

Family Living

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LIVING LEGENDS ARTISTS AT CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

This summer, see how American Indian artists are keeping traditional crafts alive in a special program at the Children's Museum.

Our ground-breaking exhibit, "Living Legends: American Indians Today," provides the backdrop for a series of demonstrations of centuries-old arts such as making tule mats, basket weaving and bending. Visitors can see works in progress, examine the artists' tools,

ask questions and enjoy the finished objects.

"We expect the program to provide needed support and recognition to Native American artists who are trying to preserve their culture," said Museum Director John Houseman. "This series will also educate young people about the value and beauty of handmade objects and the importance of carrying on traditions."

As part of series, the Children's

Museum will host two free performances on August 15 by "Antelope Spirit", and intertribal troupe of young dancers.

The seven members of the troupe, ranging in age from 3 to 14 years old, include grass dancers, jingle dancers, traditional dancers and fancy dancers. They'll perform twice--at 11 am and 12 pm, in Lair Hill Park. Free drinks will be provided by Odwalla juice company.

Play It Safe This Summer

With school out and warmer weather on the way, Portland General Electric (PGE) offers some advice to keep kids safe from summer electrical hazards.

PGE energy expert Mel Eldridge encourages parents to take a few moments to talk with children about electrical safety before sending them off to tackle the great outdoors.

"Each year, electricity-related incidents in the home cause approximately 300 electrocutions, 12,000 shock-and-burn injuries and 150,000 fires in the U.S. We want parents to be well-informed and prepared to avoid these types of incidents, especially where kids are concerned," Eldridge says.

Parents should make sure that trees their children climb don't have power lines going through them. Kids also should be taught to stay away from utility poles, substations and other utility equipment.

"If kids are playing around power lines they can accidentally come in contact with over 500,000 volts of electricity. That's more than enough to fatally injure a person," Eldridge says.

Power lines also can pose a hazard for kite flying. Children should fly kites and remote-controlled toy airplanes only in an open field, far away from power lines. And if a kite becomes tangled in power lines, children should know not to pull at the

line to get it down.

Instead, Eldridge says to call PGE, 464-7777, to have a PGE representative come get it down. (Outside of Portland, call 1-800-544-1765).

Also, teach your kids that water and electricity don't mix, Eldridge says. Whether children are running through a sprinkler or playing in a swimming pool, parents should take steps to keep electrical appliances, power cords and radios at least 10 feet away. And long-handled pool nets should be handled with extreme caution to keep them away from overhead power lines.

Kids also should know not to touch anything electrical if they are wet or touching water.

Community Members- We Need Your Support!

The rising crime rate among adolescents in the north and northeast Portland Albina Community brings a drastic need for support programs. Rules To Achieve is a prevention program designed to assist in saving at-risk African American adolescents from entering the juvenile justice system.

The overwhelming majority of Multnomah County's African American adolescents inhabit an extremely high-risk environment in the north and northeast area of Portland known as Albina. The rate of school dropouts, unemployment, poverty, and violent crimes are all six times greater than city, county, and state averages.

This makes Oregon's one predominately African American Community a frightening and difficult place to grow up in.

Rules To Achieve has created a comprehensive program that is designed to support and monitor the academic and social needs of two hundred and ninety-two students, ages 9-13. RTA has developed a team-concept approach that motivates the students to learn.

Please help our community's kids to participate in an established program. You can show your care by making a tax-deductible contribution. Your donation will be used to purchase supplies, equipment, and

sponsor field trips.

Our program's ultimate purpose will be to help build a community that is strong healthy, and self sufficient. The specific goal will be to equip participating youths with the skills, awareness, and self esteem necessary to make positive choices, address issues, and to take positive control of their lives, thus preventing them from becoming directly involved with the justice system.

With your help, we can reach these goals. Please help us make the 1996 season a rewarding one for our community and the best one ever for our kids. Thank you for your support!

Santa Visits Lloyd Center In July

Cool off in July with a refreshing spin around the Ice Chalet rink in Lloyd Center Mall. Santa will make a cameo appearance at St. Vincent de Paul's Christmas in July celebration Saturday, July 20 from noon to 3 p.m.

Recapture winter memories and the holiday spirit of giving through St. Vincent de Paul's Christmas in

July event. The event is a one-day effort to raise awareness of needy Portland families during the summer. The Ice Chalet will offer up to \$2 off skating admission when you donate two cans or more of food.

Santa will provide sleigh rides around the ice rink, Christmas music will be in the air, the Safeway Care Bear will welcome skaters and St.

Vincent de Paul helpers will lead holiday games on the ice. Children will receive complimentary hot cocoa and candy canes.

There will be food collection barrels located at the event. Join the fun and help the needy Saturday, July 20 at the Ice Chalet ice rink in the Lloyd Center Mall. For more information please call 235-7873.

Child's Path Program

Oregon Food Bank is excited to announce that our Child's Path program, located at 3624 N. Williams Avenue, now serves low-income senior citizens 60 years of age and older.

Each month, eligible seniors can receive free, nutritious foods including a variety of canned fruits, vegetables, juices, pasta, milk, butter, cereal and meat.

To qualify for the program, a low-income senior must have proof of:

- Age;
- Address (eligible neighborhoods

are in all of North Portland and in Northeast Portland east to Northeast 42nd Avenue and south to Burnside);

• Income (no more than \$839 a month for a single person; each additional household member may add \$283 to total income).

Child's Path, which receives foods from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, was established by Oregon Food Bank in 1988 to help end childhood hunger in Portland neighborhoods hardest hit by poverty.

The expanded program will continue to provide free foods for low-

income pregnant women, infants, and children under 6 years of age, including foster children and custodial grandchildren who do not participate in the Women, Infants and Children program (WIC).

The only change is that senior citizens may now apply for the program.

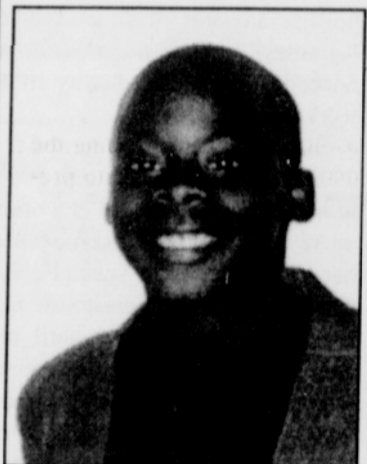
To schedule and appointment or for more information, they should call 281-3113. Child's path is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday for enrollment and food distribution.



Birth
Announcement

Jefferson Chance Andrews
Born May 24, 1996
8 Lbs., 0 Oz.

Congratulations Tariq Taylor

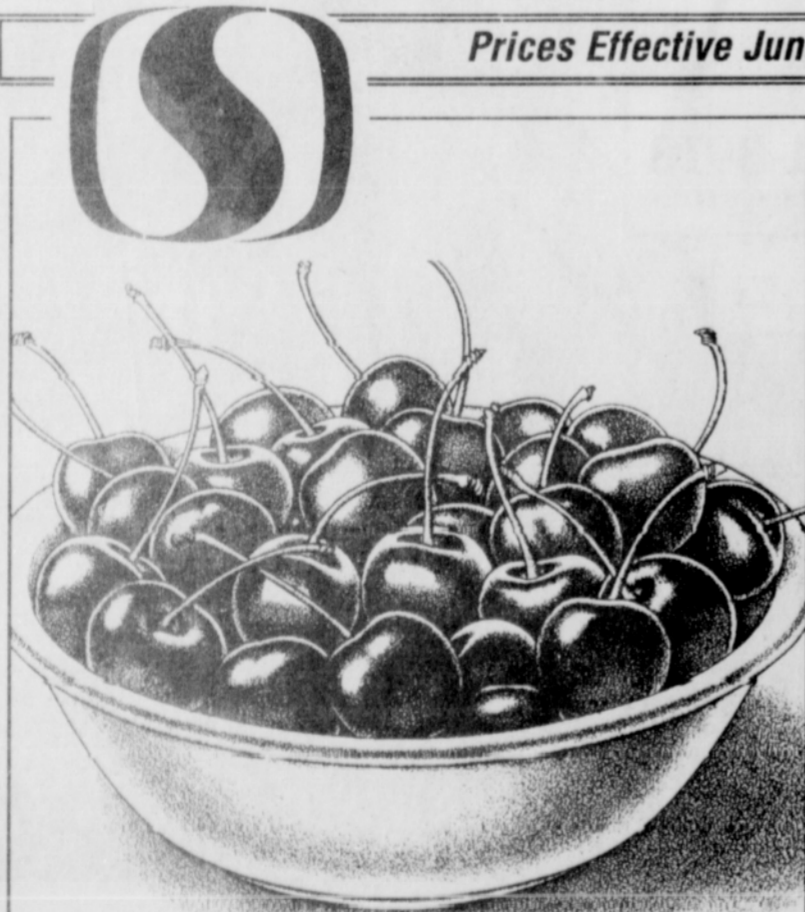


Tariq Taylor graduated from the fifth grade at Vernon Elementary School. Tariq is in the Dreamers Program, his grade point average is 3.10. Tariq keep the good work up, from the Portland Observer News Paper.

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