# **Poverty Reduction Program Applauded**

#### PDC program assists families

The Economic Opportunity Initiative, an innovative, outcome-based poverty reduction program managed by the Portland Development Commission, has received a Hu-

International Economic Development Council.

The program was praised for developing productive, responsible citizens and new taxpayers of people who seemed destined to be tax burdens on the city.

services, family services and other public expenditures," said Ian Bromley, council chair.

The PDC initiative is designed to significantly in-

small three-year investment far ample, in the city of Portland, ployment services to and common training needs. exceed the alternative costs in a family of four earning under law enforcement, safety net \$34,000). Currently, 26 nonthrough EOI, administer 34 community-based projects that provide customized techassistance nical

workforce participants.

profit providers, funded als were enrolled in the program in fiscal 08/09, with each "The benefits and savings to crease the incomes of very microenterprises, and career quently to share strategies partners.

man Capital Award from the the community from a fairly low-income residents (for ex- coaching, training, and em- and address resource gaps

The International Economic More than 2,500 individu- Development Council is headquartered in Washington, D.C. Its mission is to provide participant receiving assis- leadership and excellence in tance for three years. EOI economic development for to staff and providers meet fre- communities, members and

## Athlete Excels with Spartans

Dominique Mims, a senior at Hillsboro High is a 3 year starter for the Spartans and all-league player, an all-around athlete who carries an outstanding 3.4 grade point average.

Mims, who grew up in Portland, also plays basketball, averaging 25 points per game with a summer league game high of 35 points.

In football, he was recently featured on ESPN Sports Center highlights when he pulled off the impossible with a stunning 61-yard, game winning touchdown with seconds to go in a game against highly rated Glencoe.

Mims was rated a pre-season all-state quarterback and defensive back choice. He is considering attending the University of Oregon next year.

His father, Anthony "Tony" Mims Sr., is a former standout at Portland State University where his school record as all-time leading tackler still stands after 30 years.

community will dedicate its new

grandstands during the football team's homecoming game and

celebration on Friday, Nov. 6.

installment of the St. Johns Teddy Roosevelt Athletic Com-

plex project.

lowing at 5:30 p.m.

The grandstands are the first

The Old School celebration

will include a bonfire lit in the

school's courtyard at 4 p.m.,

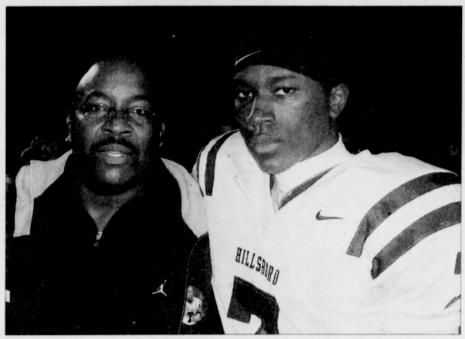
with music and a barbeque fol-

General recognition of do-

nors and key supportive friends

will occur at approximately 6:45 p.m. at the Courtyard Stage. The

National Anthem with special



Hillsboro High School quarterback Dominque Mims with his father Anthony

### 12th Annual Pre-**Thanskgiving Dinner**

Corner Stone Community Church of God in Christ, 2216 N.E. Killingsworth St., will host its 12th annual free pre-Thanksgiving dinner on Saturday, Nov. 14 from 11 a.m. to

The church invites the public to join them for a hot meal, hot coffee and good fellowship.

Free transportation will be provided during the event, with a bus scheduled to depart from Northwest Third Avenue and Burnside at 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m.; and a bus departing Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Wygant Street at 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m. and 2:30 p.m. A van will also pick up passengers at Maple Mallory, 3800 N.E. Mallory. For more information, call 503-281-4587.



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#### **Northwest Voice for Christ Ministries**

begin at approximately 7:20 p.m. in the new stands will fill to

Presents a Shocking Revelation!

The north Portland commu- standing room only.

"Addiction in the Church"

"For that which I do I allow not" Romans 7:19-24

Presenter: Bishop H.L. Hodge, Ph.D. Pastor/Behavioral Health Scientist

Come and Learn about the hidden crisis of many that sit in church pews each Sunday

**Hidden Topics** 

**Prescription Drug Abuse** 

**Roosevelt Homecoming on Friday** 

The Roosevelt High School seating in the new stands will nity expects that the first game

- Alcohol Abuse
- Chemical Dependency Powerlessness

 Unmanageability Co-dependency

"God grant me the serenity to accept the things I can not change; the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to

know the difference."



When: Saturday, November 7, 2009 Where: 4800 NE 30th Avenue Time: 10:30 A.M. – 1:30 P.M.

Cost: \$20.00

Lunch will be available Telephone: 503 863-6545

#### The African American Men's Club, Inc. (AAMC)



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Presents a Pre-Holiday Dance

Saturday, November 28, 2009 Billy Webb Elk's Lodge, 6 North Tillamook St., Portland, Oregon

> 9 PM - 2 AMDonation: \$15.00 per person • Music by DJ

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Raffle & 50/50 split: Tickets - \$1.00 each



Menu: Roast Beef, Chicken, Mac & Cheese, Green Beans, Salad & Dinner Rolls

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Proceeds to benefit the AAMC Scholarship Program The African American Men's Club is a non-profit organization



#### In Loving Memory **Betty Jean Barr**

Betty was born in Pell City, Ala. to Warren and Mary Walton.

She moved to Portland after graduating from Ullman High School in Birmingham, Ala. in 1962. Shortly afterward, she married Floyd Barr in 1964.

She became a widow at an early age and devoted her life to her family. She was a sports enthusiast and enjoyed cooking and being the life of the

Although Betty was diagnosed with cancer five months ago, she faced her illness determined to beat it.

She is survived by her son, Carey (Kyra) Barr of Portland; daughters, Natalie Barr of Portland and Catrina Barr of Douglasville, Ga; and four grandchildren, Branden Berry, Hadiya Barr, Caleb Barr and Kalila Barr. She is also survived by her sister-in-laws Vertie M. Spikes (Leslie), Luvernia Douglas and Leola Barr all from Portland, and a host of nephews, nieces, numerous cousins, relatives and special friends.

A memorial celebration was held Monday at Bethel AME church. Interment followed at Rose City Cemetery.

Arrangements by Terry Family Funeral Home.



You are cordially invited to worship with us in these services:

Sunday Service Sunday School 10:00 A.M Y.P.C.E. 6:30 P.M

Worship Service 12:00 Noon Evangelistic Service 7:00 P.M.

Pastor & Wife -

Bishop & Mrs. A.L. Wright

Weekday Service

Tuesday Night: Bible Study 7:30 P.M. Friday Night: Regular Service 7:30 P.M. Prayer Meeting & Seminar: Monday - Friday 12:00

#### Philadelphia CMB Church



Pastor Roy E. Clay Sr. & Co-Pastor Lottie M. Clay

Tuesday: Women & Men Meeting 7PM

Wednesday: Bible Study 7PM

Sunday Morning Services 11:30 AM 238 NE Mason ST For more information contact Pastor Clay

at 503-309-6320

Sunday School 10AM



Pastors Jerry & Annie Gutierrez Would like to invite you for Service every Friday Night at 7:00pm

**Services will be held at: New Song Community Center 2511 NE MLK Blvd.** 

**Corner of NE MLK Blvd and Russell Street** Infant and Toddler care will be provided.

> Doors open at 6pm for every service For directions or more information, call

www.mfhmportland.com