

Remembering Vanport

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are scheduled at First Baptist Church, the Interstate Firehouse Cultural Center and Irvington Covenant Church.

Cottonwood in the Flood, a fully-staged drama about the African-American experience in 1940s Oregon and the rapid rise - and even more rapid fall - of the city of Vanport, will open Thursday, May 26 and run through June 12 at the IFCC. Tickets are available through the box office. In conjunction with the play, a free exhibit Vanport: The Surge of Social Change, also at the IFCC, brings a collage of historic images and artifacts that unveil the multi-

faceted social life of Vanport. An academic and free public conversation about the Vanport Flood, including scholars and community members, as well as artists, educators, and Vanport flood survivors, will take place on Saturday, May 28 at 1 p.m. at the Concordia University's Luther Hall auditorium.

Free Welcome Home to Vanport tours will be held on Monday, May 30 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the historic location of Vanport City. There will be two 5K self-guided walk and bike routes, and exhibits at Portland International Raceway.

For a Vanport Mosaic Festival schedule, visit vanportmosaic.org.

Sanchez Wins Close Race

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6, elections officials said. Since no Republican filed for the office, Sanchez appears headed to the November General Election unopposed.

In other highlights from the May 17 election, Ted Wheeler has easily his race for Portland mayor. Bernie Sanders won Oregon's Democratic Primary.

State Rep. Lew Frederick, the current District 43 office holder and only African-American in the House, won the Democratic

nomination for Senate District 22 in north and northeast Portland unopposed. City Commissioner Steve Novick will face a runoff election in November but Amanda Fritz was re-elected as city commissioner outright with almost 70 percent of the vote.

Two ballot measures were decided. Measure 26-174 to support the Oregon Historical Society's funding passed easily while Measure 26-173 to apply a .10 cent tax per gallon of gas was passed by a much smaller margin.

Obituary

Community Leader Led Impactful Life

Joice Taylor

Joice Antoinette Taylor, 66, a longtime Portland community leader and role model, passed away on May 18, 2016.

She was born Joyce Johnson on Dec. 17, 1949 in Portsmouth, Va., the youngest of six children born to Linwood Bernard Johnson and Ethel Lee Johnson. She was educated at Holy Child Academy High School in Portland.

Art and culture were a mainstay in her world starting early in life when she was trained as a child in ballet and tap. As a young woman, she traveled to New York, Washington and Canada as a professional model before returning to Portland to start a model and talent agency.

Her passions in the community centered around health and social justice, youth development, building networks, and creating safe stable neighborhoods with affordable housing and entrepreneurship.

She had more than 25 years of professional experience with the Portland School District with duties that included consulting, training and strategic planning. Education was of utmost importance to her and she made sure that all of



her family members also strived to become lifelong learners.

Even late in life, she return to school to earn a college degree in international business from Marylhurst University in 1995 and then she pursued masters' level coursework in communications at Portland State University.

She last served as chief executive officer and president of Global Management Strategies, and was a partner with the Rural and Urban Development League. She also shared her expertise with local, city, state economic development leaders and racial equity

organizations, small businesses, non-profits, and corporations.

She served as Board Chair of the North/Northeast Business Association from 2008 until she retired this year. On April 28, the association honored her with a Neil Kelly Distinguished Service Award, celebrating her business excellence and community achievement.

She is survived by her children, Gaylon Michael Taylor, Aunice Martoinette Taylor, and Bakari-Ajamu Taylor Rhodes; sisters, Linda Johnson and Barbra Daniels; brothers, James Johnson and Everett Johnson; and several grandchildren, great grandchild, nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her brother Clarence Brooks.

A Homegoing Celebration will be held on Friday, May 27 at 2 p.m. at Emmanuel Temple, 1033 N. Sumner St. Doors will open at 1:30 p.m. with a reception to follow the service.

The family is respectfully asking for donations to help with the costs of the tribute service and for any unpaid healthcare costs. Contributions can be made to the Joice A. Taylor donation account No. 153694167849 in care of U.S. Bank.



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CALENDAR May 2016

SUNDAY MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY

<p>22</p> <p>Arnold Lobel born, 1933 Buy-A-Musical Instrument Day</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Victoria Day in Canada Margaret Wise Brown born, 1910 Penny Day</p>	<p>24</p> <p>First Morse Code Message Sent (from Washington DC to Baltimore, 1844)</p>	<p>25</p> <p>National Missing Children's Day National Tap Dance Day</p>	<p>26</p> <p>Blueberry Cheesecake Day</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Golden Gate Bridge Opens in 1937 Masking Tape Patented in 1930</p>	<p>28</p> <p>Jim Thorpe Born in 1888</p>
<p>29</p> <p>John F. Kennedy born in 1917 Andrew Clements born, 1949</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Memorial Day</p>	<p>31</p> <p>World No Tobacco Day</p>				