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Longtime Northeast Alberta Street business owner Roslyn Hill (left) of the Tin Shed Garden Café, and Sara Wittenberg, executive director of the Alberta Main Street organization, promote a new African American legacy markers project.

## Alberta Main Street markers to honor black community

BY CHRISTA MCINTYRE  
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

A history markers project to recognize and celebrate the contributions of African Americans in Portland and on Northeast Alberta Street in particular has taken shape as a local business and community group tries to rebuild fractioned relationships and work together to strengthen a diverse city.

Alberta Street is ground zero for a Portland community that has been transformed by an influx of new commercial and residential investments over the past two decades, but one that has also left many people behind, especially for members of the black community and other disadvantaged residents.

Sara Wittenberg, the executive direc-

# Rebuilding Trust

tor of Alberta Main Street, is leading an organization that promotes a vibrant and creative but also equitable community.

"Too often, I hear accounts from longtime African American residents that Alberta Street doesn't feel like home anymore or that they don't feel welcome on the street. I understand that this project on its own can't reverse decades of discrimination and disinvestment. But, I hope it is a step in the right direction and that over time we can begin to rebuild fractured re-

lationships and collectively work together to strengthen our community," Wittenberg said.

She acknowledges that promises for inclusion have been heard before by the black community.

"There are skeptics and we want to hear that," Wittenberg said. "But we want to do this project right. We want to do it better."

Last month, Alberta Main Street announced a contest to collect stories for historical markers which will be added to

the street to document the history of the African American community.

These won't be your typical bronze plaques with a name and a date. Winners will work closely with artists to create permanent markers, which could be anything from a sculpture or a mosaic in the sidewalk. The goal is also to have African American artists and fabricators involved in the work, as well.

The Alberta Main Street Legacy Project was developed to celebrate the deep roots of the neighborhood and create spaces which bring the stories and history to life.

Last year the group kicked off a community check-in called "Honoring Our Past, Planning Our Future." During the gatherings, many historically under-served and under-represented stakeholders shared that they have not benefited from the changes on Alberta Street.

Kenya Budd, who works on equity and

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## The Week in Review

### 30 year Sentence Upheld

23 year old Mohamed Mohamud's 30-year sentence for plotting to bomb Pioneer Square during the 2014 holiday tree lighting ceremony has been upheld. A federal appeals court Monday found the government's used a sting operation that was aggressive, but fell short of a due process violation for entrapment.



### Police Shooting Mistrial

Jurors could not agree on a verdict and a mistrial was declared Monday in the trial of Michael Slager, the white South Carolina police officer charged in the death of Walter Scott, 50, who was shot five times in the back in April 2015 after he fled a traffic stop for a broken taillight.

### Warehouse Fire Kills 36

A warehouse in Oakland, Calif., used as an event space called the "Ghost Ship," caught fire Friday night and quickly engulfed the building trapping everyone inside.

At least 36 people were killed, including one child. Authorities continue to search through the debris.

### Merkley Talks Carson

Sen. Jeff Merkley will be considering Ben Carson's nomination for Housing and Urban Development Secretary as a member of the Senate Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs Committee. The Oregon senator issued a statement Monday to say he was "deeply concerned that the incoming Administration has proposed someone who believes 'poverty is really more of a choice than anything else.'"

### Treatment Suspended

Oregon Zoo's beloved elephant Packy has tested positive again for tuberculosis after becoming resistant to antibiotics. Packy's team of animal care staff is consulting with experts and veterinarians around the country for the next steps. The first Asian elephant born in captivity, Packy's 54 years is unusual even for those in the wild.

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## Thursday Winter Storm Advisory

Freezing rain with a mix of snow is expected to hit the Portland metro area early Thursday morning after a major drop in temperatures from an arctic blast that's expected to arrive over the Pacific Northwest late Tuesday and Wednesday.

Slippery roads will mean travel delays. Motorists are encouraged to slow down and use caution while driving. Temperatures are forecast to go above 40 degrees over the weekend with a return to occasional showers and sun breaks.

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Activists from Portland's Resistance, Micah Rhodes (from left), Kathryn Stevens and Gregory McKelvey hold a news conference after charges they faced from a Nov. 21 protest were dropped.

## Police Conduct Probe

### Activists' arrests called retaliatory

Mayor Charlie Hales has asked Portland's Independent Police Review Board to open an investigation to determine if excessive use of force was used in a police response to a student protest on Nov. 21 that led to the arrest of three adult activist leaders.

Hales made the request after Gregory McKelvey, one of the leaders of Portland's Resistance, shared an on-line video last week showing police using physical

force to subdue another Resistance leader, Kathryn Steven.

Portland ACLU Legal Director Mat dos Santos wrote to Hales, cautioning that the city and police were using tactics which silence First Amendment rights and were making retaliatory arrests of well-known political organizers.

Hales said he expected the independent review process to be "thorough, accurate and responsive," and pledged proper discipline if

there were finding of wrongdoing.

Cameron Whitten, executive director of Know Your City, stepping back into activism as a citizen journalist, described the arrests of McKelvey, Rhodes and Stevens as being "...violently ambushed by Portland Police Bureau while they were supporting Portland youth in a peaceful downtown march."

The activist leaders previously denied police reports they were actively encouraging and directing student protesters to counter lawful police orders.

## Bikes and Helmets for 400 Kids

The 21st annual Community Cycling Center Holiday Bike Drive at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center gave 400 children their first bicycles and helmets.

"We believe that every child deserves to experience the joy, freedom and health benefits that bicycles can bring," said Community Cycling Center CEO Mychal Tetteh. "While the challenges facing marginalized communities are starker than ever, our organization has never been better positioned to work with our communities to build solutions."

Volunteers were also on hand during Sunday's charity event to help the kids with bicycle safety lessons.



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A first bicycle is a dream come true for a young boy at Sunday's annual Community Cycling Center Holiday Bike Drive at Legacy Emanuel Medical Center.



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Andrea Green

ternational Federation of Physique Athletes.

Green attributes her meteoric rise in the field to "intense focus, training and mental discipline to reach this pinnacle at such a rapid pace."

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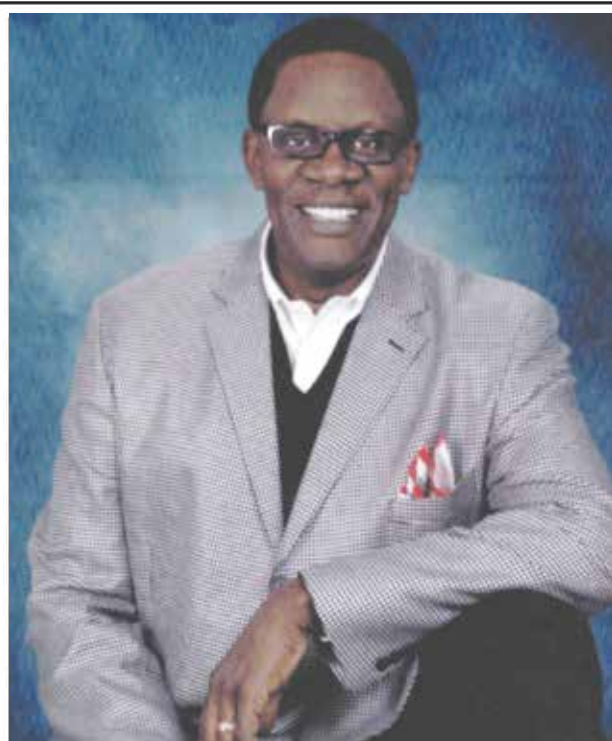
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PSU President Wim Wiewel named Valerie Cleary the new Director of Athletics for the Vikings program on Monday. Cleary will be returning to Portland State after spending the past two years as athletic director at Willamette University in Salem.

She replaces Mark Rountree, who is moving on to a role as deputy athletics director of Georgia Tech.



Valerie Cleary

"As our former associate athletics director who served as interim director before Mark was hired, Valerie Cleary has a keen understanding that academics and community engagement are a central part of the

values of Portland State University athletics," said Wiewel.

Previously, Cleary was the senior associate athletics director and senior woman administrator at PSU. She also did admissions work at Pacific University in Oregon, and was director of student-athlete enhancement programs at Boise State University.

"I am excited and humbled by the opportunity to return to Portland State," Cleary said. "I feel fortunate to return to a campus and department where I learned so much and developed lifelong friendships."

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# OPINION

## New Congress Threatens Birth Control Access

May want to get  
an IUD while  
you can

BY OLIVIA ALPERSTEIN

As soon as the presidential election results were announced, alarm bells went off for anyone who cares about reproductive rights.

Lawmakers around the country have been moving for years to restrict abortion rights. But for millions of women who've taken proactive steps to prevent unplanned pregnancy, there's a much more direct threat: the next administration coming after their birth control.

As organizations like Planned Parenthood put out urgent calls for resources and support, ordinary women are asking: What do we do if we no longer have access to affordable birth control next year?

For many, the answer could be to get an intrauterine device, or IUD.

These tiny devices last either three or five years, depending on the model. Shaped like a small "T" with a thin string attached,

they feature a variety of combinations of hormones and come with a near-perfect guarantee to prevent pregnancy.

After a short procedure, the IUD stays put for years without any muss or fuss. No hustling to take a pill at the same precise time each day, no anxiety about missing a dose, and no worries about getting a full peri-

od each month. In short, the IUD is a great option for many women — and particularly attractive in the face of a possible near future without birth control access.

Thanks to the Affordable Care Act, most insurance plans are required to cover the cost of prescription birth control, including IUDs. That means no co-pays, deductibles, or out-of-pocket costs. Unfortunately, Republicans have repeatedly tried to gut the Affordable Care Act, and they'll have an ally in the next president.

If Congress dumps Obamacare, some 20 million people — including over 250,000 people who have signed up since the election — could be left without the means to

access proper healthcare, including reproductive healthcare.

Meanwhile, other lawmakers are attempting to deny women the right to birth control point-blank. Laws like the proposed Russell Amendment would let doctors, pharmaceutical employees, and other health care providers claim a religious right to refuse to provide birth control. Employers could even fire workers for using birth control on their own dime.

With their reproductive rights at stake, it's no wonder many women are hedging their bets right now and looking for a long-term birth control option.

Ninety-nine percent of women of reproductive age have used some form of birth control.

That includes women of all religious, ethnic, and cultural backgrounds, from all walks of life, and with all sorts of life experiences. From young women with medical conditions that affect their hormones to teenagers to mothers of multiple children, we run the gamut.

It's not just cis-gender women — transgender, agender, and intersex people use birth control, too.

And we aren't about to let any-

one take our access to affordable birth control away.

"The pill" has been around since the 1960s — and so, I was surprised to learn, has the IUD. We are the many, the proud, and we're not willing to go back to the time when back-alley abortions, coat hangers, and turpentine were acceptable methods of reproductive healthcare in the United States.

We're not willing to go back to a time when women didn't have control over their own bodies.

If you're considering using a long-term birth control method and have any questions, ask me — or anyone else in your community who may know the answers. Or check out [bedsider.org](http://bedsider.org), an online resource recommended by women's healthcare providers. There are millions of us out there happy to reach out.

If, on the other hand, you seek to deny us the right to choose what to do with our bodies, remember: We have a voice, and we will not be silent. History is on our side.

*Olivia Alperstein is the Communications and Policy Associate at Progressive Congress. Most recently she worked as an editorial assistant for OtherWords.*

## Seeking Reconciliation Post-Election

Democracy  
is not  
demonization

BY SAADIA AHMAD

I am a Muslim-American and a peacebuilder. In the aftermath of a polarizing election season, the victory of President-elect Donald Trump, and an onslaught of violent hate crimes and proposed policies threatening

human rights, I am struggling to simultaneously maintain my commitment to both roles and identities.

I am deeply troubled by the racist, sexist, xenophobic, homophobic, ableist, anti-Semitic, and Islamophobic rhetoric and violence that is on the rise. In my hometown of South Brunswick,



New Jersey, the school board election signs of a respected, Muslim woman leader were defaced with the phrases "ISIS," "Rag Head," "Oppressor," and "anti-American." This trend threatens the human dignity that America and Islam seek to protect and preserve.

But ignoring what lead us to this point today will not serve any of us well. Through this election season and its results, half of our country is communicating something to the other half. Unless every person who voted for Trump is racist, sexist, or xenophobic (which I do not believe is statistically plausible), there must have been something else deeply compelling that motivated their votes for him.

Likewise, those who are experiencing immense fear, pain, and trauma from Trump winning the presidency need to be heard and recognized by those who voted for him. Continuing to shut our eyes, ears, and hearts to one another will continue the polarization that brought us to where we are today.

The dehumanization of Republicans by Democrats and of Democrats by Republicans undermines the pluralism that constitutes both America and Islam. As divided, fearful, and hurt as many of us are,

we all still share in the responsibility of what happens to ourselves and one another in the months and years ahead.

A college mentor of mine commented recently that the price of being an American is tolerance and protection of people we have disagreements with on the issues that matter most. This is a choice each of us faces when we encounter someone whose background, belief, or ideology differs from our own.

In no way is this choice meant to ignore, excuse, or normalize the hate speech, violence, and proposed policies that threaten the human rights of our minority and vulnerable populations. Rather, the point I hope to get across is that at the interpersonal level, each of us has the choice to engage with one another at a level beyond hostility and tolerance, and with curiosity and compassion in its wake. This is where our empowerment and potential can be most impactful.

I am finding many of my progressive, liberal, and Democratic friends unwilling to speak to or even recognize the other side, as if having any connection or com-

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# OPINION

## There Will Never be Another Fidel Castro

Few were as controversial as Cuban leader

BY HARRY C. ALFORD

Born (Aug. 13, 1926) out of wedlock on his father's sugarcane farm in the third world nation of Cuba, Fidel Castro grew up to attend and study law from the University of Havana. It wasn't long before he became a radical and soon drifted into socialist rebellion.

He participated in foreign rebellions in the Dominican Republic and Columbia. Courageous, he returned to Cuba to attack a military barracks. That landed him in prison for one year. With his brother, Raul, and close friend Che Guevara, he journeyed to Mexico to thoroughly form his revolutionary agenda. It was called the 26th of July Movement. Landing by sea from Mexico in 1955 he formed an army and began revolution against the government of Cuba.



By 1959, he led the demise of dictator Fulgencio Batista. This was the beginning of Fidel Castro, the President of Cuba which became a socialist government.

It wasn't long before the world considered Cuba to be a Communist state. Fidel was ruthless to his opposition. Thousands faced his firing squads. When he allowed a national election for the country, no opponents stepped forward. The United States considered this too close of a threat and sanctioned through the CIA to assassinate him. The dozens of attempts failed. He became increasingly intolerant. When President John Kennedy became equally intolerant of Fidel, he authorized an invasion made up of Cuban exiles from Florida and CIA agents. The invasion was a miserable failure.

Countering these threats Fidel sold the Soviet Union on collaborating with Cuba. Knowing the United States managed missiles in Turkey along the Soviet Union border, he convinced the Soviets to have payback by placing intercontinental missiles in Cuba,

90 miles from our Florida Coast. They both underestimated the resolve of President Kennedy. He demanded their removal and placed an embargo around Cuba. Eventually, the Soviets backed down and removed their missiles. By the way, the US removed their missiles from Turkey as a concession.

This made Fidel Castro one of the most feared leaders in the world. Through the help of the Soviet Army, the Cuban Army was trained as a fighting force. Fidel and Soviet Union's became close allies and Cuba's government was fully converted to a one-party, pro-socialist state under the Communist Party rule. The nation also began relationships with other communist states.

Eventually, we would find out that Cuban military forces were going to various communist linked third world nations. Soviet leader Khrushchev kicked off the program with an official visit to Moscow by Fidel and then kicked off a 14-city tour. After that we would notice Cuban military in nations like Angola, Grenada, Ethiopia,

Somalia, Algeria, Chile, North Vietnam, etc. With Soviet money Cuba was becoming a militant force in the Third World. Cuba even sent 4,000 troops to Libya to help fight in the Yom Kippur War against Israel. They even brought Viet Cong to Cuba for formal guerrilla training.

Soon this brazen program would end. The Soviet Union was going bankrupt! It formally reorganized itself and changed its name back to Russia and liberated the seized states of the 1940's. It also cut Cuba out of its budget. This was a very crippling blow to Castro's Cuba. The attempted spread of communism via military activity would soon end.

Castro would start steering Cuba towards humanitarian programs. The famous medical delivery program that Cuba touts started replacing tanks and troops. They have aided millions of sick people over the years and all over the world. Castro has even offered to send doctors to US impoverished Mississippi Delta. The nation is 30 percent black but there is no sickle cell anemia. Every

citizen gets a six-month physical exam. Their medical system is free.

Cuba became equally proficient in infrastructure programs. They now build bridges, highways, hotels all over the world. I have seen Cuban contractors building a 5-star hotel in Paris. It is amazing!

Fidel Castro stepped down as President in 2008. The last years were spent as a figure head while his brother Raul took the reigns as a virtual leader until his death. There are few individuals in modern history that became as controversial as Fidel Alejandro Castro Ruz. Love him or hate him, his influence on our world was definite. After 90 years, there is no more Fidel Castro.

I predict Cuba will become more capitalistic and at peace with the United States. My mentor, the late Arthur A. Fletcher predicted, "One day Cuba will become the Hong Kong of the Caribbean." That appears to be happening.

Harry C. Alford is the co-founder and president of the National Black Chamber of Commerce.

## Fidel Castro: A Legend Loved and Loathed

A towering figure of the 20th century

BY MARC H. MORIAL

Since the announcement of his death, the significance and impact of Fidel Castro's legacy has been subjected to heated and polarized debate.



ering figure of the 20th century. His place in the pages of history is secured and his political and social justice influence in Cuba, the Caribbean, Latin America, Africa and beyond, can neither be denied nor—for better or worse—forgotten.

The course of Cuban and world history changed forever in 1959 as Castro, thronged by rebel fighters and cheered on by the Cuban people, rode into Havana after overthrowing the brutal military dictatorship of Fulgencio Batista. During his 49-year reign, Castro oversaw dramatic changes in Cuban society. With his revolution came important accomplishments and advances in racial equality, housing, education and healthcare for Cubans—but the revolution did not stop at Cuba's borders. Castro exported his revolution and Cuba's material and intellectual resources to other parts of the world—injecting itself into the world's disasters, emergencies and conflicts.

Shortly following his release after 27 years spent in jail as a political prisoner, Nelson Mandela made a trip to Havana to express his gratitude to Castro. Cuba un-

der Castro opposed apartheid and supported the African National Congress, Mandela's political organization. Cuba was the only country in the world to send soldiers to fight in the anti-apartheid struggle. In stark contrast, the United States supported the South African apartheid government, placing Nelson Mandela and the ANC on a terrorist watch list until 2008; refused to impose sanctions on the apartheid regime; and in 1986, President Reagan vetoed the Anti-Apartheid Act.

At the time, I was a leader in New Orleans of the Free South Africa movement that advocated for comprehensive economic sanctions and succeeded in lobbying Congress to override President Reagan's veto.

It is no wonder that Mandela described Castro's revolution as "a source of inspiration to all freedom-loving people." Cuba was an ally in many African independence movements and, despite its country's poverty and U.S. backed sanctions, managed to provide resources, including doctors and teachers, to poor countries in need.

Castro's revolution also failed

in many respects. His strides in social policy were woefully unmatched in the political arena. Erika Guevara-Rosas, Americas director at Amnesty International, described Castro as "a progressive but deeply flawed leader." Human rights were trampled under his leadership. Early-revolution promises of free elections were never kept; free speech was, and continues to be, suppressed; political opponents were executed; and thousands were jailed or

forced into exile.

Castro erased illiteracy and tuberculosis in Cuba—an unattainable feat in better-resourced nations. But, Castro summarily denied the people of Cuba their basic political and human rights. That is the paradox of Fidel Castro—a paradox that can, and will, teach us all valuable lessons for decades to come.

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A free Kwanzaa celebration to honor families, the community and culture will take place Thursday, Dec. 15 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Kaiser Permanente Town Hall Ballroom, 3704 N. Interstate Ave.

The all-ages, family event, presented by the Kaiser Permanente African American Professional Association, will include a dinner catered by Kee's Loaded Kitchen and an African/Gospel music performance by Lasana Kanneh. Local vendor tables with wonderful items available for purchase will also provide an opportunity for holiday shopping.

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**Shop Williams Late** -- For four hours only on Friday, Dec. 9, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., eleven retail shops on North Williams Avenue, between Beech and Skidmore streets, will offer customers a 20 percent discounts on everything in their stores. Originally created as a customer appreciation event, Shop Williams Late has grown each year into a sought after night of discounted shopping and festive food and drinks.



**Breakout Tuesdays Hip Hop** -- JAMN 107.5 and Breakout Show host Cool Nutz are launching Breakout Tuesdays, a monthly event each third Tuesday of the month that will feature performances from some of the top rappers from the Northwest. Hosted by Juma Blaq and DJ Fatboy and performed at the Ash Street, 225 S.W. Ash.

**Music Millennium Free Shows** -- The Music Millennium, 3158 E. Burnside, regularly hosts a series of in-house live performances. Enjoy free music and the opportunity to meet artists. Call 503-231-8926 for a current schedule.

**Teen Late Night Returns** -- A popular Teen Late

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**Norman Sylvester** -- 'Boogie Cat' Norman Sylvester plays Friday, Dec. 9 at the Rogue Pub in North Plains and Saturday, Dec. 10 at the Spare Room. On Sunday, Dec. 11 Norman is a guest with Soul Filled Christmas for performances at 3 p.m. and 6 p.m.

**Democracy's Blueprints** -- The Declaration of Independence, U.S. Constitution and Bill of Rights, and other bedrock documents that laid the foundation of American democracy are on view in a new exhibit at the Oregon Historical Society, downtown, through Feb. 1.

**Blast Off to Space Exploration** -- The Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI) take guests through an out-of-this-world experience with Journey to Space: The Exhibition, featuring hands-on experiences that will give visitors an up-close look at what it takes to live, work, and survive in the extraordinary environment of space. The Exhibition runs through Jan. 8. To learn more visit [omsi.edu](http://omsi.edu).

**Fourth Sunday Jam Night** -- A friends and family variety comedy show in a Saturday Night Live format with local recording and performing artists, bands, dance crews, poets, and drama groups, takes place each fourth Sunday of the month at 7 p.m. at Celebration Tabernacle, 8131 N. Denver Ave. The free event is open to the community.

**Clothing Closet** -- Each first Saturday of the month, a complimentary breakfast and clothing drive takes place at First AME Zion Church, 4304 N. Vancouver Ave. The goal is to clothe and feed Portland one person at a time. For more information, call Nydia Campbell-Pullom at 503-317-1089.

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*'Revelations' depicts some of the works inside the new National Museum of African American History and Culture in Washington, D.C. It's part of a commemorative exhibition of posters from the museum on loan at the Oregon Historical Society.*

# A Place for All People

## Poster exhibit is peak inside new national museum

The Smithsonian Institution in Washington, D.C. opened its newest museum, the National Museum of African American History and Culture in September. Now there's an opportunity in Portland to get a virtual peek inside the museum as the Oregon Historical Society presents a commemorative poster exhibition, "A Place for All

People: Introducing the National Museum of African American History and Culture. The exhibit opened Tuesday will be on view until Jan. 16.

A Place for All People highlights key artifacts that tell the rich and diverse story of the African American experience.

From the child-size shackles of a slave, to the clothing worn by Carolotta Walls on her first day at Little Rock Central High School, to Chuck Berry's Gibson guitar, "Maybellene," and the track shoes worn by Olympian Carl Lewis,

the exhibition presents a living history that reflects challenge, triumph, faith, and hope.

The poster exhibition will share many stories of African American and African diaspora people and their contributions to the local community and the American story.

"Once we saw the quality and poignant content in these posters, we knew that this exhibit and the work of the National Museum of African American History had to be shared with Oregonians," said Willie Richardson, President of

the Oregon Black Pioneers. "In the past few years, have created three original exhibitions that have been showcased at the Oregon Historical Society, so it seemed like the perfect venue to exhibit these powerful posters."

"The Oregon Historical Society has been proud to partner with the Oregon Black Pioneers on a series of original exhibits that share the important histories of Oregon's Black communities," said OHS Executive Director Kerry Tymchuk. "The stories and artifacts on view at the Na-

tional Museum of African American History are critical pieces of American history, and we are delighted that the Oregon Black Pioneers reached out to us to host this important exhibit."

The journey to establish this museum began a century ago with a call for a national memorial to honor the contributions of African American Civil War veterans. After decades of efforts by private citizens, organizations, and members of Congress, federal legislation was passed in 2003 to create the National Museum of African American History and Culture. Since then, thousands of artifacts have been collected to fill the inspiring new building that has risen on the National Mall.



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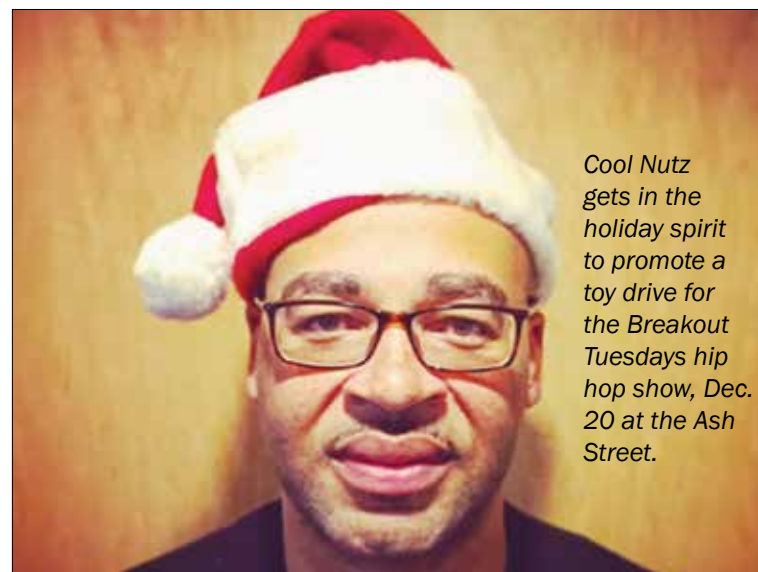
# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

## Hip Hop Toy Drive

Portland's hip hop community will host their annual toy drive at the upcoming Breakout Tuesdays hip hop show, featuring Cool Nutz, Maniac Lok, Mic Capes, ROBy, Lang, Mac Pearl and more on Dec. 20 at The Ash Street, downtown.

You're encouraged to bring a toy or a gift to the show for free admission.

Over the last 5 years, JAMN 107.5 and rappers from Portland and the Pacific Northwest have raised over 5,000 toys and



Cool Nutz gets in the holiday spirit to promote a toy drive for the Breakout Tuesdays hip hop show, Dec. 20 at the Ash Street.

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Rosalyn Hill, owner of the Tin Shed Garden Café, joins another longtime Alberta business owner, Earl Clarke from Earl's Barber-shop, and Alberta Main Street Executive Director Sara Wittenberg, to discuss keeping African American roots alive on Alberta Street.

# Rebuilding Trust

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community engagement for the Alberta Main Street organization, said a core component of marker project is to honor and embrace the rich history of the African American community on Alberta Street, including current and former residents of the neighborhoods which border the district, such as the King, Vernon, Sabin and Concordia neighborhoods.

Stories from people of any age, from recent or distant history, uplifting moments or a period of struggle are all welcome, Budd said.

Former and current residents and families have been impacted by social and economic changes in the area are encouraged to participate. Alberta Main Street is also looking for stories about historically or personally signifi-

cant events that happened on or impacted Alberta Street.

People are encouraged to share their input by contacting Kenya Budd via email at [kenya@albertamainstreet.org](mailto:kenya@albertamainstreet.org) or calling her at the Alberta Main Street offices at 503-683-3252, extension 2.

The deadline for the contest is on Dec.31. A selection of three storytellers is scheduled to be announced on Feb. 15. The cultural and historical markers will be placed on or along Alberta Street between Northeast 10th through 31st Avenues. The anticipation is to have the markers up by this coming summer.

There are a few other ways to enter the contest: Application forms can be found on the Alberta Main Street website at [albertamainstreet.org](http://albertamainstreet.org) or you can also pick forms up in person at group's offices at 1722 N.E. Alberta St.



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Seeking Reconciliation Post-Election

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munication equates to accepting or condoning what some (not all) of Trump’s supporters are doing. One friend referred to his supporters as dogs needing to be tamed. There are stories, pains, and hopes behind positions that we often cannot see at the surface. This is what I strive to remember in the wake of an un-

precedented and unexpected outcome to an election season that has introduced new levels of polarization, pain, and fear, leaving many of us afraid and uncertain of what lies ahead. The needs of an unheard portion of our country have finally been recognized; it is deeply unfortunate and concerning for the other half that this occurred within the context of unprecedentedly public

prejudice, violence, and threatening policies towards our country’s minorities and most vulnerable populations. I fear that I may soon be coined a self-hating Muslim and child of immigrants for suggesting the humanity of the other side. But what I am speaking from is my training in mediation and conflict resolution. While recognizing and not denying

nor excusing the real harm that has been done and which is still ongoing amid this national conflict, the best tool that mediators have to offer to parties in conflict is the question: “how do we want to move forward now?” Amid this time of divisive politics and dehumanization, we each still have the power to decide individually how we engage with those who differ from ourselves in thought, word, and deed. It is our

choice, always, as are the consequences of that choice. Indeed, those choices are what lead us to where we are today: polarization, fear, prejudice. It is up to each of us now how we move forward, but that fate is shared by us all. Saadia Ahmad studies conflict resolution at the McCormack Graduate School of Policy and Global Studies at the University of Massachusetts Boston.



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			1 Eat a Red Apple Day <b>Rosa Parks Day</b> World AIDS Day	2 David Macaulay born, 1946 National Fritters Day	3 International Day of Persons with Disabilities National Roof-Over-Your-Head Day	4 Munro Leaf born, 1905 National Cookie Day Phonograph Invented (1877)
5 Walt Disney's Birthday born, 1901 Montgomery Bus Boycott (1955)	6 Mitten Tree Day St. Nicholas Day 13th Amendment abolishing slavery, ratified (1865)	 7 National Cotton Candy Day Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day (1941)	8 James Thurber born, 1894 National Brownie Day Inventor Eli Whitney born, 1765	9 Ball-Bearing Roller Skates Patented in 1884 First Christmas Seals Issued in 1907	10 Rumer Godden born, 1907 Human Rights Day Emily Dickinson born, 1830	11 UNICEF Anniversary Established in 1946 Pilgrims landed on Plymouth Rock, 1620
12 Barbara Emberley born, 1932 Hovercraft Patented (1955) Poinsettia Day	 13 National Cocoa Day Susan B. Anthony dollar coined in 1970	14 First Miniature Golf Course Opened, 1929 South Pole Discovered, 1911	15 Bill of Rights Day Underdog Day David McCord born, 1897	16 Beethoven's Birthday (1770) Boston Tea Party Anniversary (1773)	17 Wright Brother's First Flight (1903) National Maple Syrup Day	18 Wear a Plunger On Your Head Day Baseball great Ty Cobb born, 1886
19 Oatmeal Muffin Day Dickens' A Christmas Carol published in 1843	 20 Games Day Electric Light demonstrated in 1879	21 First Day of Winter Humbug Day Bright Side Day National Flashlight Day	22 First Christmas Lights, 1882 Mercury Thermometer Invented, 1714	23 Roots Day Federal Reserve System established (1913)	24 Hanukkah Begins Christmas Eve National Egg Nog Day Apollo 8 reached moon, 1968	25 Christmas National Pumpkin Pie Day
26 Boxing Day <b>Kwanzaa Begins</b> National Whiners Day	27 Ingri d'Aulaire born, 1904 Visit the Zoo Day World Bank created (1945)	28 Card Playing Day Iowa became the 29th state (1846) National Chocolate Day	 29 Texas became the 28th state (1845)	30 Tiger Woods born, 1975 Author Rudyard Kipling born, 1865	31 New Year's Eve	



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