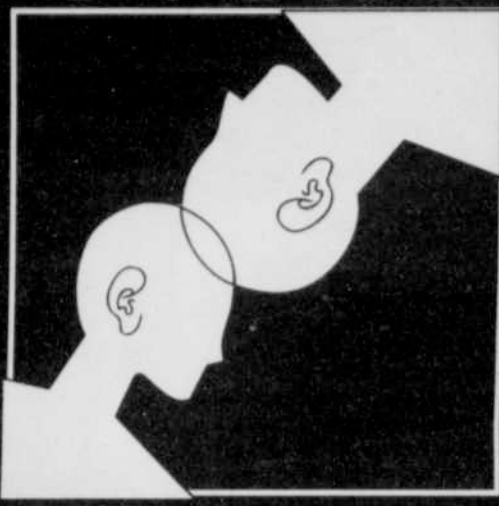


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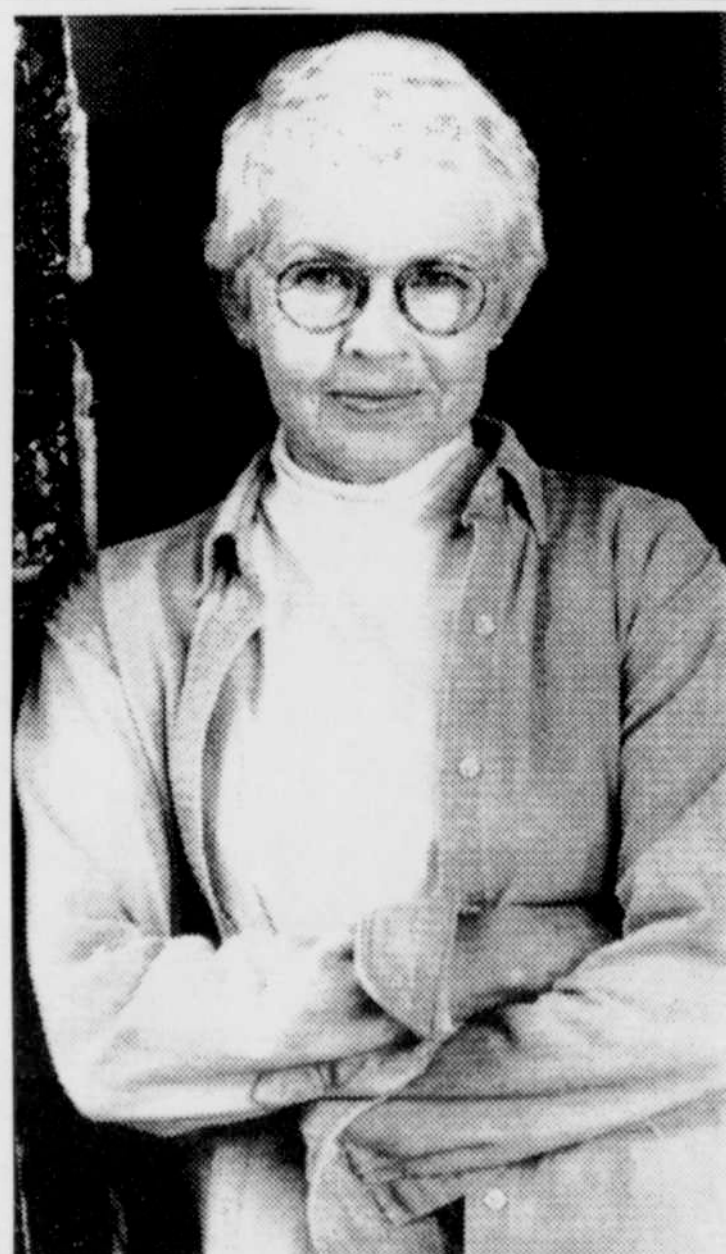
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## local news



Former Gov. Barbara Roberts in 1991

### Former Gov. Roberts to speak at YWCA gathering

Oregon's first woman governor, Barbara Roberts, is set to speak at the annual meeting of the YWCA of Greater Portland on Tuesday, Sept. 23.

Roberts will discuss her experiences as a woman in politics and the importance of women taking leadership roles in their communities.

She currently is the director of the Program for Executives in State and Local Government at the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University. Prior to being elected governor in 1990, Roberts served as Oregon's secretary of state and was a member of the Oregon House of Representatives from 1981 to 1985. She began her years in public service as an advocate for disabled children, fighting for the educational rights of her autistic son.

The two-hour meeting is open to the public and will be held at 5 pm in the US Bank Meeting Room of the Multnomah County Central Library, 801 SW 10th Ave. in Portland. Roberts will speak at 6 pm. For more information, call the YWCA at 294-7400.

### Auction benefits Friends of PWAs Foundation

The Friends of People with AIDS Foundation will hold its sixth fund-raiser auction Sunday, Oct. 5, at Darcelle XV, 208 NW Third Ave.

Preview of the auction items, silent auction and light buffet will be held from 2 to 3:30 pm, and will be followed by the oral auction.

Proceeds will help people with HIV and AIDS with their daily needs. Friends of People with AIDS Foundation is a small, grass-roots organization with no full-time paid staff. Its mission is to help people who may otherwise fall through cracks in the system.

Tickets are \$10 and may be reserved by calling 245-7428.

### Nordstrom celebrates diversity

Nordstrom will host the second Celebration of Cultural Diversity on Friday, Oct. 17, in the Atrium at Montgomery Park in Portland.

Several people will be honored with 1997 Nordstrom Community Service Awards for their work promoting cultural harmony. Recipients include Lanice Coleman, floor manager for Sisters of the Road Cafe; Cliff Jones, a human rights

and diversity activist with Technical Assistance for Community Services; and Miltie Vega Lloyd, human resources manager for the (Vancouver) *Columbian*.

The anticipated \$17,000 raised from ticket sales will be equally divided among several beneficiaries, including Cascade AIDS Project and the Oregon Council for Hispanic Advancement.

The event kicks off at 7 pm with hors d'oeuvres and wine, followed by the awards ceremony at 8:15 pm. The NW Afrikan American Ballet and Pink Martini will perform.

Tickets are \$35 per adult, and \$10 per student with identification, including college students. To purchase tickets, call Nordstrom at 224-6666, ext. 1840, or TDD 299-2824. Special accommodation information is available.

### PBA hosts trans/bi chat

"Transsexuals and Bisexuals Talk" is the title of a Portland Bisexual Alliance discussion slated for Friday, Sept. 19, at Laughing Horse Books, 3652 SE Division St.

The event is designed in part to "help folks in the bi community get up to speed on trans issues."

PBA has invited representatives from Filis Vistima Foundation, a Portland transsexual advocacy organization, to speak at the discussion group.

The meeting is open to all and runs from 7 to 9 pm. For more information, call 775-9717.

### CAP benefit fashion show to be held Oct. 25

The third Cascade AIDS Project benefit fashion show, Ready to Live/Dress for Life, will be held Saturday, Oct. 25, at the Portland Art Museum's North Wing Grand Ballroom.

This year's theme is "Solid Gold Style...A Solid Gold Heart." Fifty male and female models will don fashions from Portland's finest clothiers, and the runway look will be "very '40s and '90s Hollywood." The event will include, in part, a tribute to the late designer Gianni Versace.

Regular admission is \$50, which includes the runway show, entertainment and an after-show party. Patron tickets are \$150 and include all of the above, plus a hosted pre-show patron party and special VIP runway seating.

The event is sponsored by Wilshire Financial and Adidas America. All proceeds will benefit CAP's HIV primary prevention services.

For tickets or information, call CAP at 223-5907, ext. 197.

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