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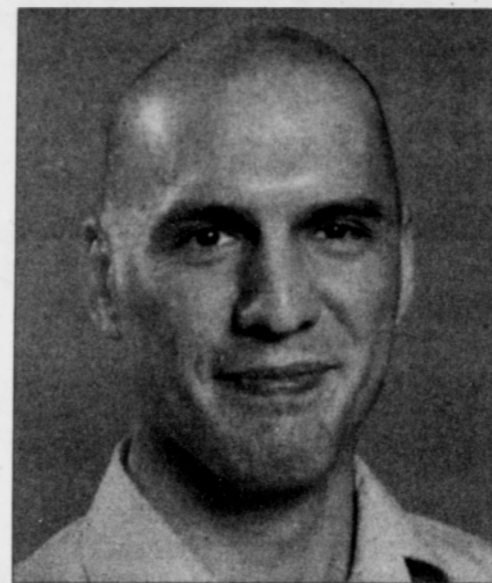
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# New Principal for Roosevelt

Roosevelt High School has a new leader. A teacher and administrator for the past 15 years, Filip Hristic is making the transition to principal of the north Portland school after a three year stint as principal of Creative Science School K-8 in south-east Portland.

Superintendent Carole Smith announced Hristic's appointment this week to succeed Roosevelt Principal Charlene Williams who will now be senior director of the Roosevelt Cluster and Benson High School.

Hristic brings a wealth of experience to his position, including serving as one of four principals at Newberg High School under its small school model. While an administrator there, he started a Latino scholars program, helped reduce the



Filip Hristic

number of students leaving high school early, increased dual credit offerings, and improved the numbers of students taking Advanced Placement courses.

Born and raised in Belgrade,

Serbia (in the former Yugoslavia), Hristic came to the U.S. as a seventh grader and learned English as a second language; he's fluent in Serbian, Croatian, and Bosnian

The school administrator said he is honored to join the Roosevelt community, humbled by the great work of its teachers, administrators, staff and students and looks forward to guiding the school as it is modernized through the school district's Building Improvement Bond.

Families and staff are invited to meet Mr. Hristic at a reception Wednesday, July 23 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Roosevelt Library. The night will also serve as a thank you to Principal Williams for her service at Roosevelt, school officials said.



Participants in the MLK Dream Run take off from Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. The third annual event returns Sunday, Aug. 3.

## Gear up for the Dream Run

Run, walk, or volunteer, the North/Northeast Business Association is looking for a host of Portlanders to come out to its third annual MLK Dream Run.

The run's goal is to bring businesses served by NNEBA and residents together in order to support local organizations that make a difference in the lives of local youth; a goal influenced by the event's namesake, civil rights legend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

"Oregon has a vision that every child, no matter how disadvantaged, has the opportunity, support, and resources to succeed in high school, pursue their dreams of higher education and economic indepen-

dence," event organizers said.

The MLK Dream Run starts at 6 a.m. on Sunday, Aug. 3, starting from the vacant lot on the corner of Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Alberta Street. There's an option to run or walk, solo or in groups (which is encouraged) or volunteer.

The same day, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the same location, there will be a "Taste of the Dream" celebration with music, food, entertainment, fun activities, and a business boutique village.

For more information, call NNEBA at 503-841-5032 or visit the event's website at [MLKDreamrun.org](http://MLKDreamrun.org).

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## Historic Site Gets New Roof

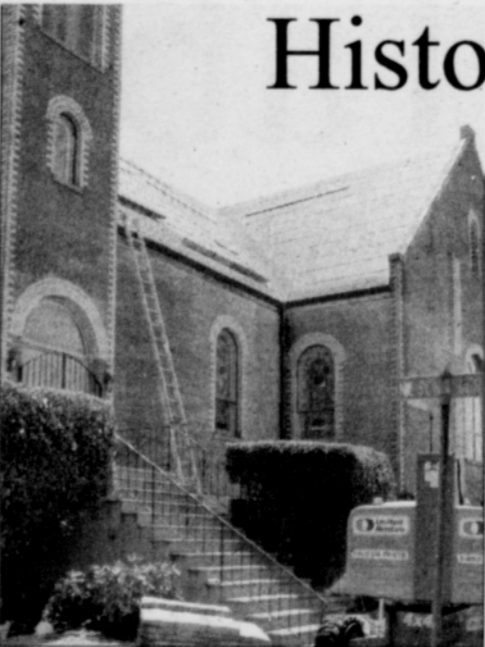


PHOTO BY DONOVAN M. SMITH/THE PORTLAND OBSERVER  
Portland's oldest African American church at Northeast First Avenue and Schuyler Street near the Rose Quarter, one of Mt. Olivet Baptist Church's original houses of worship, has been fashioned with a new roof, preserving the structure for future generations.

A historic site for local African American history is getting a new roof. Located at Northeast First Avenue and Schuyler Street, Mt. Olivet Baptist Church, was one of the original sites of worship for one of Portland's oldest black congregations.

The 1921 church is noted for having been built with donated lumber at the time from the racist Ku Klux Klan which wanted to help

move the congregation across the Willamette River and away from northwest Portland.

Though Mt. Olivet Baptist Church currently has two other locations, their primary sanctuary on North Chautauqua Avenue and another in the suburb of Aloha, it continues to own the site at Schuyler, sometimes getting usage by a partner congregation.

A representative from Mr. Olivet did not reveal how much the roof restoration was costing, or how long it would take for completion, but says it follows restoration a few years back to preserve the original stained glass windows of the church.