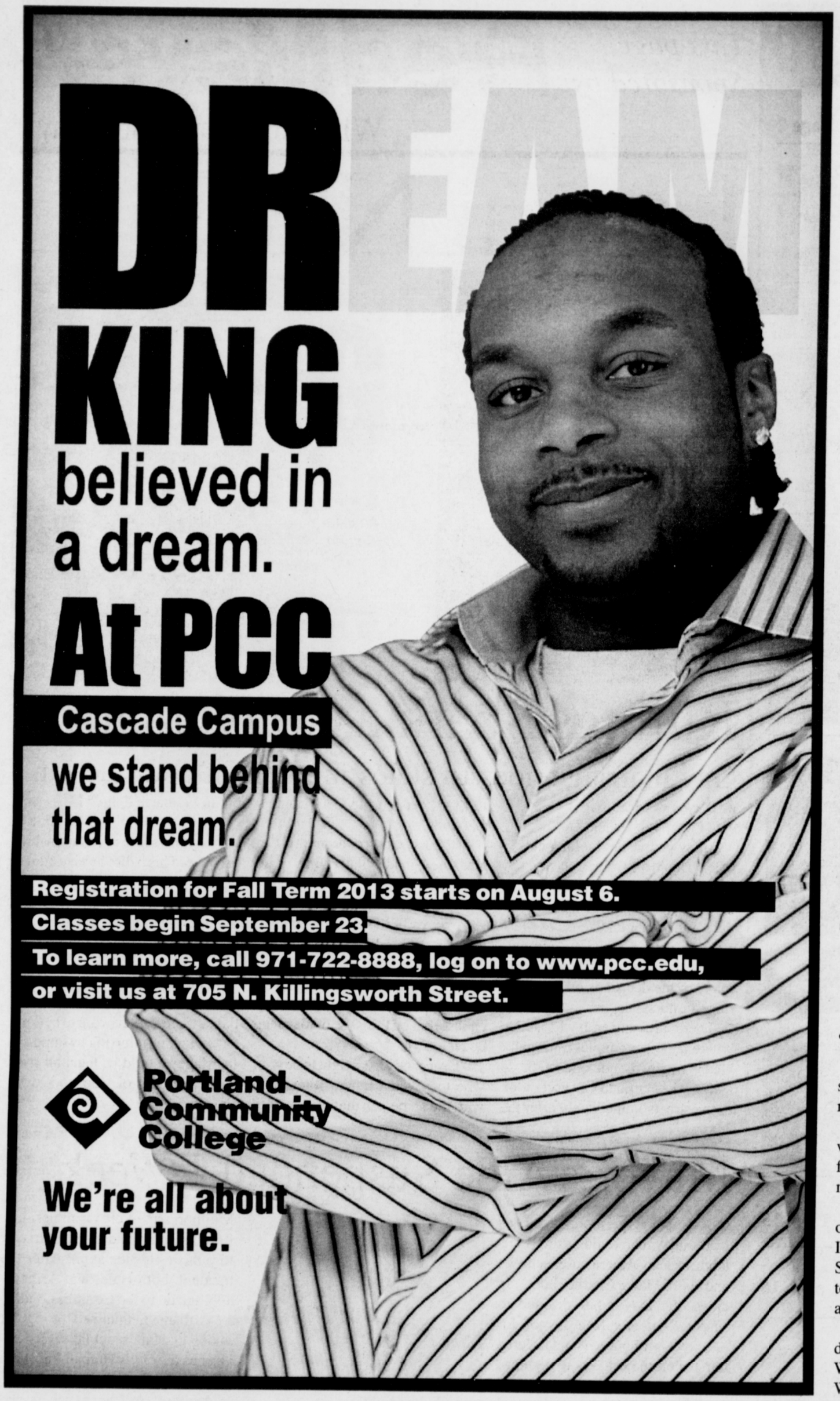

Achievement Makes History

The Oregon National Guard has promoted Brig. Gen. Julie A. Bentz to the rank of major general, the first female to hold such a high-ranking position.

Bentz works as the director of Strategic Capabilities Policy with the National Security Council in Washington, D.C. She will become Director of Nuclear Defense Policy at the agency with her promotion.

Julie A. Bentz

"It is a remarkable personal achievement and one that we celebrate here in Oregon," said Gov. John Kitzhaber.

Bentz began her military career with an ROTC commission from Oregon State University in June 1986 and served in a variety of active, reserve and National Guard assignments revolving around nuclear defense, homeland security, health physics, environmental sciences and traditional nuclear, biological and chemical officer assignments.

"We couldn't be more proud of her or her accomplishments," said Maj. Gen. Raymond F. Rees, The Adjutant General, Oregon. "Bentz's selection to major general highlights the significance of Oregon's education and leadership programs. We are proud to have been a part of her already amazing career."

In addition to her bachelor's degree from Oregon State University in Radiological Health, Bentz holds a master's degree and a doctorate in nuclear engineering from the University of Missouri-Columbia. She is also a graduate of the National War College with a master's in national security strategy.

State Fair Temp Jobs Opening

Individuals looking for temporary employment can find several possibilities at this year's Oregon State Fair which runs from Aug. 23 to Sept. 2 in Salem.

Employers are looking for job seekers ages 16 and over to work their food concession booths, game and ride operators for the carnival, exhibitor and demonstration booths and more. Most jobs need little or no experience.

WorkSource Oregon Employment Department has an online website to offer assistance in the application process. In years past, WorkSource staffed a temporary office at the State Fairgrounds to handle job applications. However, new technology has removed the need to stand in long lines for a job referral.

Start looking for "Amusement and Recreation Attendants" job announcements this month and in August on the WorkSource Oregon iMatchskills website, WorkingInOregon.org/imatch.

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