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Measure 26-179, a Portland proposal to levy bonds to build new housing and purchase and rehabilitate existing housing to maintain affordability, prevent displacement and allow residents to remain in their homes, draws support from representatives of Portland Community Reinvestment Initiatives, Inc., a housing provider headquartered at 6329 N.E. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Pictured (from left) are Travis Phillips, Aminah Williams, Linda Tellis-Kennedy, Suzanne Veaudry Casaus, Michael Fu, Justin Trubiani and Lisa Williams.

Voting Begins

Large ballot packed
with candidates, issues

BY CERVANTE POPE
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

A large ballot with elections to decide who will be Oregon's next governor, a Portland City Council position and several ballot measures ranging from a city tax on marijuana to taxing sales on large corporations to fund state services is now in the hands of voters.

Vote-by-mail ballots were delivered to registered voters in Portland and the rest of the state over the past few days and are due back by 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 8. The large amount of issues and positions facing the electorate shows there is a lot competing for your attention against the contentious presidential election consuming much of the news.

Two candidates who won more than 50 percent of the vote in Portland's non-partisan May Primary elections, Mayor-elect Ted Wheeler and incumbent City Commissioner Amanda Fritz, will automatically start their terms in January without facing voters again. The candidates that won party nominations in May will now appear in the current general election.

It means that Oregon Commissioner of Labor and Industry Brad Avakian who won the Democratic nomination for Secretary of State is up against State Rep. Dennis Richardson, who won the Republican nomination. On the gubernatorial front, former Secretary of State and incumbent Gov. Kate Brown is seeking election to continue carrying

out the rest of former Gov. John Kitzhaber's term, following his 2015 resignation due to an ethics scandal. Brown faces Republican nominee and physician Bud Pierce.

Portland City Commissioner Steve Novick is asking for re-election in a runoff race against Chloe Eudaly. Novick was the only city commissioner to vote against a controversial new police union contract siding with police reform activists. Eudaly has earned goodwill in the community as owner of the alternative press shop Reading Frenzy in north Portland and as co-founder of the Independent Publishing Resources Center.

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Write-in Campaign for Sheriff

'Don't Shoot' activist Raiford seeks votes

BY CERVANTE POPE
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Just as ballots went out for the Nov. 8 General Election, Don't Shoot Portland founder and police reform activist Tereasa Raiford has announced the launch of a write-in campaign for Multnomah County sheriff.

"Mike Reese is unfit to be the Sheriff," Raiford wrote in a press release announcement Monday. "He

was a bad police chief and he'll be a bad sheriff."

Raiford has been deeply entrenched in activism calling for police accountability and racial justice since her nephew was shot and killed by Portland police in Old Town in 2010. She ran an unsuccessful campaign against Multnomah County Commissioner Loretta Smith two years ago.

Formerly Portland Chief of Police, Reese was appointed interim sheriff in August following the forced and controversial retiring of Dan Stanton, amid accusations of sexism, profiling and misuse

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The Week in Review



Northwest Explosion

Portland Bagelworks on Northwest 23rd Avenue was destroyed in an explosion Wednesday after construction workers accidentally tapped a natural gas line. Eight were injured in the blast, including two police officers and a firefighter who was credited with saving lives by evacuating buildings before the explosion.

Teachers for Black Lives

Hundreds of teachers, students and parents wore Black Lives Matter shirts in public schools across Seattle last week as part of an unofficial "day of action" to bring attention to racial injustice in schools. The efforts were supported by Seattle's 5,000 member teachers union.

Family Locked In Exam Room

A mother and her sick 4-month-old son in Puyallup, Wash. were accidentally locked inside an urgent care facility Thursday evening while waiting for a doctor to come see them. After waiting in the exam room for 40 minutes, the mother peeked outside the room to find the facility empty with all of the lights turned off.

Trump "BS" Food Truck

Downtown Portland advertising agency Wieden+Kennedy erected a Donald Trump themed food truck in Pioneer Square Friday afternoon. Meant as a political performance art piece, the food truck served "Donald Trump's Menu of B-S," with the "BS" standing for baloney sandwich.

Cocaine Speedway

Portland officers arrested a man Sunday after he was pulled over for speeding on I-5 and a police dog found 20 pounds of cocaine with an estimated value of \$320,000 in a hidden compartment of his BMW. The driver was identified as Mauricio Gomez Alvarez, 30.

Latino Market Vandalized

Officials at the Portland Mercado food truck and market hub in the Lents neighborhood of southeast Portland revealed Monday that 8 of their 10 food trucks were damaged by vandals over the weekend. Cash, equipment and personal items were stolen. Officials estimate the damage at around \$25,000.

Affordable Housing Preserved

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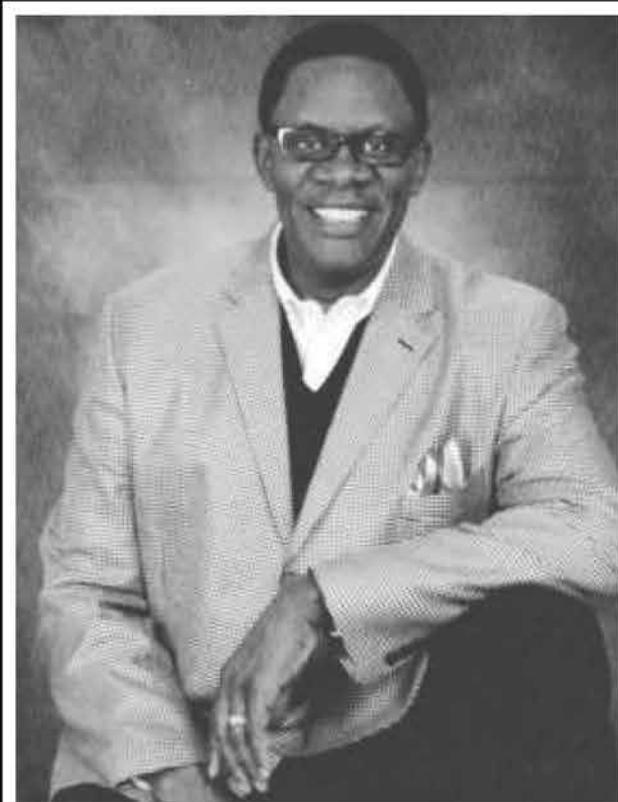
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President Obama urges Oregonians to vote for Gov. Kate Brown.

Obama Endorses Brown

BY CERVANTE POPE
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

There's one thing President Obama sought to do before leaving office and that's endorse Oregon gubernatorial incumbent Kate Brown.

President Obama released a video Thursday – the only video message he's recorded supporting a gubernatorial candidate in this year's election – where he acknowledged this election's importance, referred to Brown as his friend, praised her accom-

plishments and compelled Oregonians to use their votes for "real leadership in Kate Brown."

Brown transitioned from her six-year position as Secretary of State to replace former Gov. John Kitzhaber in February 2015 after his resignation. Brown is the state's second female governor and the first openly bisexual governor in the nation's history.

In the video, Obama touches on the fact that Brown has signed legislation raising Oregon's min-

imum wage, made significant investments in career and technical education and became the first state governor to pass legislation for renewable energy.

"So when your ballot comes in the mail, don't put it aside with the bills or buy it under a stack of menus," Obama says. "Open it up. Fill it out. Mail it in."

"This election couldn't be more important, and all of us need your voice and your vote to make sure Oregon continues to have real leadership in Kate Brown."

Roosevelt Flood Damage

Pranksters vandalize school's new wing

A newly opened wing of Roosevelt High School providing much needed classrooms for the north Portland landmark which is undergoing a major remodel fell victim to vandalism earlier this month, to the tune of almost \$300,000 in damages.

Roosevelt High Principal Filip Hristic says six classrooms and six bathrooms are deemed unusable until repairs are made due. The flooding was traced to an act of vandalism by teens that do not attend the school but who were on campus because of a basketball camp the school was hosting.

Video surveillance footage shows the teenagers, dressed in jerseys, defacing a whiteboard, unnecessarily spraying a fire extinguisher and turning on an emergency shower in a science lab, leaving the water to flood many corridors of the school's new wing, including an elevator shaft. The water ran for more



A Portland School District photo shows the newly opened wing of Roosevelt High School which was damaged by flooding caused by vandalism.

than two hours.

The class that normally uses the science lab where the vandalism took place has been relo-

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Teresa Raiford, founder of Don't Shoot Portland, speaking last September about the fear and reality of being a person of color in Multnomah County. Photo is from the Multnomah County website.

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of department money among other things.

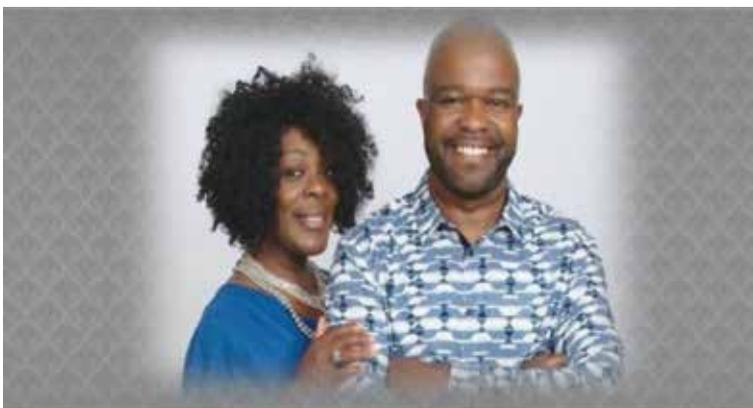
Reese's tenure as chief was pervaded by a Department of Justice investigation into his bureau's excessive force against the mentally ill.

Though late in the game, Rai-

ford's write-in campaign announcement has already sparked support from other activists. With just two weeks left until Election Day, Raiford is ambitious in becoming the voice of Portland's minority, displaced and mistreated communities.

"We need a sheriff who doesn't

lie and protect killer cops. We need a sheriff who can provide this county with real leadership and change," says Raiford. "We need somebody who can change the toxic culture in our law enforcement system, somebody who understands that brown and black lives matter in Multnomah County."



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Of the more than 10 measures facing voters, much of the media attention has been given to Measure 97 – a testy corporate tax that would be placed on about 1,000 of Oregon's biggest businesses or "C Corporations." If it passes, the state's rocky track record with revenue could be set back on track, as the 2.5 percent tax on sales over \$25 million has potential to rack in \$3 billion for the state, easily surpassing a projected \$1 billion shortfall in the state's 2017-2019 budget.

A less contentious proposal comes as Measure 26-180, which is a three percent sales tax on recreational marijuana for the city of Portland, expected to bring in an additional \$3 million annual-

ly. Proposed by Commissioner Fritz, the measure requires that all of the revenue generated from the tax be put towards drug and alcohol treatment education and programs, focusing support for local women and minority owned businesses, and training for paramedics and cops, while dropping a current recreational marijuana tax by five percent.

What seems to address a more poignant issue for Portlanders specifically is Measure 26-179, which could help the city's current housing crisis. If passed, the measure would allocate \$258 million in obligated bonds to go towards affordable housing for low income households.

These bonds would be reviewed by an independent oversight committee and used to purchase and renovate existing homes to maintain affordability, build new affordable homes and prevent displacement by helping families stay in their homes. A mix of housing units would be built and featured, helping senior citizens as well as those with disabilities.

"The families who have been on our affordable housing waiting list will be the first to tell you there are not enough homes in Portland that are affordable to low-income families, working parents, and seniors," says Travis Phillips, the director of housing and development at Portland Community Reinvestment Initiatives, Inc. (PCRI). "We support the affordable housing bond measure because it helps address this critical shortage."

PCRI has a long record of helping Portland's vulnerable populations, and according to Phillips, the housing measure would directly serve the community.

"The bond is an investment in people and their ability to break

the cycle of poverty," says Phillips. "We see it every day in the residents who live in PCRI homes, but we know our city needs more homes to give people this opportunity."

A controversial measure facing voters in Multnomah County is Measure 26-183. If passed, it would amend the county charter that allows for the sheriff position to be elected, giving the County Commission the power to hire a police chief much the way it works in Portland city government and for many department head positions at the city and county level.

County Measure 26-184 would place a \$500 political contribution cap from any individual or political action committee. The measure would also limit independent campaign expenditures to \$5,000 per individual or \$10,000 per political committee, as to shift focus from rich donors looking to sway public policy and place it on small donors.

Two state measures facing voters will impact students and education. Measure 95 addresses investments, with the passing of it allowing for public universities and schools to invest in equities. Money raised through the investments would go towards increasing funds used to help students and reducing financial institution risks.

Measure 98, if passed, would require Oregon Legislature to put money into dropout-prevention plans as well as college, vocational and career readiness programs, which have high chances of raising high school graduation rates. Oregon currently has the third worst high school graduation rates in the country according to recent reports from the U.S. Department of Education.

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OPINION

After the Election, Back to Important Things

Focus again on issues that really matter

BY JAMES A. HAUGHT

Soon, thank heaven, the 2016 election will be over. Americans can stop fussing over how many women Donald Trump molested, or what Russian hackers found in Hillary Clinton e-mails. Then, I hope, thinking people can focus again on issues that really matter:

Can America finally gain complete universal health insurance covering all citizens as a human right -- a government-run national system suppressing medical costs, as exists in most democracies and all industrialized nations?

Can economic changes reduce the amassing of wealth by the billionaire one percent, and give the middle class a better chance?

Can controls manage the pistol saturation that gives America the worst murder rate among civilized

nations?

Will pollution enforcement finally reduce the catastrophic menace of global warming?

Will marijuana become legal nationwide, ending the police-and-prison prohibition that works no better than Prohibition of alcohol did?

Will "black lives matter" become a reality, reducing police killings of unarmed African American men?

Can better birth control prevent millions of unwanted pregnancies that drive desperate women and girls to seek termination?

Will the barbaric death penalty finally cease in the United States, as it has in virtually all democracies?

Will white supremacy fade as the rising tide of Hispanics, Asians, blacks, Pacific Islanders, Muslims, etc., makes America more multicultural, with no majority?

Will college become free for all Americans capable of advanced study?

Will U.S. militarism -- by far

the world's largest -- continue costing taxpayers \$1 trillion per year (counting veteran expense and interest on past spending done with borrowed money)?

Will America continue imprisoning more than two million people, giving this country the worst incarceration rate among modern societies?

Can changes prevent U.S. corporations from laying off American workers and shifting production to low-wage countries -- and prevent U.S. corporations from stashing profits overseas to duck taxes?

Can human rights grow more entrenched around the world to reduce cruelty?

Etc., etc.

After the tumult and shouting of the 2016 campaign ends, goals like these should get new attention. They concern liberal democracy, the system of government of the people, by the people, for the people.

During the past century, liberal democracy won enormous gains:

Women won the right to vote. Couples won the right to prac-

tice birth control. Retirees won Social Security pensions. Jobless workers won unemployment compensation and other safety net provisions. Labor won the right to organize. African Americans escaped Jim Crow segregation. Medicare and Medicaid expanded health treatment. The disabled and workers hurt on the job gained protections. Censorship of books, movies and magazines was wiped out. The Affordable Care Act expanded health treatment further. Gays won, first decriminalization, then the right to marry.

In all these struggles, conservatives fought fierce resistance, but liberal progressives finally carried the day, improving humanity and western civilization. I hope this pattern continues forever.

The 2016 election has been a carnival, a circus, a farce. In only a few days, it will fade into the past. But the deep public questions -- things that really matter -- still will stare us in the face.

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People in Power Who Do Not Want Us to Vote

We can't let them stop us

BY MARC H. MORIAL

The nation will soon conclude what is likely to be remembered as one of the most contentious Presidential campaigns in modern history.

The campaign has been fraught with racially divisive rhetoric as the nation continues to struggle with issues of racial hostility and social inequity, as demonstrated by the wave of violence that has taken so many lives over the last year.

A lack of social and economic opportunity is at the root of the unrest. The troubling divisive rhetoric that has characterized the 2016 Presidential race has fed the unrest. And only a historic, targeted mobilization of resources can address the unrest.

The National Urban League has a plan to elevate urban communities through targeted public investment, called the Main Street Marshall Plan. We also have a plan to hold police and communities accountable for unjustified violence against unarmed citizens, called the 10 Point Justice Plan for Police

Reform and Accountability.

But plans on paper, written in the most compelling prose, with the most prescient rationale, mean nothing if we do not put in place responsible, forward-thinking governmental representatives with the power to put these plans into action.

The responsibility to put these plans into action lies with this generation. That responsibility boils down to just one almighty action: We must vote.

The National Urban League is part of a nonpartisan Election Protection coalition formed to ensure that all voters have an equal opportunity to participate in the political process. Election Protection provides Americans from coast to coast with comprehensive voting information on how they can make sure their vote is counted through a number of resources including a voter helpline 866-OUR-VOTE.

If you or anyone you know experiences any irregularity while trying to register or vote, please call 866-OUR-VOTE. But please, vote.

If injustice outrages you, if this recent cycle of violence grates at your inner core as a human being, then we must vote. If we want to

fund urban infrastructure and build schools instead of juvenile detention facilities, build libraries and community centers instead of prisons, we must vote.

If we want universal early childhood education ... we must vote. If we want a federal living wage, tied to inflation, we must vote. If we want to fund urban infrastructure and build schools instead of juvenile detention facilities, libraries and community centers instead of prisons, we must vote.

If you want to see our tax dollars go to rebuilding West Baltimore and Inglewood, Chicago and Athens, Ohio, and Boone, North Carolina, as they have in Baghdad and Kabul, we must vote. If we want to see our urban youth working at summer jobs instead of floundering in hopelessness, we must vote.

If we want to see the dream of a college education within affordable reach for every student in America, we must vote. If we are to see justice done in the killings of our brothers and sisters at the hands of police and self-appointed vigilantes, we must vote.

If we want to end the scourge of violence within African-American neighborhoods, we must vote. If we want to erase the AR-17 and the AK47 - the weapon of choice

for terrorists and mass killings -- from our streets, we must vote. If we want no fly, no buy and universal background checks, we must vote.

If we are to honor the martyrdom of Andrew Goodman, Mickey Schwerner and James Chaney, we must vote. If we want a compassionate system of immigration reform that leads to dignity and citizenship, we must vote. If we want continued, robust funding for the Urban League's highly effective programs, we must vote.

If our vision is an America with liberty, justice and economic opportunity for all, we must vote. If we are to change the heart of this nation, we must vote.

And if we are to achieve all this, through our vote, we must continue to fight with everything we have to protect our vote.

This is the first presidential election in more than 50 years to take place without the full protection of the Voting Rights Act. This year, 14 states will have new voting restrictions in place for the first time in a presidential election. The new laws range from strict photo ID requirements to early voting cutbacks to registration restrictions. Those 14 states are: Alabama,

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OPINION

Contract with Police Reflects a Narrow Focus

Locks us in to same old pretend reform

BY JOANN HARDESTY



I recently wrote to the Portland City Council members on behalf of the members of the NAACP Portland Chapter 1120 to request that they reject the new police bureau contract negotiated behind closed doors at the direction of Mayor Hales. Where is the fire? We have a Mayor-elect who will take office in January, six months before the current contract expires. This contract is another smack in the face of community members who expected to have an opportunity to weigh in on this contract and who expect the contract to reflect a new vision of policing. This contract is woefully inadequate and will lock us in for another six years of the same old same old pretend reform package we got under the last contract talks.

Why is this contract so bad? It reflects the narrow focus on money rather than vision and does not reflect the will and/or voice of the community. There are many things wrong with this contract.

1. The contract allows retired officers to be hired back for six years at the top of their paygrade—classic double-dipping at the expense of the taxpayer. Moreover, there are no criteria to determine if the officer is the type of officer we want to retain on the force. With no criteria we will create a revolving door of police officers retiring to get the best retirement plan and then rejoining the force at their top pay scale whether or not they have proven experience in de-escalation, building positive community relations.

2. The contract ensures that the most expensive police officers are assigned to overtime first rather than a mid-level employee or rather than the right level officer needed based on the situation. This component ensures that the most highly paid police officers have the right to as much overtime as they want as compared to younger officers who the overtime might make a difference in whether or not they stay with the Portland Police Bureau. Both the taxpayer and the community suffer.

3. It appears that the mayor negotiated body-cam agreements with the union but reneged on the promise to the public that they would have an opportunity to weigh in on body-cam rules and regulations. Instead the mayor went behind closed doors with the police union and developed a policy that is just the opposite of an accountability policy. As proposed, police would review video prior to writing their written reports which basically extends the 48-hours to unspecified period of time for police to write a report after an incident with the exception of deadly force. Why would police need to see video before writing a report unless they need to make their report match what's on the

video tape (and possibly omit actions that weren't caught on camera? Since the public has no access to the video this is totally unacceptable.

4. Both the mayor and then-Police Chief (O'Dea) promised the public that we would have the opportunity to a part of the process of developing body-cam regulations that would provide clear guidelines for how this technology would be used. Having attended two community meetings on this, I can testify that the Mayor

has misrepresented public input. There were two community meetings more than a year ago with no other public meetings scheduled. The mayor put together an internal workgroup but the community had no access to those meetings.

5. I made several requests to both the mayor's office and the chief's office to engage the public in this necessary conversation before we invest resources or negotiate a policy deal written for and with the police union. How can the public have

any confidence in a tool that is supposed to create transparency yet is developed and agreed to behind closed doors? The expensive tool seems to only be beneficial to police and does nothing to contribute to transparency and accountability that is the expectation of the public in this new era of policing in America.

6. Mayor-Elect Wheeler is the person we will hold accountable for this contract;

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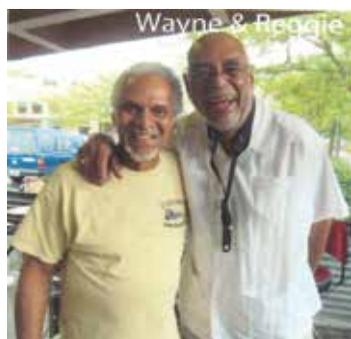
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The Portland Trail Blazers celebrate National Junior NBA Week by hosting a basketball clinic last week at the Blazers Boys and Girls Club on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. Pictured (back row, from left) are Boys and Girls Club of Portland adult leaders Hannah, Imani and Omar and (front row, from left) youth participants King, Simone and Jaden.

Blazers Basketball Clinic

The Portland Trail Blazers celebrated National Junior NBA Week Thursday by hosting a basketball clinic at the Blazers Boys and Girls Club on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard.

Blazers youth basketball staff worked with kids enrolled in the

club's Leadership Leagues for a fun-filled event to share athletic and leadership skills that the youth will be able to use on and off the court. In addition, the kids, parents and coaches involved were thanked for their commitment and athletic leadership.

Boys and Girls Clubs across the country, including Portland benefit from a Blazers and NBA partnership with Buffalo Wild Wings and its Team Up for Kids mission to improve sports programming, teaming up to ignite a passion for sportsmanship and a sense of belonging among youth.



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Weekend of Fun at the Zoo

Trick-or-treaters can fill their bags with goodies and learn about wildlife Saturday, Oct. 29 and Sunday, Oct 30, when the Oregon

Takoda plays on a giant pumpkin at the Oregon Zoo's Black Bear Ridge. The zoo gets a head start on Halloween with special events for the animals and trick-or-treat visitors on Saturday, Oct. 29 and Sunday, Oct. 30.

In keeping with the zoo's mission, Howloween aims to be educational as well as fun. Scavenger hunts and activities are themed to teach kids about animals around the world, and their habitats and adaptations. Kids can collect treats and prizes at the different stations, provided in part by FedEx Ground and Safe Kids.

Throughout the day, visitors can watch the zoo's enrichment team provide animals with holiday-themed treats like jack-o'-lanterns stuffed with snacks. Enrichment items, such as a passel of pumpkins provided by Al's Garden Center, help keep the zoo's animals mentally and physically engaged.

Zoo holds its annual "Howloween" celebration from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on both days, a free event with zoo admission.



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Female officers from the Portland Police Bureau will be on hand to answer questions from

attendees who might be interested in a career in law enforcement. Attendees are invited to come as their favorite super hero. Boys can come, too.

The job recruiting outreach comes as the Police Bureau seeks applicants for entry and experienced police officers. If you are interested, visit joinportlandpolice.com



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Community residents practice the choreography to Michael Jackson's Halloween classic "Thriller" as part of Thrill the World, a national annual project that brings people together to fundraise for organizations seeking to help the LGBTQ community.

Catching the 'Thriller' Craze

Michael Jackson hit recreated for a good cause

BY CERVANTE POPE
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Playing on the haunting popularity of zombies and Michael Jackson's highest-selling single and album, worldwide project Thrill the World will rise onto the pavement of Irving Park in northeast Portland this Halloween weekend.

For the last 10 years Thrill the World has brought thousands of people of all ages and backgrounds together to recreate the famed choreography of Michael Jackson's 1982 hit "Thriller" to raise money for organizations benefitting queer

and trans people, while offering training for those who want to learn the popular dance.

Portland's Thrill the World sees an average of 175 dancers a year and has raised over \$4,000 in donations since it started a decade ago, according to Alan Silver, a northeast Portland resident and organizer of the event.

Silver credits Toronto dancer and choreographer Ines Markeljevich for starting the annual craze back in 2006, after she organized a large group of dancers in her hometown. The following year, according to Silver, Markeljevich sought to spread her choreographed project internationally by coordinating a single date and time for willing participants to join in the movement.

"I'm totally fascinated by the idea that zom-

bies would want to dance," says Silver, who has organized Portland Thrill the World since the movement's inception. "I started organizing the local event, to give me an excuse to learn the dance."

While the event is free to watch, dance participants are asked to make a donation of five dollars with all contributions going to the Sexual Minority Youth Resource Center, a drop-in center that provides resources for queer youth, and Sankofa Collective Northwest, formerly the Black chapter of Parents & Friends of Lesbians and Gays (PFLAG), which serves the needs of local queer and trans African Americans.

This year's Thrill the World will take place this Saturday, Oct. 29 at Irving Park at 3 p.m.

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Confronting a Shameful History -- Ryun Yu stars in "Hold These Truths," a play about a civil rights hero from Seattle who fights government orders during World War II to forcibly remove and mass incarcerate all people of Japanese ancestry on the West Coast. Plays through Nov. 13 at Ellyn Bye Studio. Tickets start at \$25. Visit pcs.org, phone 503-445-3700 or stop by the box office, 128 N.W. 11th Ave

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

El Muerto Vagabundo -- Latino theater group Milagro explores homelessness in a play about a homeless orphan who makes a Day of the Dead offering to summon his parents and a tramp who mistakenly takes the offer for himself. Now playing through Nov. 6 at El Centro Milagro,



525 S.E. Stark St. Tickets are available at milagro.org or 503-236-7253. Discounts for students, seniors, veterans, groups and residents with Oregon Trail cards.

Bollywood Horror -- DJ Anjali and the Incredible Kid will front a wild 21 and over Halloween dance party, Saturday, Oct. 29 at the Analog Theater, 720 S.E. Hawthorne Blvd. Prizes for best costumes. Advance tickets at eventbrite.com.

Norman Sylvester -- 'Boogie Cat' Norman Sylvester and his band play Saturday, Oct. 29 at The Birk in Birkenfeld; Saturday, Nov. 5 at 5 p.m. for the toy run benefit at Trail's End Saloon in Oregon City; Friday, Nov. 11 at the Rouge Pub in North Plains; and Saturday, Nov. 12 at the Spare Room.

Haunted Walking Tours -- The historic Slocum House at Easter Short Park in Vancouver is the starting point for the Clark County Historical Museum's annual Haunted Walking Tours. The spooktacular trips reanimate Fridays and Saturdays during October at 7 p.m. and 9 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Reservations are limited. Call 1-360-993-5679 or visit cchmuseum.org to hold your spot.



Global Education Series -- Gain a better understanding of global leadership in education at a special public event hosted by Warner Pacific College in southeast Portland, Thursday, Oct. 27 at 4 p.m. in the college library. Visiting educators from Kazakh-American Free University in Kazakhstan will share their perspectives.

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

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

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

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Shops Open for All Ages Fun

Portland's Historic Mississippi Avenue Business Association is hosting an all-ages, trick-or-treat event on Halloween, Monday, Oct. 31, from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. all along North Mississippi Avenue from Skidmore to Fremont Streets.

Hundreds of ghoulish visitors are expected with festivities and treats to enjoy for both kids and



adults. Up to 60 businesses have been invited to participate and will be identified by displaying

black and orange balloons. The street will remain open for traffic.

Community partners include the Boise Neighborhood Association, Venture Portland, Self Enhancement, Inc., Boise-Eliot-Humboldt School; the Boise Business Youth Unity Project and Sustainable Mississippi. For more information, visit mississippiave.com.



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Dedicated to spreading love and good vibes, "Demo Taped," also known as Adam Alexander, bring his electronic soul project to northeast Portland's Wonder Ballroom for a concert with Wet on Tuesday, Nov. 1.

The 18 year old Atlanta native strives to spread a general feeling of happiness and love through his upbeat rhythms, soft vocals and unique synthesized melodies with dreamy, electronic R&B textures.

His debut EP Heart was made last year and he has gone to gain the attention with his hit single "Game On."



'Demo Taped,' aka Adam Alexander brings his electronic soul to northeast Portland's Wonder Ballroom on Tuesday, Nov. 1

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There will be family fun events on campus, a haunted house (that stays open until 10 p.m.), and a fall pops concert in McGuire Auditorium starting at 7:30 p.m. to feature music from Wicked, Star Trek and Aladdin.

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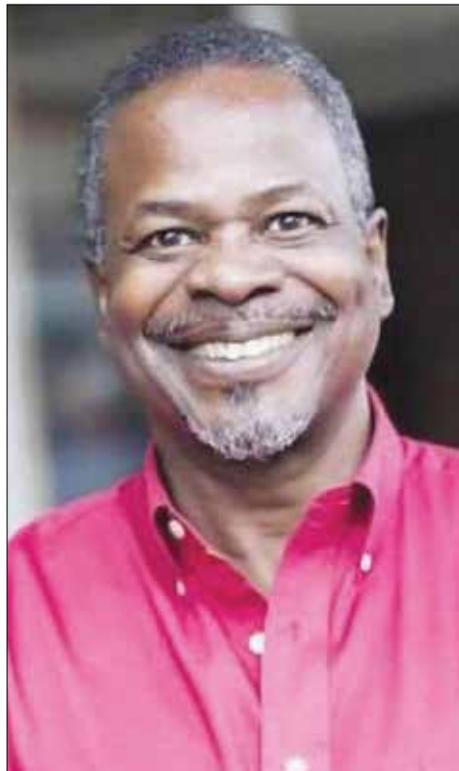
Jefferson Athlete Remembered

Gary Allen Ladd Sr., a basketball legend from Jefferson High School's Class of 1968, died on Oct. 12, 2016 in Seattle as God called him to be one of his Disciples in Heaven.

Also known as Niam Aziz, Ladd was born Feb. 13, 1950 in Commerce, Texas to Virgene Roberts and Billy Ladd Sr.

His family left Texas and moved to Portland at an early age where he attended grade school and high school. He was an outstanding student athlete, known for leaping and jumping out of the gym. It was during his time at Jefferson that he met his soulmate and best friend, Gloria Jean Johnson. As he became a basketball phenom, she cheered him on as a Jefferson cheerleader. He was recruited to play basketball by multiple Division I colleges. Arizona State University had offered a full ride, but Seattle University had the offer of a lifetime by giving him a lifetime scholarship and a partial scholarship for his fiancée, Gloria, who had aspirations of becoming a school teacher. Gary took the offer and the couple moved to Seattle. They started their family in 1968 and on March 31, 1969, they were married.

Gary loved to have fun in life. His joy was watching his children grow into adults and being around his 18 grandchildren and three great grandkids. They adored their "Big Daddy!" Everywhere Gary went, he would strike up a conversation, flash his smile and leave his positive energy. He was an ultimate optimist and a good friend to many. He worked as an instructional assistant substitute with Seattle Public Schools until his death. He



Gary Ladd

was a beaming light and spread joy in the schools.

He was a remarkable leader who touched lives from the basketball court, to the barbershop, and on to the pulpit. He opened Gary Ladd's Studio 620 Hair Salon in 1979, where he continued impacting lives from the barber chair. He later became an ordained minister, spreading the word of self love. He believed in spiritual empowerment and preached it everywhere he went. He touched lives at a monumental level. Everyone loved his energy, his spirit and his smile. He was

a phenomenal father and husband who cherished family. He loved basketball and so did his children and grandchildren. His offspring has played at Rainier Beach High School and at the college level from Washington State University, Central Washington University to San Jose State. He always had a new idea or a new venture that he would be excited to talk about. He was funny and always enjoyed a good conversation, especially a religious debate. There are few men who can impact the lives of so many like Gary Ladd. He has left a lasting, lifelong impression on his family, community and friends. His kind words and love will be truly missed by everyone who knew him.

Gary was preceded in death by his mother and father. Survivors include his siblings Billy Eugene Ladd, Sheila Barber, Vernon Ladd (Beverly), Kimberly Ladd, Pamela Ladd, Vickie Ladd and Ronnie Ray Ladd; children Dinah Jean Ladd, Gariane Lurette Ladd-Davis (Glenn), Mychal Ahzunique Ladd, Gary Allen Jr., (Shandra), Gabriel Ahmad Ladd (Kiara), Keenan Allen Ladd and Gimari Alieke Ladd-Jones (Champlin); grandchildren Najee Ladd-Ali, Asia Ali, Samari Ali, Aliyah Davis, Ahmad Davis, Jamir Davis, Mychal Ladd, Khadijah Ladd, Myzhunique Ladd, Naim Ladd, Nyjah Ladd, Kavay Miller-Ladd, Imani Ladd, Gabriel Ladd, Kapri Ladd, Kaiya Jones and Champlin Jones III; and great grandchildren Lauren Ladd, Kyrie Ladd and Mylah Brown

A memorial services was held on Saturday at River of Life Fellowship in Kent, Wash.



In Loving Memory

William F. Johnson

William F. Johnson, a Vietnam veteran, also known as "Heavy," died Oct. 15, 2016 at his home in Portland. He was born Oct. 17, 1952 in Kansas City, Mo.

Services will be held Friday, Oct. 28 at 11 a.m. at the Moore Street Salvation Army, 5325 N. Williams Ave. Viewing will be held Thursday, Oct. 27 from noon to 5 p.m. at Rose City Funeral Home, 5625 N.E. Fremont St.

William and Ruby were married in Portland in 2005. However they had been together for 32 years.

Besides his wife, he leaves behind five children, William Jr. of Kansas, Moeshie of California, and Jeannie, Donta and La-Nae of Portland; many grandchildren; a great grandson; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

In Loving Memory Ronald D. Slider

Ronald D. Slider, our honorable father, husband, son, brother, and man of God, died Oct. 11, 2016.

He was born Aug. 3, 1950 in Portland to Leon Charles Sr. and Marjorie Lee Slider. He attended Humboldt and Boise elementary schools and enjoyed playing Little League baseball and had many friends in his youth.

He worked for Pacific Power & Light Company and retired in 2012 as a line equipment operator after 44 years of service. He married Sandra in 1975, a union which celebrated 41 years of marriage.



He had four children: Felicia, Andre, Jermaine, and Latausha. He received Christ in his life and began serving the Lord. He was a deacon at Greater Solid Rock Church of God Christ.

He will be deeply missed by his family.

He leaves to cherish his loving memories, his wife Sandra; children, Felicia Slider, Andre Pennington Sr., Jermaine Slider, and Latausha Slider (Kyrus); brother Leon Charles Jr. (Dolly); brother in law, Gerald Menefee; sister in law, Patricia Menefee; grandchildren Adrian Pennington, Joquan Pennington, Andre Pennington Jr., and Olivia Slider; 11 great-grandchildren; and many cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends who will never forget him. He was preceded in death by his mother and father.

Funeral services will be held Thursday, Oct. 27 at 11 a.m. at Emmanuel Church, 1033 N. Sumner St. A public viewing will be held the evening prior, on Wednesday, Oct. 26 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Terry Family Funeral Home, 2337 N. Williams Ave.



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SCOPE OF WORK

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The City Council shall proceed to award the contract to the lowest bidder and best bidder but may reject any or all bids if, in its opinion, good cause exists, therefore, to waive informalities in the bidding; and to accept the bid from the lowest responsible bidder.

PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS, AND BID PROPOSAL forms may be obtained as of **Wednesday, October 19, 2016** from the City of Battle Ground Public Works - Engineering Department at 109 SW 1st Street, Suite 127, Battle Ground, WA 98604 upon a non-refundable deposit in the exact amount of Thirty Dollars and Seventy Five Cents (**\$30.75**), check only, made payable to the City of Battle Ground.

All bid proposals shall be accompanied by a bid proposal deposit in cash, certified check, cashier's check, or surety bond in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of such proposal. Should the successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond within the time stated in the specifications, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited to the City of Battle Ground Transportation Fund.

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Informational copies of maps, plans, specifications, and insurance requirements are on file for inspection in the Public Works - Engineering office in Battle Ground, Washington.

Información será traducida al español a petición de cityclerk. info@cityofbg.org

For project information, please contact Ryan M. Jeynes PE, Associate Civil Engineer at (360) 342-5070.

DATED this 10th day of October, 2016

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Contact Kyle Boehnlein with any questions

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Contract with Police

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he should be the one negotiating it.

The Mayor-Elect and the pub-

lic deserve the opportunity to weigh-in under new leadership regarding the terms of a new contract. We shouldn't have to wait six years to have an impact

the next contract since it hasn't expired. This contract is a big money giveaway without any public benefit. The elimination of the 48-hour rule looks good as a talking point but this is outweighed by replacing it with leg-

islation that ensures it will take longer than 48 hours for officers to both review the video and write their reports because they will be able to wait to review body-cam video. With no timeline in place this rule is worse than the 48 hour

rule it will replace. We the public expect and deserve better public access, oversight and influence on this policy.

JoAnn Hardesty is president of the NAACP Portland Chapter 1120.

People in Power Who Do Not Want Us to Vote

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Arizona, Indiana, Kansas, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Hampshire, Ohio, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, and Wisconsin.

It's no accident that the states most likely to pass new voting restrictions were those with the highest African-American turnout in 2008, those with the highest Hispanic population growth between 2000 and 2010, and those

formerly covered under Section 5 of the Voting Rights Act before it was struck down by the Supreme Court in *Shelby County v. Holder*.

Of the 11 states with the highest African-American turnout in 2008, six have new restrictions in place.

Of the 15 jurisdictions previously covered by Section 5, nine have new restrictions in place and four of them enacted restrictions directly after the *Shelby County* decision: Alabama, Mississippi, North Carolina, and Texas.

Make no mistake, there are people in power who do not want African-Americans, young people, senior citizens and other vulnerable populations do vote. We cannot let them stop us.

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



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| <p>10</p> <p>Columbus Day Thanksgiving Day in Canada James Marshall born, 1942</p> | <p>11</p> <p><i>Eleanor Roosevelt</i> born, 1884 <i>First Steam-Powered Ferryboat</i> began operations, 1811</p> | <p>12</p> <p>Farmer's Day Dia de la Raza (Mexico)</p> | <p>13</p> <p>National Poetry Day (England) <i>Margaret Thatcher</i> born in 1925</p> | <p>14</p> <p><i>Dwight D Eisenhower</i> (34th President) born, 1890</p> | <p>15</p> <p>Sweetest Day National Grouch Day</p> | <p>○ 16</p> <p>Dictionary Day World Food Day</p> |
| <p>17</p> <p>Black Poetry Day <i>San Francisco Earthquake</i> (1989)</p> | <p>18</p> <p><i>Mason-Dixon Line</i> Established (1767) <i>Puerto Rico</i> Became U.S. Colony, 1898</p> | <p>19</p> <p><i>Thomas Edison</i> Electric Light, 1879 Final Revolutionary War battle (1781)</p> | <p>20</p> <p><i>Sir James Chadwick</i> (Discoverer of the Neutron) born, 1891</p> | <p>21</p> <p><i>Guggenheim Museum</i> Opens (1959)</p> | <p>☾ 22</p> <p>National Nut Day</p> | <p>23</p> <p>Mother-in-Law's Day <i>iPod</i> First Revealed (2001)</p> |
| <p>24</p> <p>National Bologna Day United Nations Day</p> | <p>25</p> <p><i>Pablo Picasso</i> Born in Spain in 1881</p> | <p>26</p> <p>Hillary Rodham Clinton born, 1947 <i>International Red Cross</i> Organized In Geneva, 1863</p> | <p>27</p> <p><i>Theodore Roosevelt</i> born, 1858</p> | <p>28</p> <p><i>Bill Gates</i> born, 1955 Statue of Liberty dedicated, 1886</p> | <p>29</p> <p>Stock Market Crash, 1st Great Depression - 1929</p> | <p>● 30</p> <p><i>John Adams</i> born, 1735 <i>Emily Post</i> (author) born, 1873</p> |
| <p>31</p> <p>Halloween <i>Juliette Gordon Low</i> Born in 1860, started Girl Scouts in 1912</p> | | | | | | |

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