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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Schindler's List

Steven Spielberg's "Schindler's List" was the highlight of Oscar night winning seven Oscars including one for best directed. Spielberg has been nominated many times but never won. He was honored by his friends with a standing ovation.

Deadly Tornado

Deadly Tornado hits the Southern region leaving a path of at least 43 dead and massive destruction. The majority of the deaths occurred when a church had a wall that fell crushing many patrons including many children.

Unrest In South Africa

In Johannesburg South Africa many are dead in the wake of violent confrontation between Zulus Nationalists and South African Policemen. Zulus are protesting next months elections.

White Water

The Senate voted to hold hearings into the white water case which has been a political night mare for President Bill Clinton's arch foe Rep Tim Leach of Iowa wants the issue pressed, but guards against making any premature decisions as to the outcome of the White Water problems.

Four Year Old Girl Wounded By Gunfire 200 Block Of NE Stanton Street

A four year old girl being carried by her mother was hit by gunfire after shots were fired in the area of NE Rodney Ave. and Stanton St. The girl was transported to Emanuel Hospital for treatment after she was apparently grazed by a bullet.

At about 8:40 pm Monday night, North Precinct officers responded to the 200 block of NE Stanton after a woman called 911 to report that her four year old had been shot.

Investigating officers found several shell casings in the area of NE Rodney and Stanton, and a resident in an apartment east of the intersection reported that a bullet struck his building.

The mother of the child, Tewquila Roach, told police that she had been walking along the sidewalk towards some other people and was carrying her child. She heard several shots and dropped to the ground. Her daughter was alerted her mother that she was hurt. The motive of the shooting is still to be determined. No suspects have been arrested at this time.

Magic To Coach LA Lakers

Magic Jonson one of the most celebrated players in basketball history, is staging a come back this time as a coach. He replaces Randy Pfund and he is expected to reunite with his former colleagues at the NBA.

Proposal Saves St. Johns Police Precinct

MAYOR VERA KATZ ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY A NEW PROPOSAL FOR CREATING A FIFTH POLICE PRECINCT BY KEEPING THE ST JOHNS POLICE STATION OPEN. THE STATION WAS PREVIOUSLY IN DANGER OF BEING PHASED OUT AND CLOSED.

This proposal will help make our streets safer here in St. Johns precinct, Katz told the group that her recommendation will be included in her 1994-96 proposed budget.

The mayor's proposed budget allocates \$144,000 for the one-time purchase of four patrol cars, one staff car, and additional radios for the North Precinct. An additional \$106,000 is budgeted to cover the costs of operating the precinct.

"The needs of the St. Johns neighborhood are unique because we're somewhat isolated from the rest of the city," said Bob Leveton, long-time St. Johns merchant. "The thought of this precinct closing down had a lot of people here pretty upset."

The North Precinct office was slated for closure following an October, 1991 City Council vote to relocate the precinct from St. Johns to the corner of Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and Killingsworth. That move would have made the MLK precinct the largest precinct in the city, covering roughly 50 square miles, and 23 neighborhood associations.

Katz says that maintaining operations of the St. Johns office, and opening the MLK and East Precinct offices alter this spring will in effect, create five precincts in the city. These precincts will enable police to respond to calls more quickly, and to more easily become a part of the neighborhoods the officers patrol.



Katz' Proposed Budget Keeps St. Johns Precinct Open

"Keeping this precinct open will make it easier for us to really get to know the people in the communities we serve," said Alan Orr, Commander of Portland's North Precinct. "By doing so we'll be better able to nip a lot of potential problems in the bud. That's what community policing is all about."

The Mayor's proposal will maintain op-

erations of the Fifth Precinct without hiring additional staff. Officers and support staff will be reassigned from other offices to the St. Johns office. Between 40 and 60 officers and staff people will run the Fifth Precinct office.

Katz will present her proposed budget to the full City Council on April 8. The council is expected to vote on the budget in May,

following a series of community budget meetings.

"Chief Moose asked me several months ago if I would be interested in maintaining a strong police presence in St. Johns," said Katz. "My reply was 'absolutely,' if we could do it with existing personnel. He showed me we could, and I said I would."

Volunteers Spotlighthed



From (L to R): John Williams, Courtney Burmaster, Jill Nichols

A North Portland resident and a local non-profit organization were presented with Spotlight Awards at United Way of the Columbia-Willamette's recent Night of the Stars Awards Dinner.

American Red Cross - Oregon Trail Chapter received an Outstanding Agency Participation Award for giving numerous presentations during the 1993 fund drive. Pictured from left to right are John Williams, 1993 rose Festival Junior Queen Courtney

Burmester, and Jill Nichols from American Red Cross - Oregon Trail Chapter.

Ed Bailey was honored with an award for his contribution to the public service advertising campaign. He was one of four individuals featured in the 1993 ad campaign and is striving to keep kids out of gangs by sharing his story of his past gang involvement. Tom Parker from K103 served as master of ceremonies.

The Duracell/National Urban League Scholarship And Intern Program For Minority Students

This program is intended to assist and encourage outstanding minority students in completing their college education, and to give these students practical exposure to employment opportunities within a large corporation.

The program will offer five major \$10,000 scholarships and summer intern opportunities. They will be awarded to minority students who are pursuing full-time studies leading to a Bachelor's degree at an accredited institution of higher learning. **To be considered, a candidate must:**

1. Be an undergraduate college or university student who will be classified as a junior, or third-year student, at the time of the scholarship.
2. Rank within the top 25 percent of this or her class scholastically at the time the application is made, and continue to maintain such scholastic rank-

ing throughout participation in the program.

3. Major in courses leading to a professional career in engineering, sales, marketing, manufacturing, operations, finance or business administration.

4. Have a strong interest in summer employment with Duracell Inc. between his or her junior and senior years at a location to be selected by the company.

Applications are available at The Urban League of Portland, 10 N. Russell. All applications need to be turned into the Urban League no later than 5:00 pm on Friday, April 15. No exceptions will be made.

The scholarships competition is open to residents of the U.S., except the children of employees of Duracell Inc., their advertising agencies, Urban League staff, Board of Directors, judging panel, committee members, guild members and the families of the above.

Oregon Delegation Asked To Help Eliminate Public Assistance Barrier

A COALITION OF GROUPS WORKING TO ELIMINATE HUNGER AND POVERTY HAVE ASKED OREGON'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO SUPPORT A FEDERAL WAIVER REQUEST THAT WOULD RAISE THE VEHICLE VALUE LIMIT FOR THE FOOD STAMP AND AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN (ADC) PROGRAMS, ALLOWING MORE LOW-INCOME FAMILIES TO RECEIVE NEEDED BENEFITS.

The Oregon Hunger Relief Task Force, Oregon Food Bank, the Oregon Human Rights Coalition, and the Human Services Coalition of Oregon, hope Oregon's Congressional delegation will intervene with the U.S. Dept. of

Agriculture (which oversees the Food Stamp Program) and the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services (which oversees the ADC program) to ensure Oregon's waiver request is accepted. State legislation passed last session (SB 887; Chapter 355, Oregon Laws 1993) directed Oregon to make the waiver request, but federal approval is needed to implement the vehicle value limit increase.

Currently, in the Food Stamp Program, individuals cannot generally receive benefits if they own a vehicle worth \$4,500 fair market value. The ADC program, which serves primarily poor women and children, has more restrictive requirements, allowing a family to have \$1,500 equity in an automobile.

The waiver requests would raise the automobile asset limits to \$9,000 equity so that unemployed Oregonians--such as timber workers and low-wage job seekers--will not have to choose between keeping their reliable transportation and receiving food stamps or ADC Benefits.

"Because of the nature of where they live and the type of work they do, many rural households own vehicles--often 4-wheel drive--that exceed the ADC and Food Stamp Programs' restrictive vehicle limits" said Ellen Lowe, Chair, Oregon Hunger Relief Task Force. "Many who are denied benefits list their vehicles for sale, but their communities are too economically depressed to produce

buyers," she added. The resource limits, which were established over a decade ago, deny heads of households the ability to meet immediate needs and find employment.

The coalition of concerned groups sent a letter last week to each member of the delegation to ask for their assistance in obtaining the waivers. "Approval of the waivers would allow those families faced with economic disruption the ability to get back on their feet and have a better chance to return to Oregon's work force" said Sara Fleming, Director, Oregon Hunger Relief Task Force. The waivers will give Oregon a head start on meaningful welfare reform and address the negative impacts caused by the decline in the timber industry.

General News

Governor Appoints Multnomah County Residents To State Boards And Commissions

Governor Barbara Roberts has appointed 35 Portland residents to state boards and commissions.

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The Police Precinct Build Black Economic Eggs In One Basket/James Posey

The project has come to symbolize the Katz administration efforts.

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