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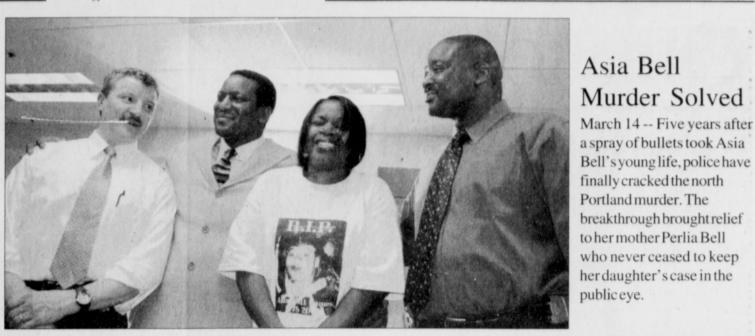
# Review



Majority Flips on MLK Corridor

April 4 -- Abrianna Williams hangs out on the porch of her house in the last majority-black census tract in Multnomah County, a small neighborhood bordered by North Russell and Fremont Streets. Census figures show gentrification all along the Martin Luther King Boulevard corridor.





## Growing Discontent

March 21 -- A peace march estimated at 15,000 fills downtown Portland streets, marking the fourth anniversary of the Iraq War with demands to end the bloodshed.





#### Tangled over Abortion

April 11 -- Controversy surrounds a potential Planned Parenthood on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, drawing support from African American leaders like Harold Williams Sr., who anticipates a win for economic development, but opposition from some black religious leaders on moral grounds because of abortion.

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"The desperation came from not being able to stop gambling."



#### Highest in the Nation

May 9 -- Gas prices in Portland are among the highest in the nation. It was not uncommon to see prices of \$3.41 a gallon for regular, eclipsing the national average of \$3.07. "I made the call to get some help. I found people that really understood me...'

"I was mesmerized." "I didn't know that gambling did not affect everyone the way it affected me,"



#### NBA Rookie of the Year May 9 -- Portland Trail Blazer Guard Brandon Roy celebrates receiving the NBA Rookie of the Year trophy with

ebrates receiving the NBA Rookie of the Year trophy with his family during ceremonies at Self Enhancement, Inc. in north Portland. "The counselor made me understand that there was hope and I have not placed a bet in 6 years."

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