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### Delivering promises

Tyler Manning, right, looks on as Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney hands out children at a recent rally in Loveland, Colo. In all, 40 toddlers were given to women who could produce signed consent forms from their husbands. "There will be plenty more where that came from if I'm elected," Romney promised the audience. This one-year-old, by Romney's estimation, went to Manning's wife, Heather.

## Bicyclist runs stop sign, grandson scolds violator

BY TWO-WHEELED FANATIC  
BICYCLE TRANSPORTATION EMPIRE

A 67-year-old bicyclist remains alive today after a flagrant traffic violation on North Bryant Street. There was no other traffic present on Tuesday evening when Julia Bates, a retired accountant and Piedmont neighborhood resident approached a stop sign. Bates was cycling home from Peninsula Park with her 10-year-old grandson, Jordan Wallace. Wallace who is also still alive, reports that his grandmother slowed down, but failed to cease all forward motion at the traffic control device as is required by ORS 811.265.

"She didn't even signal," he added, demonstrating a proper stopping signal with his left arm.

Jordan is a graduate of the Bicycle Transportation Alliance's 10-hour in class Bike Safety Education program at nearby Humbolt School and, according to family members, has been a nonstop annoyance ever since.

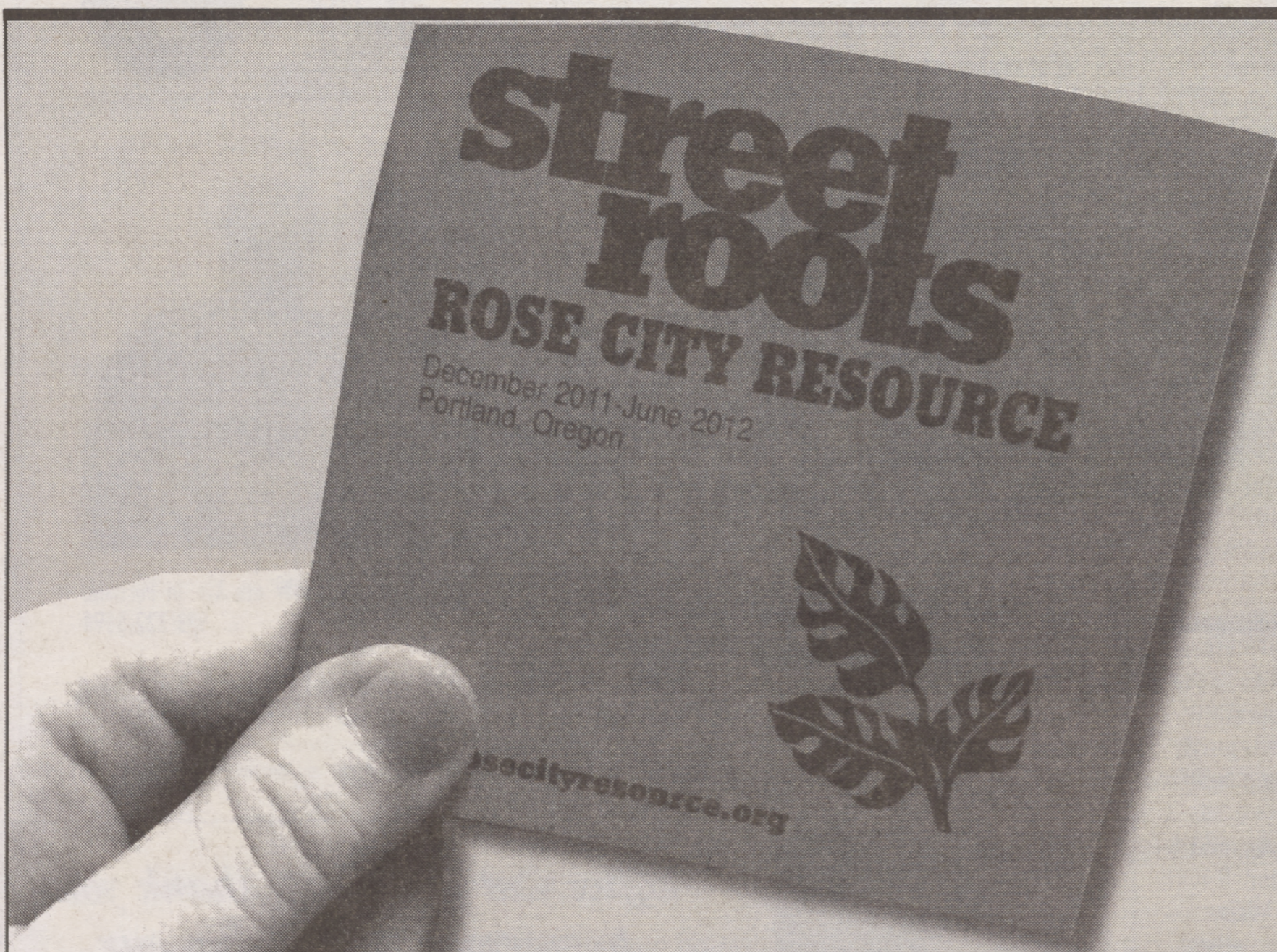
"I was just riding the way I drive," said Bates, "but he even tells me how to drive now. He's only 10!"

Wallace is glad that his grandmother is still alive, but has serious concerns about her and the rest of his family, who refuse to wear helmets on the bus and in the family

car, as he does.

"Honestly, if it doesn't stop, I'm going to stop eating my vegetables and demand my family take some basic safety classes to ensure that their children are actually safe when riding any kind of vehicle," says the 10-year old. "I'm kind of embarrassed over the whole ordeal. They make me do things I honestly don't want to do. I think the least they could do is follow the law."

Family members declined to comment saying that Wallace was now doing his homework and wasn't allowed to talk to reporters until he was at least 13 years old.



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