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Community Calendar

Life Changing Talk

Dr. Mark Strong, pastor of the Life Change Christian Center, will speak at the Interchurch Service of Evangelical Ministries International at North Alberta and Mallory, at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 27.

A Community Concerned

The community is urged to attend a strategy meeting at the King Neighborhood Facility, 4815 N.E. 7th Ave. on Friday, April 16 at 6 p.m. to address Portland Police Bureau conduct. For more information, call 503-284-0617.

Women's Issue

OHSU Center for Women's Health holds annual conference, focusing on "Strong Women" from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, May 1 at the Oregon Convention Center. To register, call 503-494-0712 or visit www.ohsuwomenshealth.com.

Women at Play

Women at Work present a conference on balancing work and life at the Oregon Convention Center, 777 N.E. Martin Luther King Blvd. on April 23 and 24. The expo is accompanied by a Posh Party and Mad Hatter Tea Party. Cost is \$39 for one day and \$59 for both. For more information, call 800-562-8964 or visit www.womenatworkandplay.com.

Wild Animals

The Oregon Zoo opens Himalamazon, a simulator thrill ride that soars riders through a Himalayan climate above the soil of the Amazon, on May 1. Ticket are \$4 in addition to zoo admission. A Dine and Discovery, with a culinary tour of exotic lands, is at 6:30 p.m. on April 21 for \$75 per dinner or \$250 for four dinners. Reserve your seat by calling 503-220-2492.

Healthy Chat

OHSU's healthy chats continue with The Healing Power of Exercise from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. May 4 at Elsie Stuhr Center, 5550 S.W. Hall Blvd. in Beaverton. Caregiving for Family and Friends with Serious Memory Problems is from noon to 1 p.m. May 6 at the Metro YMCA, 2831 S.W. Barbur Blvd. The Dark Side of High Fashion Shoes is discussed from 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, May 12 at the PHSU Family Health Center, Richmond, 3930 S.E. Division St.

Salvation for Kids

The Salvation Army's 10th anniversary luncheon is all about kids, from noon to 1 p.m. May 14 at the Lloyd Center Doubletree Hotel, 1000 N.E. Multnomah. For more information, call 503-963-1187.

Maya Angelou Visit

Maya Angelou joins the Unique Lives and Experiences lecture tour at 7:30 p.m. on May 19 at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. For tickets, visit www.eventsunlimited.org.

Bowling for Rhinos

To register for Bowling for Rhinos, a fundraiser for rhino conservation abroad, call 503-226-1531 ext. 5255. The event is from noon to 3 p.m. April 24. An Earth Day Expo is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on April 25 with a Race to Stop Global Warming beginning at 8 a.m. For more information, visit www.greenhousenet.org.

Wildlife Lecture

A wildlife lecture series, beginning with The Eye of the Albatross at 7 p.m. April 27, is hosted by the Oregon Zoo and the Audubon Society. Each lecture costs \$10 with series tickets available at a discount. For more information, call 503-226-1561.



Mayor Vera Katz (from left) and her chief of staff Judy Tuttle have a lively conversation with business entrepreneur Roy Jay just prior to his surprise award for achievement in the hospitality and convention industry. Katz and others refer to Jay as 'Mr. Portland.'

Mr. PORTLAND

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— Serge D'rovencourt, former general manager of the Hilton Hotel

Roy Jay generates business and good will

He's more than just another face in the local convention and tourism industry. They call him Mr. Portland.

Savvy African American business entrepreneur Roy Jay was presented with the prestigious "Member of the Year Award" by the Portland Oregon

Visitors Association' during the group's annual luncheon.

The April 1 event filled the Oregon Convention Center to capacity with politicians, business leaders and local hotel and hospitality industry representatives from throughout the state.

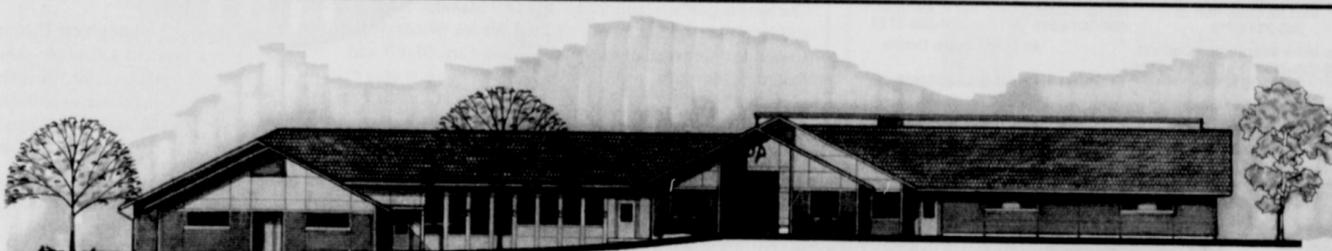
Jay, 56, has a record of accomplishment as president of Oregon Convention and Visitor Services Network. He has worked in tandem with POVA since 1996 specifically to elevate Portland in the growing

ethnic minority convention industry, generating millions of additional business for local hotels, sales leads and a multitude of national exposure for Portland.

"Jay is a treasure and real ambassador to the City of Portland," says friend Serge D'rovencourt, former general manager of the Hilton Hotel.

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A building first used as a convent for nuns teaching at the former St. Charles Elementary School at Northeast 42nd and Emerson, will be remolded and expanded to provide a residential drug and alcohol treatment center for up to 24 boys and 16 girls.

Youth Treatment Center Expands Reach



Plans for an expanded youth drug and alcohol treatment center next to the former St. Charles Elementary School in northeast Portland are reviewed by Keri Dughman of De Paul youth and family services (from left), Kevin Stenberg of Walsh Construction and Terry LeJeune of De Paul.

De Paul to double capacity for drug, alcohol treatment

De Paul Youth Treatment Center embarks on helping twice as many teens in its residential program for substance abuse and chemical dependency.

The privately-funded \$4 million project will double the capacity of the youth treatment center at 4411 N.E. Emerson St., a building first used as a convent for nuns teaching at the former St. Charles Elementary School at Northeast 42nd and Emerson.

When completed, De Paul will have separate residential programs for up to 24 boys and 16 girls, aged 12 to 18, and will serve

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The new center addresses the critical shortage of evidence-based drug and alcohol treatment for youth in our region.

— Shella North, executive director of De Paul