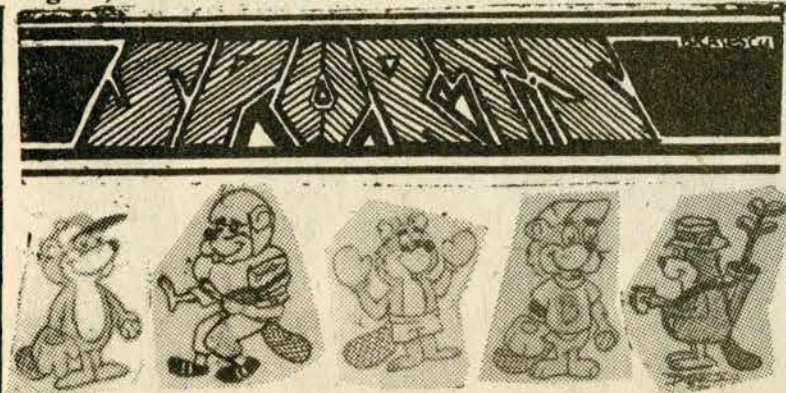




Black History Month Programs at Seattle Public Libraries

Get out your pencils and start filling in your calendars! The Seattle Public Library celebrates Black History Month this February with a focus on the family and with a greater variety of programs than ever before.

This year's Black History Month theme is Walk Together Children: A Celebration of the Black Family. The title is taken from a traditional Black American spiritual.

The festivities begin on Wednesday, February 1 at 7 p.m. at the Douglass-Truth Library with a dedication of the Black Heritage Society of Washington State Exhibit case. In February the exhibit will feature a special display on the theme of Black family history in Washington State.

On three consecutive Saturdays at the Douglass-Truth Library, 23rd and E. Yesler Way, at 3:00 p.m., from February 11 - 25, the Library will present a series of programs on local literary arts called Northern Lights and Neon Natural: Seattle Black Women Writing. The series, co-sponsored by the Seattle Section of the National Council of Negro Women will feature post and fiction writer J. T. Stewart; journalist Evelyn C. White and poet Carolyn T. Vaughn Young. Each program consists of an opening reading, a feature reading and a reception. In addition, a photographic exhibit also entitled Northern Lights and Neon Natural: Seattle Black Women Writing, consisting of 11 photographs accompanied by a reproduction of a piece of writing by each author will be displayed at the Douglass-Truth Library during the time of the readings.

Family programs for Black History Month may be seen in community libraries throughout the city. The first program features an original puppet show, "How Anansi Brought the Stories Down," about the Ashanti folkhero, Anansi, the spider man, together with a film, "Ty's Home-Made Band," about a wandering minstrel who helps a young boy put together a band. The second program offers the Storyteller and the Play with Debra Harris, member of the Seattle Storytellers Guild telling stories on African and Afro-American themes, and A Friend with Friend Theatre Ensemble performing an original short play based on the life of Harriet Tubman entitled, "They Called Her Moses." Each program is designed for the whole family and will be presented at three community libraries.

The film, "Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry," based on the novel by Mildred Taylor, set in the poverty stricken South of 1933, describes a Black family's triumph over greed and prejudice as family members struggle to hold onto land they have owned for three generations. The film is designed for older children and their parents and may be seen at seven library locations during February.

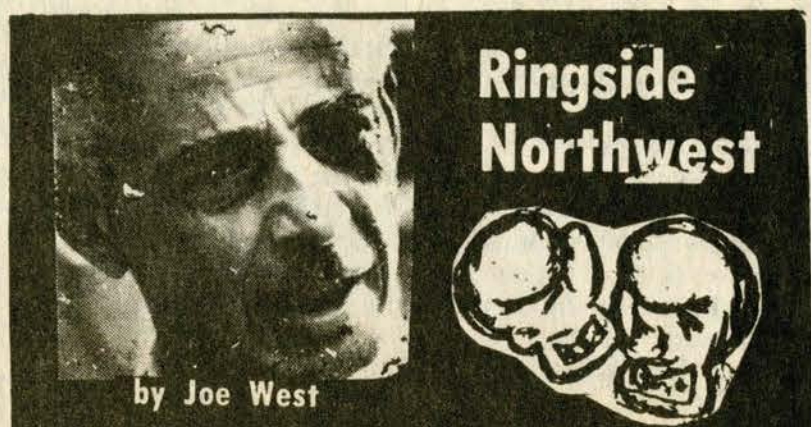
Historians and genealogists will be interested in a program on Black Family History by Genealogy Librarian Darlene Hamilton. She will present an introduction to Black family history and genealogical research at three library locations.

In addition, a supplement to the booklist, "Dreams to Grow on: Books about Black Children," will be available to the public in February for Black History Month. The updated list will be entitled "More Dreams to Grow On."

Walk Together Children promises to make February an exciting month for the whole community. "We have tried to reach a greater variety of audience than ever before," said Marcia Myers, Managing Librarian for the Seattle Public Library's South Region. "We have attempted to involve the community in programming, working with organizations such as the Black Heritage Society, the Seattle Section of National Council of Negro Women, the Seattle Storytellers Guild and A Friend with Friend Theatre Ensemble."

The programs are funded by the Robert Charles Bunn Fund Trust.

For specific information on programs, call your community library or 625-2665.



Ringside Northwest

by Joe West

Hi Boxing Fans — There were three media attractions over the weekend. Two of them most of you were able to see, the title fight that was held just before the Super-Bowl and the Super-Bowl. The other media event was held last Friday in Olympia, Washington. You probably know about it by now, if you don't, let me fill you in on it. If you can recall Senator Fleming has a bill before the House that calls on the Senate to create a fund for boxers. Also a bill to beef up health and training programs for all athletes in sports in the state of Washington. His reasoning for this is the fact that Ray Seales was blinded by boxing and he mentioned the huge sum of money that was awarded to a young man that was injured in a football game. I'm sure that most of you read about that case last year. To me, it was a little suspicious that all this came about after the wide publicity that was accorded to the Seales' story.

Anyhow, there was a hearing about these bills last Friday. There were few boxing people from this state who commented on the boxing bill and quite few people who talked about the health bill. Among those were Curt Warner, Michael Jackson, and the trainer of the Seahawks, plus few Doctors. With these people in attendance, you know there were quite few in attendance including all of the TV and newspaper writers. The committee let Seales and his attorney speak first on the boxing bill. Then, the chairman of the committee mentioned that a few of the people had to leave early so he let Warner, Jackson, and the trainer speak for about 30 minutes. All of the committee then had to comment to those three, and tell of the thrill they gave all of them on the season the Seahawks had. At that point, the three left, of course all of the TV cameramen left and also most of the crowd. That left about eight people to speak on the boxing bill. Seales attorney had spoken of the Boxing Commission in a very bad light. So, when the Boxing Commission spokesmen had a chance to comment, they were on the defensive from the start. The committee gave them a bad time and then called the meeting to a close.

Let me say here that when Warner and Jackson left, so did two-third of the committee. I thought that when the TV cameras left and the biggest part of the committee left, the Boxing Bill got cheated. If the Bill passes as written, you can kiss boxing goodbye in this State. But then, you knew that when Senator Rassmussen asked one of the Doctors, if he thought that boxing should be banned, the biggest thrill came when Stan Naccarto of the Boxing Commission asked Senator Rassmussen, if he knew that during 1983, there were 5 boxing deaths and 248 football deaths. Of course, the senator had no answer for that.

There will be more about this on next week. — CI BON.

Unemployment Insurance Convictions

Noward J. Brooks, Employment Security Department Commissioner, announced today that the Department recently obtained convictions against 35 Washington residents, in separate cases of attempting to defraud the Unemployment Insurance Program. The 35 defendants received over \$72,000 in fraudulent benefits. Of these convictions, 25 were for theft in the first degree; six were for theft in the second degree; three were for theft in the third degree, and one conviction was for perjury in the second degree. All four offenses are classified as felonies.

The defendants were given conditions of probations ranging from two to five years, in addition to a mandate that full restitution of the fraudulent amount be made to the Employment Security Department. They were also given jail sentences of up to six months, performing community service ranging from 50 to 200 hours, and payment of attorney fees and court costs.

"Although the state's economy continues to improve and unemployment is at the lowest level in nearly two years," said Brooks, "our Claims Investigation Office reports that the number of fraud cases submitted for prosecution in 1983 substantially increased over last year." According to Brooks, this increase can be partially attributed to the agency's computerized system of cross matching claimants against employer records, which "makes it difficult, if not impossible," for a claimant to defraud the system by not claiming earned wages. "We also have a full-time staff devoted to following leads related to possible fraudulent unemployment insurance claims," Brooks said.

Brooks also noted that in addition to criminal penalties, there are administrative decisions which cancel all benefit rights for 26 weeks after determination that fraudulent claims have been made, and he reminded those filing for benefits, that it is their responsibility to provide full and accurate information to the Department.

Over 150 businesses advertise in THE FACTS Service Guide each week! Why not advertise your business too!

Fir State Golf News by R. Silas, Jr.

This week will be a departure from the usual news. The past week-end provided a rare view into things that are not available every day. Last Saturday morning, 7:30 a.m., at the Mt. Zion Baptist Church Judge Jack Tanner gave those in attendance a brief glimpse of one facet of the government's seats of Power. As I listened, it was enlightening, educational, entertaining, but most of all exciting! I am writing this to leave you with a few of the many ideas brought to us. It was interesting to me as Jack regressed back to 1956-57 when he was a practicing attorney here in Seattle, and a member of the Esquire's club where we became acquainted and later friends.

Nevertheless, in answering some of the questions from the floor, it was necessary for him to go back in time to make the point that he has always been a man born of the Black experience and he admonished young aspiring lawyers (Black) to remember your heritage and after the degree is achieved don't disappear from the Black scene (some young Black aspirants are never seen again?).

He also wanted it clear that politics exists at all levels of government and no matter what is written or said, the ONE-WAY to become a Federal District Circuit Judge is by appointment by at least one SENATOR! (correction that's endorsement by a senator).

Jack is concerned that he is probably the last appointed Black Judge for this 9th circuit (state of Washington, Oregon, California, and Alaska). The reasons are fairly obvious, his popularity and the new SENATORS recently appointed. After several questions as to what can we do to help ourselves generally, the answer was rather simple: register to vote and vote regularly. The one bit of power that you and I have that echoes back to the power structure is the vote. Members take the time, find the time get registered to VOTE. If you are registered to vote, then, be sure to exercise your power and VOTE!

"JR" GOLFERS.....

The 1984 "JR" Golfing season is already being planned for up to (25) young people that are interested in playing golf.

Last year we made a beginning at organizing our program and start to present the program that is both beneficial and rewarding. This year Mr. Ryan Jackson, assistant professional at Jefferson Park will undertake the responsibility of organizing and running the "JR" Golf program for 1984. Ryan will be supported by his dad Frank Jackson acting as the focal point in the FIR STATE G.C.

This column will announce the kick-off of the program and keep JR golfers and parents up-to-date with program developments. WEARIN THE GREEN.....

The applications are out - let's get the dues in -. Officers, are you there? Let's call a truce and I won't have to list the officers who have and those who haven't - OK? (a leader leads, right? Jan. 31, is only a week away!).

Hey guys, it has become some what a catchy idea to place a hat in the car in the back window symbolizing your "sporty" persuasion. It would be our thing to place the GREEN CAPS in the rear window of our cars, while the weather is bad enough to ruin it - How about that? One new name is added to the list of last week, a man to wear the GREEN this week is Aaron Jones!

Last week, the reported FIR STATERS and friends that journeyed to Phoenix to play golf in the EAST-WEST classic was incomplete. The entourage included Bill Butler, L.B. Curry, Alvin Horton, John Malone, Hershey Sampson and Woody was mentioned. Our club is one of the most traveled clubs in WSGA - How about that?

ELK NEWS

Evergreen Temple #157, Washington's largest Temple of Daughter Elks recently held election and installation of new Officers. 1984 Officers are: Harriett E. Dietrick who is serving her third term - Vice Dtr. Ruler, Louise Rhodes Martin, Asst. Dtr. Ruler, Helen Fortman, Chaplin, Lucille McMath, Escort, Early M. Lewis, Recorder, Mervie Raines, Fin. Secretary, Tiny Mae Booker, Treasurer, Linda Lara, Doorkeeper, Willie Mae Blades, Gate Keeper, Greta Taylor, Chairman of Trustees, Ella M. Ford, Trustees, Ardella Palms, Ethel Spriggs, Fabiola W. Woods and Thelma Burnham, Dtr. Opal E. Lewis is Temple Organist.

SICK LIST

Ill Daughters are P.G.D.R. Tiny M. Booker confined at home and Dtr. Greta Taylor in University Hospital for skin graf surgery. P.D.R. Fabiola W. Woods is scheduled for surgery on the 17th of January P.S.P. Etta M. Franklin is having severe leg pains and is due to go into the hospital.

Locals are still talking about the joint Christmas Party given at Lateef's Dec. 17th and hosted by Cascade Lodge #1416 and Evergreen Temple #157. Good music, good food and the cocktails at each table got all throats moist, last but not least, the beautifully attired ladies and the nattily dressed escorts - my what an evening of yuletide joy to remember.

Past Grand Daughter Rulers, members of the Golden Link Circle, Northwest Council, will open their 1984 business session in Feb. at the home of P.G.D.R. Frances M. Taylor. Election of Officers and introduction of new Past Grands will be on the agenda of the session. The current President is P.G.D.R. Lucille McMath.

THE FACTS is the Official Voice of the N.W. Black Community!

SMOKEY POINT MOTORS

PONTIACS • BUICKS • OLDSMOBILES • GMC TRUCKS

BUY FROM US -- OR WE BOTH LOSE!

This Advertisement Worth \$500 Towards Purchase of ANY New or Used Vehicle!

(limit 1 AD per deal)

Financing Available on all New & Used Cars and Trucks!



HENRY TAYLOR Owner

★ Tremendous Savings on used vehicles!

Where the Sales Tax is LESS!

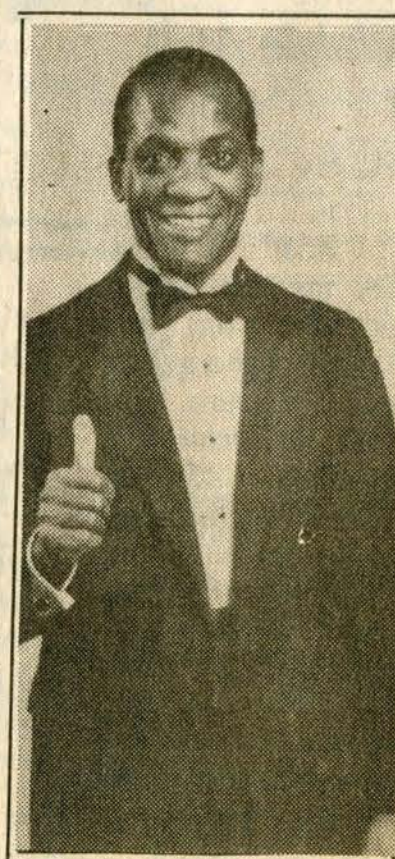
DRIVE A LITTLE - SAVE A LOT!

Drive North on I-5, 40 Minutes North of Seattle - 5 Minutes North of Everett) 623-8831 Seattle • 659-0886 Local

When you care to look your very best....

Let GILT EDGE Cleaners care for your clothing investment!

ONE-STOP FOR ALL YOUR CLEANING & TAILORING NEEDS!



Herm McKinney President of "Extra Hands", des....

GILT EDGE Cleaners
623-7532 657 South Jackson

Coca-Cola USA Signs Golfer Calvin Peete

Professional golfer Calvin Peete and Coca-Cola USA have teamed up for promotion of Coca-Cola USA products in connection with Peete's 1984 tournament and exhibition schedules.

Peete's contract with Coca-Cola USA includes appearances at local Company functions, including bottler meetings, clinics, and similar activities. While appearance will be in concert with his tournament schedules, Peete has agreed to conduct a minimum of ten local golf clinics for Coca-Cola USA and its bottlers.

In addition, Peete will wear leisure clothing, including hats, shirts, slacks and sweaters bearing the trademarks for Coca-Cola during his professional golfing appearances. Peete's golf bag and club head covers also will bear the trademark for Coca-Cola.

THE NEW LAW IS TOUGH. DON'T DRINK AND DRIVE.
Washington Traffic Safety Commission

CENTRAL DICTATION ETC.

Professional Transcriptions On Your Business Forms

★ Legal Experience
★ Correspondence ★ Speeches
★ Programs ★ Invitations
★ Bookkeeping Services

Choice of Type Styles
Original Multicopying
One Day Delivery
Messenger Service Available

155 21st Avenue, Seattle
Phone: 328-2209
FOR APPOINTMENT!

EMPIRE MOBIL

Offer good only at Mobil Express Lubé • Corner of M.L.K. JR. WY. S. at MCCLELLAN
★ Fast 15 minute service
★ Choice of motor oil
★ Great value
★ Free 9 point carcheck
\$6.95 Price shown is for most cars
★ OPEN Monday through Saturday 6 to 12 A.M. Sunday 9 A.M. to 10 P.M.
Offer can be withdrawn without notice

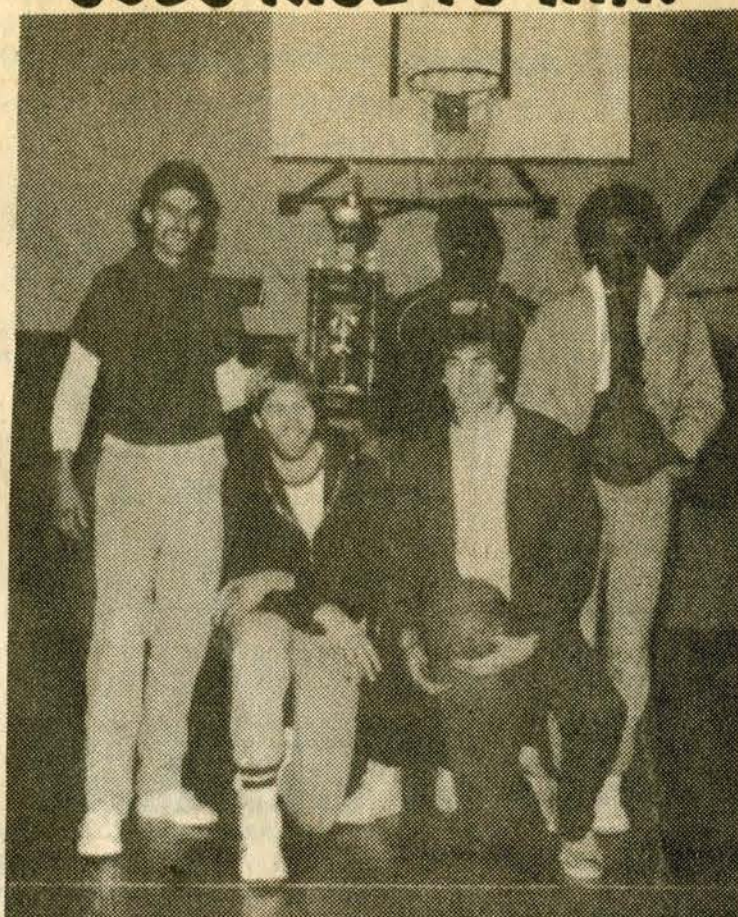
Wanted: Dead Color Tv's. Portables only. Cash paid.
285-6032.

\$ CASH \$
For Junk Cars/Trucks.
Call Harvey's, 762-6898

NOTICE TO THE FACTS PATRONS CONCERNING THE MAIL!!!

Please use our P.O. Box 22015, to correspond with us. When our address is used we don't get some of our mail for four to ten days later. Please use P.O. Box 22015.

SUBS RISE TO WIN!



By: Harold Murphy

The Subs Basketball Team was the victor in the Garfield Holiday Tournament. The tournament was held in the last week of December. The other teams that participated in this men's tournament were Family Plus, Tubs, Take Five, Maaronna, and Yessler.

The competition was intense throughout the entire tournament, with each team making a fine showing.

The championship game was between Family Plus and the Subs. The game was close up until the final three minutes, but the outside shooting of the Subs pulled them ahead to the final score of 77-69, and victory!

The Garfield Community Center and the participating teams would like to express their thanks to the officials who volunteered their time to provide excellent officiating and quality competition. Special thanks to Gary Boyle, Jimmy Daniels, James Ewing, Bernie Strong, Bruce Barwett, and the Pacific Northwest Officiating Association for their cooperation. Thanks is also due to the Garfield High School for the use of their gym.

Garfield Community Center's new winter schedule will be announced in next week's FACTS.

The Garfield Community Center wants to thank the FACTS for their support this past year.

Over 150 Businesses advertise in THE FACTS Service Guide each week! Why not advertise your business?

