

## Letter to the Editor

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### Backing Up the Chief

I would like to congratulate Chief Derrick Foxworth's appointment to the position of Portland Police Chief. I feel that he has the ability and qualifications. I sincerely hope that Portland, the Mayor and the City Council respect him and let him lead instead of handcuffing him as a figurehead.

He was brought into this position among the criticism and controversy surrounding the killing of a young black mother, Kendra James by Scott McCollister. This death brought about a lot of pain and a complete distrust with a lot of us in the African-American community. There has been a lot of killing in the black community by police that always wind up with the same verdict, not guilty on the part of the police. However, the outcome has always been predictable, with little outcry from the community, but not this time. The ministers and the city as a whole wanted to dig deeper.

Portland has always tried to avoid controversy when we rise up to dispute unfair treatment. The

school district was facing a lot of heat over unfair desegregation and never having had an African-American Queen of Rosaria. We did get our first queen, the first in the history of this state.

We also had the first black superintendent after they fired Dr. Blanchard. Once again we quieted down somewhat, even though nothing was really accomplished. We got the school and program changed but the achievement that we had hoped for has never been realized, so the controversy goes on and on.

I have seen all of these strategies over the years and we quiet down. The figurehead that has been used to quiet the division soon loses that position. I am only looking at the history for the past 40 plus years of this city's politics.

I hope the Mayor will look at Chief Foxworth with dignity and respect and as a police chief who can have a wonderful future and who will serve the whole city.

Vesia Loving  
North Portland



Students at the Cascade Campus of Portland Community College in north Portland are learning in brand new science labs and new classrooms at the newly expanded Jackson Hall. PCC added 17,700 square feet to the facility named after the late Rev. John Jackson.

## Jackson Hall Expansion Celebrated

### Dean Ollee returns for open house

Portland Community College will celebrate the addition and remodeling of Jackson Hall in an open house and tours on Wednesday, Oct. 29 from 4 to 6 p.m., 705 N. Killingsworth St. There will be a brief program at 4:30 p.m.

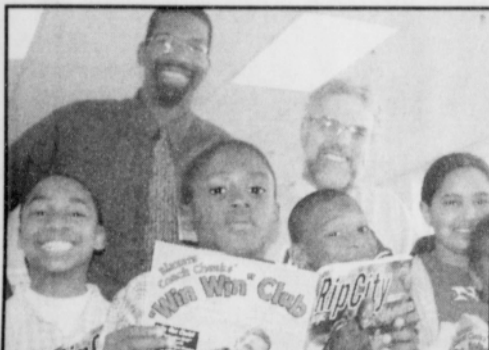
Mildred Ollee, former executive dean of the Cascade Campus, who last month assumed the presidency of Seattle Central Community College, will return to the school as a featured speaker during the celebration.

The opening of the addition to Jackson Hall marks the start of a significant educational investment by PCC to north and northeast

Portland, made possible through a \$144 million bond passed in November 2000. The Cascade Campus will see \$57 million in improvements over the next several years.

The \$6.2 million addition and remodel of Jackson Hall adds six new science laboratories, for a total of eight labs. It also adds four new classrooms. The building first opened in the

fall of 1985 with the Rev. John H. Jackson performing the ceremonial ribbon cutting. The PCC Board named the building after the late Rev. Jackson, who was pastor of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church in northeast Portland, to honor his commitment to the community, to education and to opportunities for African American youth.



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Lewis has been at the vanguard of progressive social causes and human rights struggles. As a Fisk University student, he organized sit-ins at segregated lunch counters around Nashville. In 1961, he participated in the Freedom Rides, organized to challenge segregation at bus terminals throughout the South and was beaten severely by mobs.



U.S. Rep. John Lewis

From 1963-66, Lewis chaired the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee, which he earlier had helped create. SNCC was responsible for much of the civil disobedience that drew national attention to the civil rights movement. Among the most prominent of those events was a march over the Edmund Pettus Bridge in Selma, Ala., orga-

nized by Lewis and Hosea Williams. More than 600 activists participated, and many were attacked by state troopers in a confrontation that became known as "Bloody Sunday." The march was a catalyst for the landmark Voting Rights Act of 1965. A contemporary and associate of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., Lewis was regarded as one of the most courageous leaders of the civil rights movement.

Elected to the Atlanta City Council in 1981, Lewis served until 1986, when he mounted a successful bid to represent Georgia's 5th Congressional District.

For more information about the lecture, call 541-346-3036.

## National College Fair Coming

High school students can get their questions about applying to college, answered at the free Portland National College Fair on Friday, Nov. 7 and Saturday, Nov. 8 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Oregon Convention Center.

Representatives from over 240 colleges and universities nationwide will be available to answer questions. Information sessions on college planning, applying for financial aid, scholarships, essay writing and using technology will also be offered both days.

This event is sponsored by the National Association for College Admission Counseling. For more information contact Joe Bernard at 503-520-4713 or visit www.nacac.com.

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