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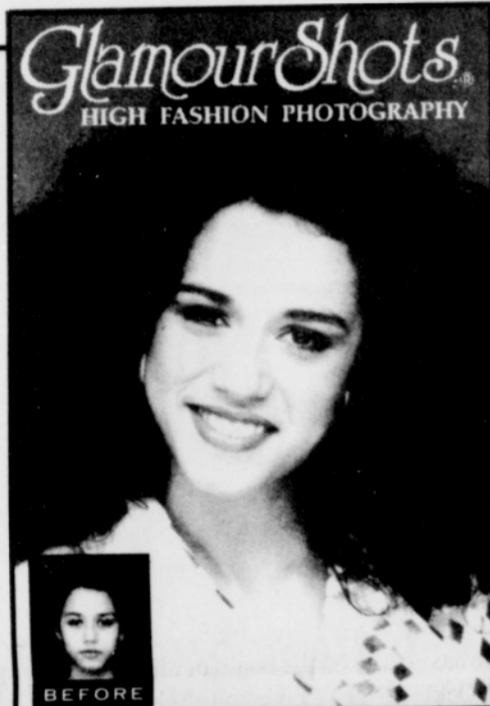
Community, pointed out that the disintegration of the family and inability of the system to discipline children has made it almost impossible to live the principles Dr. King bequeathed to our generation. The gangs, he said in heavy laden Asian accent, "are rasing our children". The audience who probably have witnessed drive by shootings and killings, yelled in applause. The crowd watched in awe as Imam Shabazz lambasted the media for promoting a "Popular Culture" that is detrimental to our society. He raved and roared over the microphone as he spoke about the unfortunate parents, whose kids have gone away from the values and principles that Dr. King preached and lived, using Quran, based oratory and phrases to impress the ecstatic audience.

If adoration and glorifications could raise the dead, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. would have risen from his grave and strolled quietly into the waiting hands of dignitaries who gathered at this occasion. At sixty-five he would have shook hands with Mary

"Wendy" Roberts Commissioner Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries, Bev Stein, Chair Multnomah County Commission, Charles Stoudamire, Executive Director, Oregon Commissioner on Black Affairs, Vicki Barrows, President Portland Association of Teachers and those who sincerely participate in celebrating his birthday. To Dick Bogle and Lew Frederick, Director, Public Information Office, Portland Public Schools, who played the Emcee, and to Chief Charles Moose and to those who received awards in his name-he would say "Keep Living The Dream".

From the highest of dignitaries and to the lowest of the ordinary folks that graced the King's birthday bash it was clear that the "Dream" he had and the principles he cherished before he died will continue to live even beyond our generation.

But, what was not clear, after all the speeches and music, were whether there will ever be any one like Martin Luther King, Jr. This and plethora of other questions raised at this occasion are better left for historical judgement.



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Bill Deiz Named Executive Director Of North/Inner Northeast YMCA



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The YMCA of Columbia Wilamette has named Bill Deiz Executive Director of the North/In-

ner Northeast Branch. Bill comes to the YMCA form Ecumenical Ministries of Oreogn where he was the Associate Director of Development and Communication. Deiz's work experience also includes an extensive background in broadcasting.

The Y branch provides services to Inner Northeast Portland including child care, youth sports and leadership development. Future plans for the Branch include community development programs such as Y Black Achievers.

Deiz lives in Northeast Portland with his wife Judy Rooks and children Brendan and Galen.

In Fond Memory Of Wanda Griffith Harding

Wanda Grif-fith Harding was born in Portland, Oregon on October 10, 1922. She died Sunday, December 26, 1993 of causes related to congestive heart failure short-ly after placement in an adult foster care home.

She attended Jefferson High School, and completed some college courses. Most of her adult life was spent in San Francisco, California where she was employed by the Hunter's Point Bayview Community Health Center as an administrative assistant.

She married Leroy J. Jackson in 1963. He preceded her in death. She married Donald J. Harding in 1979. They later separated.

After the death of her mother in 1981, she returned to Portland to care for her father, Lloyd Griffith. She was employed by NE Mental Health Clinic and as a client tracker for Delauney Mental Health for several years prior to retirement due to illness.

Mrs. Harding was survived by her step-daughters, Jean Jackson of Richmond, California and Linda Jackson of Oakland, California and step-sons, Charles Jackson of Oakland, California, Ronald Jackson of Houston, Texas and Ralph Jackson of San Francisco, California. Aunts, Ione Duke of San Francisco, California and Inez Mayberry of Portland. Cousins Danille Bradford, Rochelle Parker, Donna Lee Lincoln of Portland; Marnella Reese of Vancouver, Washington; Jacqueline Bolivar of Los Angeles, California; Betty Kemp of Lake Oswego, Leo Griffith, Jr., Daryl L. Griffith, Kenneth J. Griffith, Alfred Griffith, George Duke, Horace A. Duke of Portland; Clarence Stan Duke of Santa Barbara, California, Charles H. Duke of Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Mrs Harding leaves a host of other relatives and friends.

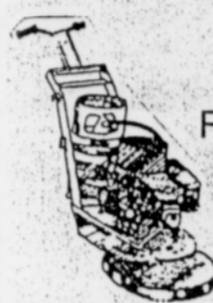
A memorial service honoring Mrs. Harding was held on January 4, 1994 at the Bethel A.M.E. Church. Rev. Dorsey McCullough officiated.



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The Trauma Intervention Program Is Looking For "Heroes" In Portland

The Trauma Intervention Program (TIP) of Portland is seeking citizen volunteers in the Portland area, willing to be trained to assist police, fire, and emergency medical responders at the scene of traumatic incidents. These "Good Samaritans" will provide immediate emotional and practical support to victims of burglary, robbery, fire, assault, and other crisis situations. They may be asked to comfort the families of suicide or sudden death victims, encourage and provide resources to victims of domestic violence, help disoriented older persons or traumatized children, or offer helping hand in other types emergencies. For more information, or to register for the training, call the Training Coordinator at 222-8665.

Louise L. Waters Elected President Of Union Pacific Employee's Club



Louise L. Waters

Louise L. Waters was the first black woman elected President of the Union Pacific Employees' Club. Louise has at various times served as Vice President and Treasurer of the Club. Ms Waters has been a member for over twenty-nine years. Ms Waters has worked on the Club Board for

the last twenty years. She enjoys her work tremendously.

The Portland Union Pacific Club was organized in 1933. The Club meets twice a month to focus on their year 'round philanthropic projects. Other activities include monthly pot luck dinners and luncheons. For fun they play Bingo.

The local Club has over three hundred members under the designations; Active Employee, Retired Employee, and Spouse. There are Sixty-four Union Pacific Employees' Clubs throughout the United States. Each year they hold their convention in a different state. This August the convention will convene in Little Rock, Arkansas which will be the host state.

As a member of Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church, Ms Waters is also a member of over twelve clubs and auxiliaries, whom address themselves to community service. Ms Water's, says, "she does not belong to any organization that does not work."



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