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WomenStrength Program will introduce a variety of self-protective options in a nonphysical discussion format. The workshop is open to adults who live in Portland.

The class will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. July 24 at Multnomah Arts Center, 7688 S.W. Capitol Highway. To RSVP call 503-823-3131 by July 21. For more information call 503-823-9666 or kelly.ball@ci.portland.or.us.

'Pregnant Man' Gives Birth

The birth of the Beatie baby garnered attention June 29 because a trans man carried the healthy baby girl.

Bend resident Thomas Beatie came out to his community and the world in the April 8 issue of *The Advocate*. According to the first-person article, Beatie, who is legally married to Nancy, decided to carry their baby because Nancy underwent a medically necessary hysterectomy 20 years ago.

Beatie, 34, described his decision to carry the child as a "human desire." He plans to publish a book about the experience in the fall.

As a trans man, Beatie took testosterone injections and underwent a double mastectomy but did not have his female reproductive parts removed. To prepare for pregnancy, he stopped taking hormones, his menstrual cycle returned, and he was artificially inseminated at home.

Five months pregnant and several thousand dollars poorer, the Beaties told *The Advocate* about discrimination and disapproval from doctors, family and friends. Health professionals have refused to call Beatie by male pronouns or recognize Nancy as his wife. After a miscarriage because of entopic pregnancy in their first attempt, Beatie's brother reportedly said: "It's a good thing that happened. Who knows what kind of monster it would have been."

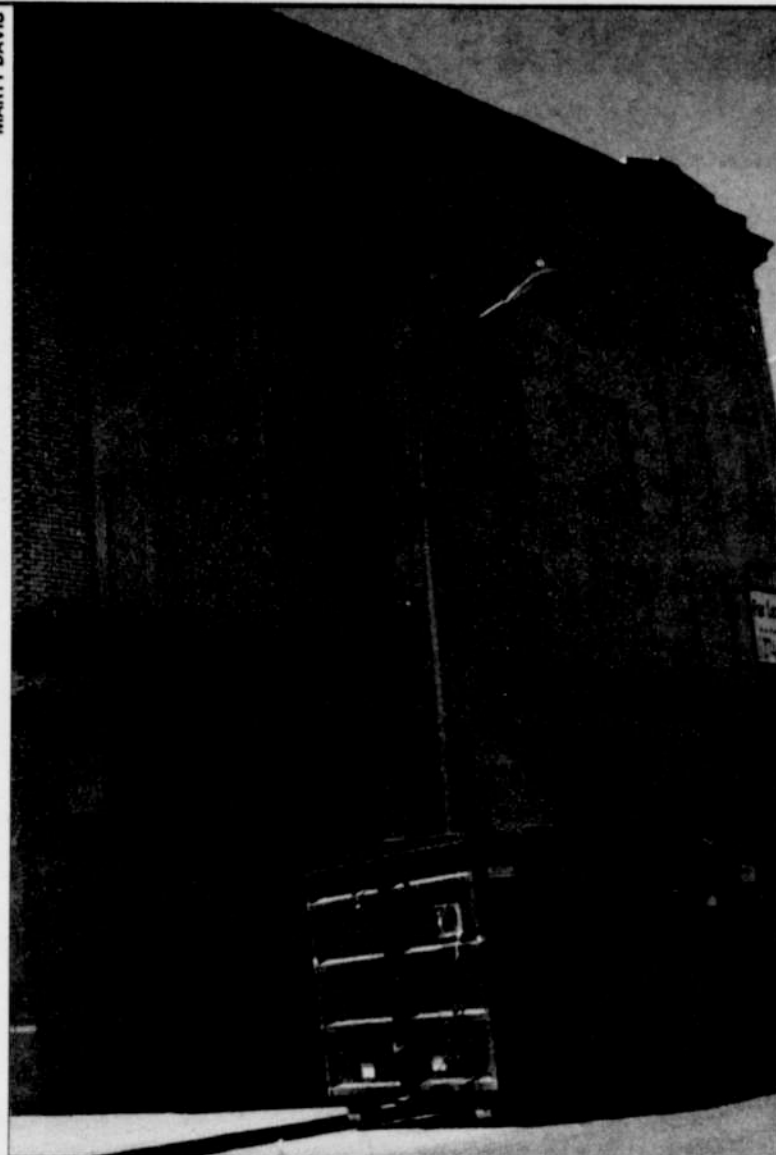
The Oregonian ran an article about the couple March 27, but Beatie declined to be interviewed, saying he had an exclusive interview with another media outlet.

According to *The Advocate* article, Beatie's masculine identity was unshakable during the pregnancy. He said: "To Nancy, I am her husband carrying our child—I am so lucky to have such a loving, supportive wife. I will be my daughter's father, and Nancy will be her mother. We will be a family."

Beatie has reportedly said he will consider having more children after he has experienced fatherhood.

McMenamins Buys Former Club Portland

Although the dance-happy queens from the "old Silverado" and the doped-up dudes lounging in their birthday suits at Club Portland have only been gone from the building less than a year, Portland powerhouse pub factory McMenamins announced July 11 it has purchased the complex at Southwest 12th Avenue and Stark Street. The longtime infamous corner of Portland's fast-gentrifying "gay district" will soon be home to a hotel and restaurant in the renovated building as early as winter of 2009.



It's going to take an awfully big scrub brush to scour Club Portland into a McMenamins-suitable hotel and restaurant.

According to McMenamins, Gerding Edlen Development has already begun renovation on the building, which will house the hotel, brewpub and restaurant.

"Having a full downtown property with all of our offerings in one area has been something we've thought about for a long time now," McMenamins marketing director Renee Rank said in a statement. "This project is the perfect complement to our adjacent Ringlers Annex Pub and the Crystal Ballroom and will be a great connection between the Pearl District and the West End."

According to a release by McMenamins, "The building itself has an incredible history since its inception in 1911. Throughout its near-century, the site changed hands and names many times, offering a hotel (Hotel Alma, Hotel Georgian, Hotel Tait, Majestic Hotel), men's bathhouse (Club Baths, Club Portland) and nightclub (Club Mecca, The Desert Room, Stark Street Station, Flossie's, Silverado), among other uses."

The new hotel (as of yet unnamed) will have 50 rooms. This project is McMenamins' first full-service establishment in downtown Portland. The company will commemorate, through original artwork and historic photographs, the property's evolution from pioneer residence to a tire shop along the city's original Auto Row to a live jazz club to—most recently and significantly—part of Portland's gay triangle.

The first floor of the hotel will house a restaurant with a menu that celebrates seasonal ingredients available throughout the Pacific Northwest and will feature outdoor seating. The basement will offer a heated saltwater soaking pool, massage rooms and a Subterranean Cellar Bar connecting with McMenamins Ringlers Annex pub.

McMenamins purchased the property from Gerding Edlen Development in June. "We couldn't have imagined a better use for this property," said Patrick Wilde, project manager for Gerding Edlen Development. "We purchased the building—with its unique triangle footprint and location at the gateway to the West End—with the idea that the right business could transform

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