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Students from Ockley Green Middle School in north Portland volunteer to help run the school's Dragon Mart, a free food bank benefiting kids who don't have enough to eat as well as assisting other families and people in the entire neighborhood. The students pictured are (from left) are Shamaya Daniels, Addyson Razo, Beatrice Pierson and Ilyarah Moteley.

## In-school Grocery Feeds Families

### Benefits go to entire neighborhood

BY BEVERLY CORBELL  
THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

It all started because of a mutual concern: Kids who don't have enough to eat.

After some brainstorming last spring and more planning, the solution has come with the opening of Dragon Mart, a free grocery at Ockley Green Middle School serving students, their families and people who have food insecurity.

Kyle Camberg, executive director of the Sunshine Division nonprofit, along with Jeffery Temple of Fred Meyer teamed up with Joyce Olivo of Self Enhancement,

Inc., and the result is a full mini-size store, called Dragon Mart, with both fresh and packaged food items. Volunteers help with selections, but there are no cash registers.

"The likelihood kids will come into a food pantry is pretty small," Camberg said. "But Jeffery and I and Ockley Green started talking and decided, we think we can get together and make food accessible for kids and the neighborhood, and it very quickly turned into this."

Dragon Mart is situated in the Sun School portable building behind Ockley Green, located at 6031 N. Montana Ave., and is open from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays for families and students from the school and its elementary feeder schools, Chief Joseph and Beach. On Thursday, also

from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., it's open to anyone.

Camberg's organization, the Sunshine Division, was started back in the 1920s as a relief organization for police officers who lost their jobs during the Great Depression, and carries on to this day, providing food and clothing for anyone in need at two locations, 687 N. Thompson St. and 12436 S.E. Stark.

Temple, director of public affairs for Fred Meyer, said the goal of Dragon Mart -- to relieve food anxiety not only for students but for those in the neighborhood in need -- is also a goal of Freddy's.

"This is a great project and we're excited to underwrite and fund it," Temple

## Justice Disparities Persist

### Fairness of legal system challenged

Racial and ethnic disparities in Multnomah County's criminal justice system continue as a persistent problem where black and Latino people are overrepresented at nearly every stage of law enforcement, from arrests to prison terms, according to a new report released Monday.

"The prevalence and persistence of these disparities undermines the notion of 'justice' in our criminal legal system, concluded the report by the Oakland, Calif.-based W. Haywood Burns Institute.

The study was done to update figures from a 2015 county report and was instituted as part of a safety and challenge grant to promote equity and reduce disparities from the MacArthur Foundation.

According to the new figures, members of the local black population were 8.3 times more likely than local white residents to be in jail pending trial in 2019, and 4.8 times as likely as whites to have a case prosecuted, and 4.6 times as likely as whites to have a case resulting in conviction.

Latinos fared better, but were still 1.8 times more likely than whites to be in jail pending trial in 2019, 1.3 times as likely as whites to have a case go to trial, and 1.2 times as likely as white people to have a case end in conviction.

Black adults also had longer stays in jail. In 2019, white adults averaged 11.9 days in jail, while black adults averaged 16.8 days, Latino adults averaged 17 days, Asian and Pacific Islanders 13.5 days, and Native Americans 14 days.

Some progress for racial equity was found for the total number of people of color in the justice system, finding that it decreased over that period and the relative likelihood of receiving a prison sentence for those individuals also decreased.

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Allen Singerhouse

## Arrested for Arson

### Man accused of starting summer inferno in NE

Police have arrested a Portland man, 39-year-old Allen Singerhouse, in connection with a major fire across from Madison High School near Northeast 85th Avenue and Siskiyou Street. The Aug. 26 inferno, which caused more than \$2 million in damages, began as an out-of-control grass fire that covered four acres, burned down two businesses, damaged several townhomes and destroyed about 50 parked cars.

The arrest was announced Monday and police said they identified Singerhouse through several surveillance videos, including one near a dumpster fire that he allegedly set at Concordia University in northeast Portland on Sept. 1. He's also suspected of starting another dumpster fire that same day at a Michael's Craft store.

Police said Singerhouse denied his involvement at first, but according to the Oregonian, when

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# Union Gospel Serves Thanksgiving

Union Gospel Mission is prepared to serve over 800 meals on Thanksgiving Day to anyone in need. The dinner will take place on Thursday, Nov. 28 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Union Gospel Mission, 15 N.W. Third Ave.

In addition to a traditional Thanksgiving meal guests will also enjoy live music and receive a gift bag with a hat, gloves, socks and an emergency blanket.

"We make a home cooked meal that anyone would be proud to serve at their Thanksgiving table," said Lori Quinney, the mission's food service coordinator.

Donations of pre-baked, packaged pumpkin pies and coffee and other donations can be dropped off at 3 N.W. Third Ave. Union Gospel Mission is also seeking financial support for Thanksgiving events. Donations can be made online at [ugmportland.org](http://ugmportland.org) or by calling 503-274-4483.

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UNION GOSPEL MISSION

*A guest is served a traditional Thanksgiving Day meal at the Union Gospel Mission.*



### Machete Attack Sentence

A homeless man was sentenced last week to up to 20 years of treatment and supervision by state psychiatric officials for attacking another man with a machete in front of the man's wife and children. The victim apparently angered Dameon Hoover-Rhodes, 40, after telling him not to sleep under an overhang of a longshore and warehouse union building.

### Climate Protesters Arrested

A climate protest in the Oregon governor's office ended Thursday night with the arrest of 21 people.

## The Week in Review

About 75 people started the all day protest over a proposed LNG terminal pipeline in Coos Bay and didn't leave until 8:30 p.m. when Gov. Kate Brown addressed them and answered several questions.

### Limits for Traffic Stops

The Oregon Supreme Court has ruled that police cannot use a broken taillight or a failure to signal as a justification for scouting a driver's car for illegal guns or drugs, OPB reported last week. The rul-

ing effectively ends law enforcement's ability to turn a routine traffic stop into a fishing expedition for a more serious offense.

### Not Testing for Radon

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has not forced housing authorities to test for radon in public housing units across the country, including Portland, despite guidance to mitigate exposure to the cancer-causing gas, an in-depth investigation published

by the Oregonian last week found.

### Life Expectancy Falls

Life expectancy at birth -- the average length of time that you are expected to live -- continues to drop for Americans, a new study finds. Drug overdoses, suicides, alcohol-related illnesses and obesity are largely to blame, problems that have been building since the 1980s, according to the study's authors.



### Grandma Fights Back

An 82-year-old powerlifting grandmother in Rochester, N.Y. turned the tables, literally, on a home invader last week when she beat him with a table until police and first responders arrived. Willie Murphy is an award-winning bodybuilder and, most days, she can be found at the YMCA, honing her skills.

### Millennials Poorest Generation

Millennials, those born between 1981 and 1996, became the biggest U.S. generation this year, numbering some 73 million people. But in terms of wealth, they're still living in the shadow of previous generations with just 3% of the country's wealth. According to the Federal Reserve, when baby boomers were the age millennials are today (around 1989), they controlled 21% of all national wealth.

## Black Studies at Risk: Corrections

Ethan Johnson was appointed chair of the Black Studies Department at Portland State University in September and has served as a professor in the department for 15 years. In last week's issue, (PSU Black Studies at Risk, Professor says), we were in error to describe his ten-

ure as chair of the department for 15 years. Also, a person reported as a successor to a black male coordinator position for the PSU Multicultural Center was a white lesbian hired to work on restructuring the center and did not become its director when the position was elevated. The Portland Observer regrets any misunderstandings these errors caused.



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## FOOD

# LOCAL NEWS



A person sleeps next to a wheelchair on a park bench, downtown. (AP file photo)

## New Approach to Homeless

### City Council approves first street response team

The city of Portland is trying a new approach to helping the city's homeless population by stressing compassion and crisis prevention with designated first responders instead of strictly law enforcement by police. The Portland City Council last week approved the plan advocated by City Commissioner Jo Ann Hardesty that outlines a pilot program called Portland Street Response.

A two-person team will form the first Street Response team and will respond to 911 calls in the Lents neighborhood of southeast Portland that don't involve weapons or use of violence, and will be qualified as trained crisis workers rather than police officers. Examples of non-emergency calls could be about someone lying in the street, people making excess noise in city parks or sus-

pected drug use.

The council approved \$500,000 in May for the pilot program, which is set to start next spring, also drawing support from Mayor Ted Wheeler.

"Historically, it's been up to the police to shoulder most of the responsibility as first responders in crisis calls, but in many cases, police are not the right resources to respond," Wheeler said.

Darren Golden of the Urban League of Portland told Oregon Public Broadcasting the new Street Response effort could help with the relationship between communities of color and the police.

"It's no secret that the black communities in Portland have deep-seated, well-earned mistrust with the Portland police and that is magnified for our black houseless neighbors," Golden said. "It's time for Portland, being the progressive city that it is, to stop taking active steps to criminalize poverty and instead adopt a public health approach to begin repairing our community."

## New Leader for Black Parent Initiative

Bahia Overton, a children's advocate with deep experience in the field of social work and serving community-based organizations, is the new executive director for the Black Parent Initiative, a Portland nonprofit established in 2006 to help local African American families achieve financial, educational and spiritual success.

The appointment was announced last week by the Black Parent Initiative board of directors, a panel in which Overton has also served.

Overton holds a Bachelors degree in psychology and a Masters degree in social work. She is completing her Ph.D. in social work research, focusing on the experiences of African American female adolescents in foster care. She most recently served as the di-



Bahia Overton

rector of Equity and Partnerships at the Chalkboard Project. She is also the Executive Consultant for Joy DeGruy Publications, assist-

ing Dr. DeGruy in researching historical trauma and developing new models and methods for culturally responsive service delivery.

With over 14 years of practical experience as a professional in the field of social work, she has served as Child and Family Therapist, Curriculum Developer and Culturally-Specific Treatment Specialist in several states, with various community based organizations and government entities.

"As always, the staff and board of directors at BPI are grateful for our community's support as we continue to deliver high quality programs and services to families of black and multi-racial children to break generational cycles, achieving financial, educational, health and spiritual success and well-being," BPI officials said.



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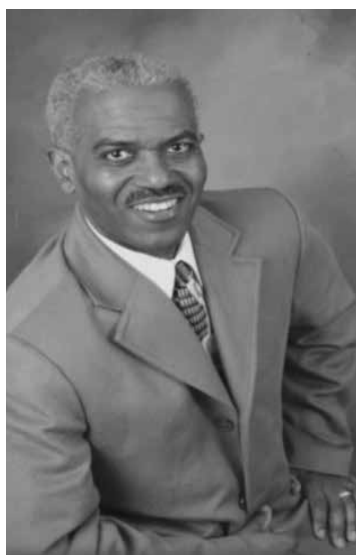
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## Holiday Weekend Ballet Premiere

An immigrant busboy falls for a dazzling lounge singer, who in turn is love with a dashing doorman in The Portland Ballet's world premiere of 'Petrushka.' Several dance students from north and northeast Portland star in this Thanksgiving weekend production, which also features the Portland State University Orchestra. Shows are at 1 p.m. and 5 p.m., Friday, Nov. 29 through Sunday, Dec. 1, at PSU's Lincoln Hall. Tickets start at \$10. Visit [portlandballet.org](http://portlandballet.org) or call 503-452-8448.

## Justice Disparities Persist

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ney Rod Underhill, in a prepared response to the report, said much more work needs to be done to address why the overrepresentation of people of color in the criminal justice system is so persistent, and then to focus on identifying and implementing additional solutions.

"There is a lot to learn from this most recent report, but whether disparities exist is not one of them; we know that fact to be true," Underhill said.

The study was called shocking and disturbing by a local advocate on the front lines of criminal jus-

tice system reforms.

Bobbin Singh, executive director of the Oregon Justice Resource Center, said the report was not the first to point out racial disparities across the criminal justice system and told OPB news it shows continued problems.

"What's shocking, and to me just really disturbing about this report, is the lack of will and urgency that local stakeholders, statewide stakeholders, generally, have around trying to confront racial justice issues in this state and in Multnomah County," he said.

Portland Police Chief Danielle Outlaw, the city's first black female police chief, also responded

to the challenges faced by law enforcement and the community.

"It is important for us to continue to dig deeper into the context of the data and identify opportunities to improve the service we provide," Outlaw said. "Reports such as these help us to realize that over-representation of certain races continues to exist in the criminal justice system and in our stops."

The chief said the new data isn't surprising, but it can "create distrust and fear within the community."

"It is time to move beyond reporting out on the data and into implementation of intentional strategies in an effort to create meaningful change, when appropriate," she said.

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## Arrested for Arson

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confronted with the evidence, he admitted to lighting "dozens of fires around Portland."

After searching Singerhouse's home, police found clothing that matched what the suspect in the videos was wearing as well as two glass pipes suspected for meth use and multiple lighters with no lighter fluid.

Singerhouse has been charged with three counts of first-degree arson and is due back in court on Dec. 3.



# In-school Grocery Feeds Families

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said. "It's part of our social impact plan, to end hunger in the neighborhoods we call home by 2025. Hunger is a real issue in schools and we were looking for a school partner eager to develop a solution like this one."

Temple said Ockley Green teacher Kelly Cahill suggested the partnership to Fred Meyer stores, and the idea took off.

"We were able to work with the school and Sunshine Division to develop a solution to keep kids and families fed not just for one weekend, but year-round," Temple said.

Temple said credit for funding the program goes to the cashiers at Fred Meyer who started the Hunger Roundup Program where they ask customers if they want to contribute along with their purchase.

"This is because of the cashiers who launched the Hunger Roundup Program, and because of that we are able to fund these kinds of projects," he said. "It connects the dots between community and solution."

While Fred Meyer provided funding and the Sunshine Division provided logistics, the actual



PHOTO BY BEVERLY CORBELL/THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Ockley Green Middle School student Shamaya Daniels (left) checks out the avocados while volunteering at the north Portland school's new Dragon Mart, and resident Kay Cry picks up some items for Thanksgiving. The new free food bank serves students and the public.

store is run by Joyce Olivo of Self Enhancement, Inc., the nonprofit deeply rooted in Portland's African American community and dedicated to helping youth reach their potential.

As the store opened, Olivo worked nonstop getting people registered, arranging products, answering questions and directing student volunteers.

In the past, the school has had

backpack programs where kids can take home a backpack full of food at the end of the week, but even that had a certain stigma, which having a store helps remove, Olivo said.

"We don't want to call it a pantry, to take that stigma away, and we use Fred Meyer shopping bags," she said.

Dragon Mart opened during the first week of the school year, Olivo said, and is currently feeding about 20 families per week.

"That's not including the kids who come in during the week to get additional meals or food," she said. "The first day we had 15 students and families but the numbers are definitely growing, once word gets out."

Four Ockley Green students, Shamaya Daniels, Addyson Razo, Beatrice Pierson, Ilyarah Moteley, work as volunteers helping Dragon Mart customers like Kay Cry, an elderly neighborhood resident shopping for Thanksgiving, find what they need, bag the groceries and carry them out.

Although Fred Meyer has worked with other schools to provide food for homeless students, Temple said the program at Ockley Green is essentially a pilot program that could be start at other schools.

"We're looking to get proof concept and hopefully find other companies who want to get on board and keep these programs sustainable," he said.

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## Tree Lighting Ceremony Friday

The day after Thanksgiving, thousands of Portlanders will unite in a joyful and festive sing-a-long led by Portland's own Thomas Lauderdale and members of Pink Martini along with a diverse collection of talented Portland musicians.

The 35th annual Tree Lighting Ceremony presented by Smart Park will take place on Friday, Nov. 29 at 5:30 p.m. at Pioneer Courthouse Square, downtown. Pre-show entertainment will begin at 4 p.m.

The evening's program will feature Mayor Wheeler, city dignitaries and Santa Claus as they "flip the switch" and illuminate the 14,000 colorful lights that adorn the centerpiece of Portland's holiday season.



PHOTO BY MICHAEL DURHAM/COURTESY OREGON ZOO

Cookie and Ginger, two Siberian reindeer, are new attractions at the Oregon Zoo.

## Reindeer Arrive at Oregon Zoo

Two furry reindeer arrived at the Oregon Zoo last week and are making themselves right at home.

"Reindeer are amazing animals, and of course this is the perfect time of year to introduce them to our visitors," said zoo director Dr. Don Moore.

Most people know about reindeer because of their connection to Santa Claus, which is a lot of fun,

Moore said, but he also was excited to share some lesser-known facts, like the way their hooves click when they walk.

Another fun fact about reindeer? They're the only species of deer where both males and females grow large antlers. Cookie and Ginger, the zoo's two new reindeer arrivals, each sport a large set of antlers. Reindeer

shed their antlers every year, with males shedding in early winter and females at the end of the season, which Dr. Moore points out, would make Santa's team of eight tiny, antlered reindeer all females.

The zoo's new pair are settling into their new habitat across from the Vollum Aviary, where guests can visit them through early January.

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The community is invited to celebrate this holiday season at Beaverton's annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on Friday, Dec. 6. Activities begin at 5 p.m. at City Park located at Southwest Hall Boulevard and Third Street, with the tree lighting at 7 p.m. This year's ceremony will feature live music, a roast-your-own s'mores and hot cocoa station, as well as photo opportunities with Santa Claus and Elsa and Olaf from Frozen 2.



PassinArt's presentation of Black Nativity is an annual holiday gospel play.

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## Black Nativity at Bethel AME

PassinArt is proud to present for the fifth year, Black Nativity, a special holiday gospel play that retells the famous nativity story with a majority African American cast.

This year's production opens Friday, Nov. 29 and

continues through Dec. 15 at Bethel AME Church, 5828 N.E. Eighth Ave. For tickets, visit [passinart.org](http://passinart.org).

The play by Langston Hughes and directed locally by Jerry Foster is performed in an uplifting gospel style which includes

some traditional Christmas carols. It's a production that has been enjoyed by audiences from all walks of life regardless of their cultural backgrounds. The show was originally first performed off-Broadway in 1961.

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Bryan Guiney, Portland regional economic development officer for Business Oregon (from left), OHSU President Dr. Danny Jacobs, Prosper Portland Commissioner Dr. Alisha Moreland-Capuia, and Portland Bureau of Transportation Interim Deputy Director Noah Siegel cut the ribbon on Portland's newest street, Southwest Bond Avenue in the new South Waterfront neighborhood.

# Portland's Newest Street

## South Waterfront build-out a big investment

Officials from the Portland Bureau of Transportation, Prosper Portland, Oregon Health and Science University and Business Oregon, the state's economic development agency, joined local neighbors and community members to celebrate the opening of Southwest Bond Avenue.

One third of a mile in length, the street supports the continued build-out of South Waterfront and the OHSU Schnitzer Campus, including the recently completed Knight Cancer Research Building and drastically improves access to the medical offices, other new buildings and four future development sites between the Marquam Bridge and Tilikum Crossing.

"We are pleased to celebrate the opening of this important South Waterfront connection," said Prosper Portland Commissioner Dr. Alisha Moreland-Capuia, during the Nov. 14 ribbon cutting ceremony. "Moving forward, we will continue to work with city bureau partners and the community to determine how best to deliver on the priorities of affordable housing, regional streets, the greenway,

parks, and a strong employment base."

"OHSU has grown over the last hundred years because our missions of research, health care, and education remain critically important to the health of Oregonians," said OHSU President Dr. Danny Jacobs. "Like the research we do at the Knight Cancer Institute and our other centers of excellence, the more discoveries we make, the more we can do to help Oregonians and people everywhere live longer, healthier lives. This road provides critical access for those who come to OHSU to learn, make discoveries, and seek care."

The newest OHSU building, the Knight Cancer Research Building, is a state-of-the-art facility focused on early detection and treatment of cancer. The \$11.6 million city investment in Bond Avenue served as the city's contribution to the Knight Cancer Challenge, in which philanthropists Phil and Penny Knight promised a donation of \$500 million if the public sector could raise the same amount. Former Mayor Charlie Hales made this commit-

ment to infrastructure in response to the challenge.

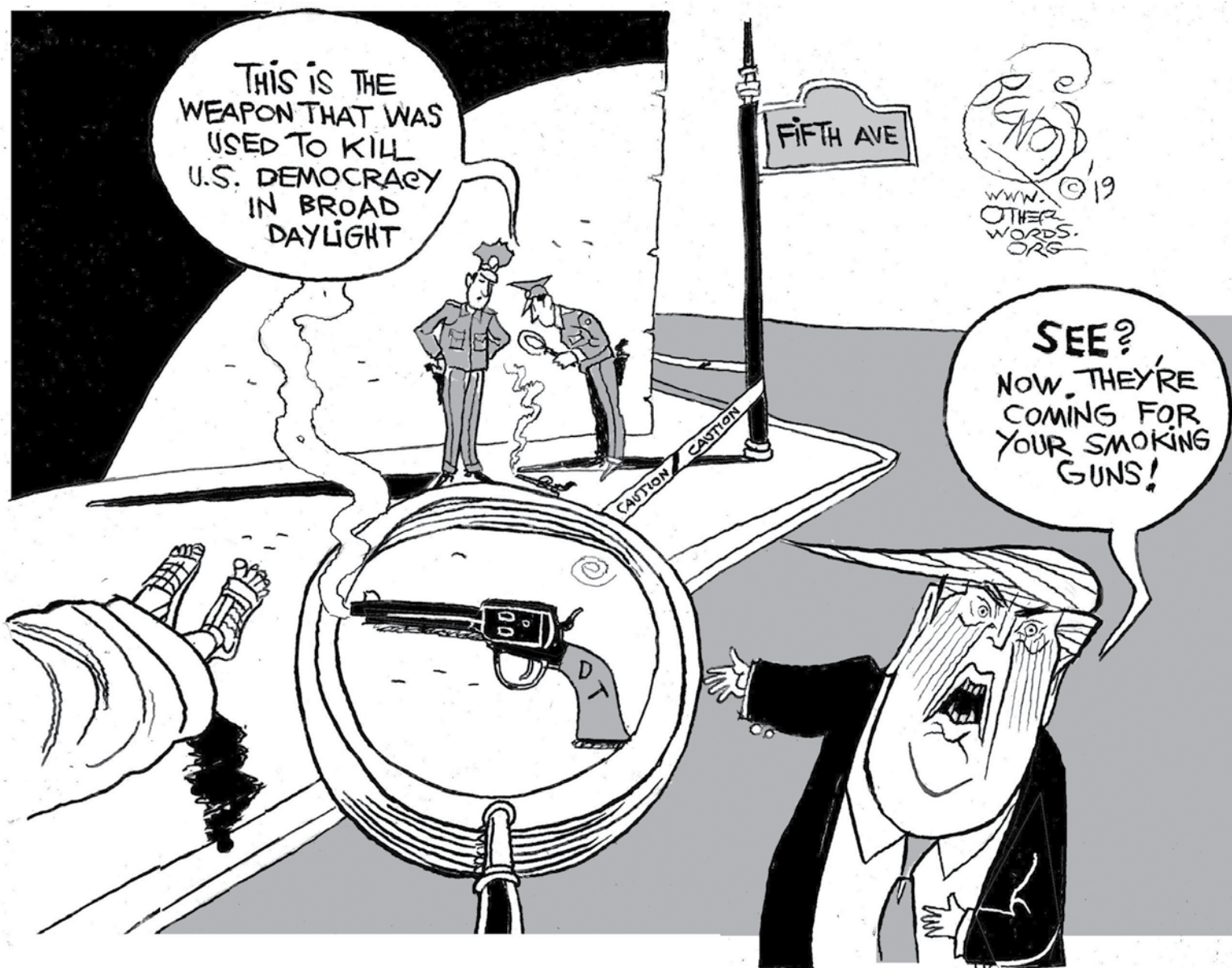
Once complete in its entirety, Bond Avenue will become a "couplet" with Southwest Moody Avenue handling southbound car and bike traffic. In the interim period, phase one will create a shortcut between the Tilikum Crossing and downtown Portland for pedestrians and people biking or scooting. It will also extend the Willamette Greenway path, allowing people to walk, ride, jog, or roll from the Tilikum Crossing to the Broadway Bridge—a distance of 2.2 miles—completely separated from car traffic.

Bryan Guiney, Business Oregon's regional economic development officer for the Portland Metro Area, said the infrastructure development by PBOT, Prosper Portland and OHSU, in addition to the commitment by OHSU to create 225 new jobs and retain 315 existing jobs while growing the advanced manufacturing and biomedical industry cluster, are all key to growing and diversifying the state's economy.



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BY JILL RICHARDSON

"Is Trump a racist?" I have two answers to that question.

First, most white Americans misunderstand racism solely as intentional beliefs held by individual racists who hate people on the basis of race. For example, at times the media has focused on whether or not they could prove Trump had ever used the N-word, as if that alone would be the measure of whether or not he is a racist.

Sociologist Eduardo Bonilla-Silva says that this "misses the fact" that racism is "a part of the social structure of society. Hence, we all participate in it — and we participate in it whether we like it or not, in conscious and unconscious ways, and in passive as well as active ways."

This latter definition, the one accepted by sociologists and race scholars, takes a bit of get-

ting used to, particularly if you are a white person who abhors racism.

I try to frame it for my students as follows: This nation was founded by people of European descent who stole land from — and committed a genocidal campaign against — the indigenous people on this continent. Then they enslaved Africans and their descendants for more than 200 years.

Segregation only became fully illegal in 1968. Anyone over the age of 51 was alive while segregation was still legal. We as a nation are still grappling with the legacy of our past, working toward justice for all — and we aren't there yet.

None of us alive today asked to be born into a racist society — and yet, here we all are. It's impossible to grow up in that society without participating in the status quo and absorbing at least some prejudices, even if they are only subconscious ones.

In short, learning about race means getting comfortable with the idea that our society itself is effectively racist, even for white

folks who don't actively feel that hatred themselves.

My second answer about whether or not Trump is a racist is: Yes. And not just in the "everyone's a racist" sense of the word.

For example, during the run up to the 2016 election, white nationalists supported Donald Trump because they felt like he would represent their interests and values best. Former Klan leader David Duke openly supported Trump, and still does.

Now, a trove of leaked emails show that Trump's senior adviser Stephen Miller is "clearly immersed in white nationalist ideology."

If Trump appeals to white nationalists and appoints white nationalists to senior positions in his administration, does that mean he holds racist views himself? Probably — but does it even matter? Whatever he privately believes, he's allowed white nationalists to infiltrate senior levels of government, and they are influencing national policy.

In a more recent talk at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, Bonilla-Silva analyzed Trump's use of language to show how

he speaks in terms of "us" and "them," in which "us" refers to white Americans and "them" refers to people of color. And he routinely refers to immigrant "infestations," using language most people reserve for insects and rodents they intend to exterminate. (Yet he's not against all immigrants: he likes to marry the white ones.)

Although Trump often defends his immigration policies in terms of national security or economic concerns, the facts show that immigrants commit crimes at lower rates than native born citizens and, as one study put it, "immigration has an overall positive impact on the long-run economic growth in the U.S."

In short, Trump's language, his choice of senior officials in his administration, and his popularity among white nationalists show that he holds racist views. It's those views — and not national security or economic factors — that are behind his policies.

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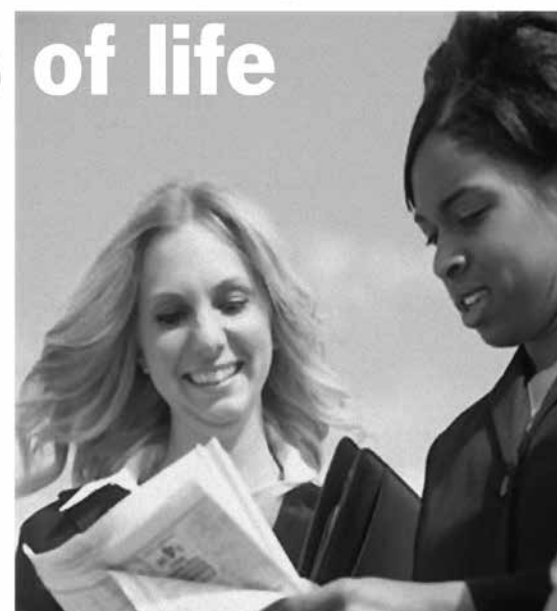
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years of marriage at her side.

Gloria was a Christian. She loved the Lord. He was number one in her life. She loved her family dearly. She enjoyed her life. She loved helping others. She loved to cook. Ask anyone that has eaten her homemade mac and cheese. It was the best! Gloria is going to be missed. She was an amazing woman, wife, mother, sister, cousin, aunt, niece and friend.

Viewing is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 3 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Terry Family Funeral Home, 2337 N. Williams Ave. A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 4 at 11 a.m. at Sharon Seventh Day Adventist, 5209 N.E. 22nd Ave.

Love always, sister Balinda Olive-Beltran. Thank you Portland Observer for being a blessing to the Olive Family.

### Vancouver Mall Santa

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

**La Ruta** — Artists Repertory Theatre presents ‘La Ruta,’ a harrowing story that gives a voice to women who have gone missing or



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have been murdered in the border community of Juarez, Mexico. Bouncing back and forth in time and featuring live music, the play gives a passionate voice to the women who have disappeared. Now showing through Monday, Dec. 1 at Portland Opera, 211 S.E. Caruthers St. For tickets, call 503-241-1278 or visit [artistsrep.org](http://artistsrep.org).



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

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## FOOD Winter Vegetable & Lentil Soup

#### Ingredients:

- 85g dried red lentils
- 2 carrots, quartered lengthways then diced
- 3 sticks celery, sliced
- 2 small leeks, sliced
- 2 tbsp tomato purée
- 1 tbsp fresh thyme leaves
- 3 large garlic cloves, chopped
- 1 tbsp vegetable bouillon powder
- 1 heaped tsp ground coriander



#### Directions:

1. Tip 85g dried red lentils, 2 quartered and diced carrots, 3 sliced celery sticks and 2 sliced leeks into a large pan with 2 tbsp tomato purée, 1 tbsp fresh thyme leaves, 3 chopped garlic cloves, 1 tbsp vegetable bouillon powder and 1 heaped tsp ground coriander.
2. Pour over 1½ litres boiling water from the kettle, then stir well.
3. Cover and leave to simmer for 30 mins until the vegetables and lentils are tender.
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