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Pastor April Murchinson of Emmanuel Temple Church introduces Good in the Hood President Shawn Penney during a special ceremony at the north Portland church on Sunday to honor him for his bravery and leadership in response to the death threats made against the multicultural celebration last June.

**Festival organizer
honored for
brave defiance**

BY CHRISTA MCINTYRE
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Shawn Penney did not let racial and violent threats stop him or his community when the multicultural Good in the Hood Festival received death threats last June. On Sunday, Penney, the president of the festival, was honored for his bravery and leadership in response to the hatred spewed.

His church community in north Portland wanted him to know that his dignified efforts to turn back the attacks and continue with the festival drew their respect and appreciation.

In spite of a terrible situation, his love

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for people and desire for unity overcame the threats, said Pastor April Murchinson of Emmanuel Temple Church.

Penney has led Good in the Hood, the Pacific Northwest’s largest annual multicultural festival, for the last 12 years.

On June 5, a letter with Ku Klux Klan images and violent racist threats was mailed to Good in the Hood via way of

the non-profit organization’s offices next door to King Elementary School, demanding a shutdown of the celebration. The letter threatened Penney personally and promised “a bloodbath,” should the festival go on. He and his family were given an FBI security detail because the agency believed the letter to be credible and had seen similar racist threats in other parts of

the country. An investigation into the letter is ongoing.

On Sunday, Emmanuel Temple honored Penney with a community recognition award. Pastor Murchinson introduced him, describing Penney as an outstanding role model, an activist and a black leader in the community.

He was also honored for his past work in the community, helping disadvantaged children and people of all colors and races to further their education and get ahead in life.

“Mr. Penney will always fight for bringing communities and family together,” Murchinson said.

Penney said the threats against Good in the Hood, were “so senseless.”

“It brought tears to my eyes,” he recalled. “But, I know how strong I am as a man and I’m not going to run or hide from anything.”

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Push Back on Brutality

Police say Trump had wrong message

BY ERIC TEGETHOFF

Communities and police departments in Oregon and across the nation are responding to President Trump's comments to police on Friday that they shouldn't be "too nice" with suspects.

His comments come at a time when tensions are running high between law enforcement and the public. Sarah Armstrong, communications director for the ACLU of Oregon, said that's especially true for people of color who already are arrested and incarcerated at higher rates.

She said Trump's comments could deepen mistrust between communities and the police.

"Every community deserves safe and effective policing, and that really has to be built on trust," Armstrong said. "What the president's doing by pitting officers against communities is really scary, and the country is weary of the type of policing that the presi-



President Donald Trump encouraged police officers to be "rough" with people they arrest in a speech last week on dismantling the criminal gang known as MS-13 that was made before law enforcement in Long Island, N.Y.

dent is espousing."

Police departments across the country have responded to Trump's comments, saying they won't rough up suspects. On Saturday, Portland Police tweeted that officers "are expected to treat everyone with respect, even if they are a suspect."

Trump's comments came during a speech on dismantling the criminal gang known as MS-13 to law enforcement in Long Island, N.Y.

Armstrong said the president also is striking at one of

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The Week in Review

Arizona Sheriff Found Guilty

Former Maricopa County, Ariz. Sheriff Joe Arpaio was found guilty Monday in a racial profiling case involving patrols targeting immigrants.



Arpaio, who once boasted he was "America's toughest sheriff," faces up to 6 months in jail when he is sentenced Oct. 5.

Cut Back on Free Lunches

A dozen Portland schools will end their free lunch for all students this October, because the schools no longer qualify for the program as a whole. Madison, Jefferson and Roosevelt high schools will be affected. Students whose families can show that they are low income or receive SNAP benefits will still qualify for reduced or free lunches.

Los Angeles to Host Olympics

The International Olympics Committee announced Monday that Los Angeles will host the 2028 Summer Games. This marks the third time for the Southern Cal-

ifornia city has hosted an Olympics, with the first in 1932 and more recently in 1984.

Trump Tweets Transgender Ban

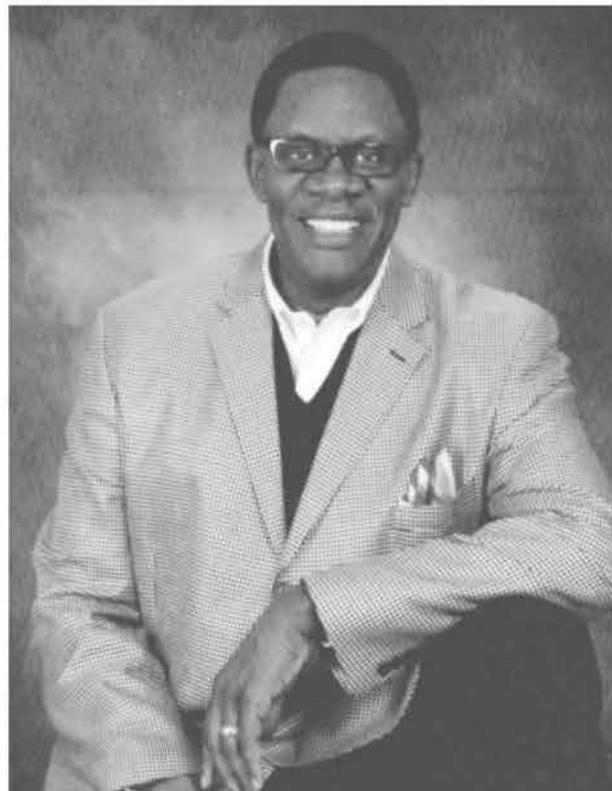
President Trump's tweet last week calling for the ban of transgender individuals in the military was met with significant backlash from mayors, congressmen and army generals. General Joseph Dunford, who is also a joint chief of staff, indicated there will be no change until the policy is officially adopted, and "in the mean time, we will continue to treat all of our personnel with respect."

Arrested for Deadly Fire

Ryan Thomas Monaco, 28, was arrested last week on charges of murder and arson in connection with a fire which killed 2 people at the Camp Manor apartments at 9815 N.E. Glisan St. The victims have been identified as Jason Miller, 42, and Taher Alhaji, 24, a Portland State University student from Saudi Arabia.

Funding for Veteran Housing

On Monday, the state of Oregon announced \$17 million in funding towards multifamily rental housing for low income veterans who struggle with financial or mental health crises. The deadline to apply is Oct. 20 at 4 p.m. For more information, visit oregon.gov/ohcs/.



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What's on your list today?™

'Education has Value'

Retiring leader on increased access to early learning

BY ZACHARY SENN
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

One of the most influential educators in Portland Public Schools, Dr. Harriet Adair, has entered retirement after a 47-year career in which she successfully increased educational access for minority and disadvantaged communities, especially for critical early learning programs.

Adair's career encompassed nearly every level of educational work in the district. She started as a middle school teacher in 1970, and most recently served as the Assistant Superintendent in the Office of Early Learners, Schools and Student Supports.

The Confederation of Oregon School Administrators recognized Adair with its President's Award in 2014, and a number of substantial policy shifts in education practices across both the city and state can be traced to her dedication to high-quality schooling for all Oregonians.

Adair, who herself attended Portland Public Schools beginning at the age of four, says that she personally knows the power of early learning programs. She says that her mother attempted to enroll her at the age of three, but the district wouldn't accept a child that young.

Both of Adair's parents were educators who had earned Master's degrees outside of the Northwest. When her family first moved to Portland from San Antonio, however, Adair says that her mother wasn't allowed to work in Portland Public Schools due to her race. She



Retiring school administrator Dr. Harriet Adair is credited with increasing educational access for minority and disadvantaged communities during her 47-year career in Portland Public Schools.

eventually landed a position teaching at Boise/Elliot Elementary School, however. When she graduated from Madison High School, Adair says that she was one of only five black students out of her entire graduating class. Adair then went on to earn her Bachelor's degree at Portland State University, a Master's degrees from the University of Oregon and a Doctorate from Brigham Young University.

Her own academic experiences instilled Adair with a passion for furthering educational achievement for disenfranchised students.

"I come from five generations

of people with Master's degrees," Adair said. "Education was something that I grew up valuing."

Throughout the course of her career, Adair says that there several achievements that she is most proud to have played a role in.

While she was the principal of Martin Luther King Jr. Elementary School, Adair says that she oversaw the implementation of the first 'Dreamer,' class in the state of Oregon. The 'I Have a Dream,' program seeks to provide students in poverty-stricken schools with bet-

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Heat Wave Brings Safety Precautions

The Portland area began to heat up on Tuesday for a record-breaking heat wave that wasn't expected to ebb until later this weekend. Temperatures were forecast to hit 100 and above for at least three straight days.

Multnomah County and other jurisdictions responded by opening up public buildings as cooling centers for elderly and disabled residents to stay safe and hydrated.

The Walnut Park Building, containing the Multicultural Senior Center and other public offices at 5325 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. will be hosting one of the cooling centers in Multnomah County. The others will be located at the Hollywood Senior Center and the Multnomah County East Building, in Gresham.

Ride Connection will be providing free transportation to the

centers. To arrange a pickup, call 503-226-0700.

Health Department officials recommend that everyone drinks lots of water and other non-alcoholic, non-caffeinated beverages during the heat spell. They also advise to staying indoors throughout the hottest parts of the day, and warn individuals to never leave children, pets or the elderly inside a parked vehicle during the heat wave.

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ter educational outcomes. She adds that her leadership of the district’s early learning initiatives have helped large amounts of students attain their academic goals. She says that PPS has made tremendous gains in terms of early learning achievement since she assumed her tenure. “If you give kids access to all kinds of wonderment in terms of learning, they will grasp it readily and easily,” Adair told the Portland Observer. “But you have to provide them with the appropriate supports to make that work.” Adair also says that is excited to see the ongoing collaboration be-

hind PPS, Kaiser Permanente and Concordia University’s 3 to PhD program. Adair, who was instrumental in bringing the program to fruition, adds that it is rare to see this level of community collaboration executed successfully. “It really does take a village to raise a child,” Adair said, “and this is that saying put into action.” The program, which is being hosted at the newly constructed Faubion School, will begin serving northeast Portland students this coming school year. More than 80 percent of the 3 to PhD students will be low-income. Working as a woman of color in PPS hasn’t always been easy, but Adair says she has consistently

been surrounded by a network of supportive individuals. “You have to always be innovative,” Adair said. “You have to go outside of whatever box you think you’re in, and reach outside to get other resources.” Adair says that she is grateful for the opportunities that she has been presented with while working at PPS. “Over 47 years, I’m proud of a whole series of things,” Adair said, adding that her legacy will be continued at the district through the mentorship role that she has been able to fill. “There are some principals that have done things in our system that I’ve been able to mentor, and that’s something that I’m tremendously proud of as well.”

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It’s not the 1940s or the 1950s.” The congregation drowned out Penney’s speech with clapping and praise. “As long as I am leading Good in the Hood, I am going to continue to bring families and community together at all times,” he said. “I’m saying today, we will not back down for senseless acts or

threats. We will rise as one, until victory is won.” Penney also indicated that the threats against himself and his family have continued. Finishing his speech, he thanked God, the Emmanuel Temple congregation, Bishop C.T. and First Lady DeAngelo Wells for the honor and the support given to his work and family. As the Emmanuel Temple gos-

pel organist played softly in the background, the congregation burst into excitement as Bishop C.T. Wells presented him with the Neighbor 2 Neighbor award. Bishop Wells took his time to tell Penney how much the community recognizes and appreciates his work and ended by saying: “We present to you this appreciation for your obedient service to the community and specifically for maintaining unity through the Good in the Hood, a yearly celebration of the family of man. I salute you.”

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the founding tenets of the United States’ criminal justice system. “We can all agree that police officers have a tough job, but the president took it too far when he encouraged violence against any person who is picked up by the police,” she said. “Innocent until proven guilty’ is one of the core freedoms that our country is founded on.” Defenders of the president’s comments say he was only joking. *Eric Tegethoff is a reporter with Oregon News Service.*



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The developers of property next door to the Catalina Restaurant and a second minority owned business on Northeast Killingsworth Street across from the North Precinct have apologized for blocking sidewalks, causing a water disruption and other inconveniences during construction.

Reaching Out to Make Amends

Developers apologize for business disruptions

BY ZACHARY SENN

THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

After causing several inconveniences to existing minority-owned businesses during construction, the developers of a Northeast Killingsworth Street property are apologizing, saying they are committed to working with their neighbors and honoring the diverse heritage of the site's business district.

Brian Alfrey and Mike Gadberry, who own and operate the Radio Room on Northeast Alberta Street, are constructing a new restaurant at a former locksmith shop on Killingsworth just down from the intersection of Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

The duo says that their crew was acting in good faith when they accidentally dented a water main leading to the loss of water to Catalina's Restaurant next door.

"Their water main is on our property, and when they hit it, they dented it," Alfrey told the Portland Observer. "The crew decided that they'd like to repair it, at no cost to Catalina's."

Gadberry adds that he offered to compensate Catalina's for any revenue that they may have

lost due to the half-hour water stoppage.

Both men are hoping to cultivate a positive relationship with the Caldera family and their restaurant.

"We eat at Catalina's regularly, we recommend that people eat there regularly, and we look forward to having a good relationship with them for years to come," Alfrey said.

He also says that despite an earlier issue over an electrical meter for a black-owned barber-shop building on the other side of the property, they hope to move forward in a positive relationship with the owners, Herman and Rickey Brame, and work with the entire block in order to create a revitalized commercial district on Northeast Killingsworth.

"We respect their business -- they've been there a long time," said Alfrey. "We look forward to working with them to make this a vibrant commercial area."

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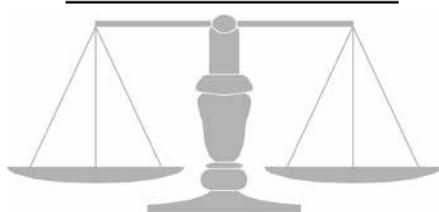
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Clearly Inappropriate and More ‘Alternative Facts’

Trump’s Jamboree travesty



BY ROBERT J. BYERS

I don’t blame the Boy Scouts for President Donald Trump’s bizarre speech at the National Jamboree in West Virginia last week.

The U.S. president is, after all, the honorary president of the Scouts. If he wants to speak at the National Jamboree, it would be hard to say no.

I don’t blame the boys in the audience who took the bait and booed Hillary Clinton and Barack Obama or who chanted “USA! USA!” in response to Trump’s childish cues. They’re impressionable kids.

I’m long past laying blame at the feet of the electorate. It gets us nowhere.

And, honestly, it’s hard to even blame Trump. He’s just being himself — inappropriate, unhinged, narcissistic.

But, as an Eagle Scout, I’m still disappointed at what is yet

another stain on the Boy Scouts program.

After finally pulling itself from the mire of discrimination against gay Scouts and leaders, Scouting is on a path to right the ship and lure another new generation to its ranks. West Virginia’s Summit Bechtel Family National Scout Reserve, home of the National Jamboree, is proof of that.

Throughout the past week, this paper has had numerous stories and photos showing Scouts having fun and working in our communities. We’ve also explored the economic impact that 40,000 Scouts, troop leaders and others can bring to an area.

And, unfortunately, we’ve also shown how quickly all of that can be tarnished for the benefit of one man’s ego.

Speaking to the children as if they were voters, Trump said his election was “an unbelievable tribute to you and all of the other millions and millions of people that came out and voted for ‘Make America Great Again.’”

He recounted the Electoral College breakdown, trying

for the umpteenth time to relive the victory he claimed on that night in November. He revisited the Merry Christmas non-issue. He made false claims about the press. He made threats about the health care vote.

He basically defied most of the 12 points in the Scout Law — you know, the one that includes terms like trustworthy, loyal, friendly, courteous, kind.

But, then again, Trump has made his presidency about defying storied American institutions. The free press comes to mind.

The backlash against the Boy Scouts over Trump’s speech led the organization to put out a statement on Tuesday:

“The Boy Scouts of America is wholly nonpartisan and does not promote any one position, product, service, political candidate, or philosophy. The invitation for the sitting U.S. president to visit the National Jamboree is a long-standing tradition and is in no way an endorsement of any political party or specific policies.”

Of course, that’s not really a response, just a reiteration of the Scouts’ stance on these matters.

The response has been largely panned as not being strong enough.

I can’t say I’m surprised the Scouts wouldn’t say more. It would be a tricky move to come out and disavow some of Trump’s remarks, embarrassing their honorary president and making an enemy of the nation’s top loose cannon.

But, just for the sake of argument, what if the statement included a few more sentences:

“Furthermore, the Boy Scouts of America is first and foremost about kids, about building strong kids with a strong resolve. It is about honesty. It is about succeeding — with humility. It is about service and instilling the drive to help others. It is about encouraging our peers to rise to the challenge and offering a hand when needed. It is about civility.”

That’s the Scouting that I remember.

One man playing the fool can’t change that.

Robert J. Byers, syndicated by PeaceVoice, is the executive editor of the Charleston Gazette-Mail in Charleston, West Virginia.

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OPINION

Leaders of Faith in the Fight against HIV

We need the Black Church

BY DR. MARJORIE INNOCENT

Black Churches are more than places of worship. They are the vibrant hearts of the African-American community that bring the Gospel into our lives, inspire faith, grace, love and mercy and foster a deep commitment to service.

For centuries, Black Churches and faith leaders have been at the forefront of the struggle for civil rights, including voting rights and the right to a quality education. And we need the Black Church's leadership for another adversary: HIV.

Make no mistake: Our nation is facing an epidemic that is ravaging our community from coast to coast. Today, HIV affects African Americans more than any other racial or ethnic group in the country. While we represent just 12 percent of the population, we account for 41 percent of people living with HIV in the United States. This is truly unacceptable.

As part of The Black Church & HIV: The Social Justice Imperative initiative, the NAACP asked churches across the nation to preach from the pulpit this month

about HIV as a social justice issue. African Americans must fully



acknowledge the scope of this epidemic and recognize the hundreds of thousands of brothers and sisters it has taken from us. In fact,

to take positive action to end the HIV epidemic, especially in our communities.

Overall, about one in 20 African-American men and one in 48 African-American women will be diagnosed with HIV during their lifetimes; and 44 percent of all new HIV infections are among African Americans. This crisis is not just about public and community

create The Black Church & HIV initiative to develop a national network of African-American faith leaders who will address the disproportionate impact of HIV on Black Americans.

The NAACP is committed to helping enlist faith leaders from around the country to break the stigma surrounding this disease, engage in meaningful conversa-

2018, our goal is to conduct 45 faith leader trainings in the 30 cities most highly-impacted by HIV, obtain proactive resolutions from historically Black mainline denominations and integrate HIV as a social justice issue into required curricula in predominantly African-American theological seminaries.

Thus far, we've reached more than 1,500 pastors. But we need hundreds more before we can have the kind of transformative impact necessary to save us from continued, but avoidable, devastation and advance us closer to better health and true justice for our community.

As someone whose faith is central to her life, I ask our shepherds-our faith leaders-in the African-American community to grasp this unique opportunity to have a significant, positive impact in the fight against HIV.

We must break the silence about the dangers of HIV and the scope of the epidemic, educate our communities about prevention and advocacy and stop the growth of this disease once and for all. With the commitment of our faith leaders, I believe this is a fight we can win.

Dr. Marjorie Innocent serves as the Senior Director of Health Programs at the NAACP.

The NAACP is committed to helping enlist faith leaders from around the country to break the stigma surrounding this disease, engage in meaningful conversation and education with their congregants, provide compassionate support and spiritual guidance to those living with HIV, and encourage Black Churches to take action through a social justice lens.

we account for more than half of deaths attributed to HIV/AIDS according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Like many who grew up in the Black Church, I look to my pastor for guidance in my faith and all paths of life. It is vital that faith leaders take the lead in this fight, committing to educate, engage and motivate their congregations

health: It's about social justice and institutionalized racism.

The numbers are deeply disturbing but not surprising. Such is the scale of the epidemic that nearly all African Americans have a friend, family member, colleague or acquaintance that is impacted by HIV. I am no exception.

That's why in 2011 the NAACP partnered with Gilead Sciences to

tion and education with their congregants, provide compassionate support and spiritual guidance to those living with HIV, and encourage Black Churches to take action through a social justice lens.

In 2013, we took an additional step to further the impact and reach of our efforts by making a Clinton Global Initiative (CGI) "Commitment to Action." By

Private Prison of Cruelty, Greed and Indifference

Inflicting suffering for profit

BY ANDREW MOSS

If you take I-15 about two hours north from Los Angeles, heading into the high desert of San Bernardino County, you'll reach a for-profit federal detention facility called the Adelanto Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Processing Center.

The center's named for the neighboring town of Adelanto, which means "advancement" or "progress" in Spanish, and it's not an inappropriate title for a town founded a century ago by the inventor of the Hotpoint Electric Iron. But the name now carries a rather different set of associations due to the ICE facility's presence there.

This year, eight asylum seekers from Central American countries who had been "detained" (imprisoned) at this facility went on hunger strike to affirm the



right to asylum as well as to protest excessively high bail, substandard food and medical care, and other abuses. Three detainees at Adelanto have died since March, one found hanging in his cell on March 22, the other two suffering from serious medical issues that, advocates say, had been inadequately addressed at the facility.

This year's protest follows a previous hunger strike in 2015, when 26 detainees protested prolonged imprisonment and excessive bail while awaiting resolution of their asylum cases. Earlier that year, over two dozen members of Congress wrote a letter to the Justice Department and ICE officials, citing numerous cases of medical neglect and calling for a halt to the facility's expansion. More recently, an immigrants' advocacy organization called CIVIC (Community Initiatives for Visiting Inmates in Confinement) issued a report asserting that Adelanto had the third highest number of sexual assault complaints

of all U.S. immigration detention facilities.

Last year, the Obama administration ordered a phasing out of private federal prison facilities like Adelanto. Citing an Inspector General's report that faulted the prisons on issues of safety and security, and noting a decline in federal inmates, Deputy Attorney General Sally Q. Yates stated in a memo that the private prisons "compare poorly" to public facilities: "they simply do not provide the same level of correctional services, programs, and resources," she said, and "they do not save substantially on costs."

All this changed with Donald Trump's inauguration as president. The new Attorney General, Jeff Sessions, reversed the Obama administration's initiative to phase out the private facilities, and the stock prices of private correction companies like the GEO Group, which runs Adelanto, and CoreCivic, went up substantially (about 80 percent for GEO and 120 percent for CoreCivic since the election).

Once again there is official

support for the unholy union of two policies: the criminalization of anyone "without papers," including those seeking asylum from terror elsewhere, and the affixing of dollar signs to incarcerated immigrant bodies. The more bodies that can be captured and held, the higher the proceeds for prison companies and the higher the earnings for shareholders.

As I read various commentaries on these developments, I was struck by one comment in particular. Terry Dwyer, an analyst with KDP Investment Advisors, was quoted in the New York Times as saying, "The deportation crackdown is doing very good things for these companies. On a personal level, it leaves a sour taste in my mouth, but I guess business is business."

Business is business. Inflicting suffering for profit may once again be sanctioned as official policy, but the new regime has prompted resistance. Aside from hunger strikes inside the walls and activists' sympathetic protests outside, there have been movements to restrict or elimi-

nate the prisons altogether.

In California, for example, the legislature last month approved a budget measure preventing any privately run facilities from expanding the number of beds for inmates involved in civil immigration proceedings, and it now requires the state's Department of Justice to audit the facilities in order to ensure that they provide proper food, medical care, and access to legal assistance. More fundamentally, a group called the Detention Watch Network, together with MoveOn.org, has begun a petition drive calling for defunding the private prisons altogether.

So what is Adelanto? Until the walls and criminalized borders fall away, it will remain a deep stain – a composite image of cruelty, greed, and indifference – that we will see if we're willing to gaze squarely into the mirror of American self-identity.

Andrew Moss, syndicated by PeaceVoice, is an emeritus professor at the California State Polytechnic University, Pomona, where he taught in Nonviolence Studies for 10 years.

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Love, Your Family



The smooth jazz quartet "Fourplay" will join a lineup of top names in contemporary jazz to highlight performances at Saturday's first annual Vanport Jazz Festival, Saturday, Aug. 5, from noon to 9 p.m. at Portland Meadows in north Portland.

First Vanport Jazz Festival

Saturday concert at Portland Meadows

The first annual Vanport Jazz Festival will be held Saturday at Portland Meadows bringing in some of the top names in contemporary jazz while honoring the city's great jazz legacy and the history of Vanport, a city rooted in Portland's African American history.

Taking place on the actual site of the historic 1948 Vanport Flood, Portland Meadows will

be transformed into a cultural revival, welcoming nationally renowned artists and breathing new life into Portland jazz. You'll hear Boney James, Fourplay, Jazz flutist Althea Rene Culbertson, Mike Philips and Portland's own Patrick Lamb.

Vanport Jazz Festival organizer James Taylor said it was because of Vanport that Portland has its jazz legacy and he wanted to continue that legacy with the concert.

Vanport was built for workers at the Kaiser Shipyards during World War II and it was the largest public housing project in the nation. Many shipyard workers

were African-Americans from the south. It was the largest influx of black people in Oregon history.

The festival will run Saturday, Aug. 5 from noon to 9 p.m. with doors opening at 10:30 a.m. There will be food and beverage garden where you'll be able to order food from 15 of Portland's best food carts along with featured Oregon wines, microbrews and spirits.

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Cedric Burton (left) and Aaron Peterson welcome customers to their new restaurant, 42nd Avenue Fish and Chips, which recently opened at 5302 N.E. 42nd Ave.

All Thumbs Up on 42nd Ave

A move to Northeast Portland's 42nd Avenue business district is turning out well for the operators of a black-owned restaurant that has found stability in a neighborhood that is providing them with a growing and diverse customer base, a long term lease and good food reviews.

42nd Ave Fish and Chips Owner and Founder Aaron Peterson and business partner Cedric Burton were in business for a year at Northeast 14th and Alberta when their property site was purchased for redevelopment by Kdamdukong Suh, the NFL star with the Miami Dolphins and former Grant High School football standout. A 90 day eviction notice required them to find a new location.

Peterson eventually found a site at 5302 N.E. 42nd Ave., and signed a 5 year lease with a 5 year option to give the restaurant at least 10 years of stability and maybe even more with the possibility of purchasing the

Restaurant grows with new location

building in the future.

After 15 months of remodeling to meet city permits and codes, 42nd Avenue Fish and Chips was able to finally open. The change of locations has proven positive, with more room for parking, and more customers.

Peterson said traffic congestion is much less than the old location, making it easier to park, and he's getting a diverse group of new customers, adding to the predominantly African-American base they enjoyed in the past.

He's happy everyone can just come in have a seat and enjoy their meal. It also helps to have a 5-star rating from Yelp, Yahoo and Facebook. The restaurant specializes in preparing Basa, a really tasty Asian fish,

along with Catfish, Tilapia, Cod and Halibut.

Peterson mastered his cornmeal fish recipes from his mother who he gives full credit as the key to his success.

The move to 42nd Avenue is also a return to a familiar neighborhood. Both Peterson and Burton are alumni from John Adams High School which was located just down the street from their new location. The business partners have known each other for 40 years.

Peterson, who was born in Los Angeles, says owning a restaurant is a blessing, especially when people love your food. As an entrepreneur for many years, his pursuit of the American Dream formerly included starting his own grocery store, doing promotions, operating a barbershop, a funeral home and starting a newspaper.

Burton was born in Selma, Ala., and previously worked for 30 years for Pendleton Woolen Mills.

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McCoy Park Summer Free for All -- You're invited to enjoy a free concert featuring the world beat, Afro jazz and African contemporary group Wamba, sponsored by New Columbia Partners, will be held Thursday, Aug. 17 starting at 6:30 p.m. at McCoy Park in the New Columbia neighborhood of north Portland.

Iranian Culture Festival -- The community is invited to enjoy live music and dance performances, local and authentic Iranian food and deserts, traditional arts and crafts and more at the 18th annual Iranian Festival on Saturday Aug. 5 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the South Park Blocks, downtown. Attendance is free, but canned food donations will be accepted to support the Oregon Food Bank.

Summer Reading and More -- Kids of all ages can sign up for the Multnomah County Library's 2017 Summer Reading Program at any branch. Participants will also find engaging storytimes, crafts, classes and camps. Signing up for the program gives participants (or their parents) a gameboard to engage in literacy-building activities. As they complete levels, participants earn books, free passes, restaurant coupons and other prizes.

Pompeii Exhibit at OMSI -- Preserved bodies cast by volcanic debris in the eruption of Mt. Vesuvius and nearly 200 other artifacts on loan from the unparalleled collection of the Naples National Archaeological Museum in Italy are part of the new OMSI exhibit, Pompeii: The Exhibition. Now showing through Oct. 22.



Norman Sylvester -- 'Boogie Cat' Norman Sylvester plays Wednesday, Aug. 2 at 7 p.m. for the Aurora Colony Days celebration; Saturday, Aug. 5 at 1:15 p.m. for the Crawfish Festival in Tualatin; Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 6:30 p.m. at Bell-Michel Park for the Lewelling Neighborhood Concert; Friday Aug. 11 at Vinyl Tap; and Saturday, Aug. 12 at the Spare Room.

Life of an Iconic President -- One hundred years after his birth, John Fitzgerald Kennedy remains a subject of endless fascination for millions of Americans. The Oregon Historical Society's current exhibition "High Hopes: The Journey of John F. Kennedy" explores Kennedy's early life, his road to the presidency, and the changes he effected during his time in office. Runs through Nov. 12.

Summer Concerts and Movies -- The city of Vancouver presents another summer of free concerts and movies. Noon concerts are held each Wednesday through Aug. 9 at Esther Short Park, and "Sunday Sounds" concerts take place each Sunday night through Aug. 13 at Columbia Tech Center Park. Friday night movies are held at various parks through Aug. 1. For a complete schedule, visit cityofvancouver.us/events.

History Hub -- Oregon Historical Society exhibit for young people explores the topic of diversity with interactive objects and pictures that tell the stories of the people of Oregon, past and present. With puzzles, touch screen activities and board games, History Hub asks students to consider questions like "Who is an Oregonian?," "How has discrimination and segregation affected people who live in Oregon?," and "How can you make Oregon a great place for everyone?"

Discount Tickets -- Low income families and individuals can purchase \$5 tickets to classical musical performances in Portland as part of a unique program called Music for All. Participating organizations include the Oregon Symphony, Portland Opera, Oregon Ballet Theater, Chamber Music Northwest, Portland Youth Philharmonic, Portland Baroque Orchestra, Friends of Chamber Music, Portland Chamber Orchestra, Portland Piano International, Portland Symphonic Choir, Cappella Romana and Portland Vocal Consort.

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The popular Clark County Fair opens Friday, Aug. 4 and runs through Sunday, Aug. 13 in Ridgefield.

C-Tran to Clark County Fair

C-Tran public transit will again provide free services to this year's Clark County Fair. Shuttles will start running at noon each day of the fair, which kicks off Friday, Aug. 4 and continues through Sunday, Aug. 13.

Buses will take riders directly to the fairgrounds' east entrance in Ridgeview from six locations: Vancouver Mall, from the upper JC Penny parking lot; 99th Street Transit Center; Fisher's Landing; La Center Park

and Ride; and Ridgefield Park and Ride and Battleground. The shuttle service will begin at noon and continue past 11 p.m. each day of the fair. The full shuttle schedules are available online at c-tran.com.

Most Successful Concert Season

Oregon Symphony energized by growth

Wide-ranging musical offerings and energized community engagement efforts have help set new records for the Oregon Symphony.

The organization reports all-time records set in virtually every category from its recently concluded season, including number of concerts, audience attendance, subscription revenue, single ticket sales, the number of sold-out concerts, percentage of first-time ticket buyers, the amount raised at the annual gala, total number of donors, total number of new donors, and the amount of overall contributions.

These high-water marks resulted in the Oregon Symphony's eighth consecutive balanced budget, officials said.

The symphony also expanded its education and community engagement efforts, increasing the number of programs staged throughout the year by 4 percent and reaching 19 percent more peo-



The Oregon Symphony performs an outdoor concert. The symphony's just completed season set records for number of concerts, attendance, revenue and ticket sales.

ple throughout the community: The annual free Waterfront Concert drew 15,000 attendees, and featured more than a dozen performing ensembles, including BRAVO Youth Orchestras, Metropolitan Youth Symphony, Portland Youth Philharmonic, and Portland Taiko. The Oregon Symphony's performance reached additional listeners worldwide via broadcast by All Classical Portland.

The annual Gala included a free community concert for an audience of 2,500.

The Oregon Symphony's brass

ensemble returned to Coffee Creek Correctional Facility, where the CCCF choir joined them in a holiday performance for 235 inmates and staff.

"This has been an extraordinary season," said Scott Showalter, Oregon Symphony president. "We thank our community for its enthusiastic support, and recognize as well the exceptional musicianship of the orchestra, which together have made it possible to inspire audiences throughout the region with an ever-expanding repertoire."



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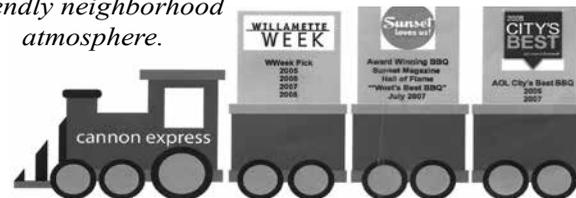
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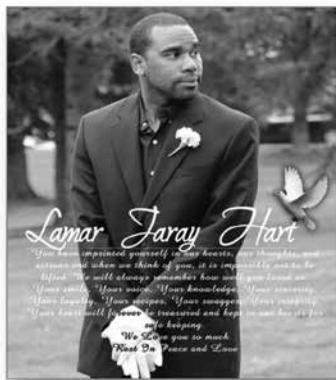
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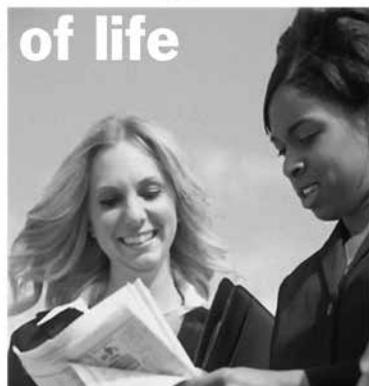
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Mont Chris Hubbard (from left) Merideth Kay Clark, Susannah Mars and Don Kenneth Mason showcase the music of Irving Berlin in 'The melody Lingers On,' at the Osterman theater at Clackamas Community College.

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Performances feature vocal powerhouses Susannah Mars

and Merideth Kaye Clark with Mont Chris Hubbard, Don Kenneth Mason, James Dixon, Natalie Mallak, Caitlin Brooke, Matthew Brown, Kevin Minkoff and Allesondra Helwig rounding out the cast. LaRhonda Steele, the 2016 Muddy Award-winner for best female vocalist presented by the Cascade Blues Association, and Lauren Steele will alternate performances.

"The Melody Lingers On," opens Thursday, Aug. 3 with shows Thursday-Saturday 7:30 p.m. with 2:30 p.m. Sunday matinees through Aug. 27. Tickets may be purchased at ClackamasRep.org or by calling 503-594-6047.

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Obituary

Celebration of Life

Chuck Hinton

Charles Edward Hinton (Chuck), a long time Portland resident and entrepreneur, died July 16, 2017. He was born in Birmingham, Ala. on Oct. 19, 1930, to the union of Arvie and Katie Hinton.



He was baptized as a child and attended Bible College for one year at the Thomaston Institute in Alabama. In 1947, at the age of 17, he joined the U.S. Navy. In 1952, he met and married the love of the life, Carolyn Frances Penix. To their union three girls were born, Sandara LaGail, Janice Marie and Barbara Jean.

The Hinton family moved to Portland after his military retirement where he embarked upon new careers, beginning with Ford Industries/Code-A-Phone for 15 years; and as owner and chef of Chuck Hinton's Rib Express for over 10 years. He was also well-known

as DJ Papa Chuck, where he provided all types of music at many functions in various venues in the greater Portland Metro Area for several years.

He was the founding member of the African American Men's Club (AAMC), retiring as treasurer of the group in 2013. One of his favorite pastimes was attending horse and dog racing events, especially the horse track, either in person or watching on television.

He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, three daughters, five grandchildren, 23 great-grandchildren, and two great, great grandchildren.

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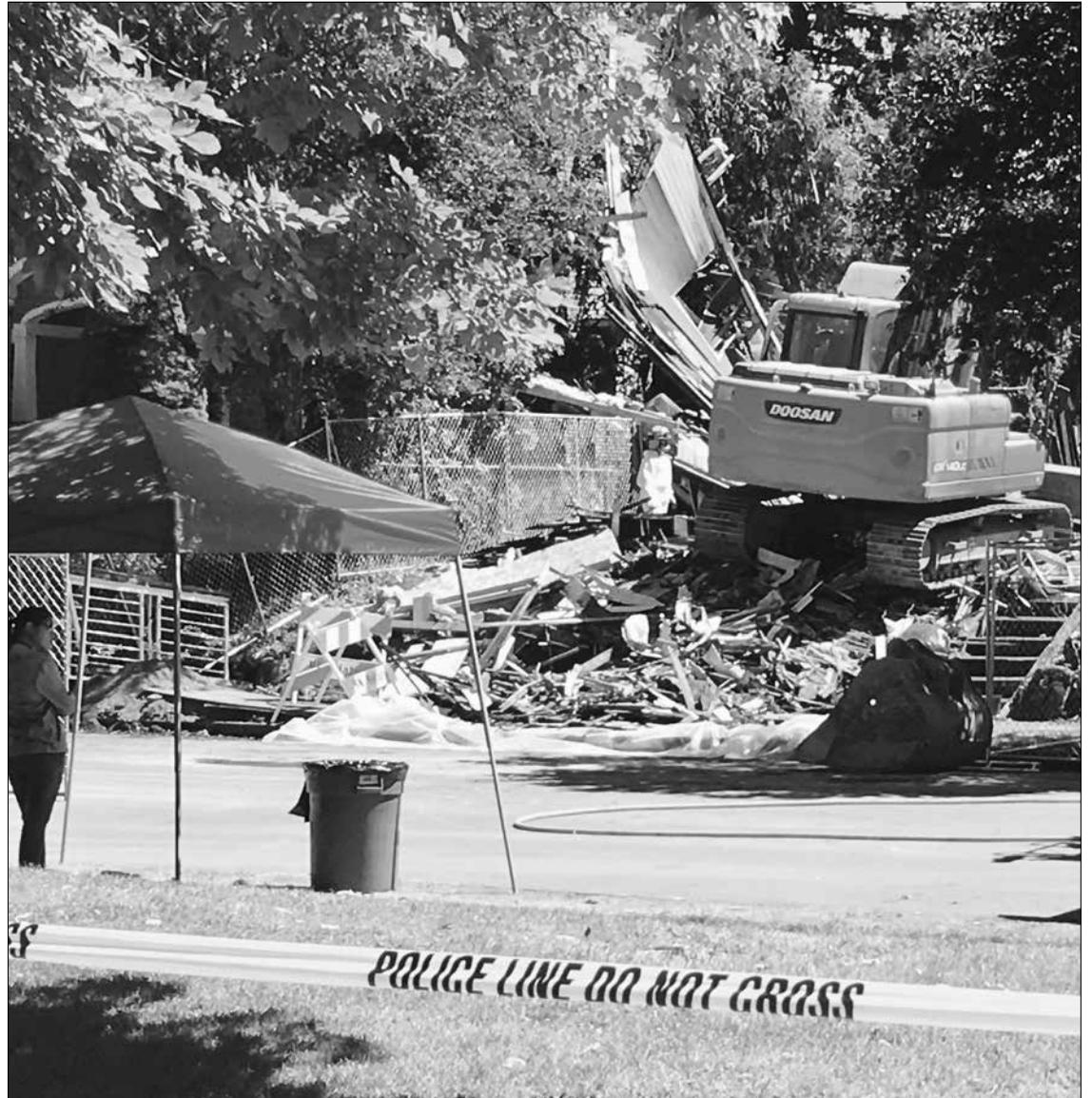
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Heavy equipment is used to pick through the rubble of a home flattened by an explosion on North Kerby Avenue across from Peninsula Park. Authorities last week determined that the July 24 blast was caused by the homeowner making hash oil with butane. Hundreds of butane cans were found on the property, officials said. (KPTV photo)

Hash Oil Butane Caused Deadly Blast

A massive house explosion and fire that killed two men in north Portland, sending glass shards and debris across the street into Peninsula Park and damaging surrounding homes, was caused by using butane to make hash oil, investigators have determined.

Hashish oil is concentrated marijuana, and its production can be a fire risk because it's prepared using butane.

Authorities earlier reported that a damaged natural gas line was one of the factors that made fighting the July 24 fire difficult, and there was speculation the blast was caused by a natural gas explosion.

But officials determined last week after an investigation that a large concentration of butane came into contact with an ignition source and caused the blast. The ignition

source has not been determined, officials said.

"The concentration of butane was created by the homeowner while he was attempting to produce hash oil," investigators said Wednesday. The probe included officials with Portland Fire and Rescue, Portland Police, the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and Oregon State Police.

Authorities said Matthew McCrann, 42, the owner of the home at 6214 N. Kerby Ave, died at the hospital after the fire and the body of a second victim, 68-year-old Richard Cisler, was found in the debris.

Cisler's brother, Earl, told KOIN-TV that his brother was working at McCrann's home on a remodeling project.

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August 2017 CALENDAR

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
 <div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">1</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">MTV Debuted In 1981 Respect for Parents’ Day Sport’s Day</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">2</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Congress enacts first income tax in 1861 First Lincoln Penny Issued In 1909</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">3</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Columbus Set Sail, 1492 National Watermelon Day</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">4</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Coast Guard Day Barack Obama born, 1961 (44th President)</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">5</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">National Mustard Day Neil Armstrong born in Ohio in 1930</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">6</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">American Family Day Alfred Lord Tennyson born, 1809 Wiggle Your Toes Day</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">7</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Australia Picnic Day Betsy Byars born, 1928 Sea Serpent Day</p>
<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">8</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Dollar Day, US dollar was created in 1786 Thomas Edison patent for the mimeograph machine, 1876</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">9</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">National Rice Pudding Day Smokey Bear’s Birthday (1944)</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">10</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Herbert Hoover Born, 1874, West Branch, Iowa. S’Mores Day</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">11</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Play in the Sand Day Last total solar eclipse of the millennium (1999)</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">12</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">IBM PC, 1981 Middle Children’s Day Hawaii Annexed to the U.S. (1898)</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">13</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Left-Hander’s Day National Filet Mignon Day Fall of Aztecs, 1512</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">14</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Japan Surrendered in World War II, 1945</p>
<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">15</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">National Relaxation Day Transcontinental Railroad completed, 1869</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">16</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">National Tell a Joke Day Roller Coaster Day, Roller coaster pat- ented in 1898</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">17</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Myra Cohn Livingston born, 1926 Davy Crockett Born in Tennessee in 1786</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">18</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Louis Fatio born, 1904 Bad Poetry Day Wizard of Oz Premiered, 1939</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">19</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Homeless Animals Day National Aviation Day Potato Day</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">20</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">National Radio Day Mosquito Day Vitus Bering discov- ered Alaska in 1741</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">21</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">First Lincoln-Douglas Debate, 1858.</p>
<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">22</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Be An Angel Day Ann Franklin’s Birth- day (1762) 1st female newspaper editor</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">23</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">First Photo of Earth From the Moon, 1966 First National Women’s Rights Conv., 1850</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">24</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">International Strange Music Day National Waffle Day Mount Vesuvius Erupt- ed, 79 A.D.</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">25</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Kiss and Make Up Day National Park Service Established 1916</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">26</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Women’s Equality Day Mother Teresa Born, 1910</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">27</div>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">28</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Dream Day, Martin Luther King Jr. gave the ‘I Have a Dream’ speech in 1963</p>
<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">29</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">First Scout Camp Opened, 1934 Michael Jackson Born, 1958</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">30</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">Thurgood Marshall took a seat on the Supreme Court, 1967</p>	<div style="text-align: right; font-weight: bold; font-size: 1.5em;">31</div> <p style="font-size: 0.8em; margin: 0;">National Trail Mix Day Educator Maria Montessori’s Birthday, 1870</p>				

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