

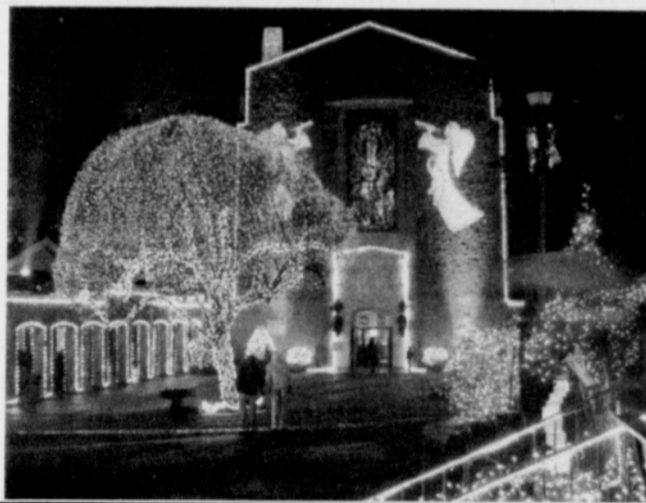
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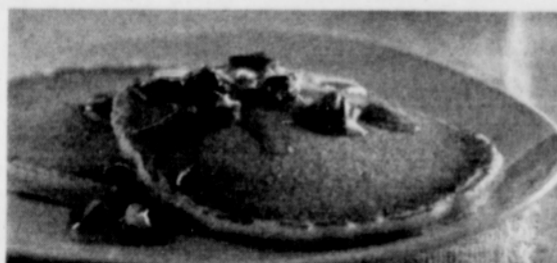
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What's on your list today?

## LOCAL NEWS

# Leaving a Legacy

### Business owner Geneva Knauls dies at 78

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The corner of Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Jessup Street is darkened this holiday season by the death of Geneva Knauls, a longtime community leader. The co-owner of Geneva's Shear Perfection Barber and Beauty Salon, a landmark black business at the site, died Saturday at the age of 78 after a long illness.

Her husband, Paul Knauls, is left behind to oversee the business and family affairs. The Knauls have been known in the community to be some of the most popular black entrepreneurs in town.

In their 48 years of marriage, the couple also ran a string of nightclubs in Portland, including The Famous Cotton Club, Paul's, and Geneva's Restaurant and Lounge.

During her life, Geneva won a

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Geneva Knauls, a longtime Portland business and community leader, died Saturday at the age of 78. Knauls was co-owner of Geneva's Shear Perfection Barber and Beauty Salon with her husband Paul Knauls.



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A sold-out hip-hop show at the Blue Monk ended before it got fully started last March when Portland performer Illmaculate left the stage in protest over a swelling police presence inside and outside the venue. The complaint led to a city investigation of the relationship law enforcement has with the Portland hip hop community.

## Clearing the Air

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### Report comes up short on hip hop targeting

An investigation into the enforcement of venue regulations at hip-hop concerts in Portland found no official wrongdoing by police

and fire department investigators but lots of room for better communications on the part of the government officials.

For several years there's been tension between members of the Portland hip-hop community and law enforcement over the handling

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