

BLACK HISTORY MONTH and the American Experience

Food Bank Honors Coretta Scott King

Volunteers to attend special event

To honor the life and work of the late civil rights leader Coretta Scott King, the Oregon Food Bank is hosting a volunteer event, Friday,

Feb. 24, at its food warehouse at 7900 N.E. 33rd Drive.

The event begins with a reception at 5:30 p.m. From 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., volunteers will repack bulk-food donations into family-size portions for people who are hungry. To attend this special event, RSVP with Sara Brockmeier at 503-282-0555, extension 272, or sbrockmeier@oregonfoodbank.org. OFB welcomes and honors diver-

sity. Volunteers are welcome from age six up.

Coretta Scott King, who died at age 78 on Jan. 30, 2006, was the widow of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. She became an international symbol of the civil rights revolution of the 1960s and a tireless advocate for social and political issues ranging from women's rights to the struggle against apartheid in South Africa.

She led the effort to establish the federal holiday honoring Dr. King, Jr., and established the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Non-Violent Social Change, dedicated to scholarship and to activism.

The Oregon Food Bank is a non-profit, charitable organization. It is the hub of a statewide network of 894 hunger-relief agencies serving Oregon and Clark County, Wash.



Coretta Scott King



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Civil Rights Adopted in Oregon Law

Verdell and Otto Rutherford and distinguished members of the NAACP join then State Rep. Mark O. Hatfield (seated, right) to celebrate enactment of Oregon's Public Accommodations Law in 1953. The legislation raced and protected the civil rights of all people and particularly African-Americans, who had fought for the law since 1919. (OHS neg. #44402)

Author to Explore Racial Tensions

Battle for urban neighborhoods

Area residents are invited to attend a free public lecture with noted African American sociologist William Julius Wilson at Lewis & Clark College on Tuesday, Feb. 28, at 6:30 p.m.

Wilson's talk will take place in the Council Chamber of the college's Templeton Student Center. Lewis & Clark is located at 0615 S.W. Palatine Hill Rd. Parking is available on campus. For more information, call 503-768-7642.

"The Roots of Racial Tension in America: The Battle for Control of Urban Neighborhoods" is the title of Wilson's presentation, part of the college's Civility in Politics lecture series.

Wilson is an expert on urban poverty, race, class relations and social inequalities.

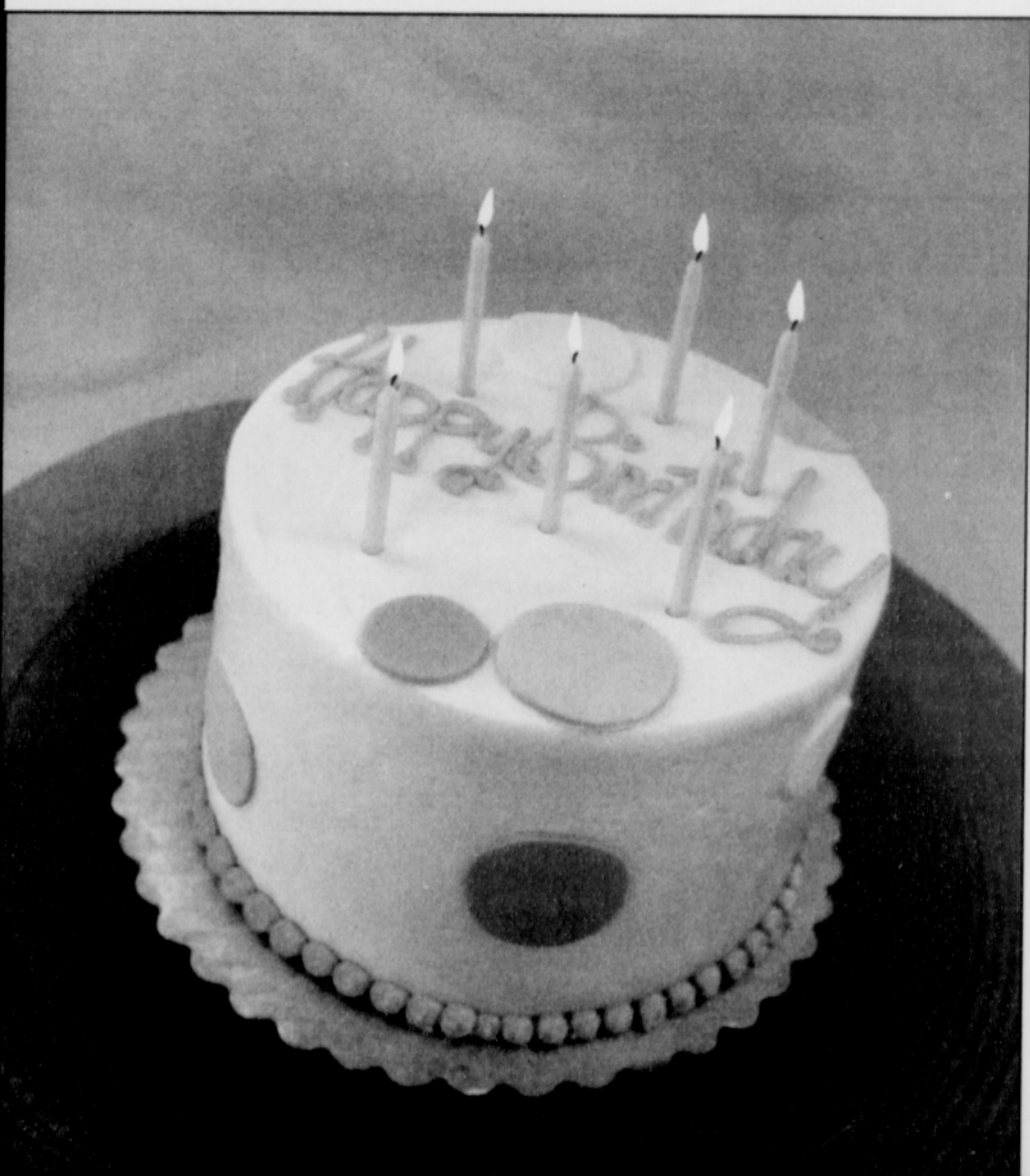
He is the author of many books including "The Truly Disadvantaged: The Inner City, the Underclass, and Public Policy," "The Bridge over the Racial Divide: Rising Inequality and Coalition Politics" and "When Work Disappears: The World of the New Urban Poor."



William Julius Wilson

He earned his doctorate from Washington State University and taught at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and the University of Chicago be-

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