

Guns Turned In for Goods

Ceasefire Oregon held a gun turn-in event at various locations throughout the Portland area Saturday.

In northeast Portland, people exchanged unwanted firearms for goods and entertainment vouchers at Reggie's Barber Shop on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

In the last two weeks, 133 guns have been collected and will be destroyed through the Ceasefire Oregon drives, including an assault rifle turned in at Reggie's.

Children were also encouraged to exchange toy guns for other toys at that event.

For more information about the upcoming gun turn-in events, visit www.ceasefireoregon.org.



Volunteers Julie Sterling (from left), Shawn Alford and Officer Dave Norlin take a gun off the streets at the Ceasefire Oregon gun turn-in event Saturday at Reggie's Barber Shop in northeast Portland.

Local Grads Join Army

Three local graduates are finding success in their military careers.

Alena R. Marshall of northeast Portland has graduated from the Army ROTC (Reserve Officers' Training Corps) Leader Development and Assessment Course, also known as "Operation Warrior Forge," at Fort Lewis in Tacoma.

Marshall is a 1997 graduate of Wilson High School. She is the daughter of Alice Marshall and

Lewis Marshall.

Army National Guard Pvt. Jandi E. Hewett has graduated from the automated logistical specialist advanced individual training course at the U.S. Army Quartermaster Center and School at Fort Lee in Petersburg, Va. The course is designed to train soldiers to establish and maintain stock records and other documents.

Hewett, a 2002 graduate at Roosevelt High School, is the daughter of Randy and Josephine Hewett.



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Cars and Ash Don't Mix

Volcano warning for vehicle owners

Vehicle owners should take special precautions in the event of volcanic ash from an eruption of Mt. St. Helens.

The Northwest Automotive Trades Association has prepared a consumer tip sheet with information to help prevent ash from leading to vehicle damage.

"While the ash, particularly when it's dry, won't immediately harm

least daily."

She cautions that rubbing or brushing the ash off the car can scratch the finish.

"Make sure you thoroughly rinse the ash off before you actually wash the vehicle," she said.

NATA is also reminding drivers to increase stopping distances and to slow down when ash is on the road because it can be slippery, particularly when wet.

The ash is also apt to clog the vehicle's air filter or cabin air filters.

If driving in an area where there is ash, vehicle-owners should either check these filters - or have them checked - regularly and replace

them as necessary. "You'll also want to make sure you have plenty of liquid in your windshield washer reservoir so you'll be able to keep your windshield clear if you have to drive in areas with lots of blowing ash," Crest said.

If you can't keep the car in a garage or covered while ash is falling, we recommend rinsing it off at least daily.

—Rutherford Crest, Northwest Automotive Trades Association

the paint finish of your vehicle, it can be abrasive and acidic, so it's a good idea not to let it remain on the exterior surface very long," association spokesman Rutherford Crest said. "If you can't keep the car in a garage or covered while ash is falling, we recommend rinsing it off at



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Community Service Thank You

Yvonne Balog, lending officer with Advantage NW Federal Credit Union (formerly Willamette Federal Credit Union), smiles at her desk filled with cards wishing her a happy retirement after 35 years of serving the community. She says she'll miss the people the most, after watching parents, children and grandchildren grow, making loans to them and counseling them.

RELIGION

Clothing Drive at Bethel AME

A "Christmas in October" clothes drive for kids takes place at Bethel AME Church, 5828 N.E. 8th Ave., from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 16, Sunday, Oct. 17 and Saturday, Oct.

30. The Young People's Division of the Fannie Cook Women's Missionary Society is holding this event to collect new and used clothes for kids

who range in size from infants to teens. The clothes will be donated to north and northeast Portland community shelters, homes and agencies that serve youth and families.

Muslim Group Endorses Kerry

The non-partisan Muslim American Political Action Committee has endorsed Sen. John Kerry for President. The decision came after months of consideration and discussions with Muslim-American leaders across the country, and extensive dialog with the Kerry campaign and the Democratic Party leadership.

In a statement, Mukit Hossain, president of Muslim group, stated, "What does it mean for

Muslim Americans if President Bush is re-elected? It means more constricting laws and policies to curtail the civil liberties of the Muslim Americans, and harsher foreign policies toward Muslim countries - in the name of combating terrorism.

"It also means a continuing and menacing rise of anti-Muslim sentiment in America, covertly nurtured by the Neoconservatives, and openly

fanned by government officials like Lt. General Boykin and Attorney General John Ashcroft.

"Since Senator Kerry is not controlled by religious and political ideologues, the possibility of an open and productive dialog with the Kerry administration for the Muslim Americans remains alive. The Kerry campaign has already shown an eagerness to be inclusive, and an inclination to engage in such a dialog."

In Loving Memory: Willie Mae Strickland

A funeral was scheduled Wednesday Oct. 13, 2004 in Berean Baptist Church in Portland for Willie Mae Strickland, who died Oct. 8 at age 74.

She was born Willie Mae Diggs on born Dec. 7, 1929 in Chattanooga, Tenn. She was a homemaker who lived in the Portland area most of her life. In 1946, she married Nathaniel Strickland; he died in 1974.

Survivors include her daughters, Natalie Strickland and Claudia Strickland; a son, Nathaniel Strickland II; three grandchildren, Mary, Selicia and Danielle Strickland; and four great grandchildren, RaeShawn, Amaya, Jeremiah and Haden.

Arrangements were under the direction of Cox & Cox Funeral Chapel.

Jingle Bear Concert Coming

The Portland Symphonic Girlchoir announces its annual Jingle Bear Family Concert, on Dec. 4 at 10:30 a.m. This family favorite has become a traditional way to begin the holidays. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students. For reservations, or more information, call 503-226-6162 or visit www.girlchoir.com.

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