

cluding the use of public space, equal treatment by police and government officials, privacy of property, voting, and not being discriminated against in employment and health care.

← Sisters of the Road Café, downtown

Sisters MLK Action Day

Activists call for Homeless bill of rights

Portland's Sisters of the Road invite the community to join them and other groups for a day of action in observance of the upcoming Martin Luther King Jr. holiday to call attention to discriminatory and criminalizing practices against the poor and homeless.

The special event will take place Friday, Jan. 17 at the Sisters of the Road Café, downtown, with food, music, theater and speeches by leaders from the Sisters commu-

nity, along with labor and grassroots organizations. Then, the participants will hold a solidarity march to City Hall with Right to Survive, Right 2 Dream Too, the downtown campground for the homeless which is trying to move to a new location.

Sisters of the Road is working to mobilize the community and partner organizations to pass a Homeless Bill Of Rights in the Oregon Legislature to protect the basic civil and human rights of poor and socially excluded communities.

The proposed law would state clearly that all people, regardless of housing status are entitled to their rights, in-

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meetings at Portland State University and Sisters of the Road Café, simply letting people know the party exists. Study groups have been formed to read and discuss books like Umi's the "Handbook of Revolutionary Warfare" or W.E.B. DuBois' "The World and Africa." Tedious reads, but all necessary foundation to the revolutionary work he hopes to see in the Rose City.

"I would never be arrogant enough to say we are the answer. But we are certainly, from what I see out here, presenting a clear position as to what the problem is and what the solution is," he says.

"We're not presenting a theory that's just kinda out there and you either believe it or you don't. We're presenting a scientific analysis, and that analysis says that no

matter where you were born, the fact that we got there, is a direct consequence of imperialism and slavery and that's irrefutable," Umi says. "We're presenting the fact that today the African continent is the richest land base in the world, but yet African people are the poorest in the world, that's irrefutable. And we're saying the fact that we're in all these places, and we're unable to control the mineral wealth of the African continent is something we should be striving to do to change our conditions. That makes, to me, absolute sense."

Starting Jan. 29, The A-APRP and Umi will be hosting Pan-African Film and Discussion Nights every last Wednesday on the Portland State University campus to present topics impacting African people living in 113 countries from a revolutionary Pan African perspective.

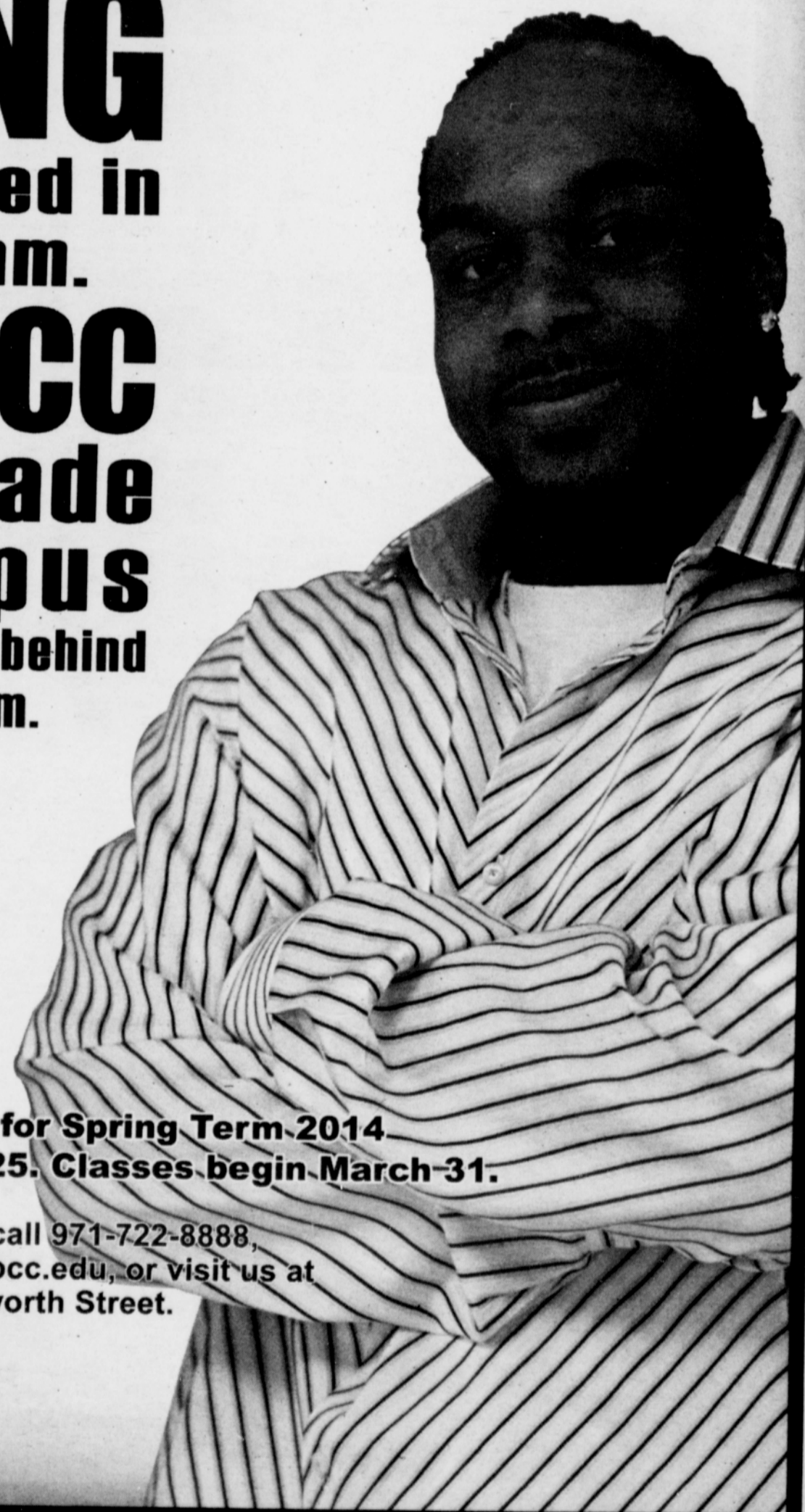
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