

For Every Girl

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with all different skills, who are ethnically diverse and of different socioeconomic status, who speak different languages. We need to pull these people together who are willing to invest in the girls," said Keeley.

Girl Scouts is about so much more than selling cookies and macaroni art, says Evers.

"We have to provide different opportunities to interest every girl. Some girls like to sing songs and do arts and crafts and some girls want to go rock climbing and deep sea diving. We have to plan events for every girl, keeping in mind the ideals of Girl Scouts like career development, leadership, goal setting and character building," Evers said.

The Columbia River Council takes that challenge seriously by crafting unique activities that place girls from the ages of five to 17 in positions to lead, develop character and grow up to be successful women.

Activities have come a long way from popsicle construction

and glitter glue decorating. Today's Girl Scouts plan their own activities based on their topics of interest. That can range from learning self defense to designing Web sites to cooking to race dialogue to nutrition to camping trips, where girls plan every aspect of the activity.

For more information and to get involved, call 503-620-4567.

Girl Scouts in the Portland metropolitan area are guided by a multicultural staff that includes Samantha Keeley (from left), Anita Jo Noble, Shannon Evers and La Shanda Hurst.

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Dig Extended for Chinese Remains

Archaeologists are excavating a parking lot next to the Lone Fir Cemetery at Southeast 20th and Morrison Street to determine whether any remains of Chinese immigrants were left behind more than half a century ago. Archaeologists are trying to confirm what the Chinese community has long believed — that bodies of women and children were left under the asphalt. So far, crews have unearthed handles to caskets, shards of Chinese pottery and fragments of grave markers, but no human remains have been found.

New Verdict Frees Black Journalist

Freedom follows 44 years behind bars

(AP)—He's a man of contradictions, an honor student turned dropout who at 19 saw bank robbery as his only way out of poverty. A confessed killer who reawakened his mind in a brutal prison and turned himself into an award-winning journalist.

Now Wilbert Rideau is a free man after nearly 44 years behind bars -

because his fourth trial ended in a conviction, but this time of manslaughter instead of murder, allowing his release for time already served.

On Feb. 16, 1961, he held up a bank and took three employees hostage, shooting them all and stabbing teller Julia Ferguson to death. He never denied the crime but did not give details until his latest trial, when he said it was a result of panic.

Rideau wrote and narrated an award-winning National Public radio documentary. He directed "The

Farm," which won the 1998 documentary prize at the Sundance Film Festival and was nominated for an Oscar.

He was turned down for parole again and again, but in 2000 a federal appeals overturned his third conviction because black people were excluded from the 1961 grand jury.

A new grand jury reindicted him in July 2001, and on Saturday seven whites and five blacks convicted him of a lesser charge of manslaughter, allowing his release for the years he already had served.

Black United Fund has Scholarships

Black United Fund of Oregon Access scholarships are available with downloadable applications on the fund's website at www.bufor.org.

The applications are due by Feb. 1 by 5 p.m. at the Black United Fund's office, 2828 N.E. Alberta St.

The organization has five one-time \$1,500 Ron Herndon scholarships that can be used at any

accredited college or university. In addition, Portland State University, in partnership with BUF, offers five one-time \$1,500 scholarships.

University of Portland, in partnership with BUF, offers three up to \$12,000 renewable scholarships and Willamette University, in partnership with BUF, offers two \$15,000 renewable scholarships.

The Access program also will hold two information sessions to orient African-American families to new partnership with The Catlin Gabel School. There will be two full scholarships for two entering freshman to The Catlin Gabel Upper School.

For more information call 503-282-7973 or email kpowell@bufor.org.

PCC Financial Aid Day

Portland Community College is holding Financial Aid Day at the north Portland Cascade Campus on Saturday, Jan. 22 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

PCC advisors will provide personalized assistance to future college students with completion of federal student aid forms. This event is open to prospective students, including high school seniors.

Students are urged to come early to ensure adequate time to complete the online application.

For more information, call 503-978-5282, or 503-978-5291.

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