

# THE ENTERTAINMENT SEEN



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## ROSE CITY DOO WOPS

The R.C. Doo Wops consist of a group of gentlemen who came together sheerly by accident. All of the members are migrants from other cities across the U.S., places like Detroit, Chicago, San Diego, etc.

Once the members got to know each other and realized they all had a vocal talent, they began sharing their talents with each other, and that's how the R.C. Doo Wops began formation.

The group is only 3 months old and has already performed in front of a major audience at the Blacks in Government Conference, which was held at the Marriott Hotel in Portland. The group truly foresees a marvelous future. It is their goal to revive the acappella sound, for it is truly the root of all harmony.

The R.C. Doo Wops will appear on Channel 8 Sunday, August 24, at 8:30 a.m. The program is titled "Northwest Faces", hosted by Sharon Mitchell.

## Act One

By Ken Covington



## Woody Broadnax/Reverend Blood

A man sat with his back to the wall, his face buried into his hands. "Hey, Broadway, are you all right?" "Yea, man, I'm just fine," he replied, not moving a muscle. Woody had his partners a little worried. This was unusual for him, being quiet and alone for long periods of time. He was usually in their midst leading the conversations in this or that, and though everyone is entitled to a little privacy, Woody's additions to the group's conversation were respected and looked forward to. Most of all, they made the time pass quicker and that counts for a lot when you're in a place that offers nothing but time!

Where is this, you may ask yourself. The name of it is the Oregon State Penitentiary.

Woody Broadnax had been doing a lot of thinking lately. Something was gnawing at his brain night and day, though he didn't know exactly what. He needed time to himself, and that was a real task inside the gray walls of the severely overcrowded institution. He thought about the past; the scholarship to the prestigious Juliard, the hurt he saw in his mother's eyes when she thought about her baby going away from her, to New York even! What would have happened if he went anyway? He thought about the streets full of the hurt, pain and misconceptions that had him in his present time and space. He thought about his family, mostly his children. Oh! His children. He hoped and prayed that they would never come to know this place. But what could he do to make a difference? Talk was cheap. He knew this from experience. What could he do . . . . .

One day it came to him. A little vague at first, but day after day the picture became clearer and clearer. I'll give all of you one change to guess what this vision was . . . That's Right! Ladies and Gentlemen, Boys and Girls, Introducing The World of Reverend Blood!!!!

The World of Reverend Blood is a conglomeration of real life people and situations in cartoon form; preventative education, as Woody calls it.

Upon his release from prison, Woody went straight to the board of education with his comic strip in order for it to be added to the curriculum. The school district found some parts too graphic and decided not to add Reverend Blood to their anti-drug campaign. When I saw Reverend Blood, I knew it had to be presented to the public A.S.A.P. My personal opinion is that in today's society the children are painfully aware of what's going on, so why sugarcoat reality. The days of "tiptoeing through the tulips" are gone. Let's shout reality at the top of our lungs in hopes that realization will awaken our young, and we will defeat drug abuse and a million other misconceptions at the root. Out with the old and in with the new!

Today, Woody Broadnax can be found at the headquarters of Inside/Outside People (a self-help program for ex-offenders) putting words into action. You can find Reverend Blood here in the Entertainment pages of the Portland Observer. Hey! When you finish reading the strip, don't forget to show it to your children. That's who it was meant for. And don't worry, I won't tell them that you read the funnies, if you don't.

## Let's Party!

Royce's Bar-B-Que Connection in conjunction with Inside/Outside People present "Rock the Block Party," Positive Force presentation of The Crack Attack on Saturday, Aug. 23rd from 2:00 'til 10:00 p.m. featuring NBA representatives, Ron Herndon, Calvin Walker, Herb Cawthorne, Dick Bogle, Joe Payton, Margaret Carter, The Mos' Def Crew, The Staple Bros., Randy Smith and The Flirt Band, The Street Music Band, Heart-n-Soul Band, The Untouchables, Portland's Freshest D.J.s and more!

## Cash Reward Offered

For the return of a Candy-Apple-Red-colored Ibanez Bass Guitar. The guitar belongs to Randy Smith of The Flirt Band. It was lost last Friday. Anyone having any information, please call 288-0014. No questions asked.

## Salem Transit to Offer Special State Fair Bus Service

The Cherriot will once again be providing convenient shuttle bus service to the Oregon State Fair, which gets underway Friday, August 22. The special service will run every day of the 11-day Fair, beginning at 9:00 a.m. and runny every half hour up to the closing hour each evening. On weeknights, the last Cherriot bus will depart the Fair at 10:15 p.m., with service to 11:15 p.m. on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday nights.

The State Fair shuttle makes Fair-going easy. For a low 50¢ adult fare (35¢ for youth, 25¢ for seniors or handicapped persons in non-peak periods), the traffic congestion and the \$2.50 parking cost can be avoided. For more information contact the Cherriot information office at 588-BUSS.

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Key Largo	31 N.W. 1st Ave., 223-9919 Thurs., DaDa; Fri.-Sat., RIA
Pinocchio's	309 W. Burnside, 228-1830 Thurs., Cool'R
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Salty's	foot of S.E. Marion St., 239-8900 Fri.-Sat., Tues., Cool'R
Shanghai Lounge	0309 S.W. Montgomery St., 220-1865 Sat., Calvin Walker & The Conquerors Orchestra
Spectrum Nightclub (Vancouver)	1119 N.E. 95th St., (206) 573-9469 Sun., The Strawberry Gamblers, Dan Reed Network
Starry Night Nightclub	8 N.W. 6th Ave., 227-0071 Fri., Crazy B's
Top of the Cosmo	1030 N.E. Union, 235-8433 Mon.-Sat., Gene Diamond and Aires
Waterfront Park	on the Waterfront, 12:00 noon-2:00 Cool'R

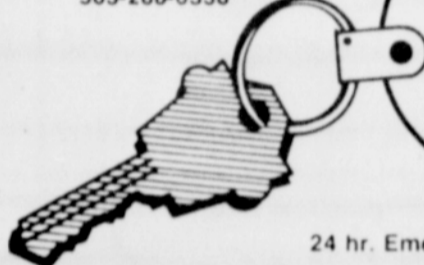
## HOTTEN

1. Rumors ..... Timex Social Club/Jay
2. Theatre of the Mind ..... Mtume/CBS
3. Headlines ..... Midnite Starr/Solar
4. Burnin Love ..... Confunkshun/Polygram
5. Get Busy 1 Time ..... Full Force/Columbia
6. Control ..... Janet Jackson/A&M
7. Bloodline ..... LaVert/Warner Bros.
8. Back in Black ..... Whodini/Jive
9. Winner ..... Patti Labelle/MCA
10. Sands of Time ..... S.O.S. Band/Tabu

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