

Think holiday safety

'Tis the season for electrical dangers

One of the greatest presents you can give your family this year will never appear under your tree - that's electrical safety.

Shiela Holden, Pacific Power Portland manager, offers several suggestions to help ensure a safer holiday season.

Check your home for obvious safety hazards. Look for frayed wires, uncapped plugs, or outlets that are overloaded.

Make sure that indoor lights aren't used outdoors. Remember to unplug electronic appliances and toys by pulling on the plug and not the cord.

Don't modify three-pronged plugs to fit into two-pronged sockets. Make sure that lights and extension cords, as well as electronic gifts, are UL approved.

If extension cords are hot to the touch, it's probably a sign of a serious problem.

Also, children should be reminded of the basic laws of electrical safety.

Electronic toys should be kept away from water, and little hands should stay away from wires and cords.

POLICE NEWS

Hit and run draws warrant

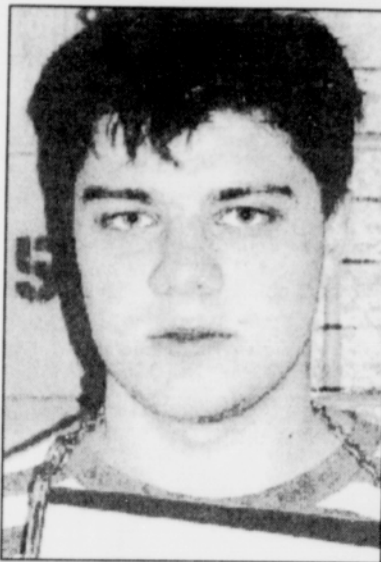
Crime Stoppers offers \$1,000 reward for arrest

Multiple infractions puts teen on want list

The Portland Police Bureau's auto theft Task Force, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in locating and apprehending Alex Fedorovic Filipkiy.

An arrest warrant, charging Alex Filipkiy with five counts of Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle, is on file in Multnomah County.

In addition, Clark County, Washington, also holds a warrant for Filipkiy's arrest on a charge of felony Hit and Run. Both are no bail



Alex Filipkiy

warrants.

Alex Fedorovic Filipkiy is a 19-year-old white male (DOB July 11, 1978). He is 5'8" tall and weighs approximately 150 to 160 pounds, with brown hair and blue eyes.

If you have any information regarding this case, call either the Portland Police Bureau Auto Theft Task Force at (503) 823-5098, or Crime Stoppers.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, which leads to an arrest in this case or any unsolved felony crime, and you can remain anonymous.

Call Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP.

Fatal Hit & Run Accident

Portland Police Bureau Traffic Accident Investigators, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in identifying and apprehending the person responsible for striking and fatally injuring a pedestrian.

On Wednesday, October 29, 1997, at about 7:40 in the evening, 34-year-old Thomas Riggs was crossing the street at SE 49th and Franklin, when

a pickup truck turning left from 49th onto Franklin struck him and then drove away. Riggs died in a hospital two days later, as a result of his injuries.

The suspect vehicle is described as an older model pickup truck, pale yellow in color, equipped with large tires and a roll-bar.

A truck matching the description of the suspect vehicle and bearing

Oregon License UTB655, was seen in the area following the accident. Investigators would like to locate the vehicle and talk with the owner.

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Professor sees change

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proffess of the young black man.

When Cal Poly started a black studies program, few professional experts in the field were available and Millner was recruited one year after graduation to teach both a black literature class and a remedial english class with only a bachelor's degree in hand.

"We recruited inner city students, not traditionally prepared for college," he said. "They needed the remedial classes if they were to be successful in college, but they were very interested in identity issues of race and culture."

Millner still paints modern academia as a hostile place for people of color. "When 85 percent of PSU's students and faculty are from the majority culture, it is not part of the mental orientation of the administration to provide for the other 15 percent without being reminded."

Subtle nuances — campus food selections and cultural bias of booked entertainment — can create feelings of cultural alienation for minority students, he said.

But waves of Millner's influence glide with his students into other campus history classes where their new perspectives are shared in conversations with majority culture students. They, in turn, develop new attitudes based on this new knowledge, and that evolutionary process finds its way into a

maturing society.

"That makes the university more vibrant," he noted, a knowing smile revealing more power than the Aunt Jemima ceramic cookie jar on one file cabinet and a stark black and white "colored only" sign on another.

"I'm not in the streets anymore, but I'm still an agent for change and seeing students graduate with this knowledge and academic motivation is energizing for me." His doctoral thesis at the University of Portland — Being an agent for change in education — reflects that trend in Millner's career.

With a house full of books, the proof of the pudding comes to Millner when daughter Mila, recently asked for his input on a paper she was preparing at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas on stereotypes in cinema. Son Amion is a freshman at the University of Southern California.

Whether subtle campus irritations or glaring problems of race clashes, it has been a far cry from the nurturing atmosphere of the all-black community of Urbancrest, Ohio, where he spent his first dozen years.

His postman father, though not part of the world of academia, set an example of persistence in a work ethic, communications with Millner's mother and encouragement to the five siblings who later became college professors and attorneys.

Portland's Jay named convention industry leader

Black Meetings and Tourism Magazine, a national monthly trade publication, based in California, recently announced their list of most influential African Americans in the convention and tourism industry.

Roy Jay, President and Chief Executive Officer of Oregon Convention and Visitor Services Network was among the nations top 20 individuals that were recognized in a nine page feature story by the associate editor, Gloria Herbert.

Jay, who is also national president of A.C.T. (African American Convention and Tourism) has made a significant impact on the ethnic minority convention industry over the past four years, elevating Portland, Oregon to a new found and competitive level in the \$32 billion dollar annual African American convention and leisure travel market.

The native of Portland is also a member of many local, regional and national organizations.

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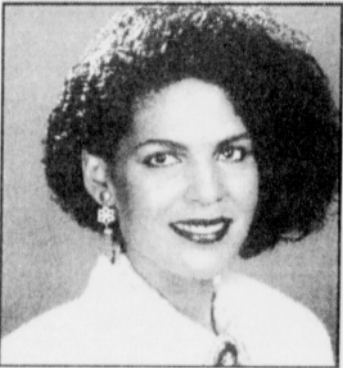
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