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## "no more experimentation" Health Center Opens

During the last days of June a six year old girl living in a labor camp in Washington County became seriously ill. Hospitalized, she died within days. A member of a migrant family who travelled from Texas to Oregon for the first time this year, Virginia Garcia's death is a grim testimony to the past, and the inability of Spanish speaking people to receive needed medical care before it is too late.

On July 3, 1975 a door was opened for migrant and low income families in Washington County, ending their exclusion from preventive and total health care. The Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center, co-sponsored by Centro Cultural in Cornelius and St. Vincent's Hospital in Portland, officially opened to provide health care services to the people of Washington County, regardless of race or income.

The Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center will eliminate many of the medical-related problems Spanish speaking people have had to face. The bilingual staff, provided by St. Vincent's, will be able to perform accurate screening. With its Outreach Program, public health nurses visit labor camps to screen and refer people to come in to the Health Center. Transportation is provided for those who need it.

The Health Center will also provide comprehensive health care for people who have never before received it, because at last it is set within a framework that meets their needs. The sliding fee scale will enable everyone to share in the Program, and pay as they can.

Besides providing diagnosis, checkups and treatment at the Center, referrals will be made to St. Vincent's Hospital in Beaverton if more intensive care or hospitalization is required. This will also be on a sliding fee scale.

At the lease-signing on July 1, Centro's director Arturo Cortez, who has spent countless hours in planning and labor for the Health Center, pointed out, "You don't know how much this means to us. This will end medical experimentation on Spanish-speaking people in this county. No matter how competent a doctor may be, if he cannot communicate with a patient, he is still experimenting. If a Spanish-speaking person has no way to explain what is wrong, or if he is confused about medication or treatment, he will be experimented on. We are very grateful to all those who have helped make this possible."

Diana Soliz, chairperson of Centro's Board of Directors, spoke of the tremendous sense of joy and achievement felt by those who have participated in the many phases of the Center's growth. "We are so happy because we are fulfilling a great need. Finally our dream is coming true."

The Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center is truly a product of community involvement.

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## NORTH PLAINS VIOLENCE

On Thursday June 12, Gilbert and Jimmy Jimenez were assaulted by an unknown number of white patrons at the Golden Penny Tavern in North Plains.

Gilbert, 21, and Jimmy, 16, were taking a friend back home to Portland after a long day of car repair work. At approximately 9:00 pm they left their home and headed downtown to cash a check which would pay for gas needed to make the trip. Gilbert left Jimmy and Tommy (their friend) in the car while he went to the market to cash his check. Finding the market closed Gilbert walked up the street to the Golden Penny Tavern where he had successfully cashed his personal checks before.

He entered the tavern and approached the bartender. The bartender who did not recognize Gilbert and refused to honor his check. It was at this time that a patron of the Golden Penny began harassing Gilbert, eventually swinging his fist and striking Gilbert in the face. Gilbert began to defend himself.

Someone yelled "get the Mexican out of here" and Gilbert ran for the door. On his way, he was struck several more times on the back and head. The patrons chased him outside and up the street.

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El 12 de Junio del 1975 ocurrio un incidente en la ciudad de North Plains aproximadamente seis millas de Hillsboro. Una pandilla de muchachos Anglos asaltaron a un rancharo muy conocido al Senor Ron Tankersley.

Segun a varias personas el asalto ocurrio porque el Senor Tankersley empleaba solamente gente de habla Espana. Esto ocurrio aproximadamente como a las siete de la tarde.

Una hora y media despues del asalto al rancharo dos juvenes Chicanos fueron asaltados en una cantina que lleve por nombre The Golden Penny en North Plains por la misma pandilla de muchachos Anglos.

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Arturo Cortez (center) talks with representatives from St. Vincent's Hospital, Greg Van Pelt (left) and Perry Raglin.

Nearly all the work has been done by volunteers. This includes erecting the building, putting in wiring and plumbing, painting and finishing, as well as grading and asphaltting the parking area. Materials have been donated by local businesses and individuals, and a \$1500 contribution was made by the Presbyterian church. Initial funds came mostly from dinners sponsored and prepared by the people of Centro Cultural.

The Health Center will be open from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week. It is located behind Centro Cultural, at 142 N. 11th in Cornelius, phone 357-7515. People will be seen on a first-come, first-served basis, unless it becomes necessary to schedule appointments.

Judy Schilling

Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center  
GRAND OPENING CELEBRATION

142 North 11th  
Cornelius, Oregon  
357-7515

Sunday, July 13, 1975 12 noon

# Women Come Together

"Women Together" is the name chosen for Washington County's newest resource, and only center for women living and/or working in the county. The name was agreed upon by nearly seventy women attending an informal meeting at Pacific University on June 25.

At that meeting women did come together, and from all walks of life. Businesswomen, homemakers, educators and students began sharing their ideas and concerns, and formulated many plans to continue that sharing.

Carolyn Howard, chairperson, welcomed those present and shared her hopes that the numbers will grow, and that all will benefit personally from their being a part of what had been the hope of many women in the county, a place where women can find information that is relevant to their lives, and a place where women can meet other women who share their interests and concerns.

At the meeting several women led small group discussions on concerns that they have. Out of those discussions evolved many groups that will continue to deal with those concerns, either through further meetings and sharing of information or through



the organization of a group to deal specifically with that problem.

Becky White, who works with Tualatin Valley Guidance Clinic, led a discussion on consciousness-raising groups, which had their beginning in China in the 1940's. These groups, called "speak bitterness" groups, were started as a means for women to express their feelings about the oppression they had experienced. By letting these feelings out, women were able to see that they were not alone in their feelings, and gave each other support in terms of dealing with change.

It was not until 1968 that consciousness-raising groups began in this country, and today thousands of women have participated in these supportive groups. Eighteen women listened to Becky, and formed three groups who will meet weekly for ten weeks in different parts of the county.

A group on Career Opportunities and Changing Lifestyles, led by Marti Bunyard, met to discuss how to develop and make changes with regards to employment.

Other groups concentrated on Transactional Analysis/Mental Health, a Women's Health Clinic, a Div-

orce Co-op, Rape Victim Advocacy, and Juvenile Rights. Several women visited the new women's center, located in the basement of Bates House on the campus at Pacific University, and agreed that with time and energy it could be transformed into a workable and enjoyable resource center.

After meeting in small groups, everyone met together again to watch the film, "You Pack Your Own Chute". The film deals with unrealistic fears and our tendency to cling to behavior that is familiar to us, pointing out that we do choose our own behavior and that change is possible.

Plans were made to incorporate "Women Together" as a non-profit organization, with Carolyn Howard and Turie Funkhouser acting as chairpersons, Barb Foster, secretary and Myrna Poldmetz, treasurer.

More people are encouraged to participate in Women Together, which will be publishing a newsletter. If you would like to be put on the mailing list, be contacted about the next meeting, or have a specific interest, contact Turie or Carolyn at 648-5630, or Dee or Judy at 648-6646.

Judy Schilling

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## "DIRE NEED" DONATE CROPS



In the past two years, farmers from Washington County have taken the situation of senior citizens and low-income families seriously. By donating crops that remained in the fields and orchards after harvest was complete, they helped low income people, many of whom are disabled or senior citizens, to eat better.

This years' need is greater than ever, for a dollar does not buy a quart of milk and a loaf of bread. Pensions, social security, unemployment benefits and other fixed incomes do not keep pace with our economy.

In behalf of all in dire need for extra help, we appeal to the growers of our County to please remember to call Monika Belcher at 648-8381 or Washington County Community Action Organization at 648-6646 to donate the remaining crops from your fields and orchards. All donations are tax deductible.

Pickers from the Gleaning Project have signed a document releasing the farmers from any liability. There is strict supervision to insure you that no damage will be done and your instructions are followed completely.

Monika Belcher

## Divorce Washington County Style

Suppose you live in Washington County and you want to get a divorce. You don't have enough money to pay an attorney. Where do you go for help?

Answer: nowhere.

Washington County Legal Services is the only low-cost legal aid available to Washington County residents who need help in civil matters.

Theoretically, you talk to Legal Services if you need a low-cost divorce. Their attorneys are salaried and are not allowed to accept payment for their services. But Legal Services has had their budget cut, and they can't afford to hire people to take care of all the paperwork involved in such proceedings as divorces. So they are not doing divorces anymore. They give advice, that's all.

A private attorney in Washington County will charge you anywhere from \$250 to \$350 for a divorce, depending on how difficult the case is. They require a \$100 to \$150 retaining fee, which you give to them before they start doing anything for you. If you can get that fee together and can scrape up the rest of the money later, you might be able to get a divorce. If your spouse has a good job in the state of Oregon, and you have the money for the retaining fee, an attorney can sue your spouse for attorney's fees and court costs.

There are self-help divorce clinics in Portland, which charge fees of about \$60 to help you do your own divorce, plus court costs. A divorce through one of these places will cost you about \$150. This type of divorce works only if you and your spouse agree completely on what will happen to your children and your property. If your spouse gets an attorney and contests the divorce, then you have to get an attorney, too. That puts you right back where you started.

What to do?

One thing that might help would be to write to the places that fund Legal Services and ask them why they don't give Legal Services enough money to do the required job. Try writing to your United States Senators and Representatives and the Washington County Board of Commissioners.

If your spouse lives in a different state or even a different county that has Legal Services which provide

divorces, ask them to get the divorce. You can move to a state or county which provides divorce services to low-income persons. Or you can stay married.

One partial solution that has come out of an awareness of this problem is a free self-help divorce clinic here in Washington County. The purpose of this clinic is to encourage people to do their own divorces rather than just giving up because they can't get an attorney. The clinic will be limited to non-contested divorces. That means you and your spouse have to agree to everything you want in your divorce. It won't give legal advice, and it won't do your divorce for you.

The self-help divorce clinic will open sometime in September. Obviously it will not be a total answer to the problem of lack of proper legal assistance to those with low and fixed incomes. Only by an increasing awareness of the need for low-cost legal aid and pressure on the right places can we hope for a complete solution to that problem. The clinic will, however, provide a place for people who have divorce problems to come and talk about them and hopefully to work towards their resolution.

Information about the self-help divorce clinic can be obtained by writing to Emily Chalmers c/o The Rural Tribune. No phone calls, please. We will not be operating until September.

Emily Chalmers

The BUDGET CUTTER GROCERY at 133 S. 3rd, next to the Cedar Chest, offers great savings to food stamp customers and senior citizens. A good variety of canned and staple foods are stocked in the volunteer-run grocery store. Open for food stamp customers Monday and Wednesday from 4:00 to 5:30 pm only, and open to senior citizens daily during Cedar Chest hours. Come on in and let your food stamps s-t-r-e-t-c-h!!

# Centro de Salud se Abre

Durante los ultimos dias de Junio una ninita de 6 años viviendo en un campo de labor en el condado de Washington se enfermo muy grave. Fue hospitalizada, ella murio dentro dedias. Un miembro de una familia migrante quien venieron desde Texas hasta Oregon por la primer vez este año, la muerte de Virginia Garcia es un horrible testimonio del pasado, y la falta de cuidado medico para gente de habla espanol antes que sea muy tarde.

El dia 3 de Julio del 1975 una puerta fue abierta para los migrantes y familias de entrada bojo de dinero en el condado de Washington, acabando con la exclusion de prevencion de total cuidado de salud.

La Virginia Garcia Memorial Centro de Salud, propocinada por el Centro Cultural y St. Vincent Hospital en Beaverton, oficialmente abierta para ofreser servicios de salud a la gente del condado de Washington, sin miramientos de razas o de entrada de dinero menzuol.

La Virginia Garcia Memorial Centro de Salud va eliminar muchos de los problemas medicos que la gente de habla español han tenido que pasar. El personaje bilingue, proporcionados por el St. Vincent Hospital haran las entrevistas hai en la clinica. Con el Programa de trabajar afuera de la clinica, las enfermeras de salud para el publico visitaran los campos de labor, y tambien haran entrevistas, y despues los mandaran para la clinica. Transportacion sera of-resida para los que la necesiten.

El centro de salud tambien ofresera cuidado de salud para gente que nunca lo ha recebido, porque por fui esta hecho para servir sus necesidades. El corto de costos ayudara a todos en dar parte en el programa, y que pagen a como puedan.

Ademas de surtir diagnostico, examenes y tratamiento en el centro, seran referidos al St. Vincent Hospital en Beaverton si mas cuidado intensivo o hospitalacion es requerida. Esto tambien sera en un nivel de cuestos.

Fue firmando el contrado en Junio, el director del Centro Arturo Cortez, quien ha puesto horas incontables en planiando y en trabajo para el Centro de Salud, dijo, "Ustedes no saben que tanto esto significa para nosotros. Esto acabara la experimentacion medica para la gente de habla español en este condado. No le hace que tan competente el medico sea, si el no puede comunicarse con la persona por el idioma, como quiera es experimentacion. Si una persona dehabla español no puede explicarse que es lo que tiene, o si la persona esta confusa de tratamientos medicos, el sera experimintado. Nosotros estamos agradecidos con todos los que nos han ayudado para hacer esto posible."

Diana Soliz, presidenta de la meza directiva, hablo del tremendo sentido de alegria y excito sentido por todos ellos que han participado en los muchos proyectos del crecimiento del Centro Cultural. "Nosotros estamos muy contentos en estar surtiendo una necesidad tan grande. Por fin nuestro sueño se esta realizando."

El centro de salud nombrado por Virginia Garcia Memorial Health Center es verdaderamente un producto de participacion de la comunidad. Casi todo el tr-



bajo ha sido por puros voluntarios. Esto incluye construyendo el edificio, poniendo el alamerado y instalacion de canerias, pintando paderes y acabando varias otras cosas, tanto como nivelando y asfaltando en area de parquadero. Materiales han sido donados y contribuidos por negocios locales y individuales, y una contribucion de \$1500 fue dada por la Presbyterian Church. Fondos para comenzar fueron de comidas que han sido hechas, por la gente del Centro.

El Centro de salud estara abierta desde las 2 p.m. hasta las 10 p.m. siete dias a la semana. Esta localizada atras del Centro Cultural al domicilio 142 N. 11th en Cornelius, telephono 357-7515. Gente sera tratada como venga coda una, a menos que sea necesario hacer citas.

Alma Rosa Perez



Jose Garcia, Centro and Perry Raglin, St. Vincent's

## VIOLENCE

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Someone yelled "get the mexican out of here" and Gilbert ran for the door. On his way, he was struck several more times on the back and head. The patrons chased him outside and up the street.

By this time Jimmy, having heard the yelling, was outside the car and prepared to protect his brother. As Gilbert was running, he turned to look at his brother and was struck again in the head and knocked out. Jimmy also had been struck to the ground but somehow managed to get in the car, start it, pick up his brother and head for home.

When they arrived at their home, Gilbert phoned the County Sheriff, reporting the attack and requesting assistance. After a lengthy discussion with the police, three cars were dispatched to the North Plains area. Two went to the Jimenez house and one to the Golden Penny Tavern. Although no arrests were made that night, the Golden Penny was closed for the evening by the County Sheriff at approximately 9:30 p.m.

Injuries sustained by Gilbert included a deep cut to the back of the head and a shattered cheek bone. Jimmy also sustained a deep wound to the back of the head.

As of this writing Gilbert's shattered cheek bone has caused concern as certain areas of his vision have blurred and may require corrective surgery.

The Sheriff have turned all evidence over to the District Attorney's office. They now have the case under consideration.

Don Patch

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Esto ocurrio cuando Gelberto Jimenez fue a cambiar un cheque personal a la cantina era ya tarde y los de mas comercias estaba serados en la ciudad. Pregunto por "Venus" una de las trabajadoras, a lo que el cantinero contesto "no esta aqui, saquen a ese 'Mexican' de aqui." Gilberto al ojer esto se quiso salir pronto de la cantina que se acercava a la puerta cuando la pandilla de Anglos le asaltaron en la espalda.

Jaime Jimenez el Hermando de Gilberto se a bia quedo en el carro y cuando se dio cuenta de lo que ocuria se metio a defender a su hermano mayor.

Los hermanos Jimenez fueron mal heridos y a si, corrieron a su casa para pedir ausilio a la policia de North Plains. Cuando Gilberto estaba pidiendole ausillio a la policia pidiendo, que por favor viniéran pronto porque era una emergencia que estaban mal eridos, el oficial comenzo con que Como te llamas? Donde vives? Que edad tienes? Gilberto en dises perodo le colgo el telefon al oficial y llamo para al jefe de la policia del condado de Washington en Hillsboro. El jefe de la policia de Hillsboro mando un oficial del condado y la ambulancia para la case de Gilberto. El oficial les iso algunas preguntas a Gilberto pero esto vo tan disinteresado que ne siquiera fue a hablar con los asaltadores a la cantina, porque segun Gilberto y Jaime dijieron que la pandilla de anglos ni siquiera se movieron, halli se quedaron en la cantina.

Fueron golpiadoa tan gravemente que los hermanos Jimenez fueron llevado al hospital de emergencia en la

## QUESTIONS?

Glenn Simmons, the author of the following article, is well known for his work in home gardening and self-sufficiency. His efforts in the areas of food growing and home processing have broadened in recent years to include teaching, writing and television appearances. His concerns center around the race between individuals seeking self-sufficiency and the large corporations' deliberate attempt to get complete control of the food industry from the earth to our stomachs.

The Rural Tribune welcomes Glenn Simmons and his ideas to its pages and hopes that his columns will provide you with some food for thought. Any questions or comments should be addressed to Glenn Simmons in care of the Rural Tribune, 546 E. Baseline, Hillsboro, Oregon, 97123.

How far must people be allowed to go, to disrupt the American Way of Life?

How far must individuals or companies be allowed to go, in amassing tremendous sums of money or wealth, that in the end, is slowly but surely, destroying the American Way of Life?

For some time now the writer has observed, a move upon the economic scene of our grand and glorious nation that can be classified as cancerous - a disease that eats away at the vital organs of our economy, just as it does on the body of its human victim.

This is the entrance of many large corporations into the food processing business, in a deliberate attempt to get a strangle-hold upon a fast becoming scarce commodity known as food. If you think for one moment that food prices are high -- just wait until the available supply is in the clutches of people of this sort. Let them stay in their own field. We have far too many worming their way into the economic side of our life picture to such extent, it is doubtful if there is any insecticide strong enough to dislodge them, once their hold is established.

Suppose for instance, we were to spend the night out on the town, so to speak, go to the La Corporation Restaurant, select our choice from the menu written by the Monopoly Subcommittee of the Senate: Sauteed mushrooms by Clorox, wrapped in bacon by ITT; Salad - Tossed Salad by Dow Chemical lettuce and Gulf and Western tomatoes; Entrees - turkey by Greyhound; ham by Ling-Temco-Vought; vegetables - carrots by Tenneco; artichokes by Purex; applesauce by American Brands; Beverages - wine by Heublein; beer by Phillip Morris; tea by Unilever; orange juice by Coca-Cola; desserts - chocolate cream pie by ITT; pudding by R.J. Reynolds; ice cream by Unilever; and almonds by Tenneco.

Perhaps we should again ask the question, WHY? Especially so when that commodity is so essential to the support of life on this planet.

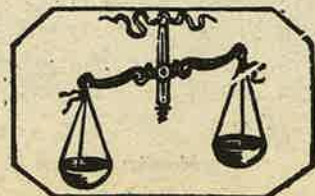
Glenn Simmons

ambulancia. Los dos jovenes fueron descalabradoa. A Jaime le quebraron un pomulo.

El dia sigiente los padres de los dos muchachos Chicanos trataron de ir a poner una demanda encontra de los Anglos que golpiaron a sus hijos pero el sheriffe Barnes les dijo que no podian hacer nada hasta que tuvieran todos los nombres de los culpables. La senora Juanita Tankersley, esposa de el señor Ron Tankersley ey conocia a varios de los asaltadores.

A tanto que no se pudo hacer nada hasta el Lunes sigiente, 16 de Junio 1975. El sheriffe lleno la demanda y nomas les dio cargo a los asaltadores de delito de menor vuantia. El sheriffe le hablo a la familia Jimenez a que fueran a firmar la demanda el dia sigiente. La familia llevo el señor Luis Ramirez, director de la ofician de ORO - Oregon Rural Opportunities - en Forest Grove asi fue como se dieron cuenta que el cargo que el sheriffe les dio a la pandilla no era suficiente. Entonces la familia Jimenez con la ayuda del Centro Cultural y de el Translators Bureau desidieron ir a ver a la Licenciada Noreen Saltveit de Portland. No pudo tomar el caso pero se lo paso a un Licenciado socio.

Queda el caso pendiente, pero se reportara el progeroso el mes sigiente segun este caso.



Alma Rosa Perez

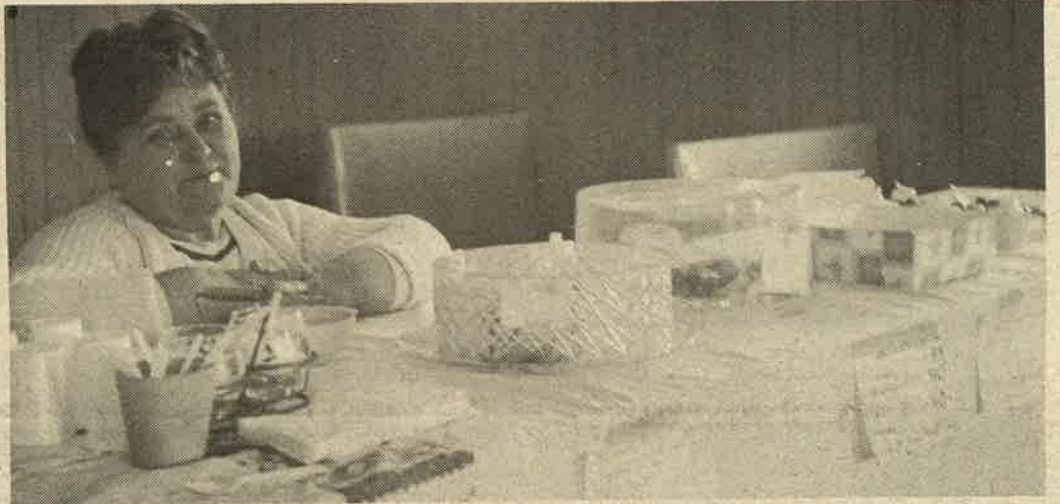
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# FLEA MARKET

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The Gaston Flea Market, located in the Gaston Community Hall, is open Saturdays and Sundays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. This Market is unique because it is managed totally by volunteers from the surrounding community. Many volunteers have also helped with other work and repairs and donations which makes this Flea Market a real community effort.

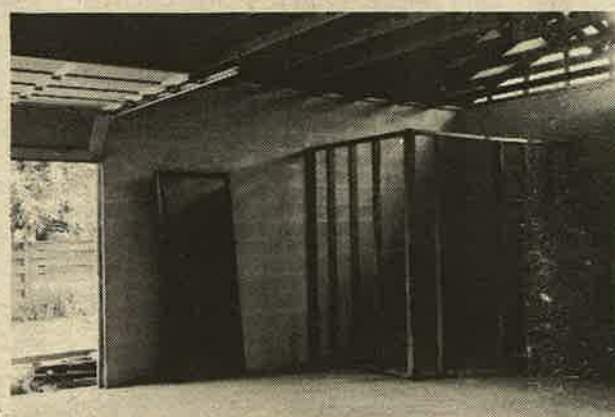
Anyone wishing to become involved with the Flea Market in any way, whether it's renting a table or volunteering your time, may contact Peggy at 985-7158 (Gaston), Carol at 662-3881 (Yamhill) Elaine at 640-1141 (Hillsboro) or Beverly at 538-8863 (Newberg).



# from a long held vision...



Bob Carey, Ann Barbour, Lionel Lucero



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Diana Soliz and Arturo Cortez at lease-signing

# ... comes a future with hope

photos by Judy Schilling and Don Patch



Alberto Garcia family



Dr. Pat Garlinger and Marilee Dea, R.N., on opening day of the Health Center.

"we came, we saw, we drowned"



drawing by Sue Watson

## UYA Comes to Hillsboro

Allow me to introduce myself. I'm Sue Watson from Denver, Colorado and the newest member of The Rural Tribune staff. I came to Hillsboro Wednesday, June 26 along with thirty or so other soggy students in a program called University Year for ACTION out of Lewis and Clark College in Portland. We are a diverse group of individuals who have chosen to commit ourselves to service in the community as an alternative to "Formal Schooling" in the coming year.

We spent the first three days of that week being indoctrinated, administrated, communicated, and saturated at Gearhart. As the second part of our training period we came to Hillsboro to take part in a community work project.

We set up headquarters in the First Congregational Church at 5th and Main in Hillsboro. Their generosity in allowing us to stay there is much appreciated.

We devoted our time and efforts to the Home Maintenance Program that works out of the Washington County Community Action office. Robb Sansum, coordinator of the Home Maintenance Program, explained that it is sponsored by the Agency on Aging and is federally funded. The program deals with supplying the home maintenance needs of those seniors over the age of 55 and persons who are disabled, in Washington County. Robb's staff usually consists of about six volunteers, so this sudden deluge of personpower got as much done in two days as is usually done in thirty.



Sue ponders her forthcoming year while painting a Hillsboro senior's house.

Though the rain was a big bugaboo, it didn't halt the work that had been planned for us. Among jobs that we undertook were the preparation and painting of two houses, building a chicken coop, panelling a wall and gardening.

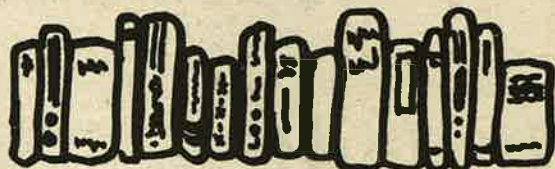
The lack of equipment was often detrimental to the efficient use of labor. If you should happen to have any tools related to gardening or carpentry that you would like to donate, give Robb a call. All donations are tax-deductible.

Students have been placed in many different social agencies throughout Portland and its surrounding communities.

I have chosen, despite the rain, to stay in Oregon and work in Washington County on the Tribune staff. Two other members of the UYA program, Jean Haight and Steve Hurlbut will also work in Washington County with Head Start and the Public Defenders, respectively.

I am here to learn. It is my belief that you learn from experiences with other human beings the things that will be most valuable to you in life. I am excited to be a part of WCCAO. The County has many real and positive things happening. There remains, however, many things to be done. People must commit themselves if they ever hope to accommodate the needs of all the people.

Sue Watson



## Library System Recommended

Approximately 125,000 persons in Washington County currently do not have access to a library.

This will change, however, if recommendations of a study of the County's library needs are implemented.

The study, conducted last November and December by Phyllis Dalton, a professional library consultant, was requested by Beaverton's Capital Improvement Program Subcommittee on Libraries and the Washington County Library Network. It was financed through a \$12,000 federal grant for which the City of Beaverton acted as fiscal agent.

In a report published this week, Mrs. Dalton proposed the establishment of a cooperative county-wide library system which eventually would provide direct library service without fee to those residents currently not served and improved service at existing public libraries in Washington County.

Residents would be able to use all libraries in

the system without charge, and borrowed materials could be returned to any one of them.

The report proposed that during the first three years of the library network's operation, a number of neighborhood libraries be opened in centrally-located facilities and that book-by-mail and bookmobile services be started.

It further proposes that the library system operate through contracts with existing and/or future libraries in the county to insure maximum use of resources and avoid duplicating services and personnel. Suggested, for example, is contracting with Multnomah County to extend its bookmobile service into Washington County.

To initially finance the county-wide library network, the study proposes a three year, \$227,000 serial levy. This would require a county-wide tax of between 10 and 12 cents per \$1000 of taxable property. The report points out that the actual cost per year to a taxpayer would be less

than the cost of one book purchased at a bookstore.

Also suggested is expanding library services of the Gaston and Banks senior high schools to include community use. Bookmobile service is planned for such outlying areas as Verboort, Roy, North Plains, Buxton, Gales Creek, Timber, Dilley, Cherry Grove, Farmington, Manning, West Union, Scholls, and Durham.

To get the cooperative library service started, it is proposed that a coordinator be employed for the first two years. The coordinator would work with a policy board appointed by the County Commissioners and a board of professional librarians in planning new programs and coordinating existing library services throughout the County.

Copies of the report are available from the City of Beaverton, 4950 S.W. Hall Boulevard, Beaverton, Oregon, 97005.



# Welfare Advisor

If you have a question about Welfare, Food Stamps, SSI, Social Security or OSIP that you would like to see answered in this column, send it to the Welfare Advisor, c/o The Rural Tribune, 546 E. Baseline, Hillsboro, Oregon, 97123. We will try to answer all requests for information unless the high volume of mail prevents us from doing so.

*Q. I'm on ADC. I have three children and one unrelated child living in my home. My Welfare worker told me that because of the unrelated child I wasn't eligible for Food Stamps. Is this true?*

**A.** Your worker should not have told you that you could not get Food Stamps. (S)He should have explained that you will have to apply for Food Stamps at the Food Stamp Office (or desk, as both the Food Stamp office and the Welfare office are in the same building here in Washington County) rather than at the Welfare office.

Because you have an unrelated person living in your household, you cannot be certified for Food Stamps

on the basis of your income from Welfare. Food Stamp regulations require that the income of all persons in the household be taken into consideration in determining Net Food Stamp Income (NFSI). Since one of the children in your household is not included in your ADC grant, that child's income has to be considered in determining your NFSI, even if the child has no income at all. So you have to go over to the Food Stamp office and fill out a separate application in order to be considered for the Food Stamp Program.

I'm assuming that the unrelated child in your household is not included in your Welfare grant. If this child is included in your ADC grant, your assistance worker should certify you for Food Stamps through the Welfare office.

Sources: *Food Stamp Manual, Part 1; 2500 - Income, 2200 - Application Process.*

Emily Chalmers

## Letters To The Editor

TO THE EDITOR:

This letter is not pointed at the workers of detention. It points to the structure of the way the places are operated and the lack of proper alternative shelter facilities. And the way problems are swept away without resolving the causes.

I am a juvenile and am concerned about the Juvenile Department's rules and attitudes. I feel I am speaking for many voiceless juveniles who have come in contact with the Juvenile Department's jurisdiction because of what are called "status offenses". I have seen and heard of injustices to me and other juveniles.

I have been through what is called "juvenile detention" and found that it was jail: concrete floors, steel bars, rings, belts, other personal property taken away, can't bring in books, etc.

The bad affect of jail on adults (who have committed "crimes") is already well known. For the "status offender" (only juveniles can be status offenders) who has been pressured from all sides (always by adults) to go home or be placed in detention, the confinement is much worse.

Did they commit a crime?

Is it a crime to want to be in another living situation?

I left a place I could not hack anymore. I no longer wanted to stay, so I left. I didn't "run away". I continued school and work, but wanted to choose not to live at my mother's home. I left, like others, I have reasons.

Is it right? Is it fair? All these people trying to run our lives. They're busy deciding what they think would be best for us, without letting us help decide. By the time they ask for our opinions, they already have got planned what we are going to do.

Name Withheld by Request

(Editor's note: The above letter is run anonymously because the writer's case is still in juvenile jurisdiction. Please address replies concerning this issue to "Juvenile", c/o The Rural Tribune.)

An open letter to:

City of Hillsboro Utilities Commission  
205 S.E. Second Avenue  
Hillsboro, Oregon 97123

Dear Sirs:

I understand that you will be drawing water for the city of Hillsboro from Scoggin Valley Reservoir within the next few months. If this is so, I have grave concerns about the health of my family. We drink gallons of the water you provide weekly. As there is no water filter within my budget which would remove dissolved lead from our drinking water, I demand that the product we pay you to keep healthy and pure be as lead-free as is humanly possible.

Sincerely,  
Ronald P. Carl  
Hillsboro, Oregon

Get immediate answers to your food preservation questions by making a single phone call.

Oregon State University Extension Service has established a toll-free "food preservation hot line", available through September 30.

By calling 238-9768 or 238-9769 between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, questions concerning canning, freezing, pickling, and drying will be answered by an Extension Home Economist.

## Agencies lobby for CETA jobs

In early January of this year the Concentrated Employment Training Act (CETA), known as the Manpower Program, was given additional funds under Title Six of the Act. This was done in order to provide more jobs for more people.

The Multnomah-Washington County area will receive \$2,245,000. Of this total, Washington County will receive \$1,250,000 which has been estimated will provide approximately 90 job slots. The control and distribution of these jobs has been given to the Multnomah-Washington County Manpower Consortium. The Consortium has agreed to an "equitable allotment" of 30 positions each to Washington County, municipal commissions, and to privately funded and multi-funded human service agencies.

The Consortium has agreed to negotiate through the Washington County Human Resources Advisory Committee to prioritize and screen positions for the 30 slots allocated to privately and multi-funded human services agencies. These funds are a godsend, since Washington County Commissioners have elected to retain Federal Revenue Sharing monies to cover this fiscal year's budget, despite recommendations made by the Human Resources Advisory Committee.

There are many guidelines which must be adhered to in the distribution of these positions under Manpower regulations. At a meeting held at the County Courthouse on Monday, July 7, these guidelines were presented by Jack Wills, head of the Multnomah-Washington County Manpower Consortium. After questions and clarifications were made, needs of the agencies represented and previous requests were heard and totalled. A total of 51 requests have been made, 17 of which will fall under other Manpower programs, leaving 34 to be prioritized by the Human Resources Advisory Committee and the Manpower Consortium.

Not all of these requests are within the bounds set, though it appears as if a large majority of the agencies will receive the positions they have requested, a far cry from where they were with no money at all.

Sue Watson

## Parent Education

THINK ABOUT:

Are you listening? Do you hear?  
Do you speak with people? Do you speak at people?  
Do you trust? Are you trusted?

These apply to both parents and children.

Would you like to improve your family relationships and the above sense skills? Starting this fall, the Youth Services Center in Forest Grove will be offering a Parent Education Program for interested adults. The program will meet weekly covering a variety of topics and parent-related problems including parent/child communication skills, behavior modification, parenting skills, alcohol and drug information and others.

The first meeting will deal with communication skills. How well do you communicate with your child or children? Can you sit down and have an open and honest discussion? Answer the following questions to see how well you fare with communication skills.

- 1) Are you able to talk rationally during an emotional situation or problem --yes --no
- 2) Do you praise your family members? --yes --no
- 3) Is your criticism constructive? --yes --no
- 4) How well do you listen? --well --good --average --poor

How well did you do? If you would like to improve your communication skills, plan to attend the Parent Education Program this fall. A schedule of events will be forthcoming. If you have any questions or ideas as to what you would like included in this program, please call 357-5422, asking for Betsy or Pam.

## Consumer Corner

Here are some tips for consumers that the Attorney General's office has published:

- 1) Learn to say "no!"
- 2) Try to compare three brands and three stores before buying.
- 3) Try not to buy the first day you see what you want, unless you have already compared prices and brands.
- 4) When buying an unfamiliar service (repairs, etc.) never pay until you are completely satisfied with the work.
- 5) Before having repair work done, get some personal references from the repairman or the company that he represents.
- 6) Avoid long-term or "lifetime" contracts.
- 7) Never borrow money to make a down payment.
- 8) Never sign a contract that has any blank spaces.
- 9) Never sign a contract until you have read it thoroughly and understand all the terms involved.
- 10) Always keep a copy of all contracts.
- 11) Don't be afraid to write on a contract. Any promises a salesman makes include in the contract and have him sign it. This protects the buyer in terms of warranties and guarantees.
- 12) Consult a lawyer on major or complex purchases (house, remodeling, land purchases).
- 13) Don't rely on a business' "advertised" reputation. Ask for personal references from businesses.
- 14) Patronize those businesses that do have a good reputation.
- 15) Don't send money away on a mail order without checking out the company first.
- 16) Don't believe "bargains", "discounts" and "sales" unless you compare them extensively. Beware of false advertising and report it, if detected, to the nearest consumer protection office.
- 17) "Shop around" for best source of credit. Compare finance companies, credit unions, etc.

Just by reading these tips your awareness has been increased. No one will surely follow all this advice, but occasionally just read these through and see if you merit becoming a better informed consumer.

James Hynson

# CALL FOR HELP



## General

Washington County Community Action Organization 648-6646  
546 S.E. Baseline  
Hillsboro  
Advocates:  
Discrimination . . . . . Sam Perez  
Welfare . . . . . Mary Lou Rivera  
Consumer . . . . . James Hynson  
Education . . . . . Diane Elia

Translator's Bureau 648-6646

Rural Awareness Project  
Head Start

Washington County Legal Services  
648-7163  
205 E. Main  
Hillsboro  
Attorneys . Robert A. Stalker, Jr.  
Robert Moog  
Secretary . . . . . Joan Meyer  
Legal Assistant . Emily Chalmers

## Crisis

Suicide and Family Crisis—Office  
224-1875  
Emergency 227-0403



## Medical Services

Lovejoy Speciality Hospital,  
221-1870  
933 N.W. 25th  
Portland  
Abortion information and referral

Birthright, 221-0598  
Mayor Bldg., 11th & Morrison  
Portland  
Services are offered to women who need assistance with pregnancy. Free counseling, medical services, legal services, home service, foster care, indirect financial aid and moral support.

Health Department, 648-8881  
Courthouse  
Hillsboro  
Family Planning Clinic  
Check-ups and birth control offered by appointment  
Medical Clinic  
Hours: M-W-F, 8:30-11:30, by appointment  
V.D. Clinic  
Mon-Wed-Friday morning. No appointment necessary.  
Immunization  
Most shots \$1.00, if you can afford it. Hours: Mon & Wed 1-4, Fri 1-3.

Washington County Branch Public Welfare Division 648-0711  
560 S. 3rd  
Hillsboro  
Has medical services for people on Welfare or who have low income.

Washington County Branch Children's Services Division, 648-8951  
326 N.E. Lincoln, Hillsboro  
Family planning, pregnancy counseling, and medical referral.

American Legion Auxiliary  
648-3397  
255 N. Bailey  
Hillsboro  
Lends hospital equipment. No deposit. Emergency use only. Time limited to six months.

Pacific University Optometry Department, 357-6151 or 648-5630  
Forest Grove  
Reduced rates offered for eye care. \$16.00 for examination, slightly more for special test. Glasses offered at cost price.

## Dental Services

University of Oregon Dental School, 225-8867

Portland Community College,  
244-6111 x413  
\$1.00 for x-ray, \$2.00 for hygiene and \$1.00 for fillings.

Dental Aid for Children, 648-7595  
233 E. Baseline  
Hillsboro, Oregon  
Helps children from low-income families who aren't receiving any kind of public assistance other than food stamps. Basic dental care and prevention education.

## Food and Clothing

Food Stamps, 648-0711  
560 S. Third  
Hillsboro, Oregon 97123

FISH  
Beaverton 646-1141  
Forest Grove & Hillsboro  
648-4128  
Tigard 639-2012  
Offers emergency food, clothing and furniture as available. Helps whenever able.

Oregon Rural Opportunities,  
357-6169  
2604 Pacific Avenue  
Forest Grove, Oregon 97116  
Food vouchers when available. Clothing. Also aid in finding housing and in finding a job, and in filling out forms. Transportation in emergencies only.

Expanded Food and Nutrition Program, 648-8656  
Teaches low income families with children about good nutrition. A nutrition aide will visit the home. No cost involved.

Community Care Association, Inc.  
288-8321  
2022 N.E. Alberta  
Portland, Oregon  
Monday-Friday, 8:00-3:00.  
Food boxes prepared, and some baby goods available. Hot meals also prepared; however, no delivery service. Bring your pots and pans. There's also a Chicken Kitchen for those who can pay small price of about 20¢.

Milk and Honey Non-profit Food Store  
18930 S.W. Lower Boones Ferry Road  
Tualatin  
Sells bulk and other food at reduced prices. To join, you must volunteer 2 hours a month.

North Plains Food Buying Club,  
647-5666  
Next to Post Office in North Plains.  
Sells food at reduced prices. Membership is \$1.00 per month. Everyone welcome.

Economy Center, 648-5800  
Corner of 11th and Adair,  
Cornelius  
Sells everything that people donate. Low prices.

Hope Neighborhood Food Co-op,  
324-3803  
Buxton, Oregon  
Take Sunset Highway to Rocket Station near Vernonia Junction. Turn right and go ½ mile up Fisher Road.  
Membership fee of \$10 payable over one year. Members are asked to donate four hours per month to the store. Non-members welcome to shop, must add 10% to marked price.  
Store hours: Thurs. 5-9 pm, Friday 1-9pm, Sat. 10-6 pm. Freezer lockers also available.

## Jobs

Oregon Vocational Rehabilitation Division, 648-7114  
232 N.E. Lincoln—Weil Arcade  
Hillsboro  
Helps people with any kind of disability except blindness. Provides whatever services necessary to make a person employable.

Job Corps, 648-8911  
229 S. First, Hillsboro  
Learn a skill such as carpentry, welding, food services, clerical and business, brick laying, while getting your G.E.D. Residential training program providing medical, dental, clothing, transportation, and spending money for participants. Primarily for 16-21 year people who have not finished high school. Some centers are coeducational and skills are open to both sexes.

State of Oregon Employment Division, 648-8911  
229 S. First, Hillsboro  
Assistance in finding a job. Testing available to determine what work you are best suited for.

Washington County Children's Services Division, 648-8951  
229 S. 1st, Hillsboro  
Referral for training and employment resources for low income people.

Kids for Hire 645-5437  
Forest Grove 357-KIDS.  
Finds job opportunities for persons 14-22 years of age.

Youth Manpower, 648-0623  
695 E. Baseline, Hillsboro  
Work training and educational program for low income people ages 14-21.

## Housing

Housing Authority of Washington County, 648-8511  
245 S.E. 2nd, Hillsboro

Oregon Rural Opportunities,  
357-6169  
2604 Pacific Avenue, Forest Grove  
Aid in finding housing and in finding a job. Aid in filling out forms. Transportation in emergencies only.

Renter's Hotlines 288-9145 and 288-8391.

## Education

Washington County Literacy Council (Laudbach Method)  
648-6040, 644-3785 or 357-3073  
912 E. Main, Hillsboro  
Learn to read. Individual tutoring, no charge.

Adult Tutoring Service 224-2135 or 648-8928.  
Individual tutoring in student's or tutor's home or in public building. One-to-one. Basic Education, BED, or English as a second language. No tuition. Day or evening meetings.

Portland Community College,  
648-8928  
330 N.E. Lincoln, Hillsboro  
Adult Basic Education, GED classes. Learn to read, write, and do math; English as a Second Language; GED Preparation. Individual or group learning. Materials furnished. No tuition. Classes are 9:00-3:00, Monday-Thursday.

Apprenticeship Information Center 229-6030  
1030 N.E. Couch Street, Portland

Centro Cultural 648-4815  
1101 Adair St., Cornelius  
Now has free classes in sewing, rug making, ceramics, mechanics, and job training as assemblyline work.

Operation Plus  
Admissions Office, Portland State University, P.O. Box 751, Portland, Ore. 97207  
A program to assist students from low income families and have GPA's below 2.45, through their first two years of college.

## Child Day Care

West Tuality Day Care, 357-7121  
Forest Grove  
Charge is according to income. Center is open from 6:30 am to 6:00 pm. Children taken from infant to age 14. Medical test required.

Washington County Children's Services Division, 648-8951  
326 N.E. Lincoln  
Hillsboro  
Day Care centers provided.

Head Start—Main Office, 648-6646  
546 S.E. Baseline  
Hillsboro  
Head start is a program for pre-school children with handicaps or pre-school children from low income families. Medical, dental, nutritional, and social services provided to participating children.

## Elderly

Agency on Aging 640-3489  
150 N. First, Room 306  
Referral on all services available in the County for older people.

Aloha Over 50 Club 648-4682  
They are a social group and meet on the second and fourth Mondays of each month. They gather Christmas toys and food for the Fire Dept. to help needy families.

American Association of Retired Person 648-6892  
Hillsboro  
Refers people to other organizations or programs.

Council on Aging 644-2014  
Overall coordination of aging programs in the county.

Forest Grove Seniors Center  
357-4115

North Plains Seniors Center  
647-5666

Hillsboro Community Senior Center 648-3823  
N.E. 4th and Lincoln, All Saints Episcopal Church  
Open Monday through Friday, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Loaves and Fishes meals at noon daily. Meals on Wheels delivered to shut-ins in Hillsboro, Orengo and Aloha areas. Social activities, knitting, bridge and pinocle. Informational programs and entertainment. Open to anyone in the area 60 years of age or older.

Friendly Neighbors 644-4240  
14205 S.W. Jenkins Road, Beaverton  
They are a social group and have meetings for senior citizens.

R.S.V.P. 648-8928  
330 N.E. Lincoln, Hillsboro  
Helps to bring retired seniors back into the community. Interested volunteers 60 or over should call Gerry Nutt, RSVF Director.

Social Security Office 643-9617  
10700 S.W. Beaverton-Hillsdale Highway, Beaverton  
Benefits for elderly, blind and disabled persons. Also sign up for Medicare here.



## Home & Family

Washington County Extension Service 648-8771  
Mail: Courthouse, Hillsboro, Oregon 97123

Homemaker Services and anything relating to home and family living. Home study groups meet once a month.

American Red Cross 648-2622  
168 N.E. 3rd  
Hillsboro  
Home nursing and first aid classes given.

## Discrimination

Civil Rights Division, Bureau of Labor 229-5741  
State Office Building, Room 479  
1400 S.W. 5th, Portland  
If you have been discriminated against, call for help, and file your complaint.

Community Action 648-6646  
546 S.E. Baseline  
Hillsboro  
Help here if you have been discriminated against.

## Counseling

Tualatin Valley Guidance Clinic  
645-3581  
14600 N.W. Cornell Road  
Portland, Oregon 97229  
Gives mental health and marriage counseling and charges people according to their income.

American Red Cross 648-2622  
168 N.E. 3rd Street  
Hillsboro  
Family and personal counseling.

Community Youth Services  
645-6111  
13865 N.W. Cornell  
Beaverton, Oregon 97005  
8:30 am to 5:00 pm

Washington County Children's Services Division 648-8951  
326 N.E. Lincoln  
Hillsboro  
Family, marriage, and pregnancy counseling offered.

Metropolitan Family Services.  
648-5717  
168 N.E. 3rd  
Hillsboro  
Offers family, marital and personal counseling. In Hillsboro Monday through Friday from 9-5. Charge according to income. 24 hour answering service.

Project Return 234-0801  
4241 S.E. Hawthorne  
Portland  
Counseling for Vietnam Veterans.

## Voter Information

Voter Registration 648-8856  
Washington County Courthouse  
Hillsboro  
They will tell you how and where to register and what district you're in.

League of Women Voters 639-4029.  
The League of Women Voters is a national, non-partisan organization devoted to promoting informed citizen participation in government.

## Government

Beaverton City Hall 644-2191  
4950 S.W. Hall Blvd.

Cornelius City Hall 357-8024  
120 N. 13th Avenue

Forest Grove City Hall 357-7151  
1924 Council Street

Hillsboro City Hall 648-3522  
205 S. 2nd

Tigard City Hall 639-4171  
12420 S.W. Main Street

Washington County Government  
648-8611  
County Courthouse, Hillsboro



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