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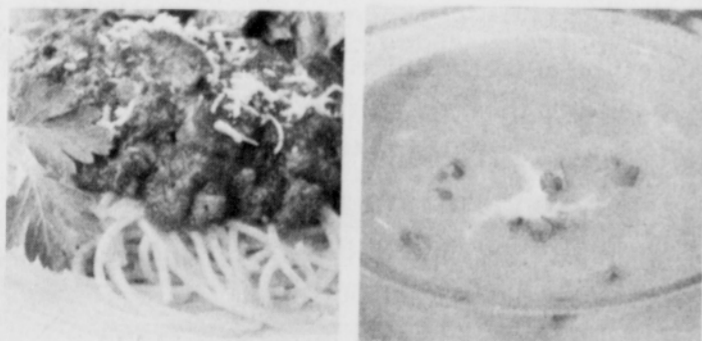


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## LOCAL NEWS



Multnomah County Commissioner Loretta Smith.

### Making a Difference

#### Smith honored for job training leadership

Multnomah County Commissioner Loretta Smith was honored at the White House last Thursday for her role in making a positive difference in our communities.

Smith was praised for her leadership in SummerWorks, a program that provides local young men and

women an opportunity to get their first work experience through a paid, 180-hour summer internship.

SummerWorks focuses on young people from low-income and under-represented communities. This year, more than 1,200 students countywide applied for 520 total SummerWorks placements. Since 2011, Multnomah County has quadrupled its number of placements to provide 100 of those placements.

"Here at Multnomah County, we're especially proud that young

men and women from low-income communities spent their summer with us gaining their first meaningful work experiences in jobs that ranged from animal services to medical clinics; from libraries to road crews," Smith said.

Smith partnered with Worksystems, Inc., the federal Workforce Investment Act job training program for Oregon. SummerWorks at Multnomah

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### New Park Coming to Cully

#### 2.4 acre open space eagerly awaited

Portland Parks and Recreation has announced that plans are moving forward for the first developed neighborhood park in Portland's Cully Neighborhood.

Construction of the 2.4 acre park, located on Northeast 52nd Avenue between Alberta and Wygant, will

begin in the spring and be complete by 2015 to help fulfill the need for a park and open space within the neighborhood, officials said.

Completion of the park will create a neighborhood gathering place in the heart of an area that needs it most. The Cully Neighborhood is a culturally diverse area that is home to more than 13,000 residents with a mix of commercial and relatively dense residential development.

The all-volunteer Cully Association of Neighbors has been instru-

mental in drawing attention to the needs of the neighborhood. The group is also involved with planning the future Thomas Cully Park on Northeast 72nd Avenue, along with other area partnerships including the recent expansion of Sacajawea Park.

"It is very exciting that the Cully neighborhood will finally have a fully developed park suited for all ages for our diverse community,"

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