



Train Powers Up Interstate

A Max light rail train travels down North Interstate Avenue between the Rose Quarter and the Albina/Mississippi station Thursday. It marked the first test of a train using its own power on the tracks. The 5.8 mile Interstate Max line is scheduled to open in September next year, but may open as early as April 2004 because construction is ahead of schedule.

Ethos Sees Opportunity in Old Free Mason Lodge



Two views of the fire-damaged former Masonic Lodge across from Jefferson High School in north Portland illustrate the \$500,000 plus overhaul needed to make use of the facility.

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"The biggest thing we're going to have to tackle" and estimated it would cost about \$500,000. After that the organization will strengthen the floors, rewire the building and put in new heating and electrical systems as part of a complete rebuilding of the building.

The organization has obtained a grant from the Portland Development Commission to conduct a feasibility study. At least one private foundation has also expressed interest in contributing money to the project, Lewis said.

He estimates it will take two years between fund raising and construction.

It's going to be one of the biggest non-profit music centers on the West coast," Lewis said.

Ethos began in 1998 and currently serves more than 300 kids from its headquarters at 27 N. Killingsworth. The group has 5 full-



time employees and 40 part-time music instructors. It has programs operating in 15 local schools and after school programs at 48 schools.

A celebration of the sale will be held on Memorial Day, Monday, May 26 from 1 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on

the steps in front of the former lodge. The band Pink Martini, the Jefferson High School Reunion Choir and an Ethos student recital featuring piano, drums and singing are scheduled to perform.

Murder Suspect Denied Bail

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Just before that, Stephens had confided to his mother and brother his intense worry about the request for his DNA and his involvement in a killing, the detective testified. The

mother and brother never alerted police.

Then, on April 28, 2002, police said Stephens broke into the home of his girlfriend's cousin, and raped her in her living room.

In a taped recording of her 9-1-1

call, the woman identified Stephens as her attacker. Police arrested him the next day.

Tshey obtained a sample of his DNA, and a lab linked Stephens to the three 1997 rapes and Bittler's killing and sexual assault.

Minority Entrepreneurs Salute Supporter

The Oregon Association of Minority Entrepreneurs recently awarded Nike, Inc. with its annual corporate award at its 15th-annual Conference and Trade Show.

Nike has been a key corporate supporter of OAME's Youth Entrepreneurship Program which allows Oregon youth to participate in a hands-on, retail-management training program.

"We are honored by this award, and are pleased to continue our partnership with OAME," said Bob Speltz, Nike's Director of Global Community Affairs. "As an Oregon

company committed to diversity in all aspects of our business, we are pleased to give back to an organization in our local community who mirrors our values."

In 2000, OYEP established a retail store in north Portland that is managed and operated entirely by young minority entrepreneurs. The store receives products for sale from minority, women, and small businesses in Oregon, contributed products from corporations and other merchandise and product purchased by the store to resell.

"Our goal is to provide hands-on business experiences for youth," said Sam Brooks, OAME's president and chair of the board. "Through generous, ongoing support from Oregon

companies like Nike, our staff is able to provide the kind of supervision and counsel necessary for these young entrepreneurs to learn and succeed."

Since the store's inception, Nike has provided support and leadership to enhance the youth operation and receives the valued counsel of Nike executive Jim Robison, who currently serves on the OAME Board of Directors.

The youth program is committed to helping future minority business leaders in Oregon learn what is required to be an entrepreneur, providing them with access to technology and knowledge of how to market and sell products in a setting that focuses entirely on emerging minority-owned small businesses in Oregon.

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