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HELP !!! WE NEED A NAME FOR OUR NEWSLETTER - Call 648-7169

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CENTERS TO OPEN:

The staff has been hired and the Centers are being readied for opening in the very near future. Come and help if you are at all handy with painting or nailing. Also, if you have any excess furniture, dishes, coffee pots, etc., the Centers could sure put them to use.

The Centers and Staff members are:

North Plains Neighborhood Center - - -

The Elders of the North Plains Christian Church have very kindly permitted us to use the class room next door to the church on Commerical Street as a temporary location for our Center. We will move into a permanent building in the near future.

Jim Carte, Center Coordinator  
Lucille Shaw, Aide

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Timber Neighborhood Center - - -

School Building, Timber, Oregon

Hetta Knothe, Center Coordinator  
Dan Buehner, Aide

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Elda Anderson, Program Secretary, and Billie Sweitz, Center Secretary complete our staff at this time.

Plans are now being made to set up classes (homemaking, knitting, etc.), and activities (teenagers, sencir citizens, etc.), of interest to the people of the area. Visit and let us know what you would like us to do in your Center. Training sessions for the staff are presently being conducted.

Grand Opening and Open House will be announced later.

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HEAD START - North Plains, Oregon. Bob Warner, Director

We are delighted to have our first Head Start program in the County this summer. The North Plains Summer Head Start will be for 30 boys and girls who will be entering school next fall. Mr. Dale Myrick who will be Head-teacher and Mrs. Beth Sizer make up the teaching staff. They will be assisted by a Social worker, a Health nurse, a Health aide, and two Class room aides.

First classes will begin on Monday, June 19, 1967, at the North Plains School. Teachers and Aides will have an in-service training the previous week at the University of Portland. Registration will be on June 8 from 10 A.M. to 12 Noon, and from 6 P.M. to 8 P.M. at the school.

The children will be involved daily from 9 A.M. to 2 P.M. This includes the time of transportation to and from the school. They will spend approximately 3-1/2 hours at the school facility.

In the administration of the Head Start school, Mr. Warner says the philosophy is to furnish an environment that stimulates wholesome learning. This applies not only to the physical environment but also to the attitudes and social relations of the staff with students, children, and families. Families and community benefit from the program because it provides a supervised supplementary experience for the child. By supplementing the child's development, but in no way replacing the family's authority, the school is able to provide an educational experience and to share knowledge with parents. In this way parents and children derive the fullest benefit possible from the school.

The program is highly flexible. It varies from day to day according to the needs and interests of individuals and of the group.

We are looking forward to being funded for a 9-month Head Start program beginning in the fall.

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SEMINAR WITH DR. RALPH CRAWSHAW, M.D.

For the past few months, Washington County Community Action Organization has provided space and encouragement for a group participation in a Seminar, led by Dr. Ralph Crawshaw, M.D. The group came into existence because of an interest in discussing the problems and goals that are common to people providing a social service in the community. The sessions are held every other Thursday from 11:30 A.M. to 2 P.M. at the Community Action Organization office in Hillsboro. Social problems discussed with a view of reaching some practical solutions and so far have been very rewarding.

This year's Seminar runs for about 8 sessions. At present a questionnaire is being circulated to inquire if another Seminar would be useful next year.

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