



Happy Thanksgiving!



Kids are Upward Bound at PSU

Students attend a symposium to explore careers in math and science at Portland State University. See Metro, page A10.



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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Bush Signs Air Security Bill

WASHINGTON — President Bush signed legislation to put the nation's airport baggage screeners on the federal payroll, part of an effort to enhance airline safety and reassure passengers the skies are safe 10 weeks after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

U.S. May Bomb Iraq

WASHINGTON — Defense Department strategists are building a case for a massive bombing of Iraq as a new phase of the war against terrorism, sources say. Proponents of attacking Iraq are arguing that evidence linking Saddam Hussein's regime to Sept. 11 is not necessary for a military strike.

'Potter' Pulls in a Record

LOS ANGELES — *Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone* cast a convincing spell over audiences over the weekend, shattering virtually every box office record for a film debut. With an estimated \$93.5 million in its first weekend, Potter broke the three-day record.

Eight Foreign Aid Workers Held in Afghanistan Freed

WASHINGTON — Eight foreign aid workers, including two Americans, held in Afghanistan by the Taliban militia for three months for preaching Christianity were airlifted to freedom by U.S. military helicopters, the Pentagon said.

Artificial-Heart Patient Suffers Stroke

LOUISVILLE — Doctors for the first recipient of a self-contained artificial heart say their patient has suffered a stroke and is back on a ventilator. The prospects of recovery for 59-year-old Robert Tools are uncertain, said Dr. Laman Gray of Jewish Hospital.

United to Install Stun Guns

CHICAGO — United Airlines, a unit of UAL, said it will become the first major U.S. airline to install Taser weapons, or stun guns, on every aircraft in its fleet following the Sept. 11 attacks.

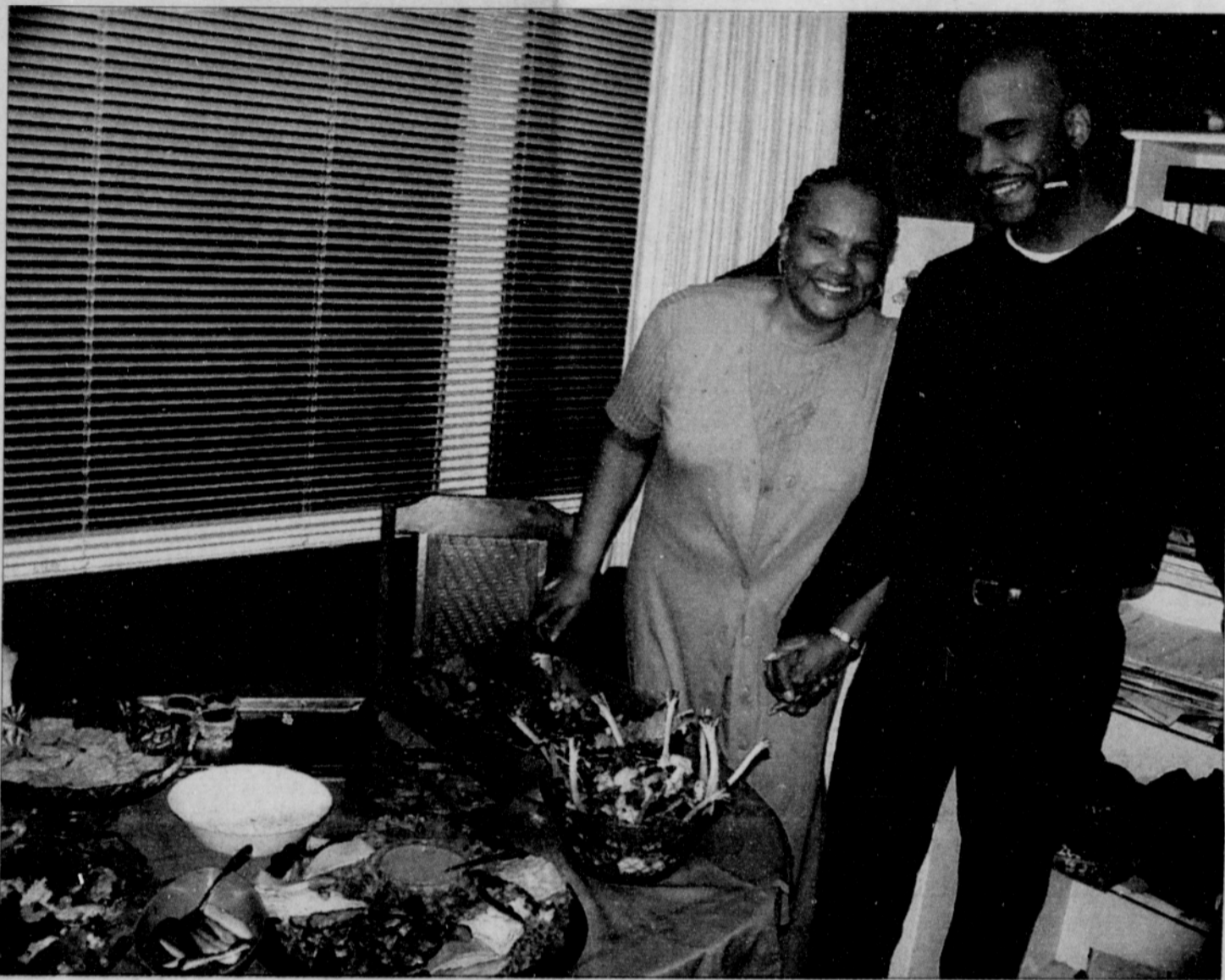
Reports: Rebels Seize Kandahar

KABUL, Afghanistan — The Northern Alliance moved to consolidate its grip on Kabul, taking over key posts and ministries. Reports said rebels also seized Kandahar, the final stronghold of the Taliban regime. Some accounts said anti-Taliban Pashtun rebels took over an airport.

Red Cross Will Use Attack Funds

WASHINGTON — The American Red Cross said it will use all the money donated to the Liberty Fund for people affected by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, reversing a plan to set aside some of the money for other needs. The Liberty Fund has collected \$543 million.

Attacks Survivor Enjoys Portland Thanksgiving



Maurice "Moe" Craig, who survived the World Trade Center terrorism attacks in New York, enjoys a homecoming celebration with his mother, Dee Craig-Arnold and many other family and friends in northeast Portland Sunday. Moe is spending the Thanksgiving week in his former hometown.

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Local Entrepreneurs To Revitalize Weimer Building

BY LEE PERLMAN
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When selecting a team to redevelop the historic Weimer building, the Portland Development Commission and the King Neighborhood Association chose some local folks.

The Heritage Group, a collaboration of six individuals, has been awarded the right to negotiate a plan to redevelop the 18,000 square foot structure at 3934 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. They hope to renovate the structure for rent to a series of small shops and offices that can serve the local community. In doing so, they hope to become the second building in Portland to meet the city's gold standard for environmental compatibility.

Jason Roberts, a member of the neighborhood association who helped select the winning team, says he was impressed by the group's ties to the community, its commitment to environmentally friendly design, and its development plans.

"It looks like there'll be a lot of small businesses," he told the Portland Observer.

Jeana Woolley, a Heritage Group partner, is also part of a team that was awarded the right to develop the King Commercial Center, a three square block area on the west side of Martin Luther King, between Alberta and Killingsworth.

Woolley said the Weimer building col-

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—Jeana Woolley, Weimer building developer



laboration is an opportunity to provide goods and services to an area that sorely needs it.

"We talked to one another prior to our submissions, and came to the conclusion that it made sense to submit the proposal jointly. A number of us have worked in the community and been involved in various activities over the last 20 years. For some of us this is our community, we live in it, and the rest have business interests here," Woolley said.

Woolley mentioned a deli, coffee shop or bakery as typical of the retail the building might provide, but said that the group had signed up no tenants and had no specific plans.

"The community will be involved down the line," she said. "In two years we should have something out of the ground that will get people's attention in a positive way, and that will be a credit to the community."

The post-Sept. 11 economy does not seem like the best climate to start such a venture, but Woolley said she isn't worried.

"Interest in this community is not waning," she says. "Houses are still being built and selling, and people will still spend money on basics."

"We've built some housing on the avenue, but aside from personal services

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Airport Losses Not as Severe as Anticipated



A last-minute surge of confidence is expected to keep crowds at Portland International at 92 percent of normal during the Thanksgiving week.

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(AP) - Portland International Airport has been bracing for a steep drop-off in business for the start of the holiday travel season, but in a last-minute surge of confidence, airport officials say the downturn won't be as bad as predicted.

They're expecting traffic at PDX to be down only 8 percent from normal levels during the Thanksgiving week.

Some of the larger airlines serving Portland, such as Delta and United, are offering last-minute specials, but they're upbeat about filling seats.

"We expect to be close to normal volumes for the week," said Alaska Airlines spokesman Jack Walsh.

The Sept. 11 terrorist attacks made many travelers wary of flying, but the faltering economy has forced many people to cancel or postpone vacations and other getaways. Nationally, passenger counts for October were down 23 percent, according to the Air Transport Association, an industry trade group.

Nationally, AAA predicts holiday air traffic will be 74 percent of normal. The Port of Portland had predicted an 85 percent level for the month, but it now says holiday crowds will be at 92 percent of last year's peak of 50,000 travelers per day.

Carter Wins Census Lawsuit

Judge orders Census Bureau to release adjusted data on minorities

BY WILLIAM MCCALL
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A federal judge has ordered the U.S. Census Bureau to release its statistically adjusted count of Americans despite government arguments it would cause political battles over local federal funding around the country.

But an attorney for the two Oregon legislators who filed a lawsuit to see the

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