

Metro / Religion

Dalai Lama's Visit to High School Summit Questioned

(AP)—A visit by the Dalai Lama to discuss nonviolence at a high school meeting on Monday has drawn complaints from five Republican state legislators. In a letter to school superintendents, the Clark County lawmakers asked for clarification of policies on religion and religious leaders and how much each school district is spending to send students to hear the Dalai Lama at the Educating the Heart Youth Summit on Monday. "Even with the event's organizers and sponsors stating that the event is not a 'religious' meeting, one cannot ignore the reality that the Dalai Lama is the spiritual leader of the Buddhist religion; is

touted to be the reincarnation of the 13th Dalai Lama; delivers a religious perception by his mere presence; and whose message cannot be separate from who or what he is: a Buddhist monk," the letter said. "This event cannot be viewed as anything but a religious event." The letter was signed by Sens. Joseph Zarelli and Don Benton, both of Vancouver; Reps. Marc Boldt of Vancouver, Tom Mielke of Battle Ground and John Pennington of Carrolls, and the Republican co-chairs of the education and higher education committees in the House, which is evenly split between Democrats and Republicans.

Giving a Hand to Breast Cancer Awareness

Health advocates will work with local faith communities on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 13 to promote breast cancer awareness.

"Think Pink" Sunday was conceived by Multnomah County Breast and Cervical Cancer Program Advisory Board to educate women about the importance of early breast cancer detection and free screening services available. There are 12 churches synagogues, and mosques participating, representing African Americans,

Latinas, Lesbians, Muslims, Russians and Asians. In some places of worship children will deliver pink carnations during the services. The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation provided funding for the event. "With our 'Think Pink' Sunday,

We hope to reach at least 2,000 women who may be eligible for free breast cancer screening," state Lillian Shirley, Multnomah County Health Department Director.



Cassandra Garrison of the Oregon Food Bank (from left), Donald Rhumer, Lisa Heinemann, Dennis Schaeffer and Rev. N. Renee Ward of Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, meet in northeast Portland on Tuesday to build momentum against a series of proposed state budget cuts in programs serving needy families. (PHOTO BY MARK WASHINGTON/THE PORTLAND OBSERVER)

Forum Fights State Budget Cuts

A forum gathered at Billy Reed's Restaurant on Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Tuesday to advocate for necessary welfare assistance to a growing number of needy Oregonians.

The event was sponsored by Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, a

faith-based organization.

Their Campaign for Fairness is an effort to restore critical supports to vulnerable citizens who rely on help through Adult and Family Services; Senior and Disabled Services; a food stamp outreach program; affordable housing

for poor families, including migrant farmworker housing; and tax equity for the poor.

The organization is urging lawmakers to use available revenues, such as the "kicker" to fund these programs. As part of their effort, they are distributing a postcard

campaign to elected representatives and have scheduled a rally on the capitol steps in Salem on Monday, May 14.

Free shuttle service is available for those needing transportation. For a ride, call Cassandra Garrison by Friday at 503/282-0555, ext. 210.

Legalcare You Can Afford

Been Overcharged For A Repair, Moving Traffic Tickets
Tried To Return A Defective Product, No Will
Discover Real Savings

- > Free Will
- > Document Review
- > Traffic Tickets
- > IRS Audit
- > Unlimited Phone Calls
- > Letters Written For You
- > Trial Defense
- > And More

Retain your own attorney for \$26/mo or less!

For Information

Kareem Or Sanja (503) 285-1531
Sanjafaye@aol.com



CARPET CLEANING 2001 CARPET CLEAN UP

MARTIN CLEANING SERVICE

- CARPET CLEANING
 - Dining Chairs \$20
 - Ottoman \$20
- 2 Area Minimum
- 1 Small Hall Free
- Pre-Spray Traffic Areas
- Stairs \$1.50 each
- ADDITIONAL SERVICES
 - Auto*Boat*RV Cleaning
 - Deodorizing
 - Dirt Resistant (Teflon) Protection
 - Pet Odor Treatment
 - Spot & Stain Removal

- UPHOLSTERY CLEANING
 - Sofa (under 6 ft.) \$69
 - Sofa (over 6 ft.) \$79
 - Sectional \$79
 - Loveseat \$49
 - Recliner \$39
 - NEW SERVICE
 - Leather Cleaning

CARPET COUPON

2 Area Minimum **\$25**
1 Small Hall Free **Each Area**
Pre-Spray Traffic Area

UPHOLSTERY COUPON

Sofa (under 6 ft) **\$69**
Loveseat or Chair **\$49**

MARTIN CLEANING SERVICE
Carpet & Upholstery Cleaning
Commercial and Residential Services

CALL FOR APPOINTMENTS
503-281-3949

Obituaries

Earl Bowles Sr.

A funeral was held Tuesday, May 8, 2001, in Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church in Portland for Earl Bowles Sr., who died May 1 at age 71. Mr. Bowles was born April 5, 1930, in Tuscaloosa, Ala. He moved to Portland in 1951 and was a foreman in a foundry until retiring. He was a longtime member of the church. In 1948, he married Rosie Lee Hall.

Survivors include his wife; son, Earl Jr.; daughters, Janice Mahone and Lisa Bowles; brothers, Herbert Kennedy, Nathaniel Kennedy, Frank Kennedy Sr., Lewis Kennedy; Willie J. Kennedy and Thomas E. Kennedy Sr.; sisters, Rosalee Kennedy Cabbil, Willie Kennedy Walden; Lucille Kennedy Drew and Delores Kennedy Cole; grandchildren and

great-grandchildren. Interment in Rose City Cemetery. Arrangements by Rose City Funeral Home.

Arthur W. Hammonds

A funeral was held Friday, May 4, 2001, in Rose City Funeral Home for Arthur W. Hammonds, who died April 28 at age 81. Mr. Hammonds was born July 7, 1919, in Chattanooga, Tenn., and came to Portland in 1944. He worked in the shipyards and then was a longshoreman. Later, he was a waiter for Union Pacific Railroad until his retirement. He married Willie Lee Cheeks; they later divorced.

Survivors include his daughters, Mary Ferguson and Wende

A. Hammonds; two grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Interment in Rose City Cemetery. Remembrances to the American Cancer Society.

Pearlie L. Paden

A memorial service was held Saturday, May 5, 2001, in Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church in Portland for Pearlie L. Paden, who died May 1 at age 93. Mrs. Paden was born Pearlie Toney on Jan. 15, 1908, in Rosston, Ark.

She was a homemaker and moved to Portland from Camden, Ark., in 1997. In 1924, she married Adie Paden; he died in 1999.

Survivors include her daughters, Gracie Mason, Lorene Wilder and Charlene Andrews; son, Leonard; sisters, Lela McKinley, Carrie M. Torrain and Autry D. Smith; brother, Clyde Toney; stepbrother, Glenn "Harvey" Butler; 21 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren;

and two great-great-grandchildren.

Interment in McKinney Cemetery in Rosston. Arrangements by Killingsworth Little Chapel of the Chimes.

Gladys Johnson

Gladys Johnson died April 16, 2001, at age 74. Mrs. Johnson was born Gladys Blackshear on April 18, 1926, in Beaumont, Texas. She moved to Portland in 1965 and was a supervisor for J.C. Penney until retiring in 1984. She married James Johnson in the early 1940s; he died in the 1960s.

Survivors include her daughter, Charlene Roberts; sisters, Dorothy Scott, Elnora Brown, Mildred Johnson, Jonnie Sue Brown, Arthur Lee Blackshear and Mercy Gordon; six grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements by Caldwell's Colonial Chapel.

Evidence of Racial Profiling Exposed

STORY CONTINUED FROM METRO PAGE 1

They said the figures should be considered in light of other studies that reveal an overrepresentation of minorities in the Multnomah County criminal justice system, as well as other social and economic factors. "It doesn't surprise me so much that, in this particular piece of the puzzle, the same exists," Krocker said. "Our reaction has been a studious one, not one of shock or surprise. You're left with a series of questions that are valid for discussion." Members of Portland's black community said they hope that data will bring change.

"The numbers come out telling us what we already know," said the Rev. Ronald Williams, of the Bethel AME Church in Northeast Portland. "It's time for us to own the problems and say, 'Yes, profiling exists and what do we need to do to make a positive change?'" In January, precinct patrol officers began reporting their perceptions of a

suspect's age, sex and race when they made a stop; the reason for the stop; whether the person or vehicle was searched; and if so, whether it resulted in a warning, citation or arrest.

Latinos appeared slightly more likely than whites to be stopped. The figures show 2,136 Latinos were stopped, or 59 per 1,000 Portland Latino residents.

Asians were 40 percent less likely than whites to be stopped, and half as likely to be searched as whites.

Roughly 60 percent of the stops of all groups resulted in a warning or no enforcement. The remaining 40 percent received tickets, citations in place of custody or arrests.

The racial profiling panel has urged the bureau, along with data collection, to recruit more minority officers, improve police communication with people at the time of a stop or arrest, and expand police training in diversity and customer service.

Gift Baskets

LAQUISHA'S
BEAUTY SUPPLY

MOTHER'S
DAY
SALE

309 NE Wygant
(503)249-7329

Owner:
Anthony Huff

Balloons