

Take Action. Get Tested!

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"Where to go, so you know"

Multnomah County Health Department's HIV Community Test Site offers **confidential** HIV testing with or without your name at these locations:

Downtown Community Test Site

Call 503.988.3775 for an appt.
Mon | Thurs | Fri
426 SW Stark St., 6th Floor,
Portland, 97204

Northeast Health Center

Just walk in
Tuesdays | 5:30 - 7:15 pm
5329 NE MLK Jr. Blvd, 2nd Floor,
Portland, 97211

"Free with this coupon"



Public Health

Health Department

Se habla español: other interpretation by appointment.

MY FATHER'S HOUSE MINISTRIES

**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

Doors open at 6pm for every service

For directions or more information, call

503-488-5481

www.mfhmportland.com

Hats for the Homeless

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donate them all to other youngsters in need.

They plan to give knit beanies to babies at Emmanuel Hospital, slightly larger hats to young kids at the transition school and still others to pre-teen, which serves homeless teens in the area. All donations will be made before Christmas.

The twist in this true-to-life yarn is these young people are themselves getting support through Friends of the Children - a non-profit that helps vulnerable youth from kindergarten through high school graduation by matching them with professional mentors.

These mentors help children with their studies, teach them life skills, and spend time relaxing and playing as well as provide a listening ear and needed stability in their lives.

Terri Sorenson, executive director of Friends of the Children says, "These kinds of service projects help our youth build self-esteem by discovering they have something

to offer. Many of our children not only graduate and get jobs but establish a life-long commitment to helping others."

Despite coming from homes with high levels of domestic violence or teenage parents who've spent time in jail, 85 percent of the youth enrolled in Friends of the Children graduate from high school; 95 percent have never been involved in the juvenile justice system and 99 percent avoid teen parenting.

According to a study done by the Harvard Business School Association of Oregon for every dollar invested in Friends of the Children - the return to our community is \$6.70. It's a program that works and these girls are more proof of that.

Support for this knitting project was strong. Community members and Friends of the Children staff gathered together to teach the girls how to knit with looms and needles. And Vancouver Business, Crafts Americana Group stepped up to donate 4 huge boxes full of yarn to help make it possible.

RELIGION

In Loving Memory

**Teresa Schoates
Ranson**



Homegoing services for Teresa Schoates Ranson, whose battle with cancer came to an end on Dec. 15, 2010, will be held Thursday, Dec. 23 at 11 a.m. at Life Change Christian Center. Public visitation will be Wednesday, Dec. 22 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Terry Family Funeral Home

She was born on Jan. 5, 1960 to Nancy Irene Turner and Willie Theodore Chandler Sr. in Florence, Ala. From her union with Michael Debnam Sr. they conceived Domonique Debnam and Michael Debnam II. She enjoyed, art, fashion and cosmetology.

Teresa had a 25-year career in cosmetology, the last 13 years were spent owning and operating Domonique's Hair Design in north Portland. Her work ethic, love, and

creativity cultivated a salon environment where all felt welcome.

She attended Life Change Christian Center and enjoyed directing and singing in the choir, serving on the hospitality team and hosting life groups. Teresa was able to touch many lives and will truly be missed.

Visit her online webpage to sign the guestbook at terryfamilyfuneralhome.com.

Mission Makes Christmas Meals

Union Gospel Mission is preparing to serve up to 600 meals on Christmas Day to the homeless and anyone in need. The downtown charity is seeking donations of hams for the meal and the donation of coats, hats and gloves for the event.

The free meal and Christmas gifts, including hygiene items for guests, will take place on Christmas Day,

Dec. 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Union Gospel Mission, 15 N.W. Third Ave.

The menu consists of ham, green beans, yams, mashed potatoes, dinner rolls, fruit cocktail and pie.

Donations can be dropped off at 3 N.W. Third Ave. For more information, call 503-274-4483 or visit online at ugmportland.org.