

# Drum Major Service

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Portland, Lewis and Clark Law student Gregory McElvey from Portland's Resistance, Kim Dixon from Enough is Enough, and Multnomah County judges Nan G. Waller and Adrienne Nelson.

This year's Drum Major recipients are Wajdi Said and the Muslim Educational Trust, JoAnn Hardesty and the NAACP Portland Branch 1120, Julianne Johnson-Weiss and Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon, Lou Radja and EduCongo.

Vancouver Avenue First Bap-

tist Church has a rich history of its active role in the Civil Rights Movement, including hosting historic leaders like Dr. King, Ralph Wilkins and Congressman John Lewis. Pastor Hennessee was a godson to the late Coretta Scott King. The term "drum major" is found in a sermon Dr. King delivered on Feb. 4, 1968 at the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Atlanta, Ga: "Yes, if you want to say that I was a drum major, say that I was a drum major for justice. Say that I was a drum major for peace. Yes, I was a drum major for righteousness. And all of the other shallow things will not matter. Yes, I won't have any money to leave behind. I won't have the fine and luxurious things of life to leave behind. But, I just want to leave a committed life behind."

Vancouver Avenue First Baptist's MLK celebrations are free and open to the public. A seat reservation, however, is recommended by calling the church at 503-282-9496.

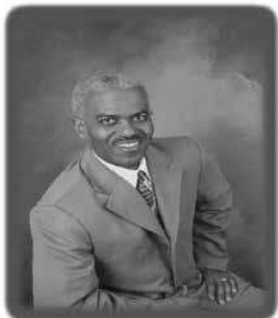
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Raymond Burrell brings the history of Rev Martin Luther King Jr. visit to Portland's Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church to life as church historian. Burrell was recently responsible for having the church listed in the National Register of Historic places.

# Martin Luther King Visited Here

## Church steeped in Civil Rights history

BY ZACHARY SENN THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

A Portland sanctuary with great social, educational, and historical significance to Portland's black community was honored this past year with national recognition. Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church is known as one of the histor-

ical centers of Portland's black community, and has hosted civil rights icons such as Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Ralph Wilkins throughout its rich history. Raymond Burrell,

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- 3 A.M. - 7 A.M. TOM JOYNER
- 7 A.M. - 10 A.M. TONI TERRELL
- 10 A.M. - 1 P.M. REV. AL SHARPTON (KEEPING IT REAL)
- 1 P.M. - 3 P.M. KENNY SMOOV
- 3 P.M. - 7 P.M. D.L. HUGHLEY
- 7 P.M. - 9 P.M. PAPA SMURF
- 9 P.M. - 12 Midnight MIKE SHANNON

### SUNDAY

- 12 Midnight - 3 A.M. MIKE SHANNON
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