

POLICE NEWS

Police ask for assistance in family hit and run investigation

The Portland Police Bureau's Traffic Division is asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect and vehicle involved in a recent Hit and Run accident.

On Sunday, June 29, 1997 at approximately 6:00 p.m., a SE Portland family was crossing SE Powell at SE 42nd Avenue. As they crossed lawfully with the traffic signal, a

vehicle described as a 1986-1990 Mazda RX-7, white in color, struck the three of them.

The vehicle, which was traveling eastbound, is believed to have sustained damage to the drivers side door and possible damage to the flip-up headlight door.

Scott Huber, 37 years, is still at the Oregon Health Sciences Univer-

sity Hospital recovering from a compound fracture to his right leg. Margaret Huber, 39 years, is home also recovering from a broken leg. Noel Huber, 2 months, was treated and released from the hospital.

Anyone with information about this crime is asked to contact Traffic Officer Al Reauff at 823-2207, or call 9-1-1.

Homicide investigation

On Saturday, July 12, 1997 at 2:08 in the afternoon, East Precinct Uniform Officers were dispatched to 5120 NE 42nd Avenue (Criss Auto Detailing) on a report of a man shot following an argument. Upon arrival officers found a 40-year-old black male, inside the building, dead from apparent gunshot wounds.

The suspect in the case, who is a 33-year-old black male and a close relative of the deceased, left the area in a known vehicle and is being sought.

A witness, who is reportedly related to both the deceased and the suspect, was at the location at the time of the incident. But at this time, the circumstances surrounding the argument and shooting are still under investigation.

Investigators assigned to the case are Investigative Sergeants Kent

Perry and George Young.

The deceased has been identified as 40-year-old Ervin Floyd Criss of northeast Portland.

33-year-old Fredrick Adam Criss, who is the brother of Ervin Criss, reportedly left the scene after the incident in a black Mercedes-Benz sedan with unknown license.

Fredrick Adam Criss is currently wanted on a no bail probation violation warrant. In addition, investigators want to locate and question him in connection with the shooting death of Ervin Criss.

The location where the incident occurred, Criss Auto Detail, 5120 NE 42nd Avenue, is a family owned business involving Ervin and Fredrick Criss and their mother. There mother was reportedly at the scene of the incident.

Suspicious disappearance



Missing: Daniel Allen McAllister

Portland Police Detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in locating a man and vehicle who disappeared under suspicious circumstances.

On Monday, June 16, 1997, Daniel Allen McAllister picked up a load of 122 used tires from the Costco Store at NE 138 and Sandy, and was to return them to his place of employment at Flat Tire Supply, 7921 NE Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, but never arrived. Neither Mr. McAllister, nor the truck he was driving have been seen since.

Daniel Allen McAllister is a 50-year-old white male, DOB/December 23, 1946. He is 5'8" tall and weighs approximately 160 pounds, with brown eyes and brown hair.

The vehicle is a faded red, 1971 Chevrolet pickup, with Oregon plates QNP144. The vehicle has iron rails, mounted on the bed, which extend over the cab of the truck.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to the resolution of this case, and you need not give your name. Call either Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP, or the Portland Police Bureau Detective Division at (503) 823-0400.

CRIME STOPPERS Wanted Subject



Steven Harvey McCullough, without glasses

counts of Sex Abuse involving two 12-year-old boys, is on file.

Apparently aware of the pending investigation McCullough left the address where he had been living, in the 8000 Block of Interstate Avenue, and has not been seen since.

Steven Harvey McCullough is a 45-year-old white male, DOB April 24, 1952. He is 6' tall and weighs approximately 265 pounds. McCullough is blind in his left eye which has a milky colored appearance. To conceal it, he wears glasses with the left lens being darker.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, that leads to an arrest in this case, or any unsolved felony crime, and you do not have to give your name. Call either the Multnomah County Child Abuse Team at (503) 248-5249, or Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP (4357).

King Food Mart liquor license renewal shot down

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efforts to meet with police or ask questions which "weren't answered."

"She is not our problem. I wish we had more people like her," said Fred Stewart, president of the King Neighborhood Association, complaining the police reports exaggerated Rho's part in the neighborhood problems. "It makes her look like some sort of Nazi."

Recalling the number of prostitutes who congregated at that corner a decade ago, Stewart said the Rhos "opened their business when no one else would. They committed themselves and things are better."

He noted that such dedication to building a business in a difficult place has helped increase the income levels of the neighborhood. He called her "respectful" if "not perfect"

Council Member Charlie Hales admitted the decision was difficult because of the nearby OLCC store and its increased hours that contribute to the evening's congregating people.

"I know she is trying," said Commissioner Erik Sten, "but things are out of control."

"She failed, but if someone else runs the store it would get worse," he admitted, before voting against renewal.

Katz speculated the 5-0 vote would allow OLCC to "strike a hard bargain" with the owners in an effort to create changes.

Hale noted the city has "an interest in not having an empty parking lot at that corner."

"I'm sorry it got to this point, but I think it is time to deny," said

Francesconi when making the formal motion. Katz seconded the motion.

Commissioner Gretchen Kafoury said without alcohol sales, the store could expand its sale of grocery items and possibly reapply in a few years. Hale agreed and called for a city-

store partnership that would involve financial assistance to create a different kind of store.

"I feel lost," Rho told The Portland Observer afterward. "I did not expect this. They just demolished 11 years of credibility."

Walsh held Rho's hand and con-

soled the storekeeper, noting the unanimous 5-0 vote was not the end of the road for her business.

"Today we presented our argument to OLCC, not to these people," he said. "This is not a setback. We expected the city council to support its agencies, its employees.

"National Night Out" Picnic

"Kerns Neighborhood is a great place to live and work. It is one of the finest in the City and recently won the Spirit of Portland Award. Last year, over four hundred people attended our picnic, including US Congressman Earl Blumenauer, Police Chief Moose and Mayor Vera Katz. We had a great time," Kerns Neighborhood Association President Sharon Ward says.

Kerns Neighborhood Association is hosting its annual National

Night Out Picnic on Tuesday August 5, from 6PM-9PM at Oregon Park (corner of NE 30th and Oregon St).

Neighborhood residents and area businesses will gather for free food, live entertainment and a raffle.

Entertainment will include live music by the Prairie Dogs, from the Laurelthirst Public House, a demonstration of the ancient art of Tackwon-Do by Master Betten-court and his students, Authentic

Middle Eastern Dance by Fariba, and contact improvisation dance by Touch Monkey.

Food will include hamburgers, hotdogs and ice cream donated by neighborhood businesses, and potluck dishes brought by neighborhood residents.

Dozens of fun items will be raffled, including food, services, products and gift certificates.

All items are generously donated by Kerns Neighborhood businesses.

SE 50th Avenue Homicide Investigation

On Tuesday, July 8, 1997, at approximately 8:20 in the evening, a young child went to a neighbor's house and said that her mommy and daddy were fighting. Shortly thereafter, the neighbor heard gunshots and called 9-1-1.

Officers, while en route to the address, were advised by dispatch that a male covered with blood was seen walking southbound on SE 50th Avenue.

Upon arrival at 4635 SE 50th Avenue, Officers found a 38-year-old female inside the home, dead from an apparent gunshot wound.

Approximately two blocks away, on SE 48th Avenue, officers found a 41-year-old male who was bleeding from several apparent gunshot wounds to the head. The injured male,

who sustained gunshot wounds to the head, has been identified as 41 year old John Miles, who is also known as John Miles Sturgis.

Sturgis was transported by ambulance to O.H.S.U., where doctors who treated him expect him to survive.

The investigation is continuing.

Officer Involved Shooting

Barbur Boulevard Transit Station - 9750 S.W. Barbur Boulevard

On Saturday, July 12, 1997, at 2:14 in the morning, Central Precinct Uniform Officers were dispatched to the Barbur Boulevard Transit Station, 9750 S.W. Barbur Boulevard, on a report of a man breaking into cars by smashing out the windows. Upon arrival officers located the man, in the southern part of the transit station, leaning through the open passenger's door of a white Nissan sedan which had the right side passenger's windows broken out.

Two officers approached the suspect and ordered him to "freeze." But instead of complying, the suspect spun around and came out of the car in a quick motion hurling a large dark object which struck one of the officers in the head. Simultaneously, as the object struck the officer, the second officer fired two shots, both of which struck the suspect.

The suspect, identified as 27-year-old Robert Dean Bliss, whose last known address was in Southeast Portland, was transported to O.H.S.U. where he is listed in critical condition.

The names of the two officers, per the Police Bureau's policy, are being withheld for 24 hours to allow them to contact their families.

Investigators assigned to the case are Investigative Sergeants Tom Nelson and Mike Hefley.

The investigation is continuing.

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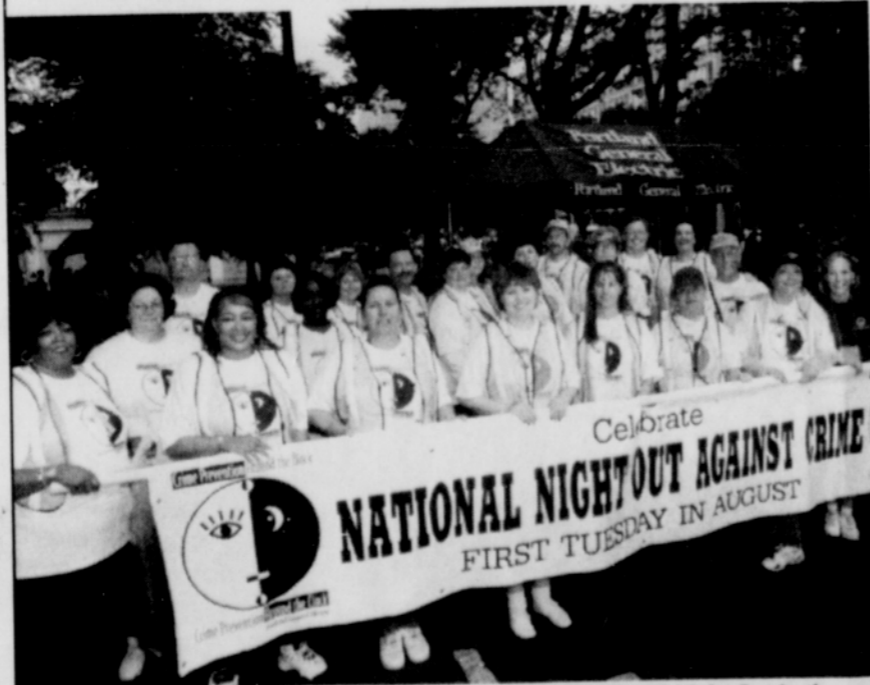
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Join a Night Out against crime, August 5.



Neighborhood crime prevention volunteers promoted National Night Out in the Rose Festival PGE/SOLV Starlight Parade.

On August 5, thousands of Oregonians will hold block parties, barbecues, flashlight walks and bike registrations. It's National Night Out—America's annual night out against crime. You can get to know you: neighbors, make your neighborhood safer and have fun!

PGE proudly sponsors National Night Out because we share your concern for strong, safe neighborhoods. Plan now—contact your neighborhood association or call 823-4519.

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