



Heavy Rhythm, Danceable Grooves

The seven-piece, multicultural ensemble Nuborn Tribe combines reggae roots with a touch of soul and funk, to bring danceable grooves for the local roots music scene. The group performs Saturday, Jan. 27 at the New Born Tribe African Cultural Center, 2535 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Show starts at 9 p.m. and tickets are \$7 at the door.

Honored for Justice

A Vancouver educator has been selected as the recipient of the 2006 Val Joshua Racial Justice Award.

Dave Morris is the associate principal at Heritage High School and is responsible for multicultural education and diversity activities.

The award is given annually by the YWCA of Clark County for leadership in working to eliminate racism, and significant involvement in the struggle for peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all people.

Morris was cited for his pas-



Dave Morris

sion, dedication and enthusiasm for all students regardless of gender, sexual orientation, religion, race and ethnicity.

He has guided classroom lessons and teacher in-service activities and workshops that promote cultural awareness and understanding at Heritage High School.

Val Joshua, namesake of the award, will present the award during the YWCA's Annual Celebration, Wednesday, Jan. 24 at 6 p.m. at YWCA Clark County, 3609 Main Street in the Community Room.

First Black Doctor, First Woman Engineer Honored

Dr. Walt Reynolds, the first African American to graduate from the University of Oregon Medical School and Jean Richardson, Oregon's first female engineering graduate from Oregon State University, will have their names attached to the new tram cars connecting the south waterfront to Oregon Health Sciences University.

The honors come from City Commissioner Sam Adams who

established a tram naming committee with an intention of personalizing Portland's new skyline icon with names.

Despite enduring gender discrimination in establishing her career, Jean Richardson persevered. She graduated from OSU in 1949 and found gainful employment by first offering her services pro bono until her employer deemed her work professionally competent and

worthy of a paycheck.

Dr. Reynolds overcame stereotypes when he earned his medical degree in 1949. The 77-year-old has served as president of the Urban League, a mentor to other minority health professionals and a volunteer on numerous projects. He dreams of establishing a clinic with other black family doctors to build a community tradition."

Sobering Report on Prostate Cancer

Black men twice as likely to die

African American men in Multnomah County are twice as likely to die from prostate cancer as non-Hispanic whites, according to a recent report from Multnomah County Health Department.

Researchers also found that they have a 40 percent higher prostate cancer incidence rate. In addition, African American men in their later 70s are dying at three times the rate of non-Hispanic white men.

Prostate cancer is the second leading cause of cancer death in Oregon men. One in six men will

get prostate cancer in his lifetime. However, if prostate cancer is discovered early, the survival rate is nearly 100 percent.

Multnomah County Health Department researchers studied prostate cancer mortality rates from 1990 to 2004 and found non-Hispanic white death rates falling 26 percent, while African American rates remained roughly the same, at 75 deaths per 100,000.

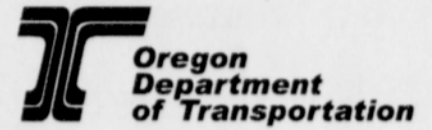
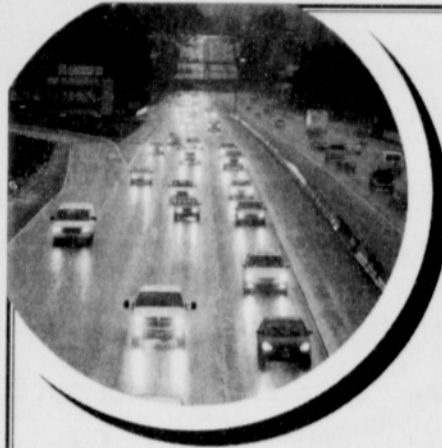
"The findings in this report are sobering. Racial health disparities are of great concern to us at the Health Department, and this is more evidence that we are on the right track in focusing our public health efforts on health inequities," said Lillian M. Shirley, Multnomah County Health Department director.

Justice Rally is Call to Action

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called for training and policy changes that should have prevented these occurrences.
The AMA originally formed

an Ad Hoc Coalition for Community Justice after the shooting deaths of Kendra James and James Jahar Perez, two African Americans killed during police traffic stops in recent years.

The coalition urges citizens to call for changes within the police bureau through letter writing, calling politicians and demanding changes from City Council and the bureau.



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Portland metro area, crews are currently replacing two highway bridges outside Wilsonville and will begin a project between Capital Highway and the Tualatin River this spring.

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