Rally Against Neighborhood Displacement



PHOTO BY MARK WASHINGTON/THE PORTLAND OBSERVER Young women from Sisters In Action for Power organize on Northeast Alberta Street to address low-income housing issues.

Sisters say communities of color hurt by 'revitalization'

More than 50 students, Columbia Villa residents and community leaders gathered at the Sisters in Action for Power office Thursday to speak out against the depletion of public housing and public schools and the displacement of long-time residents and workers in north and northeast Portland.

Sisters in Action for Power, a youth-led organization encouraging low-income girls and girls of color to take action in their communities, has begun a land equity campaign. The effort addresses the devastating effects of the "revitalization" on low-income communities and communities of color.

'This used to be a community filled with businesses, parks, daycares and community centers all ran by people of color. Those were the good times when people of color had a tight-knit community," said Patti Hayes, a leader of Sisters in Action.

The group released a statement opposing the overhaul of Columbia Villa, the largest public housing facility in Portland.

According to a Sisters in Action spokesperson, the HOPE VI grant awarded to the Housing Authority of Portland will diminish the overall number of public housing units available to low-income families and sell housing to private developers.

They also called the Portland School District's selling of school land to private businesses "merely a mask for privatization and corporate dominance."

'Do-Not-Call' List Registers Millions

Free service intended to block telemarketing calls

(AP)—People registered more than 10 million phone numbers with the national do-not-call list in its first four days, finally giving vent to their frustration with telemarketers.

The free service intended to. block most telemarketing calls was launched Friday. At the business in half. height of the registration surge that evening, 158 phone numbers were signed up every sec- \$50 billion in sales ond, the Federal Trade Commission said Monday.

"This is really a phenomenal enthusiasm and pent-up demand for this service.'

www.donotcall.gov, the FTC said. On the Web site, consumers provide the home or cell tered. phone numbers they want protected and an e-mail address to istrations, 7 million numbers ing the past three months.

Portland native Nate

McCoy is one of two

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People have entered another 3 million numbers online, but still need to complete registration by clicking on a link in the e-mail message, the FTC said.

The telemarketing industry estimates the do-not-call list could cut its costing them up to each year...

response," said Eileen Harrington, ing toll-free at 1-888-382-1222, the FTC's director of marketing a number available in states west practices. "There is an enormous of the Mississippi River. To ensure the system can handle the volume of calls, the phone num-About 85 percent of the number will not operate nationwide bers were registered online at until July 7. Consumers calling call list if that person has the toll-free number must call

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were added Friday, 4.6 million on Saturday and 2 million on

The FTC expects people will register up to 60 million phone numbers in the first year.

People who sign up this sum-People also registered by call- mer should see a decrease in telemarketing calls after the FTC begins enforcing the list on Oct. 1. The service will block about 80 percent of the calls, the FTC said.

The telemarketing industry estimates the do-not-call list could cut its business in half, costing them up to \$50 billion in sales each year, said Louis Mastria, a spokesman for the Direct Marketing Association.

"You're talking about a big hit to the economy and a big hit to our industry," Mastria said.

"There may be some job losses." Exemptions from the list include calls from charities and pollsters and calls on behalf of politicians. A company also may call someone on the nobought, leased or rented from from the phone they want regis- the company within the past 18 months or has inquired about or applied for something dur-

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"Being the first in my family to go

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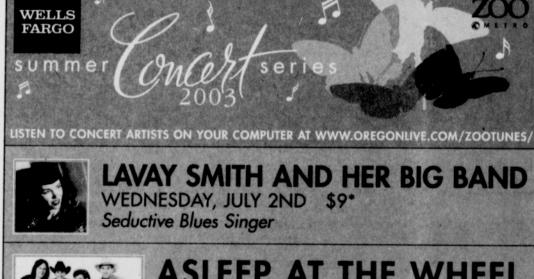
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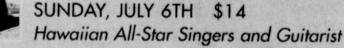




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Downtown Mission Plans New Building

Union Gospel Mission is enter- and Burnside. ing a new phase in its 76-year hisbuilding expansion.

on the site of two dilapidated and fices unoccupied buildings on the corner of Northwest Third Avenue LifeChange Center" will be con- 2004.

Nate McCoy

attending an accredited school of agewas 3.6. McCoy is now a 4th year mittal.

The new structure will provide tory by undertaking a \$5.4 million both living quarters and classrooms for residents of the LifeChange number of individuals the mission Plans are on the drawing board addiction recovery program, and can serve. to construct a five story building the mission's administrative of-

nected to an existing mission facility at 15 N.W. Third Ave. The new building will more than double the

Demolition of the old buildings is slated for the fall and construc-The new building, called "The tion scheduled to begin in spring