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Walk of Fame Founder Xernona Clayton stands with shoes of 11 honorees that have helped the civil rights movement.

Civil Rights Walk of Fame

Leaders' footsteps placed in historic site

Those who have and are taking the steps toward furthering the civil rights movement are celebrated, quite literally, by having their shoes embedded into the International Civil Rights Walk of Fame.

Civil rights icons such as President Jimmy Carter, Justice Thurgood Marshall and Rosa Parks were featured last year when the monument was created.

This year, another group of foot soldiers who waged the fight for equality and human dignity will be added to this symbol of pride and beacon of hope. The 2005 inductees are Henry Aaron,

Harry Belafonte, Congressman John Conyers Jr., Dick Gregory, Mayor Maynard H. Jackson Jr., Ralph E. McGill, The Rev. Fred L. Shuttlesworth, Ted Turner, Judge Elbert P. Tuttle Sr., Nancy Wilson, and The Rev. Addie L. Wyatt.

The unveiling of this permanent tribute will take place on Friday, Aug. 26 at the Martin Luther King Jr. National Historic Site in Atlanta, Ga.

The Walk of Fame is the brainchild of Xernona Clayton, founder and executive producer of the renowned Trumpet Awards and a civil rights icon in her own right.

"This is a lasting memorial to those whose contributions were testaments to the fact that human progress is neither automatic nor inevitable," Clayton said.

Police Brutality Costs City

The Portland City Council has agreed to pay \$140,000 to a 15-year-old girl whom city police questioned and threw to the ground while she waited to catch a bus home from school.

Maria-Janeth Rodriguez-Sanchez, 15, was reading a school paper when the incident occurred in the city's Old Town neighborhood on April 8, 2003.

She claimed in a federal lawsuit that police violated her rights by questioning and detaining her without reasonable suspicion, then assaulting her without justification.

Police said the girl was acting suspiciously and they got physical when she resisted officers' attempts to open her hand which they claimed was in a fist.

Neighbors Meet at Jefferson Convergence



Rap artist Rajime performs at the "Portland Convergence," across from the Jefferson High School campus in north Portland. The festival continues this weekend with 12 more entertainers and speakers.



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Evangelist David Girly leads in prayer at the "Portland Convergence," which opened last weekend and continues this weekend on Northeast Alberta Street across from the Jefferson High School. The convergence was set up by community members to support the school and its neighborhoods with motivational and religious speakers, musicians and activities. Admission is free. For more information, visit www.portlandconvergence.com.

Downtown Shootings Arrests Made

(AP)—A torrent of gunfire killed one man and injured another outside a downtown Portland nightclub early Monday, police said.

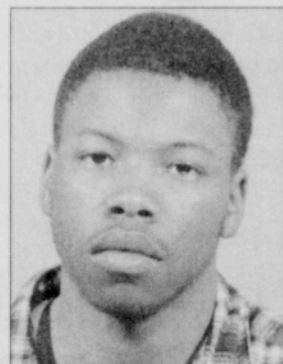
Officers heard the shots and discovered Adrian Ramon Ali Bible, 29, of Seattle on the ground. He died while receiving medical attention, said Sgt. Brian Schmautz, the Portland police spokesman.

A short time later, a 17-year-old shooting victim walked into Legacy Emanuel Hospital with a leg wound.

As officers responded to the shooting, they saw a van speeding away without its lights on. The three men in the van—27-year-old Deandros Brown, 25-year-old



Lorenzo Jones



Corey Hudson



Deandros Brown



Nathan Leon Howard

Corey Hudson, and 32-year-old Lorenzo Jones—were arrested on weapons charges. Officers found two handguns in the van, Schmautz said.

It was the fifth time in four months

that shots have been fired on a weekend night in downtown Portland.

Early Sunday, a man was arrested after a shooting at 1:55 a.m. on the corner of Southwest First Avenue

and Southwest Yamhill Street.

Nathan Leon Howard, 22, was charged with attempted murder. Police said he had a handgun in a car with two other occupants, but no victim was found.

Housing Discrimination Common Among Minorities

Study shows inequality in home loans

African Americans and women are more likely than their white counterparts to experience home loan pricing disparities when applying for a mortgage loan, according to testimony presented at a hearing held by the Congressional Black Caucus in Washing-

ton. Representatives from The Center for Responsible Lending, The National Community Reinvestment Coalition, The National Urban League and ACORN testified at the hearing and reported that widespread disparities in pricing are persistent.

"Data indicates a presence of disparities in mortgage lending and we thought it critical to our constituents to examine ways in which lending practices can and do negatively impact minority communities," noted Rep. Melvin Watt (D-N.C.), CBC chair. "Dis-

parities continue to separate African Americans from the fortune and freedom that is afforded to other Americans as their birthright."

Collecting Home Mortgage Disclosure Act data is important because it discourages financial institutions from "redlining," said Cy Richardson, vice president of economic development and housing for the National Urban League. Additionally, he asked that more attention be placed on the nation's affordable housing crisis.

"The overwhelming amount of data demonstrates that racial and economic discrimination diminishes the likelihood of enjoying the benefits of home ownership along racial and ethnic lines," said Rep. Maxine Waters (D-Calif.), ranking member on the House Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity. "Equal access to home ownership is essential for economic revitalization in historically oppressed communities and integral as the starting point for the attainment of substantial wealth for hundreds of American families."

Man Assaulted on MAX Train

Bicyclist beaten by crowd

Police believe a man beaten by 12 people on a MAX train was attacked simply for keeping his bike with him during the trip.

The violent episode occurred on June 9 about 11:20 p.m. after the victim got on the northbound MAX Yellow line at the Rose Garden. There was no room for the bike on the racks provided so he kept it with him and stood near the train doors, police said.

Witnesses said people near the man began to harass him about having his bike near the door. The harassment then turned to an assault as the males and females began beating the man until he fell to the train floor. As many as 12 people continued to beat the man, sometimes standing

by watching and laughing, then kicking him while he was down, police said. Many other people stood by, watched, and appeared to do nothing. The man was injured, but not seriously.

The suspects, all described as black males and females of unknown ages, got off the train at the next stop, the Albina/Mississippi Station, and left on foot in an unknown direction.

One male was wearing a red Saint Louis Cardinal baseball cap backwards, with a black short sleeve shirt, and sagging red pants. Another male had short hair and was wearing a black and red Chicago Bulls jacket and a red shirt.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to an arrest in this case, or any unsolved felony. All calls may remain anonymous at 503-823-4357.



One of 12 people suspected in the assault of a Max passenger with a bicycle is shown in this surveillance video released by the Portland Police Bureau.

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