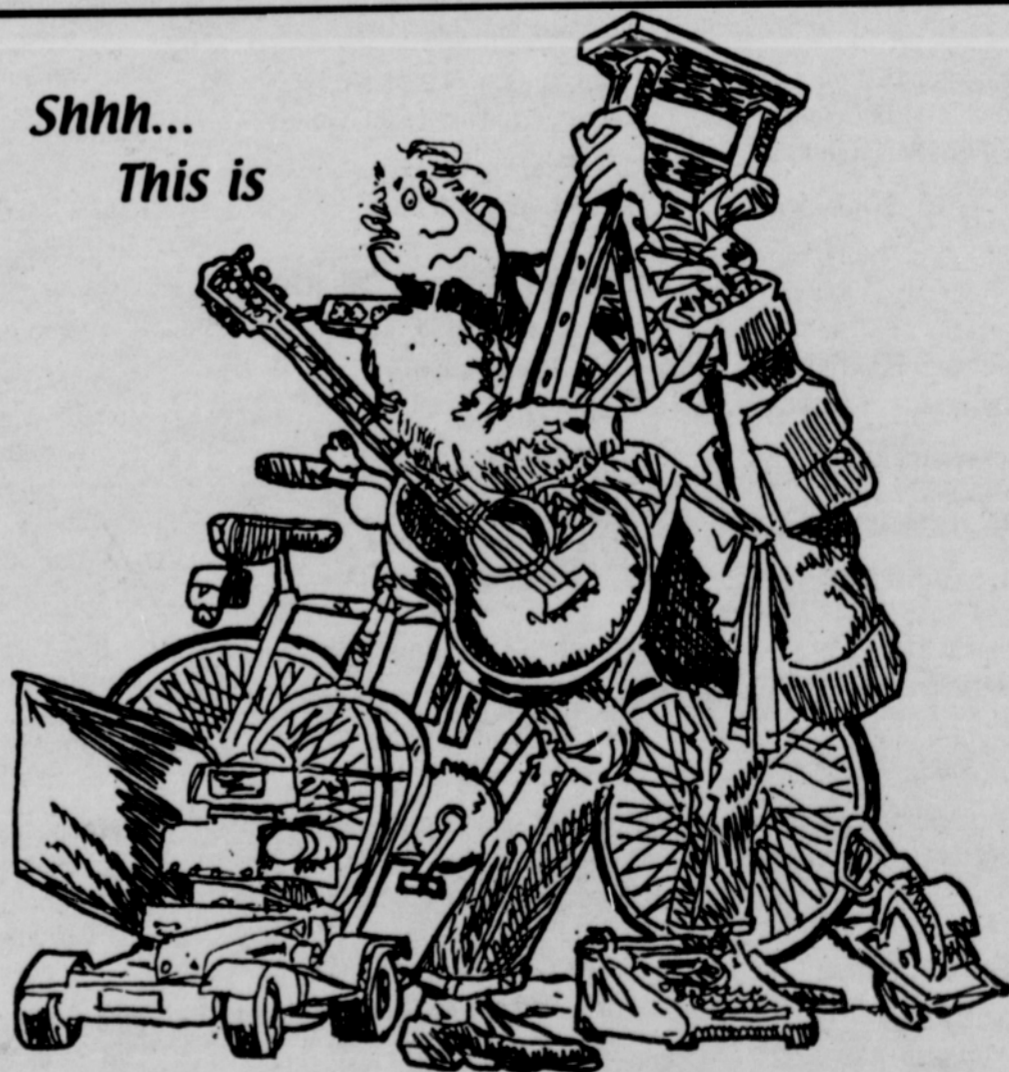
The book has crossed many lines in both exposure

and popularity. Touted as a pop-culture phenomenon, the series' next book "The Mark" is scheduled for November release. A \$17.5 million film of the story has just been completed starring Kirk Cameron, Clarence Gilyard and Brad Johnson. It will be released in February.

Tickets are \$5 for general seating, \$8 and \$10 for re-

served seats and can be purchased by calling 503-356-8580 or online at <[www.stages-theater.com](http://www.stages-theater.com)>. Stages is a non-profit community theater. The show is rated PG for violence. Children four and under will not be admitted. All performances will be held at Aloha Christian Life Center at 5585 S.W. 209th in Aloha.

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