Safe Haven For Haitians Now Human Rights

Panel Needs Members

The metropolitan Human Rights Commission is soliciting applicants for appointments to the commission. The appointments are made by Mayor Vera Katz and County Chair Beverly Stein for three year terms, beginning in September.

The mission of the 15-member commission is to foster mutual understanding and respect, and to protect the human rights of all persons in the City of Portland and Multnomah County.

The commission sponsors community projects, conducts policy reviews, holds hearings to gather information from the community on issues of concern and responds to requests for assistance.

For additional information and application materials, call the commission at 823-5136.

The National Coalition for Haitian Refugees (HCHR) has called on the Clinton Administration to act fast to protect Haitian refugees from military terror and persecution by immediately providing safe haven to them. "Haiti today is just as unsafe as on Mother's Day when President Clinton said that "the repression and bloodshed in Haiti have reached alarming new proportions," said Jocelyn McCalla, NCHR's executive director. "We cannot wait until the administration works out all the details of processing before we can provide the protection that is needed. Without an immediate safe haven policy, Clinton's changes are merely cosmetic.'

Since Clinton announced his administration's new approach to Haiti's political and refugee crisis, more than 1,100 Haitian refugees, intercepted by U.S. Coast Guard cutters, have been forcibly repatriated without a hearing. More than 20 of these refugees were taken into custody by Haitian military forces and taken to detention centers. On May

regime, invoking a Duvalier-era law against illegal departures from Haiti, announced its intention to prosecute all who participate in such departures. Francois "papa doc" Duvalier and his son, Jean-Claude "baby doc" Duvalier ruled Haiti with an iron fist from 1957 to 1986. Under their rule, Haitians were forced to obtain an exit visa before leaving Haiti. Exit visa requirements were eliminated shortly after the Duvalier regime's demise in February 1986.

This measure puts Haitian refugees on a par with Cuban refugees who would be subject to similar penalties if they were forcibly returned to Cuba. "It reminds us again that Haitians' claims for protection should not be treated worse than claims from Cuban refugees or refugees from the former Soviet Union," said McCalla.

Since Clinton announced the new policy, NCHR has said that Haitians who meet the definition of "refugee" as well as those in "refugee-like situ-

21, the military-appointed civilian ations" should receive temporary protection in a safe haven until the Haitian military is removed from power, democracy is restored, and conditions exist for safe return. With respect to refugee processing, NCHR has insisted on the following conditions to guarantee fairness:

> 1. Refugees need to be given a meaningful opportunity to make their case for protection against forced repatriation to Haiti. NCHR welcomes the support of the hundreds of Volunteer Lawyers for Haitian Justice who are prepared to offer assistance at their own expense.

2. Refugee processing should be moved to land as soon as possible. Sites available immediately include the U.S. naval base at Guantanamo.

NCHR is a 12 year old institution dedicated to ensuring that Haitian refugees get treated equally under U.S. and International Law. NCHR is composed of major human rights, civil rights, labor, religious and community organizations in the United States. NCHR also works to promote respect for human rights in Haiti.

ARCO Leads In Minority Support

Despite Enormous Needs, Other Corporations Lag Behind

ARCO, Amoco and Exxon led 19 top U.S. profit-making corporations supporting racial and ethnic populations according a recent study. Altogether, the corporations gave only 17 percent of their grant dollars in 1988 to racial/ethnic groups, which constitute 24 percent of the total U.S. population.

"There is growing awareness of the needs of minorities. However, this must be translated into significantly greater support," responded Louis Nunez, president of the National Puerto Rican Coalition.

"Demographic change is affecting social issues in a profound way," said Gene Wilson, president of ARCO retail. Foundation, which ranked the highest in grant dollars to benefit minorities: \$4.7 million. Nationwide, corporations give \$6 million annually to non-profits.

Bell Atlantic ranked lowest in Anglo children.

Nemours, GTE, IBM and Philip Morris Companies.

"We have to assume either that their giving for minority issues is nonexistent or negligible, or they don't care," said Robert Bothwell, one of the authors of the study.

The study, by the National Committee for Responsible Philanthropy, is the first comprehensively to examine giving to racial and ethnic nonprofits by corporate America. Six such reports with data drawn by industry sector will be published in the next two years: telecommunications, gas and oil, commercial banking, automotive, food and beverage and

A few compelling facts shaped ARCO's giving program: · Only two of every 100 Latino

kindergartners in California will get bachelor's degrees compared to 27

Junior Queen Feels Lucky To Call Portland Home

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Linnman also praised the Rose Festival in general for being the largest all-volunteer community celebration in the country.

The junior queen and court reign over the various children's events during Rose Festival, including the Royal Rosarian Junior Knighting Ceremony, June 4, at Peninsula Park in North Portland, the Alpenrose Milk Carton Boat Races, June 5, and the Junior Parade, June 8.

Junior princesses from North and

Northeast Portland are Elyse Taylor, 9, representing the Hollywood neighborhood and a student at Irvington Elementary School; Ashley Scheitel; 10, of North Portland and a student at John Jacob Astor Elementary School; and Shauncey Mashia, 9, representing the Walnut Park district, a student at Joseph Meek Elementary School.

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The other princesses are Kristina Brown, 10, of Arleta Elementary School, Kristin Ellis, 10, of Glencoe Elementary, Amy Weberg, 9, of Ventura Park Elementary and Jessie Runyan, 9, of Bridlemile Elementary.

Arrested Development Heads Back To Their Roots

Black Music

Month

Some historians refer to "the chitlin' circuit" as the handful of world-famous black vaudeville theaters - the Apollo in New York, the Regal in Chicago, the Howard in D.C., the Paradise in Detroit, the Royal in Baltimore - that thrived from the 20s through the civil rights era. Speech, chief writer and rapper for the Grammy-winning band Arrested Development, uses the term "chitlin' circuit" in reference to the smaller, funkier venues that have always catered to black music, especially throughout the rural South.

Gearing up for the release of the follow-upalbum, Zingalamaduni, to their multi-platinum debut, 3 Years, 5 Months, and 2 Days in the Life of ..., Arrested Development are undertaking anine city "chitlin circuit" concert and promotional tour. A.D.'s chitlin' tour itinerary is more far-reaching than the chillin' tours once done by legendary delta blues singers and jazz acts of the past, but the idea is the same.

"We're staying true to our roots with the people," Speech said. "This tour is not as glitzy or glamorous as a



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formal arena show. It's grittier, more down-to-earth, more old school."He adds that the tour is a "rebirth" for Arrested Development who, before they were signed, used to play "little backwoods clubs" throughout southern Georgia and northern Florida, bringing hip-hop to many of these places for the first time.

activism in everyday life, Arrested Development has arranged to have Greenpeace and Amnesty International giving out information at all of their dates. And, as before, A.D. will be displaying works by local African American artists in every city. The tour commences in Atlanta and concludes in San Francisco. An extensive summer tour will be announced in the near future.



As committed as ever to political



Police are looking for information to solve the murder of Tyrone Lynn Jones (above) killed last July on North Haight Avenue.

Crime Stoppers

cide detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are re-releasing information on a murder that occurred in 1993, in hopes that you can now help solve the crime.

On Thursday, July 22, 1993, at just before midnight, the body of Tyrone Lynn Jones, a 27-yearold male black, was found in the mer Street. 5900 Block of N. Haight Avenue, dead from a gunshot wound to the head.

A nearby resident reported hearing gunfire and then the sound of a person looked outside, they saw

Portland Police Bureau Homi- Tyrone Jones lying on the sidewalk. The vehicle that Jones had been

using, a bright yellow, 1975 Buick Skylark, with Oregon license plates JRF233, was apparently driven from the scene by the suspect or suspects involved. The vehicle was recovered seven days later, on July 27, 1993, in the 900 Block of N. Sum-

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information reported to Crime Stoppers, that leads to an arrest in this case, or any unsolved felony crime, vehicle leaving the area. When the and you can remain anonymous. Call Crime Stoppers at 823-HELP.

PORTLAND PUBLIC SCHOOLS/ **SPECIAL OLYMPICS CITY WIDE ELEMENTARY TRACK MEET**

In their continuation of a very unique event, Portland Public Schools and Oregon Special Olympics invite all community members to attend their annual elementary school Track & Field meet on Friday, June 3rd at 10:00 a.m. at Madison High School.

"This is an opportunity to see special education students at all levels compete at their best," stated Richard Janal, Area Director of Columbia Special Olympics, our local area program. "These students have trained to compete at their highest level. The level of performance by these athletes is really inspiring!"

The meet will begin with the torch run by Portland Public Schools. Welcoming speeches will be given dignitaries from Special Olympics and Portland Public Schools. Admission to the meet is free!

For further information on this meet and other Special Olympics events call Columbia Special Olympics at 230-1146.

"Grasscycling" Video **Coming Soon**

velopment is a joint effort of the Talented and Gifted program at Tubman Middle School, the Bureau of Environmental Services and the Northwest Film Center. This is a chance to see the kids in action. Part of this video is animation. This is an effort to educate the public about "grasscycling", a process of leaving the grass clippings on the lawn instead of bagging them for disposal.

The "Grasscycling" video de- This education project is designed to keep yard debris materials from going to the landfill. Grasscycling also saves water, fertilizers, time and money.

For more information contact Patrick Rosenkranz, N.W. Film Center, Project Coordinator. Office phone: 242-8317 School phone: 280-5630. Or Lee Barrett, Environmental Services yard debris coordinator Phone: 823-7107.

the study, giving \$133,500 to benefit racial and ethnic populations. Six other corporations gave under \$500,000 each: Ameritech, BellSouth, Digital Equipment, NYNEX, Merck and Texaco.

"We're hoping corporate giving programs will re-evaluate their priorities and do a better job of addressing the needs of minority populations," stated John Echohawk, executive director, Native American Rights Fund.

Six corporations, among 25 included at the study's beginning -refused to provide adequate information: American International Group, Dow Chemical, E.I. duPont de

Social Issues Concern New President

Hugh B. Price, 52, is a graduate from Yale Law School. He has served as a long-time social advocate in many positions, most recently at the Rockefeller Foundation, where he was responsible for managing initiatives in education for at-risk youth and programs to increase minority opportunities.

He is son of black middle class parents who were actively involved in the suffrage and civil rights movements in Washington, D.C. During the late 1960s, he served as the first executive director of the Black Coalition of New Haven, an organization dedicated to restoring the livability of neighborhoods.

His first position following graduation from law school, was an aneighborhood attorney with the New Haven Legal Assisatnce Association.

From 1970 to 1975, he was a partner in a law firm consulting on urban affairs in New Haven. From 1978 to 1982, he was a member of the editorial board of the New York Times where he wrote editorials on public policy issues, including public education, urban affairs, manpower, welfare, criminal justice and telecommunications.

He has taught seminars and served on many boards and commissions

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School District, the second largest in the nation, 67 percent of kindergartners are Latino.

 A Black male baby born in Los Angeles has three times as much chance of being murdered as being admitted to the University of California.

The National Committee For Responsive Philanthropy, based in Washington, D.C., has been a watchdog of private philanthropy since its founding in 1976, researching and publicizing issues of public accountability, accessibility to smaller and newer charities and responsiveness to those in greatest need.

Concert

Soprano Tonda Kemmerling will present a June 10 concert to benefit voice scholarships at the University of Oregon School of Music at 8 p.m. at the Beall Concert Hall, 961 E. 18th Ave. in Eugene. Kemmerling will perform works by Beethoven, Mozart, Schubert, Strauss and Verdi. Tickets at the door are \$5 general admission, \$3 for students and senior citizens. For information, call 346-5678.



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