

Community, School Achievement Honored

Daughter teams with mother to help people

There is a saying that "The apple doesn't fall far from the tree," and in the case of a local mother and daughter team, the Rev. Renee' Ward and Arya Morman, it goes without saying that they are a dynamic duo of excellence in academics and community service.

A junior at De La Salle North Catholic High School, Morman was recently recognized as a 2006 Portland State University Viking Scholar during a special awards ceremony and reception.

She was one of several hundred high school students from Oregon honored for doing well in school. In her case, she maintained a 3.4 cumulative grade point average while participating in varsity basketball and other extracurricular activities.

Morman also served as a volunteer with the recent Hurricane Katrina efforts in Portland, and supported her mother

to promote breast cancer awareness, education and prevention among African American women. They helped organize a "Crowned Jewels" benefit at the Portland Center for the Performing Arts to raise money to give local African

D.C., where she met notables representing the philanthropically, medical and media arenas who have served as trailblazers in the fight against cancer.

The honor was made possible with support from the Or-

among African Americans who still represent the highest number of reported incidence in the Portland and Vancouver areas. She also addresses chronic health and social issues impacting the lives of African Americans like HIV/AIDS, breast cancer, domestic violence and substance abuse as executive producer and founder of Chrysalis Ministries, Inc., a non-profit faith-based organization.

She said for more information on how to acquire a free mammogram and cervical cancer exam, contact one of the following Oregon Breast and Cervical Cancer Program agencies, Multnomah County, 503-988-3056, extension 28268; Clackamas County, 503-742-5373; Washington County, 503-846-4748; or the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, 503-552-9160.

Ward also invites church or organizations to establish a "Crowned Jewels" support group or chapter by calling her at 503-548-7537 or via email at revreneec@crowndjewelspdx.org.



Rev. Renee' Ward



Arya Morman

American women free mammogram and cervical cancer exams.

Following the success of the fundraiser, Ward was invited to attend the 10th Biennial Intercultural Cancer Council Conference in Washington,

egon Partnership for Cancer Control and the Department of Human and Health Services' Breast and Cervical Cancer Program.

Ward plans to continue advocating and promoting breast and cervical cancer education

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checking every line item, following the checklists provided, and most importantly, by reading the instructions in the certification packet. Certifying agencies generally won't process an incomplete application.

There's no question that applying for certification can be

a tedious, time-consuming process, but for many minority and women-owned companies, being informed about certification options and seeking certification opens doors to opportunities that will ultimately enhance their business success.

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Michelle Bussard, Executive Director, Johnson Creek Watershed Council

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