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Portland School Board Member Julie Esparza Brown has rallied and won support for a new school district policy to affirm the protection of civil liberties and the rights of undocumented students.



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Classes end Friday at Beach School in north Portland. A new resolution by the Portland School Board calls for protecting the physical safety and emotional well-being of all children in the district regardless of national origin or immigration status.

School Sanctuaries

Board member rallies support for undocumented

BY MICHAEL LEIGHTON
PORTLAND OBSERVER EDITOR

The sole representative of color on the Portland School Board has successfully rallied her colleagues behind a new district policy to make its schools safe and welcoming places that affirm the protection of civil liberties and the rights of all children regardless of immigration status.

Latina Board Director Julie Esparza Brown brought her concerns to a board meeting the day after the election of Donald Trump as

president. In his campaign, Trump vowed to deport millions of undocumented immigrants from Mexico and ban Muslim refugees from Syria and other Mideast countries. He also pledged to dismantle the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals, or DACA, a program from the Obama Administration that protects children from deportation who were brought illegally to America.

The heated rhetoric surrounding the proposals has brought "a great deal of worry and concern

about family stability and safety throughout our community," Brown said. "We want to ensure we have policies and procedures in place so our families feel safe."

On Thursday, the school board voted unanimously for a resolution sponsored by Brown that clarifies and limits immigration enforcement in Portland's schools, citing a commitment to providing for the physical safety and emotional well-being of all children in school.

A professor at Portland State

University and a third generation Chicana, Brown said there is a history of large scale deportation raids in the city of Portland by federal officers of Immigration Control Enforcement (ICE). The possibility of renewed enforcement under the law and order pledges by Trump required a pre-emptive policy for protecting children, regardless of national origin or immigration status, she said.

"We won't tolerate any harassment and bullying of our students," Brown told the Portland

Observer. "When families are detained, we need a process of what to do to keep kids safe."

On Friday, PSU President Wim Wiewel, in a message to faculty, staff and students, also declared that PSU would respond to concerns about the safety and well-being of undocumented students and those covered by DACA, by declaring the university "a sanctuary campus dedicated to the principles of equity, diversity and safety."

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Protest Organizers Arrested

Three members of Portland's Resistance, the justice group which has sponsored protests against Donald Trump since his Nov. 8 election, were arrested Tuesday during a Portland student solidarity protest. The protest leaders claim the arrests were a targeted effort by Mayor Charlie Hales, something the mayor called inaccurate and dangerous.

The Week in Review

Hundreds of Students March

Hundreds of Portland Public Schools students marched from Holladay Park to downtown Tuesday in one of the latest protests of president-elect Donald Trump. Portland Police said that as the night progressed, adults in the

group were encouraging students to block traffic.

Shooting Outside Strip Club

Two females were injured in a shooting Friday night outside the Jags Clubhouse, a strip bar located at 605 N. Columbia Blvd., police

said. Officers learned there was a disturbance outside the club and that an African American male fire several shots toward a parked vehicle containing several people and fled the scene.

Obama Clemency Milestone

President Obama announced he would free 79 more drug offenders from federal prison Tuesday, pushing the total number of commutations under his tenure to over 1,000. With this new grant, Obama has handed out more commutations than the past 11 presidents combined.

Hillary Clinton Increases Popular Vote Margin

While the number of votes for both president-elect Donald Trump and his former Democratic rival Hillary Clinton continue to increase, the gap is widening, with Clinton expanding her popular vote lead over Trump. According to new figures released by The Associated Press, Clinton received more than 1.5 million votes more than her Republican rival.

Bus Accident Kills 5 Kids

A school bus driver has been charged in connection to a crash that killed five young children in Tennessee. The bus was traveling at a "high rate of speed, well above the posted speed limit of 30 mph," police said. Of the five deaths, three were in fourth grade, one was in first grade and the other was a kindergartner.

Bomb Threat at PCC Cascade

Two buildings on the Portland Community College Cascade campus were briefly evacuated Tuesday morning following a phoned-in bomb threat. According to school officials, the Student Union and Cascade Hall were evacuated just before 11 a.m. No suspicious devices were found and police deemed the area safe.



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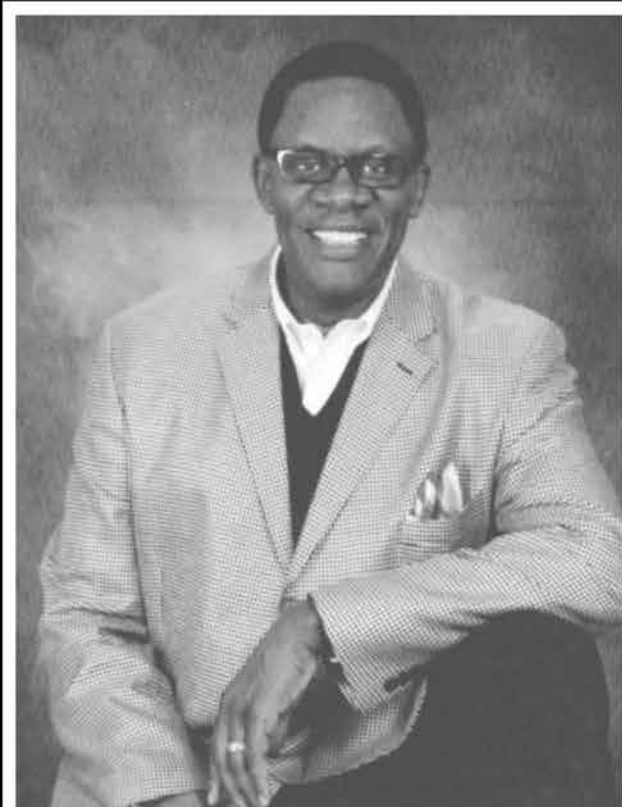
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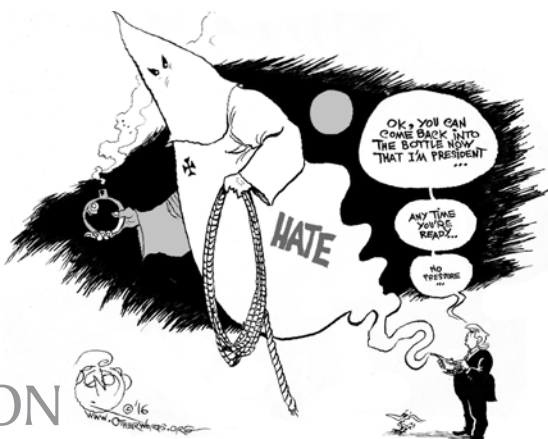
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What's on your list today?



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Colas Construction, an African-American and family-owned business, starts construction on the long vacant corner of Northeast Alberta Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, the future home of a Natural Grocers market and a second building to provide retail space for local, minority-owned businesses.

Alberta Commons

Construction begins on PDC-backed project

Construction has begun on Alberta Commons, a Portland Development Commission backed project to bring economic benefits to the heart of the historic black community at Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Alberta Street.

Rising up from the long vacant site will be a Natural Grocers market, a quality, affordable and organic grocery retail chain which is the primary business anchor, along with additional retail space for local, minority-owned busi-

nesses that complements the local businesses to the south at Vanport Square, providing needed goods and services to the community.

PDC will be owner for 50 percent of the non-anchor space to provide discounted commercial space to local, minority-owned businesses. Colas Construction, an African-American, family-owned business, is the general contractor for the project, and Majestic Realty of Los Angeles is the developer.

According to PDC officials,

Colas Construction is now finalizing contracts with subcontractors, and anticipates achieving 55 percent participation by minority, women and emerging small business firms, with 41 percent of that workforce employed by minority business enterprises.

The project also carries a public art element. Local artists Mehran Heard and Arvie Smith have been selected for the installation of public art along the east and south walls of the Natural Grocers building.

Call to End Death Penalty Cases

Justice group makes plea to governor

A Portland-based justice and civil rights group has called on Gov. Kate Brown to commute the sentences of the 35 people on Oregon's death row to life without the possibility of parole after a study showing the extreme high price of prosecuting death penalty cases.

The Oregon Justice Resource Center issued the call last week after doing a study with academics from Lewis & Clark Law School and Seattle University that

revealed that aggravated murder cases with death sentences in Oregon cost as much as a million dollars more or four times as much as comparable cases with life sentences.

In October, Gov. Brown reaffirmed a moratorium on executions that began in 2011 under her predecessor, Gov. John Kitzhaber, and was continued by her when she took office in 2015. At that time, she was reported as having "serious concerns about the constitutionality and workability of Oregon's death penalty law."

While a moratorium does prevent someone from being executed in Oregon, cases are still mak-

ing their way through the appeals process and new death sentences can be issued, so it does not address the financial costs associated with the death penalty.

"The revelation this week about the huge sums being wasted on a death penalty we are not using should give every Oregonian pause for thought," said Alice Lundell, director of communications for OJRC. "Even before the moratorium, Oregon had had only two executions in 50 years, meaning that we're spending millions of dollars on a system that is not fit for purpose."

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Portland NAACP Updates Work

The NAACP Portland branch invites members of the community to join them for their monthly general membership meeting, Saturday, Nov. 26 from noon to 2 p.m. at the American Red Cross building, 3131 N. Vancouver Ave.

This is an opportunity to connect with Portland NAACP's

work in advancing racial justice in the community. The local civil rights group's president Jo Ann Hardesty and executive leadership will provide updates about current and future initiatives.

The mission of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to ensure the

political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights of all persons and to eliminate racial hatred and racial discrimination. The vision of the NAACP is to ensure a society in which all individuals have equal rights and there is no racial hatred or racial discrimination.

Call to End Death Penalty Cases

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OJRC is urging the governor to take swift and decisive action that will end or greatly reduce the costs associated with the cases of those who are on death row. The organization believes the

time is right for Gov. Brown to commute all Oregon death sentences to life without the possibility of parole.

"She is able to use her powers of clemency to end the wasteful expense of endless litigation over death penalty cases while still pro-

tecting public safety by ensuring none of those who are resentenced to life without the possibility of parole ever leave prison," Lundell said. "Since executions are so rare, life without parole is already the effective sentence of those on death row."



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"We reaffirm our unequivocal commitment to each other," Wiewel said. All Portland State students, regardless of national origin or immigration status, should be welcome, safe and able to pursue their higher education as full members of the PSU family."

Being a sanctuary campus means PSU and its public safety officers will follow state law that forbids local schools and law enforcement from enforcing federal immigration laws.

On Tuesday, Congressman Earl Blumenauer of Portland also commented on the possibility that Trump, his new administration and the Republican Congress will crack down on undocumented residents living in Oregon.

"I'm proud that people here are making a commitment to those who feel vulnerable and at risk, that we're not going to abandon them and we're going to stand up for them," he said.

Under policies adopted by both PSU and Portland Public Schools, facilitating or consenting to immigration enforcement activities or sharing confidential student information, such as immigration status, would not be permitted.

The Portland School Board resolution recites the presence of ICE officers who come on to school property as a disruption to a safe and inviting environment. It directs the Interim Superintendent to develop a plan over the next 90 days for training all necessary school staff on how to respond to any ICE personnel requesting in-

formation about students and families or attempting to enter school property.

The board also wants policies and procedures to protect and care for students who have been negatively impacted by the removal of their family members during ICE raids, until a guardian or other designated adult is contacted, and that all teachers, administrators and school staff should be trained on such procedures.

Brown said it was important to be diligent of both state and federal law, while also knowing what protections can be made for the kids, administrators, teachers and the entire school district community.

"We needed a district wide policy to take the responsibility for these decisions away from individual schools and placed at the superintendent or board level," Brown said.

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Our Broken and Wasteful Death Penalty System

Most Oregonians living today cannot even remember a time when our state's death penalty was used as it was intended: To execute those deemed to have committed crimes so serious that they had forfeited their right to life.

For many decades now – in fact since the 1960s – Oregon's death penalty has been a study in waste, confusion and a lack of leadership. While voters reinstated the death penalty in 1984, one of many changes of mind on capital punishment in Oregon, the past 32 years have seen only two executions and then only because the people condemned waived their right to appeal.

So what's the problem with Oregon's death penalty? Activists speak about Oregon having a death penalty "in name only" since the punishment remains on the statute books and new death sentences are occasionally issued but there's little prospect of executions being carried out. It's a comforting phrase that reassures us that it doesn't matter if we continue to have capital punishment in Oregon since we're not actually going to get down to the messy work of taking a human life in the name of the state. But it's a delusion because despite the lack of executions, we are all paying a high price for Oregon's death penalty.

Last week saw the joint release of an academic study on the financial cost of Oregon's death penalty by Lewis & Clark Law School in Portland and Seattle University in Washington state. The project was funded by my organization, Oregon Justice Resource Center, because if we've learned anything about capital punishment in Oregon while we've been investigating the issue, it's how little we really know about how it works in practice.

This is the first time anyone has given a detailed look at how much it is costing Oregonians to continue their arms-length relationship with the death penalty. Until now, we had no idea of the extent of the costs being generated by the system.

A snapshot: Death sentence costs four times, or one million dollars more than a life sentence

for a comparable crime. That's counter to the popular assumption that executions save money by putting an abrupt end to the cost of housing, feeding, and clothing someone in prison for the rest of their life. But the fact is, even if Oregon were to start executing people again, it would still be more expensive because of the massive legal costs associated with death penalty cases.

Those legal costs are generated by the tremendous amount of work required for a death penalty trial by prosecutors, defense attorneys and the courts. The years of appeals that follow add their own expense until we arrive at a situation where Oregon taxpayers are spending millions of dollars on a punishment that all those involved know is highly unlikely ever to be carried out. In the meantime, the families of the victims in these cases must see the worst event of their lives repeatedly dragged up in yet another court hearing as the years go by without a final resolution.

One answer would seem to be to simplify, simplify, simplify. Cut down on the work of the trial and the court appeals process and the price will fall accordingly. If our death penalty system were, barring the cost, a perfect system that never made a mistake, that might be an option. But there are 156 people walking around alive today

in the U.S. who can tell you why that's a bad idea.

They are the so-called "death row survivors", the people who were wrongfully convicted of heinous crimes and sentenced to die before eventually providing their innocence. Their stories are a horrifying collection of grievous mistakes, misconduct and, in some cases, downright criminal behavior, by those who are trusted to run our death penalty system. We know the system gets it wrong, far more often than we'd like. Cutting down on the scrutiny given to death cases and you will only see more of these wrongful convictions and further increase the risk of an innocent person being executed.

So what's the solution? How do we finally fix our broken death penalty system? Last month, Gov. Kate Brown reaffirmed the moratorium or ban on executions that was put in place in 2011 by her predecessor. She did so because she recognizes as many Oregonians do, "that serious concerns remain about the constitutionality and workability of Oregon's capital punishment law." While the moratorium ends executions, it does nothing to prevent new death sentences or slow the progress of cases through the system. In short, we are still spending

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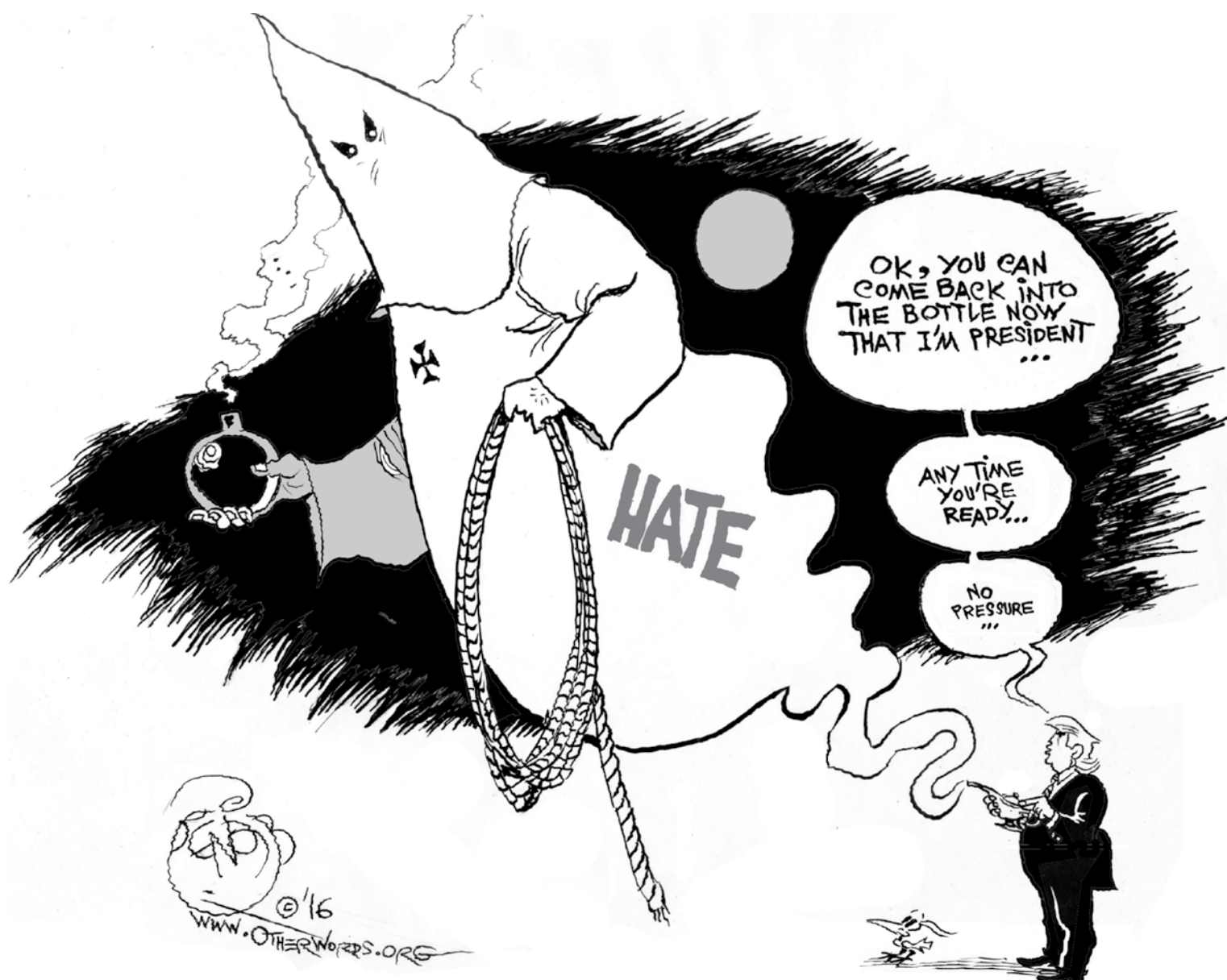
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OPINION



Do not be Complacent in the Face of Hate

The hurtful acts emboldened by an election

BY MARC H. MORIAL

The day after Trump was elected the 45th president of the United States of America, a group of middle school students in Royal Oak, Mich., chanted, "Build the wall" in their school cafeteria during lunchtime — a core Trump campaign slogan and promise to secure our nation's border with Mexico.

On Nov. 9, Minnesota high school officials discovered racist graffiti and Trump rhetoric scrawled in a boy's bathroom. The graffiti included #Gobacktoafrika, #Whitesonly and the Trump campaign's rallying cry to "Make America Great Again."

Only a day after Trump became our country's President-elect, a woman in New York City, who was wearing a hijab, was told by a man on the subway, "Your time is up, girlie." The president-elect's campaign was no stranger to stirring anti-Muslim sentiment. As

a candidate, Trump repeatedly called for a complete ban on Muslims entering the United States.

When confronted with reports of these hate crimes and harassment during an interview on "60 Minutes," Trump said, "I am so saddened to hear that," adding, "And I say, stop it. If it, if it helps, I will say this and I will say right to the cameras: Stop it." If only it were that easy, President-elect Trump.

What candidate Trump willfully disregarded, and would not denounce, during his quest for the White House, President Trump will soon have to grapple with in our freshly divided nation: You cannot court those mired in racist, misogynist or homophobic ideology—tacitly endorse and legitimize hate—then expect to put the deplorables back in the basket.

Since Election Day, there has been a disheartening spike in hate crimes and harassment. The surge in hate crimes is even more horrifying when you recognize that these acts of violence and hate are being done in the name of the President-elect, and by individuals invoking his campaign's divisive rhetoric.

According to the Southern Poverty Law Center, which has been keeping a running tally of these crimes through "Hatewatch," there have been more than 400 incidents of hate, harassment and intimidation following the election. The reports were collected from social media, news reports and from direct submissions to the SPLC's #ReportHate page.

We must report these crimes and hateful incidents. Help the Southern Poverty Law Center monitor these incidents to create the database and evidence that bears out our worst fear: That while America might feel great again for some, it has become appallingly unsafe for others.

Be sure to report hate crimes to your local authorities first. You can also file complaints with the U.S. Department of Justice Civil Rights Division online or contact the agency at 202-514-4609. The post-Election Day uptick in hate crimes has pushed some states to take matters into their own hands. In New York, the city's district attorneys released a joint statement indicating that bias crimes have become more commonplace since Election Day, and in response, the state has launched a hotline to re-

port potential hate crimes with the Division of Human Rights.

But in the midst of our division, our nation always gives me reason to hope. Recently, a Baylor University sophomore was walking to her class when she says another student, "sort of shoved me off the sidewalk and he said...no n-----s allowed on the sidewalk. Another student saw the incident and confronted the attacker, who responded that he was "just trying to make America great again." Two days later, 300 schoolmates, teachers and school administrators walked that sophomore to class to keep her safe.

As our nation awaits the transition to a Trump administration, we must not become complacent in the face of hate. We must report it, remain vigilant, and like the people at Baylor University, become our brother's keeper.

If Trump is going to be the president for all Americans he promised to be in his acceptance speech, he must do more than ask those emboldened by his rhetoric to stop acting on his words—he needs to unequivocally denounce these crimes and acts of hate.

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OPINION

Building a New Populism in the Era of Trump

We're stuck in this together

BY CHUCK COLLINS

Imagine you're standing in line for the American Dream.

You work hard, sometimes in dangerous jobs. You lead a moral life.

But the line is stalling, even moving backwards. Yet you see newcomers up front — some of them immigrants and people of color.

Maybe you've worked all your life alongside African Americans and Latinos — more than most northern liberals have — but when you complain about people cutting you, those liberals call you racist. Worse still, they seem to look down on you because of your Christianity, or your Southern culture.



That's the worldview sketched out by sociologist Arlie Hochschild, a liberal professor who spent five years interviewing Louisiana Tea Party activists. She made friends with them and stayed in touch as they got involved in the Trump campaign, an experience detailed in her new book *Strangers in Their Own Land*.

When Hillary Clinton called Trump supporters "deplorable," Hochschild's Tea Party friends heard a put-down they suspect liberal elites say about them behind closed doors all the time. Trump, on the other hand, never dismissed them as racists or rednecks. Instead, he blamed their problems on the line cutters.

Unfortunately, neither Clinton nor Trump got at the real reasons the line isn't moving.

The fact is, over the last three decades, both Republicans and

Democrats have helped shift America's wealth to a small segment of rich people and global corporations. They've each supported a corporate "free trade" agenda and failed to do anything more than tinker with tax rules that accelerate inequality.

The resulting economic insecurity has given rise to both progressive and regressive forms of populism.

On the one hand, the Bernie Sanders campaign focused on how the rigged rules of the economy benefit billionaires and transnational corporations. On the other, Trump deflected blame away from the real holders of power and onto less powerful groups.

In the general election, when Hillary Clinton became pegged as the status quo candidate, it shouldn't have surprised anyone that Trump's regressive populism won out.

But Trump's plans to deport immigrants while cutting rich people's taxes will almost certainly fail to address the underlying concerns of the non-wealthy voters who elected him. That leaves room for a more progressive populism to get the stalled-out line moving again.

That means building coalitions between urban and rural workers to raise wages and expand opportunities at the state and local levels. At the federal level, campaigns to tax the wealthy, create jobs by building new infrastructure, and provide debt-free education could win allies among Trump supporters.

Meanwhile, progressive populists should engage with Trump's white supporters to explain that millions of black, Latino, and Native workers are stuck in line for many of the same reasons they are. Together they've all been held back by the 1 percent,

though racism has made things far harder for people of color.

Fighting racism is essential. But liberals shouldn't assume that Trump supporters are too racist, too dumb, or too manipulated by the Koch brothers to vote in their real economic interests.

Instead, like Hochschild did in Louisiana, they should take the time to understand the deeper economic and cultural reasons people might distrust the Democratic Party establishment and the broader liberal agenda.

Because we're only going to get the line moving again when we realize we're stuck in it together.

Chuck Collins is a senior scholar at the Institute for Policy Studies and a co-editor of Inequality.org, where parts of this essay previously appeared. He's the author of the recent book Born on Third Base. Distributed by OtherWords.org.

Reacting to the Stereotype, Not the individual

'Before I was ever blue, I was black'

BY BOBBY F. KIMBROUGH JR.

For the last 55 years of my life, before I was ever blue, I was black. Undeniably black. I spent 30 years in law enforcement, but before I was ever recognized as a senior special agent with the U.S. Department



Justice, people saw a black man. Whether I speak to you from a perspective of a seasoned law enforcement expert or an extremely proud black man born and raised in the 60s, I must give you what is true. The truth is there are times when the police deal with the stereotype instead of the individuals. There are indeed times when those on the inside of the system must ask themselves, Are we doing what is right or what is white? Conversely, there are times when the black man lives up to the stereotype in grand fashion.

In our society we function on the rules of law. Within those rules of law there is a moral justice that circles the universe which exists or gets ignored. African American males become the victim of the stereotypes of a white culture. Whether our adornment is given at birth or dispensed over the counter, we are often stereotyped based

on our pigmentation, our style and our decoration.

The truth in America, while we are advancing in certain parts of our society, there are areas where we are at a standstill. If law enforcement would be honest, they would admit there are still some cities that fall under the good ol' boy culture. As one presidential candidate called

nic communities. If you look across America to those who protect and serve, many are doing good, but those who don't skew the results.

In order for us to change the current atmosphere between law enforcement and communities of color, we have to begin an ongoing dialogue that equips everyone with the knowledge to make

is the only way to disarm and alter the system.

Bobby F. Kimbrough Jr. is a re-

tired senior special agent with the U.S. Department of Justice. He is the author of "Surviving the Stop."

There is a distinct culture in law enforcement. And there is undeniably a racist culture within a culture. Many people know it exists but have no clue to the depths of its impact.

it, "locker room talk." This kind of conversation goes far beyond gender and shows up in encounters people of color have with law enforcement professionals.

There is a distinct culture in law enforcement. And there is undeniably a racist culture within a culture. Many people know it exists but have no clue to the depths of its impact. There is underground racism and unbridled hatred. Some do not realize how expansive it is until they become a victim of it.

As a black man and a law enforcement expert, I understand our cultural roots. I recognize the need for law enforcement to understand the black community, along with the Hispanic, Muslim and other eth-

nic communities. If you look across America to those who protect and serve, many are doing good, but those who don't skew the results.

It is essential that police officers get consistent training to manage their emotions when they come face to face with the stereotypes embedded in their minds. It is imperative that we teach children at the youngest ages in our school systems how to interact with law enforcement officers. It is the things we do not know that harm us and jeopardize our lives.

We must educate ourselves in how law enforcement works and the fact that the system has issues. We must realize that sometimes the system reacts to the stereotype and not the individual. Moving forward, armed with knowledge,

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Young people from all social and economic backgrounds enjoy free recreational activities with their peers during Teen Late Night at the Vancouver Parks and Recreation Firstenberg Center.

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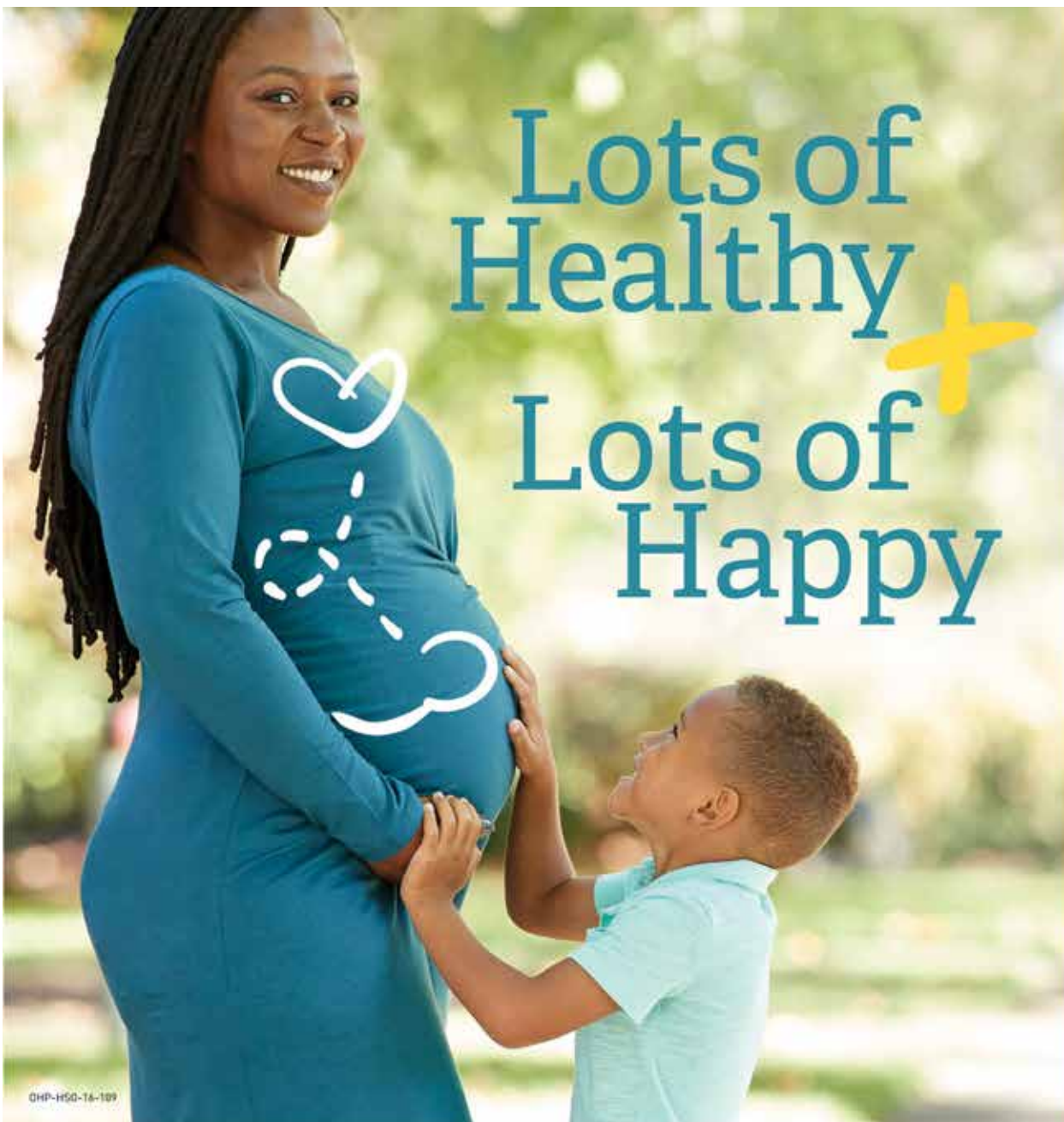
A popular Teen Late Night program through Vancouver Parks & Recreation is back.

This fall, young people between the ages of 11 and 18 are invited to enjoy a safe night of free recreational activities every Friday night at either the Firstenberg or Marshall community centers.

Scheduled between the hours of 8 p.m. and 11 p.m., teens from all social and economic backgrounds are encouraged to learn trust, respect, self-esteem, and integrity

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A participant from the program states, "For me, Late Night has been such a positive influence in my life. There have been times where things weren't looking so good in my day. I came to Late Night and experienced such fairness, structure and a caring staff who listens.... Thanks Late Night for giving me a safe place to be myself."



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A historical photo from 1945 shows black paratroopers from an elite unit of the Army which was deployed to fight forest fires in the Pacific Northwest.

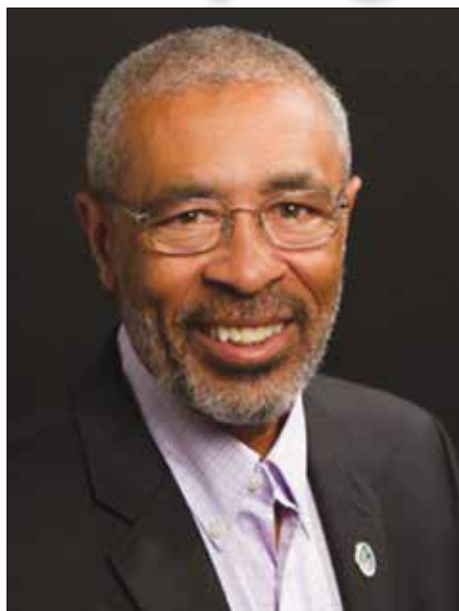
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The all-black unit spent the next several months jumping and fighting forest fires throughout the Pacific Northwest. Called the "Triple Nickles," the 555th Parachute Infantry group gained military fame for their work as firefighters.

The unit's unique story of patriotism, race and service will be shared during a free and open "history pub"

Jumping into the Fire



Robert Bartlett

series event at McMenamins Kennedy School in northeast Portland. The presentation, on Monday, Nov. 28 at

7 p.m., will be led Robert Bartlett, a Vietnam War veteran and son of Walter Bartlett Sr., who served in the Army Air Corps during the World War II period.

Robert Bartlett has 30 years of teaching experience and is a senior lecturer at Eastern Washington University.



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Meet, Shop and Be Merry

-- Community vendors, a raffle and more will highlight an open house and holiday bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 26 at McMenamins Kennedy School, 5736 N.E. 33rd Ave., for My Sister's Keeper NW, a multicultural group of women who are seeking a safe place to support each other. Admission is free.

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.

Norman Sylvester -- 'Boogie Cat' Norman Sylvester and his band Friday, Nov. 25 at Trail's End in Oregon City and Saturday, Nov. 26 at Clyde's; and Norman performs with the Next Waltz at the Alberta Rose Theater, Sunday, Nov. 27 at 8 p.m.



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.

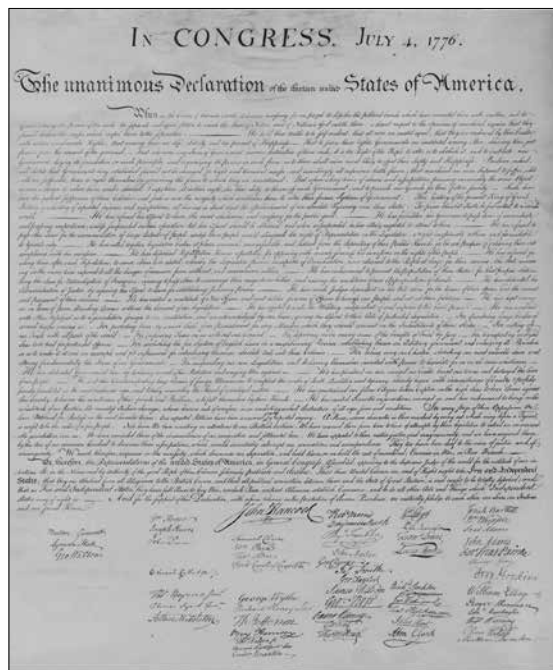


Breakout Tuesdays Hip Hop -- JAMN 107.5 and Breakout Show host Cool Nutz are launching Breakout Tuesdays, a monthly event each third Tuesday of the month that will feature performances from some of the top rappers from the Northwest. Hosted by Juma Blaq and DJ Fatboy and performed at the Ash Street, 225 S.W. Ash.

Clothing Closet -- Each first Saturday of the month, a complimentary breakfast and clothing drive takes place at First AME Zion Church, 4304 N. Vancouver Ave. The goal is to clothe and feed Portland one person at a time. For more information, call Nydia Campbell-Pullom at 503-317-1089.

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.

Discount Tickets -- Local 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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Santa's Parade will return Saturday, Nov. 26 to historic downtown Gresham as the community hosts its 25th annual Spirit of Christmas celebration. The free festivities start at 4:45 p.m.

Parade and Tree Lighting

Downtown Gresham presents its 25th annual Spirit of Christmas event on Saturday, Nov. 26 with a variety of fun, family friendly festivities all leading up to the grand finale -- the lighting of the city's 60-foot ponderosa pine.

The free festivities start at 4:45 p.m. with Santa's Parade, followed by music and treats at the downtown Arts Plaza. The tree is lit promptly at 6 p.m.

"There's no better place to be than the heart of downtown Gresham to kick off the Christmas season," said Gresham Mayor Shane Bemis. "Every year, I'm delighted to see so many families and people of all ages and from all walks of life coming together at Spirit of Christmas to laugh, dance and enjoy the holidays as well as this great community."

Santa will greet the crowd,

listen to the children's wish lists, pose for photos. Live music performances include Gresham Arthur Academy, SALT Academy, and Salvation Army Youth Corp Band. Free cocoa, hot cider, hot dogs, candy canes, popcorn and more will be served, thanks to generous sponsors.

The city will collect donations of canned goods to support a food drive for people in need.

Political Laughs with Hari

A Brooklyn-based comedian known for making comedy on such subjects as race, identity and inequality brings his stand-up act to Portland's Revolution Hall, headlining a one night show on Wednesday, Nov. 30 at the southeast Portland performance venue.

Hari Kondabolu has been hailed by the New York Times as one of the most exciting political

comedians in stand-up today.

On TV, Hari has appeared on the Late Show with David Letterman, Conan, Jimmy Kimmel Live, John Oliver's NY Standup Show, @midnight, the Nightly Show, and his own half-hour Comedy Central Presents special.

Doors open 7 p.m. with the show at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20 and available at ticketfly.com.



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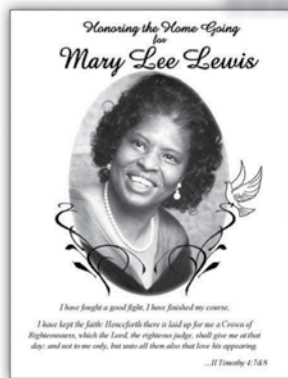
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Holiday Concert at St. Philip Neri

St. Philip Neri Church, a historic Portland church and music venue, will again be hosting a piano concert to kick off the holidays.

For the 15th year in a row, famed performer Michael Allen Harrison will offer his signature contemporary music, with special

guest Julianne Johnson's powerful, joyful singing for a benefit piano concert on Monday, Nov. 28 at 7 p.m. at the church, located at 2408 S.E. 16th Ave. Tickets are \$15 regular admission and \$25 for preferred seating.

The Philip Neri Altar Society

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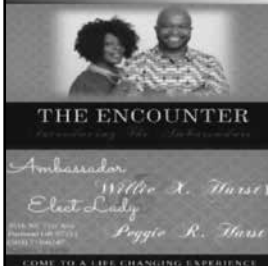
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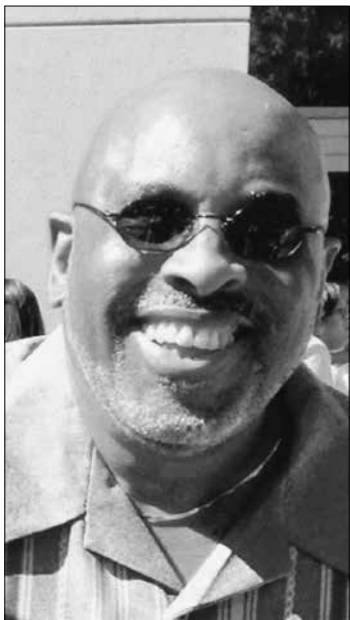
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Obituaries

In Loving Memory



Lawrence Nelson Garnett

Lawrence Nelson Garnett, born June 21, 1949, was called home to be with the Lord on Nov. 15, 2016.

He was born in Portland, attended Boise Elementary and Jefferson High schools, and worked for the Army Corp of Engineers until his retirement in December 2010.

He is survived by his son, Andre Garnett; siblings John Newton, Harvey Garnett, Beverly Hunter and Robert Garnett, all of Portland, and Albert Garnett of Spokane; and a host of other family members and friends.

Viewing will be Saturday, Nov. 26, from noon until 2 p.m. at Terry Family Funeral Home. Services will be Monday, Nov. 28 at 11 a.m. at Vancouver Avenue First Baptist Church. Viewing will also precede the service beginning at 10 a.m.

Oldest Veteran Remembered



Ural Ollison

Ural Ollison, the oldest black veteran in Portland, passed away on Nov. 20, 2016 in his home of natural causes. He was 102 years old and lived a great life.

He was born Aug. 29, 1914 in Fordyce, Ark., to the union of Wiley and Birdie Lee Ollison. He was the baby of the family with his older brother Otis Lee and sister Lillie Mae and half brother Roma, all who preceded him in death.

He leaves to mourn his memory, a daughter Patricia Ford; grandson Deshaden Smith; two great grandchildren, Denina and Dekaira Smith; and a step grandson Sentonio Barber, who all reside in Portland; two special nieces Ithema Gaines Tarpley and Janice Cossette Richards; and a host of cousins, extended family and friends.

Services will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 29 at 10 a.m. at Morning Star Baptist church; 4927 N.E. 55th Ave.

In Loving Memory

Mary Alice Britt

Mary Alice Britt was born April 20, 1940 and passed away on Oct. 17, 2016.

She was well known and loved by many in the Portland and Seattle metro areas.

A memorial service will be held Thursday, Dec. 1 at 11 a.m. at Daniels Memorial Church, 1234 N.E. Killingsworth St.



In Loving Memory

James W. Britt Jr.

James W. Britt Jr. was born May 26, 1937 and passed away on Nov. 21, 2015.

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Bids will be received at the offices of Lease Crutcher Lewis, LLC, (CM/GC), 550 SW 12th Avenue, Portland, Oregon 97205, until 1:30 p.m. PDT, December 15, 2016 at which time the bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Proposals shall be clearly marked "CLPUD Northern Operations Center: Bid Package #___"

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Contract Documents and the Invitation to Bid may be reviewed at the following locations beginning November 28th: Lease Crutcher Lewis, LLC (CM/GC)/Portland, OR; Central Lincoln People's Utility District/Newport, OR; Daily Journal Plan Center/Portland, OR; Eugene Builders Exchange/Eugene, OR; Oregon Contractors Plan Center/Clackamas, OR; Oregon Assoc. of Minority Enterprises/Portland, OR; McGraw-Hill Construction Dodge/Portland, OR; Central Coast Plan Exchange/Florence, OR.

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Bobbin Singh is the executive director of the Oregon Justice Resource Center.



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 1 National Author's Day <i>Electric Light Bulb Patented (1879)</i> National Family Literacy Day	2 <i>Daniel Boone born, 1734</i> <i>International Space Station Opened in 2000</i>	3 National Sandwich Day	4 <i>Gail Haley born, 1939</i> <i>First Wagon Train Reached California (1841)</i>	5 Guy Fawkes Day	6 Daylight Savings Time Ends National Nachos Day	
7 Hug-a-Bear Day <i>Scientist Marie Curie born in 1867</i>	8 Young Reader's Day <i>X-Ray Day, discovered on this day in 1895</i>	9 <i>Capital Punishment abolished in the U.K. in 1998</i> <i>Great Boston Fire 1872</i>	10 <i>Sesame Street Debuted in 1969</i> <i>First iPod Sold in 2001</i>	11 Remembrance Day In Canada Veteran's Day	12 <i>Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Women's Rights Leader, was born in 1815</i>	13 Mom's and Dad's Day <i>Vietnam Veterans Memorial was dedicated in 1982</i>
14 <i>William Steig born, 1907</i> National Clean Out Your Refrigerator Day	15 America Recycles Day Pack Your Mom Lunch Day	16 <i>Jean Fritz born, 1915</i> <i>Fall of the Inca Empire (1533)</i> Button Day	17 Homemade Bread Day Take A Hike Day	18 <i>Antarctica discovered in 1820</i> William Tell Day	19 <i>Gettysburg Address, 1863 by President Lincoln</i> <i>Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in 1917</i>	20 Mexican Revolution Day <i>Traffic Light Patented in 1923</i>
21 <i>Leo Politi born in 1908</i> <i>Mayflower Compact Signed in 1620</i> World Hello Day	22 Stop the Violence Day <i>John F. Kennedy Assassinated in 1963 (35th President)</i>	23 National Cashew Day	24 Thanksgiving Day <i>Charles Darwin publishes 'The Origin of Species' in 1859</i>	25 Black Friday <i>Crescent Dragon-wagon born in 1952</i>	26 <i>Charles Schulz born in 1922</i>	27 Pins and Needles Day <i>Astronomer Anders Celsius born, 1701</i>
28 <i>Tom Ungerer born, 1931</i> <i>Magellan reached the Pacific (1521)</i>	29 <i>Madeline L'Engle born, 1918</i> <i>King Tut's Tomb Opened (1922)</i>	30 <i>Mark Twain born, 1835</i> Stay At Home Well Day				



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