TRANSITIONS



William R. Jamison

Creative spirit lost

Community activist and arts advocate William R. Jamison Jr. died June 21 due to illnesses caused by AIDS. He was 49.

Nationally recognized for his early support of self-taught artists and young emerging Northwest artists, Jamison was also owner of the Jamison/Thomas Gallery in Portland, which he established in 1980 as the Folk Craft Gallery.

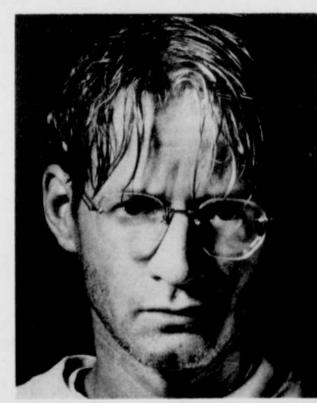
William Jamison was also involved in historic preservation early in the '60s in Ohio and brought his passion to Oregon in 1974. As co-owner of Victoria's Nephew from 1974 to 1983, Jamison provided a cafe for local politicos and expatriates to plan the city's future over bagels and the yet-to-be-popular espresso.

William Jamison is survived by his loving companion of 14 years, Bradley Rogers; his parents, Alberta and William Sr. of Geneva, Ohio; his sisters, Virginia Bilick, Betty Olsen, Nancy Peterson and Margie Boslett; his brothers, Thomas and Kenneth, and numerous loving nieces and nephews.

Jamison died in his home, where his friends and loved ones had gathered. A memorial service will be held Sunday, July 16, at 7 am at the Washington Park Rose Garden Amphitheater. A reception will follow at Jamison/Thomas Gallery, 1313 NW Glisan St.

Donations in Jamison's memory may be made to the William Jamison Scholarship fund at the Pacific Northwest College of Art, The William Jamison Lecture Series at the Oregon School of Arts and Crafts, or the Art/AIDS fund for AIDS research and education.

A writer to the end



Joel Redon

Novelist Joel Redon died June 6. He published three novels and wrote several powerful essays.

Redon learned that he had AIDS in 1986. In the years that followed he enjoyed the bar life in New York, Portland and San Francisco. His favorite year was 1992, when he had his own apartment on Post Street in San Francisco.

He came to live in Guerneville, Calif., with his friend Joan Leslie Taylor, also a writer. Eventually his health worsened, and he was diagnosed with AIDS dementia. He accomplished three essays in the last months of his life, a writer until the end. Redon was discouraged when his later books, which he felt were better than the others, didn't get published. When he could no longer walk and even reading became hard, he was ready to die.

Redon is survived by his parents, Earle and V'Anne Didzun, a sister, Gayle Mickey, and a brother, Andrew Didzun, all of Lake Oswego; and his friend, Joan Taylor, who helped him as his disease progressed. His papers are preserved at the Oregon Historical Society. His ashes will be interred at Zena Cemetery in Oregon, where his ancestors, who inspired several of his novels, are buried.

"To have placed the impossible word on the rainbow's arc, then it would have all been said."

Radio Man

A memorial service for Gary Ronald Howell was held Sunday, June 11, 1995, at the Portland Metropolitan Community Church.

Howell died of complications of AIDS on June 1. He was 50 years old.



Gary Ronald Howell

Howell had collected nearly 200 radios since childhood by shopping at garage sales and thrift shops. His CB handle was "Radio Man."

Howell is survived by his partner, Wayne Boulette, of Portland; his mother, Lee, of Portland; his two brothers; and a sister.

Remembrances may be made to Our House, 2727 SE Alder St., Portland, OR 97214.

Artist, organizer will be missed

Keith Kendrick died peacefully of complications of AIDS at St. Vincent's Hospital on June 9. Born on June 18, 1953, and raised in Portland, Keith graduated from Portland State University with a bachelor's in English. He is a former manager of Bedside X-Ray, where he worked for 20 years.

Keith's interests included gardening, drawing, photography and travel. Social services were important to Keith, and he organized and encouraged his co-workers and friends to support local agencies.

Disposition was by cremation.

He will be missed by many friends; his mother, Claire Kendrick; sisters, Rhonda and Leslie; brothers, Kevin and George; and by his companion of eight years, Pascal Peterson.

Donations in Keith's memory may be made to Salvation Army Greenhouse, 820 SW Oak St., Portland, OR 97205.





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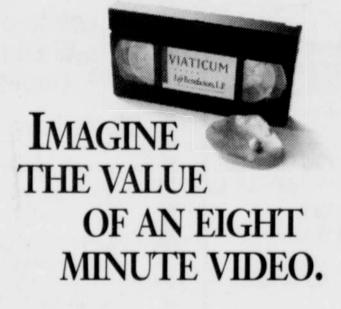


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