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RELIGION

Pacific Band, Singers to Perform Jazz Mass

World premiere based on works of Mary Lou Williams

Pacific University's Jazz Band and Chamber Singers will present the world premiere of a new arrangement of the only jazz Mass ever commissioned by the Vatican on Saturday, May 8, at 7:30 p.m. in McCready Hall in the Taylor-Meade Performing Arts Center on the college's Forest Grove campus.

Mary Lou Williams, whose expressive sacred music was among the first jazz music to be played in the Catholic Church, originally wrote "Mass for Peace" for a jazz combo and five voices. Its new arrangement by Michael Burch-Pesses, director of bands at Pacific, features a 17-piece jazz band and 24-voice choir.

In his History of Jazz and Rock class at Pacific, Burch-Pesses teaches his students about Williams, a jazz icon from the earliest days of the genre. In 1969, the secretary of the Pontifical Commission on Justice and Peace com-



Mary Lou Williams made history by bringing jazz to the Catholic Church.

missioned her to write what would become her third Mass, which was originally titled "Mass for Peace.'

Burch-Pesses said Williams was an African-American woman who didn't have a recording contract and who had the bad luck to receive the commission just when Leonard Bernstein's Mass and Jesus Christ Superstar were gaining fame.

"I have always thought it a shame that the piece didn't get its due and I am delighted to be bringing it into the light. I am especially pleased that we will be debuting the arrangement on what would have been her 94th birthday," Burch-Pesses said.

The Mass has 16 movements and lasts 45 minutes. "The first movement is not part of the Mass," said Burch-Pesses, "but is a piano prelude that Mary Lou Williams wrote to honor gospel singer Orlando Wright.'

General admission for this special performance is \$5 and \$3 for students and senior citizens. Tickets are available at the door or in advance through the box office at 503-352-2918.





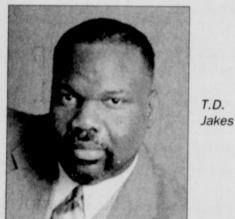
Oscar C. McCray and Flora I. McCray celebrated their 57" wedding anniversary on March 10. The Portland couple renewed their wedding vows on this joyful occasion with Pastor Melvin Bailey of Bethesda Christian Church, officiating. The McCray's attribute the joy and love that they have shared together over the years to their belief in God and living a Christian life.

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bituaries

"America's Best Preacher," Bishop Portland for this exhilarating opportunity. I T.D. Jakes brings his Portland Crusade, personally believe God will move in a mighty way where people will leave with a life-changing impartation," Jakes said.

> Jakes leads the 28,000-member The Potter's House of Dallas, one of the fastest growing churches in America.

The crusade is an open meeting to the public; however, preferred seating is \$20per person. For more information, please con-"I am thrilled to join with the people of tact Memorial Coliseum at 503-235-8771.



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Olie Johnny Tucker

A memorial service was sched- tions from cancer. uled Wednesday, March 31 at the Tucker, a long time Portland resi- 2, 1926 in Mississippi.

dent who died March 9 of complica-

Known as "One Arm Johnny," Community Church of God, 202 N.E. Tucker was a very proud man. He Skidmore St., for Olie Johnny was born to Alice Tucker on Sept.

Resident Dies at 25

Mark Junior Zamora

A funeral was held Monday, March 22, in Mallory Avenue Christian Church in Portland for Mark Junior "Mizta Junebugg" "Vegas" Zamora, who died March 13 at age 25.

Mr. Zamora was born Jan. 21, 1979, in Portland, where he lived all his life. He was forklift operator and computer operator for Columbia Sportswear.

Survivors include his son, Markus Presley; father, Roy ; mother, Antoinette B.; twin brother, Matthew; brother, Delavaughtey Kindred; and sisters, Aresa and Peggy.

Remembrances to a scholarship fund in his name for needy students in sports through Bank of America. Ar- ments by Killingsworth Little Chapel of the rangements by Killingsworth Little Chapel of the Chimes. Chimes.

Business **Owner** Dies

Iner Lenora Hunt

A funeral will be held on Friday, April 2 for Iner Lenora Poe, who died on March 25 at age 79.

Born Iner Lenora Hunt in Lynden, Texas, she married Theodis Poe in 1939. He died in 1989

She was the owner of a Mobil gas station. She moved to Portland from California in 1963. She was a member of the Walker Temple Church of God in Christ.

She will be remembered by her son. Theodis Poe Jr.

Remembrances in her memory may be made to Walker Temple Church.

Jolanda Z. Tucker-Smith, son-inlaw DeShaden Smith, granddaugh-

ters Denina and DeKuira Smith and Kirsten Burke and son Jefferey J. Roth.

In Loving Memory **Delphia Mae Scott**

Delphia Mae Scott died Feb. 28, 2004, at age 79. Delphia Salvesen was born Dec. 2, 1924, in Portland. She moved in 1942 to Seattle, in 1960 to Tacoma and returned to Portland in 1996. She was a teller for U.S. Bank. In 1955, she married Dean; he died in December.

He is survived by his daughter,

Survivors include her daughters, Tamara L. and Rebecca A.; sisters, Evelyn Picha and Louise Teed; and brother, Ed Salvesen.

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