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SECTION B

Community Calendar

Afro-Centric Products Featured

Area business owners will showcase their Afro-centric products, including clothing, art jewelry and unusual gift items during a community celebration of Juneteenth, June 17 at the Cascade Center, 4134 N. Vancouver. Vendors are encouraged to reserve space now. Last year's event drew over 400 people. For more information, call 288-8652 or 249-1849.

Foster Grandparents Wanted

The Foster Grandparent and Senior Companion Program is alerting older residents to the opportunity to work 20 hours per week with teen parents, slow learners and chronically-ill youth. For their caring efforts, the volunteers, age 60 and older, earn a tax-free stipend, transportation cost, a daily meal and an annual physical examination. You're encouraged to call 284-4322 to help others enjoy a brighter future.

Portland Farmers Market Opens

Portland's Farmers' Market opened its fourth season Saturday along the northwest Portland waterfront, just north of the Broadway Bridge. The market will be open every Saturday from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. through October, featuring fresh produce, directly from the farmer who grew it; vegetable starts; bedding plants; and more.

PSU Presents Spring Opera

A Portland State University spring opera, a full-production presentation with full orchestra and double cast of outstanding vocal students, features the dramatic "Dido and Aeneas," the moving love story of the refugee Trojan prince and a north African queen. Tickets for May 10-21 and May 26-28 performances are available at the PSU Box Office, 725-3307.

Red Cross Offers Adult CPR

The Red Cross will offer adult CPR at Whitaker Community School, 5700 N.E. 39th, May 24 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. The course teaches how to care for an adult who stops breathing or is choking, give CPR, reduce the risk of cardiovascular disease, recognize the signals of a heart attack and reduce the chance of cardiac arrest. Cost is \$20. To register, call 280-5216.

Jazz Cruise to Push Off

A Willamette River cruise featuring many of the best musicians in the Portland area will be held on the Cascade sternwheeler Columbia Gorge, Sunday, May 21 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Sponsored by the Mt. Hood Festival of Jazz Instrumental Workshop, the event is aimed at raising money for the workshop scholarship fund.

Interview Skills Workshop Set

The Urban League of Portland, 10 N. Russell, sponsors a free interview skills workshop, Thursday, May 18 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Lonsdale To Visit Cascade

Harry Lonsdale of Bend, a former Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate, will visit north Portland May 23 at 7 p.m. at Terrel Hall, on the Cascade Campus of Portland Community College. Lonsdale is on a tour of the state in an effort to gauge support on whether to run for the senate in 1996.

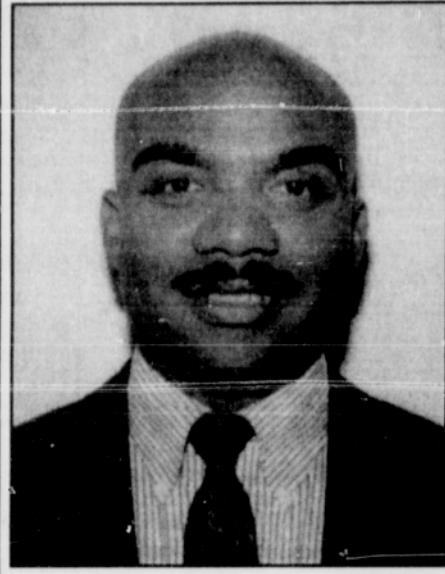
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Spring Sprouts Play At Ball Yard



Taluanka Washington covers third base as good weather provides great conditions for softball as Benson High School meets the Warriors of Cleveland in a recent game at Alberta Park in northeast Portland.

Garlington III Named Honorary Chair



John Garlington III

John Garlington III, the son of the late John Garlington Jr. and Yvonne Garlington, has been named honorary chair of the Garlington Center Board of Directors.

The community mental health care organization, once known as North/Northeast Community Mental Health, was named in memory of the couple who lost their lives in a 1986 automobile accident.

Garlington III is pursuing a master's degree in counseling. He said that while he pondered the idea of ministry because of his parent's ministry, he believes that he can be more effective from a clinical approach.

As honorary chair, he will take part in special events and campaigns sponsored by the Garlington Center. Currently, the center is involved in recruitment efforts to encourage more students to pursue a career in mental health care to minority populations.

"There is not adequate African-American representation in the mental health field, which reinforces the stigma of mental health care in the inner-cities," Garlington said. "The idea that someone has to be 'crazy' to utilize mental health counselors is gross misinformation as the nature of mental health care."

John and Yvonne Garlington were respected in Portland. Garlington Jr. was the pastor of the Maranatha Church in northeast Portland and served as president of the Albina Ministerial Alliance and president of Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon.

He was known as the "bridge-building" who worked to improve race relations and the quality of life within the inner-city community.

Garlington Center will announce a reception for John Garlington III in the near future.

Trees Perk Up Area Neighborhood

BY P.J. JORDAN

Notice some changes lately in Northeast, but can't quite put your finger on what they are?

Perhaps they're the fresh flowers and shrubs in your neighbor's yard or the newly planted trees? Or maybe the streets just have a more groomed feel.

That's because parts of inner northeast Portland, got a spring cleaning and sprucing Saturday during the King Neighborhood Clean-up.

More than 40 volunteers planted trees, swept streets and helped residents dispose of lawn clippings and yard debris.

"The neighborhood is looking good. This, by far, is one of the most successful community events we've had," said Fred Steward, chair of the King Neighborhood Association.

Friends of Trees volunteers planted 65 Hawthorn trees along Killingsworth and several residential side streets near the Portland Police Bureau's northeast precinct office.

Several local nurseries donated shrubs and flowers given to residents who wanted to brighten up their lawns.

By the end of the day, seven giant dumpsters were filled with trash, yard debris and lawn clippings.

In all, more than 200 King neighborhood residents took advantage of the plant



Pacific Power Co. employees join Friends of Trees volunteers in a recent tree planting at the Columbia Slough in northeast Portland. The effort was the fifth planting led by Pacific Power employees and one of many going on around the Portland area, including last weekend's plantings in the King neighborhood.

giveaway and clean-up.

The neighborhood association also hosted a barbecue for residents and clean-up volunteers.

"These kinds of activities pull the com-

munity together and help change the image of inner northeast," said Jamae Hilliard, clean-up coordinator.

"People here really do care about this neighborhood," Hilliard said.

"Many Are Called, Few Are Chosen"

Honoring Achievement At Annual Ball

(The following is the second part of a special series.)

Since 1951 Les Femmes has assumed the role of preparing African American children for adulthood through their Annual Debutante and Cavalier Ball. This year, six Cavaliers and 25 Debutantes are involved in the "Rites of Passage" program that encourages young people to become responsible adults.

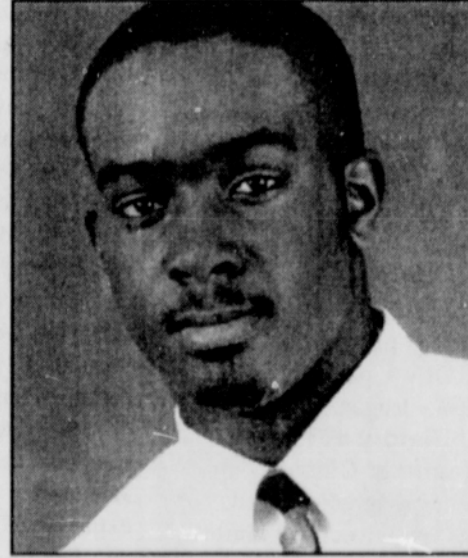
Each second Sunday of the month, all youth (grades 6-12) involved in the Les Femmes program meet for a general session. These sessions introduce the young people to positive role models and give them time to plan community service projects.

Both the Debutantes and Cavaliers are



Alfonso Peterson

under the leadership of Les Femmes. But because the Debutantes are being trained to be young ladies and the Cavaliers are being taught to be young men, each program differs slightly. Dolores Jeffries and Rena Allen are co-directors for the senior Debutantes, while



William Bradley

Kevin Fuller directs the Cavalier program. This issue of The Portland Observer will feature three Cavaliers, William Terry Bradley Junior, Alfonso LaMonte Peterson and Daniel Shelton III. Beginning next week, you will meet the Debutantes.



Daniel Shelton III

By June 24, the date of the 44th Annual Debutante and Cavalier Ball, you will have met all of the 1995 Prospective Debutantes and Cavaliers through The Portland Observer.

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