



EDUCATION / FAMILY

Graduate Plans Business Career

A high school student from northeast Portland is making her family proud by graduating with honors.

Rasheedia Auntwa'nise Richards attends the Urban League of Portland Street Academy. She is vice president of the student council and graduates with a 3.9 grade point average.

Rasheedia plans to earn a masters degree in business management and become a very successful business owner.

She was recently given an



Rasheedia Richards

award for her success in school from the Oregon Alliance of Black School Educators.

Rasheedia also volunteers to help teach toddler children at a local day care. Her hobbies are reading, watching movies and playing basketball.

Her mother, Gina Easter, joins her father; brother, Ahmad; sister, Rashauna; little brother, Antwane; niece, Emony; and other family members in wishing her congratulations and the best for future success.

Girls Support Group Started

An African American woman serving kids in north and northeast Portland has started a support group for children and teenagers in the 4th through 12th grades.

Beryl McNair calls the venture "Father Mother Daughters Support Group, Inc."

For more information, call McNair at 503-283-7905

New Principal Hired at Roosevelt

A Lakewood, Wash. educator has been named the new principal of Roosevelt High School.

Andrew Kelly is replacing Bonnie Hobson, who is leaving Roosevelt to be the new principal at Gregory Heights Middle School.

Kelly has been the principal of Clover Park High School in

Lakewood for the past four years. During his tenure there, Clover Park became a member of the Coalition of Essential Schools and was recognized as a "Washington Achiever High School" by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Numerous school improvement initiatives were implemented at Clover Park to increase

student achievement. These included a summer program targeting the most-at-risk incoming 9th graders and providing them instruction in basic skills and literacy coupled with an outdoor education opportunity.

Two committees representing the Roosevelt staff and community conducted interviews for the principal's job.

Teen Drivers Need Statement, Even in Summer

Oregon teen-agers who expect to apply for a driver license or permit during the summer can avoid at least one hassle by getting a completed Statement of Enrollment from their school before school recesses for the summer months, the Department of Motor Vehicles advises.

Oregon law requires that the first time Oregonians younger than 18 go to DMV to get a driver license or per-

mit, they must prove that they have graduated from high school or that they are enrolled in school - even in the summer when classes are not in session.

Teen-agers need to show a Statement of Enrollment, diploma or GED certificate only once for it to become a part of their driving records.

The statement form must be filled out by their high school

or GED program - not a black form filled out by the student. People younger than 18 who have graduated from high school or completed a GED program, can bring a diploma or certificate to DMV.

Summer months are the busiest at DMV field offices, so teen-agers should think ahead and be prepared before visiting an office so that they are not turned away, officials said.

Children Awaiting Adoption



CurShawn



Sharquise



Victoria

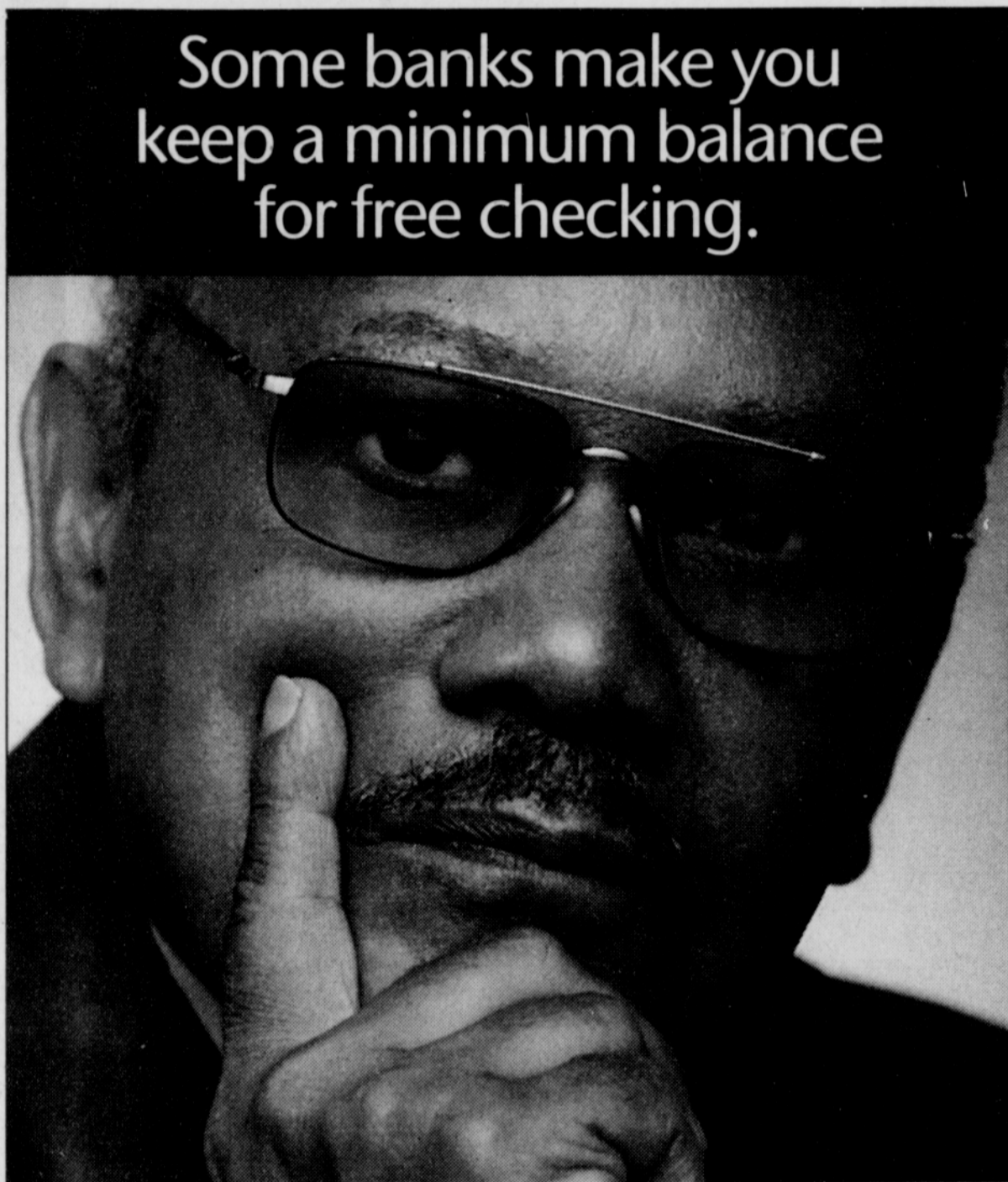
The state office for Adult and Family services for north and northeast Portland is looking for adoptive parents for

three young African American children.

Victoria is six years old, CurShawn is three and

Sharquise is five.

For more information, contact caseworker Julie Magrath at 503-280-6993, extension 258.



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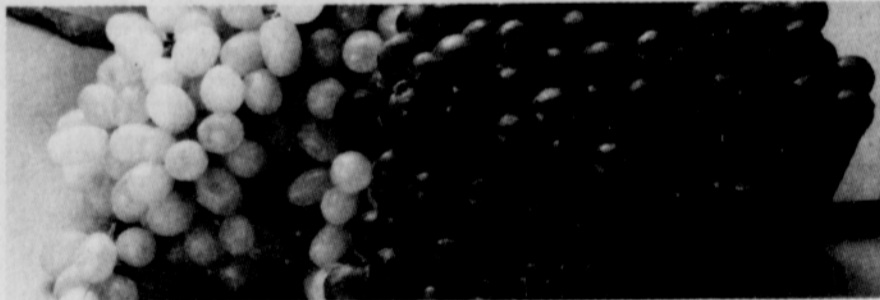
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