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## THE WEEK IN REVIEW

### Hurricane Irene

HAVANA, CUBA - Hurricane Irene had dumped rain across western Cuba, forcing at least 130,000 people to evacuate. Irene had sustained winds of 75 mph - was centered about 65 miles southwest of Havana, and was moving north-northwest at 7 mph. The edge of the storm battered Miami with rain. A hurricane watch was issued for parts of the Florida Keys as well as 140 miles of southwest Florida coastline to just south of Tampa, Fla.

### New Pakistani Leader

ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN - The head of Pakistan's military had declared himself the country's leader. Gen. Pervez Musharraf issued an order for a state of emergency, dissolving and suspending the constitution. The proclamation dismissed all cabinet ministers and the Senate chairman, as well as the governors of Pakistan's four provinces and their ministers. Troops had ousted Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif. World governments - worried at the prospect of military rule in a nuclear-armed nation - have been pressing Musharraf to reinstate democracy, even if he does not bring back Sharif.

### Prosecutor Admits JonBenet Mistakes

BOULDER, CO. - District Attorney Alex Hunter acknowledged that "mistakes were made" in the investigation into the slaying of JonBenet Ramsey but fiercely defended his office and said he is by no means done searching for the 6-year-old beauty queen's killer. He also said the girl's parents, John and Patsy Ramsey, remain under suspicion.

### Doctor Wins Nobel Prize

OSLO, NORWAY - Doctors Without Borders, a volunteer organization which asserts a right to intervene in any country to treat the wounded, sick and starving, won the 1999 Nobel Peace Prize. The group, officially called by its French name *Médecins Sans Frontières*, has played a major role in African and other war zones throughout the world. Unlike the Red Cross, Doctors Without Borders places blame - on armed groups and governments the suffering it finds.

### Nazi Looting

WASHINGTON - U.S. officials allowed Nazi loot from a train out of Hungary to be sold, taken by American generals or turned over to Austria instead of returned to the Jews from whom it was confiscated during World War II, a presidential commission concluded. The report listed five generals who took valuables. The items were seized shortly after the May 7, 1945, Allied victory in Europe, the commission said.

### Clinton Urges Students on Violence

WASHINGTON - President Clinton told high school students they can be the key to lessening violence in their schools and in society at large, and asked for their help in passing new civil rights protections for homosexuals. Violence, fear and alienation lead to schoolhouse killings, and also represent age-old fears arising from ethnic and religious differences.

## Margaret Carter secures New Party endorsement

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Former chair of the Oregon Democratic Party, Margaret Carter has linked up with the New Party in her run for State Senate, District 8, in North/Northeast Portland. New Party members voted last week to target volunteers and funds to Carter's race for the Democratic Party nomination. The election is in May, 2000. The Portland New Party, based in North and Northeast Portland, is an independent political organization which operates within and outside of the Democratic Party. Margaret Carter joins Serena Cruz, Geri Washington, Jo Ann Bowman, Joseph Tam and Martin Gonzalez in the growing list of elected officials and candidates who have joined up to help build the New Party (NP).

Carter is a long-time friend of the Portland Rainbow Coalition, which recently merged with the NP. She sees her membership in the NP as an obvious outgrowth of her commitment to that rainbow of voters and potential voters who are fed up and left out of the political mainstream. "I'm ready to help the New Party's drive to build people power from the bottom up, to register voters and to motivate the non-voting majority," says Carter.

Living wage job and excellent education: "Margaret Carter has proven her leadership in fighting for the training and living wage jobs necessary to bring our people out of poverty," states NP leader Josiah Hill. Carter, a seven term State Representative, was chief sponsor of the



Margaret Carter (with baby) and supporters at State Senate Campaign Kick Off.

Workforce 2000 Act to create Skill Centers at community colleges. She was chief sponsor of the Oregon Minority and Women's Business Act and had a key role in legislation creating Enterprise Zones in Oregon.

"N/NE Enterprise Zone companies

getting economic development assistance must be accountable to our community. They must hire locally, pay living wages, and contract with local businesses for goods and services," declares Carter. The New Party expects to work closely with Carter in local living wage campaigns

and struggles against corporate welfare. Academic success for all students, keeping our children in school and effective school-to-work programs have long been concerns for Margaret Carter. As a teacher and counselor for 27 years, she has helped thousands of young people.

Photo by Bette Lee

## Fist, Stick, Knife, Gun: Author confronts violence

### Geoffrey Canada to speak at forum

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Geoffrey Canada, recipient of the 1994 Heinz Award for his work as president and chief executive officer of Rheedlen Centers for Children and Families in New York City, will present a free public lecture, "Violence in America: Slaying the Dragons That Threaten Our Children," Friday, Nov. 5, 7 p.m., in Agnes Flanagan Chapel, Lewis & Clark College, 0615 S.W. Palatine Hill Road.

Described by the Boston Globe as "the brother who never left the hood because he keeps looking into the faces of the children and seeing himself there," Canada also received the Robin Hood Foundation's Heroes of the Year Award and Bowdoin College's Common Good Award.

Preceding the lecture, Friday, from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m., Sophie Freud, professor of clinical social work at Simmons School of Social Work for 30 years and granddaughter of Sigmund Freud, will moderate a Prevention and Intervention Programs Showcase, in Stamm Dining Room, Templeton Student Center. Oral and poster presentations will describe local programs and initiatives that support youth and families. The showcase is also free and open to the public.

In addition to speaking Friday night, Canada will speak and participate in a town hall discussion on youth violence prevention and intervention with selected community leaders on Saturday, Nov. 6, 8:30 a.m. to noon in the Council Chamber, Templeton Student Center. Town hall participants include Linda Erwin in conjunction with Multnomah Commission on Children and Families; Tony Hopson, president and chief executive officer of Self-Enhancement, Inc.; and Sgt. Kevin Modica, western region training officer for Gang Resistance Education and Training program (G.R.E.A.T.); Marion County Sheriff Raul Ramirez; Heather Brown, Outside In youth program manager; Debra Slover, director of Oregon Student Safety on the Move and of Oregon Teen Leadership in Prevention Institute; Dean Westwood, Think First—

Oregon Health Sciences University; Nan Waller, circuit court judge pro tempore, Multnomah County Juvenile Court. Yvonne Katz, superintendent of Beaverton Schools, will facilitate.

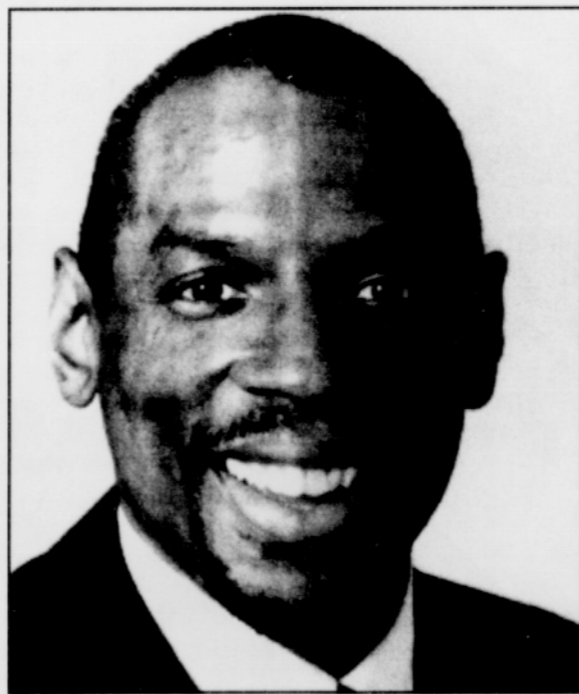
Geoffrey Canada gained national acclaim outside his hometown of New York after the publication of his first book, *Fist, Stick, Knife, Gun: A Personal History of Violence in America*, (Beacon Press, 1995). In this stunning memoir, Canada weaves his memories of violence as a child growing up in the South Bronx in the '50s and '60s into his experiences with today's youth struggling to survive in a world where fighting is done with guns rather than fists.

In his new book, *Reaching Up for Manhood*, Canada offers powerful insights into the lives of boys in America. While Canada diagnoses the sources of child violence in America, he also shares stories of hope about the simple actions citizens can take to support youth in positive ways and strengthen our communities.

Canada has dedicated his life to helping at-risk children and their families secure both educational and economic opportunities. His newest initiative is the Harlem Children's Zone, which involves the families of a 23-block area in Central Harlem. Canada holds a bachelor's degree from Bowdoin College and a master's degree from Harvard Graduate School of Education.

The events are part of a two-day Rebuilding Our Families and Communities Forum. Other events:

- Lisbeth Schorr, author of *Common Purpose: Strengthening Families and Neighborhoods to Rebuild America* and director of the Harvard University Project on Effective Interventions, will give a keynote address, "Strategies That Achieve Common Purposes," Friday, Nov. 5, 8:30 a.m.-11:30, Council Chamber, Templeton Student Center, Lewis & Clark College.
- James Vollbracht, senior associate at the Search Institute, a national organization defining and researching the 40 developmental assets essential for healthy



youth development, will head a workshop titled "Everyone's An Asset Builder: Integrating Developmental Assets Into Your Life," Friday, Nov. 5, 12:30 to 4 p.m., Stamm Dining Room, Templeton Student Center. The Prevention and Intervention Showcase and Geoffrey Canada's Friday night lecture are free to the public. Seating for Canada's lecture is on a first-come first-served basis. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. Cost of the conference is \$160 for both days, \$105 for Friday only, and \$60 for Saturday only. Graduate credit is available for an additional \$34. Group rate for four or more before Oct. 22 is \$140, per person, for both days. To register, call Center for Professional Development, (503) 768-7720. Lewis & Clark College's Center for Professional Development offers Rebuilding Our Families and Communities Forum 1999 in partnership with Think First-OHSU, a statewide program offering injury prevention curricula and school-based programs for grades 1-12. Other funding partners include G.R.E.A.T., Multnomah County Girls' Initiative Network, Oregon Commission on Children and Families, Oregon Youth Authority, Portland Public Schools, Beaverton School District and Tigard-Tualatin School District.

## Birth record unlocks past for adoptee

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Mary Inselman, a 77-year-old grandmother, feared she might die before discovering who her mother was.

But on Friday, under a judge's order, the adoptee finally got a copy of her original birth certificate, and she learned her mother's maiden name. Now she hopes to live long enough to find her older sister.

The birth certificate confirmed that she has a sister, something she suspected but couldn't be sure of based on information given to her by the agency that handled her adoption.

The certificate also confirmed that her mother, Elizabeth, who was born in New York, was married in 1918 to George Smith. Her father, who was born in Montreal, died in Nelson, British Columbia, of pneumonia three years after the marriage — just six months before Inselman was born Dec. 29, 1921, in Portland's Good Samaritan Hospital.

Her mother "probably couldn't provide for either one of us," Inselman said. "A 21-year-old woman by herself. What could she do?" Inselman's discoveries offer a preview of what thousands of other Oregon adoptees hope to learn under Measure 58, a law approved by voters last November that allows adult adoptees to see their original birth certificates, which often reveal the names of their parents. Six anonymous birth mothers challenged the law, arguing it betrays promises of confidentiality made to them when they put their children up for adoption decades ago. The law has been put on hold while the court considers the case. The Oregon Court of Appeals plans to hear arguments next month and to rule by the end of January.

Helen Hill, chief sponsor of Measure 58, got an order from a Multnomah County judge to get Inselman's birth certificate from Oregon Health Division's vital records section. Inselman argued she should have access to her records because she was adopted before adoption records were sealed, because her mother probably was not still alive and because her mother's medical history could be important to her, her children and her grandchildren, one of whom has had one kidney transplant and needs another.