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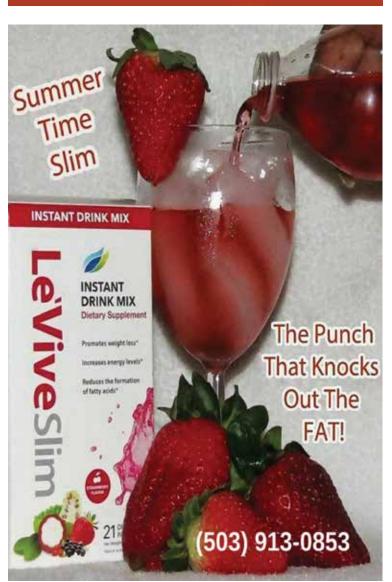




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Isaac Shelton puts his undefeated record on the line in a Saturday, Sept. 5 fight at Chinook Winds.

Looking for a Knockout

Local undefeated mixed martial artist Isaac Shelton looks to make it 4-0 in an upcoming match with Washington's Ricardo Martinez, on Saturday, Sept. 5 at the King of The Cage: Rogue Wave fight card being held at Chinook Winds Casino in Lincoln City. Shelton, who trains at Curt's Ultimate Fitness in northeast Portland under the tutelage of Curtis Crawford, says he's been doing "everything right" preparing for the fight and is looking for his first knockout.

To pickup general admission tickets call Curt's Ultimate Fitness at 503-819-9207. For VIP and all other tickets visit kingofthecage.com

Ferocious NBA Star Remembered

(AP -- Darryl Dawkins, whose board-shattering dunks earned him the moniker "Chocolate Thunder" and helped pave the way for breakaway rims, is being remembered after his death at the

Dawkins died Thursday, Aug. 20 of a heart attack at the age of

"Darryl touched the hearts and spirits of so many with his big smile and personality, ferocious dunks, but more than anything, his huge, loving heart," his family said in a statement. "More than anything Darryl accomplished in his basketball career as the inimitable 'Chocolate Thunder,' he was most proud of his role and responsibility as a husband and father."

sons in the NBA with Philadelphia, New Jersey, Utah and Detroit. He averaged 12 points and 6.1 rebounds in 726 career regular-season games.

lete and ferocious dunker," former the 76ers.



Ex-NBA star Darryl Dawkins, a.k.a. 'Chocolate Thunder' died last week at the age of 58.

NBA guard Kevin Johnson wrote on Twitter. "He will be missed but not forgotten."

Dawkins was selected No. 5 in Dawkins spent parts of 14 sea- the 1975 NBA draft by the 76ers. His "Chocolate Thunder" nickname, he often said, was given to him by legendary singer Stevie Wonder - who is blind.

Tributes poured in quickly from "A great man, entertainer, ath- across the league, including from

"You were one of my favorite players of all time," Houston center Dwight Howard posted Thursday on Instagram under a photo of Dawkins dunking in a game for the 76ers. "You were very inspirational to a lot of young players. Thank u for the long talks and great memories. I can't believe that you're gone. But you are in a better place. You were the originator of the dunk."