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a new college wood-bat team that will be

based at Lents Park in southeast Portland,

officials announced Monday. The Great

West League team is for college players to

gain experience in a professional atmosphere

similar to the minor leagues, to prepare them

for potential professional careers in baseball.

Gresham Police arrested Ze'andre Davis-

Gray, a 15-year-old male Monday for a gang-

related shooting near 175th and Stark Sun-

day night that left Umberto Velasco-Arango,

Police say a Portland man appeared to have

accidently shot his friend while parked in a

vehicle near North Lombard and Portsmouth

around 12:45 a.m. Sunday. Beketel Elbelau

Sleeper, 23, died. The friend, Isaiah Horatio

Hayes, 21, was arraigned Monday for man-

slaughter and being a felon in possession of

Teen Charged in Shooting

23, with serious injuries.

Shooting Called Accidental



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Oregon Leader Dies Dave Frohnmayer, a longtime Republican leader, died Tuesday of cancer at the age of 74. A former Oregon Attorney General and University of Oregon president, Frohnmaver was also a candidate for governor and a leader in the fight against Fanconi anemia, a disease that killed his daughters, Katie and Kirsten.

Sewage Floods Apartment

Residents of a downtown housing complex were dealing with a stinky mess Monday after thousands of gallons of raw sewage flooded the basement at the Whitmarsh Building at Southwest 11th and Park. Portland Environmental Services took responsibility for a sewer line becoming clogged and backing up into the basement of the building.

Baseball Coming to Lents

Man Sets Self on Fire Baseball is returning to the City of Roses with Authorities say a southeast Portland man

a firearm.

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died Sunday from injuries caused after he set himself on fire in a suicide attempt. Fire crews extinguished the fire Saturday while medical personnel treated him and transported him to a Portland hospital, where he died later the next day.

Woman Steals Own Dog

A Grants Pass woman is accused of breaking into the county's animal shelter and stealing her own dog. Police said surveillance video from Feb. 18 shows Jennifer Dompier, 41 cutting several padlocks at the shelter.

Mayor Seeks 2nd Term

On Friday Portland Mayor Charlie Hales announced that he is officially running for a second term in 2016. Hales was elected to the office in 2013. He previously served on the Portland City Council.

Airport Thieves Arrested

A family of luggage thieves that has been plaguing the Portland Airport for more than four years was sentenced Friday. Brian Craig Mottaz, Nancy Marie Mottaz, Joshua Philip Ryan, and Amanda Lee Grogan, were sentenced to 18 months bench probation and banned from the Portland Airport.

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More Curbs on Last Thursday ing the city's full involvement to Mayor says it's the last Thursdays of June, July and August, eliminating May and a fairness issue September. This should reduce

Mayor Charlie Hales is placing new limits on Last Thursday celebrations on Northeast Alberta Street.

Thursday," Mayor Hales said. "To celebrate the arts on Northeast Alberta Street, to be a good neightaxpayers throughout the city. To accomplish these three goals, Last Thursday probably has to get smaller, temporarily, in order to get bigger and better in the long run."

The street fair, now in its 18th season, began as an art walk and has mushroomed into a monthly event that reaches crowds of up to 20,000 people during the peak of the season.

In recent years, neighbors complained that the celebrations ran all night and resulted in loud music and lawlessness into the early morning hours. The cost to city taxpayers also grew to an estimated \$75,000 to \$80,000 per year, officials said.

Hales is recommending reduc-

the taxpayer cost by as much as 40 percent.

The decision means Albert Street will remain open to traffic "We have three goals for Last in May and September, curbing the number of vendors and visitors able to take up space on the streets. The street closure has bor, and to reduce the impact on been an essential part of the celebration since 2008.

> Vendors also are being asked to register in order to set up in the right-of-way. And the city is seeking sponsorships and donations to help cover the cost for taxpayers.

> "It's a fairness issue." Hales said. "Many neighborhoods hold annual celebrations, which are popular and terrific. But those neighborhoods are expected to pick up the tab. Taxpayers throughout the city have picked up the tab for Last Thursday. That's not a sustainable practice, and it's not fair."

> Hales initiated other changes for Last Thursday last year, which included ending the celebrations at 9 p.m. and reducing the number of blocks closed to traffic.

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