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## LOCAL NEWS



PHOTO BY ANTONIO HARRIS

Actress Robin Givens and Portland restaurant manager Frank Taylor (far right) welcome guests at the second annual 'Salute to African American Leaders in Portland' ceremony. Pictured from left, are Tony Hopson Sr., the founder and CEO of Self Enhancement, Inc. who was honored for education; and Mark Washington and Rakeem Washington, who accepted a journalism award for the late Chuck Washington, the Portland Observer publisher who died in December.

### Chuck Washington Honored

#### Late publisher among group honored for making a difference

Former publisher of the Portland Observer Chuck Washington, who passed away last December at just 60 years old, was one of 12 African Americans honored at the second annual "Salute to African American Leaders in Portland," community awards ceremony.

Washington led the newspaper from 1996, showcasing the struggles and triumphs of culturally diverse

families and communities in Portland.

Actress Robin Givens and KGW television anchor Brenda Braxton co-hosted the Feb. 25 event at the downtown restaurant Portland Prime. Students from the Self Enhancement, Inc. choir and jazz legend Mel Brown performed.

Each of the honorees achieved in a different area of life, from business, law and religion to education, sports and entertainment. The other awards went to:

Business: Howard White, the former basketball player who became NIKE vice president for the

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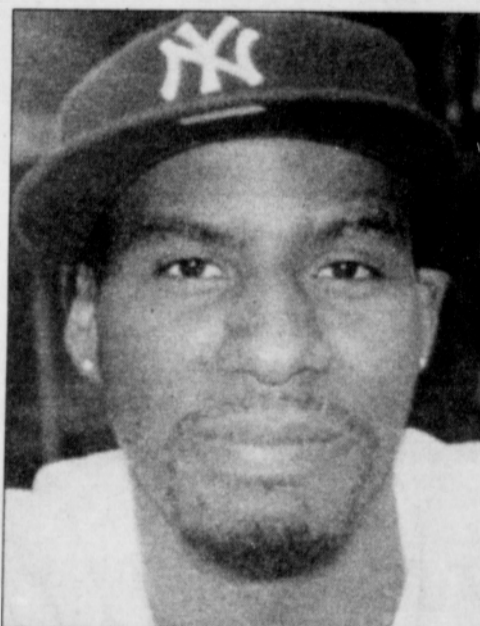
### Campaign to End Racial Profiling

#### Proposed law focuses on police accountability

BY CARI HACHMANN THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

In a grassroots effort, the Center for Intercultural Organizing has kicked off a campaign to end racial profiling and improve police accountability in Oregon.

The diverse membership organi-



zation, whose mission is to protect and expand immigrant and refugee rights through community education, organizing and advocacy, held a meeting at their North Killingsworth Street office last week to raise awareness on the issue.

People from the community who have been wrongfully profiled or stereotyped by the police were invited to come and share their story.

"You don't have to be a minority or of different ethnicity to be profiled," said Emanuel Price, racial jus-

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