

# Credit Unions Merge

Members of Willamette Federal Credit Union have voted overwhelmingly to merge with Advantage NW Federal Credit Union at a special meeting of the members.

Both credit unions serve people who live, work, attend school or worship in the north and northeast Portland area. Willamette also serves those who live or work in industrial northwest Portland and downtown from its office on Front Avenue at N.W. 17th Avenue.

Advantage's main office is on Killingsworth Street at North Interstate Avenue. They also have a branch in Hermiston.

According to Willamette's President and CEO, Wendy Whittaker, the merger will make a number of additional services available to members of Willamette including on-line banking, and credit cards.

The combined credit union will have assets in excess of \$35 million, more than a 50 percent growth for Advantage.



Credit union executives Joellen Chamberlain (left) and Wendy Whittaker shake hands on a merger deal outside the Advantage NW Credit Union on North Killingsworth Street and Interstate Avenue. Advantage is merging with Willamette Federal Credit Union.

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# Black History Museum Approved

## Center would become part of the Smithsonian

(AP) — Congress has approved the creation of a national museum of black history and culture, where visitors from around the world can learn about 400 years of struggle and progress.

"America will finally have a museum worthy of the generation of men and women who have sacrificed so much and given so deeply to the cause of freedom," Senate Majority Leader Bill Frist of Tennessee said.

The measure now goes to President Bush.

Georgia Rep. John Lewis, a former civil rights leader, introduced legislation to create the museum in each Congress since 1988. Every time, for one reason or another, the measure failed in the House or Senate.

But if Bush signs the bill into law, it would clear the way for fund raising and for the Smithsonian Board of Regents to choose a site for it within a year.

"John Lewis, when he came to Washington this became a personal crusade," said Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev. "This is the culmination of a dream he started years ago."

The estimated \$400 million initial price tag would be split evenly between the federal government and private sources. The bill authorizes \$17 million in the first year to start the project.

Proposed sites are the Smithsonian's Arts and Industries Building; an area near the Washington Monument; an area closer to the Jefferson Memorial; and a waterfront site a few blocks south of the Mall.

# Judge Robinson Scholarship Established

Friends and colleagues of retired Multnomah County Circuit Judge Roosevelt Robinson have established a scholarship fund in his honor at Lewis and Clark Law School. The fund will provide scholarships to minority students working to earn a law degree at the southwest Portland law school.

"Roosevelt Robinson has touched the lives of many people

and has lived his life as a sterling example of the value of earning a legal education," said college dean Jim Huffman.

The scholarship fund will assist students who have experienced similar circumstances as Robinson, a background he describes as "academically sound, but economically depressed."

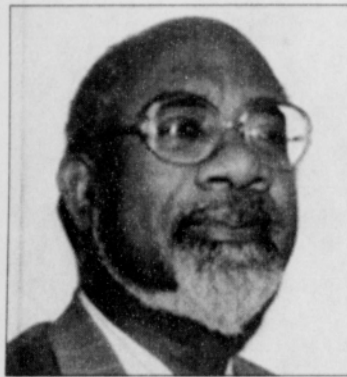
"Roosevelt has always remained

true to the ideals of public service while helping minorities make progress within the legal profession," said Huffman. "The scholarship will be his legacy to future generations of lawyers."

Born in Valdosta, Ga., Robinson endured hardships including the murder of his mother. Raised by his great-grandmother, he was high school valedictorian. Robinson at-

tended Southwestern Christian College and then moved to Oregon where he worked for Nabisco in northeast Portland. He earned a bachelor of arts degree in sociology from the University of Portland and his law degree from Lewis and Clark Law School.

For more information, call 503-768-6641 or visit <http://law.lclark.edu>.



Judge Roosevelt Robinson

### Dear Deanna!

My teenage daughter is going through a self-esteem crisis. She has full-lips and feels ugly and ashamed because other children tease her about having big lips. As a parent, what can I do to make her feel better about herself? --Anonymous in DC

### Dear Anonymous in DC

Teach your daughter about the beauty of full lips. As a matter of fact, you can do that by bringing her attention to the many Hollywood types that pay thousands of dollars to make their lips bigger. Let your daughter know that her lips are beautiful, fashionable and a dominant part of her heritage. Now, for the teasing kids, your daughter should enjoy be-

ing childish for a moment as she tells them, "sticks and stones will break my bones, but words will never hurt me."

### Dear Deanna!

One of my co-workers is greedy and always asks for my food when I am eating. I don't mind sharing but there are times I have a small portion and I don't have enough to share. I tell her no, but she reaches for my food anyway. How do I politely turn her away? --Need to Eat; Decatur, GA

### Dear Need to Eat

Obviously telling her no like an adult doesn't work. Take drastic measures. The next time she asks for something, cough all over your food. If that doesn't work, make



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eye contact while taking a big lick or bite of something and then proceed to hand it over. I guarantee she will turn on her heel and say no thank-you and will definitely think twice before asking for something else. -My Friends Use the N-Word

### Dear Deanna!

I have friends who use the N-word in public. This is very embarrassing when they purposely blurt it out loud in front of people of a different race. I try walking away from them when they get started so it doesn't appear as if I am with them. This works until they notice what I'm doing and then they start calling me the N-word. How can I make them see this is wrong and the negativity needs to be stopped? -No More N-Word; Jackson, MS

### Dear No More

I can imagine your discomfort because the N-word is associated with negativity and is made worse when used by the race in a demeaning fashion. Each time a step of progress goes forward, this type behavior causes two steps backwards. Educate your friends on the meaning of the N-word and help them see how it affects those of all races. Let them know they are acting ignorant and are made more so when they publicly do this. This type mentality and behavior like the slave days are over.

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