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Margret Carter speaking at the Dean's Barbershop historical event

Black Landmark Recognized

Dean's Salon and Barber Shop Gets Historic Acknowledgement

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Dean's Beauty Salon and Barber Shop, the oldest Black-owned business in the entire state, held a big party in late June to

celebrate a new distinction: It was selected to be added to the National Register of Historic Places.

About 100 people came out on June 25 to celebrate, said owner Kim Brown, granddaughter of the founders, Benjamin and Mary "Rose" Dean.

"We played games, had speakers, had dancers and there was dancing in the streets," Brown said. "It was like an

old-fashioned block party we had when I was growing up."

Brown's grandparents moved to Portland from Alabama in 1944 as part of the Great Migration, she said, and Ben accepted a job as a welder at Kaiser Shipyards.

"A lot of soldiers were off to war and their workforce was diminished, so a lot of companies were sending people out to Southern states to recruit," Brown

said, "and he was one of hundreds of Black men who came out here to work in the shipyards."

But her grandfather was interested in Oregon even before he was recruited to the shipyards, because the landscape was so different from what he was used to, and

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Portland Police Hires New Recruits

PPB swears in the largest class of recruits in decades

Portland police just swore in 16 new officers, the biggest classes in 20 years, and it's looking for more.

Chief recruited Sgt. Trevor Tyler said even though the city plans to fill 300 positions within the next three years, it's still a very selective process, with only about 10 percent passing the screening process.

That process starts with two things, a desire to serve and high morals, he said.

"I can train hard skills, but I cannot change attitude or ethics," he said. "They

must have a high caliber of integrity and a heart for service. It's the biggest class of recruits in two decades and I'm very thankful we were able to pull that off."

The Portland Police Bureau is considering recruits from three areas, brand new officers, lateral hires who have three years of experience, and support staff. All of the new hires are new officers, he said.

More than 100 people applied for the 16 positions and with just under 800 on staff now, the police bureau is looking to fill a total of 200 police officers and 100 support staff.

Training for the new recruits is intense

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16 new recruits being sworn into the PPB