

Black Student Empowerment

A day of empowerment for African American students at high schools in the Beaverton School District takes place Thursday, Feb. 1 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Westview High School, 4200 NW 185th Ave.

Reaching and Empowering All People hosts "Challenge 2007: Student Leadership Conference" to target the needs of African American students in mostly white suburban schools. Mark Jackson of REAP, Inc. has organized workshops, a guest lecture and panel discussion to break down barriers these teens face in the classroom.

The conference is free and open to students, parents and invited guests. There will also be free lunch



Ted Kulongoski

and entertainment.

Gov. Ted Kulongoski joins African American business professionals, and Dr. Darrell Millner of Port-



Darrell Millner

land State University's Black Studies Department serves as keynote speaker. Email reapinc@msn.com or call Jackson at 503-341-6161.

Diversity Expert at PCC Cascade

A dynamic and charismatic speaker who helped IBM set the standard in diversity employment practices is coming to the Portland Community College Cascade Campus in north Portland.

Ted Childs will speak to visitors and students at 6 p.m. on Wednes-

day, Feb. 7 in the auditorium of the Moriarty Arts and Humanities Building. There will be light refreshments served at 5:30 p.m. A reception will also immediately follow his presentation.

Childs has been featured in Diversity Inc. Magazine, which wrote

that he was perhaps the most effective diversity executive on the planet. He has been honored nationally as a trailblazer in diversity policies

To RSVP, contact Sylvia Welch at swelch@pcc.edu, or call 503-978-5841.

Keys, Common in 'Smokin' Aces'



Alicia Keys and hip-hop artist Common make their film debuts in 'Smokin' Aces.'

Grammy-winning singer Alicia Keys and hip-hop artist Common make their motion picture debuts in the new hit film "Smokin' Aces."

The dark action-comedy also stars Ben Affleck, Andy Garcia, Ray Liotta, Jeremy Piven, Ryan Reynolds, Peter Berg, Taraji Henson, Chris Pine, Martin Henderson and Jason Bateman.

"Smokin' Aces" is a wild story of

the FBI protecting a sleazy Vegas magician who has agreed to turn state's evidence to save his own skin from a mob boss who is said to have performed over 130 contract murders.

Keys plays a bad girl/street assassin. Common won the role of a bodyguard who has some hard choices to make while it all starts going down for his boss.

Peninsula Little League 2007

(Serving the Youth of Inner North & Northeast Portland ages 5-14)

visit our website at: www.eteamz.active.com/peninsulalittleleague

Registration available on-line beginning January 10, 2007



Softball Program

| Level | Ages |
|--------|---------|
| Minor | 7 - 9 |
| Major | 10 - 12 |
| Junior | 13 - 14 |

Questions contact:
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Items to bring to sign-ups:
Birth Certificate
Proof of Address
Doctor/Insurance Information
Player Fee

Regular Sign-ups
\$64/T-Ball, \$74 All other levels
This fee includes the pepperoni fund raiser.
Sell one bag of pepperoni and get \$24 off fee.
Each bag contains 24 sticks

Peninsula Park Community Center
700 N Portland Blvd
January 27th
February 3rd, 10th, and 17th
9:00 am to 1:00 pm

Registration forms can be picked up Mon-Fri,
9am-5pm at the Portland Observer, 4747 NE Martin
Luther King Jr Blvd.

Baseball Program

| Level | Ages |
|--------|---------|
| T-Ball | 5 - 6 |
| Farm | 7 - 8 |
| Minor | 7 - 9 |
| Major | 10 - 12 |
| Junior | 13 - 14 |

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Live Music Every Night

- Kick off your week with live jazz every Sunday at 9 p.m. at The Blue Monk (3341 S.E. Belmont).
- Participate in a mixed-media open mic night each Monday at the Back-to-Back Café (614 E. Burnside).
- The Thorn City Improv, featuring members of Old Dominion, Quivah, The Chosen and The Black Notes, perform at Conan's (3862 S.E. Hawthorne) every Tuesday at 10 p.m.
- Celebrate Hump Day at The Red Sea (381 S.W. 3rd Ave) after work on Wednesdays, from 5 to 9 p.m.
- Inch toward the weekend at the Candlelight Room (2032 S.W. Fifth Ave) with the Black Notes, performing each Thursday.



Mel Brown

- Celebrate Friday with Mel Brown, who plays jazz at Salty's on the Columbia every Friday and Saturday, and Jimmy Mak's on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- Round off your week with live Reggae on Fridays and Saturdays at Montego Bay, (1239 S.W. Jefferson).