

Resource center planned for Washington County

Development of new resources for women in Washington County will be the focus of a meeting Wednesday, June 25, at 7 p.m. at Pacific University in Forest Grove.

The women who have organized the event are working toward development of a Women's Resource Center for the county. They see it as a program that would provide the means whereby women could share experiences, help each other, make friends, and provide services not available in the county.

Judy Schilling, one of the organizers, pointed out that Portland offers a lot of good programs for women, but they are not accessible to many women in Washington

County. There appears to be a dearth of programs for women within the county, she said.

Dianne Elia, another organizer, said there has been little communication among women in the county, and as a result women are not able to help each other as much as they could.

"A lot of human resources

are not being tapped," she added.

The meeting at Pacific University will include discussion sessions on health care, child care, counseling, a divorce cooperative where women could receive assistance in self-help divorces, personal awareness, survival skills, recreation and crafts, and career opportunities.

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