



Today Black men "looking for Ms. Right" are unsure where they stand with traditional courtesies such as opening car doors.

## Looking for Ms. Right

Many of today's single Black men are speaking up and exploding the belief that dating for them equals throngs of women at their command, in the September EBONY.

"I don't know who these guys are who are supposed to be having it so good, but for me personally, the whole dating scene is not anything like the media portrays it for Black men. I don't care what the numbers are, this going out and meeting someone is just as hard for men as it is for women," says Leonard Wilcox, a 29-year-old single, college-educated, heterosexual computer software salesman, who spends many weekends watching TV alone in his apartment.

Mark Nicholas, a 33-year-old loan officer with a New York bank, says, "The trouble today is not that there are not enough Black men to go around, but there are not enough super men to go around. It's not enough to be a good guy with a job. You've got to be a BMW-driving executive with an Italian wardrobe who spends his free time dreaming up romantic weekends."

Several other Black men quoted in the article, "The Black Male Side Of The Dating Game," also sight: an unwillingness by women, who make as much or more than they do, to pay for the bill on occasion; and receiving clues from women that are unclear as to whether they want to be traditional or modern.

## "AL-ISLAM IN FOCUS" RETURNS TO T.V.

Beginning now thru August 29, "Al-Islam In Focus" will begin a four-part series entitled "The Pillars of The Faith" with Imam Mikal Shabazz. The series will air on Portland's Cable Access television.

The series will be shown every Tuesday on Channel 11 at 8:00 p.m., Thursdays on channel 27 at 8:00 p.m., and Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. on channel 11.

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## National Casting Championships in Portland

The 79th Annual National Casting Championships of the American Casting Association will take place at Delta Park, August 19th and 20th for the distance events, and at Westmoreland casting ponds, August 21st and 22nd for the accuracy events.

The Anglers Club of Portland will act as host to the top 100 casters from the United States and Canada who will be competing in such events as distance fly casting, distance spin casting, accuracy fly casting, accuracy bass bug fly casting, 1/4 oz. spinning accuracy casting, and 5/8 oz. crank bait accuracy casting.

The competition will take place at Delta and Westmoreland Park. The Westmoreland ponds are considered to be one of the best casting facilities in the country. This will mark the third time the nationals have been held in Portland, the last time being in 1936.

The public is invited to view the daily competition from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. which is admission free.

For more information, please contact Duane Thompson: 503-245-0721 (wk) or 503-239-6552 (hm).

## "Bacchus By Bus" Set for August 30

"Bacchus by Bus," a wine country crawl, will be held Sunday, August 30 from noon to 6 p.m. A fundraiser for the Association of Retarded Citizens of Multnomah County, the wine event will include tours and tastings at Tualatin Vineyards, Shafer Vineyard Cellars, and Oak Knoll Winery, plus a picnic lunch served in a hand-screened souvenir wine carrier.

Cost of the tour, which is tax-deductible, is \$28 for ARC members and \$30 for non-members. Participants will be picked up at the Barbur Transit Station, 9750 SW Barbur Blvd. by deluxe coach. Tickets must be purchased in advance at the ARC office, 718 W. Burnside, Suite 316, Portland, or reserved by telephone at 223-7279.

## Leisure Hour Jr. Golfers Travel to California

On August 4, 1987, nine (9) Leisure Hour's Jr. Golfers traveled to Inglewood, California, to play in Western States Gold Association Junior Gold Championship Tournament, which was held on August 5, 6, and 7, at the Jack Thompson Golf Course in Los Angeles.

The nine golfers were: Crystal Adams, Ronnie Adams, Damieon Grant, John Ly-Day, Natalie McPherson, Shawntele Mouton, Tawanna Mouton, Tony Mouton, and one college student, Mark Polk. The Jr's ranged in age from 9 to 16. There was also one Jr. golfer from Fir State Golf Club, Seattle, Washington, whose name is Brent Ransom. They (Fir State) are also a part of the Northwestern Western States.

Leisure Hour's Junior Golfers were the only club who came away with 3 winners and 3 trophies! They were: Natalie McPherson, 2nd place; Crystal Adams, 2nd place; and John Lyday, 3rd place, all in their age groups.

The Leisure Hour Jr. Golfers are planning on returning next year, 1988, and we welcome any young people who would care to join Leisure Hour.

## Park Bureau Advocates for People with Disabilities

If you have a disability and want to do something different with your leisure time, Portland Parks and Recreation has dozens of classes you can participate in all over the city. Staff from the Park Bureau's Disabled Citizens Recreation division can act as your advocate if you have financial or transportation problems or need information regarding physical access to Bureau facilities. They'll even attend the first couple of classes with you to make sure that you set off to a good start.

To talk to someone about signing up for fall classes, call 248-4328 V/TTY. Since Park Bureau classes are offered on a quarterly basis, the best time to work with an advocate for fall is the month of September.

## New Fall Activities Slated

Make the most of fall. With the change in seasons, you'll want to learn new skills, make new discoveries. Portland Parks and Recreation's Fall Activity Guide is just what you need. It lists more than 1000 affordable classes, workshops, day trips and tours. They're offered all over the city through the Bureau's community centers and community schools, Outdoor Recreation program, City Arts centers, public gardens, recreation facilities, and swimming pools.

Activity guides will be available the week of September 14. You can pick up a free guide at the Park Bureau's downtown office, 1120 SW 5th, Room 502, any Park Bureau facility, Multnomah County libraries, and Fred Meyer stores.

Mail-in registration for fall activities begins immediately, with classes starting October 5. For more information, call 796-5193.



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