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THE RESEGREGATION OF SEATTLE'S SCHOOLS
SEATTLE TIMES SPECIAL REPORT
 Racial imbalance isn't just due to housing patterns — it's also a result of where parents choose to send their kids.

One mom's quest to reverse the trend



STEVE RINGMAN/THE SEATTLE TIMES

Lisa Olszewski works with Kalia Davis at John Muir Elementary. When her daughter was still in preschool, Olszewski appointed herself “chief cheerleader” for Muir, one of 30 Seattle schools with minority populations far higher than the district average.

BY LINDA SHAW / Seattle Times education reporter

When Lisa Olszewski started thinking about a school for her daughter, she discovered that few families in her neighborhood thought much of John Muir Elementary, the nearest public school.

Many of them rejected Muir without having ever stepped foot inside, she said. When she asked them to explain why, “nobody really could.”

When she visited, she came away impressed. Students and teachers looked happily absorbed in learning. There was beautiful art on the wall, and students could choose from a variety of after-school activities.

The only thing Muir needed to attract more families from the more-affluent parts of Mount Baker, Olszewski decided, was someone to talk up its virtues. So while her daughter was still in preschool, she appointed herself Muir's chief cheerleader.

Muir is a two-story brick building not far from Franklin High. It is a member of Powerful Schools, an organization that aids seven South End schools with academic support and after-school programs. It has Spectrum classes for high-achieving students. Last year's fourth-grade scores on the Washington Assessment of Student Learning were above the district average in writing, about average in reading and below average in math.

If all the public-school students who

live within Muir's main attendance area went to the school, enrollment would be roughly 30 percent white, 30 percent Asian American and 30 percent black. But it's now about 60 percent black, 20 percent Asian American and 13 percent white.

Muir is one of the 30 schools in Seattle with nonwhite populations much higher than the district average. It's also one of the 26 schools that have resegregated since the school district quit the busing that had been designed to increase racial balance at some schools.

For many schools, the racial mix of students reflects the surrounding neighborhood, which leads many to say that Seattle schools are segregated because the city's neighborhoods are segregated.

Muir, however, is one of a number of examples that shows that the issue isn't always a matter of housing patterns. Parental choice can play a role, as well.

A lot of factors go into how parents choose schools: proximity, reputation, programs, test scores, after-school of-

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 A parent talks about finding a high-quality neighborhood school.

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 Check out interactive map
 Plus, search data by Seattle school

Tell us what you think
 Do you think it's important for public schools to be racially diverse?

Ask your questions
 Submit them in advance for a live Q&A at noon Wednesday with School Board member Harium Martin-Morris
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THIS WEEK IN THE SEATTLE TIMES

Yesterday: After busing stopped, racial imbalance returned
Tomorrow: Integration no longer a top priority for district

“In Session” crew puts Haq trial on national TV stage

HIGH-PROFILE CASE | The program that popularized live trial coverage revisits Seattle for the first time since the 2003 sentencing of the Green River killer.



THOMAS JAMES HURST / THE SEATTLE TIMES

As Haq jurors deliberate, truTV producer Grace Wong monitors e-mails and news via her laptop and cellphone.

BY NATALIE SINGER
 Seattle Times staff reporter

For six weeks they've been here every day. Starting at sunrise, leaving only to grab a soda or take a hurried bathroom break. Settling onto hard courtroom benches, they've heard every word of testimony and witnessed every objection and motion in Naveed Haq's trial.

They're not jurors. They're covering them.

They're allowed where local TV stations are not. The crew of television's “In Session,” previously known as Court TV, has seen more than the jury. And because of them, the rest of the country has a front-row seat at one of King County's most high-profile criminal cases in years.

As the jury deliberates the fate of Haq, accused of the 2006 shootings at the Jewish Federation of Greater Seattle, the people behind the “In Ses-

sion” program — a cameraman on his feet six hours a day, the producer and the “booker” of interviews often glued to their cellphones, the expertly coiled and legally savvy correspondent — wait to bring the end of the story to their fans.

It's one of the few times the phenomenon, which boasts the slogan “Not Reality. Actuality,” has broadcast a Seattle trial. It was most recently in Seattle to film the 2003 sentencing of Green River killer Gary L. Ridgway.

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WEB EXTRA
Haq trial updates
 The jury is expected to start its sixth day of deliberations today. For the latest developments, check seattletimes.com

Puerto Rico victory too late for Clinton

38 MORE DELEGATES WON'T CHANGE RACE

No swell of support from superdelegates

BY BETH FOUHY
 The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The race all but over, Hillary Rodham Clinton is determining how to end her historic candidacy with her dignity intact and future secure.

It's not an academic question, since rival Barack Obama is expected to secure enough delegates this week to claim the Democratic presidential nomination. The former first lady and New York senator is said to be considering a range of options, including dropping

out of the race and endorsing Obama, suspending her candidacy to be available in the outside chance he stumbles, or carrying her fight to the convention. Clinton picked up 38 delegates in winning Puerto Rico's primary by a sizable margin Sunday, but Obama gained 17 delegates there, pushing him closer to the 2,118 necessary to seize the nomination. Two more superdelegates also signed on for Obama.

The final two contests in their marathon primary — Please see > **CLINTON, A10**

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A quick look at today's news. For updates: seattletimes.com



Yves Saint Laurent: One of the 20th century's fashion legends died at age 71. > **A2**

Woodstock: A museum about the historic 1969 music festival opened in Bethel, N.Y. > **A2**

Close-up: Despite U.S. outrage, Baitullah Mehsud, the leader of the Pakistani Taliban, appears to operate with impunity. > **A3**

Inferno: Fire tore through a Universal

Studios lot, destroying sets and thousands of videos. > **A4**

Children's Day: Instead of celebrating, China's parents grieved for children lost in the earthquake. > **A8**

Surf's down: Seattle-area beachcombing fun is up during ultra-low tides. > **Local B1**

Campaign: Critics say Rep. Dave Reichert is abusing his free-mail privileges. > **Local B1**

Storm: Seattle nipped winless Houston 64-63 behind Swin Cash's 19 points. > **Sports D1**

UW rowing: The women's varsity four won an NCAA title. > **Sports D1**

Microsoft: Hewlett-Packard will boost Live Search. > **Business E1**

Opinion: The anti-war uprising is done playing nice, writes David Sirota. > **B5**

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