



Too Little, Too Late

May 10 – Claudia Rhone is murdered on the front lawn of her Iris Court apartment and her ex-boyfriend is charged. The community is left to wonder why more wasn't done to prevent her death.



Who's Campaign is it Anyway?

Aug. 16 -- A Portland mother is stung by a Jammin 95.5 charity promotion that uses the memory of her son's death, but doesn't benefit the foundation in his name. Christeen Johnson is the mother of Eddie Barnett Jr., a talented 16-year-old who collapsed and died during a high school basketball game.



Rosa Parks School Opens

Sept. 13 – Rosa Parks Elementary, a brand new school named in honor of the civil rights heroine, welcomes its first class from the New Columbia neighborhood, a mixed-use development in north Portland built to replace Columbia Villa.

Devoted to the Uninsured

Sept. 6 – Pastor Mary Overstreet-Smith and Dr. Jill Ginsberg, a family practice doctor with Kaiser Permanente open the free North by Northeast Community Health Center, a new no cost primary care clinic at 4725 N. Williams Ave.



Swastikas Trail Hate

Oct. 4 – Swastikas and racist messages hit the small town of Longview, Wash, where for months they have targeted minority places of worship and businesses that hire black people.

Zoo Workers Apologize

Oct. 11 – Oregon Zoo employees are put on notice for actions considered racially offensive. Apologies were issued from workers who displayed a confederate flag on the zoo train and another worker who had a racist bumper sticker on his car. The zoo's director assured the theme park was welcoming for all.

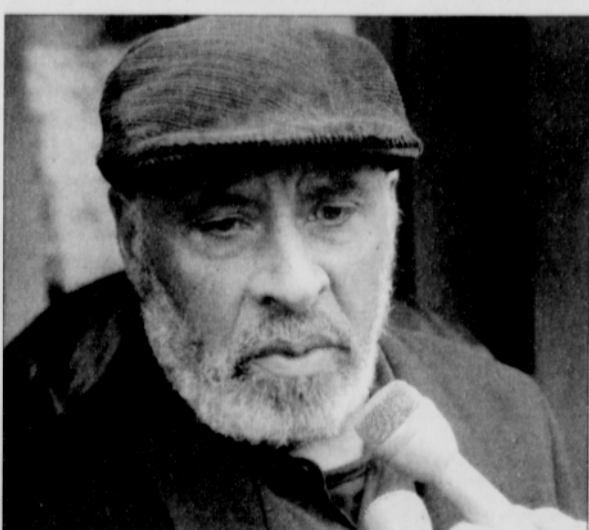
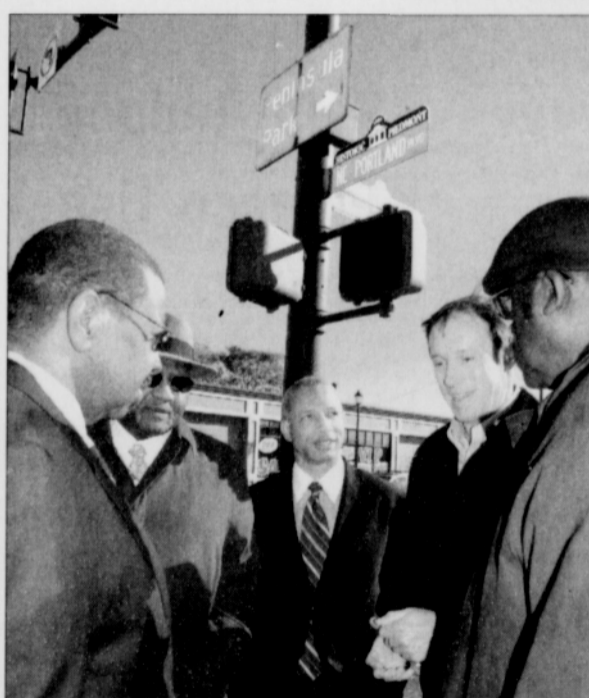


Alberta's Racial Lines

Oct. 25 – A Portland State University professor completes a study finding that black businesses and organizations are less happy than their non-minority counterparts when it comes to opinions of Northeast Alberta Street. Among all people, there was a general sense the neighborhood is losing its diversity, especially longtime African American businesses and organizations.

Justice Spoken Here

Nov. 1 – Portland Boulevard becomes Rosa Parks Way in tribute to the woman who refused to yield her seat on a segregated bus in Alabama in 1955, and became known as the mother of the modern Civil Rights Movement.



Political Imprisonment

Dec. 6 – Kent Ford thanks friends and supporters of civil liberties for their prayers as a federal appeals hearing takes place for his son Patrice Lumumba Ford, a political victim in the war on terror who was sentenced to 18 years in prison for trying to enter Afghanistan before the U.S. invaded the country.

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