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Gresham High School teacher Julie Rowell (left) reacts to hearing the news she won 'the Oscars for teaching,' a highly esteemed education award from the Milken Family Foundation. On Rowell's right is Amari Thomas, the school's attendance liaison.

## An 'Oscar' for Teaching

### Educator removes barriers to expand opportunity

Nothing is more important to Julie Rowell than removing barriers and expanding opportunities for students in the Gresham-Barlow School District and

specifically at Gresham High School. Rowell's English Language Learner classes engage students who typically have only two to three years of English, propelling them to achieve in the classroom and in life.

In celebration, Rowell has earned a prestigious award for teaching and an unrestricted \$25,000 cash prize from the Milken Family Foundation, the organi-

zation's only winner from Oregon this year and among just 40 teachers they recognized nationwide, receiving the honor last week in a surprise assembly at Gresham High School.

Rowell's students regularly advance more than a year per grade. As a fluent Spanish speaker and dedicated bilingualist she goes the extra mile for struggling students, inspiring learners with her high

expectations and aspirational messages of inclusiveness.

"A teacher like Julie Rowell knows how to really connect with students and make an extraordinary impact," said Greg Gallagher, senior program director for Milken. "Her dedication, commitment and creative approach exemplify

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**Homeless Right to Sleep**  
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else to sleep at night.

**'The Rock' Invests in Portland's Salt & Straw**

Salt & Straw, a favorite in Portland's ice cream scene, is getting new financial backing from wrestler turned entertainment titan Dwayne "the Rock" Johnson. A longtime fan of the business, Johnson recently became an investor in the Portland-based ice creamery.



**Vigil for Murdered Man**

A vigil was held Thursday at Northeast Fremont and Garfield Avenue to remember Quincy Gill, 39, a man who was killed in a shooting in the vicinity one day earlier. Friends and family members asked anyone with information that could help track down who was responsible to contact authorities.

**Guilty in Shooting Mom, Son**

A Multnomah County judge Monday found one of three black defendants guilty of attempting to murder a sleeping 9-year-old boy and his mother in their Gresham apartment in 2017. Prosecutors say Cherie Thompson and her son

were byproducts of gang rivalries.

**Teen Charged in Beach Murder**

A teenager was charged with murder and two others were indicted for riot and assault by a Multnomah County Grand Jury last week for the June 12 shooting death of Samuel Fast Buffalo Horse, 27, at Broughton Beach at Northeast 47th and Marine Drive.

**Sex Abuse at Catlin Gabel**

At least nine former teachers and other staffers at Catlin Gabel, a private school in southeast Portland, sexually abused, groped or had sex with students in the last four decades, according to an investigation commissioned by the school's board of trustees and announced in a letter last week apologizing to alumni and parents.

**Sinclair Axes Commentaries**

Sinclair Broadcast Group announced last week it was axing 'the must run' commentaries by the network's chief political analyst and a former assistant to President Trump. Boris Epshteyn's commentary, which ran across all 193 Sinclair stations, including Portland's KATU Channel 2, had been widely criticized as far right leaning.

**Vancouver Vaping Case**

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# LOCAL NEWS



PORTLAND HOMELESS FAMILY SOLUTIONS/CHRISTOPHER DIBBLE PHOTOGRAPHY

An old church near Southeast 92nd and Woodstock is converted into a permanent shelter for 25 homeless families with children thanks to Portland Homeless Family Solutions, a nonprofit supported by the community.

## Home for Good

### Portland Family Village Campus opens in Lents

A Portland nonprofit is celebrating the opening of its new Family Village Campus in southeast Portland to provide shelter for 25 homeless families with children.

Portland Homeless Family Solutions held an open house over the weekend to introduce the shelter to the community, located at 6220 S.E. 92nd Ave. in the Lents Neighborhood.

It's the first shelter in Oregon featuring trauma-informed design and architecture, eliminating open cots, for example, for the comforts of home – private sleeping spaces, food, showers, laundry,

computers and clothing.

Homeless Family Solutions says it relies on a team of over 800 volunteers to help provide supportive, compassionate services. According to its website, \$5.3 million was raised to make the shelter a reality.

Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler was there for the opening ceremony on Monday and praised all the community partners who made it possible.

"There's something unique about this community that drives us together to protect the most vulnerable people in our community, and that is homeless families who have small children," Wheeler said.

For more information about the shelter and Portland Homeless Family Solutions, visit [pdxhfs.org](http://pdxhfs.org) or call 503-915-8306.



A local nonprofit serving the African American community is offering 20 new homes at affordable prices for qualified low and middle income buyers. The homes range from 1,200 to 1,453 square feet and feature three bedrooms and storage space.

## Nonprofit Discounts 20 New Homes New construction priced below market rate

BY BEVERLY CORBELL  
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

A Portland nonprofit founded in 2014 by leadership in

Portland's African American community to help improve the quality of life for low-income urban families, is living up to

its promise. The National Urban Housing & Economic Commu-

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# Street Banners Honor History, Culture

## New public art project introduced

A new temporary public art project by two noted black artists has been installed along the median strip on Northeast Holladay Street in the vicinity of the Oregon Convention Center and the new Hyatt Hotel between Martin Luther King Junior Boulevard and the Rose Quarter.

As part of a new series called In—Between, the Regional Arts & Culture Council invited Portland-based artist Intisar Abioto and Brooklyn-based artist Hank Willis Thomas to create 10 banners, each 10 feet tall, featuring the artists' words and images. The banners will appear through May 31.

Funding comes from the city's Percent-for-Art ordinance, which sets aside two



PHOTO BY GRAPHIC PRINT SOLUTIONS

New street banners by artists Intisar Abioto and Hank Willis Thomas are on display along Northeast Holladay Street in the vicinity of the Oregon Convention Center and new Hyatt Hotel, between Martin Luther King Junior Boulevard and the Rose Quarter.

percent of the construction costs for Prosper Portland's new parking garage to create public art.

"Art teaches us about ourselves and our community, and we are proud to play a role in honoring the history and culture of the neighborhood through this work," said Kimberly Brannam, executive director of Prosper Portland, the city's economic development agency.

The pilot exhibition features both internationally acclaimed multi-disciplinary artist Hank William Thomas, whose first major retrospective of his work is currently on view at the Portland Art Museum through Jan. 12, and Portland-based artist and storyteller Intisar Abioto, a Memphis native who moved to Portland nine years ago with her mother and sisters, and has since gained recognition for her photography and her blog, The Black Portlanders.

## An 'Oscar' for Teaching

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the inspirational leadership we seek."

Oregon Department of Edu-

cation Director Colt Gill credits Rowell for being at the forefront of strengthening cultural diversity and language learning in Oregon. She shares videos of her



Julie Rowell

teaching methods with interested colleagues and utilizes video collaboration and other tools to increase student engagement.

Gresham Superintendent Dr. A. Katrise Perera calls her a stand-out educator who uses highly engaging instructional strategies to ensure English Language Learners achieve at high levels.

"Her willingness to share her expertise with colleagues has had a dramatic impact on our students," Perera said.

The Milken Educator Awards has been hailed by Teacher magazine as the "Oscars of Teaching" to promote research showing teacher quality is the driving in-school factor behind student growth and achievement.

The foundation not only aims to reward great teachers, but to celebrate, elevate and "activate those innovators in the classroom who are guiding America's next generation of leaders," believing that "The future belongs to the educated."



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# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

## Union Gospel Christmas Meals

Union Gospel Mission, downtown, will be providing 500 meals on Christmas Day, Wednesday, Dec. 25 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The event is free and open to anyone in need and draws more than 130 volunteers who set up, prepare and serve the meal.

The menu includes ham, Au Gratin potatoes, candied yams, green beans, hot dinner rolls with butter, fruit salad, pie, hot coffee and apple cider. Guests also receive a gift bag to include a hat, gloves and hand warmers.

“We want our guests to feel cared for, respected and loved on this special day,” says Lori Quinney, food service director.

Donations of coffee and pre-baked packaged pies are still needed and may be dropped off at the mission, located at 3 N.W. Third Ave. Financial donations may be made online at [ugmportland.org](http://ugmportland.org) or mailed.



## Potluck in the Park Christmas

Potluck in the Park will, once again, be serving its annual free Christmas Dinner to anyone in need and anyone without family or friends to share the holiday meal in partnership with the Portland Art Museum.

The 26th annual dinner will be served from noon to 3 p.m. on Christmas Day, Wednesday, Dec. 25 in the Art Museum’s Fred and Suzanne Fields Ballroom. The holiday meal will include a turkey dinner with all the trimmings, gifts, photos with Santa and live entertainment by some of Portland’s best jazz artists. Pet food and kennels are available during the event. Guests can also make free phone calls to loved ones. Guest Transportation is available for the mobility impaired by calling 503-255-7611.

Potluck in the Park regularly serves a free meal to anyone in need at 3 p.m. every Sunday of the year, rain or shine in downtown Portland.

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*Pies are lined up for a special Christmas dinner organized by the community group Potluck in the Park in partnership with the Portland Art Museum.*

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# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT

## Winter Soul Festival Saturday

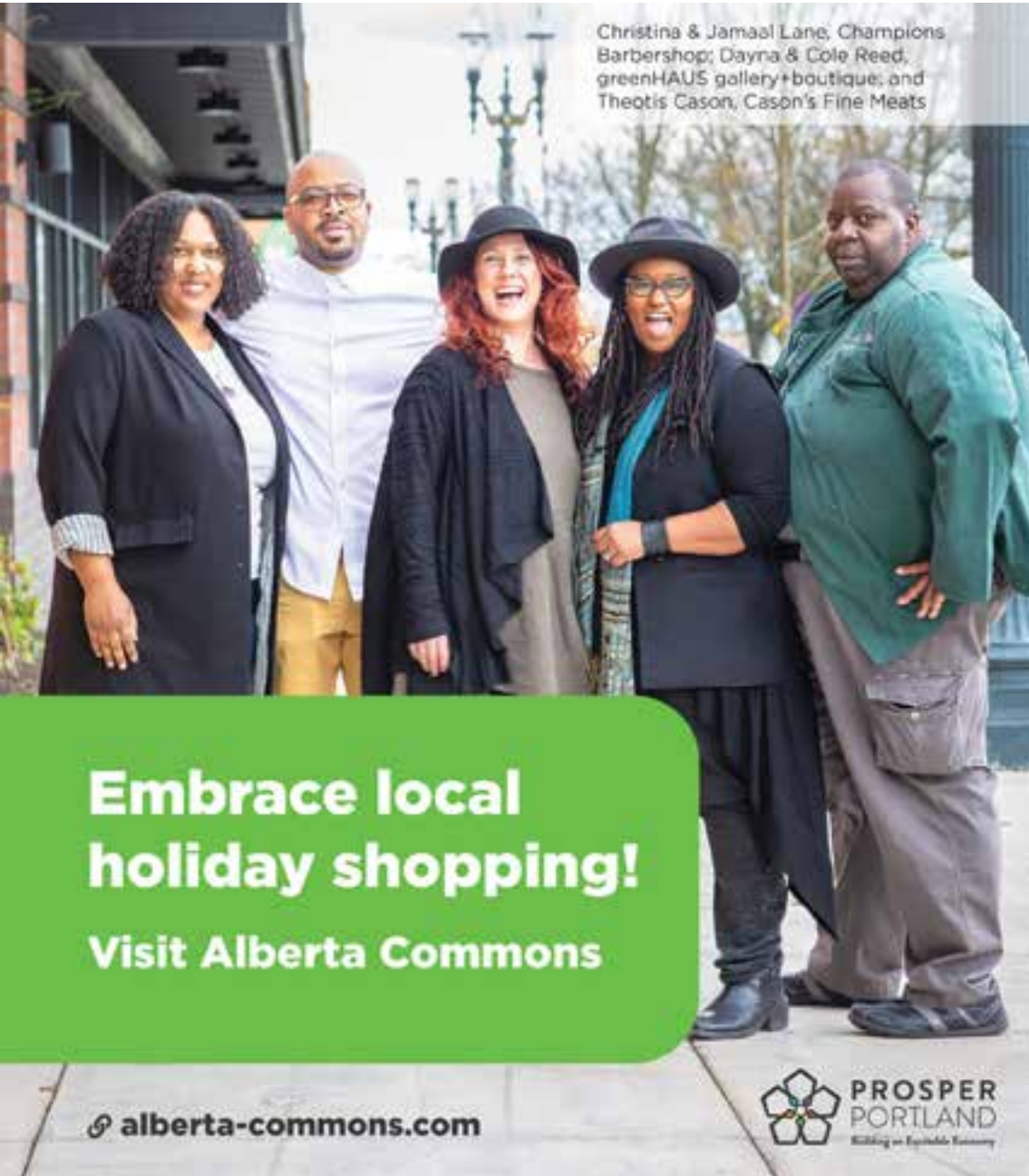


Four of Portland's best soulful acts will front the Winter Soul Festival at Alberta Abby, 126 N.E. Alberta St., on Saturday, Dec. 21 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.

The annual event will feature live gospel, hip hop, holiday videos and comedy skits, headlined by Tamara Monique Walker, aka FIYA, meaning Faith Is Your Answer, and the Hidden Jewels Choir; I Am Jordan, a singer who grew up in a household of Gospel and soul, and Arietta "Mz. Etta" Ward, the eldest daughter of Portland's late, legendary soul singer Janice Scroggins who has followed her mother's path in music and has a soon to be released solo album.

Tickets are \$15 to \$25 at eventbrite.com or the box office. A free shuttle can get you to the concert by calling 503-863-4383.

PHOTO FROM MZETTASWORLD.COM  
 Arietta 'Etta' Ward, the eldest daughter of Portland's late, legendary singer Janice Scroggins, has followed her mother's path in music and has a soon-to-be-released debut solo album. She will perform in a lineup of top Portland Gospel and hip hop acts for the Winter Soul Festival at Alberta Abby on Saturday, Dec. 21.



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Ural Thomas

## Ural Thomas 80th Birthday Party

### Historic concert to honor Portland music legend

Ural Thomas, a pillar of Portland soul and the acclaimed R&B funkmaster who has shared stages with the likes of Otis Redding and James Brown, is celebrating his 80th birthday with a special concert on Saturday, Dec. 21 at Revolution Hall, the former Washington High School in southeast Portland.

Presented by the Albina Music Trust and Cookie Parker, and produced by Portland's World Arts Foundation, the historic birthday party production will feature Thomas and his current group, Ural Thomas & the Pain; singer, songwriter and producer Nick Wa-

terhouse; rapper Covi; and comedian Adam Pasi.

Paul Knauls Sr. and Calvin Walker will serve as masters of ceremonies. Knauls once ran Portland's definitive soul music revue, the Cotton Club. He played an integral role in Thomas' early career and now, over 50 years later, their friendship and shared history endure. In the late 1960s, Walker was one of Ural Thomas' many soul music pupils at Thomas' House of Entertainment.

Tickets for the all-ages 8 p.m. show are \$20 in advance and \$25 at the door. Visit revolutionhall.com or the venue box office.



# Arts & ENTERTAINMENT



## Winter Wonderland Light Show

Portland International Raceway in north Portland is transformed each night into a Winter Wonderland light show for the holidays through Jan. 4. The annual drive-thru is a fundraiser for the Sunshine Division's food and clothing assistance programs. This year there are more LED lights, new light displays and a refurbishment of classic displays. Discount tickets at area Albertsons and Safeway stores or visit [winterwonderlandportland.com](http://winterwonderlandportland.com).

## Youth Philharmonic Christmas

PHOTO BY BEV STANDISH

On Thursday, Dec. 26, the day after Christmas, the Portland Youth Philharmonic will present their annual Concert-at-Christmas: Dance Party at 7:30 p.m. at the Arlene Schnitzer. You'll be astonished. The popular, high-quality and uplifting event showcases the orchestra's entire roster of nearly 300 young musicians as they perform classical favorites and other works. Tickets start at \$10 and are available at [portlandyouthphil.com](http://portlandyouthphil.com) or at the door.



## Matilda Sparks a Revolt

Matilda revels in the anarchy of childhood, the power of imagination and a girl who won't let being 'little' stop her from putting an unjust world right. 'Matilda the Musical' is now showing through Jan. 5 on the NW Children's Theater stage at 1819 N.W. Everett St. For tickets, call 503-222-2190 or visit [nwcts.org](http://nwcts.org).

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### 2019 Winter Soul Festival

Our NE Portland Community is in for a special treat. The winter soul festival is coming to the Alberta Abbey, on the corner of NE Alberta and Mallory. It is a showcase of four of the top currently performing gospel and soul artists in the Pacific NW. Come and enjoy this historic event.



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U.S. Air Force Tech. Sgt. Jennifer Myers lights a candle for Kwanzaa in this archive photo. The North Portland Library, 512 N. Killingsworth St., will host a community Kwanzaa celebration on Saturday, Dec. 28, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

# Community Kwanzaa Celebration

The North Portland Library, 512 N. Killingsworth St., invites the community to join them for a free Kwanzaa holiday celebration event for the whole family, featuring storytelling

with Javelin Hardy and candle lighting with Joyce Harris, on Saturday, Dec. 28 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All youth (0-18) will receive a free gift book. Light refreshments will be provided.

Kwanzaa, meaning “first fruits” is a week-long African American celebration. Each of the seven days is dedicated to one of the following principals: Umoja (unity), Kujich-

agulia (self-determination), Ujima (collective work and responsibility), Ujamaa (cooperative economics), Nia (purpose), Kuumba (creativity) and Imani (faith).



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Students from Portland area schools demand action on climate change during a Dec. 6 march in downtown Portland.

## Confronting the Impacts of Climate Change

### If we don't act now, then when?

BY ABBY SNETHEN

Portland had a major breakthrough in addressing climate change on Friday, Dec. 6 when student activists and local community members held a climate strike in downtown Portland to focus on frontline communities who are most in danger. Those hit first and worst by climate change, not just in Portland but all over the world, are sharing stories of how their homes could soon face total eradication.

Beautiful and powerful speeches were given during the Portland event thanks to the hundreds of students from Roosevelt, Lincoln

and other schools that filled the streets. Kaiya Young, a senior at Lincoln High School, presented a discourse on how to be an ally to the frontline communities. She expressed the importance of recognizing your privilege as an ally who doesn't face the direct impact of climate change. Yes, we will all at some point suffer from the devastating effects of climate change but frontline communities, like Pacific Islanders and indigenous groups, have been affected long before we declared this war against climate change.

Recognizing your privilege and being cognizant that feeling guilty of your privilege is a privilege in itself, is the first step to being an ally. The importance of uniting

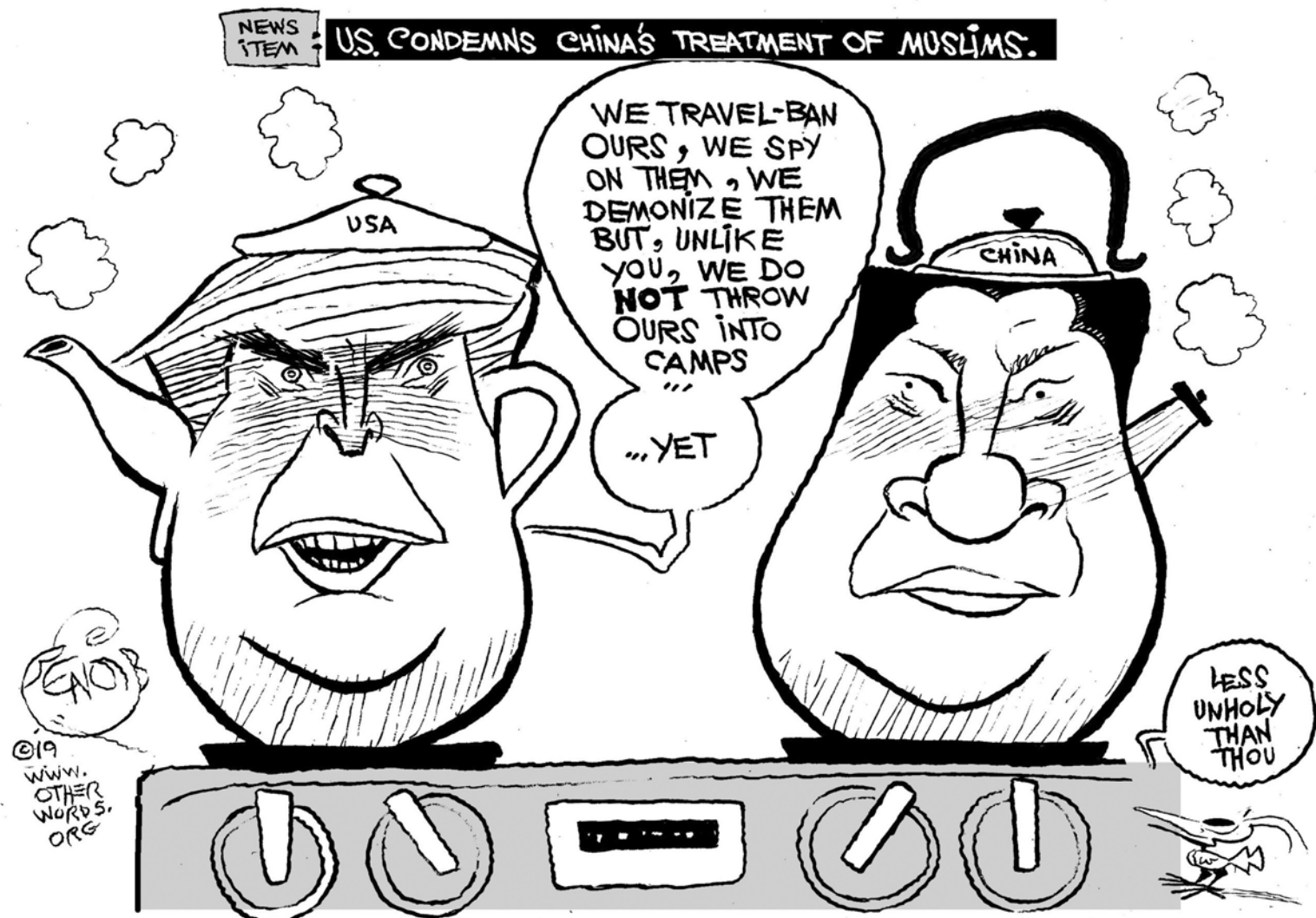
with our frontline communities was one of the main topics at the rally. Most feel that talking about our race, religion, gender or privilege will only divide us more, but the fact is that we are already divided. The scantiness of this topic does not solve this issue. The moment we come together, as allies and frontline communities, as one society, as one movement, is the moment we can make a difference. "We must listen to understand" said Kaiya, one of the students who spoke at the event.

I had the opportunity to go to a middle school before the strike and present a talk on how to be an ally and how to make a change. The last thing I said to the students was, "This is your future. You control

the outcome. The second you become optimistic about the future is when you can change the world."

Almost all of the students participating in the Portland rally and call for action wanted to make their presence known. This will not be the last time you hear from them nor will this be the last climate strike in Portland. There is power in numbers. Join the movement that will save my future. Ignorance is bliss but we no longer have time to blissfully turn the other cheek and ignore the Earth's cries for help. They say it is impossible to change what's to come, but with unity comes a possible future.

*Abby Snethen is a senior at Lincoln High School.*





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# Nonprofit Discounts 20 New Homes

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nity Development Corporation (NUHECDC) is offering 20 new homes for sale in east Portland at affordable prices.

Dalton Sheppard, assistant director of the nonprofit, said the homes, called Brunswick Commons, are “new, affordably priced and move-in ready.”

Located near Northeast 109th Avenue and East Burnside Street, Brunswick Commons homes come in four designs with open floor plans and various sizes, ranging from 1,200 to 1,453 square feet.

“These aren’t your typical affordable one-bedroom or studio cubby-holes,” Sheppard said. “They are family-sized condominiums with three bedrooms, two-and-a-half bathrooms, and plenty of storage space.”

The biggest hurdle to home ownership is coming up with a down payment, Sheppard said, so his group is working with the Portland Housing Center to offer \$20,000 Neighborhood Lift down payment assistance grants. An additional \$2,500 is available for teachers, veterans and emergency responders, he added.

People who qualify to buy a

Brunswick Commons home are also eligible for a 10-year property abatement, Sheppard said.

“This greatly reduces property tax to, say, \$600 instead of \$3,000,” he said.

In addition to improving lives by provided paths to affordable housing, the nonprofit provides programs for career skills training, living wage jobs, and small business development.

To learn more about the National Urban Housing & Economic Community Development agency and the homes at Brunswick Commons, log onto NUHECDC.org or call 503-477-7387.

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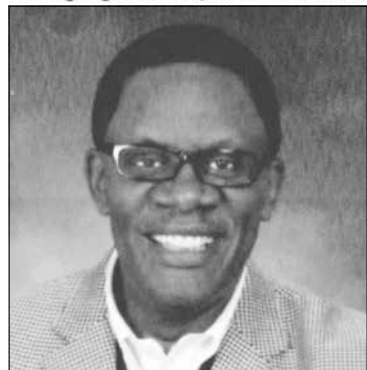
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**All Things Being Equal**

– A thought-provoking look at how art can shed light on how modern culture perpetuates discrimination, titled “All Things Being Equal” by African American artist Hank Willis Thomas, runs through Jan. 12 at the Portland Art Museum. Features more than 90 works, including sculptures based on archival photographs, quilts constructed from sports jerseys and prison uniforms, video installations, and more.

**Holiday Entertainment** – Portland Center Stage’s ‘Miss Bennet: Christmas at Pemberley,’ a light and funny holiday play now playing at the Armory through Dec. 29. The relatively new play builds on the old and familiar notes of a Regency romantic comedy, picking up where Jane Austen’s “Pride and Prejudice” leaves off.

**Viennese New Year** – Oregon Symphony Music Director Carlos Kalmar will be joined by guest dancers from the Oregon Ballet Theatre and symphony violinist Searmi Park to ring in the New Year one night early with a Monday, Dec. 30 concert featuring delightful Viennese waltzes and polkas.

**ZooLights** – The Oregon Zoo’s walk-through winter wonderland of more than 1.5 million colored lights is open for the holiday season and it’s bigger than ever. Enjoy the forests of lighted trees, life-size

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illuminated animal silhouettes and take rides on the light-bedecked zoo trains. For online tickets and more information, visit [oregonzoo.org/zoolights](http://oregonzoo.org/zoolights).

**Black Experience on Canvas** – Portland artist Arvie Smith, a renowned painter of the black experience, will showcase some of his new work in a solo exhibit ‘2 Up and 2 Back,’ now showing through Feb. 2 at the Disjecta Contemporary Arts Center, 8371 N. Interstate Ave.

**Fighting for the Right to Fight: African American Experiences in World War II** – On loan from the National WWII Museum through Jan. 12, The Oregon Historical Society, downtown, presents exhibit on the African American experience in World War II and in the Civil Rights era following the war.

**Shopping and Cultural Exchange** – Beaverton Night Market Bazaar, 4500 S.W. Watson Ave., a unique shopping destination held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 20-22, offers one-of-a-kind arts and craft merchandise from nearly 30 emerging small business owners representing cultures across the world are featured.

**Norman Sylvester Band – “Boogie Cat”**

Norman Sylvester and his Band plays Saturday, Dec. 21 at 9 a.m. for the AFL-CIO holiday party at the Elsinore Theatre in Salem; Friday, Dec. 27 at Clyde’s; Saturday, Dec. 28 at the Vinyl Tap; and Tuesday, Dec. 31 at 7 p.m. for the New Year’s Eve party at Catfish Lou’s

**Zoo for All** – The Oregon Zoo has launched “Zoo for All,” a discount program that provides \$5 admission for low income individuals and families. Visitors may purchase up to six of the \$5 tickets by bringing a photo ID and documentation showing they participate in low income service, like the Oregon Trial Card, Medicaid, Section 8, Temporary Assistance for Needy Families, and Head Start.

**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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## African American Business Directory Commemoration



### In Loving Memory of Gloria Olive

Gloria Olive of the Portland-Vancouver area, a staunch supporter and advocate of the regional African American Business Directory for over 10 years with her husband John Olive, succumbed to cancer and passed on Nov. 18, 2019. Their union produced three sons, Absalom (40), Johntai(36) and Justin (33).

Both Gloria and John worked diligently to try to get African American business owners, non-profit organizations, churches, etc. to advertise in this annual directory. The directory is produced in conjunction with the Seattle chapter Black Dollar Day Taskforce organized by Dr. Jeffrey's and Lottie Cross.

You can commemorate Gloria by getting a listing/ad in the next African American Business Directory that will be coming out in 2020 by calling Lottie Cross at 206-271-0311. A four line listing is less than \$40 for the whole year, so don't delay and call today.

**Any questions, please contact John Olive at 503-358-9655**

Sincerely, thanks and God bless.

## Obituary

### In Loving Memory

**Samuel Dean**

**Sunrise: April 8, 1969**

**Sunset: Dec. 7, 2019**

Samuel David Dean was born April 8, 1969 and died Dec 7, 2019. He was a gentle giant, a man of few words whose presence spoke louder than words. He attended Holy Redeemer Elementary and graduated from Jefferson High School, where he won many track and field metals. He attended Central Oregon Community College in Bend and majored in psychology.

During school breaks, he would work at the family business, Doris' Café and after graduating he worked full time at Doris' for 20 years in many capacities: manager, cook and waiter, whatever was needed. After the restaurant closed in 2002, Sam continued to run the Doris' Café food carts at the Rose Garden and Memorial Coliseum during Blazers and Winterhawks games. He then began working as a courier at Federal Express where he remained for 18 years. Sam finally pursued his dream and started his own business Dean's Custom Tees. He worked with many corporations, fundraisers, sporting events and with multiple community members.

Sam also enjoyed his quiet time and would take long drives "just to clear his head." He once took a drive to Hermiston in eastern Oregon to get a single watermelon, "Just to clear his head." On Dec. 1, 2003 Sam became a founding member and then later became president of the Full Tilt Riders Motorcycle Club, "The Parent Chapter." His true passion was bowling. He rolled many perfect 300 games and won a ring for an 800 series from the USBC.

Little did Sam know 18 years ago Bug would introduce him to the love of his life, Pep, better known as Asia. Which is a name he kept calling her and it stuck. They shared a special relationship admired by so many, but to them it was the love they shared every day. Sam enjoyed traveling with Asia. They visited Jamaica, Mexico, and



the Bahamas. For his big 50th birthday this year they travelled to Cabo, and spent two weeks in Cambodia where he made a huge impact and where they made him feel like a celebrity (not because he was big and black, wink).

Sam leaves to celebrate his legacy, his mother, Rosie Dean of Portland; in-laws Sokphy and Bunthan Po, and Jeff and Penny Wickum; siblings Ronnie and Phyllis Dean, Keith and Shawn Dean, Kevin Fuller, Heath "Bug" Fuller, Jason Deanm Deshavian Deanm Dominique Dean, Sabrina Dean, Jamaal and Sokphair Winchester, Silong and Sokpha Chhun, Casey and Rosshell Neibert; godson Samuel Bidney, honorary granddaughter, Kennedi Armstrong; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and so many friends in Portland. Welcoming him to "Tha Uppa Room" is his father Harry Lee Dean, and a heavenly host of others.

Services will be held Thursday, Dec. 19 at 11 a.m. at Highland Christian Center, 7600 N.E. Glisan with viewing prior to service from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.; and a re-pass celebration following the service from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m., all at Highland. In addition, a celebration of life event for those 21 and older will be held Thursday, Dec. 19 at 7 p.m. at Club Vegas, 12424 S.E. Division. All are welcome to wear one of Dean's custom tees to celebrate his life.

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