

Education

UNCF Celebrates its 54th Anniversary With Pop Singer Janet Jackson

The United Negro College Fund will celebrate its 54th Anniversary Gala Dinner on Thursday, March 12, 1998. Close to 2,000 members of the business, philanthropic, entertainment and educational communities will be on hand for this celebrated event. Over the past 54 years, UNCF has successfully increased and improved access to education for financially disadvantaged young men and women. This year's dinner will pay tribute to those individuals who have demonstrated their commitment to the important educational mission of UNCF. The dinner, which begins at 7:00 pm, will be preceded by a reception at 6:00 pm at The Sheraton New York Hotel and Towers (Seventh Avenue at 53rd St.). Herbert M. Allison, Jr., President and Chief Operating Officer, Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc., will serve as dinner chairman.



Janet Jackson

Singer/songwriter/producer/actress Janet Jackson's phenomenal professional career has been shaped by strength, compassion, courage, and confidence. Janet is one of the most popular entertainers in her field. She has sold over 40 million albums worldwide, her 16 gold-certified singles are among the most of any female recording artist in history, and her 1990 debut world tour became the most successful premiere tour by any artist, with over two million fans in attendance.

Born May 16, 1966, Janet Damita Jo Jackson's entertainment career began at age seven. Following her sitcom work in "Good Times," "A New Kind of Family," and "Fame," Janet put her acting career on hold to concentrate on music. She signed with A&M records and recorded two albums by the time she was 17. But by 1985, Jane, still a teenager, found

herself at a crossroads. At 19, she moved to Minneapolis and recorded the groundbreaking album, *Control*, which yielded five smash hits, including "What Have You Done For Me Lately?" In 1989, Janet released *Rhythm Nation 1814*. The album was a watershed, yielding seven hits including "Miss You Much" and "Escapade."

April Conference Celebrates 30 Years of Fair Housing

To mark the 30th anniversary of the Federal Fair Housing Act, the Fair Housing Council of Oregon presents Oregon's Annual Fair Housing Conference April 27-28 at the Sheraton Portland Airport Hotel.

The conference will host an informative array of speakers, workshops, and presentations highlighting the changes effected during the first thirty years of fair housing and the challenges of fair housing through the next century.

The largest fair housing forum in the northwest, the 14th Annual Oregon Fair Housing Conference will emphasize the legal aspects of fair housing as well as stress the importance of effective communication between housing providers and tenants. Speakers will discuss methods of bridging the cultural gaps that often lie at the root of discrimination in housing. Proactive conflict resolution strategies for housing providers and tenants will also be addressed.

In 1968, Congress passed the Fair Housing Act, making it illegal to discriminate on the basis of race, color, national, origin, gender and religion when selling, renting, or financing housing.

In 1988, Congress passed the Fair Housing Amendment which extended the law to protect families with children and persons with disabilities, making 1998 not only the 30th anniversary of the Act, but also the tenth anniversary of the Amendment.

Manning Marable Coming To Reed

Noted social critic Manning Marable, professor of history and director of the Institute for Research in African American Studies at Columbia University, will lecture on Saturday, April 4, at 4:30pm in the Kaul Auditorium on the Reed campus. A reception and book signing for Marable's new book, *Black Liberation in Conservative America* (South End Press, 1997), will follow. Admission to the lecture, which is sponsored by Reed's career services office, multicultural resource center, and student activities office, is \$3 at the door. Sign language interpretation will be provided. For more information, call the Reed career ser-

vices office at 503-777-7550.

As a political activist, social critic, educator, author and historian, Marable is considered one of America's preeminent commentators on the black American experience. His nationally published newspaper

column "Along the Color Line" appears in over 275 newspapers and 80 radio stations and reaches an estimated 20 million people each week. Working political forums as an advisor to the Congressional Black Caucus and as the national co-chair

of the Committees of Correspondence, Marable actively engages in issues of national educational reform and cultural pluralism.

Humboldt students get a bang out of traveling science show



Humboldt fourth-grade student Chanel Mitchell watches as balloons dipped into liquid nitrogen deflate, demonstrating the chemical changes of gas, as explained by OMSI Outreach Program Director Gary Myers. More than 300 Humboldt Elementary students learned how solids, liquids and gases change from one state to state to another through OMSI's "Altered States" science outreach program at the school, which was sponsored by US West.

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Date: March 18, 1998
Place: PDC
1900 SW Fourth, Suite 100
Portland, OR
Time: 3:00 p.m.

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