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James Lea shows off his '79 Chevrolet El Camino at Alberta Park in northeast Portland, the car he says was at the center of controversial racial profiling arrest Portland police made in 2011 when Lea while trying to park during the West Coast Hip Hop Awards at the Roseland Theatre, downtown. Police said they apprehended him because they saw a gun in the vehicle, a firearm he was licensed to carry. The charge was later dropped, but Lea is now facing $8,000 in legal bills after he sued and an appeals court ruled his detention was legal.

Even after false arrest, Portland man must pay up

Adding Insult to Injury

BY ZACHARY SENN
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

All that James Lea wanted was a public apology from the Portland Police Bureau following his unwarranted arrest, during which he was publicly humiliated in a local tabloid. Now adding insult to injury, the Portland man is being compelled to pay the court fees that the city of Portland accrued throughout his five-year-long legal battle.

Lea had hoped that his case would bring attention to the unnecessary escalation of conflicts between police officers and people of color that have marred law enforcement relationships in minority communities in Portland and across the country, and possibly result in better training for the city's police force. Instead, he is facing a charge of up to $8,000 for the city's legal bills since he sued City Hall and lost.

According to Lea, racial profiling played a role in his arrest, which took place on Aug. 19, 2011, the evening that the West Coast Hip Hop Awards were held at the Roseland in downtown Portland.

He was looking for parking and pulled into a parking lot when the ordeal began. While paying a parking attendant, Portland Police Bureau officer Sgt. Richard Steinbronn began waving a flashlight into Lea's '79 Chevrolet El Camino, which had been left running.

"I was standing a couple of feet away to pay the park-

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McCoy Academy Clarification:

McCoy Academy normally enrolls 15 students in their program for at-risk youth with as many students on the wait list. With 10 students graduating this year, there are five students left to join the incoming class next fall if the school can be saved. "We really need help at this point," school executive Rebecca Black said, in clarifying the enrollment numbers from an article in last week's issue. The 25 year old McCoy Academy building site on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard is slated for demolition and the academy must move in the next few days. You can visit their website on Oregon Outreach to make a donation: http://oregonoutreach.org/how-can-i-help/donate/.

Former School Manager Hired

An experienced personnel manager who last month resigned as chief human resources officer for Portland Public Schools started work Monday as the new human resources director for Prosper Portland, the former Portland Development Commission.

Sean Murray brings a depth and breadth of public HR experience, said Kimberly Branan, executive director of Prosper Portland "We look forward to his expertise in HR best practices, his strategic thinking, and leadership as we continue our focus on being an equitable, innovative, financially stable agency. "

Sean Murray

Murray formerly directed a team of 45 human resource professionals that supported more than 7,000 employees for the Portland School District. Prior to that role, he was HR manager for the Portland Police Bureau. He also was a labor relations coordinator and HR coordinator for the Bureau of Human Resources at the city of Portland.

"I'm eager to contribute to an agency that is working to make the city a better place and doing so in ways that benefit all Portlanders," said Murray.

Murray serves on the board of the Urban League of Portland and Building Blocks for Success. He holds a bachelor's degree in sociology from California State University, Chico.

The Week in Review

Victim's Credit Card Stolen

A homeless man charged with stealing a backpack and wedding ring from one of the victims of a double murder on a MAX train last month is now facing a new charge of identity theft. George Elwood Tschaggeny, 53, was charged last week for stealing a credit card from the victim to make 5 charges on the day he was killed.

Mother, Son Shooting Arrest

A 23-year-old man was arraigned Monday on charges of shooting a Gresham mother and her 9-year-old son last month. Nakiem Brown pled not guilty to multiple counts of attempted murder. Police say Brown is a Hoover gang member and believe the shooting was related to the 2014 murder of pregnant Ervaeua Herring.

Brown Family Settles

The family of Michael Brown, the teenager whose fatal shooting in Ferguson, Missouri by a white police officer sparked outrage and days of protest, settled its lawsuit last week against the city for $1.5 million dollars.

Castile Mother Wins Case

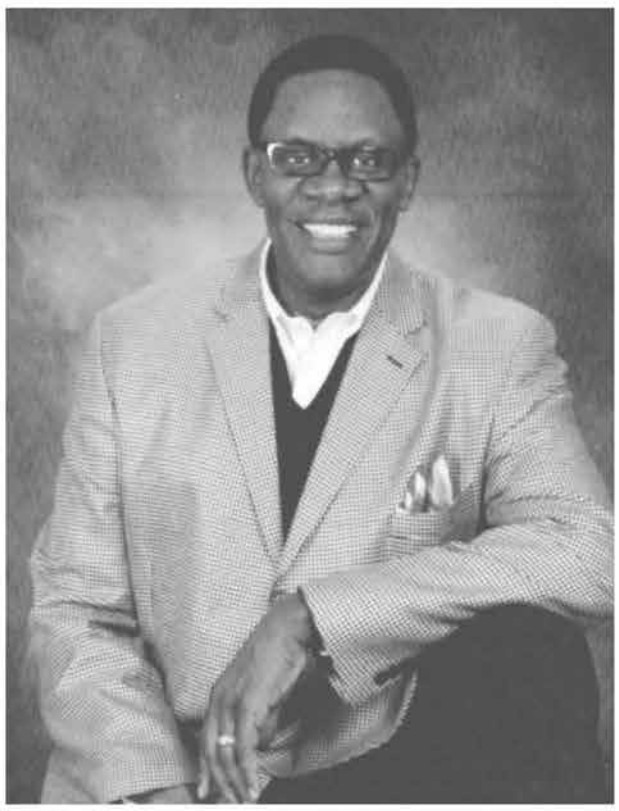
The mother of Philando Castile was awarded a settlement Monday nearing $3 million dollars in the case of his fatal shooting in front of his girlfriend and daughter by a police officer after being pulled over for a broken tail light in St. Anthony, Minnesota last year.

Health Care Bill Delayed

The vote on a new health care bill by Senate Republicans was delayed Tuesday after several GOP senators indicated they were not prepared to vote for the proposal The latest plan to replace the Affordable Care Act would see 22 million Americans lose health insurance coverage, make deep cuts into Medicaid, raise health care expenses by individuals, and give tax breaks to the wealthy.

Court Takes Muslim Ban Case

The Supreme Court cleared the way on Monday for President Trump to prohibit the entry of some people into the United States from countries he deems dangerous, but the justices imposed strict limits on Mr. Trump's travel ban against six Muslim countries while they examine the scope of presidential power over the border.



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Portland black leaders rally around common goals during a meeting at Self Enhancement, Inc.

Common Goals

Black leaders rally against violence, displacement

Leaders from Portland's black community are rallying around common goals as they address issues of violence in the community, displacement and other issues.

Self Enhancement, Inc. (SEI) founder Tony Hopson and civil rights activist and Albina Head Start executive Ron Herndon navigated a community discussion last week that drew some 200 community representatives to SEI's headquarters in north Portland.

The recent double murder on public transit of two men coming to the aid of two young women facing racist and Anti-Muslim taunts on the MAX, and suspected gang activity that saw the shooting of a Gresham woman and her

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Foul Mouthed Board Member

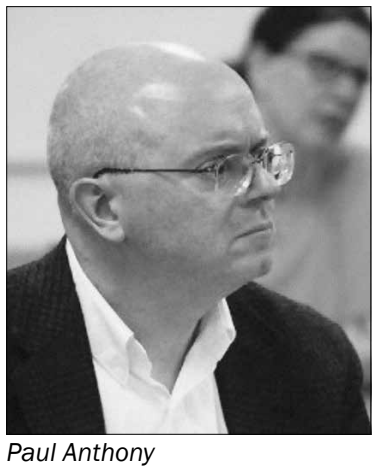
Administrators say behavior intolerable

BY ZACHARY SENN
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

A member of the Portland School Board has come under fire for making vulgar and disparaging statements against his fellow board members and school administrators.

The Portland Association of Public School Administrators has called on board member Paul Anthony to resign, citing his regular habit of making demeaning and sexist comments about other school board members and district employees.

Anthony, a former parent activist from north Portland who was elected to his position in 2015, has been rifling the feathers of both administrators and his colleagues on the board since he assumed his tenure. Last summer, Anthony



Paul Anthony

created a rift in PPS' administrative circles after suing the district for racially discriminating against its students of color.

Comprised of principals and other school administrators, the PAPSA organization obtained access to Anthony's private email and text messages by using the Oregon Public Records Law. In one instance, he referred to the administration of Interim Superintendant Bob McKean as, "Lockdown Bob and his Merry Band of Perverts, and to fellow board members as "bitches" and "pussies."

The administrators say that Anthony's conduct damages the district's reputation, and sets a poor example both for district staff and PPS' students. They say that his personal attacks and direct involvement in disciplinary actions against employees could open up PPS to the possibility of lawsuits. The organization also alleges that Anthony's conduct shows favoritism toward some employees, and creates a generally hostile work environment.

In a statement released last week, PAPSA says that if the district is expected to heal from the instability and trauma caused by last year's lead-in-water crisis, its administrators must be free of Anthony's intimidating and disparaging remarks.

The last time that district leaders called on a board member to resign was in 2001, after Derry Jackson, a member of Portland's African American community, made anti-Semitic remarks.

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ing attendant when the officer screamed 'gun," Lea told the Portland Observer.

He said Steinbron and other officers then pointed their weapons at him and instructed him to drop to the ground, all while shouting expletives. Lea complied with the orders, and tried to explain that the gun they saw in his car was owned by him and he was fully licensed to carry the weapon, having a permit in his back pocket.

Steinbronn, a long time police officer who was involved in an officer-involved shooting in 2006 that resulted in the death of a 37-year-old Navy sailor at the Eastport Plaza Military Recruiting Facility, proceeded to arrest Lea and charge him with recklessly endangering another person.

Lea said while being driven to jail, Steinbronn lectured him about how he shouldn't be allowed to carry a gun. He said the officer told him that his arrest was for endangering the public by leaving his firearm inside the vehicle, but said the car was locked.

After being processed and booked at the Justice Center jail, however, Lea was released without being charged. By the time he'd been released, his booking photo had already been published in the local tabloid known as "Busted."

Lea eventually sued for $65,000 for the emotional distress caused by his unnecessary arrest. His case proceeded all the way to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, which ultimately found that Steinbronn was within his rights as a law enforcement officer to detain Lea.

The city had offered Lea $20,000 to settle before the case went to trial; however, Lea opted to bring the case before a judge. Now that the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals has ruled in favor of the officers, Lea is responsible for paying the city's court fees, which total just under $8,000.

A memorandum prepared by the court says that while "The officers' approach was perhaps an overreaction," that "Steinbronn's use of force – which resulted in no physical injury to Lea – was reasonable."

Lea, however, still describes the behavior of Steinbronn and the other officers as dangerous. He says that interactions like his can only serve to damage police-community relationships.

"I was still taken to the ground with guns to my head, even though they had my concealed carry permit in hand," said Lea. "I didn't know whether he was going to kill me at the time."

Lea says that he was seeking a public apology, not money, by pursuing the lawsuit against the city.

"I went to jail for nothing, I was in 'Busted' and I wasn't treated fairly," said Lea. "He didn't have a right to do that."

Lea, who has accrued misdemeanor charges in the past, adds that there is a double standard for law enforcement officers who intimidate and racially profile suspects.

"When I used to be in the street and did things that were wrong, I had to stand up in court and apologize," Lea explained. "That's no more than they should to a citizen, right?"

In a statement issued to the Portland Observer, Rob Yamachika, the Deputy City Attorney who litigated the case, defended the court's decision saying that it would not be fair to pass the legal fees of the case on to Portland's taxpayers.

Lea, however, says that he is a taxpayer.

"I've worked most of my life here in Portland," Lea said. "I pay my taxes like everyone else."

The city has offered to reduce the court fees to $5,000 if Lea agrees to pay it in two installments before the end of the month. Lea says that he's refusing to pay the fees, because that would acknowledge wrongdoing on his behalf.

"I did everything that I was supposed to do as a citizen," Lea said, adding, "It can be erased if you can take it from $8,000 down to $5,000."

In a letter addressed to Yamachika stating that Lea is rejecting the City's offer to reduce the court fees to $5,000 his attorney, Benjamin Haile, explained that Lea wants to see police officers held accountable for unnecessary escalations.

"Lea brought this case against the city because he cares about improving his city and changing patterns of racial profiling by the PPB," Haile wrote.

Lea says that the City Attorney's office has rejected his requests to arrange a meeting with Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler. Yamachika responded to Haile's letter by stating that while he empathizes with Lea's attempt to improve the city, he didn't see how the case was racially motivated.

While he is grateful that the incident in 2011 didn't result in his death, Lea says that he feels stymied by a court system that is punishing him for reviewing a police officer's unnecessary use of force.

"It's about that officer apologizing to me," said Lea. "I pay you guys, just like everybody else around here."

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son last month, were mentioned as examples of escalating violence impacting people of color.

The gathering also covered ways that the city's black community can fight back against gentrification and displacement from inner north and northeast Portland. Herndon called on community members to come up with specific policies and steps that local governments could take to help black residents return to their inner-Portland communities.

Education issues were also addressed at the meeting. Herndon said that Portland Public Schools should let black students attend Jefferson High School, regardless of where they live. He also said that the district should renovate the school's building, even though it was not part of the bond measure passed by voters last month.

The need for Portland's black community to come together to fight back against white supremacist violence, gentrification and educational disparities was emphasized.

Hopson and Herndon also urged attendees to show their support at last weekend's annual Good in the Hood festival, which had been targeted by racist threats. The three day event and parade drew widespread support and was held under added security,including local and FBI law enforcment, without any incidents.

Oregon students led the passage of a bill creating ethnic studies in the state's K-12 schools. (APANO photo)

Ethnic Studies Bill Passes

Measure meant to make schools more inclusive

BY ERIC TEGETHOFF

Students and racial-justice groups in the state are among those applauding a bill now on the governor's desk that should make Oregon schools feel more inclusive for students of color.

Under House Bill 2845, the Oregon Department of Education will adopt ethnic studies standards in social studies classes for K-12 schools statewide.

Zahir Janmohamed, the policy director of the Asian Pacific American Network of Oregon, one of the groups that backed the bill, says Oregon students are the ones who pushed for it.

"It didn't come about from academics, it didn't come about from sort of policy groups, it came about from youth," he says. "So, this is really their victory today."

California is the only other state to establish ethnic studies standards. The new standards will focus on the histories of communities of color, as well as Jewish and LGBTQ communities, and gender groups.

Lamar Wise, the legislative director of the Oregon Student Association says students of color in Oregon have been concerned for a long time about the lack of representation in textbooks and the curriculum.

Wise says the problem has even contributed to higher absenteeism. However, he says the recent rise in hate crimes, such as a racially-motivated stabbing on a Portland train, heightened the urgency of this bill.

"The frustration from students has come to a point where it's climaxed, and there's been an upswell of students and organizations who wanted to address it," he explains. "And I think legislators also felt that same way, which is why they passed the bill."

After Gov. Kate Brown signs the bill, Wise says his group and others will be watching as the Oregon Department of Education develops rules and assembles an advisory committee. For now, he commends the students' grassroots movement that helped get this bill passed.

"There was a lot of planning that went into it, and students did a great job in making sure that they were leading the effort and that their stories were at the forefront," Wise adds.

Eric Tegethoff is a reporter for Oregon News Service.

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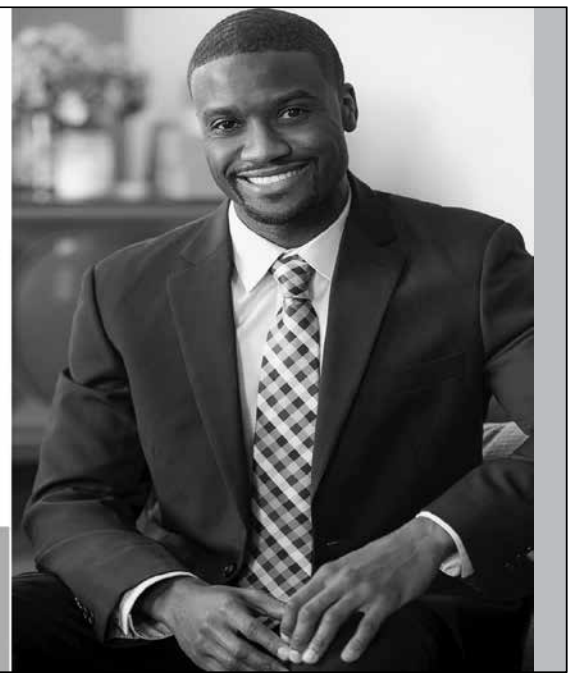

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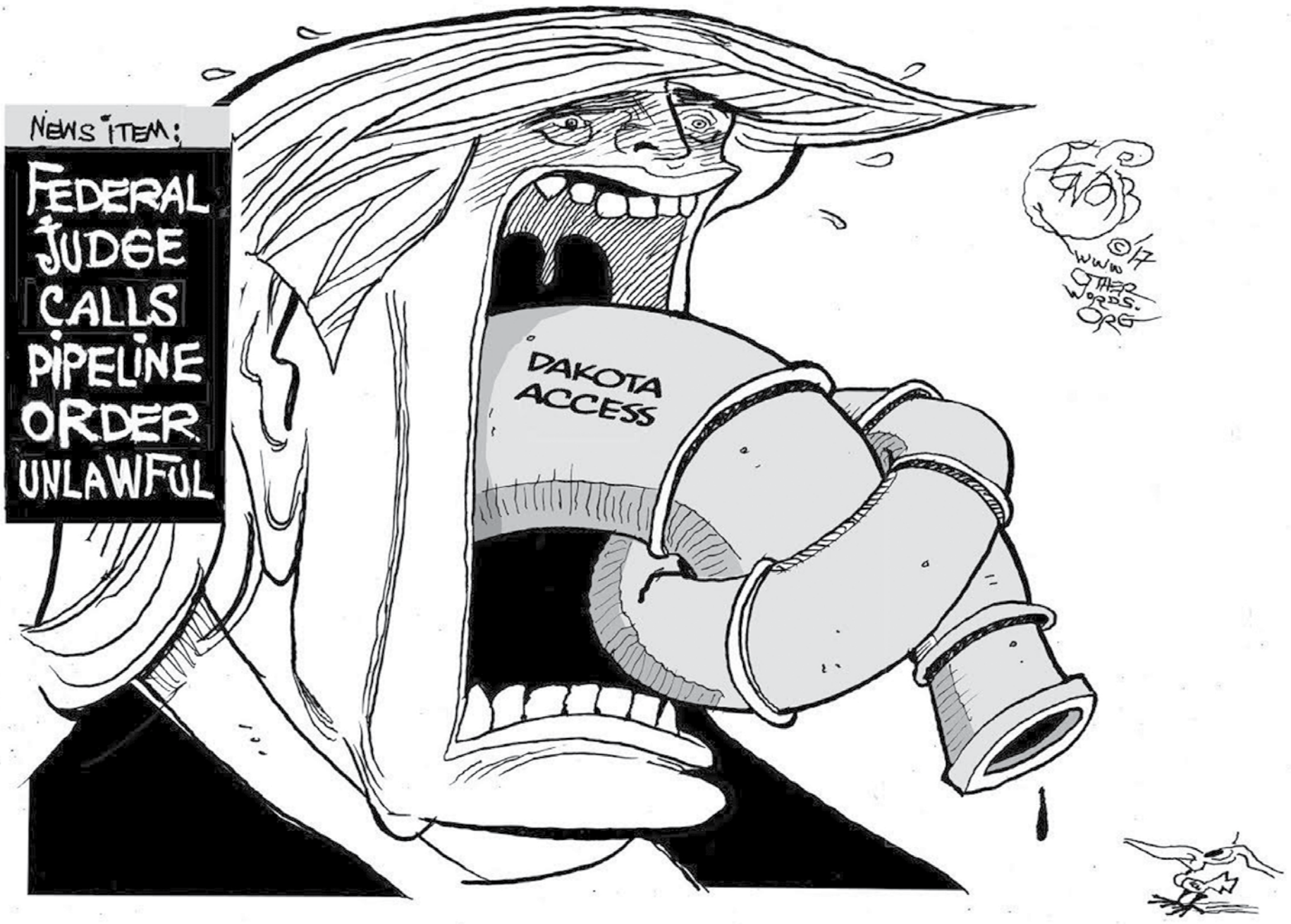

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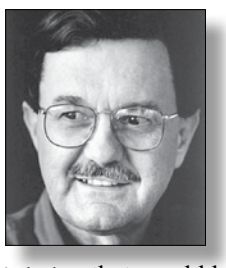

BY JIM HIGHTOWER

President Trump might have dodged military service in his youth, but he certainly is militaristic — he's bellicose, likes to issue commands, and is constantly firing off militant tweets at anyone he perceives to be an enemy (which seems to include everyone who dares to disagree with him).

Meanwhile, he and his White House full of military commanders are pondering the launch of a real shooting war, a military offensive that would be known as "Trump's War."

Actually, he'd be attempting to achieve battlefield glory by picking up and extending what at first was Bush's War, then Obama's War. The place is Afghanistan, and the strategy is to shove another 5,000 or so American soldiers (none of whom will be named Trump) into that brutish hellhole.

Yes, that mess is still boiling, despite President Obama's 2012 pledge to end our involvement in the longest war in U.S. history.

After 16 years — and after more than 2,300 Americans killed, 20,000 others maimed, and more than $800 billion spent on it — 8,400 of our troops are still there, the killing continues, and we taxpayers keep pumping $3 billion a month into the insanity.

For all of that, the Taliban forces we've been trying to defeat are stronger than ever, and the Afghan government we're supporting is as corrupt, inept, and despised as ever.

Nonetheless, Trump is violating a basic rule of civilian control of the military: Never ask the generals if they need more resources. This president has surrounded himself with generals and surrendered crucial decision-making authority to them.

We weren't able to win in Afghanistan when 100,000 of our troops were there — so what do we "win" by putting 5,000 more soldiers in harm's way, other than more casualties? If Trump can't tell us that, we should tell him no way.

OtherWords columnist Jim Hightower is a radio commentator, writer, and public speaker.

Smith Investigation Followed Process

Multnomah County Chair Deborah Kafoury issued the following statement in response to press inquiries asking for comment on a rebuke letter she received from an esteemed group of local African American leaders charging a flawed and racially bias human resources investigation of County Commission Loretta Smith (Unwavering Support for Smith, June 21 Portland Observer issue.):

"Beginning in January, two current and former staff members made serious allegations that Commissioner Loretta Smith had misused county resources and bullied her staff.

Under our rules, the county has a process to thoroughly investigate personnel complaints. We followed that process. As the Multnomah County Chair and Chief Executive Officer, I have an obligation to all employees to maintain a respectful, professional and harassment-free workplace.

Commissioner Smith herself publically asked that the county investigate these allegations.

We were extremely careful with how we proceeded. The county contracted with an independent third-party investigator specializing in employment law. The county also hired an attorney to represent Commissioner Smith in these matters. Finally, Commissioner Smith received an advance copy of the investigator's final report and she had the opportunity to respond.

In light of what is happening in our country right now, we at Multnomah County take issues of race, gender and religion extremely seriously and strive to ensure that our workplace is free of discrimination. My duty is to ensure that process is followed, regardless of whether those involved are an elected official or line staff.

This isn't about the Commissioner's race, it's about ensuring Multnomah County has a professional and respectful workplace for everyone."

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OPINION

A President Not Interested in the Details

Just wants to undo what Obama did

BY JILL RICHARDSON

There's a lot to say about Trump reversing some of the Obama administration's policies on Cuba. The White House recently announced it was banning individual travel to the island and further restricting what business Americans can do there.

Yes, there's a lot to say, but I wonder if there's any point in saying it. After all, most Americans want to relax the embargo on Cuba. Even most Republicans disagree with Trump on Cuba, polls show.

That requires a bit of explanation. America has a longstanding embargo on Cuba, preventing the U.S. from selling much of anything there. The policy traces back to the Cold War. The economic harm to the island resulting from the policy is obvious when one sets foot in Cuba.

When I visited in 2010, life had gotten better for Cubans since the hardest times in the early 1990s. Still, life was difficult. Meat was a luxury for Cubans. Milk was only rationed to young children. I bought a handmade dress for $15, a handsome sum to a Cuban but a pittance to me.

Obama didn't end the embargo. It's still in place.

> *But more than that, Trump wants us to believe that Obama made America a "mess." To show us what a great president he is, Trump wants us to believe that everything was awful before him — so bad that it required Trump to make it "great" again, by undoing obvious boons like Obama's mild Cuba reforms.*

What Obama overturned were other Cold War-era measures. He restored diplomatic relations with Cuba and relaxed a travel ban on U.S. citizens visiting the island.

The only way I was able to visit Cuba in 2010 was with a special government permit, and by going for business instead of pleasure. The U.S. government also limited how much I could spend there. And, of course, I couldn't bring any Cuban rum or cigars home.

I've traveled all over on five different continents. In college, I spent an entire summer in China, a Communist country with a bad human rights record — quite a bit worse than Cuba's, arguably — that the U.S. is on perfectly good terms with, thank you very much.

Yet I've never been hassled, searched, and investigated as much upon my return home as I was when I came back from Cuba.

On the way out, I had to first fly to Cancun and then board a second flight the next day to Cuba. On my return, I was questioned, searched, and scolded until I nearly missed my connecting flight.

The hypocrisy was jarring. Why is the U.S. on good terms with China but not Cuba?

After Obama relaxed America's anti-Cuba policies, you could literally fly Southwest to Havana.

I think the best comment on Trump's policies came in the form of a satirical "news" article: "President Trump Orders the Execution of Five Turkeys Pardoned by Obama." No, not really. It's a joke. But it exposes the motives and sentiments behind many of Trump's actions.

In part, Trump is probably working to secure the hard liner Cuban vote in Florida by undoing Obama's Cuba policies.

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If Obama did it, it's bad. Therefore Trump will do the opposite. Yet he has no interest in understanding complex issues that cannot be solved easily. Health care, ISIS, and North Korea come to mind — and now Cuba, too.

To Trump, trying to understand the complex background of America's relationship with Cuba is superfluous, since Trump himself doesn't understand it. Yet he's hurting both Americans and Cubans in the process.

OtherWords columnist Jill Richardson is the author of Recipe for America: Why Our Food System Is Broken and What We Can Do to Fix It.

The Unfinished Struggle for Equality for All

Where do we go from here

BY MARC H. MORIAL

As he prepared to step down as president and chief executive officer of the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, it is likely Wade Henderson pondered the same question that Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., did 50 years earlier as he sat alone in a secluded rental house in Ocho Rios, Jamaica – the question that would become the title of his final book: Where do we go from here.

Both men are part of the long, unfinished narrative of our nation's struggle for equality for all its citizens. And at critical points in our history, both reached a period in their work as activists and advocates that called for contemplation of the future of our country and its continuing fight for civil and human rights.

In his book, Dr. King reflected on economic and social reform that would benefit all Americans, and specifically looked at the state of racial equality for African Americans at the very infancy of the civil rights movement following the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act of 1965. He also reflected on black nationalism, which appeared to be the next phase in the struggle of African Americans to attain basic civil rights—considering the effectiveness of the ideology, its tactics, and its ability to shape, mark and transform the movement for civil rights.

> *Today, while progress has been made, we find ourselves fighting for much of what Dr. King fought during his time, and we face the rollback of many hard-fought-for reforms and legislation, but to his credit, Henderson built a well-earned legacy and simultaneously forged a path for the Leadership Conference and the next generation of advocates to lead and succeed.*

At the age of 15, Henderson attended the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom where Dr. King famously delivered his "I Have a Dream Speech." Fortunately, Henderson's passion for social justice did not stay on the mall of the Lincoln Memorial. Before taking the helm of the Leadership Conference for nearly 21 years, Henderson was the Washington Bureau director of the NAACP, directing the civil rights organization's government affairs and national legislative program and he worked as the associate director of the Washington office of the ACLU.

Under his direction, Henderson grew the Leadership Conference's number of member organizations from 170 to 200, including its first Muslim and Sikh civil rights groups, and he led the coalition through the passage of every major civil rights law in the past 20 years, including reauthorizing the Voting Rights Act, the Lilly Ledbetter Fair Pay Act and the Fair Sentencing Act.

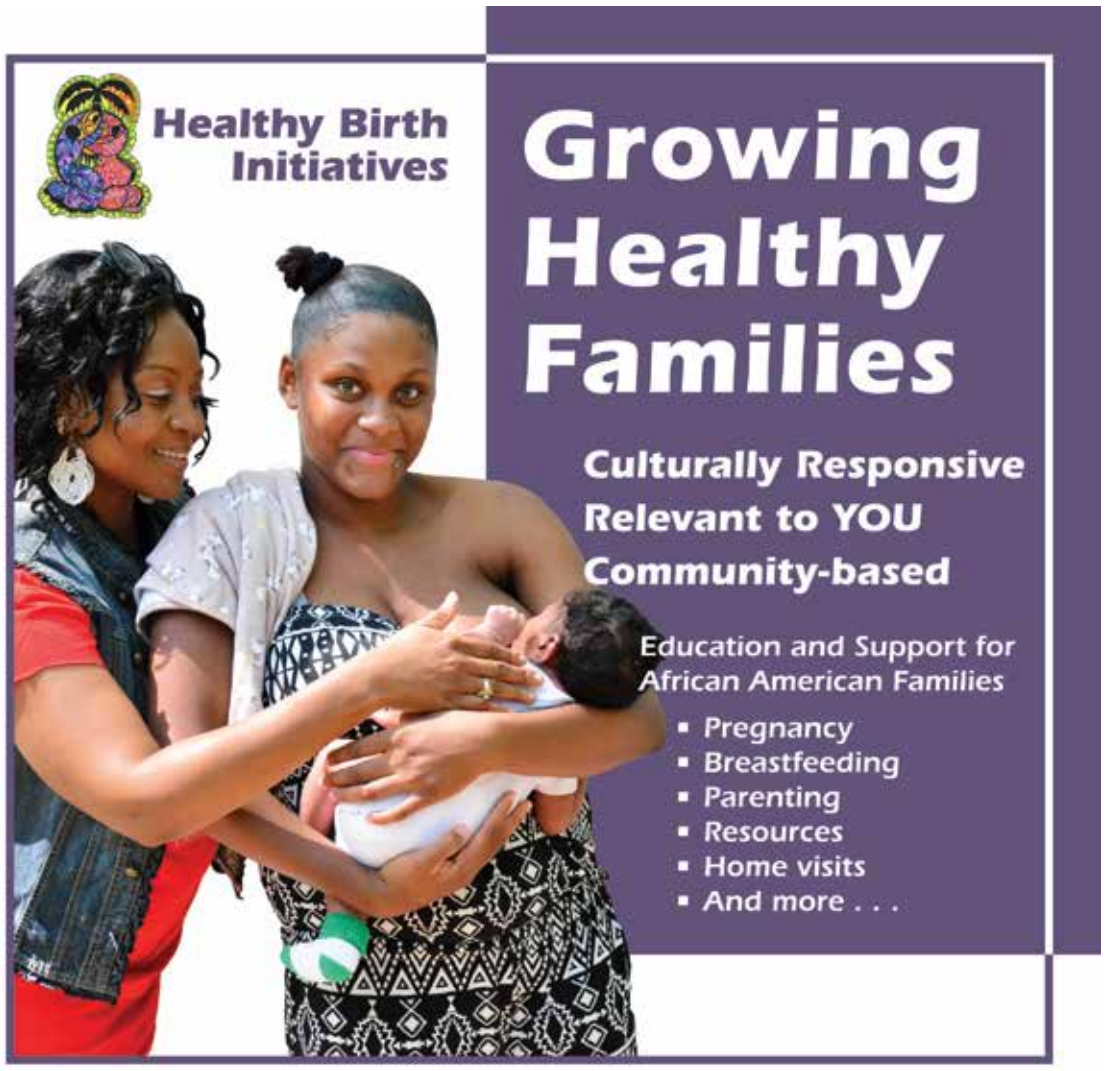
And like Dr. King, Henderson recognized that a "generational change" was taking hold in the civil and human rights movement, including the rise of Black Lives Matter and newer forms of activism. Rather than resist that change, Henderson embraced this newest phase, deciding that his work at with the coalition had reached its highest level and concluded that, "it's at that point that I think it is best to step aside and to promote constructive change."

Today, while progress has been made, we find ourselves fighting for much of what Dr. King fought during his time, and we face the rollback of many hard-fought-for reforms and legislation, but to his credit, Henderson built a well-earned legacy and simultaneously forged a path for the Leadership Conference and the next generation of advocates to lead and succeed.

The coalition will now be directed by Vanita Gupta, the first woman and first child of immigrants to head the organization. A long-time civil rights litigator and former head of the Obama administration's Justice Department's Civil Rights Division, Gupta is confident in her belief that, "this organization is perfectly situated to address the current assault on civil rights that we are seeing today."

As a member of the Leadership Conference, the National Urban League firmly believes the coalition has been entrusted to capable and intelligent hands and we look forward to standing shoulder-to-shoulder with the Leadership Conference on the frontlines as we all work together to protect our progress.

Marc H. Morial is president and chief executive officer of the National Urban League.



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Independence Day at Fort Vancouver lights up the skies over the Columbia River.

All About the Fireworks

Fort Vancouver plans spectacular show

It will be all about the fireworks when people gather on Tuesday, July 4th to celebrate Independence Day at Fort Vancouver.

In the past, this was a full-day event but this year you're encouraged to come for the evening, claim your spot on the lawn, and enjoy a variety of vendors and live music starting at 6 p.m. in anticipation of a spectacular fireworks show at 10 p.m.

"After conducting an assessment of the event's structure and costs, and reviewing feedback from participant surveys, the Trust recognized that the fireworks show is the element most valued by the community. We're focusing on that - giving our audience what they most want," said Mike True, Vancouver National Trust president and chief executive officer.

"The Trust is committed to a tradition that began more than 50 years ago by staging one of the region's largest and most memorable fireworks displays," said True.

The fireworks launch up to 500 feet high, cover a radius of 500 feet wide, and feature unique special effects. The 2017 display will once again be staged from Pearson Air Field in Vancouver and synchronized to music.

Independence Day at Fort Vancouver is free, but a suggested donation of $5 will be collected at the gates from those who wish to contribute to the cost of the show. There will be a ticketed prime viewing area where attendees can also enjoy a 4th of July picnic dinner buffet. The prime viewing tickets are $50 for adults and $25 for those under 18, and free for 5 and under.

Getting to the event is convenient with help from C-Tran. Hop on one of C-Tran's FREE shuttles running every 15 minutes from the north side of the Vancouver Mall to the fireworks display between 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Return service will be available immediately following the fireworks show.

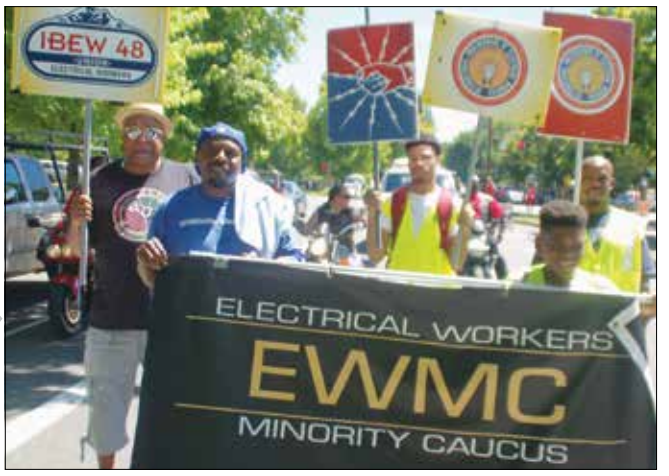
Good in the Neighborhood

25th annual event brings community unity

A large contingency march under the Portland Observer banner at Saturday's Good in the Hood parade.

Portland Fire and Rescue personnel bring a message of love.

Lucy Mashia joins family and friends at Good in the Neighborhood to draw attention to unsolved cold cases, including the murder of her son L.J. Irving Jr. in 2011.



Electrical workers from IBEW Local 48 promote diversity in the trades.

Community leaders Tony Hopson, Ron Herndon and Jerry Lawrence show their support for Good in the Hood. The 25th annual event was under tight security over the weekend after threats of racist violence, but thankfully none materialized.

Legacy Health brings friends, employees and families together for Good in the Hood.

Multnomah County Commissioner Loretta Smith (center) greets Good in the Hood Parade participants Ariana Jenkins (from left), Alayah Ta, Jayden Ta and Kayden Taylor.

Urban League of Portland officials connect with parade onlookers on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

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PDX Jazz Presents -- PDX Jazz closes out the month with The Legendary Murray/El'Zabar Duo on Thursday, June 29 at The Old Church. The multi-reedist David Murray and drummer/percussionist Kahil El'Zabar have been at the forefront of innovative musical exploration and creative diversity for over four decades. Tickets are $25 in advance.

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 Friday, June 30 at Catfish Lou's; Saturday, July 1 at Buddies Sports Bar in Aloha; Sunday, July 2 at Confluence Winery in Ridgefield; Monday, July 3 at 1 p.m. at the Waterfront Blues Festival; and Wednesday, July 5 at 6:30 p.m. at Sherwood Music on the Green.

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.

Superhero Run/Walk -- Runners, walkers, villains and superheroes will channel their inner batman or wonder woman and unite on Saturday, July 8 at Cook Park in Tigard for the 5th Annual Superhero 5K run/walk to benefit Candlelighters For Children With Cancer. The 5k kicks off at 8:30 a.m. with a 1 mile "Superhero in Training" kid's run at 9:30 a.m.

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.

Christone "Kingfish" Ingram, a young Mississippi bluesman and powerhouse guitar player will be making his third visit to the Safeway Waterfront Blues Festival, highlighting a 4th of July weekend festival for the Oregon Food Bank that will run five days and feature 120 blues acts on four stages.

Bluesman Chubby Carrier mixes traditional accordion music and washboard sounds with dashes of '70s funk and the spices of classic R&B for swampy twists on classic songs. Carrier and his Bayou Swamp Band will be the house band for the Safeway Waterfront Blues Festival's Cajun-Zydeco dances on the festival's Front Porch Stage.

Ready for Waterfront Blues

30th annual event jams July 4th weekend

Thousand of blues fans will do their part to fight hunger in Oregon and southwest Washington over the long July 4th holiday weekend at the annual Safeway Waterfront Blues Festival, a major fundraiser for the Oregon Food Bank.

Blues legends, up-and-comers and local acts will highlight a five day festival that will feature 120 blues acts on four stages, beginning Friday, June 30 at Waterfront Park, downtown, and continuing through Tuesday, July 4.

One of the festival's headliners includes the return of the young Mississippi bluesman Christone "Kingfish" Ingram, who will be celebrating not only the festival's 30th anniversary, but also his own recent graduation from high school!

This will be Christone's third visit to Waterfront. His first outing proved one of the most stunning debuts ever seen at the festival, as the young guitar shredder all but stole the show on a lineup that included such legends as Gregg Allman and Buddy Guy.

Hubby Carrier and the Bayou Swamp Band return as unofficial host and house band for the Cajun-Zydeco dances on the festival's Front Porch Stage. Carrier mixes the traditional accordion and washboard boogie of the Cajun prairie with dashes of '70s funk, spices of classic R&B, to create refreshing, swampy twists on classic songs as only authentic Louisiana ambassadors can do.

Other headliners include Big Head Todd Blues Club, Chris Isaak, Joss Stone, Galactic, Elvin Bishop, Fantastic Negrito, Canned Heat, JD McPherson, Bokante, Pine Leaf Boys, MarchFourth, Pimps of Joytime, Booker T Stax Revue, Cedric Burnside Project and Sonny Landreth.

Additional acts include Southern Avenue, Greyhounds, The Revelers, Blynd, Jontavious Willis, Brother Yusef, Dirty Bourbon River Show, Donna Angelle, Dustbowl Revival, Eric Gales, The Suffers, Chris Cain, Monkey Junk and Sons of the Soul Revivers.

"Five days, four stages and more than 150 eclectic performances. For just $10 a day Waterfront Blues Festival is the concert deal of the summer," said Waterfront Blues Artistic Director Peter Dammann. "But it's much more than that. For three decades this event has supported Oregon

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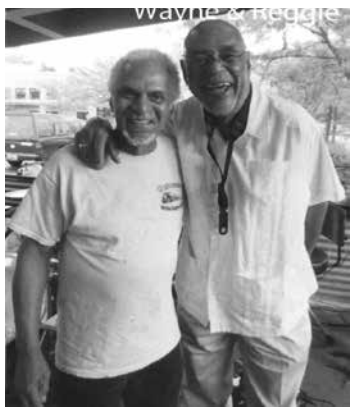

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Rapper Best New Artist

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One of his biggest fans, former First Lady Michelle Obama, delivered a taped message for the rapper, saying he was an "outstanding role model" who shined his big light on young people in the community.

Solange, who had one of the last year's most critically acclaimed albums with "A Seat at the Table," won the Centric award. Hip-hop trio Migos, won best group.

Chance the Rapper accepts the award for best new artist at the BET Awards Sunday in Los Angeles. (AP photo)

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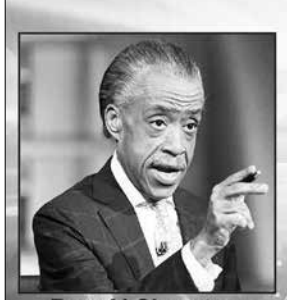

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Obituary

Teacher and School Leader Remembered

Lurene Patrah Campbell, a retired educator and school administrator, is being remembered after she passed away on May 8, 2017.

She was a native of Texas and graduated from Macedonia High School in Texarkana, Texas as valedictorian for the Class of 1963. She earned a Bachelor of Science in Education from Huston–Tillotson University in Austin, Texas. She also received many certifications and a Master of Science in Education from Oregon State University. She was a member of the Delta Theta Sigma Sorority.

Lurene Patrah Campbell

She began working for Portland Public Schools as a biology teacher in 1968 and taught at Marshall and Jackson High schools from 1968 to 1985. In 1986, she worked in the Director of Instruction Office as a science resource teacher for the Franklin-Marshall Cluster.

During the years of 1987- 1991, she held several different administrative and teaching positions within the school district.

She was part of the staff involved when the Portland schools carried out Desegregation Implementation Plans. She worked in the school district's public information and communications office and was coordinator of cultural diversity reports for state and federal compliance. She retired from Portland Public Schools in 2006, but remained active in the community.

She was a long time and active member of New Hope Missionary Baptist Church, serving in a variety of positions. Later she supported the Northwest Voices for Christ Ministries and served as a minister and spiritual counselor.

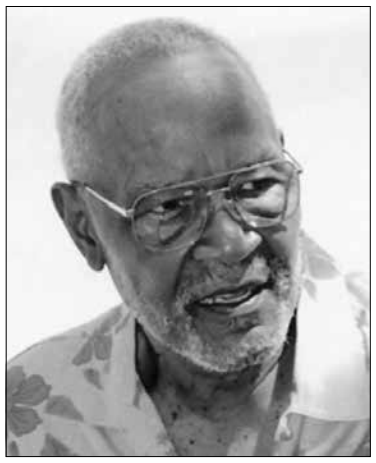
She was loved by so many people and will be dearly missed.

In Loving Memory

Family and friends are mourning Osborne Dewitt "O.D." Richardson, a long time Portland resident who died June 18, 2017. He was born July 25, 1928.

A veteran of the Korean Conflict, he had just a 10th grade education but earned an honorary diploma from Jefferson High School after working for the Portland School District for 29 years.

He was just the third African American custodian ever hired by Portland Public Schools and the first to receive the position of head custodian of a high school in the 111 year history of the school district.



'O.D.' Richardson

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"We are truly humbled to mark 30 years of support from the blues community to feed the human spirit of the 1 in 5 people facing hunger in our state. Since 1988, this iconic festival has raised more than $10 million and 1,000 tons of food for hunger relief. This is an achievement we are extremely proud of -- and an achievement that is unprecedented in the concert festival business, said Oregon Food Bank chief executive officer Susannah Morgan.

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9 World Egg Day *Donald Duck born, 1934*	10 *Maurice Sendak born, 1928* National Yo-Yo Day	11 Race Unity Day *E.T. Movie Premiered, 1982* *Robert Munsch born, 1945*	12 *Anne Frank born, 1929* *The Baseball was Invented In 1839* Magic Day	13 *Mary Kate and Ashley Olsen born, 1986*	14 National Flag Day (U.S.) 'Pop Goes the Weasel' Day	15 Fly a Kite Day Power of a Smile Day, *established by I. Fischer Jr., 1834*
16 National Fudge Day	17 World Juggler's Day Eat Your Vegetables Day	18 **Father's Day** International Picnic Day	19 *Garfield Debuted in 1978* **Juneteenth**	20 American Eagle Day Ice Cream Soda Day	21 First Day of Summer	22 *US Department of Justice Established in 1870*
23 *Theodore Taylor born, 1922* *Typewriter Patented In 1868*	24 Kathryn Lasky born, 1944 U.F.O. Day; *first documented UFO sighting on this day*	25 Eid al-Fitr, Muslim Holiday LEON Day *(NOEL spelled backwards--six months til xmas)*	26 *Bicycle Patented In 1819* *Toothbrush Invented In 1498*	27 *Helen Keller Born in 1880* *Melody for Happy Birthday Song Written, 1859*	28 Paul Bunyan Day	29 *First iPhone released, 2007* Camera Day
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