

Trail Blazers Mark 25th Year

The Portland Trail Blazer unveil a new logo and special plans for a silver anniversary season.

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Neighbors Share Common Bonds

A weekend of events cement friendships old and new for present and former North and Northeast neighbors.

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PAL Club Opens Doors For Kids

Kids in Gresham have an alternative to the streets with the opening of a Police Activities League Club.

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School Offers Education Grants

Portland Christian Schools offer scholarships and financial aid for minority and low income students.

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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Crime Bill Slips Through Congress

Years of congressional wrangling and debates over a crime bill, came to an unexpected end last week. For days, the senate dragged the bill doggedly, making it seem impossible to pass but Thursday night, the weary senate, with a bi-partisan effort, passed the bill for president Bill Clinton's signature.

The centerpiece of the legislation is \$13.5 billion to be spent on local, state and federal law enforcement. About \$8.8 billion of that amount would be directed at hiring 100,000 officers nationwide to carry out community policing and \$9.85 billion for prison construction.

Portland Charity Turns 125

The Portland chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul is 125 years old this year. The organization, which provides assistance to those in need, hosted a national convention of St. Vincent de Paul last week at the Hilton Hotel. More than 1,000 people from around the nation attended.

Clothes, vaccinations distributed

Back to school means book bags filled with long, yellow pencils (with erasers intact) and nifty new clothes. But for many low-income families, new school clothes and supplies are out of reach. For those children, Life Income Families Emergency Center held its ninth annual Back-to-School clothing giveaway Saturday at Peninsula Park Community Center in North Portland. Free vaccinations from Multnomah County Health Department were also available.

Strikers Distribute Shopping List

Union grocery workers have a list of stores to shop at during the current grocery strike. It asks the public to shop at Kienow's Food stores, in all of its locations, Gartner's Country Meats, Flavel Food Valu, Laurelhurst Food Valu, and Galluzzo's Choice Meats. It also lists the Parkrose Sentry, Sandy Thriftway, Estacada IGA and Safeway Sandy. If none of these location are convenient, it asks shoppers to continue patronizing their usual store, but not to shop at all locations of Fred Meyer, Cub Foods and Food 4 Less.

Robin Givens Poses For Playboy

Actress Robin Givens has become the latest in a series of Hollywood stars to do a nude pictorial for Playboy Magazine. Givens, ex-wife of imprisoned boxer Mike Tyson, appears in the magazine's September issues. Other black stars including Jane Kennedy and Diana Ross have done similar pictorials.



(Left) Kari Ann Quigley, 6, is ready to go back-to-school with a new backpack, lunchbox and school supplies. She is a second grader at Humboldt Elementary in North Portland. (Above) Going back to school in style is Holli Theeler, 7, with her new haircut by Jim McKinn of the hair salon at Lloyd Center Meier and Frank.



Salvation Army Helps Children Get Ready For School

Hair cuts, school supplies and a complete clothing outfit, brought smiles to a group of area children Thursday.

The kids got ready for back-to-school in a one day event in Northeast Portland hosted by Salvation Army Family Services and vol-

unteers. The goods and services were distributed free to about 50 kids from low-income families or those facing emergency situations.

The program was made possible by the donations of clothing and supplies from churches and companies in the Portland area, including the Meier and

Frank hair salon at Lloyd Center and City Liquidators.

The children were members of families who have received assistance such as food, counseling and utilities from the family services program.

The Salvation Army hopes to boost the program to help up to 200 children

next year. Presently, there's not a lot help available to families who have trouble getting their children ready for school, officials said.

The goods and services help bring self-esteem to children who have to combat peer group and fashion demand pressures in school.

Oregon Symphony Honors King

'We Shall Overcome,' First To Tribute King Legacy

The legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. will be celebrated in Portland with two powerful works which echo the civil rights leader's words and dreams.



James DePreist is the music director and conductor for the upcoming Oregon Symphony performance of 'We Shall Overcome: A Tribute to Martin Luther King Jr.'

The 1994-95 Symphony Sunday series will begin with a concert titled "We Shall Overcome, a Tribute to Martin Luther King Jr." in which Music Director James DePreist and the orchestra will be joined by baritone Raymond Bazemore and the Portland Symphonic Choir on Sept. 11 at 3 p.m.

The concert is the first symphony performance to honor King in the nation. KOCH International Classics plans to record

the performance for a national television audience broadcast during King's birthday in February.

Oregon Symphony officials have contacted the King family to join the event. Officials are also working with church leaders in North and Northeast Portland to encourage participation by young people in the African American community. Discount tickets will also be available.

The Portland performance will feature Joseph Schwantner's "New Morning for the World: Daybreak of Freedom" which includes sections of narration, by Bazemore, excerpted from several writings and speeches of Dr. King, answered by Schwantner's musical interpretations. Also on the program will be Nicolas Flagello's "The Passion of Martin Luther King" in which Bazemore will sing the words of Dr. King and the Portland Symphonic Choir will respond with various sacred Latin texts. DePreist conducted the Schwantner work for a 1993 Arts and Entertainment Network special with the Philadelphia Orchestra; he conducted the world premiere of the Flagello work in 1972 with the National Symphony.

General admission tickets are \$12 for adults and \$8 for children, students and senior citizens and may be purchased at the Oregon Symphony Ticket Office at 719 S.W. Alder, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, or charged by phone at 228-1353 or (800) 228-7343 outside the Portland-metro area.

Tickets may also be purchased at all G.I. Joe's Ticketmaster outlets 224-4400, and at the Pioneer Information Booth. Service fees may apply.



Watch Out For Children's Safety Motorists are urged to drive with caution as students return to school next week and school buses return to their neighborhood routes. For related stories, See Back-To-School special, Page 5.

Oregon Continues To Lead In High 'SAT's

For the fourth straight year, Oregon high school seniors scored the highest on the Scholastic Aptitude Test of the 23 states in which at least 40 percent of their graduates participated. However, Oregon scores dropped on both the math and verbal tests.

Oregon's 1994 graduates scored 491 on the math test, 1 point below the record high recorded in 1993. The national math score was 479, up 1 point.

Oregon students scored 436 on the verbal test, 5 points below last year. It is the lowest since the score of 435 in 1984. The national verbal score was 423, down 1 point.

Fifty-three percent of the state's graduates took the SAT compared to 52 percent in 1993. According to the College Board, which administers the SAT, scores generally go down when the percentage of test takers increases. Nationally, 42 percent were tested.

The SAT is designed to measure verbal and mathematical reasoning skills, developed over many years of education. The test is intended to predict the freshman year college performance of individual students.

The College Board reports that out-of-

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