Week in The Review

Pauline Bradford:
Albina Pioneer

Keeps sense of past with look to future

Black History Maker, Feb. 23, 2005 – *Portland Observer interviews Pauline Bradford from her home in the Eliot neighborhood, providing a walking, breathing history of Portland's Black community. Like many African Americans from across the country, Bradford was lured to Portland in the 1940s by the promise of a high-paying wartime job in the Kaiser shipyards.*

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Hennessee to be Installed Church Pastor

Coretta Scott King to participate in ceremonies

A Civil Rights Legend by her Own Right

Pastor Installed, May 25, 2005 – *Rev. Matt Hennessee's installment as pastor of Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church draws special guest Coretta Scott King, the widow of the late Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Hennessee met the King family 15 years earlier when he was assistant city manager in Saginaw, Mich. and Mrs. King took him under her wing like a son, the Portland Observer reports.*

First Black Judge, Oct. 12, 2005 -- *Mercedes Frances Deiz, Oregon's first African-American judge left a legacy for future generations upon her death at the age of 87. The Portland Observer reported on her many accomplishments and the qualities that made her a good lawyer for the community at large.*

Local Leaders Leave Legacies

Oregon's First Black Judge

Deiz was mentor, pioneer

Champion In and Outside Ring

Community advocate remembered

Champion In and Outside of Ring, Oct. 12, 2005 – *Jimmy "Bang Bang" Walker, one of Oregon's boxing legends, was remembered for both his prizefighting career and his civil rights advocacy on behalf of other African Americans, the Portland Observer reported.*

TV Networks Take Asia Bell Case

Heartbroken family asks witnesses to speak up

Heartbroken Family, Oct. 19, 2005 -- *After nearly three years, the mystery of who killed 23-year-old Asia Bell-James in a walk by shooting in front of her north Portland home is finally attracting some national attention, both on America's Most Wanted and the Maury Povich Show. The Portland Observer reported on the family's hope to find justice.*

Marchers Support New Christian Center

Hundreds gathered for the Miracle March in north Portland last Saturday morning to help raise money for the completion of the Life Change Christian Center that's located at 106 N. Beach St. One million dollars is needed for the first phase of the renovation plan. Many got a chance to see the work that's already completed on the new facility.

Since 1996, the center has provided food and clothing for the needy. It will continue to be a place for anyone in the community seeking spiritual direction and support.

Pastor Mark Strong leads the way in the Miracle March for the creation of the new Life Change Christian Center to benefit north Portland.

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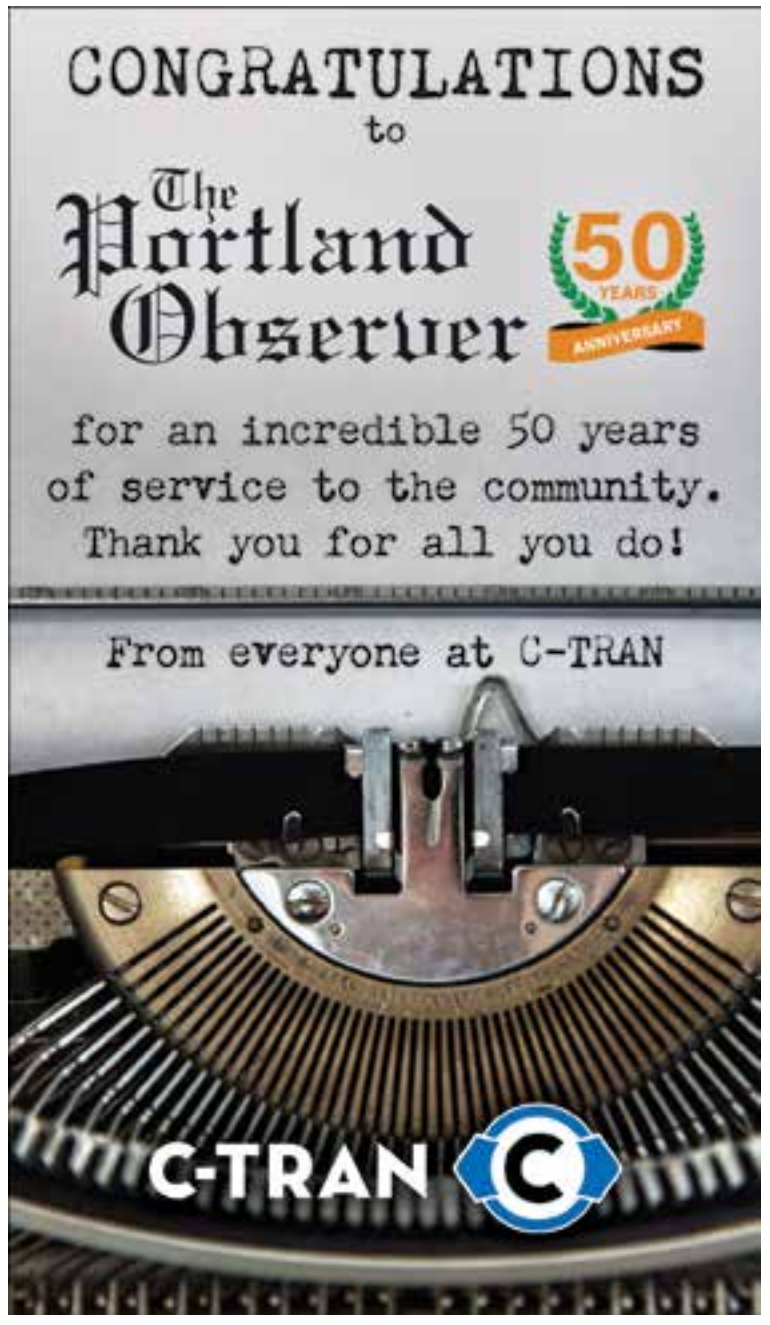
Marcher Support New Christian Center, April 3, 2002 -- *Pastor Mark Strong leads the way in the Miracle March for the creation of the new Life Change Christian Center to benefit north Portland.*



First Preference Housing, Nov. 14, 2018 – *Housing advocates and construction company officials from Portland's African American community made the opening of the Beatrice Morrow apartments possible. Pictured for the official grand opening were (from left) Aneshka Colas-Dickson, Colas Construction founder Hermann Colas, Portland Community Reinvestment Initiative, Inc. (PCRI) Executive Director Maxine Fitzpatrick, and Colas Construction President and Chief Executive Officer Andrew Colas.*

First Preference Housing

Beatrice Morrow first to open under new policy