

IN THE NEWS

Marie Jones Presented Award from Governor's Council

The Kitsap County Board of Commissioners recently presented Marie Jones of Bremerton along with 16 other awards to individuals and organizations from the Kitsap area with "Face It" Recognition Awards from the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse.

The awards were made to honor the contributions of members of the Kitsap Community to the prevention of alcohol and other drug abuse in 1993.

"I feel most complete working with people and being of service to them in some capacity," said Jones after the receipt of her award.

Jones is one of the three founding members of Kitsap Youth Services Association (KYSA) of Bremerton and currently serves as the executive director.

KYSA was established to support a pilot community, the West Park Low-income Housing Development, in 1993 by providing activities for youth in the community.

"Upon conducting door to door surveys, we heard parents talk about how hard it was to entertain their children on the income that they received each month," said Jones.

"The children themselves spoke about not being able to

go outside of their neighborhood," she added.

Thus the program "Families R Us" was started.

The program's intent is to bring families—parents, and children—closer together by opening the line of communication and allowing them to spend quality time together without cost to them.

"We hope to create a degree of hope and self worth among the families we serve," continued Jones.

"We have seen family unity grow stronger and some social isolation reduced."

In its first year, the program served over 35 families. In 1994, their goal is to expand the program to include East Bremerton, Silverdale, Poulsbo, and Port Orchard.

KYSA and the "Families R Us" program is funded through the Community Development Block Grant.

They are currently in need of additional funding to provide t-shirts, bag lunches, field trips and staffing for their office.

If you would like to make a donation or become a

volunteer, call 792-9316.

Jones, born in Chicago, Illinois, moved to Bremerton in 1990 from Sacramento,

California.

She has five grown children and 15 grandchildren.



MARIE JONES

OC Program Accepting Construction Projects

The Olympic College Residential Construction Program (RCP) is accepting construction projects from private homeowners for 1994-95.

For the cost of materials and a donation to the RCP Scholarship Fund, Olympic College students, with professional supervision and

expert guidance, may accept construction projects that meet the RCP criteria for learning and practical experience.

For more information, call Grant Newman at (206) 478-4598 or Cynthia Azari, assistant dean for the Division of Business and Engineering Related Occupations at (206) 478-4777.

Participants Sought for Food Service Program

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Judith Billings recently announced that all food service management companies in Washington state interested in participating in the 1994 Summer Food Service Program for Children must register in this state by March 15, 1994.

Small and/or minority-owned businesses are encouraged to apply. Program participation is without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, or disability.

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Enter the Kitsap County Chronicle's Black History Month Quiz by answering the following questions. The quiz is open to all students in grades K-12. Two winners will be selected. Entries must be received by March 4 and the winners and answers will be announced in our March 9, 1994 issue.

QUESTIONS

1. Who was elected as the first president of the National Congress of Colored Parents and Teachers (NCCPT) and in what year was it founded?
2. Who was the first African American to achieve the rank of four-star general?
3. In what year did Jesse Cleveland Owens participate in the Olympic Games and in what events did he receive his four gold medals?

PRIZES

Two \$25 Gift Certificates redeemable at It's Time Clothing Store in the Kitsap Mall.

Submit entries to quiz, with name, address and phone number to Kitsap County Chronicle, P.O. Box 841, Silverdale, WA 98383.

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