Opening Hearts, Minds

Annual PROPER festival at Kenton Park on Saturday seeks to foster community dialogues and lasting relationships

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Week in Review

Calderon Victory Declared



Felipe Calderon became president-elect of Mexico on Tuesday, two months after disputed elections, when

the nation's top electoral court voted unanimously to reject allegations of fraud and certify his narrow victory. His leftist rival, Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador, had said he would not recognize the ruling.

Croc Hunter Killed on Job

Steve Irwin, the Australian television personality and environmentalist known as the Crocodile Hunter on the



Discovery Channel, was killed Monday by a stingray barb while crews photographed him during the taping of a diving expedition. See story, page A2.

Intel Cuts 10,500 Jobs

Chip-maker Intel Corp. said Tuesday a total of 10,500 jobs, about 10 percent of its worldwide workforce, will be eliminated over the next year through layoffs, attrition and the sale of underperforming business groups as part of a massive restructuring. Intel is Oregon's largest employer with 17,000 workers.

IRS Backs Off NAACP



The IRS which initiated an audit of the NAACP just before the 2004 presidential election has finally concluded the

civil rights group did not violate conditions of its tax exempt status as a non-partisanship organization. NAACP Board Chairman Julian Bond said the group "will continue to speak truth to power." See story, page A2.

Ground Zero Workers Sick

Nearly 70 percent of the rescue and cleanup workers who toiled in the dust and fumes at ground zero have had trouble breathing, and many will probably be sick for the rest of their lives, doctors said Tuesday in releasing results of the biggest Sept. 11 health study yet.

Likely Hurricane Coming

Tropical Storm Florence formed far out in the open Atlantic on Tuesday, and forecasters said it will probably become a hurricane.

Purge of Liberals Wanted

Iran's hard-line President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad called Tuesday for a purge of liberal and non-religious teachers from the country's universities, urging Iranian students to return to 1980sstyle radicalism.



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Devoted to the Uninsured

Church pastor, Kaiser doctor open free clinic

BY SARAH BLOUNT THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Two women, one a pastor and the other a doctor, have combined their

skills and compassion to serve uninsured residents of north and northeast Portland at a new, no cost primary care clinic, North by Northeast Community Health Center.

Dr. Jill Ginsberg, a family practice doctor with Kaiser Permanente, became acquainted with Pastor Mary Overstreet Smith of Powerhouse Temple Church after she learned of her help bringing Katrina refugees to Portland.

Ginsberg wanted to know how she could help, and Overstreet Smith wasted no time showing her - Powerhouse Temple has an office just down the street from her north Portland church, which she envisioned as a free clinic.

Less than one year later the vision was realized.

Located at 4725 N. Williams Ave., North by Northeast's volunteer staff tended to their first patients on Aug. 17.

Finances can restrict healthcare access, but North by Northeast's patients are qualified if they live in the surround-

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PHOTO BY SARAH BLOUNT/THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Clinic coordinator Roslyn Farrington and Dr. Jill Ginsberg take a moment during the second evening of operation at North by Northeast Community Health Center, 4725 N. Williams Ave.

Cascade Campus Positioned for Future



PHOTO BY ISAIAH BOUIE/THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

The Cascade Campus of Portland Community College reaches two blocks west of its former border with the completion of an expanded north Portland campus. Still, the college district continues to buy land west of this location.

PCC buys land as sellers call

BY MICHAEL LEIGHTON

THE PORTLAND OBSERVER As Portland Community College puts the finishing touches on a beautifully expanded Cascade Campus, it is quietly purchasing new properties that may someday expand the college's reach even further into its north Portland neighborhood.

Officials of the college district say all of the acquisitions were done with property

owners who came to them with offers to sell, not the other way around.

Voluntary transactions offer an attractive alternative to the using the college's right of eminent domain or the forced condemnation of properties, according to PCC Vice President Randy McEwen.

McEwen and other PCC leaders say there are no plans on the drawing board or even in discussions on what will come for the six parcels of land it has purchased and set aside over the past four years.

"There are always people (sellers) approaching us," said Harold Williams Sr., a

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long time PCC board member and African American community advocate. "We're not taking land for land's sake but managing public funds in a positive way that takes account the needs of the community.'

Williams bristles at any suggestion that he or the college is not sensitive to the loss of housing and business stock in the adjacent community

'We want a viable community that is not isolated," he said. "I'm not an enemy of us." The most recent land acquired was in July, when PCC bought a home that had just

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Stage Set for Anti-Violence March and Rally Saturday

The 4th annual "Senseless Violence Leads to Silence" march and rally will take place Saturday, Sept. 9 in honor of Asia "Bell" James and all other victims of violence. A full day of events, food and entertainment follows the 9:45 a.m. march from Irving Park to Alberta Park. The activities at Alberta Park will take place from 11:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.