



Breaking ground for the Portland Housing Authority's New Columbia neighborhood in north Portland are City Commissioner Erik Sten (clockwise from left), John Meyers, regional HUD director, Lee Moore, HAP commissioner, Terry McLain, former resident of New Columbia, Steve Rudman, HAP executive director, County Commissioner Serna Cruz, John Ball Elementary students Billy Cha and Coeisha Fauntleroy, Ron Coulam, HAP staff member and Benjamin Chimiku, former Columbia Villa resident.

## NEW COLUMBIA TAKES ROOT IN NORTH PORTLAND

Trees were planted and ground was broken for New Columbia, a mixed-economy housing project replacing Columbia Villa, the World War II era public housing neighborhood in north Portland.

Housing Authority of Portland staff joined local school children, former Villa residents and dignitaries such as U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Gordon Smith, City

Commissioner Erik Sten and County Commissioner Serena Cruz for the Dec. 1 celebration.

The groundbreaking marks a pivotal milestone in the project, which is slated to complete the first housing unit in the late summer of 2005.

A total of 382 families were relocated over the past several months to pave the way for the redevelopment. Each will priority over new

residents as the new housing becomes available.

New Columbia will offer a mix of housing types and amenities. The architecture, street patterns, services and recreational and education opportunities are planned to integrate New Columbia with the surrounding neighborhood and enrich the lives of residents and neighbors.

## Hate Crime Draws Prison

(AP)—The ringleader of a gang of teenage skinheads in Portland was sentenced Monday to nearly three years in prison for burning crosses at a Jewish cemetery and spray-painting racist graffiti on a Korean church three years ago.

Brian Raymond Hauth, 26, who lives in Montana, was convicted of civil rights and conspiracy charges as part of a plea bargain reached late last summer, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Stephen F. Peifer.

According to an FBI affidavit filed in Portland, Hauth was as the "commander" of a teen hate group, which called itself the "Oregon State Boot Boys."

Hauth admitted to having recruited five boys three years ago — all minors ranging in age from

14 to 17. He masterminded each act, the affidavit said, driving one of the boys to the Agape Wide World Mission Center on Dec. 8, 2000, where he encouraged the boy to paint a swastika on the wall of the Korean sanctuary.

One month later, he returned with several other boys, vandalizing the church a second time. They also spray-painted swastikas on the entrance pillars of Portland's Congregation Shaarie Torah Cemetery. On March 12, 2001, Hauth returned again, this time to burn crosses in the cemetery.

White supremacists have a long history in Portland. In 1988, members of a neo-Nazi movement beat an Ethiopian man to death with a baseball bat.

## Coat Drive to Benefit Life Center

If the sleeves are getting short on your children's winter coats or your own closet is full of jackets falling in and out of your fashion taste, consider making a donation to the needy this chilly season.

Self-Enhancement, Inc. and Wells Fargo Bank is sponsoring a coat, clothing and toy drive to benefit the Life Center.

"This holiday drive is an awesome opportunity for us to part-

ner with a wonderful organization such as SEI and solidify our commitment to this community," said Mark Miller, Wells Fargo Walnut Park branch manager.

Collection barrels are at the Center for SEI, and Wells Fargo branches at Walnut Park, Hayden Island and at Jefferson, Benson, Grant and Roosevelt high schools.

For more information, call 503-249-1721 ext. 241.



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The African-American Kwanzaa event is celebrated by Vicki Goinn, storyteller Askari, Jerrell Gaddis, Pexton Gaddis and Parker Gaddis at the Kaiser Town Hall on North Interstate Avenue. Friday's festivities were sponsored by the Kaiser Permanente African American Association.

## Umoja for Kwanzaa

Food, music and umoja, which means unity, were highpoints of Kaiser Permanente African American Association's seventh annual

Kwanzaa Celebration last Friday.

The event featured speeches by storytellers with drum-beating backdrops, dancing by the

Woodlawn Elementary School Youth African Dance Troupe and gospel selections by the Brown Sisters and Cathedral Choir of Bethel AME Church.

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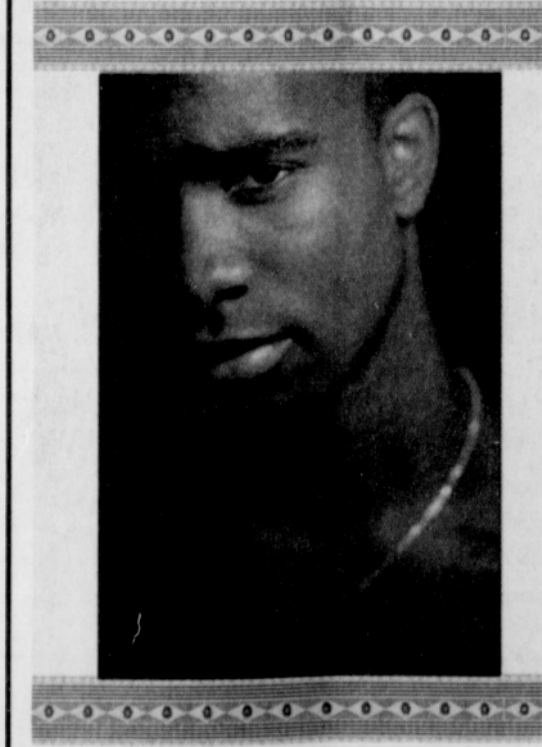
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### Wellness Within REACH Activity Calendar

All classes are free of charge!

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
<b>Matt Dishman</b> 77 NE Knott		Stretching/Body Sculpting 7-8am Lois		Stretching/Body Sculpting 7-8am Lois		African Dance 10:00-11:00am Addo
<b>Salvation Army</b> 5325 N Williams	Salsa 6:30 - 7:30pm Henry	Water Aerobics Contact AAHC 503-413-1850	Tai Chi 6:30 - 7:30pm Lyles	Water Aerobics Contact AAHC 503-413-1850		
<b>Wild Oats Market</b> 3535 NE 15th		Yoga 7:30-8:30pm O'Rourke		Yoga 7:30-8:30pm O'Rourke		Body Conditioning 9:30-10:30am Nickerson
<b>Peninsula Park</b> 700 N Portland		Walking Group* 6:00-7:00pm Woods		Walking Group* 6:00-7:00 pm Woods		Walking Group 12:30pm Woods
<b>Mallory Avenue Christian Church (Gym)</b> 126 NE Alberta	Aerobics 5:30-6:20pm Granville 6:30-7:30pm Nickerson		Aerobics 5:30-6:20pm Granville 6:30-7:30pm Nickerson		Aerobics 5:30 - 6:20pm Granville 6:30-7:30pm Nickerson	
<b>Highland United Church of Christ</b> 4635 NE 9th Ave.	Aerobics 6:00-7:00am Pierce	Aerobics 6:00-7:00pm Keller	Aerobics 6:00-7:00am Pierce	Aerobics 6:00-7:00pm Keller	Aerobics 6:00-7:00am Pierce	
<b>Whitaker Track</b> 42nd & Killingsworth		Wt. Management/Conditioning 9:00 - 10:00am Hasan Walk to Run 6:30pm Thorne	Wt. Management/Conditioning II 6:00 - 7:00am Hasan	Wt. Management/Conditioning 9:00 - 10:00am Hasan Walk to Run 6:30pm Thorne		
<b>Irvington Covenant Church</b> 4008 NE MLK Blvd				Aerobics 7:30 - 8:30pm Keller		Aerobics 8:00 - 9:00am Norris
<b>Daniel's Memorial Church</b> 12th & Killingsworth		Low Impact Aerobics 7:15 - 8:15pm Granville				

\*Must be 21 or older to participate. Please check with AAHC before showing up to the first class 503-413-1850. Please receive approval from your doctor before beginning exercise class.  
+ Walking group meets inside Lloyd Center in front of Sears

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