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The Bite of Oregon -- The Bite of Oregon is a stunning celebration of Oregon's food, people and extraordinary quality of life. Great acts will perform all weekend long at Tom McCall Waterfront Park, including Friday's headliners Los Lobos, the triple-Grammy winning East Los Angeles rock band influenced by Spanish & Mexican music. Admission is \$7 for adults, children 12 and under get

in free. For more informawww.biteoforegon.com

Little Women -- "Little Women, the Broadway Musical," based on Louisa May Alcott's timeless tale about the power of family, friendship and romance features Broadway star Maureen McGovern. "Little Women" soars to the stage, Tuesday, Aug. 15 through Sunday, Aug. 20at Keller Auditorium. For tickets and show times, visit portlandopera.org.

Free Summer Concerts --

The Washington Park Amphitheatre hosts Portland Parks & Recreation's 2006 Washington Park Summer Festival, with concerts every night at 6 p.m. through Thursday, Aug. 17. The lineup spans the musical arts spectrum - from jazz to bluegrass, from opera to Cuban dance. A complete schedule of performers is available at portlandparks.org.

Safeway Classic -- The Safeway Classic Golf

Tournament Week happens Monday, Aug. 14 through Sunday, Aug. 20 at the Columbia-Edgewater Country Club, 2220 N.E. Marine Dr. The oldest continuous event on the LPGA tour has raised over \$9 million for local children's charities. For more information, safewayclassic.org.

Dew Actions Sports Tour --Witness the pro tour of action sports, including skatemotocross at the Dew Ac-

Sunday, Aug. 20 at the Rose Garden arena. For



Maureen McGovern

The Kirk Green Band will provide entertainment, with special guests the Beyons. Tickets are \$25 in advance, or at the door for \$35/individuals and \$60/couples, available at Geneva's, Reflections, Me'Rae's, the Portland Observer or any committee member. For more information, call Michael Donaldson at 503-309-6556 or email JeffClass74@msn.com.

information,

Old School Jam for 70's Genera-

tion -- The graduating classes of

1974 are turning 50 this year, and

to celebrate classmates from

School Jam, Satur-

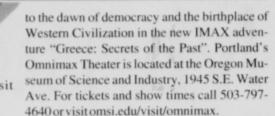
day, Aug. 12 at the

Sheraton Airport.

DewActionSportsTour.com.

Comedy 'Private Eyes' --The lines between truth and love get crossed in the dark comedy 'Private Eyes,' playing through Saturday, Aug. 12 at Theatre Theater, 3430 S.E. Belmont St. The story follows Matthew and Lisa, a husband and wife rehearsing for a play in which they play an actress fair. Tickets are \$10. For reservations, call 503-232-5375.

Kirk Green



Call to Artists -- Local artists are encouraged to show off their talent by becoming a Portland Open Studios Artist. Each year, 96 artists are chosen from the metro area to open their studios and become part of an exciting regional art event. Visit portlandopenstudios.com for more information.

Trippin' through Town -- Take a trip through time to find the hottest poetry, hip-hop and soul influencing Portland on Wednesdays at the Ohm. \$7 cover. 31 N.W. First Ave.

Belly Dance Classes -- Caravan Studios offers classes in belly dance, African dance and more. Visit www.gypsycaravan.us.

Jefferson, Grant, Adams and Washington will host the Old Time to Jam -- Jam Night, Portland's ever-

popular comedy and variety show is at Christian Performing Arts Center, 8131 N. Denver Ave. Shows continue every Friday night starting at 9 p.m. with dinner by Mondemaj Catering next door to the show at 6:30 and 7:30 p.m.

Hip-hop Dance Classes --Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation is hosting family friendly hiphop dance classes for ages 5 to 18. Various lessons teach rhythm, tech-

nique, coordination, agility, combinations and teamwork through urban dance moves. For more information, call

360-696-8236. Rare Ebony Sculptures -- Master carvers from the Tanzania tribe Makonde have been carving ebony for centuries, and now the public can see some of the

World Forestry Center. General admission is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors, \$5 for children, and





Festival Brings Call to Action

Actor Jamie Foxx joins members of 100 Black Men of America in a call to action to help secure the future of African American youth, by enlisting two million black men to mentor vulnerable young males. The large gathering of political leaders and celebrities launched the campaign at last month's Essence Music Festival.

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Sylvester on Mend from Surgery

Local jazz great Norman Sylvester is expected to need six to eight weeks of recovery after undergoing seven hours of hip replacement surgery last week at Portland Adventist Hospital.

Rob Shoemaker, a member of Sylvester's band, said the doctor was very satisfied with the result of the operation. Both the right ball and socket had to be replaced to repair damage from an automobile



accident April 27. There is a high likelihood that Sylvester's left hip will also need the same operation before the end of this year, Shoemaker said. Both of Sylvester's hips had been partially replaced several years ago.

Get well cards may be sent to Norman Sylvester at P.O. Box 17538, Portland, OR 97217.

Norman Sylvester

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The Beyonce: (from left) Jeddy Beasley, Ira Hammond, Thurtis Channel, James Johnson, James Tims, Ken Berry, Donnie McPherson



Janet Jackson on the cover of the September issue of Vibe magazine.

Janet Jackson Turns 40 Her new album, "20 Y.O.," is

(AP) -- Janet Jackson has never been afraid to expose some skin. The 40-year-old singer, newly svelte after losing some 60 pounds, appears on the cover of Vibe magazine wearing a skimpy bikini bottom and a necklace made of large shells. Her right arm covers her breasts.

sexy photos?"Of course. When I'm nessee," which she ultimately had 80," she tells Vibe. "That's when I'll to pass on because of her new

call it quits." Jackson credits her boyfriend, esteem "a little boost."

slated for release Sept. 26. Dupri produced a few tracks, and longtime collaborators Jimmy "Jam" Harris and Terry Lewis pitched in on the disc as well.

The pop star recently said she had packed on extra weight for a Will she ever stop posing for role in the upcoming movie "Tenrecord.

When asked if she'd rather have 33-year-old music producer a hit album or win an Oscar, she Jermaine Dupri, for giving her self- says: "Win an Oscar. It's just a passion. But can't I have both?"