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The first female senior enlisted leader in U.S. Army Recruiting Command history, Sgt. Maj. Tabitha Gavia takes a selfie in Vancouver with Union High School Associate Principal Tony Miles during a recent recruiting stop at the school. Moments earlier, Gavia gave Miles a military coin, considered a special honor.

Recruiting Challenge

Army jobs can appeal to all, top recruiter says

BY DANNY PETERSON
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Service, teamwork, and career opportunities are what are in store for people who join the Army. That's the message from Sgt. Maj. Tabitha Gavia, the first female senior enlisted leader in U.S. Army Recruiting Command history.

Gavia made stops in the Portland area last month to visit Armed Forces recruiting stations and local schools. Based in Fort Knox, Kentucky, she is essentially the right hand for the command general in charge of recruiting for the entire country, offi-

cials said, which means being responsible for enlisting more than 90,000 people for Army jobs.

Recruiting for the military is a challenge, especially in Portland where there is a lack of knowledge about military life because of a low military presence in the area, a relatively low unemployment rate, a high volume of white color jobs, and high college enrollment rates.

Nationally only about 29 percent of youth 17-24 years old qualify for military service, and a full 50 percent of those youth know little to nothing about military

service, according to the U.S. Army Recruiting Command.

Gavia, 49, is at the peak of a 30-year career in the Army. During her recent visit, she spoke with high school students in Vancouver about the benefits of joining the Armed Forces and let them inspect and participate in demonstrations of some real military hardware like flight simulators.

She wanted them and others to know they too can find the level of success and satisfaction she had by joining.

"I can think of no greater honor than service to country. And believing and doing

something greater than yourself. And so that is my reason for serving," Gavia told the Portland Observer.

With benefits like tuition assistance, traveling to different countries, and instilling good work ethics, Gavia said there's a variety of Army jobs that can appeal to just about anyone.

"Whether you are the adventurous type and you want to go down that route, or if you're interested in STEM and you want to do science and technology....everything

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Threatening Post Investigated

A threat against a Muslim advocacy organization posted on Facebook by a member of the Vancouver-based right-wing group Patriot Prayer will be investigated, Portland police reported Monday. User Sean Fries posted a now-deleted comment to the page of the Oregon chapter of Council on American-Islamic Relations, who alerted authorities Saturday, which read "Can't we just go burn down all the offices CAIR has?"

Council Support for Light Rail

A 12-mile light rail link proposed to mostly follow the center of Southwest Barbur Boulevard from downtown to Tigard and Bridgeport Village gained united support Thursday from Portland

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City Council. The TriMet project, estimated to be \$2.6 billion to \$2.9 billion, is poised to be signature project for a 2020 regional transportation bond.

DNA Links Man to Sexual Assault

A 67-year-old man who assaulted a female stranger more than two decades ago awaits sentencing on rape and sodomy charges after DNA from a sexual assault kit was finally tested and it linked him to the crime. Jihad Eldeen Moore was found guilty last week after a three day trial of attacking the woman in Tom McCall Waterfront Park in 1996.

Woodlawn Employees Sue

Two employees tasked to help special needs students from Woodlawn Elementary in northeast Portland are suing Portland Public Schools for \$900,000, saying the district did not assist them after pleas that violent students attacked them multiple times. A school district spokesperson said Friday they were in the fact-gathering phase to assess the complaint.

Falling Short of Diversity Goals

A new report from Portland's Independent Police Review finds Portland police are struggling to meet their diversity hiring goals and fail to account for how minority candidates navigate through the hiring process. While the city is 77 percent white, according to the latest U.S. Census data, 83 percent of the police bureau's employees are white and every other non-white demographic is underrepresented.

Charged with Bias Crime

A uniformed security guard who confronted several people on a public boat dock near Southwest Harbor Way with racial slurs and physical violence was arrested Thursday on assault and bias crimes charges. Nathan Scates, 37, is accused of intimidation and unlawful use of a stun gun, tear gas or mace and for hitting a female with a baton.

**Fugitive Fatally Shoots Self**

Authorities said a federal fugitive fatally shot himself as agents infiltrated a Portland home to arrest him in the 3200 block of Southeast 174th Avenue around 7 p.m. Saturday. The man was taken to a local hospital and later died. He was wanted by the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.

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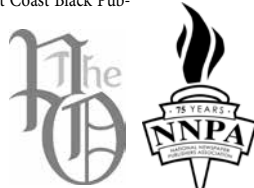
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What's on your list today?



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Contractors Monday were preparing space for a new homeless shelter inside the Multnomah County-owned Walnut Park building at the corner of Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard and Killingsworth Street.

Shelter Prepared

Walnut Park to open space for homeless

A new homeless shelter slated to open by Thanksgiving in the heart of Portland's historic African-American community will give those struggling to fend for themselves on the streets a place of refuge and assistance.

Coming to the Multnomah Coun-

ty-owned Walnut Park building at the corner of Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. and Killingsworth Street, the shelter will offer accommodations for about 80 people seeking an overnight stay on a referral basis, with an emphasis on housing people 55 and older, those with disabilities, and veterans, official said.

The building is already used for several public purposes, including a county health center, multicultural senior center, and dental clinic, activities that will continue.

Transition Projects, a Portland nonprofit, will run the new shelter, offering basic accommodations, like bunk beds, a place to store belongings, and bathroom and hygiene supplies, officials said. The shelter is also slated to allow pets. Regular meals and other services will not be offered.

Reservations for the shelter can be made by phone at 503-280-4700 or by visiting the Transition Projects Resource Center at 650 N.W. Irving St.

Mayor Proposes Protest Curbs

Would apply to groups with history of violence

BY DANNY PETERSON
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Portland Mayor Ted Wheeler will bring a proposed emergency ordinance to the City Council on Thursday asking the city to restrict when and where protest groups with a history of violence may gather and demonstrate, saying tougher regulations are needed to curb injuries to people, damage to public property and offset other safety concerns.

Wheeler cites the rash of violent confrontations between rivaling factions in public demonstrations that have occurred over the past two years as the catalyst for the ordinance, including an Oct.

13 demonstration that culminated with right-wing Patriot Prayer and counter-protesting Antifa brawling in the streets.

"We've become a magnet for agitators either with a history of—or an expressed intent to violent," Wheeler said.

The new regulations could be applied when two groups announce that they'll meet at the same place and time for a demonstration and each have a history of violence with each other, officials said. If the new rules are broken, violators could face a misdemeanor charge and fine of \$500 and up to 6 months in jail, or both.

The American Civil Liberties

Union of Oregon has condemned the proposal saying it regulates Constitutionally-protected speech and assembling with no meaningful oversight for abuse.

"The proposed ordinance raises many constitutional concerns," said Mat Dos Santo, legal director for the ACLU of Oregon. "Perhaps worse than the legal issues it raises, is that this ordinance is being sprung on the public with little notice as an emergency measure that will take effect immediately."

Dos Santos said he expects the opposition to grow with more public outcry, planned demonstrations and challenges in court.

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Sailor Serves on Navy Band

Petty Officer 2nd Class Haley Cameron of Portland has served in the Navy for two years as a musician. She currently plays the flute while serving with Navy Band Northeast.

Cameron's military career began with the 234th Army Band in Portland where she served with the Army National Guard for two years. Later, she moved to San Diego and became a member of the 300th Army Reserve Band in Los Angeles for four years.

"My full time civilian job wasn't something that I was willing to stick with for the long term, and one day I joked with my husband about going active duty," Cameron said. "It ended up sounding like a good gig so I weighed pros and cons of active Army duty stations vs. the Navy duty stations, and the Navy seemed to be the best choice for us. I had also heard a lot of good things about the quality of musicians in the Navy Music Program, and definitely wanted to be a part of that!"

Legacy Offers Free Flu Shots

Legacy Health Is offering free flu vaccinations for everyone aged 6 months and older during the month of November as permitted by staffing and supply. No insurance is required. Anyone under 15 years old will require a guardian present.

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Details Emerge in Officer-Involved Shooting

Video shows both police, suspect firing weapons

BY DANNY PETERSON

THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

A Multnomah County Grand Jury has determined that the use of deadly force by police was justified in the death of Patrick Kimmons, a 27-year-old black man killed Sept. 30 in an officer-involved shooting, downtown.

Multnomah County District Attorney Rod Underhill said the grand jury determined the police in question, Sgt. Garry Britt and Officer Jeffrey Livingston, acted in self defense or defense of a third person and would face no criminal charges.



Patrick Kimmons

Newly released video from the police investigation shows that the officers shot Kimmons seconds after he fired his own firearm five times against two people in a fight and then starting running toward police while still brandishing the gun.

Authorities said it happened around 3 a.m. as the two officers were providing extra patrols at a parking lot at Southwest Third Avenue and Harvey Milk Street that had been the location of prior violent incidents. The officers fired 12 rounds at Kimmons nine of which struck him, it was later determined by the state medical examiner. He was turned away from the police when he collapsed between some cars in the parking lot.

A gun was recovered near him and several other firearms were recovered at the scene.

Police said an internal administrative investigation of the entire incident is underway and is estimated to take about 10 weeks.

The grand jury's decision was met with a protest after it was announced last Wednesday with supporters of Kimmons demonstrating outside the Multnomah County Courthouse. A street was temporarily blocked by the group and a motorist was arrested for driving into one of the protesters who escaped injury, authorities said.

The driver, Mark A. Dickerson, 55, was detained in jail and charged with assault in the fourth degree, reckless endangering and reckless driving.



Video from a police investigation shows the involvement of police officers in the Sept. 30 shooting death of Patrick Kimmons, a 27-year-old black man. The video from a downtown parking lot also shows Kimmons in a fight and firing his gun on two other people in the seconds before being confronted by police.

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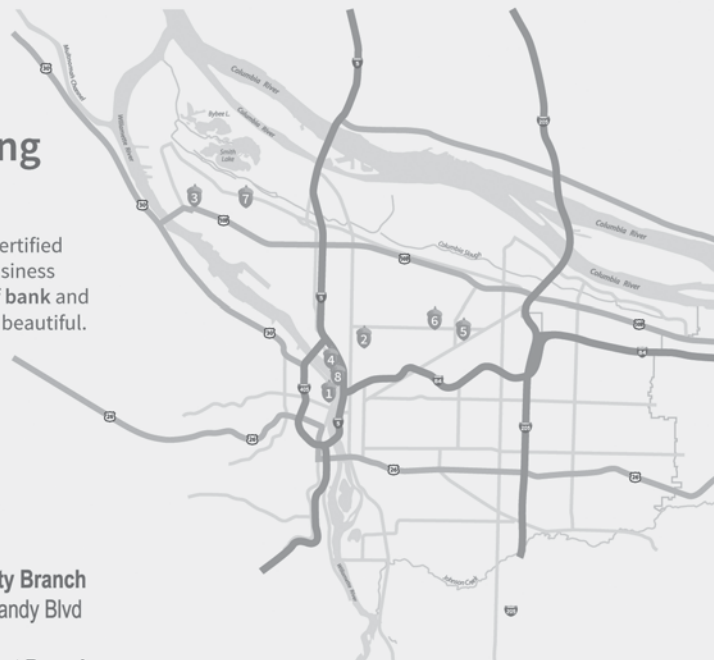


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Hollywood Veterans Parade Monday

The 44th annual Ross Hollywood Veterans Day Parade, sponsored by Ross Hollywood Chapel, will take place on Monday, Nov. 12, beginning at 9:30 a.m. at Northeast 40th and Tillamook and ending at the Ross Hollywood flag pole at Sandy Boulevard and Northeast 48th Avenue.

Veterans' Legacies, an organization dedicated to preserving and sharing the individual legacy of each veteran and their story, will

be honored as the parade's Grand Marshal. Other parade participants include veterans, marching bands, the 1st Marine Division Association, historic military vehicles, veterans organizations and veterans motorcycle groups. At the end of the parade, a flag ceremony will take place.

A musical venue by Tony Starlight will follow at 12 p.m. at the German American Society, 5626 N.E. Alameda Dr.

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Section 5. The Congress shall have power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article.

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Portland native Alikea Mosley is responsible for law enforcement and overall security as a master-of-arms officer in the U.S. Navy.

Keeping Adversaries at Bay

Alikea Mosley is a Portland native who has embarked on military career she knows is part of a legacy that will last beyond her lifetime.

As a Petty Officer 3rd Class master-at-arms with the Commander of Submarine Group Nine at the Kitsap-Bangor Naval Base in Washington near Seattle, Mosley is responsible for law enforcement and overall security on Navy installations.

"I enjoy my community, we work pretty intense and rigorous duties and that brings us closer together," she said. "Submariners are a very close-knit group, closer than surface sailors for sure. They want to help each other to the best of their ability at all costs."

Mosley graduated from high school in Virginia in 2012, but also draws lessons from her time growing up in Portland.

"Portland is like a melting pot and it makes you able to relate to multiple walks of life, and that's very helpful in the Navy," she said.

The Navy's ballistic missile submarines, often referred to informally as "boomers," serve as undetectable launch platforms for intercontinental ballistic missiles. They are designed specifically for stealth, extended patrols and the precise delivery of missiles, and they are the only survivable leg of the nation's strategic nuclear forces, which also include land-based missiles and aircraft.

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Keri Pilgrim Ricker (second from left) is named Oregon Teacher of the Year during a recent ceremony at Churchill High in Eugene. Also pictured (from left) are Eugene Superintendent Gustavo Balderas, Gov. Kate Brown and Oregon schools chief Colt Gill.

Educator
promotes equity
in health careers

Teacher of the Year

An African-American educator who has focused on promoting diversity and equity in science, engineering, technology, and math (STEM) has been honored with the title of Oregon Teacher of the Year.

With a passion for leadership

and a tireless advocacy for her students, Keri Pilgrim Ricker, of Churchill High School in Eugene was presented with the award during a ceremony last month with Oregon Department of Education Director Colt Gill, Gov. Kate Brown, Eugene School District

Superintendent Gustavo Balderas, and Churchill High Principal Greg Borgerding.

Pilgrim Ricker has used her background in biology, ecology and animal science to develop a customized curriculum for her students rooted in inquiry and re-

al-world application.

Focusing on career and technical education as a health occupations educator, she champions some of the most in-demand jobs on the market. She maintains a collaborative network of healthcare professionals, non-profit organiza-

tions, post-secondary institutions and families to create dynamic healthcare simulation units aligned to her students' career interests.

Her classrooms are also focused on diversity of thought, ideas, people and narratives.

"When students feel the need to discuss a topic I hold that space," she said. "We agree to listen, stay present, accept discomfort, speak our truths and accept non-closure."

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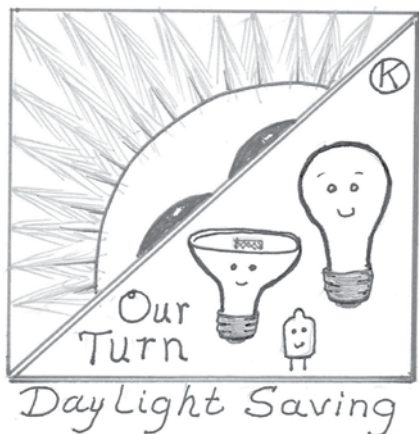
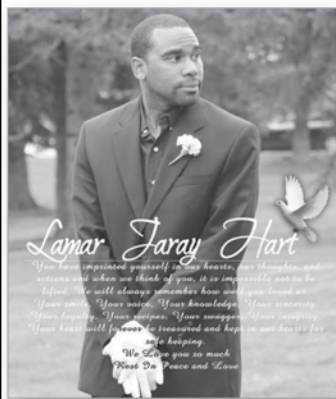


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Tabitha Gavia, the first female senior enlisted leader for U.S. Army Recruiting Command at Fort Knox, Kentucky, visits Union High School in Vancouver during her recent stops in the Portland area to visit Armed Forces recruiting stations and local schools.

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Jason Grinyshyn, 14, attempts a pull up as Sgt. Juan Rodriguez looks on during a recent Army recruitment event at Union High School in Vancouver.

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from medical jobs to intelligence jobs to learning how to speak Arabic and Chinese...I mean there's a wide range of jobs out there for young people. And it certainly should be considered an option," she said, adding that becoming a doctor or lawyer are also viable military career paths for enlistees.

Throughout her own Army career, Gavia has garnered a long list of impressive jobs working in the physics, medical, and leadership fields. She also has an associate's degree in technology, a Bachelor of Science in liberal arts, and a Master of Business Administration.

As the recipient of multiple honors through the years, including the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, and Meritorious Service Medal, Gavia said the Army can help young people stick with goals they've set out for themselves, just as it did for her.

"When they leave the military, they do better in college. People who serve in the military generally vote...they generally make their invested interest in the community known," she said.

As an African American woman, Gavia said she's faced challenges along the way rising in the ranks of the military.

"I joined the military 31 years ago. And life was very different 31 years ago than it is today. And so people thought differently about things. They weren't as educated on diversity and prejudice and discrimination as they are now," she said.

Gavia added that today the military has a robust equal-opportunity program to prevent prejudicial behaviors and attitudes from pervading. Overall, the experience of team-building the Army provided made her a stronger person, she said.

"The Army develops teams and it develops leaders and it makes us strong. And I couldn't imagine doing anything else," she said.

It was reported last month that the Army was about 6,500 people short of reaching their recruiting goals this fiscal year, for the first time in more a decade, despite other service branches meeting their targets.

Gavia pointed out that the Army did sign up more people this past year than they have since

2010. She was confident that by getting the message out and implementing modern incentives for enlistments, that the recruiting goals will be met in the future.

"We're putting together a cross-fit team to travel across the country to compete and recruit. And we've also identified that we have young people interested in e-gaming. And so we're putting together an e-gaming team," she said.

Gavia, who was raised in Virginia, said her father, who served in Vietnam, instilled the values of servicing a bigger cause than herself from a young age.

"He wanted us to serve something; it didn't have to be the military. He would've been just as happy if I went off with the Peace Corps or if I did volunteer 10 hours a week with the Red Cross," she said.

It wasn't until Gavia went to college for a few months that she realized she wanted something more.

"I didn't feel included, I think. And every time I'd see my father with folks growing up, it's just a team, a family...I wanted to be part of something bigger than myself," she said.



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College Theater Opener



Racial profiling, sexual harassment and police corruption are themes that emerge in 'Lobby Hero,' the fall production starring Matt Cornett and Crishawn West, at Clackamas Community College.

Clackamas Community College's Theatre Department opens the Main Stage Production season with a fall performance of "Lobby Hero."

The Tony Award-nominated play follows Jeff, a young security guard who finds himself in a dilemma over a murder case implicating the brother of his supervisor. The play works to explore racial profiling, sexual harassment and police corruption, all in the confines of an apartment building lobby.

Opening night is Thursday, Nov. 8 at 6:30 p.m. with performances continuing Thursdays-Saturdays, Nov. 8-18 at 7:30 p.m., with Sunday matinees at 2:30 p.m. in the Niemeyer Osterman Theatre, 19600 Molalla Ave., Oregon City. Tickets are \$11 for adults, \$9 for seniors and \$5 (or pay-what-you-can at the door) for students. Visit clackamas.edu/theatre or call 503-594-3153.



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The Regiment Horns (from left) Sean Erick on trumpet and flugelhorn, Leon Silva Jr. on saxophone and Kevin Lloyd Williams Jr. on flute, tuba and trombone.

Horn Section Gives Back

Timberlake musicians to visit MHCC


The Regiment Horns, the horn section that performs regularly with singer Justin Timberlake, will perform a concert and masterclass at Mt. Hood Community College while in town for a Timberlake concert at the Moda Center.

During their stay, the Los-Angeles based trio will stop by MHCC on Wednesday, Nov. 14 for a free public event from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the MHCC Visual Arts Theater. The group appears with Timberlake for a paid concert at the Moda Center two days later.

The Regiment Horns has performed horn tracks for

some of the music industry's top performers, including Michael Jackson, Stevie Wonder, Mary J. Blige, and Lady Gage, to name a few. The trio comprises Sean Erick, Kevin Lloyd Williams Jr. and Leon Silva Jr. The three men met at Berklee College of Music in Boston before forming a group in Los Angeles.

"I've known Kevin and Leon for several years and invited them to talk about how they formed and achieved success," said Dan Davey, MHCC Music instructor and director of Jazz Studies. "We're extremely excited to host them for the afternoon, and I look forward to the experience and wisdom they can impart on our students and the great music they'll share with us."



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Zoo to Celebrate with Veterans

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A bald eagle in the Oregon Zoo's Great Northwest area. To celebrate Veterans Day on Sunday and Monday, Nov. 11 and 12, the zoo will offer free admission for military veterans, active military personal and their family members.

At the **Oregon Department of Transportation**, we want to take time this Veterans Day to acknowledge the sacrifices of our past and present service members and their families. We are grateful for what you have given to help our country be all it can be!

Among these sacrifices is the economic loss suffered by those who have served our country in uniform. ODOT recruitment recognizes this sacrifice through the state's veterans' preference program. Veterans' preference is a way for us to give back to veterans, and it is an opportunity for us to welcome the valuable experience of veterans and develop an outstanding ODOT workforce. Eligible veterans who meet the qualifications for a position will benefit from veterans preference.

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On this Veterans Day, we want to thank all service members and their families for their sacrifice. We also invite you to start a new journey at odotjobs.com.



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The Discovery of King Tut -- A compelling



reproduction of the burial treasure from King Tut's tomb, discovered 95 years ago in the Egyptian Valley of the Kings, is presented in the traveling exhibit 'The Discovery of King Tut,' now showing through Jan. 27 at OMSI. For tickets and more information, visit omsi.edu or call the box office at 503-797-4000.

Day of the Dead -- Fantasy, fairy tales and folklore are woven into the fantastical adventure in *Alebríes A Día de Muertos espectacular!* a Day of the Dead celebration play that is opening a new season at Milagro, Portland's premier Latino theater in southeast Portland. Shows continue through Sunday, Nov. 11. For tickets and more information, visit milagro.org or call 503-236-7253



New Chinatown Museum -- "Made in Chinatown, USA: Portland," a photo exhibit capturing the cultural pride of Portland's Asian community marks the opening of a new Portland Chinatown Museum at 127 N.W. Third Ave. Admissions is a suggested \$5 and free on First Thursdays from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.



Motown's 'Dreamgirls' -- Portland's Stumptown Stages presents the sensational musical 'Dreamgirls,' dramatizing a Motown's group's rise from obscurity to superstardom, at the Columbia Theater in Longview on Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 9 and Nov. 10. For more information, visit stumptownstages.org.

Gorge Shuttle Returns -- The Columbia Gorge Express bus service by the Oregon Department of Transportation has made its return, now going as far east as Hood River and offering serve seven days a week, year round. The bus departs from the Gateway Transit Center to Rooster Rock State Park, Multnomah Falls, Cascade Locks and Hood River.

Vying for Miss Glamouresse -- Kevin Cook,

aka Poison Waters, stars as Miss Texas in a silly spoof that has men dressed in drag vying for the title of Miss Glamouresse

2018. It's all part of the fun when Portland's Triangle Productions presents the musical comedy "Pageant" for a series of Sunday only shows in November at the Darcelle XV Showplace, downtown. For tickets and more information, visit trianglepro.org.



Ella Enchanted -- A young girl overcomes outrageous obstacles and proves that she doesn't need a prince charming to save her -- she has the power to save herself. The Oregon Children Theater's production of "Ella Enchanted" is based on the bestselling novel. Now playing on Saturdays at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. and Sundays at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. through Nov. 18 at Newmark Theater, 1111 S.W. Broadway. For more information, visit octe.org.

Norman Sylvester -- 'Boogie Cat' Norman Sylvester plays Friday Nov. 9 at the Rogue Pub in North Plains; Saturday, Nov. 10 at the Spare Room; Friday, Nov. 16 at the Vinyl Tap; and Saturday, Nov. 17 at the Half Penny in Salem.

Life under Nazi Rule -- The Portland Art Museum and Oregon Jewish Museum and Center for Holocaust Education jointly present two exhibitions this fall and winter featuring photographs by the late Polish-Jewish photojournalist Henry Ross offering an extraordinary rare glimpse of life under Nazi rule. Both facilities are offering offer a full slate of exhibit-related programming.

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

Discount Tickets -- Low income families and individuals can purchase \$5 tickets to classical musical performances in Portland as part of a unique program called Music for All. Participating organizations include the Oregon Symphony, Portland Opera, Oregon Ballet Theater, Chamber Music Northwest, Portland Youth Philharmonic, Portland Baroque Orchestra, Friends of Chamber Music, Portland Chamber Orchestra, Portland Piano International, Portland Symphonic Choir, Cappella Romana and Portland Vocal Consort.

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Bursting with the colorful street style and music of Nairobi's vibrant youth culture, the film "Rafiki" is a tender love story between two young women in a country that still criminalizes homosexuality.

Yearning for Something More

The Hollywood Theater in northeast Portland presents the film "Rafiki," a hip tale of first love between two young women in Nairobi, Kenya, a country that still criminalizes homosexuality. The screening takes place on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 7:30 p.m. as part of the theater's Queer Commons series.

Bursting with the colorful street style and music of Nairobi's vibrant youth culture, "Rafiki" centers on Kena and Ziki, two young women who have long been told that "good Kenyan girls become good Kenyan wives" -- but they

yearn for something more.

Despite a political rivalry between their families, the girls encourage each other to pursue their dreams in a conservative society. When love blossoms between them, they must choose between happiness and safety.

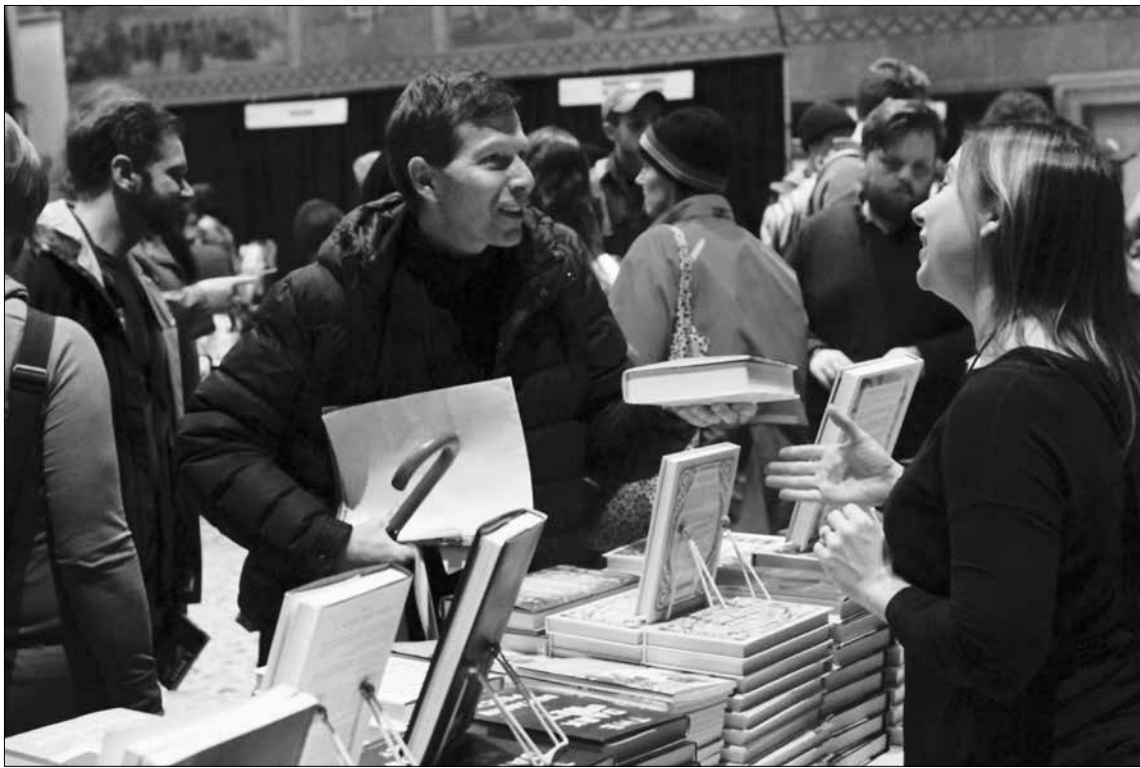
Initially banned in Kenya for its positive portrayal of queer romance, Rafiki won a landmark supreme court case chipping away at Kenyan anti-LGBT legislation. The film features a remarkable performance by newcomers Samantha Mugatsia and Sheila Munyiva.



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The annual Portland Book

Festival at the Portland Art Museum and six neighboring venues, downtown, brings more than 100 authors, 80 vendors, 13 writing workshops, food trucks, and satellite bookstores from Annie Bloom's Books, Broadway Books, Powell's Books and Green Bean Books.

The festival offers 10 craft workshops and three free workshops for students and teachers. Adult passes for the festival are \$15 in advance or \$20 on the day

of the event. Attendance is free for attendees 17 and under or with a valid high school ID.

Kids and family members are invited to check out storytimes and middle grade events at the Oregon Historical Society, picture book panel discussions at the Portland Art Museum, and young adult author events at the Old Church.

The Portland Book Festival is sponsored by Literary Arts, a community-based nonprofit dedicated to serving readers and writers.

Teacher of the Year

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It is not always easy, but we must model civil discourse and provide students an opportunity for practice so they can navigate the workplace and the world responsibly and with empathy."

Pilgrim Ricker said she looks at education as a partnership formed between students, educators and the community.

"We all must take a seat at the table and support one another in meaningful ways to create a sustainable, holistic and dynamic educational model," she said.

The Oregon Teacher of the Year program honored Pilgrim Ricker by awarding her \$5,000, and a matching donation to her school, thanks to Oregon Department of Education and their partner, Oregon Lottery. She won regional Teacher of the Year honors in May and a \$500 award.

The Oregon Teacher of the Year is selected after an extensive application process that draws on

testimonials and letters of support from administrators, students and colleagues. The teachers are evaluated on leadership, instructional expertise, community involvement, understanding of educational issues, professional development and vision.

Pilgrim Ricker will serve as a spokesperson and representative for all Oregon teachers as the 2019 Oregon Teacher of the Year. She will attend the Washington Recognition Week for Teachers of the Year in Washington, D.C. this spring, where she will meet the President and the U.S. Secretary of Education.

Nominate Next Year's Teacher of the Year

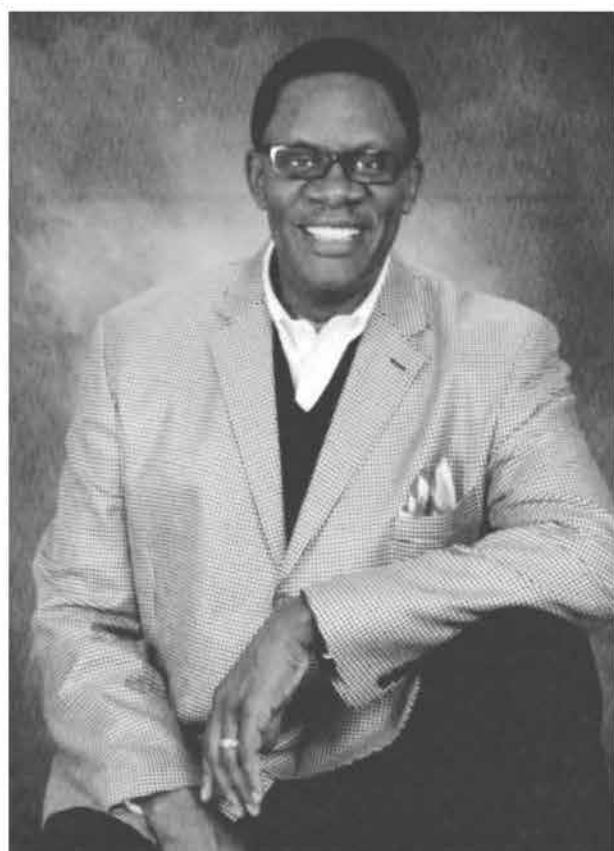
Nominations for the 2020 Oregon Teacher of the Year are now open. If you know of a teacher who is an exceptionally dedicated, knowledgeable, and skilled public school educator in grades preK-12, go to oregonteacheroftheyear.org to submit your nomination. Nominations close Jan. 31.

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OPINION

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Calibrating for Fake vs. Real News

Document and consider sources for reliability

BY TOM H. HASTINGS

I teach between 300-400 students every year and one of the most frequent concerns expressed by them is source reliability.

Welcome to the era of mass gaslighting. Infowars. Trump. Putin. Bin Salman. Fox News.

My advice to those inquisitive students is to consider following or subscribing to at least three sources and making them ideologically different from each other and note the difference in coverage, the contrasting frames and facts.

Then, for particularly close questioning of gnarly issues, check with factchecking sites like Snopes or the Annenberg Public Policy Center's factchecking site. By the time the curious citizen has read from liberal, conserva-

tive, and mainstream sites, and gone to reputable factchecking sites, that citizen is operating with a fairly high degree of reliability, and when you cantilever that over years of experience, validity threats are minimized.

So, for instance, when I read extreme leftist distress over the link between the Trilateral Commission and "chemtrails," I can (eye)roll my way past that fairly quickly. Reading rightwing hyste-

ria over George Soros paying protesters may take an extra few minutes, but I can now confidently say that the gasp-reflex rightwing rage on this is needlessly combustible, as many social movements routinely cover activists' traveling expenses and, for potential resisters, even bail money, as we learned in the Civil Rights era. Of course, all the gains from the Civil Rights era are pretty much what many of the Soros traducers seek to roll back.

This is not to claim that no nefarious schemes, even conspiracies, exist, but it is to note that they should be thoroughly investigated

before declaring them convincing. That investigation may come from independent journalists, independent government investigators, or even from opinionated but sincere sources.

The key is to document and cite actual evidence, not to cite Alex

of critical thinking and common sense to the admittedly massive raw data stream coming at us 24-7, a person can develop a decent sense for authenticity.

But I still caution that the need to (in the words of Ronald Reagan) trust but verify never evaporates. I

strands of argument and analysis.

In short, yes, I hope we can at least avoid the spectacle of a bitter partisan debate over whether the sun rises in the east, but let's at least allow for some context and nuance when judging our opponents' views.



After some years of engaging in information verification at a sincere and non-ideological level, and after applying the principles of critical thinking and common sense to the admittedly massive raw data stream coming at us 24-7, a person can develop a decent sense for authenticity.

Jones or Snoop Dog or anyone at all from the Trump organization, Mohammed bin Salman, Kim Jong-un, or Vladimir Putin. Sorry, no cred for you.

After some years of engaging in information verification at a sincere and non-ideological level, and after applying the principles

like Rachel Maddow but on some issues I follow up to check. I like Anderson Cooper—same thing. Jake Tapper—him too. National Public Radio is my go-to daily news but I factcheck them before I make a claim based on their analysis and I often listen with chagrin as they miss seriously important

I believe Trump is a peerless disgrace, but I get his survival techniques and can let them just roll into the dustbin of lies without letting them catch my hair on fire.

Dr. Tom H. Hastings of Portland is director of PeaceVoice and on occasion an expert witness for the defense in court.

Killing Thousands and Enriching Arms Sellers

The lives lost in Saudi-led war in Yemen

BY ALEX POTTER

The other day, over 20 people died in an airstrike in Yemen's coastal city of Hodeidah.

The bombs, dropped by a Saudi-led coalition hit a farmers market where men from neighboring villages sold their goods, hoping to at least break even and bring some food home to their families. In the aftermath of the attack, families gathered to pick up the pieces of their loved ones and hitchhiked to the local general hospital in search of the wounded.

These were only a few of the uncountable thousands of civilian casualties in Yemen's war, which I've followed closely since living there for years as a journalist.

The frequent strikes on markets, school buses, and hospitals seldom make news in the United States. Is it because Yemen seems so far away, that the blood of chil-

dren doesn't seem to reach our fingertips?

Or is it because arms sellers' profits from Yemen's war are so substantial, we don't dare cut ties?

Yemen's been on a downward spiral since a failed transition period after the Arab Spring led to a civil war. Since early 2015, a Saudi-led coalition backing Yemen's exiled president

family in their sleep.

All of these airstrikes were supported by the U.S., which supplied training, targeting support, in-flight refueling, and the bombs themselves. Yet American politicians mostly stay silent. Why?

Is it because the war in Yemen is so complicated? This is a cop-out — it's our elected officials' job to understand these intricacies, and to act when situations are unjust.

I would argue it's the cost-ben-

efit ratio. Carrying even greater weight, especially by President Trump, is the financial benefit of this war. The U.S. sells billions of dollars' worth of weapons to the Saudis.

Deaths for dollars. The lives of tens of thousands of Yemenis for the financial gain of a few corporations. While there are obviously more reasons for the ongoing conflict than this, it's an undeniable component.

Yet this last month has brought

Khashoggi's death, first denied then whitewashed by Saudi officials, has brought together a bipartisan group calling for a cancellation of arms sales to the kingdom.

"With the murder of Jamal Khashoggi, it's time for the United States to halt all weapons sales and military aid to Saudi Arabia," said Rep. Jim McGovern, D-Mass., who introduced a bill to do just that. "Our democratic values are on the line here — and we need to step up as a country and do the right thing."

On the other hand, President Trump so far refuses to stop arms sales, even though the Saudis now admit Khashoggi's murder was premeditated. "We don't like it, not even a little bit," Trump said. But canceling the sales "would not be acceptable to me."

The war in Yemen will continue until those in power decide their costs outweigh the benefits — and until the rest of us insist on a cost for civilian lives.

Alex Potter is a photojournalist and nurse from Minnesota working mostly in the Middle East. She's lived and worked in Yemen since 2012. Distributed by OtherWords.org.



As the tragic details of journalist Jamal Khashoggi's abduction and death emerge, more lawmakers are calling for direct and tangible action against Saudi Arabia. Khashoggi's death, first denied then whitewashed by Saudi officials, has brought together a bipartisan group calling for a cancellation of arms sales to the kingdom.

has rained down air raids on the country — more often than not, hitting civilian targets.

A school bus bombing in July killed 40 children. A hospital bombing in August killed over 50 civilians. An early attack on the capital Sana'a wiped out an entire

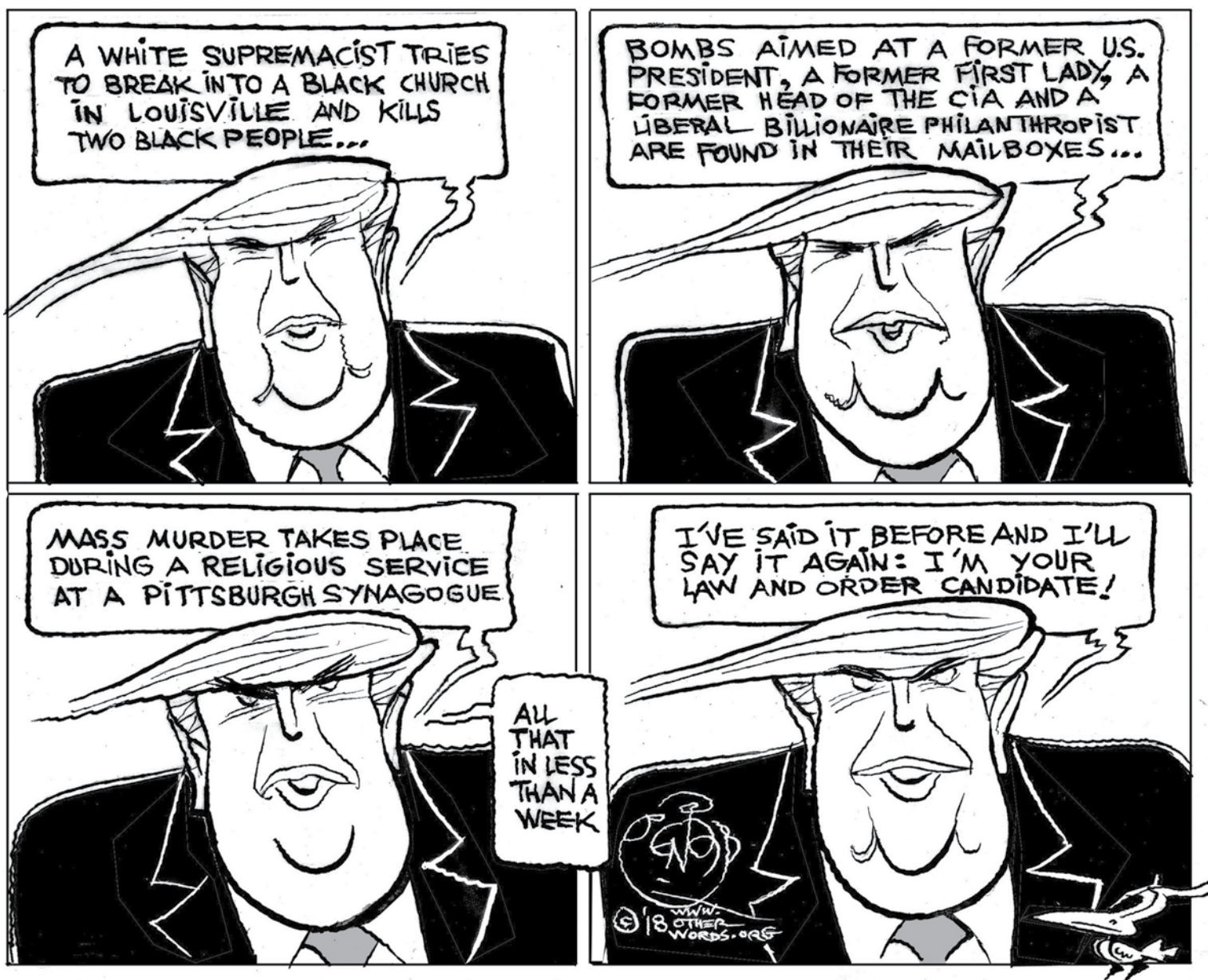
efit ratio.

Leaving the on-the-ground fighting to Yemenis paid by their Gulf counterparts, and leaving the actual air-striking to Saudi pilots, American officials are separated by enough degrees to not take direct responsibility.

more change from one man's death than the deaths of thousands before him.

As the tragic details of journalist Jamal Khashoggi's abduction and death emerge, more lawmakers are calling for direct and tangible action against Saudi Arabia.

OPINION



Being Trans Was Scary. Now It's Terrifying

New order
would deny
we exist

BY ROBIN CARVER

I'm a trans woman, and I'm terrified.

Already, on any given afternoon, I'm regularly and publicly catcalled,

mocked, laughed at and treated as an object of social disgust. Trans women are one of the most assaulted and murdered demographics in the United States, especially when they're non-white.

We're the frequent and favorite target of even liberal-leaning culture outlets like Saturday Night Live. Even Democratic darling Kamala Harris repeatedly fought to deny life-saving medical treatment to incarcerated trans women when she served as California's attorney general.

Even lesbian, gay, and bisexual advocacy organizations like the Human Rights Campaign took decades to support trans activism.

Worse still, in 29 states we can



be legally fired or evicted from our homes simply for being trans. And a recent Department of Health and Human Services policy allows any medical provider to deny trans people care of any kind, even in emergency rooms.

Some small progress came with the Obama administration, which updated guidelines for changing the sex marker on important ID documents. The Obama-era

Departments of Education, Health and Human Services, and several others began adopting more inclusive terminology that expanded already existing civil rights protections to trans people.

In May of 2016, Attorney General Loretta Lynch sued North Carolina over its controversial "bathroom bill." In a speech delivered at that time, Lynch said, with specific reference to the trans community, "This country was founded on a promise of equal rights for all, and we have always managed to move closer to that promise. ... It may not be easy, but we'll get there together."

That promise is gone.

The New York Times reports

that the Trump administration's Department of Health and Human Services is working across multiple agencies to establish an official definition of sex as "a person's status as male or female based on immutable biological traits identifiable by or before birth."

The memo continues, "The sex listed on a person's birth certificate, as originally issued, shall constitute definitive proof of a person's sex unless rebutted by reliable genetic evidence."

This definition goes to absurd lengths to define broad swaths of trans people as explicitly belonging to the sex they were coercively assigned at birth. It flies in the face of the broad consensus of the medical community that treats trans people and worldwide standards for trans health care.

It's a fundamental denial of our most basic and important claim: that our sex and gender cannot be accurately identified at or before birth, and they are not sufficiently explained by a binary of female/male, woman/man, or XX/XY.

It's the policy equivalent of telling trans people that we don't exist. It's flatly absurd.

This policy, if put into effect, would expose trans children to violence and psychological trauma at school. It would deny trans adults critical access to appropriately gendered homeless shelters, prisons, and restrooms. It would specifically eliminate the basis on which we could make any case for discrimination of any kind at the federal level.

Even worse, Congress has no say over the implementation of this policy. In theory, it could be overturned in the courts, but a conservative majority there is unlikely to support trans rights.

Even when Trump leaves office (whether after 2020 or 2024) the next president would have to undo two to six years of precedent to get us back to where we are now — which they could only do if the right-wing Supreme Court doesn't strike a blow in the intervening time.

Being a trans person in America was already scary enough. Now it's downright terrifying.

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The Portland FBI office honors military veterans like FBI Supervisory Special Agent Denise Biehn who started her career in the U.S. Army before studying law, becoming a lawyer, federal prosecutor and then joining the FBI.

Veterans Lead at Portland FBI Office

Special agent got start in military

Veterans Day allow us to honor and celebrate those who've stood guard to protect their fellow Americans. At the FBI's Portland Office, that list includes Supervisory Special Agent Denise Biehn.

Biehn is what the FBI calls an "Unexpected Agent." Early in life growing up in Oregon, she had her eye on medicine – not the law. She earned her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from OHSU. With that degree in hand, she joined the U.S. Army and served four years active duty and continued as a reservist until her honorable discharge as a Major. Her deployments included time

in Bosnia and Herzegovina as part of Operation Joint Endeavor, a multi-national peacekeeping force.

Following her active duty time she earned her law degree from Saint Louis University in Missouri. After graduation, she served as a law clerk for a U.S. District Judge in Arkansas and later earned a position as a prosecutor in the U.S. Department of Justice.

In the days that followed 9/11, she had the chance to work with FBI agents investigating the terrorist attacks and decided that she, too, wanted to be on the front lines of making our community safer.

"I love my job, and the best days are the days when I know that I really made a difference in someone's life," she says.

Over the course of her FBI career, Biehn has been stationed in Boston; San Francisco; Washing-

ton, D.C.; and, now, back home in Oregon. In addition, her work has given her the chance to travel throughout the U.S. and the world working all kinds of violent crime, fugitive, corruption and fraud cases. She also teaches about topics such as crime scene management and investigative techniques to both foreign and local law enforcement partners.

Currently, Biehn supervises investigators who work violent crimes, and she also leads the FBI's Child Exploitation Task Force.

For anyone interested in learning more about employment with the FBI, you can register for a local recruiting event scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 29. Email portlandapplicants@FBI.gov by Nov. 15 to sign up. Also, you can check out the FBI's recruiting page FBIjobs.gov.

Aviation Maintenance Command

Petty Officer 1st Class Markeynia Douglas is a Navy aviation machinist's mate responsible for maintenance of H-60 engines and related support equipment, teardown, inspection, buildup and testing. She is a Portland native and 2000 Job Corps program graduate.



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Bolt EV

tric motor producing the equivalent of 200 horsepower and 266 lb-ft of torque. Electricity is stored in a 60 kilowatt lithium-ion battery pack.

The Bolt can travel up to 238 miles on a single charge, according to its maker Chevrolet and that's a believable figure given the fact that there are two regenerative on-board charging devices.

The Bolt Premier with a retail price of \$41,780 adds all the LT standard and package features plus leather seating, upgraded 17-inch wheels, roof rails, heated outboard rear seats, a Surround Vision 360-degree camera, ambient lighting and a rear seat armrest.

The best compliment we can pay to the Bolt is to say driving it is pretty unremarkable. The big difference you'll notice is that there's no engine noise since there's no engine, so you notice road and wind noise a lot more than in a gasoline-engine car. But mostly you just get in the Bolt and drive.



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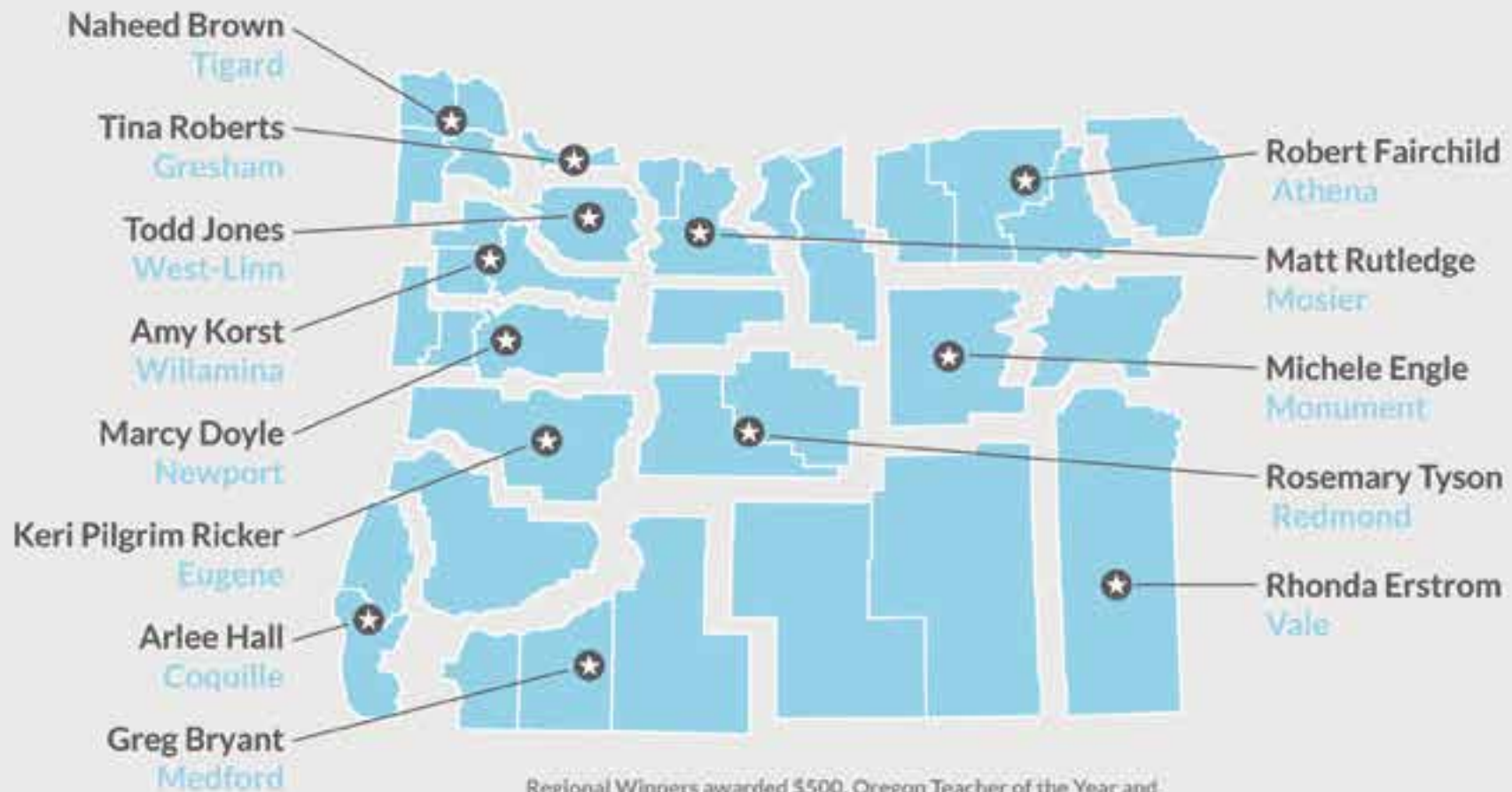
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			<div>1</div> <div>National Author's Day All Saint's Day National Family Literacy Day</div>	<div>2</div> <div><i>Daniel Boone born, 1734</i> <i>Intern. Space Station Opened in 2000</i> National Deviled Egg Day</div>	<div>3</div> <div>National Sandwich Day</div>	<div>4</div> <div>Daylight Savings Time Ends Gail Haley born, 1939</div>
<div>5</div> <div>Guy Fawkes Day</div>	<div>6</div> <div>National Nachos Day <i>James Naismith, Inventor of Basketball, born, 1861</i></div>	<div>7</div> <div> Hug-a-Bear Day <i>Scientist Marie Curie born in 1867</i></div>	<div>8</div> <div>X-Ray Day, <i>X-Ray</i> was discovered on this day in 1895</div>	<div>9</div> <div><i>First 'Rolling Stone' magazine is published in 1967</i></div>	<div>10</div> <div><i>Sesame Street Debuted in 1969</i> <i>First iPod Sold in 2001</i></div>	<div>11</div> <div>Remembrance Day In Canada Veteran's Day</div>

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