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candidates with 283 votes, or 0.28 percent. Multnomah County Commissioner Serena Cruz and state Rep. Randy Leonard, D-Portland, will face each other in a runoff Nov. 5.

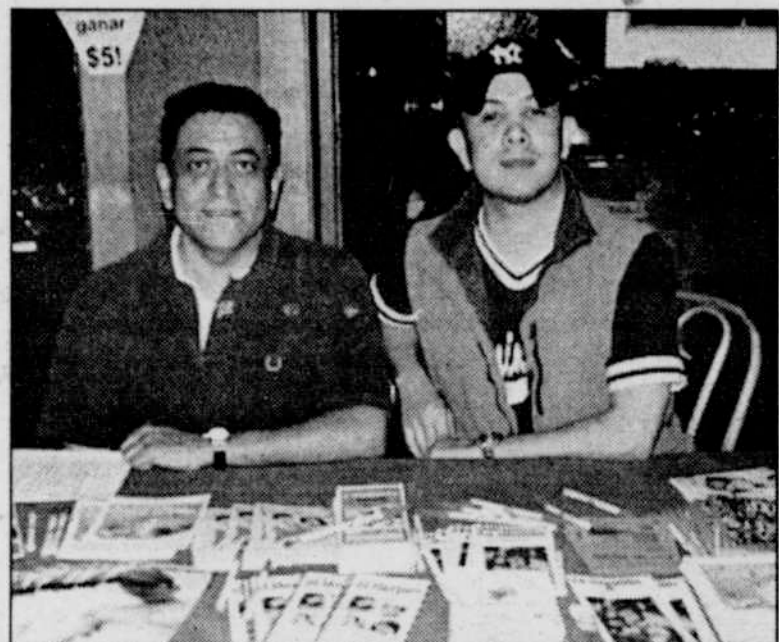


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Rafael Arellano (left) and Philip Knowlton raise HIV awareness Sept. 15 at C.C. Slaughters

Returning board members are Craig Hartzman, C.E. John Company vice president; Thom Walters, Wieden + Kennedy global organizational development director; Billi Odegaard, retired Multnomah County Health Department executive director; Yvonne Deckard, city of Portland human resources director; David Martinez, Multnomah County Commissioner Maria Rojo de Steffey's constituent relations manager; Jackie Thomas, Nike brand marketing U.S. director; and Kathryn Vaughan, Azumano Travel agent and a person living with HIV.

CAP will hold AIDSWalk02, the state's largest annual HIV and AIDS fund-raising event, Sept. 21. Registration is at 8:30 a.m., and the five-kilometer walk begins at 10.

For more information call 503-223-WALK or visit the Internet site www.cascadeaids.org.

DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

About 140 Latino gay and bi Portland men celebrated Latin American independence Sept. 15 at C.C. Slaughters. The event, sponsored by Cascade AIDS Project and the Men's Prevention and Wellness Program, was designed to provide education and increase awareness about HIV risks.

"This event is about bringing together Portland's strong and vibrant Latino gay community as well as letting loose and showing a little unity," said Salvador Candela, CAP multicultural outreach worker. "Often we as Latino gay and bisexual men feel invisible here. By having this event, we can show that we too are part of the fabric that makes Portland so vibrant and unique."

CAP ELECTS NEW BOARD LEADERSHIP

The leading community-based HIV organization in Oregon and Southwest Washington has elected new officers for its board of directors and added eight new board members. Cascade AIDS Project officers for 2003 are president Sam Adams, Portland Mayor Vera Katz's chief of staff; vice president Kathleen Dotten Cosgrove of Dotten Cosgrove; secretary Mike Winslow, StanCorp Financial Group vice president and general counsel; and treasurer Gary Gilliard, Ann Sacks national sales director.

New members recently elected to three-year board terms include Merced Flores, Oregon Education Department associate superintendent; Lina Garcia Seibold of Seibold Enterprises; the Rev. Leroy Haynes, Allen Temple AME Church senior pastor; Tom Imeson of Goldschmidt Imeson Carter; Eva Kripalani, KinderCare Learning Centers vice president and general counsel; Kathleen Lewis, community volunteer; Tony Melaragno, Legacy Health Systems vice president and chief of research; and Mary O'Connor, M Financial Group product development director.

"The board of CAP has never been stronger, more resourceful or better connected in the agency's history," executive director Thomas Bruner said. "CAP's board has also achieved record levels of diversity, more accurately reflecting the shifting demographics of HIV, including 37 percent people of color, 47 percent women and 63 percent heterosexuals. This group of seasoned community leaders positions us for continued growth, maturation and effectiveness in HIV prevention, services and advocacy."

MCKELLEN TO JOIN SEATTLE WALK

Oscar-nominated gay actor Sir Ian McKellen will be in Seattle for AIDS Walk & Fun Run 2002 on Sept. 22. He will take part in the opening ceremonies at Seattle Center, then join with thousands of people along the five-kilometer route through Myrtle Edwards Park.

"We are incredibly honored—and humbled—to have Sir Ian McKellen come to our walk," said Chuck Kuehn, Lifelong AIDS Alliance executive director. "He is a man of great talent, and great humanity, who has a strong connection to our cause."

For more information call 206-323-WALK or visit the Internet site www.aidswalk2002.org.

CLOSER TO A CURE

More than 42,000 people participated in the 11th annual Portland Race for the Cure on Sept. 15. At least 2,500 were breast cancer survivors.

Preliminary results show that organizers are close to meeting their goal of raising \$1.7 million for the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, which works to advance research, education, screening and treatment. Donations and pledges will be accepted until Oct. 18.

"We are extremely pleased with the outcome," said Cathryn Cushing, a Portland lesbian who serves as race chairwoman. "The success of the race puts us even closer to our goal of eradicating breast cancer as a life-threatening disease."

For more information call 503-553-3680 or visit the Internet site www.raceforthecure-pdx.org.

SHEPHERD RECOVERING

Ann Shepherd—Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays Portland chapter co-founder—is recovering after a visit to the emergency room Sept. 4. According to her daughter Susie, she almost had to return to the hospital a few days later when she walked three houses down the street to have dinner with neighbors and was too weak to get out of her chair.

Doctors said Shepherd—who has suffered from heart problems, emphysema and strokes—just overdid it. After getting some sleep she felt better.

Susie Shepherd said well-wishers—especially those with dogs—are welcome to come by the house between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. or after 4, as long as they call first. Every week she also prints

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