

The Kinney family is pictured outside the home they were evicted from this summer on North Mississippi Avenue. The family is appealing to get the home back, claiming a sophisticated mortgage scam and foreclosure was triggered by fraud and deceit.

# Lost by Fraud and Deceit

## Family fights to win back their historic home

BY MICHAEL LEIGHTON **PORTLAND OBSERVER EDITOR** 

An African American family with indigenous roots is locked in a dramatic struggle for the right to return to their historic home in a sophisticated mortgage scam, an alleged fraud and deceit case that has captured the hearts and minds of a growing community of allies pursuing racial and economic justice

"It's a David and Goliath fight," said William Nietzche, about the battle to win back the old Kinney

one of Portland's most gentrified Mississippi Avenue, just down clothes, blankets and heaters to Century where African Amerineighborhoods, a battle blamed on from the intersection of North Skidmore Street, and now next door to where tents have been set up by allies of the family wanting to help them and others trying to survive houselessness or similar plights.

The community of supporters gather under a banner that says "Domicile the Land," and where family home, a red house on North they accept donations of meals,

distribute to others in need, Ni- cans were allowed to reside in etzche said. The picture of collec- Portland at a time when real estive community action is a stirring contrast to the new multi-million dollar condominium properties rising on all sides of the street and for several blocks.

Included as part of Albina in early Portland, the Mississippi neighborhood was a redlined area back in the early to mid 20th

tate covenants restricted Black residents from living in other areas of the city. But over the past few decades, Urban renewal and rezoning for commercial and multi-family developments has changed the landscape and led

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Community organizer Jackie Strong (from left), artist Daren Todd, and homeowners Collin McFadyen and Jeana Frazzini introduce Todd's new Haight Avenue Mural, a panel of five images depicting Portland Black History. The artwork along a fence line was revealed during a community dedication on Thursday at North Haight Avenue and the Going Street walkway.

# Murals Showcase Black History

## Shining light on injustices and community action

introduced along a residential pay tribute to the Black communi-

fence line Thursday.

ty while also honoring past generations of Black Portlanders.

Neighbor Jackie Strong helped dedicate the murals during their unveiling and celebration cere-



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Black artist and musician Dar-

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Jhe of live panels from a new community mural by Black artist and musician Daren Todu recreates a scene in 1961, when Mrs. Opal Strong organized a neighborhood improvement committee and secured a large government grant to beautify and revitalize Black neighborhoods in Portland. Over 500 trees were planted, including several cherry trees that Dodd depicted in the mural.

## Governor Activates Command for Election

Monday put the National Guard ers, sheriff's deputies and Port- ic governor said. "We know that on standby for a 48-hour period land police to handle any protests. there are some people who might around Election Day and used her executive authority to activate a happens when free expression is

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Oregon Gov. Kate Brown on unified command of state troop- fueled by hate," the Democrat-

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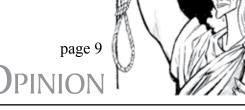
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Mourners pause to remember Kevin Peterson Jr., the 21-year-old Black man who was fatally shot Thursday in the Hazel Dell community of Vancouver by Clark County law enforcement. The candlelight vigil was outside of the Hazel Dell branch of U.S. Bank where the shooting took place. (AP photo)

## **Tensions Boil into Unrest** Vancouver reeling after deputies kill man

Tensions boiled over into unrest in Vancouver over the weekend after a young Black man was shot and killed by Clark County sheriff's deputies.

When hundreds of Black Lives Matter mourners gathered Friday night for a candlelight vigil in Hazel Dell, an unincorporated area north of Vancouver, they were confronted by right-wing protesters supporting police.

Video recorded by journalists of a parking lot where family and friends say Peterson was shot Thursday night, showed two groups of people shouting at each other. Also, some armed demonstrators were gathered near a building that they told reporters they were protecting.

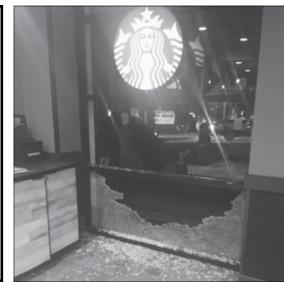


A family photo shows Kevin Peterson Jr., the man killed Thursday in a confrontation with Clark County Sheriff's deputies.

The crowds ultimately fizzled marched through downtown Vanout near the vigil but a group couver. Windows were shattered, of hundreds of protesters later flags were burned and federal

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## Violent Protest Turns on PSU



## Comes week after chief renews pledge to disarm

#### BY MICHAEL LEIGHTON **PORTLAND OBSERVER EDITOR**

Protesters shattered windows at downtown Starbucks and at Portland State University Monday in a protest billed as a "direct action" march in the name of a Black man who was shot and killed by campus police two years ago. The violence came despite

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A shattered window at the Starbucks on Southwest Montgomery Street near Portland State University was one of several targets of protesters Monday.



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to an economic displacement of Black residents.

The Kinneys were one of the few African American and Native American families still remaining tively small second mortgage and in the once majority-Black neighborhood when sheriff's deputies came armed with guns this summer to enforce an eviction order in their mortgage dispute, forcibly removing the elderly William Kinney Jr., his wife Julie Metcalf and their two adult sons.

The family traces ownership of the home to 1955 when it was purchased by William Kinney Sr., Nietzche's grandfather who moved to Portland from the South. The house was passed to William avoid having to record property Kinney Jr., his father, in the early 1990s.

Currently the family is working property returned to them. One is before the federal Ninth Circuit and the other is before the Oregon Supreme Court.

cases were "riddled with errors," Nietzche said, facts the younger family member learned by researching and acting as his own attorney

"I've had to develop a legal to going to law school.

He said the family's foreclosure

banking mortgage industry made imposed this year during the coroin minority communities and that were tied to the 2008 financial crisis

He said his family had a relait was not in default, paying faithful payments for 14 years when a second mortgage that the Kinneys did not sign off on or authorize in default claim.

The case led to the family's claims against the Freedom Home Mortgage Corporation, and the Mortgage Electronic Registration System or MERS, a creation of some of the biggest lenders in the banking mortgage industry to deeds and titles when a loan is bought and sold.

MERS was called a racket that on two pending appeals to get the made it difficult for people facing problems with their mortgages to know whom to deal. Multnomah County and the state of Oregon sued MERS for not following Or-Earlier court decisions in the egon law which requires the recording of trust deeds.

The county won a \$40 million settlement against MERS in 2016 to recover lost revenue from fees that would have been paid for recording property transactions, mind," Nietzche told the Portland but under terms of a settlement, ty" experience that he compared any new lawsuits, including from sissippi. the Kinneys, Nietzche said.

and eviction dispute goes back to fact it is not benefitting from cur- save-the-kinney-family-home.

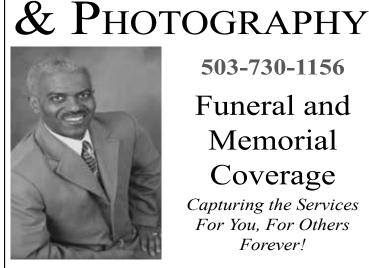
the predatory subprime loans the rent moratoriums on evictions navirus pandemic by both Multnomah County and the state of Oregon. Although local law requires multiple forms of notification prior to evictions, the Kinneys said they received no notice before the sheriff patrol came to forcefully evict them in September.

Nietzche said he has contacted the refinance process triggered a county officials and his State Representative Tawna Sanchez for help, but has found that "No one knows how to enforce the moratoriums."

> Oregon, like many states, also offers a "right of redemption" which allows people whose homes have been foreclosed on to buy them back. But the Kinneys also discovered the right did not apply in their case because the eviction was from a non-judicial proceeding.

The Kinneys are currently seeking pro bon legal support, intervention from Gov. Kate Brown or help from others who could potentially reverse the foreclose and return a home that is rightfully theirs. Any qualified attorneys who are open to providing consultation and other legal assistance are encouraged to contact the family via their website redhouseonmississippi.com or Observer, calling it "A nitty, grit- MERS was exempted from facing via Instagram @redhouseonmis-

> A Go Fund Me page has also The family also laments the been set up at gofundme.com/f/



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mony. His mother, the late Opal Strong is depicted in one of the panels, a moment from 1961, when Mrs. Strong organized a neighborhood improvement committee and secured a large government grant to beatify and revitalize Black Portland neighborhoods. They planted over 500 trees including several cherry trees that Todd depicted in the mural.

Todd's other panels depict the displacement of Black residents

Hospital expansion in the 1970s; the fight to open Harriet Tubman School to specifically serve the Black community in 1982; and powerful images of resistance to mural ends with hope for the future by depicting two intersecting streets named Peace and Justice.

Todd to create the murals along their back fence, which runs along the Haight Avenue and the Going Street walkway. The couple had

by urban renewal and Emanuel been impressed by a Black Lives Matter mural Todd had recently created along another fence on Kerby Avenue in the same neighborhood.

Todd said the first mural was racial injustices in policing. The finished in June to honor the many people who have died at the hands of police.

It was "In all the chaos of these Fadyen and Frazzini enlisted times," Todd said that he decided he needed to follow his dream to make art a full time career, launching his own art business called "Art is Larger Than Me."

## Governor Activates Command for Election

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want to use peaceful election night protests to promote violence and property destruction."

"I want to be very, very clear that voter intimidation and politi-

cal violence will not be tolerated. will oversee the unified force. Not from the left, not from the That allows its members to use right and not from the center. Not tear gas if needed. Portland pothis week, not any week in Ore- lice are prohibited from using gon," Brown said.

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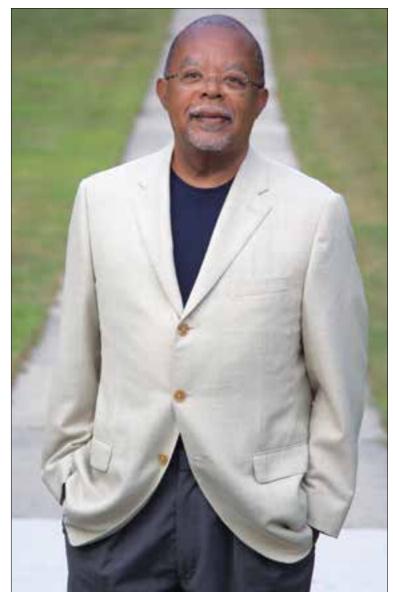
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Henry Louis Gates Jr., Harvard University professor and host of the PBS genealogy series "Finding Your Roots" will give a virtual lecture on Monday, Nov. 9 at Oregon State University.

ture Series.

Gates is in the sixth season of justice." hosting "Finding Your Roots." He is an Emmy Award-winning filmmaker, literary scholar, journalist and cultural critic who has authored or p.m. and requires advance regco-authored 24 books and cre- istration. To sign up visit: beav. ated 21 documentary films.

"We are thrilled to be hosting Dr. Henry Louis Gates, Jr. as mentary series, "The African one of our speakers this year," Americans: Many Rivers to said Edward Feser, provost Cross," which he wrote, exand executive vice president at ecutive produced and hosted, Oregon State. "Dr. Gates' lit- earned the Emmy Award for erary criticism, scholarly and Outstanding Historical Propopular writing, and teaching gram-Long Form, as well as - the latter via the classroom the Peabody Award, Alfred I. as well as television and film duPont-Columbia Universi-- has contributed immensely ty Award and NAACP Image to the recognition and under- Award. standing of African American literature, history and culture. history series, "Reconstruc-His insights on the collapse of tion: America after the Civil

talk Nov. 9 as part of Oregon our ongoing OSU community State University's Provost Lec- conversation and commitment to advancing racial equity and

> The free lecture, "The Collapse of Reconstruction and the Roots of White Supremacy," will take place from 5:30 to 7 es/provost-lecture.

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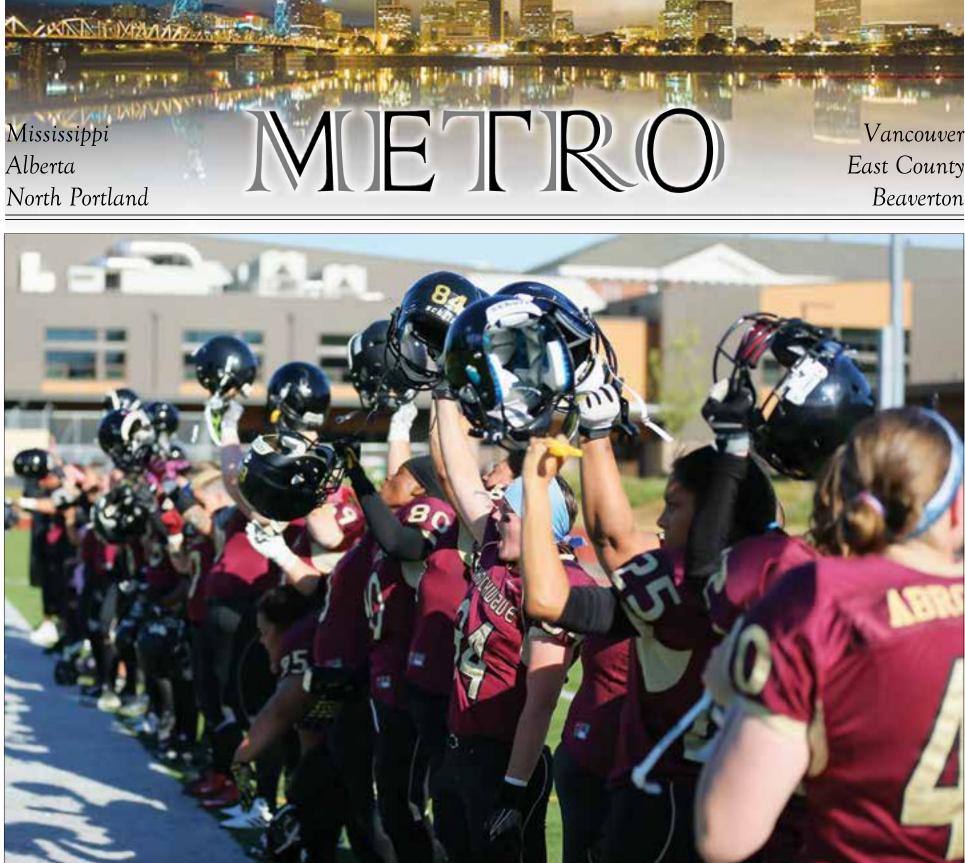


PHOTO BY SCOTT LARSON/COURTESY PORTLAND FIGHTING SHOCKWAVE

Women's tackle football, a diverse team of players and coaches based in Portland, has been playing since 2002. Called the Portland Fighting Shockwave, they play in the Women's Football Alliance, the largest women football league in the world. Practices are at the Moore Street Salvation Army field in north Portland.

## Women's Football Charts Return

Diverse team holds tryouts; plans season after COVID

Yes, Portland has an all-women tackle football team, and they are called the Portland Fighting Shockwave. The diverse team of players and coaches was formed back in 2002, and they play in the Women Football Alliance, which is the largest women's football league in the world, with over 60 teams through-out the USA and Canada.

The players are all 18 or older and also have day jobs. They do not get paid; instead they play football for the passion and being part of a team. And no, they do not play in lingerie; they play in full uniforms and pads just like the men do.

Same as everyone else, the Fighting Shockwave were hit hard by COVID-19. They had to cancel their entire 2020 season due to the pandemic. Thus, they did not have any income from ticket sales or fundraisers and missed the opportunity to get their name out to the public and continue to build their brand.

The Fighting Shockwave were working with the media months before the pandemic hit to build their brand, but the health crisis really put a damper on all their efforts, really hurting a team that already lacks resources and name recognition.

The Fighting Shockwave don't have the have deep pockets and name recognition such as the Trail Blazers. They have to rely on volunteers and constantly hitting the pavement on their own to get their name

out there.

The biggest disappointment, for the players, however, wasn't the lost efforts of their media work but, as owner Rebecca Brisson said, "That they could not play together as a team and missed out on the game-day experiences a season brings. These ladies were practicing three times a week. Then had it all taken away from them. It was really heartbreaking. Especially for the rookies that were so excited to take the field for the first time."

Now the team is hoping the pandemic comes under control in the coming months to make way for a 2021 season.

As part of the WFA's National Tryout Day, presented by one of the league's biggest sponsors, Xenith, the Portland Fighting Shockwave will be having tryouts on Saturday, Nov. 7 at The Salvation Army

Moore Street Chiang Memorial Field at 5325 N. Williams Ave.

Each participant will receive a free Xenith gym sack. The players must be females 18 or older, are encouraged to wear masks and should have football passion. Upon arrival, they need to sign a COVID waiver, and undergo a non-contact temperature check. For more information about the tryout and how to pre-register, visit portlandfightingshockwave.com/.

Team officials say you do not need any previous experiences, just a readiness to learn, a willingness to work hard, and a desire to be part of a team. Any woman is welcome no matter their race, religion, nationality, sexual orientation or sexual identity. Also, feel free to check out the team's Facebook page at facebook.com/Portland-FightingShockwave.

## Second Wave of COVID-19 Declared

Governor extends state of emergency until Jan. 2

as COVID-19 cases in the state of life," Brown said. "The second stay in effect. continue to rise.

Health Authority updated the is hitting all of our communities." state's death toll to 701 and total cases were reported.

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number of cases to 46,460 after last week is the legal underpin- be continued, modified, or re-495 new confirmed/presumptive ning for the executive orders the scinded. governor has issued, including "Extending the COVID-19 her orders surrounding reopenstate of emergency is not some- ing Oregon, childcare, schools

(AP) — Gov. Kate Brown has thing I do lightly, but we know and higher education operations. extended Oregon's declaration of all too well that not taking action Extending the state of emergency a state of emergency until Jan. 2 would mean an even greater loss declaration allows those orders to

The governor reviews and re-On Monday, The Oregon the United States, and this time it evaluates each of her emergency orders every 60 days, to deter-The latest declaration made mine whether those orders should

> "My goal is to keep Oregon **CONTINUED ON PAGE 12**



Gov. Kate Brown has extended Oregon's declaration of a state of emergency until Jan. 2 as COVID-19 cases in the state continue to rise.

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## Sci-fi Thriller Misses its Mark Medics chase down time travel drug in 'Synchonic'

### BY DWIGHT BROWN

their Molly and try a tab of Synchronic? This cautionary sci-fi/ fantasy/thriller suggests not.

with a seven-minute limit. That's co-workers second. They're EMT the concept created by co-direc- paramedics, riding around New tors Justin Benson and Aaron Orleans in an ambulance and sav-

drive-ins last week, with a wider release in coming weeks.

Steve (Anthony Mackie) and Synchronic is a drug that hurls Dennis (Jamie Dornan, 50 Shades its users back in time. Time travel of Gray) are buddies first and

Moorhead in "Synchronic." The ing people's lives. But something Should partygoers put down film opened in some theaters and new is happening. The guys are encountering twentysomethings high as kites, mangled bodies at the bottom of elevator shafts, burned corpses and other bleak oddities.

Word on the street is that kids

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# OPINION



# A Hard Lesson in Democracy

## Turning the court into a weapon against social gains

### BY BEN JEALOUS

Republicans in the U.S. Senate just gave us some clarity about where their party wants to take this country. It's not pretty, and it's not popular, which is why they've put

so much effort into taking over the federal courts.

Republican senators refused for the last year of Barack Obama's presidency to consider his nomination to fill a Supreme Court vacancy. This year, just a week before the election, they rushed an unpopular president's third Supreme Court nominee through a bogus confirmation process. They put her on the court just in time to create a solid right-wing majority to deal with cases that come up around the elec-



tion.

To be honest, things were bad enough at the Supreme Court before Amy Coney Barrett's confirmation. The other Republican justices have already been interfering with state efforts to make it easier for people to vote during the pandemic.

Sadly, that's not surprising. Three of the current justices, including Barrett, were part of the Republican legal team that stopped vote counting in Florida in 2000 to give the election to George W. Bush.

The court's ultra conservatives gutted the Voting Rights Act in 2013, making it easier for states to make it harder for people—especially Black people—to vote.

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell hasn't found time to provide relief to hurting families because his top priority has been packing the courts with Trump's judges—no matter how extreme or unqualified.

Why is this such a high priority? Because the right-wing legal movement has spent decades building their power on the courts to impose an agenda that the American people would never allow their elected representatives to support.

Trump wanted Barrett on the court to vote against a case being heard a week after the election to dismantle Obamacare and throw millions of people off health insurance. They are out to gut nondiscrimination laws and make abortion a crime.

And that is just the start. They want to use the courts to shred the social safety net that millions of families rely on.

How could they do that? A rich and powerful right-wing legal movement has spent years creating the groundwork to reverse much of the social justice gains of the 20th Century.

They use terms like "originalism" and "textualism" to put an intellectual face on a reactionary political project. They want to declare much of what the federal government does—including programs like Social Security and Medicare—unconstitutional. That would take us back to an interpretation of the Constitution that elevates "states' rights" and weakens the federal government's ability to regulate corporate wrongdoing and protect the safety and health of workers and communities. We are getting a hard lesson in the ways

that elections matter. Trump taking the White House in 2016 and Republicans strengthening their Senate majority in 2018 made it possible for Trump and McConnell to turn the federal

ate majority in 2018 made it possible for Trump and McConnell to turn the federal courts and the Supreme Court into a weapon that will be turned against our families and our communities.

As I write this, we don't know how the 2020 elections are going to turn out. I'm doing everything I can to help voters send Trump and Republican senators packing. But even if we're successful, we have a longer and broader struggle ahead to deal with our corrupted courts and build toward the day when we can once again count on the courts to defend our rights.

Let us never fail to pay attention or forget to stay active in every election.

Ben Jealous, former president and chief executive officer of the NAACP, serves as president of People For the American Way and People For the American Way Foundation.

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## SUB-BIDS REQUESTED

Susan Emmons – Soil Improvements Scope Only

### Bids Due: 11/11/20 at 2pm

\*\*Micropiles and CDSM Piling are the ONLY scopes of work bidding at this time. All other scopes will be bid at a later date.\*\*

Bremik Construction has been contracted to construct the Susan Emmons project in Portland, OR. The project is a three structures two new and one adaptive re-use historic upgrade, including:

- 6 story (5 over 1) housing (North Building),
- 4 story housing (South Building), and
  3 story adaptive re-use (South Building)

### **Project Requirements:**

Goal of 30% COBID Certified Utilization | Subgoal of 14% DMWBE certified firms | Workforce Training | Earth Advantage

BOLI Commercial Prevailing and Commercial Davis Bacon wage rates are applicable to this project (whichever wage rate is greater).

Job Walk: 11/03/20 at 2:00 PM Questions are due: 11/04/20 at 2:00 PM Estimated Construction Schedule: May 2021 to September 2022

Please email your questions and bids to Bids@Bremik.com.



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## SUB-BIDS REQUESTED

Medical Imaging Renovation Portland Community College Sylvania Campus Portland, OR

### Bids Due: November 10th, 2020 at 2:00 PM PST

Lease Crutcher Lewis, LLC, serving as the General Contractor for the new PCC Sylvania Medical Imaging Renovation, is soliciting proposals from qualified bidders.

The project is a renovation within the existing Health Technology (HT) building on the PCC Sylvania campus. The project includes interior demolition and renovation of a portion of the basement

level. The renovation will contain classrooms, office space, storage, restrooms and lab areas consisting of energized and non-energized medical imaging equipment.

Contract Documents and the Invitation to Bid may be reviewed at the following locations:

<u>Online</u>

The entire Bid Package (including all project documents attached as exhibits) can be viewed via Lewis' website at: <u>www.lewisbuilds.com</u> Click "Contact" and then "Bid Opportunities" under Portland.

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### SUB BIDS/SUPPLIER QUOTES REQUESTED

## Dahlke Manor Renovation 915 NE Schuyler Street, Portland, OR 97205

Bids Due: Nov 17, 2020 @ 2:00 PM

Dahlke is a 9 story building built in 1970, owned by Home Forward. The renovation includes upgrade of finishes in the units and corridors. The 1st floor community and service spaces including a small addition will be re-programmed to better serve Home Forward. Roofs will be upgraded, the site will be re-imagined, and some minor exterior façade improvements will take place. The bulk of the unit and common area work will take place when units are unoccupied and Walsh has possession of the floor for construction.

### Trades Included:

<u>All Trades EXCEPT</u>: Elevators, Fire Protection, Plumbing, Mechanical, Electrical, Low Voltage, Commercial Kitchen Equipment.

### Plans are currently available at:

Walsh Construction Co., <u>contractorplancenter.com</u>, iSqFt.com, mcip-pdx.org, oame.org, and pbdgweb.com.

Special Notes: Davis Bacon Prevailing Wages; Certified Payroll; COBID Goals – Certified businesses are encouraged to bid.



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## Sci-fi Thriller Misses its Mark

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are taking a new designer drug, Synchronic. It's either a hallucinogen that makes you think you can go back in time or a magical pill that actually does the deed. Steve has a unique interest in the drug and downs a pill. Then Dennis' teen daughter Brianna (Ally Ioannides, TV's Parenthood) goes missing. The last time anyone saw her she was high on the stuff. Steve tries to find her, and his experiment with the drug starts him on that journey.

Initial scenes are a huge disappointment. Sequences fit together decently, however, what's on view is a miss for showcasing supernatural or technological wonders.

ally, emotionally—nut it doesn't.

The friendship between the two men is more interesting than the main event. Mackie and Dornan create a convincing brotherhood, not a shallow alliance. It feels like Steve genuinely loves his friend's daughter and that Dennis is completely concerned about his buddy's welfare. It's a nice bromance.

The drug itself does have some allure. Drop it and it affects the pineal gland, a small endocrine gland in the center of the brain, sometimes referred to as the "third eye," due to its sensitivity to light. ic for the National Newspaper The gland receives data from the Publishers Association, the Black environment regarding the light Press.

The basic story could take audi- outside, affecting the flow of melences places-physically, spiritu- atonin, which modulates sleep patterns.

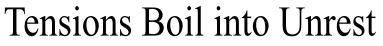
> This biological part of the setup is kind of fascinating. Though audiences aren't looking for a science lesson, exploring the data behind the drug might have added some depth to a very thin script.

Mackie is respectable in a mediocre movie. He's been more compelling (The Hurt Locker), magnetic (Captain America: Civil War) and edgy (The Hate U Give) in other films. Dornan may never escape the smarmy shadow of the 50 Shades... franchise.

Dwight Brown is the film crit-

he took photos at the wedding

of Peterson's parents in Portland



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agents clothed in riot gear surrounded a building — warning people that trespassing on federal property would be subject to arrest.

Authorities declared an unlawful assembly and ordered protesters to disperse. At least one person appeared to have been detained.

Family and friends had described Peterson as a former high school football player and the proud father of an infant daughter.

In a statement, Clark County Sheriff Chuck Atkins said a joint city-county narcotics task force was conducting an investigation when they confronted a man who was suspected of selling illegal drugs in a motel parking lot. The person produced a handgun and the officers backed off, investigators said. A short time later, three Clark County deputies fired their pistols at the man. They did not say if the suspect fired a handgun that was found at the scene, making it unclear what happened just before the shooting.

Mac Smiff, an organizer of

Black Lives Matter protests in Portland, said he knows Peterson's sister and spent more than five hours at the scene.

"There was a ton of grief, a ton he said Friday. of grief. He's 21 and has a baby, an infant," Smiff said. "They're Union High School in Vancouver, not sure what happened, why the encounter took place. Everyone was extremely disheveled and confused."

Jake Thompson, a high school

in 2018. On Friday, he posted a black-and-white photo of Peterson in a suit and bow tie as he flashed a big grin. "I didn't sleep much last night,"

Peterson played football at

loved sports of any kind and was a big personality who was known and liked by everyone at school, Thompson said.

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# **Violent Protest** Turns on PSU

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the renewal of a pledge last week from PSU officials to disarm campus police.

About 100 demonstrators gathered at Director's Park around 9 p.m. Monday and then marched to the PSU campus nearby while chanting Jason Washington, the name of the Portland father, U.S.

postal worker and Navy veteran who was killed by PSU police while attempting to break up a fight outside a campus area bar in 2018.

PSU announced last Tuesday that it would not meet its fall goal of transitioning to unarmed sworn officers on campus because of the retirements of two officers and the resignation of a



Portland Public Safety Chief Willie halliburton.

third, but still planned on taking loween, windows were also deadline. The killing of Washguns away from campus safety.

mitted to the change, saying he wants to de-escalate situations where police fight aggression with aggression, pledging to lead the nation in a new successful model of campus policing without being armed.

Police said two arrests were made during Monday's protest in which windows were broken at the PSU Campus Safety office and university's Cramer Hall and Smith Memorial Student Union.

the action without setting a new broken by protesters at several businesses and a bank branch ington had renewed calls to take along Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard in the Ir-Willie Halliburton, PSU's vington and the Lloyd districts. Black public safety chief is com- It happened after about 150 people gathered at nearby Irving Park for a march with a tagline of "Capitalism is Scary," police said.

> Under the plans to revamp public safety at PSU, unarmed campus officers will remain certified as police officers as long as they keep their training up to date, but they will no longer respond to any calls on campus that involve weapons. Portland police would respond to those calls in-

Two nights earlier, on Hal- stead.

## Second Wave of **COVID-19** Declared

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on track to open more schools for in-person instruction for our students — and to continue to reopen, and keep open, our businesses, communities, and economies," Brown said. "Oregon is not an island. Without safety precautions in place, we could quickly see our case counts spike as well."

During October, Oregon has reached grim COVID-19 milestones including surpassing 600 deaths and reaching 40,000 confirmed cases.

The health authority reported a new daily average of over 500 new confirmed COVID-19 cases, the state's largest daily total since the start of the pandemic.

number of cases "troubling" and said based on current COVID-19 modeling, if Oregon remains on especially indoors."

the path it is now, the state could reach capacity in its hospitals by mid-December.

Health officials are already urging people to avoid family celebrations and rethink their plans for Thanksgiving.

As cases continued to climb during October, the health authority again expanded face covering requirements to include all private and public workplaces, including classrooms, offices, meeting rooms, work spaces, outdoor markets, street fairs, private career schools and public and private colleges and universities.

"We must continue to work together and follow the simple steps that have kept us safe throughout this pandemic," Brown said. "Washing our hands, wearing face Health officials called the coverings, watching our physical distance, staying home when sick, and avoiding social get-togethers,

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