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Former Trail Blazer Channing Frye (left) with Jesse Conner at the Maurice Lucas Foundation golf tournament, a fundraising event to support youth programs in Portland.

Lucas Foundation Grows Support

Golf tourney brings donations for youth programs

A summer golf tournament by the Maurice Lucas Foundation raised \$189,000 for youth academic and athletic programs in the Portland area, representatives recently announced.

The 17th annual Celebrity Golf Invitational tournament on July 29 in Aloha drew a field of 270 golfers and 54 participating celebrities, including Trail Blazer broadcaster Bill Schonely, former Trail Blazer players Bobby Gross, Channing Frye and Brian Grant, Oregon State basketball coach Wayne Tinkle and his son, Tres, actress Debbe Dunning, actor William H. Bryant Jr., comedian Joe Torry and KOIN-TV newscaster Ken Boddie.

The tourney organizers includ-

ed many fun elements to the day to make it memorable for the participants. Mike Phillips, for example, performed the national anthem on the saxophone and DeeJay Jupiter (aka Travis Jones) supplied the music.

"This tournament is an important fundraising event for us," said David Lucas, executive director of the foundations. "It continues a tradition started by my dad, the late Maurice Lucas, who loved this community. Thank you so much to all our sponsors, golfers and volunteers who made this year's tournament possible."

Maurice Lucas (1952-2010) was the leading scorer on the 1977 NBA champion Trail Blazers team.

PLANS CHANGE. DREAMS DON'T.

Josh Griffie knows the difference. He was a teenager with big plans. Then he was diagnosed with an autoimmune disorder. His soccer career? Over. His other plans? Rearranged. But when one path closes off, Josh sees two more in its place. "One of my biggest strengths is my ability to adapt, dream and persevere," he says.

Despite chronic health issues, he started a photography business in Portland, then landed an internship and a job at Nike. Soon he'll finish his business administration degree online through Oregon State Ecampus. And he's ready for whatever comes next.

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A new plaque honoring A.H. Francis, a Black pioneer and abolitionist who lived in Portland in the 1800s when Black exclusion laws ruled the Oregon Territory.

Plaque Honors Black Pioneer

A.H. Francis thwarted exclusion law

On Saturday, a plaque honoring Black pioneer merchant and abolitionist A.H. Francis was dedicated in downtown Portland courtesy of the Oregon Black Pioneers and the Lang Syne Society.

Located at the site of Francis's former mercantile at Southwest Front Avenue and Stark Street (now Naito Parkway and Harvey Milk Street), the plaque was affixed to a concrete guardrail stan-

chion where the Morrison Bridge off-ramp curves through the site.

Francis moved west in 1851, soon after Portland was incorporated, with his brother, Isaac B. Francis. Although they were threatened with expulsion from the Oregon Territory due to the Black exclusion laws, a petition signed by 216 Portlanders, a large portion of the population at that time, helped to thwart their eviction.

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