

Focus

### **Bettering the Lives** of Rural Africans



Colorful entertainment by African performers will be the highlight of a fund-raising event for needy rural Africans on Saturday, Oct. 27 at the Radisson Hotel.

Oregon-US Outreach is sponsoring their first fund-raising banquet that would benefit rural Africans in need of services for survival. The gala event, which includes good food and entertainment, will be held at the Radisson Hotel, 1441 NE. 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. on Saturday, Oct. 27, from 6:30 p.m. – 2 a.m. Keynote speakers will be Oregon Senator Avel Gordley and Judge Andrew Okon from Nigeria.

This is an opportunity to share in the greater vision of the organization to provide basic necessities for many Africans: health care clinics, access to water and scholarships for a better education.

To purchase tickets, call Oregon-US Outreach at 503-530-8873 or Charles Archibong at 503-259-9924. All ticket sales and donations are tax deductible.

# At the Movies

#### Bones

Four kids move into a mysterious, decrepit building in a bad part of town to open a dance club. Twenty years ago, the house belonged to Jimmy Bones, a legendary protector and



Snoop Dogg as Jimmy Bones and Pam Grier as Pearl in "Bones."

patron of the neighborhood when it was a thriving community. As the kids experience a series of strange and unexplainably terrifying events, they uncover an awful truth – Bones was betrayed and murdered by those closest to him. Now his spirit will haunt them and hunt them down as he seeks retribution for his death. (Genre: supernatural, action, thriller; Rating: R; Running time: 93 mins.)

#### From Hell

Scotland Yard Inspector Frank Abberline's new assignment is to investigate the brutal "Jack the Ripper" murders in the Whitechapel district of London. Virtually driven to madness during his hunt, he uncovers a con-



spiracy involving the government, a string of prostitutes and blackmail that could lead straight to the Royal Palace. (Genre: adaptation, historical, thriller; Rating: R; Running time: 84 mins.)

## Training Day

Everyday there is a war being waged on America's inner city streets – a war between residents, drug dealers and the people sworn to protect one from the other. This war has its casualties, none greater



Brett Sorensen (left) is violently confronted by Denzel Washington in "Training Day."

than L.A.P.D. Detective Sergeant Alonzo Harris, a 13-year veteran narcotics officer whose questionable methodology blurs the line between legality and corruption.

This crime tale shadows Alonzo as he tests the resolve of wide-eyed, idealistic rookie Jake Hoyt, who has one day and one day only to prove himself to his fiercely charismatic superior. Over the next 24-hours, Jake will be pulled deeper and deeper into the ethical mire of Alonzo's logic as both men put their lives and career on the line to serve their conflicting notions of justice. (Genre: crime, police, drama, action; Rating: R; Running time: 120 mins.)

#### 13 Ghosts

A family inherits a spectacular old house from an eccentric uncle. There's just one problem: the house seems to have a dangerous agenda all its own. Trapped in their new home by strangely shifting walls, the family encounters powerful and vengeful entities that threaten to annihilate anyone in their path. Soon the family is joined by an offbeat ghost hunter who is determined to free the spirits imprisoned in the house. Caught in a frantic race to save themselves before it is too late, the human inhabitants realize the house is a riddle which contains the key to their imminent salvation – or destruction. (Genre: supernatural, thriller, remake; Rating: PG-13)



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