



Entertainment Guide

by Allen Jones

"BROTHER RAY"—RAY CHARLES

In 1977 Ray Charles was "reunited" with Atlantic Records, the label which produced his first major hits in the 1950's, via a distribution deal for his own Crossover Records label.

Ray Charles' single (from his album *Renaissance*) of Stevie Wonder's *Living for the City* was selected by the National Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences to receive a 1975 Grammy, the Oscar of the recording industry, in the "Best R&B Vocal Performance—Male" category; this was Charles' 10th Grammy award.

In 1976 Ray Charles recorded *Porgy & Bess* with British singer Cleo Laine on the RCA label. Produced by Norman Granz and arranged by Frank deVol, the album was nominated for a 1976 Grammy in the "Best Jazz LP" category.

Ray Charles' classic hit, *I've Got a Woman*, was also nominated in 1976 for the NARAS Hall of fame.

Ray Charles was inducted into the Songwriters Hall of Fame in New York in 1976.

Charles' rendition of *America the Beautiful*, initially recorded in his 1972 album *A Message from the People* released as a single in 1976, was selected by Roone Arledge of ABC-TV to accompany the network's montage of U.S. victories which wound up its telecast of the 1976 Winter Olympics in Innsbruck.

Ray Charles was named "Best Jazz Male Vocalist" in the 1976 *Playboy* Magazine Music Awards Readers' Poll. He was inducted into the *Playboy* Music Hall of Fame in 1968, and has topped its Readers' Poll in several categories many times.

The Beverly Hills Lodge of the B'nai B'rith honored Ray Charles as its "Man of the Year" for 1976.



Ray Charles. The Rayletts and the Ray Charles Orchestra will appear at the Greenwood Inn at Beaverton, Friday, August 31st. There will be two performances... one at 7:00 p.m. and one at 10:00 p.m. For more information call 643-7444 ext. 372.

Martha Reeves appears in Portland



MARTHA REEVES

From out of the past and into the present comes the lovely Martha Reeves. Miss Reeves' has been giving the public enjoyment for 19 years.

Reeves' and the original Vandella's broke up in 1970, but Martha is back to stay with some new ideas. She has an 8 year-old boy named Eric who is the star of her life, now.

Pat Mitchel and Jean Tremble comprise the new Vandellas, and they both enjoy singing with Martha. Reeves said that disco music is put-

ting a lot of musicians out of business, so she is planning to do more television appearances. She's not going to work as hard trying to do tours in the U.S.

Reeves has been writing music since 1960, but is now more knowledgeable of copywrite laws and similar laws which protect her writings. She plans on writing more in the future, so to Martha we wish her all the success in the world. Keep on loving your people.

Community Calendar

Meeting August 27th, *Boise Citizens Improvement Association*, 7:30 p.m., New Hope Baptist Church, 3725 N. Gantenbein.

Meeting August 30th, *United Black Front*, 7:00 p.m., King Neighborhood Facility, 4815 N.E. 7th Avenue.

Portland Mime Theatre is seeking person(s) with a strong desire to act and willingness to work hard at it. No mime experience is necessary. Interested persons please call 285-6928 for further information.

Picnic for staff, board, advisory committees, volunteers and families. Sunday, August 26th from 1:00-6:00 p.m. at Peninsula Park, 6400 N. Albina. Bring your own lunch, lemonade and ice cream provided.

Meeting August 27th, *Boise Citizens Improvement Association*, to discuss 1) Fremont Bridge; 2) Unthank Park, 3725 N. Gantenbein at 7:30 p.m.

Is there a draft in your future? Have you heard about the possible return of the military draft? Young men and women, ages 16-26, should consider registering now as conscientious objectors. People wanting more information without charge about how to file as a C.O. or about the draft bills in Congress should contact the Portland Military and Veterans Counseling Center, a state-wide civil liberties counseling agency, at 633 S.W. Montgomery Street, Portland, Oregon 97201, or call 224-9307.

Tuesday, August 28th at 7:00 p.m. on KBPS 1450 AM—*City Club*: Portland City Commissioner Charles Jordan discusses "Police and Neighborhoods," the two primary bureaus under his jurisdiction.

Friday, August 31st at 9:00 a.m.—*Options: Federal Grand Juries*. The Federal Grand Jury came under attack as a judicial institution in the early '70s, and has been the subject of hearings in both houses of Congress. John McChesney reports (WBUR).

Friday, August 31st at 7:00 p.m. on KBPS 1450 AM—*Music of the Black Church: A Roland Hayes Tribute*. Hayes, an early Black concert tenor, is featured singing spirituals.

Monday, August 27th at 3:00 p.m. on KBPS 1450 AM—*Voices in the Wind: The Art of Sports*. Guests include Robert Merrill, baritone; Tommy John, Charlie Lau, Fred Stanley, Yankees; Edward Villella, dancer; Meadowlark Lemon, singer and former Harlem Globetrotter; Leroy Neiman, artist; Suzy Hagy, tennis player; Frank Chirkinian, CBS golf director/producer; and Glenda Pewthers, Houston Oiler Derrick Doll.

End of the Summer Festival to be held Saturday, August 29th, at Laurelhurst Park, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. There'll be fun galore for boys and girls ages 6-18. Activities include a tug-of-war, face painting, races, refreshments, and strolling musicians. For more information, call the YMCA Outer East Service Center at 777-3921.

August 31st—*Third Annual Flashlight March*, gathering at 8:00 p.m. at S.W. Park and Clay, march at 8:30 p.m., rally at 10:00 p.m. at O'Bryant Plaza. Childcare, Spanish translation and signing provided. For more information call 238-3755.


Meeting of the *King Neighborhood Association* to be held August 28th, 7:30 p.m. at King Facility. Topic: Neighborhood Needs.

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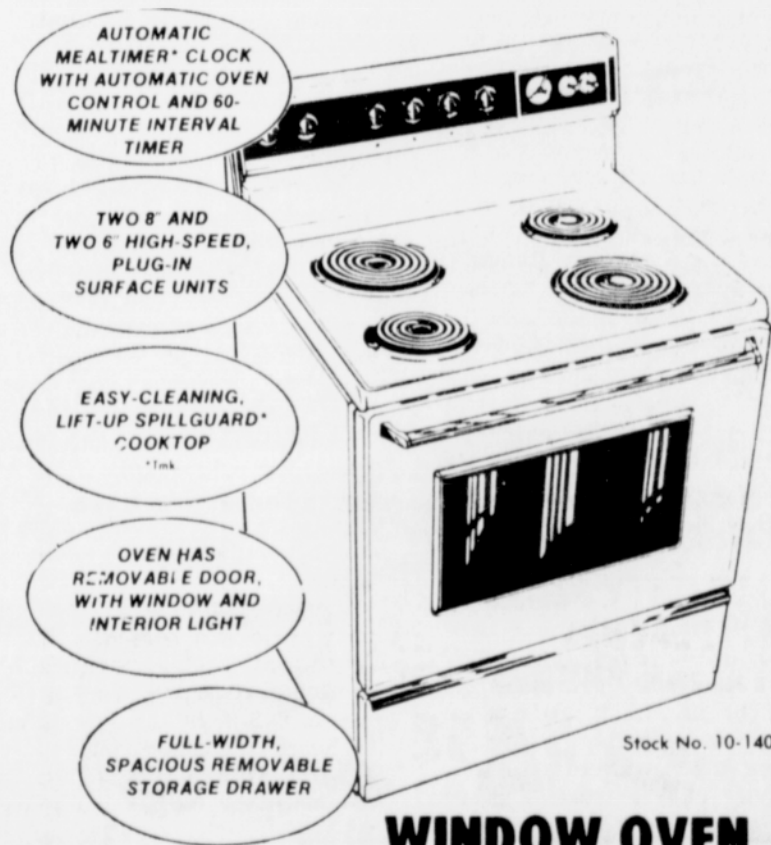
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