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Publishers from the Black Press, the National Newspaper Publishers Association, hold their annual convention in Portland, June 25-28. Pictured (from left) are Terry Jones, New Orleans Data News; Larry Lee, Sacramento Observer; Cloves Campbell, Arizona Informant; Denise Rolark Barnes, Washington Informer; Chida Warren-Darby, San Diego Voice; Chris Bennett, Seattle Medium; James Belt III, Dallas Examiner; and Bobby Henry, Westside Gazette.



Attending the NNPA convention in Portland were Bill Deiz (left), events and corporate relations manager at Volunteers of America Oregon, and Tracy Curtis and Bernie Kronberger of Wells Fargo Bank.



Maxine Fitzpatrick, the executive director of Portland Community Reinvestment Initiatives, (left) and former state senator Avel Gordly enjoy opening night at the NNPA conference.



Quayana Washington (left), the daughter of Portland Observer Publisher Mark Washington, with the newspaper's Business Manager Lucinda Baldwin (center), and the Portland Observer's President Elizabeth Washington.



NNPA President Dr. Benjamin Chavis (from left) visits The Portland Observer backdrop at the Black Press national conference in Portland with Tamara Winston of Macy's and Robert D. Bush, president and CEO of the San Diego Voice & Viewpoint.