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Community Calendar

Martin Luther King Concert

"An Evening of Spirituals, Art, Song and Poetry by African-Americans" will be presented in Eugene Friday at 8 p.m. in Beall Concert Hall, 961 E. 18th Ave., in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. The program is sponsored by the University of Oregon School of Music and the Friends of the UO Library. Admission is free.

OASIS Winter Classes Start

More than 120 classes in the arts, humanities, health, wellness and consumer topics are offered at the Older Adult Service and Information System (OASIS) in the Meier & Frank 10th floor auditorium, downtown. OASIS members also participate in tutoring at local elementary schools. For more information, call Robin Hyatt at 241-3059.

Children's Art At Library

Lazarus Art Society will sponsor an art class for children between 5 and 12 years old. Classes are being taught over six weeks by sculpture Charles Tatus and held Saturday's at the North Portland branch of the Multnomah County Library, 512 N. Killingsworth. The kids will work with clay and paints and learn to make masks and other items.

Cat Fanciers Show Set

Demonstrations on how cats are trained for the entertainment industry and how the same principles apply to training cats at home will be part of the Oregon Cat Fanciers Cat show held Feb. 3 and Feb. 4 at Memorial Coliseum.

Energy Help Offered

Tired of the cold and high utility bills? Attend a free workshop to learn how you can stay warm and safe money. Low income households can qualify for a free kit of materials worth \$120; both owners and renters can participate. To register, call the Community Energy Project at 284-6827.

New Concert Series Opens

Some of Portland's best musicians will be featured in a comfortable, smoke-free environment during a new concert series, each third Sunday at Unity of Beaverton, 12650 S.W. Fifth. The first concert is Sunday at 7 p.m., featuring performer/composer Mark Bosnia.

Chinese Chefs Presented

The Northwest China Council kicks off a series of Chinese meals showcasing Chinese chefs in the Portland area with a gourmet Chinese dinner at 6:30 p.m. on Friday, Jan. 26 at Mandarin Cove. Costs is \$30. Reservations can be made by calling 725-4567.

College Hosts Family Jazz

The last of this season's Family Jazz Concerts, presented by the DePriest Project, takes place at 7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 17 at Buckley Center Auditorium at the University of Portland. Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$5 for students and seniors.

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Jefferson High School students Jade Poncy (from left), Damien Rice, Candace Minsent, Allen Loussaert and Niambi Brewster won parts in Oregon State University advertising campaign, Real Education for Real World Success. Tahan Advertising of Portland said it wanted real students to add a "real world" flavor to the campaign which includes television, radio, transit and print advertising.

Albina Bank Opens On Alberta

A new bank created to serve the interests of inner north and northeast Portland opens this month with a public celebration at the bank's new temporary location.

Area residents are invited to enjoy free refreshments and meet bank president Leon Smith and the rest of the staff of the new Albina Community Bank Friday, Jan. 26 from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The financial institution will offer typical bank products, such as checking and savings

accounts, but its real bread-and-butter will be home and small business loans.

Smith says the bank will rely heavily on government loan programs, like 203(k) home loans, SBA 7(a) small business loans.

"We're here to help low- and middle-income residents take advantage of the opportunities that this area's economic revival is offering," Smith said. "To us, that's what a true community development bank does."

The bank opens out of temporary facilities at 1130 N.E. Alberta St. Smith says the bank

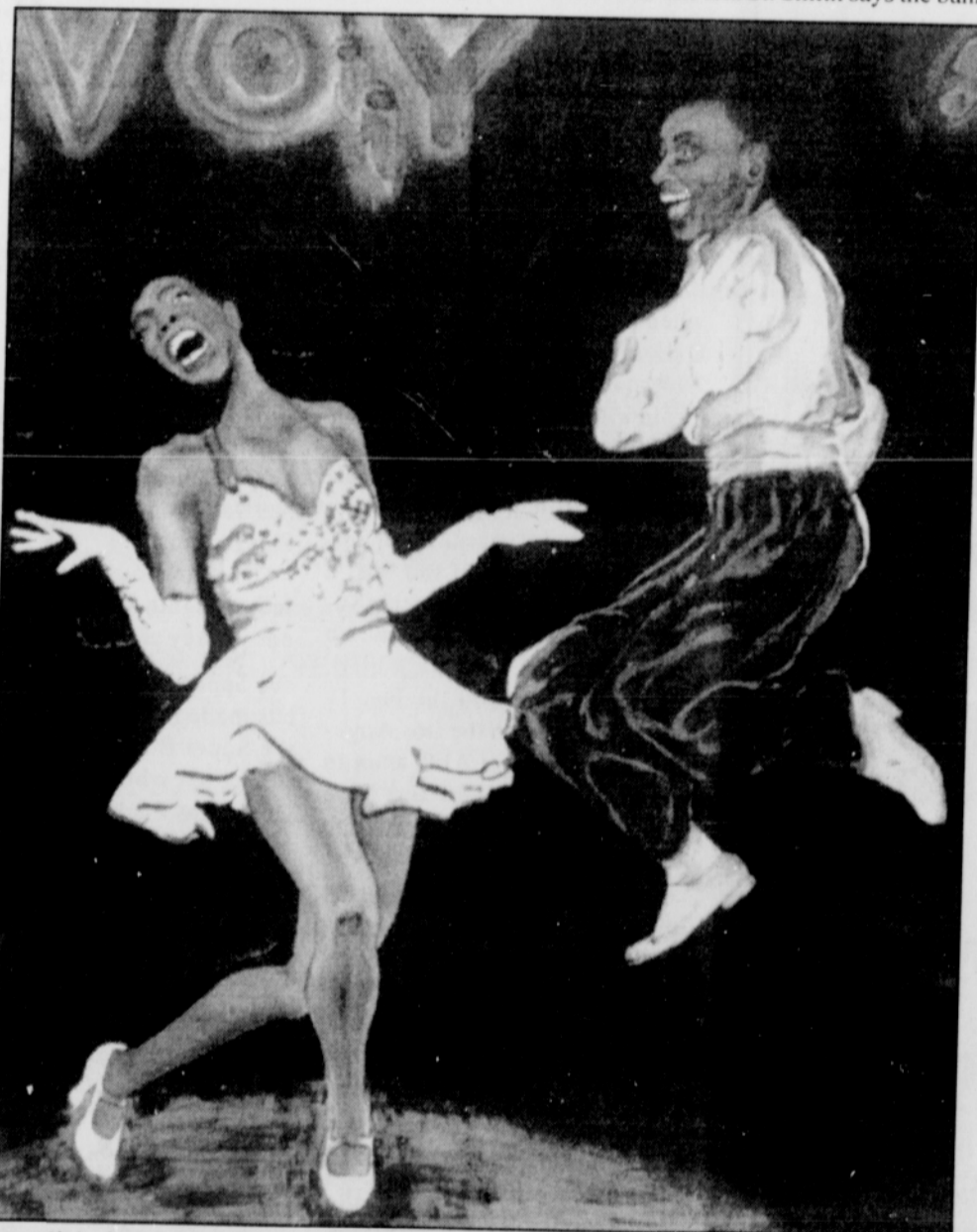
will move to a permanent location, now under construction, at 2002 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. sometime next summer.

Albina Bank's mission is the result of a community trust started with seed money from a PacifiCorp lawsuit settlement. PacifiCorp elected to create the Northeast Portland Community Development Trust. The trust is the bank's single largest shareholder.

Last week, bank officials announced that NIKE, Inc., has made a \$50,000 investment in the new bank.

That bank's mission has played a big part in attracting investors like NIKE.

"We like Albina Bank's focus on economic revitalization in the north and northeast Portland community," said Doug Stamm, NIKE's director of Public Affairs. "This investment is consistent with NIKE's long-term commitment to reinvest into the community a portion of the proceeds generated from our NIKE Factory Outlet Store (3044 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.)"



An artist sketch of Willamae Ricker and Frankie Manning, the originator of a style of swing dance that evolved out of the Charleston.

Dance Workshops Coming To Portland

A series of Lindy Hop dance workshops and informational sessions are coming to Portland during January, February, and March.

Lindy Hop is a style of swing dance that originated in Harlem in the late 1920s and evolved out of the Charleston. Lindy Hop is also known as the jitterbug and in 1943 was called "America's only true original dance form," by Life Magazine.

Dance enthusiasts say the Lindy Hop has become an exciting, swing style dance tailored

to fit the emerging hot jazz sounds of the era.

Frankie Manning of New York City, considered the father of Lindy Hop, will present new material during workshop classes in Portland and Eugene.

Beginners must know the basics of the dance to participate. Single class sessions are \$15. Preceding the workshops are free informational videos. In Portland, the instruction will be held at the Dishman Community Center, 77 N.E. Knott.

For information call Denise at 343-7826.

Fundraising To Send Athlete To England

A Benson High School student-athlete has been invited to participate in the 10th annual Oregon versus England/Scott Football Classic to be held March 23-31 in Manchester, England.

Quentin Canton-Devers was selected to represent his school, community, state and country as one of the finest high school football players in the state.

But the only way this honor will be complete is with the help of the community. Therefore, a fundraising effort has been started to help the family pay the estimated costs.

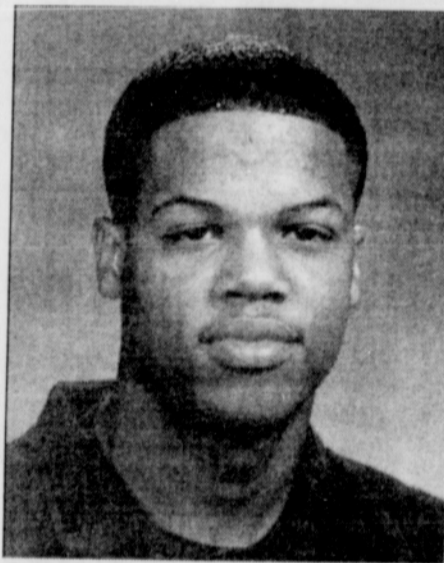
Canton-Devers, 17, is the son of Curtis and Connee Devers of northeast Portland. He has won awards as a scholar athlete, black academic all-star and Oregon High School all star.

"We hope that you will make a donation to help us send our son, Quentin, to this chance of a lifetime event," the parents said, in an open letter to the public.

The Devers said the total cost to attend

the Manchester classic is \$1,899 and is quite frankly, more than family can provide

To help, make your check or money order to Quentin Canton-Devers, in care of Curtis or Connee Devers, 4935 N.E. 24th Ave., Portland, OR 97211.



Quentin Canton-Devers

Terrell Brandon Retail Complex Groundbreaking Scheduled

A groundbreaking ceremony for Cleveland Cavaliers' star point guard Terrell Brandon's new commercial complex at N.E. 14th and Alberta in Northeast Portland will be held Sunday, January 21 at 1:00 p.m. The two phase project will initially include a barbershop, clothing retail store and corporate offices for Tee Bee Enterprises, Brandon's business.

A second phase is expected to include more retail and office space.

Brandon, who will be in town for an evening game against the Portland Trailblazers, will make brief remarks at the ceremony. Also speaking will be Portland City Commissioner Charlie Hales and Portland Development Commission Chair Carl Talton. Brandon's agent, Bill Duffy, family and members of the Terrell Brandon City

Kids Fan Club will also participate in the ceremony.

Construction of the \$600,000 first phase of the project will begin immediately, with a grand opening planned for spring or early summer, 1996. Brandon, a standout at Grant High School and the university of Oregon before going on to star in the NBA continues to live in Northeast Portland during the NBA off-season. He is investing in the project at this particular location in order to help stimulate community pride and economic development. Brandon said "I'm looking forward to being in Portland."

It's fortunate that the project is ready for groundbreaking at the same time we're in town for the Blazer game. I'm enthusiastic about participating in the revitalization of Alberta Street and Northeast Portland."