



# BUSINESS / Careers



## Mayor Potter to Host Business Summit

Focus to include women, minority issues

Helping to create a more competitive workforce by better training of youth, women, and minority-owned businesses, Mayor Tom Potter will host a Business Summit to look at issues important to business owners and stakeholders in Portland.



Mayor Tom Potter

Potter will honor his campaign pledge to the business community with the all-day event on Friday, June 24 at the Kaiser Town Hall Auditorium on the Kaiser Permanente campus on North Interstate Avenue. More than two hundred participants are expected to attend.

"Portland businesses are the backbone of our local economy. We need to be forward-thinking about our young and emerging workforce and creative and sustainable industries," Potter said. "The city must do its part to grow and support the very businesses that employ our families and put food on our tables."

The Mayor's Business Summit

will address a wide range of issues affecting the city's economic climate. It will also provide an opportunity for stakeholders to meet directly with a number of city bureau directors to share information on citywide business needs.

Jelly Helm, director of Wieden and Kennedy's new advertising school entitled "W+K 12," will address the themes of competing in global economy, workforce development and the creative economy during the lunch hour.

A Sustainable Industry Mini-Trade Show will be open all day for attendees to see a sampling of locally-based products and services developed by Portland's green businesses.

There is no charge to attend the Summit. Seating will be limited, so only full-day attendees are encouraged to register. The Summit program agenda and ticket availability will be available at [www.portlandonline.com/mayor](http://www.portlandonline.com/mayor).



## Students Shatter Science Myths

Students from Spelman College, a prestigious African-American school in Atlanta, Ga., prove that young black women are high achievers in computer science and technology. They have qualified to compete internationally against 23 other academic institutions from around the world in RoboCup 2005, a fete that involves building technologically sound robots. Pictured are Shinese Noble, Karina Liles, Aryen Moore-Alston, professor Andrew Williams, faculty advisor Ebony Smith, Ebony O'Neal and Brandy Kinlaw.

## Affordable Housing Expert Utilized

Catherine "Katie" Such, an executive in the affordable housing financing arena, has joined the Housing Authority of Portland Board of Commissioners, filling a City of Portland seat on the board to serve a four-year term.

Such is senior vice president and director of underwriting of PNC Multifamily Capital in Portland, a national syndicator of tax credits and provider of debt financing for affordable housing.

"I'm thrilled to be working with HAP, an

organization that I've long respected. I'm proud to be a part of this necessary and vital provider of affordable housing, and I look forward to helping to meet the many challenges of providing housing in our city and region," Such said.

In addition to her 12 years of real estate experience with PNC, Such has been a past chair of the Housing and Community Development Commission, and is chair of the commission's Housing Evaluation Group



Catherine 'Katie' Such

## Albina Rotary Honors Local Scholars

Four high school seniors from north and northeast Portland are recipients of Neil Kelly scholarships sponsored annually by the Albina Rotary Club.

They include Helen H. Ong and Kimberly A. Robinson of Jefferson High School and Vanity L. Saechao and Fayise W. Waritu of Roosevelt High School. The \$1,000 scholarships to

attend Oregon schools are named after Neil Kelly, founder of the home remodeling company that bears his name and a charter member of the Albina Rotary.

"Kelly recognized that education was key for youth to escape poverty. When he died in 1995, Albina Rotary sought to honor him," said Joe Storm, club president.

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