

# METRO *Life*

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SECTION B

## Community Calendar

### Urban League

Darryl S. Tukufu, former president of the Portland Urban League will be returning to Portland on October 16-17 to speak at the Oregon Convention and Visitor Services Network's Hospitality Tour '98 minority meeting planners event and for a book signing at Reflections Books Store. Tukufu's new book entitled "A Guide Toward The Successful Development of African American Males" is one of the first projects of The Tukufu Group. Call 796-8667 or e-mail to: Blackchamber@USA.NET

### Religious Freedom Week

In recognition of Religious Freedom Week, the religious community will hold a Sunday Service in downtown Portland at the South Park blocks on Sunday, September 27 at noon time. This annual event is hosted by the Church of Scientology. Guest speaker will be Native American - Buck Ghost Horse. Refreshments will follow at the Church of Scientology Celebrity Centre at 709 SW Salmon. All are welcome to join in this special celebration. Call Angie at 228-0116 or Barbara at 221-4504.

### Women Entrepreneurs

The Portland Metro Chapter of Women Entrepreneurs of Oregon will be hosting a dinner and program at Ristorante Piatti (319 SW Broadway) on Tuesday, October 20th at 6:15 PM. Reservations are requested Call 229-3819 for details.

### Fertility Seminar

New advancements in fertility make parenthood a wonderful reality for many couples. On Monday, September 28th, from 7-10 PM, at the Portland Hilton, Geoffrey Sher, M.D., of the Sher-Brody Institute, an internationally recognized expert in the field of infertility and the originator of several major medical breakthroughs that have increased IVF birth rates, will host a free seminar on IVF and other fertility-enhancing procedures. Call for reservations at (800) 780-7437. Walk-ins are welcome.

### Myths About Menopause

Hear about women's health from Dr. Gloria Bachmann's free patient education event at the Benson Hotel in Portland at 10:30 AM on Saturday, October 3rd. Dr. Bachmann will debunk some popular myths about menopause. Also, with Viagra in clinical trials for women, the "hidden" problem of menopause is finally coming out of the closet. Call (404) 659-4446.

### Coming Out Day

Pride Northwest will continue a tradition begun ten years ago by the Human Rights Campaign to celebrate a National coming Out Day in October. To mark this tenth anniversary, Pride Northwest, in conjunction with Portland State University's Lesbian, Gay, Bi Alliance, is sponsoring a noon time rally at Pioneer Courthouse Square on Friday, October 9th. In addition, speakers will share the history of coming out during each decade since the 1940's. Music will be provided by Three on the Tree, a spicy acoustic jazz trio.

### Weatherization Workshop

Were you cold last January? Don't wait until winter this year to weatherize your home. Attend a free workshop to learn how you can stay warm and save money this winter. Low income households in Portland qualify for a free kit of weatherization materials worth \$150. Seniors and those with disabilities can have the work done for them.

Both owners and renters can participate. Workshops run in North, Northeast, and Southeast Portland through February. To confirm eligibility or to pre-register, call the Community Energy Project at 284-6827.

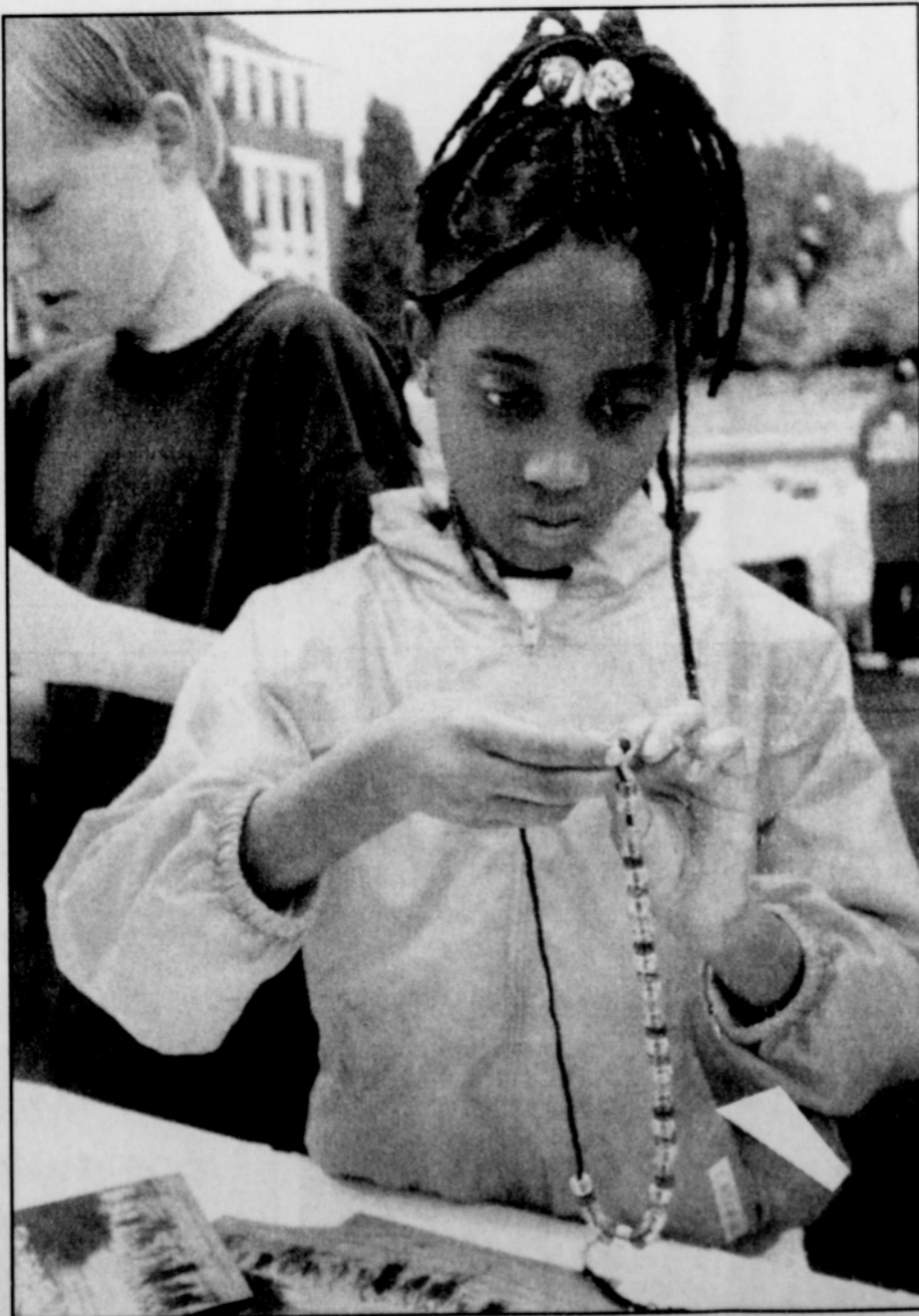
## Portland Taiko in Concert—"Making Waves"

Portland Taiko, the Asian American drum performance ensemble, will present its home concert, "Making Waves," on Friday, October 23 and Saturday, October 24 in Lincoln Performance Hall at Portland State University.

The concert's title evokes the powerful sound waves created by the taiko, or Japanese drum, and draws on the depth of Asian American experience. Power, humor, and exuberance will weave through an energizing blend of traditional and contemporary taiko rhythms and movement.

As the centerpiece of the company's home season, "Making Waves" highlights the group's newest compositions and reflects the vibrant diversity of cultures and creativity that comprise Portland Taiko. Audiences will be treated to the driving rhythms of Rachel Ebor's "Typhoon Signal Number 3," the interwoven polyrhythms of Ann Ishimaru's "Pushing the River," and the haunting melodies of violin and taiko inspired by the Japanese flute. This year's program will feature a striking multimedia piece, entitled "Questions of Loyalty," a thought provoking exploration of the decisions Japanese Americans were forced to make during their World War II internment and segregation at the Tule Lake Segregation Camp. Portland Taiko will also be joined by Body Vox, the critically acclaimed dance company, for a collaborative piece of taiko and movement.

Heralded as one of Portland's most electrifying performing arts groups, Portland Taiko is a sixteen member Asian American drumming group that has delighted audiences at festivals, theaters, colleges and schools since 1994.



A young girl strings beads at a booth at the Urban League of Portland's third annual "Do The Right Thing Day" celebration at Jefferson High School. About 1,000 people turned out for the event, which included a parade, book fair, and a jamboree. The event celebrates youth who are doing the right thing at school, at home and in the community.

## "Do The Right Thing"

Dallas Maverick and hometown favorite son A.C. Green shares a moment with Urban League of Portland President Lawrence J. Dark at the Urban League's third annual "Do The Right Thing Day" celebration at Jefferson High School on Saturday, September 19. A.C. Green served as Grand Marshall of the parade down Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

