

Attorneys Cited For Public Service

Multnomah County District Judge Roosevelt Robinson has been named as one of four Portland area lawyers receiving honors for public service work.



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Happy Halloween

Children enjoy hunting for perfect pumpkins at the pumpkin patch off Marine Drive.



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Soccer Program

By Dan Bell
Clive Charles is in reality the head soccer coach for both Men's and Women's soccer.



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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Chavis, NAACP Settles

After protracted legal skirmishes, both Rev. Ben Chavis and his former employer the NAACP seem to have settled their legal battle over his termination as director of the civil rights organization. Chavis has agreed to withdraw his suit against the civil right organization without receiving the millions of dollars he had sought in his lawsuit.

Clinton blasts Republicans

President Bill Clinton pounded his chest repeatedly and pointed to his strings of foreign policy victories and a shrinking budget deficit as part of his administration's accomplishments on his campaign tour of the Northwest. He gave the Republican Party hard knocks for their "contract with America" which he said was a cruel reversal to the Reagan era.

New Book On O.J Simpson

A new book by Beverly Hills, Calif. socialite Faye Resnick, who is supposedly the friend of Nicole Brown Simpson, the slain ex-wife of O.J. Simpson, details horrors and marital abuse. It includes lurid anecdotes of Simpson's alleged abusive history. But many people are dismissing Resnick's credibility who has a history of drug abuse.

Dismissal Of Jury Panel Fails

A prosecutor in the O.J. Simpson murder trial Monday tried unsuccessfully to remove about 80 jury panelists, the entire first wave of potential jurors being considered during a selection process marked by controversy and delays. Superior Court Judge Lance A. Ito, at the same time, turned down a new effort to have Simpson released on bail and the trial in the case postponed for a year.

Mayor Supports Cuomo

New York City Republican Mayor Rudolph Giuliani rejected his own party's candidate for governor Monday and threw his support behind embattled Democrat Mario Cuomo's bid for a fourth term.

Pacific Standard Time

Remember to set back your clocks one hour on Sunday, October 30th at 2 a.m.

School Drug Free Zones Sought

Residents, Students Parade North/Northeast In Call For Action

Believing that "the best way to stop something is to start something," the Inner City Coalition for a Drug-Free Community sponsored a parade Tuesday from Humboldt School down Alberta Avenue and Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. targeting the importance of drug-free school zones.

Students, parents and teachers from 30 schools joined coalition members and neighbors -- even the Jefferson High marching band -- in the parade.

The marchers traveled to a ceremony at the Northeast Community Policing Center, then students returned to their schools for further events celebrating drug-free school zones and Red Ribbon Week.

On Monday, members of the coalition were joined by officer Kim Ell, drug-free school zone coordinator with the Gresham Police Department, Mardell Taylor, urban strategist for the Western Regional Center for Drug-Free Schools and Communities, J.W. Friday, Portland Police Bureau, Michelle Vince, Red Ribbon Program Coordinator for the Oregon Partnership and Edna Pittman, counselor, Whitaker Middle School for an Inner-City Community Forum.

The session addressed the practical implementation of Drug-Free School



Terry Haynes of Stay Clean ties a red ribbon to a tree along the medium of Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. to lobby for enforcement of an Oregon Law regarding Drug-Free School Zones.

Zones as outlined in state law throughout the inner-North and Northeast community.

The forum at Whitaker Middle School featured the inspirational and informational video, Drug-Free Zones: Taking Action!

Mayor Vera Katz and Northeast Precinct Commander Bruce Prunk were invited to join the participants in the march.



John Dirksen, First Interstate Bank and Sam Brooks, Oregon Assoc. of Minority Entrepreneurs at a grand opening of the updated Cascade Plaza on North Vancouver.

Gordly Is Keynote Mentor

Avel Gordly, State Representative from district 19, will be the keynote speaker at a reception for African American high school students in Portland next week.

The reception, sponsored by the Linfield College Reach Back Mentorship program, will be held Thursday, Oct. 27, at 6 pm in Peterson Hall at Linfield's Portland Campus, 2255 NW Northrup.

Gordly will discuss the value of higher education and how students can benefit from

attending college. Addie Jean Hayes, president of The Links-Portland Chapter, will make brief comments.

The Linfield Mentorship program was organized by a group of Linfield alumni to provide role models and support to African American students attending Linfield. The program matches each African American student with Linfield alumni from similar backgrounds and was launched in 1990 as an effort to provide support for African Ameri-

can students at the college. Members of the Mentorship group include Baruti Artharee, Director of the Oregon Department of Housing and Community Services; Staa Peterson, Adult Program Manager for the Private Industry Council; Byron Brown, an Investigator with the OLCC; Shirlee Peterson of Portland; Joe Simpson, Vice Principal at Grant High School; James Taylor, Senior Loan Officer in Economic Development at the Portland Development Commission.

African American Publisher dies

Robert W. Bogle, president of the National Newspaper Publishers Association on the passing of Dr. Calvin Rolark, Publisher of the Washington Informer Newspaper and a director of the NNPA.

We are profoundly saddened by the passing of our board member as well as our

colleague, Dr. Calvin Rolark. Dr. Rolark was an inspiration to all of us. His commitment and perseverance, as well as his determination never to give up will always be remembered by us. He is remembered for often saying, "No one can do for us, but us," and our membership joins me in knowing that if his

wishes are to be done, they must be done by us.

We know that this is a difficult time for this family, as well as friends, and we share this moment of grief and ask that they take comfort in God's warm embrace of love and understanding.

Tri-Met Releases Figures On Minority Hiring

In the last year, 20 percent of the new employees Tri-Met hired were minorities and 40 percent were women, both higher than those groups' representation in the workforce. The recent hiring and internal promotions show real effort and progress toward meeting Tri-Met's affirmative action goals.

"Tri-Met strives not only to provide excellent transit service to the entire Portland region, but also to provide equal employment opportunities to all," said Penny Roberts-AlSudairy, Tri-Met's employment manager. "Our aggressive affirmative action goals make sure our staff reflects the diversities and strengths of the communities we serve."

Tri-Met completed its 1993-94 Affirmative Action Report this month. Last year was the second year the agency has used new, more aggressive targeted recruiting methods based on the Oregon Employment Department's 1993 workforce information

for the Portland Metropolitan Statistical Area.

In 1993-94, 20.1 percent of Tri-Met new hires were minorities, and minorities earned 29 percent of internal promotions. Tri-Met employs 366 minorities, or 17.4 percent of its entire staff. That's a higher level of employment at Tri-Met than the 16.5 percent minority representation in the Portland area workforce.

The numbers break down as follows: 247 African-Americans or 11.7 percent of the agency workforce; 64 Asian-Americans, 3.1 percent; 40 Hispanics, 1.9 percent; and 15 American Indians, 0.7 percent.

However, the report also shows that while overall minority staffing is good, minorities are still under represented in several areas: top earning administrators, operations professionals and skilled crafts employees - the mechanics who maintain buses and the light rail trains and system. The mechanics

usually are promoted from service work in the agency. A strong effort over the last two years resulted in Tri-Met's hiring many more minority service workers, so the skilled crafts representation should improve.

Tri-Met also has made slow but steady progress in hiring and promoting women. Forty percent of newly hired employees were women and nearly 30 percent of promotions went to women employees in 1993-94. Tri-Met now employs 610 women or 29 percent of its staff. There has been steady progress since 1991, when Tri-Met had 457 women employees, or 26.2 percent of its workforce. But there's room for more progress: The Portland area workforce is 37 percent women.

These job categories are particularly weak in jobs for women: officials and administrators, operations professionals, technicians, skilled crafts employees, bus and light rail operators and service workers.

"The transit business traditionally was overwhelmingly white and male," said Roberts-AlSudairy. "Tri-Met is working hard to make sure our promotions and new hires will help us reach our affirmative action goals, particularly in the more highly-paid and highly-skilled positions. We've made real progress and intend to keep up the good work."

Tri-Met works with 125 different community organizations to publicize job openings and recruit applicants. Among its major recruiting partners are the Portland Urban League, Oregon Council for Hispanic Advancement, Chinese Consolidated Association, the American Indian Association of Portland, the Society of Women Engineers, the Women in Trades network, Portland Cable Access, the City-County Affirmative Action Talent Bank and the LeadLink Proprietary National Job Bank.