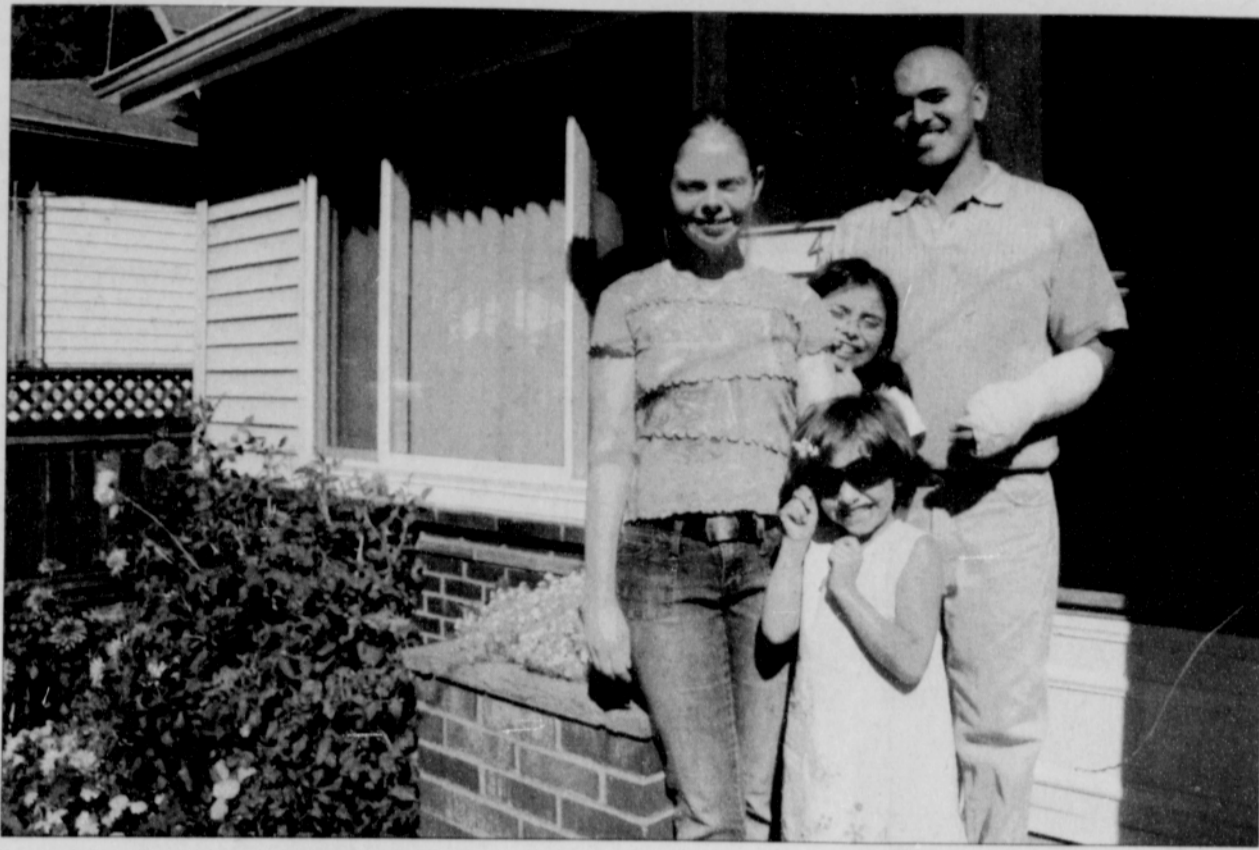


# Home Buying in Lents Success

An effort to bring affordable home ownership opportunities to local residents is finding success in the Lents neighborhood. The Lents Homeownership Initiative, a collaboration of 40 nonprofit, public and private sector organizations has been working together to increase homeownership and improve the overall health of the southeast Portland neighborhood. Since the initiative began in 2005, 64 new homeowners have been created in Lents. "It is harder and harder for the average Portlander to own an average home. Many organizations working together have given these families the opportunity to own a home in Lents," said Nick Sauvie, executive director of Rose Community Development. The goal is to create 50 more new homeowners this year in Lents and to increase public safety. For more information about the Lents Homeownership Initiative, contact Amie Diffenauer at 503-788-8052, extension 105.



Crystal Andrews (right), her husband Abel Balderas and their two daughters Luciana and Aaliya, get settled in the home they purchased in the Lents neighborhood of southeast Portland. The recent purchase was made possible in part to a grant of \$2,000 Andrews won at last spring's Lents Home Buying Fair.

## Prowler Killed in Self-Defense

### Woman overpowers intruder

A Portland emergency room nurse overpowered a prowler inside her home on Sept. 6, strangling and killing the intruder with her bare hands after a violent struggle, before fleeing to a neighbor's house. Susan Kuhnhausen, 51, left Providence Portland Medical Center for home near Southeast 79th and Alder Street last week to find Edward Dalton Haffey, 59, inside, armed with a hammer and in the act of burglarizing her home. The 30-year nurse, standing five-foot-seven and weighing 260 pounds, struggled with Haffey,

who was about five-foot-nine inches and 180 pounds. She managed to strangle Haffey after suffering a few scrapes and bruises. By the time police arrived at 6:51 p.m., they found Haffey, a convicted felon with a long record, dead in her home. Under state statute, a person can use a reasonable degree of deadly force when defending themselves against an intruder or someone who is burglarizing their home. Kuhnhausen has been an advocate for the protection of nurses and had previously experienced violence in her workplace.

## Rosa Parks Elementary Opens its Doors

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the diverse student body has been high. In 2004, Principal Tamala Newsome was recognized nationally as an outstanding educator, when she received a \$25,000 Milken National Educator Award. The school expects more students to enroll throughout the year as families move into New Columbia, a work in progress nearing completion.

Rosa Parks Elementary Principal Tamala Newsome joins students inside the newly built school that replaced John Ball Elementary and opened for classes last week.

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## Oxygen Mentoring Walk

What's the secret to health, wealth, and wisdom? If you're an ambitious, professionally-oriented woman, an early start is the just the beginning, especially if that early start enables you to get to know some of Portland's most influential females.

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tomorrow's female leaders in an Oxygen Mentors Walk on Friday at 6:30 a.m. at the River Walk Esplanade. 50 Female Leaders in our community will be there to walk, talk and inspire women to follow and achieve their professional dreams.

Among the 50 are Renee Mitchell of The Oregonian, Deborah Knapp of KATU, Donna Huntsman of Key Private Bank, artist Molly CliffHilts and Michele M. Larsen of the NW Women's Journal & Directory

The event is free, but space is limited and participants must register at oxygen.com/mentorswalk.

## Ask Deanna!



Real People, Real Advice  
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Dear Deanna!

I'm a Christian and I thought I was happily married. I think my husband may be having an affair with my cousin. I looked at his cell phone bill and see that he's been calling my cousin on a more than regular basis. It pushed me over the edge when I came home late one night and found him at my cousin's house eating pizza and watching movies. Is there something going on or am I insecure? --Worried Christian; Natchez, Miss.

Dear Worried:

It's amazing that as a Christian you have the Word, but run when the world slaps you with a test of faith. Your husband doesn't need to call your cousin or any woman unless it's business. He should also be home late at night. Yes something is going on if you didn't know where he was and found him at your cousin's house. Share your concerns and suspicions with

your husband, suggest a few rules concerning your cousin and keep it moving.

Dear Deanna!

I am over 40 and look very good for my age. I date younger men, love younger men and prefer intimacy with younger men. My daughter who is 20 years old is jealous of me and at times, we've competed for the same love interests. She's not speaking to me now because her boyfriend left her and now he wants to date me. My daughter is important but she can't control my love life. Should I just let this young man go to make her happy or keep him? --Good Looking Mom; Los Angeles

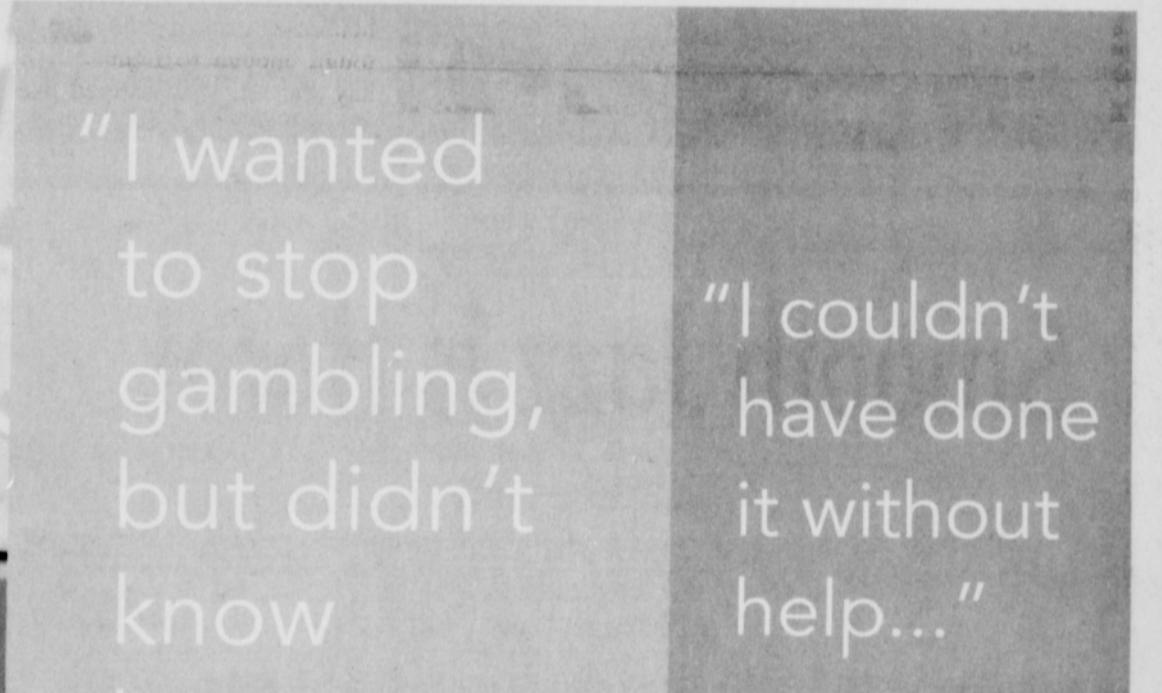
Dear Good Looking:

You may look good for your age, but there's nothing cute about scooping up your daughter's leftovers. She's right to be upset and no man should make you this foolish to not understand her feelings. You've obviously mistaken her embarrassment for jealousy. You need to grow up and be the parent in this relationship and put your daughter's concerns before any man. In other words, don't be nasty going behind your daughter and you need to choose her instead of her boyfriend.

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