

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

History of Redlining

Former Oregonian reporter Nikole Hannah-Jones and radio producer Nancy Updike won the prestigious Sidney award in December for House Rules, a radio story for the program This American Life. The pair collaborated on the story, which looks at the history of racial profiling in housing.

The story explains how government redlining created extreme segregation in cities across America.

“House Rules tells the little-known history of one of the most important pieces of civil rights legislation in U.S. history,” said Sidney judge Lindsay Beyerstein, “The program exposes a legacy of official housing discrimination and documents the ongoing efforts to reverse it.”

Hannah Jones reported for the Oregonian until moving to the investigative reporting nonprofit ProPublica in 2011. You can find the story online at This American Life’s website.

The Sidney Award is given once a month to an outstanding piece of journalism about social or economic injustice, by the Sidney Hillman Foundation, which also awards the annual Hillman Prizes every spring.

Free Haircuts for Youth

For some families, giving their kids a great haircut is a treat that may happen a couple times a year. Imagine a child who has never had a good cut or style because it is too expensive? Every child deserves to feel special at Christmas, and a new haircut makes you feel like a whole new person. So The Salvation Army is partnering with local stylists to give kids confidence and a special treat. If you are a stylist, the Salvation Army would love your help.

What: The Salvation Army and local stylists are providing free haircuts to underprivileged youth in the community for Christmas. When: Monday, December 23, 2013 from 10am-3pm Where: The Salvation Army Moore Street Community & Worship

Center, 5325 N. Williams Ave. Portland. For more information contact: Teresa Steinmetz at The Salvation Army at 503.794.3283. Licensed stylists can volunteer, by contacting Nin Dickinson at Perfect Image Plus Salon 503.283.4905.

Holiday Basketball

Teen Force will hold its Second Annual Basketball Tournament during winter break. There will be a 6th-8th grade bracket and 9th-12th grade bracket. Last year, Montavilla brought home the championship. Will they do it again? Teams of up to six can register for \$10.00 total. Sign up at any community center or call Charles Jordan Community Center 503-823-3631 to get signed up. Ask about Course #421155.

Black Parent Initiative Holiday Parent Fair

The Black Parent Initiative will hold a holiday parent fair from 11 a.m.—2 p.m. Dec.21, at McCoy Village Community Room, 4430 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Childcare will be provided ages 3-12. The event will include two workshops: Literacy Traditions in the Black Community and Balancing Home, Life, and Academic Parenthood.

Helping Kids: Toy n’ Joy Makers and Sunshine Division

When East Precinct officers responded to a call about a disturbance at a home in Southeast Portland’s Centennial neighborhood, they expected trouble. But when the officers arrived they learned no crime had occurred. They did find a problem, however. The mom who lived in the home was struggling to provide a nice Christmas for her three children, ages 2, 5 and 12.

There was no Christmas tree or gifts in the home, and the family was clearly in a diffi-

Sunshine Volunteers



More than 100 volunteers, staff, and Portland police officers gathered at the Sunshine Division Warehouse Dec.16 to pack 3,500 holiday food boxes for local area families. Pictured are some of the volunteers, including Bud Lewis a former Portland Police Bureau Commander at Sunshine Division and current board member who has a volunteered for 50 years. Also in the photo are fellow board members John and Pam Hren and George Hoyt. Police officers and volunteers will deliver the boxes to community members in need, Dec. 21 The boxes are delivered from North Precinct, East Precinct, Southeast Sub-precinct and the Sunshine Warehouse, beginning at 9 a.m. to homes of 3,500 families.

cult situation. So when they left they went out to buy a Christmas tree, lights, stockings and stocking stuffers for the family. The officers then went to the Portland Fire & Rescue Toy n’ Joy Makers. With their help, the officers got several boxes of toys for the kids for Christmas. Next stop was the Portland Police Bureau’s Sunshine Divi-

sion where Weseman and Jackson got a food box for the family. Learn more about Toy n’ Joy Makers or make a donation through www.toynjoy-makers.org. To donate or volunteer with the Sunshine Division visit: <http://www.sunshinedivision.org>

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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If you have an event you want to share with the community, email it two weeks in advance to The Skanner at info@theskanner.com

Saturday December 21

FRESH START SEMINAR, HEALTHY MIND, BODY & SPIRIT: Naturopathic doctor Steven Bailey explores the wisdom of our traditions of various culture diets. Bring your children 7 – 13 to participate in the kids club. 10 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. June Key

Delta Community Center, 5940 N. Albina St.

HOLIDAY PARENT FAIR: Gifts, music, food and fun, balancing home, balancing life. 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. McCoy Village Community Room, 4430 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

Sunday December 22

FAMILY CHRISTMAS WORSHIP: Dynamic Worship! Inspirational Singing! Powerful Preaching! Fellowship! Free gift bags. 11 a.m. Bethel AME Church, 5828 NE 8th Ave. Portland, OR 97211

Saturday – Sunday December 21 – 22

SPARKLES AND SWEETS: Participating shops and restaurants will be providing “sparkles” (effervescent beverages) and “sweets” to holiday shoppers. Cost is free. All day event. Alberta Street Business District. Portland, OR

Friday December 27

COMMUNITY MEETING AT KING SCHOOL: The Department of Dual language Immersion would like to invite the public to a community meeting at the school to explore the possibility of starting a Mandarin Immersion program next year. 6 p.m. 4906 NE 6th Ave. Portland, OR 97211

KWANZAA CELEBRATION: Free and open to all. Libation ceremony, music, food, entertainment and spoken word. 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. City Hall, First Floor, 1221 SW 4th Ave. Portland, OR 97204

Saturday December 28

KWANZAA WILL BE CELEBRATED AT THE NORTH PORTLAND LIBRARY: Noon – 2 p.m. The theme of the day is UJIMA: Collective work and responsibility. Passion Art Theater will do a presentation and Mama Maklin (Joyce Harris) will lead the Kwanzaa ceremony. This is a family