

# METRO Life

The Portland Observer

## SECTION B

### Community Calendar

#### Series Examines African Conflicts

The conflicts in Africa will be addressed in a series of free public lectures, sponsored by the Portland State University Office of International Affairs on Wednesdays, through Nov. 30 at noon in room 190 of the PSU School of Administration, 631 S.W. Harrison. For information call 725-5859.

#### Mall Plans Trick Or Treat

Beaverton Mall merchants will be hosting "Trick-or-Treat" on the mall, Tuesday, Oct. 31 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The stores are inviting you to round up the kids, bring their "Trick-or-Treat" bags and dress them up in their funniest or scariest Halloween costume to join in a safe and fun Halloween event.

#### Legacy Offers Health Update

A free class to learn about prostate health, "Perils of the Prostate: What You Need to Know," will be taught by Dr. Bruce Blank and Dr. Ted Lehman, Legacy urologists, on Thursday, Oct. 19 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Legacy Emanuel Hospital, 2801 N. Gantenbein. Call 335-3500 to pre-register.

#### Life Skills Classes Meet

Learning about nutrition and budgeting skills, such as best food buys, supermarket smarts, gardening, healthy food for kids and parenting tips will be covered in a free series of LifeSkills classes for low-income men and women. The sessions are held Thursday through Nov. 2, offered by the Salvation Army in collaboration with the Oregon State University Extension service and the Oregon Food Bank. Call 239-1226.

#### Guided Walks Set At Festival

Salmon viewing walks led by biologists are offered at the 12th annual Salmon festival Oct. 14 and 15 at Oxbow Regional Park. The festival includes a salmon bake, Native American dancing, exhibits and more. The park is eight miles east of Gresham. Follow Southeast Division to Southeast Oxbow Parkway.

#### Expo Planned For Plus Size Women

A one day expo for plus size women will be held Saturday, Oct. 14 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Montgomery Park. The event brings together products, services, entertainment and information to enrich the lives of full-sized women, especially for size 14 and up. Tickets are \$7 at the door with discount coupons available at many local plus size merchants.

#### Show Features Mushroom Delights

Mushroom displays, cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts and books and magazines will be on tap for the Oregon Mycological Society's annual Mushroom show, Sunday, Oct. 22 from noon to 5 p.m. at the Gresham Armory, 500 N.E. Division.

#### Composting Classes Offered

The basic principles and methods of composting yard debris and vegetable scraps, bin design options, trouble shooting and composting food scraps with worms are covered in a free workshop by Metro. Call the Metro Recycling line at 234-300 for schedules and directions to the Home Composting Demonstration Centers.

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## Leaders Honored

The 13th annual national observation of Minority Enterprise Development Week was supported during a business awards luncheon Thursday at the Red Lion Jantzen Beach.

Dr. Arthur Fletcher, a commissioner and former chairman of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission was the keynote speaker. Fletcher is nationally recognized for his public service and civil rights activities.

Awards to six businesses were presented by a committee made up of representatives of a committee of the Portland office of the Small Business Administration, the Minority Business Opportunity Committee and the Portland Federal Executive Board.

The committee also honored Lillie Walker with a community service award in recognition of the contributions she has made toward ensuring equitable opportunity for minority enterprises in public procurement in Multnomah County and the state of Oregon.

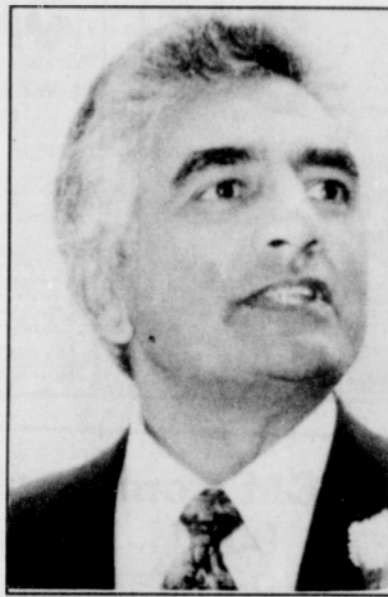
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Lillie Walker is recognized for her tireless efforts at creating equal opportunity for minority enterprises in public contracts and purchases.



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Minority business honoree, Sal Kadri.



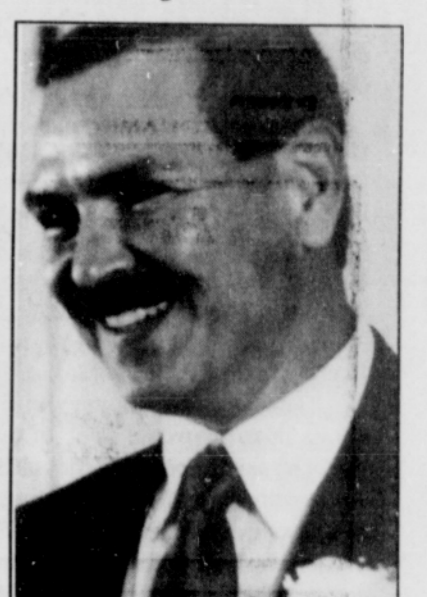
Minority Business honoree, Clyde L. Stryker.



Minority Business honoree, Kaung Fed "Max" Chan.



Minority Vendor of the Year, Rinaldo Mazyck.



Minority Small Business Person of the Year, Isadore Aquirre Jr.

## Portland Urban League Celebrates 50th Year



What do Tom McCall, Bill Hilliard, Ariene Schnitzer, Neil Goldschmidt, Harry Glickman and Tom Potter all have in common?

The answer is not front row tickets for the Trail Blazers.

These illustrious Oregonians were all members of another group: The Urban League

of Portland. The local affiliate of the National Urban League is celebrating its 50th year of serving the community.

All past and current members of the organization are invited to celebrate the league's accomplishments at the 50th Anniversary Dinner, Wednesday, Oct. 11 at 7:15 p.m. at the Oregon Convention Center.

Left: In the 1960s, job training was provided through the Urban League of Portland at Western Electric.

Below: The Urban League of Portland's 1964 Annual Meeting honored certificates of awards to community members, including Venerable Booker (from left), Ruth Holly, Ida McClendon, Addie Jean Hayens, Thomas Vickers, Cassie Jenkins, Charles Morgan, June Brown and Della Williams.



The dinner will be the finale for a year-long celebration that has included a public service campaign highlighting the league's history, an opening night "Porgy & Bess" gala and the publication of a book tracing the league's story.

A copy of the book, "On the Road to Equality: The Urban League of Portland,

1945-1995, will be presented to each guest at the dinner. The retrospective was written by Dr. Darrell Millner, professor of Black Studies at Portland State University.

Two Oregonians with deep ties to the Urban League movement will serve as Hon-

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## Exhibit Looks Into Gang-Affected Lives

A look inside the lives of gang-affected and at-risk young people in photographs taken by the youth themselves is on display this month at the Portland Art Museum.

The youth photo project Straight Shooting 3 was sponsored by the museum, Portland Community College, the Regional Arts and Culture Council and presented by the Oregon Commission of Children and Families.

Last spring, the youth and their mentors, professional photographers from the community, met weekly in a photography class and lab offered at PCC's Sylvania campus.

PCC provided funds for the instruction, for photography materials and for the lab and classroom space.

The youth were selected by social service agencies, school counselors and justice system advocates. The project was set up



The artwork of Yadira Andrade is part of the collection of the youth photo project Straight Shooting 3, on display at the Portland Art Museum.

several years ago to help break down community stereotypes of gang-affected and at-risk youth and to present the young lives with

creative, positive alternatives to the gang lifestyle.

Mary Stupp-Greer, acting dean of visual and performing arts at the college said, "We're interested in making opportunities for people at PCC, so I'm extremely pleased that we can help sponsor a project of this type. But it also gives us an opportunity to share in their world their art. We've learned a lot about the kids."

A reception for the artists will be held Thursday from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the museum.

## Kaiser Defends Hospital Closure

Kaiser Permanente has contacted Rev. Jesse Jackson in response to his letter objecting to the announced closure of Bess Kaiser Medical Center in North Portland. The following is from Kaiser executive Michael H. Katcher:

Dear Rev. Jackson, Thank you for expressing interest in Bess Kaiser Medical Center and what Kaiser Permanente is doing to assist employees in the North/Northeast community.

We have been talking with North/Northeast Portland African American leaders to explain why we are closing the hospital and to hear their concerns. We are forming an advisory group to help us find both short-term and long-term solutions to

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