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Jamila Singleton Munson runs for the Portland School Board to bring more collaborative leadership to the panel and to support equitable policies and procedures that will decrease disparities between students.

Homegrown educator puts prescription in campaign

BY ZACHARY SENN
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

A homegrown candidate for the Portland School Board is promoting her experience in education and pledging a new type of collaborate leadership in a campaign for election in the upcoming May 16 vote-by-mail election.

Jamila Singleton Munson, a Grant High School graduate, former teacher, principal, and leader of a nonprofit organization for future educational leaders, said she wants to reshape public education in Portland.

No incumbents will stand in this year's Portland School Board races which will see the election of three new board members to the seven-member panel. Munson would be the only black member if elected to her position.

The school board is responsible for establishing budgets and laying out policies for governing 78 schools serving more than 49,000 students. In the past year, the district has been plagued with a scandal involving elevated lead levels from plumbing in drinking water.

Munson developed her skills as an educator after graduating from the University of Oregon. Her first assignment was serving as a fifth-grade public school teacher in the South Bronx after being recruited by Teach for America, a nonprofit which seeks to develop future educational leaders.

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"I spent my time there really striving to build a learning environment for all kids to be successful," Munson told the Portland Observer in an interview. "My intent was to ensure that they all ended up in high school already thinking about college."

Munson says that her desire to decrease disparities between students in the school system has driven her career. "My work as an educator has been really focused on educational equity," she explained.

After finishing out a two year tenure with Teach for America, Munson joined the Knowledge is Power Program, a nationwide group of public charter schools aiming for higher graduation rates and college readiness.

"I was drawn to the college focus," Munson said. "I

worked in similar communities, where students have been historically underserved. I'm proud of that work."

Under Knowledge is Power, Munson spent seven years working as a teacher and later as a principal, both in Houston and Los Angeles.

After coming back to Portland to be closer to family, Munson said that she became dismayed by the status of Oregon's educational system.

I started reading newspaper articles about the low graduation rates, and I started to feel more convicted about what was happening here," said Munson, adding, "this is my home!"

Munson says that she is running for the board position because she believes that she can help optimize the way that board members communicate.

"I want to bring my leadership to the board," she explained. "It's critical for there to be a more collective orientation to board leadership."

Portland's school board has been beleaguered by months of infighting as the district reels from its ongoing lead crisis, which also spurred a fumbling search for a new superintendent. The former superintendent, Carole Smith, stepped down from the position in July following reports that she mishandled the district's environmental woes.

"The board is not functioning at the highest level it can," said Munson. "That's impacting the health of the district."

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Elected Leader Files Racial Bias Tort

Allegations of racial bias are raised by Multnomah County Commissioner Loretta Smith in a tort claim notice she has filed against the county and County Chair Deborah Kafoury.

It follows an investigation into the commissioner's conduct when two of her former staffers filed complaints stating that Smith had mistreated her employees and abused county funds, directing some toward her own campaign expenses.

Smith denied the allegations, but now says the investigation should have been closed when the county reached a settlement agreement on April 5, and that the county's continued exploration into the employees' claims is the result of bias against her.



Loretta Smith

Smith's notice, which informs the county of her intent to sue, claims the investigation has altered her capacity to effectively lead, maligned the commissioner's reputation and caused her to lose sleep.

The notice also says that Kafoury is politically motivated to maintain the investigation because Smith could run against her for election to the position of County Chair in the 2018 election cycle. Kafoury's office said they would not comment on pending litigation.

Smith, who represents District 2 of north and northeast Portland, is only the second black County Commissioner to ever be elected in Multnomah County's 163-year history.

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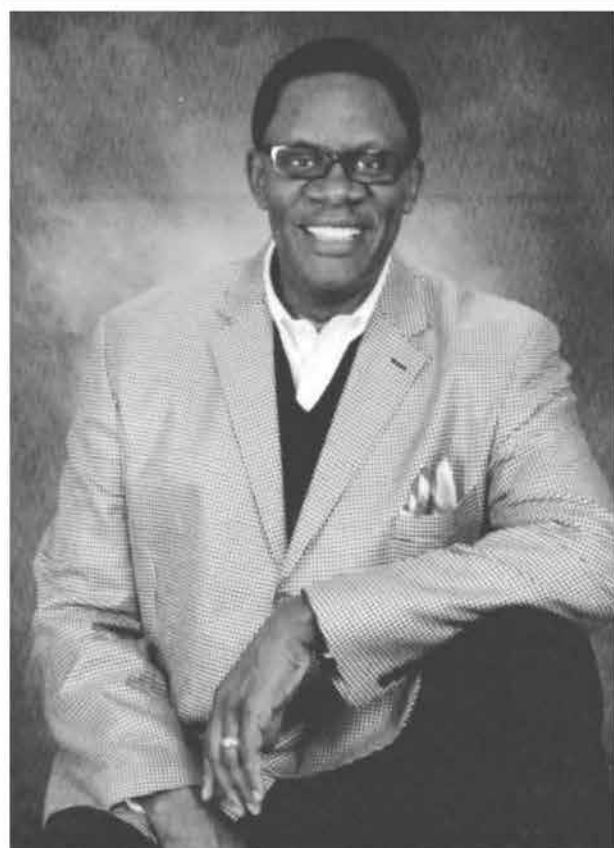
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Law enforcement in riot gear stand guard near the Wells Fargo tower after a riot breaks out during a May Day march in downtown Portland Monday. Police said the permit for the protest was revoked after projectiles were thrown at officers.

March Turns to Riot

May Day messages get drown out

A peaceful downtown march to observe May 1 as International Workers Day and a rally point for other causes was disrupted Monday when a large group of protesters turned violent by throwing rocks, smoke bombs and road flares. Windows at Portland City Hall and several storefronts in the downtown core were broken and fires were set.

Witnesses said everything was calm with groups of people of all ages participating in a permitted march during the afternoon when

another group of people identified as anarchists arrived and were intent on violence.

Police said 25 people were arrested after the march devolved into a riot and the permit was revoked. Most were charged with committing criminal acts, including disorderly conduct, riot, arson, criminal mischief (vandalism), theft, and assault.

Police said several sticks, poles and homemade shields were taken into possession by police early in the march from participants arriving at Shemanski Park in southwest Portland.

The fires were set in the street and in garbage cans. Authorities said a police car was spray-painted and vandalized, and there were at-

tempts to set at least one business on fire. Some of the items thrown at or launched at police and firefighters were listed as rocks, bottles, ball bearings, fireworks, smoke bombs and road flares.

"I'm very proud of the professionalism of Portland Police officers, Portland Firefighters and the members of the other law enforcement agencies that worked to keep the peace in Downtown Portland under very difficult circumstances," said Police Chief Mike Marshman. "Unfortunately the actions of the law breakers undermined and covered up the message of the law abiding individuals who worked to peacefully get their message heard on May Day."

Division on Police Chief Search

BY ZACHARY SENN
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Mayor Ted Wheeler's renewed commitment to conduct a four month nationwide search for a new police chief has drawn support and opposition.

The union representing Portland Police Bureau officers criticized the search last week while throwing their support behind the current chief Mike Marshman. At the same time, an African-American leader of the police reform movement in Portland welcomed the search.

The Portland Police Association says a survey of the union's rank and file members found 94 percent support the chief with 83

percent of the officers agreeing that replacing Marshman with someone from outside the bureau would adversely affect the city's law enforcement.

The Rev. T. Allen Bethel, who serves as the vice chair of the Albina Ministerial Alliance Coalition for Justice and Police Reform, however, supports looking outside the department. He criticized Marshman for not working hard enough to implement police reforms as a member of an oversight panel.

"I didn't see great participation by him or really a push by him to see that the reforms and the community's concerns were heard,"

Bethel told The Oregonian/OregonLive.

Wheeler, who also serves as the city's police commissioner, promised to conduct the national search to replace Marshman throughout his campaign. He also pledged to continue guiding the city's police reform efforts, and working toward demilitarizing the Bureau.

In an recent interview with the Portland Observer, the mayor encouraged Chief Marshman to reapply for the position to be considered.

"If Marshman is to stay, I need to know he's my chief," Wheeler said, "And that he's committed to the reforms that I've been espousing."



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Shaun King

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A powerful presence on Facebook and Twitter, King is known for amplifying and discussing news of police brutality, racial discrimination and promoting conversation about social justice and equality.

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Munson is running for the seat representing Zone 4, which includes all of north and parts of northeast Portland. While the candidates for each seat must reside within their respective zone, the voting is school district-wide.

Bringing more equity to students of color is another important plank of Munson's platform. Munson said her own experiences within PPS opened her eyes to the disparities present in Portland's educational system.

"There was a lot of separation in terms of the demographics of who was in honors classes and who was in regular classes," Munson said of her time at Grant High School. "Predominantly, the kids who were in the more advanced classes were white."

Bridging that gap has been one of the motivating factors throughout Munson's candidacy. Munson says that since Portland's teaching population is not representative of the diversity present in the classroom, it's important for schools to

develop strong partnerships with community organizations.

"Our teaching population is not reflective of our students," Munson explained. "Until we can get to a place where we can increase and diversify our teaching population, we will benefit from having community partnerships. It brings additional role models into the building."

Munson's campaign is the recipient of an abundance of endorsements from groups such as the Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon, and prominent local officials, including Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler and former Oregon State Sen. Avel Gordly from Portland's African American community.

In spite of the prevalent community support, Munson's campaign faces opposition from the Portland Association of Teachers, the union of educators. The union cites Munson's past work with charter schools as cause for concern, and has endorsed her opponent in the race, education advocate Rita Moore.

Munson says that she is sympathetic to the criticism surrounding public charter schools. While she describes charter schools as innovative, she says that we must temper their development with an evaluation of whether conventional public schools are being left behind.

"I think we have to be very careful about the way that we open up charter schools," she explained. "It is important that charter schools still continue to be monitored by the school board... They should still be accountable, and they should still be public."

Munson says that she's hoping to help PPS heal and redevelop after the district's difficult past year. She wants to develop stronger community partnerships within the school system, and offer more equitable education to Portland's children.

"My vision," Munson said, "is to have strong community schools that are accountable to excellent outcomes, and that are really grounded in our neighborhoods."

Running for School District Change

Parent activist places blame on governance

BY CHRISTA MCINTYRE
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Portland Public Schools suffer from a chaotic and dysfunctional system of governance according to Rita Moore, a long time volunteer, parent advocate and school activist who is running for school board from Zone 4, representing north and northeast Portland.

Moore takes issues with current and past school board members who have supported her opponent in the election contest, Jamila Singleton Munson, a former teacher and principal and native Portlander from the African American community.

"The board needs to be paying attention and they haven't been. If you look at who's endorsed Jamila, you think she's going to be the candidate to bring change? She has 4 current school board members endorsing her. These are the very people who brought PPS into the sorry state it's in now," Moore said in an interview with the Portland Observer.

Last year's lead-in-school-water crisis peeled back a scab on the internal problems plaguing the school district and helped force former superintendent Carol Smith into retirement. Many problems which Portland Public Schools face are shared across the



PHOTO BY CHRISTA MCINTYRE/
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER
Rita Moore, a school activist, single mom and former college professor is running for the Portland School Board.

nation. Older buildings with crumbling plaster, cracks in walls and holes in ceilings and restrooms that aren't working.

Newer concerns are homeless children being able to complete grades with the additional stress of unstable shelter and food. Long term concerns in the African-American community include the lack of teachers and principals of color.

Moore says the over disciplining of students of color and cultural sensitivity are still challenges which families face.



"We as a district need to do a much better job of listening to real people about real issues. We

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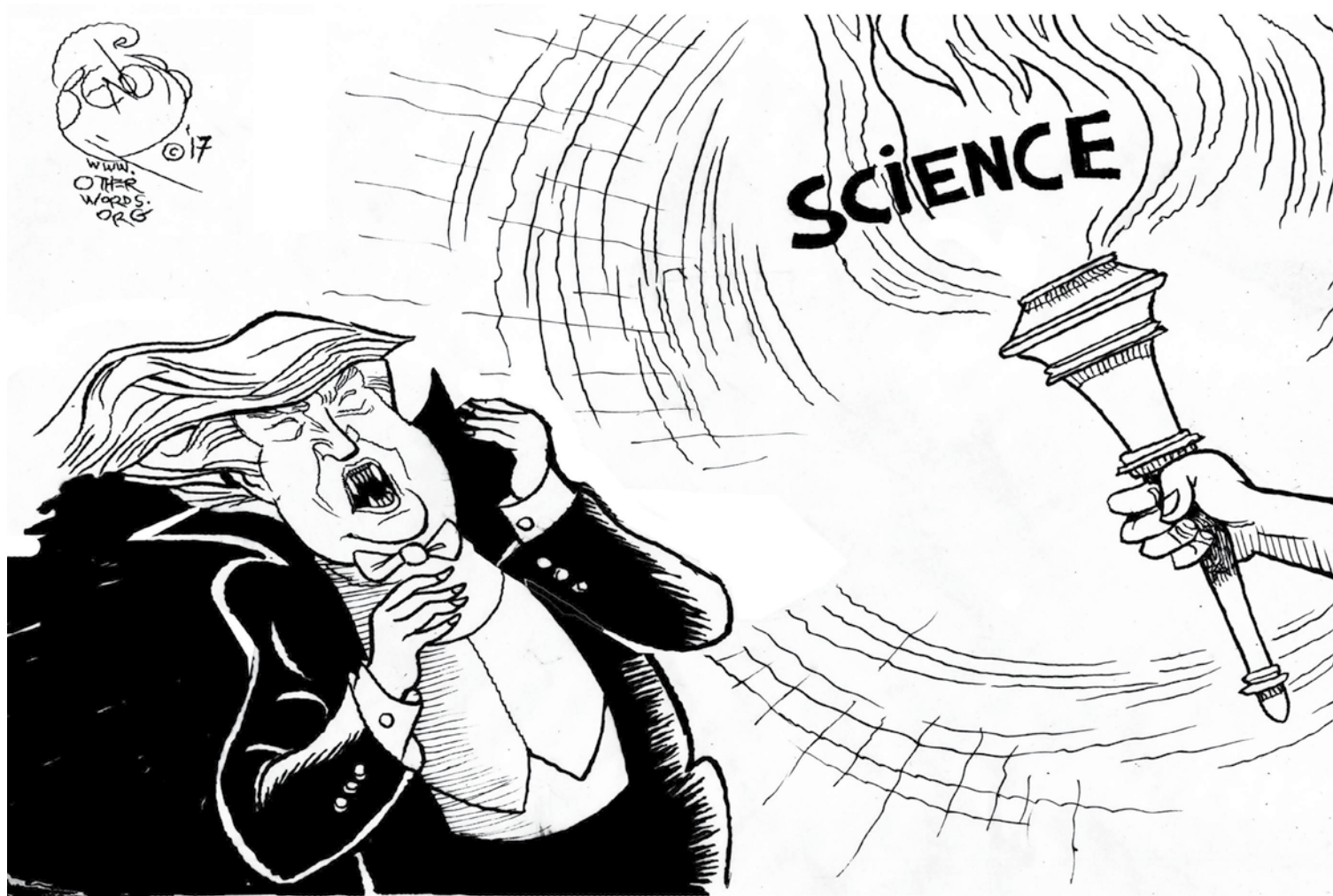
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A Blinded Science-Denying President

Why scientists
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BY JILL RICHARDSON

Hundreds of thousands of scientists and their supporters recently took to the streets, marching in favor of science-based policies. How did our science-denying president respond?

With one of the biggest lies he's told to date — and that's saying something.

"Rigorous science is critical to my administration's efforts to achieve the twin goals of econom-

ic growth and environmental protection," he claimed. "We should remember that rigorous science depends not on ideology, but on a spirit of honest inquiry and robust debate."

Is he joking? No seriously, I'm really asking.

Did he have to hurry away from the press to hide the laugh he was bursting to contain after that whopper came out of his mouth?

Let's take a look at Trump's record on science so far:

He put Myron Ebell — described by Business Insider as "a man who denies basic science" — in charge of his Environmental Protection Agency transition team. Ebell's qualifications? He

worked at an ideological libertarian think tank. He has no science background.

This administration also rejected the recommendations of government scientists and chose to allow farmers to continue using a toxic pesticide known to harm children.

Meanwhile Trump is trying to cut scores of science programs, many of them related to Earth science and climate science.

These cuts won't just harm conservation, regulation, and other goals Trump doesn't like but are necessary if we want to continue living on a hospitable planet. The cuts also eliminate thousands of government jobs directly, and cut programs that help Americans create jobs and stay competitive in the global market.

In short, I can't name a U.S. president who was more hostile to science than the current occupant of the White House. So he's got some nerve to even utter the word "science."

No wonder scientists felt compelled to leave their labs and computers and march in the streets in perhaps the first mass demonstration by scientists in modern history.

As a social scientist myself, I know what goes into a scientist's quest for knowledge and truth. In each step of the process, a scientist must examine their own results and seek critique from peers, and ask whether our fallible human

brains have somehow made an error in uncovering the truth of the world we live in.

Those of us who do this for a career are serious about our endeavors. It takes a lot of humility, because we must always be prepared to admit when we're wrong for the sake of uncovering the most accurate results possible.

Most of us do our work because we love it, but also because we feel passionately that we're making our world a better place — whether we're working on new cures for fatal diseases or attempting to find a more sustainable and clean form of energy.

It's heart-wrenching to see an administration reject this work we've devoted our lives to simply to score political points, especially when we know what humanity stands to lose by ignoring science.

Trump, for example, might do well to trust the climate scientists who are predicting sea level rise before he finds his precious Mar-a-Lago under water.

But instead he turns a blind eye, enacts destructive policies that ignore science, and then gaslights the entire nation with a joke of a statement about his own purported belief in rigorous science.

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Our School Board Endorsements

Three upcoming open seats on the Portland School Board will be decided in the May 16 vote-by-mail election. The Portland Observer encourages you to vote for Jamila Singleton Munson, Julia Brim-Edwards and Virginia LaForte.

By choosing Monson for Zone 4, voters can elect a needed voice from the African American community, a dedicated and experienced educator, and a candidate to correct board dysfunction with collaborative leadership.

Monson is a Grant High School graduate, former teacher, principal and leader of a non-profit organization for future education leaders. She has the distinction of empowering kids in historically underserved



Jamila Singleton Munson

communities and wants to use that experience to reshape public education in Portland and decrease disparities between students.



Julie Brim-Edwards

Monson established her teaching credentials as a fifth grade public school teacher in the South Bronx after being recruited by Teach for America, a



Virginia LaForte

non-profit committed to teaching in low-income schools and working to increase opportunities for disadvantaged populations.

We disagree with critics who

oppose her work with charter schools, an unfair attack that puts the self interest of teachers ahead of students, especially from Portland's black community and other minority groups. Consider the value of Self Enhancement, Inc. for example, the highly successful, homegrown public charter school working hand in hand with Portland Public Schools to improve the outcomes of hundreds of black and minority children.

In Zone 5 and 6, voters should choose LaForte and Brim-Edwards, two leaders who have successfully worked with the district in the past and know how to get things done in a spirit of cooperation.

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Public Downfall Long Time in Making

O'Reilly's exit from right-wing Fox

BY MARC H. MORIAL

"Bill O'Reilly has helped set the bar for the normalization and dissemination of right-wing hatred, offering incendiary commentary about sexual harassment and assault, gender, race and ethnicity, low-income people, the LGBTQ community, Muslims and refugees, immigrants, and reproductive rights." — Media Matters for America



Bill O'Reilly's public downfall was a long time in the making—set in motion by a string of sexual harassment claims and the hemorrhaging of high-profile advertisers from "The O'Reilly Factor," a Fox News channel mainstay and money maker.

According to reporting by the New York Times, for a period that spanned 15 years, O'Reilly and 21st Century Fox—the parent company for Fox News—together settled five separate allegations of sexual harassment brought by female Fox employees—which included accusations of verbal abuse, unwanted advances and explicit comments—for \$13 million. And since that report was published, more women have come forward alleging gross and inap-

propriate behavior by Fox's biggest star.

O'Reilly's cable news program was cash cow for Fox News. It is nothing short of a testament to the show's money generating power and vaulted cable ratings perch that Fox News kept O'Reilly on payroll as the company quietly purchased the silence of his accusers for over a decade.

In a nod to television's obsession with re-runs, the so-called swift end to O'Reilly's career at Fox News was preceded by a similar scandal involving Roger Ailes, the network's co-founder and then-chairman. Accused of multiple acts of sexual harassment, 21st Century Fox paid out \$35 million to Gretchen Carlson, a former Fox News anchor, and several unidentified women to settle their lawsuit against Ailes. Fox News also lost two top hosts, Greta Van Susteren and Megyn Kelly (who later accused Ailes of sexual harassment) and paid \$40 million in severance to Ailes in the ensuing fallout.

Following the ouster and made-for-television-scandal of Ailes, 21st Century Fox released a statement that vowed to maintain a work environment based on trust and respect, yet, O'Reilly remained on the payroll—his last contract even included a clause for his termination in case any new cases of harassment came to light—and women who

claimed to have suffered under his abuse were being quieted, as per usual.

It is clear that if Fox News could not be moved by decency to maintain a "work environment based on trust and respect," it was certainly moved by dollars.

O'Reilly was also a problematic figure in many other ways. He has a long and well-established history of making racist remarks.

Days before his expulsion from Fox News, O'Reilly watched a speech Rep. Maxine Waters gave from the House floor discussing patriotism in our nation's current political environment, and his response was to mock her hair, calling it a "James Brown wig." Outraged that a college president was criticized as racist for posting a picture of his staff dressed in sombreros and mustaches, O'Reilly claimed that if you go to any Mexican restaurant in the world, staff comes out, "singing 'Guantanamo' with the sombreros on." I've had my own brushes with O'Reilly, including an interview where he demanded that leaders such as myself "stop the BS" in relation to reducing what he coined "the Black crime problem."

But it was neither racism, nor the bitter fruits of sexism that ended O'Reilly's storied rise at Fox News.

Fox News had a choice to make: Keep O'Reilly, whose ratings were still strong despite the scandal, or hurt the bottom

line and lose 90 advertisers, and counting, who had stampeded away from the taint of scandal. Despite O'Reilly's repeated denials of the harassment claims and support from people like Sean Hannity, a Fox news contributor who is now facing his own accusations of sexual harassment, and President Trump, who has his own colorful history with women, including boasting about grabbing them, and dealing with his own accusations of sexual harassment, Fox News could no longer bear the cost of keeping their star contributor.

But while O'Reilly may be down, he is far from out. His permanently tarnished reputation aside, we haven't seen the last of Bill O'Reilly. Just days after his unceremonious ouster

from Fox, O'Reilly is making his media comeback online, resuming his "No Spin News" podcast. His publisher has said he will continue to publish O'Reilly's books. And he received a sizeable parting gift from Fox News in the amount of \$25 million—a year's worth of his salary.

There is a victory to celebrate here, but it is a qualified one, if at the highest levels of leadership, we commit to the belief that women, children, and men have inherent dignity that should never be violated. The rise and money-padded fall of O'Reilly sends a mixed message, to say the least, to women and men in the workplace.

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The Hollywood, Calif. native draws on his experiences as a black college student in Oregon in the mid to late 1970s, his early career in television in Southern California, and other life experiences, for a fictional story inspired by real events.

Hudson's second book was

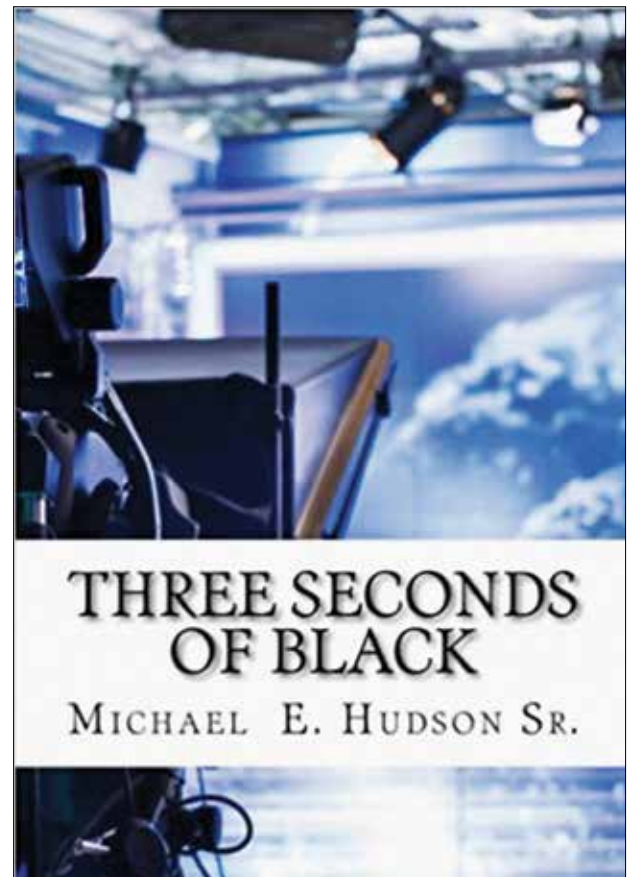
inspired by a TV class instructor and his tips for future success in the industry, including the pitfalls of leaving a television screen blank. Focusing on Jerry, a television engineer living in the 1980s, the story follows his journey of self discovery after the loss of his friend, Frank. While Jerry shows the ropes to Frank's replacement, Jennifer, along the way readers are introduced to the serious concerns, as well as the antics involved in keeping a TV channel continuously broadcasting with entertaining and profitable programs.

Taking place in the fictional city of Serra, Calif., "Three Seconds of

Black" provides light-hearted insights into the unpredictable world of television. The paperback was edited by Michael Leighton, who attended Pacific University in Oregon with Hudson and is the current editor of the Portland Observer, Oregon's longest serving black newspaper.

Hudson was born in Hollywood, Calif. He is retired from a successful career in human resources and labor relations with the Los Angeles Unified School District.

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Native Plant Sale -- Clark College in Vancouver will host its fourth annual native plant sale, a free and open to the public event, on Thursday, May 4 from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Friday, May 5 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Natural Plant Center, located at the college's greenhouse on the east side of the Vancouver campus. Most plants are priced at \$10 or less.

Celebrating Survivorship -- You're invited to join the Sisters Network Oregon and Southwest Washington as it hosts its first major fundraiser "High Tea: Celebrating Survivorship" with raffles, door prizes, silent auction, a hat parade, and the soulful, jazzy melody of LaRhonda Steele, Saturday, May 6 from 1-4 p.m. at Billy Webb Elk Lodge, 6 N. Tillamook.



Breakout Tuesdays Hip Hop -- JAMN 107.5 and Cool Nutz from the Breakout Show present Breakout Tuesdays each third Tuesday of the month at the Ash Street, 225 S.W. Ash. The shows will feature performances from some of the top rappers from the Northwest. Hosted by Juma Blaq and DJ Fatboy.

Norman Sylvester -- 'Boogie Cat' Norman Sylvester plays Saturday, May 6 at the Blue Diamond; Friday, May 19 at Clyde's; Saturday, May 21 at the Rogue Pub in North Plains; and Sunday, May 22 at 4 p.m. at the Crystal Ballroom for the CBA's 30th anniversary.



Exploring Black Cinema -- Featuring films by visionaries, rebels and pioneers willing to tell it like it is, the NW Film Center at the Portland Art Museum hosts a black cinema series though June 11 in conjunction with the museum's African American exhibit "Constructing Identity." For complete listings and advance tickets, visit nwfilm.org.

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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Obo Addy Legacy Concerts

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ming workshop on Friday, May 12 at the Social Justice Action Center, 400 S.E. 12th Ave.

Under the theme, "African Routes: Celebrating the West African Musical Heritage of the Americas" the performances will be presented by Portland local hip hop

artist Mic Crenshaw as master of ceremonies, and feature the Obo Addy Okropong Drummers and Dancers.

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The former stock yards at the Expo Center in north Portland are turned into the Portland Assembly Center to round up Japanese Americans for incarceration in 1942. Photo courtesy of the Oregon Historical Society.

Return and Remembrance Pilgrimage marks injustice 75 years ago

The community is invited to a special ceremony this weekend at the Portland Expo Center to honor Japanese-Americans from the Portland area who were forced out of their homes and businesses and driven away by wartime hysteria and racism 75 years ago.

On May 6, 1942, Portland was empty of Japanese Americans by military decree. Families were uprooted, property sold, and local businesses closed. Under Executive Order 9066, 3,700 people of Japanese de-

scend were moved into the former animal stalls of the Pacific International Livestock and Exposition Center. Four months later, they joined 120,000 other Japanese Americans in 10 hastily erected concentration camps across the United States.

The Oregon Nikkei Endowment and The Portland Japanese-American Citizens League present

Return and Remembrance, a Pilgrimage to the Portland Assembly Center to honor the victims of this unjust incarceration. The event will be held on Saturday, May 6 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Exhibit Hall A of the Portland Expo Center in north Portland.

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Construction starts: 6/5/17

The Project consists of the following: Seismic upgrades and renovations of the existing middle school including roof restoration, relocation of the main office and attendance, renovation of the choir room, science and STEM areas, finish upgrades to the counseling center and upper gym.

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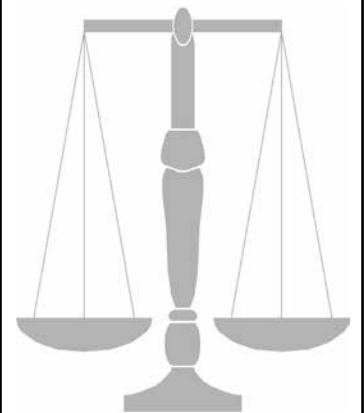
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need to work with them to come up with solutions that actually work," she said.

Zone 4 has its own unique set of obstacles with less supplemental funding to bring in additional supplies, upgrades and arts programs from school foundations and Parent-Teacher Associations, which in more affluent neighborhoods fill in the gap from budget cuts.

Moore grew up in Boston in a poor working class family and through public education was able

to move into college, eventually achieving a PhD in Political Science. She's studied political systems her entire life and spent 18 years teaching at the college level, including Portland Community College and Portland State University. Moore also taught abroad and her most recent position as a consultant with the Oregon Health Authority, which oversees the Oregon Health Plan.

A single mother, Moore faced her own personal battle with Portland Public Schools and found quickly that the work she did to advocate for her son was a full

time job.

For the last 15 years, she has been a school volunteer and activist. She knows who's-who and has attended many meetings and helps run a grassroots parent group on Facebook.

Moore said in traditional school board meetings parents are given three minutes to bring concerns to the table, but in her Facebook group, conversations grow lively and debates on issues are allowed to grow and find common ground to discover solutions.

She argues that Portland Public Schools is teetering on the edge,

but with a new school board, new superintendent and clear vision can be fixed to serve its students and families.

The high turnover rate of principals and teachers is one area where Moore sees a breakdown in the system. She said principals are being given a huge workload of administrative duties from bureaucrats and not enough balance in their positions to be an educational leader and mentor to the teachers their schools.

She is advocating for the transition back to middle schools from K-8, to help reduce class size and

give students the opportunity to be in a learning environment which puts them in step with the next phase of their education and helps get them in place to be college ready by high school graduation

Moore has been endorsed by the Portland Association of Teachers which has been backing school board candidates who oppose school administration, including the two current school board members who have endorsed her campaign.

"We have a new superintendent coming in and I think it's really important for the board to establish a good working relationship. We've got to be a team. He's going to need a school board who knows what's happening."



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15 Frank L. Baum born in 1856. Paul Zindel born, 1936	16 First US Nickel Minted In 1866	17 First Kentucky Derby In 1875 Gary Paulson born, 1939	18 ☾ Mount St. Helens Erupted In 1980. Visit Your Relatives Day	19 Circus Day The Ringling Brothers Circus opened in 1884	20 Armed Forces Day	21 American Red Cross Founded Founded by Clara Barton in 1881

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LaForte's help as a school district volunteer to find and capture hundreds of thousands of dollars in monies earmarked for talented and gifted programs serving kids living in poverty that had been routinely forfeited by the district is impressive. She also has served on the PPS bond stakeholder advisory panel and offers a fresh perspective on problem-solving.

Brim-Edwards would bring her deep connections with Oregon's political landscape to help Portland schools. She serves on the Oregon Education Investment Board and is a senior director of public engagement at Nike. As a prior member of the Portland School Board, she has the experience to restore accountability and trust and be a champion for students and teachers.

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Vegetable Quiche

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- 1/2 cup onion, diced
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- 2 cups cheddar cheese, shredded
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- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 dash cayenne

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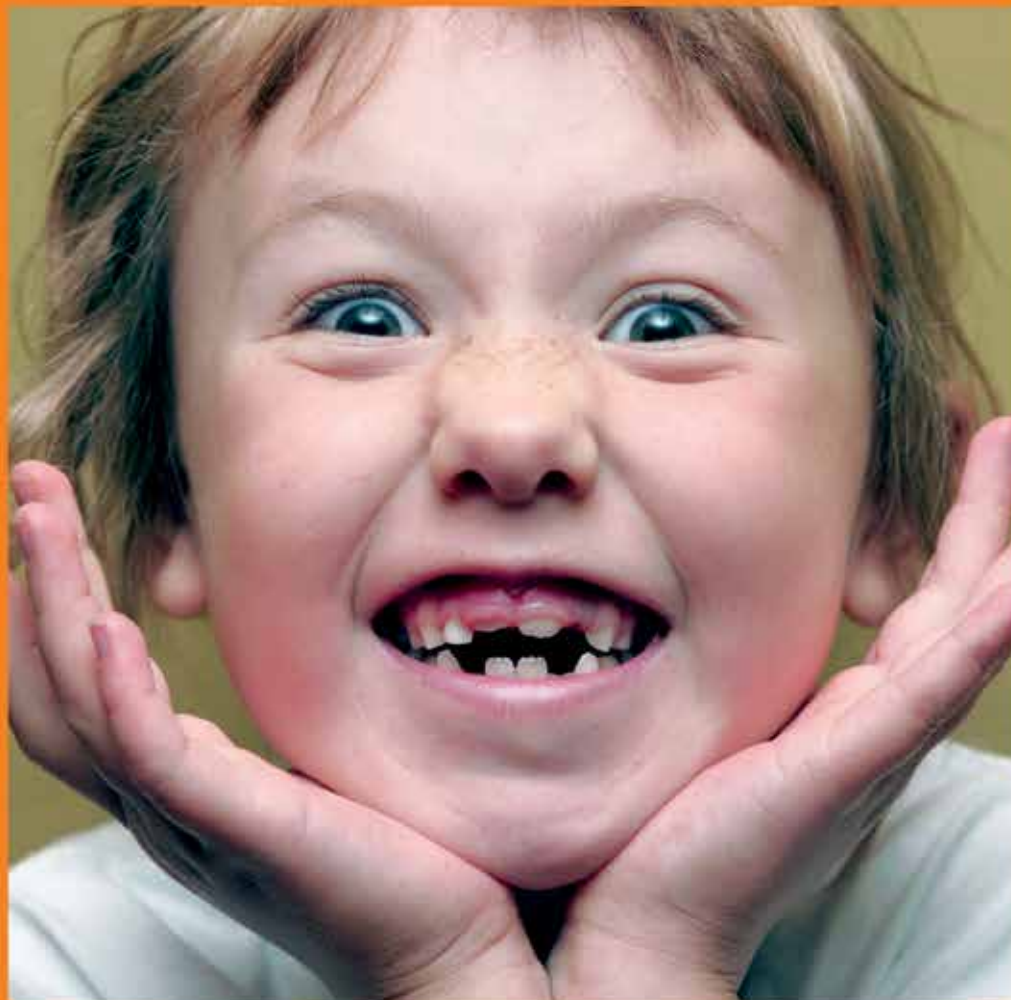
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