

# POLICE NEWS

## Twenty Year Old Charged In Stabbing Death Of Teenager

SW 2nd Ave/SW Pine Street

Borlande "Andy" D. Robertson has been charged with Murder in connection with the stabbing death of 16-year-old Anthony C. Nnoli early Saturday morning.

Just after midnight Saturday morning, Robertson in the company of another, became involved in an altercation with a group of

three black males in a downtown parking lot. Robertson and a 21-year-old male friend began the incident by engaging in an outside verbal dispute with security members of the Quest Nightclub, located at SW 2nd Avenue and SW Pine Street. Security agents asked them to move on and they reluc-

tantly complied by crossing the street to the area of the parking lot located on the southeast corner. In the parking lot, Robertson exchanged words with the victims and a fight ensued. There was a large crowd of people milling around the parking lot at the time of the incident.

## The "Why" is Not a Mystery

By RICH COHEN

"Shoot me, just shoot me!" pleaded 15-yr old Kip Kinkel as he was wrestled to the ground after killing his parents and wounding 24 fellow students (two fatally). The boys who subdued him said they looked into his eyes and saw only emptiness. "Everything," they said, "was gone inside of him."

Why did he do it? Are we really serious about an answer? Do we have the courage to face the possibility of our own complicity? If so, the very best clue to the "why?" is found in those empty eyes, not by looking outside the family at guns, media violence, etc. Our inquiry must begin in the homes that breed children who kill.

Yet focusing our attention on what goes on in the privacy of our homes is something we tend to avoid. It feels too personal and raises questions about our own responsibility as parents and how we as a community support parenting. It's easier to talk about controlling guns, even when our experience tells us that another instrument of death can always be found. It's easier to condemn media violence even when we know that without a predisposition to kill, violent images alone will not cause someone to kill. I believe the best way to honor the victims and ourselves is not to get caught up again in our fear, by emphasizing control and punishment, but instead go to the heart of the matter, the

place where it always begins, in the most powerful of all human attachments, the parent-child bond--and in the role we have as a community, as an extended family, to support good parenting.

Why are we surprised when children who are given no access to care, respect, affection, and safety become angry, violent, and so emotionally detached that they can pull a gun and kill someone without remorse.

Sure, most kids with that history will not kill, but even they will act out their pain and rage in hurtful ways against others and/or themselves.

Nothing means more to a child than to feel loved by her parents. It is the basis for self-love, self-esteem and how we treat others. If a child is shown love, feels respected, is carefully guided, and has sufficient time with one or both parents, that child will never intentionally kill anyone. Show me a killer who had that kind of family life!

I don't know what kind of home Kip Kinkel grew up in. Nor does anyone who didn't live in that house and witness how he was actually treated from Day One. But I'll question anyone's parenting when their teenage child ends up on a floor begging to be shot to death. As one Springfield student put it, "people just don't do it for no reason."

We can blame guns, the media, police, schools, or liberals, and re-

main lost in frustration, or we can recognize the prime influence of parenting on child development and accept our responsibility as a community to support good parenting. In a culture increasingly antagonistic to parenting, parents need all the help they can get!

The way to stop the killing is to love our children by showing affection, listening well to them, taking their ideas seriously, showing that their feelings are important to us and that their anger at us is sometimes allowable and worthy of our attention and concern. Let them make more of their own choices, even when we disagree or are inconvenienced by them, guide and inspire them by our example, and give them our time especially in the home after school, at dinner, and at bedtime. Any solution focus not directly on the parent-child bond, borders on negligence.

Kip Kinkel deserves the appropriate punishment, help, and forgiveness. The victims deserve our support and prayers, our children deserve to feel safe and to believe that life is to be celebrated, not feared. And parents deserve to feel less isolated and part of a community that truly values parenting.

Rich Cohen is a senior manager with Excel Communications and the founder and former Director of Action for Children, a Portland Oregon-based child advocacy organization.

## Police Investigate Apartment Shooting

5200 Block Of NE Irving Street

At approximately Midnight Saturday, Portland Police were called to the Imperial Heights Apartments in connection with a Homicide. A resident of the apartment complex called 9-1-1 to report that shooting had just occurred at his neighbors. The caller reported that a neighbor had run into his apartment saying that her friend had been shot.

Police arrived to find a female

victim who had been shot several times about the body.

The victim, believed to be in her mid-twenties, died at the scene.

The resident of the apartment in question stated that her friend was visiting her at the time of the incident. She had left her friend alone in the living room while she took a shower. She heard several gunshots and exited the bathroom to dis-

cover her friend had been shot.

No suspect was seen in or around the apartment unit at the time of the shooting. There were no obvious signs of forced entry. Names are being withheld pending further investigation.

Investigative-Sergeants D. Rubey and K. Ferrell are assigned Portland's 14th homicide of the year.

## UPDATE: Police Identify Victim Of Car Homicide

NW Everett/NW "homicide Victim" Portland has been identified as 33-year-old (DOB 09-30-64) Jeffrey Steven Lange.

Lange, who resided at the Victorian Apartments 2255 W. Burnside, was shot multiple times as he drove his 1987 Ford Mustang. His vehicle

ended up against a concrete wall on the entrance to southbound Interstate 405. No suspects have yet been identified.

## Victim Panel Speaker Recruitment

Clark County Corrections -- The Victim's Panel is recruiting speakers whose lives have been affected physically, financially, or emotionally from the effects of a Driving Under Influence (DUI) crash. This is an opportunity for interested community members to tell their story on how their life has changed from someone's choice

of drinking or taking drugs and driving.

The Victim's Panel is a court mandated intervention program for DUI, domestic violence, and negligent driving offenders. It is also an educational program for traffic safety students; the volunteers discuss the consequences and risks related to impaired driving. Additionally, this program

provides information to adults and youth about treatment and support services to create solutions to individual problems related to the use of alcohol and other drugs.

For more information, interested individuals may contact Janet Kalney, Corrections Counselor II, at (360) 737-6141 press 3.

## Graduation Ceremony Honored Slained Youth

Students, staff of alternative school step in as young men's family

On Wed. June 10, 1998 students and staff members from The Gladys McCoy Academy filled Bethel AME Church, to celebrate the hard-won achievements of the school's new graduates and to commemorate the life of one they lost. Anthony Nnoli, 16, a sophomore at McCoy Academy, was slain Saturday night June 6, 1998 near the Pepsi Festival Center.

The homeless youth who looked to the staff of Oregon Outreach Inc.'s Northeast Portland campus for a new beginning, a chance to earn his high school diploma and learn how to work toward his per-

sonal goals, was an above-average and gregarious student. Last week, Anthony's peers wrote poems and stories expressing what they liked most about the budding rap singer who excelled in music, dance and photography. His fellow students were like siblings, and his teachers were personal role models.

"For some students whose families are going through crises or are absent altogether," said Oregon Outreach Executive Director Becky Black, "the staff become a surrogate family." And as any family would, McCoy Academy students and staff members were raising money to pro-

vide Anthony with a proper memorial ceremony and burial, that was on Saturday June 13, 1998 at 11:00 am at Allen Temple.

Anthony exemplified the type of young people who seek out Oregon Outreach every year--those who have left the city's middle schools and high schools, but who understand the importance of education to future opportunity. Oregon Outreach serves 250 students on five campuses. For more information about the organizations, or Anthony's memorial service, please call 281-9597. We are still accepting donations.

## WANTED Nicole Marie Deroche

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DOB: 5/3/73 Sex: Female Ht. 5'7" Wt. 300 Race: Hispanic Charges: Manu/Del Controlled Substance-SC1-Possession of Controlled Substance

In the name of the State of Oregon to any Peace Officer of this State, Greetings: it appearing to the court that the above named defendant was convicted of the above mentioned charges and was placed on probation to the Oregon Corrections Department. **Ordered** the defendant's release is hereby revoked and the entire security amount, if any, is hereby forfeited. It is further **ordered** a warrant be issued for the arrest of said defendant, and, upon apprehension, be brought before this court.



## Car Crashes Into Moving Train

At 2:30 A.M. on May 28, 1998 a vehicle driving southbound on 244th Avenue drove into a train as it crossed NE 244th. All warning devices, lights

and bells, were active at the time of the accident. Upon impact, the car was dragged 50 feet and sustained damage to all four sides including the

roof and undercarriage.

The driver was life-flighted to OHSU. The driver of the vehicle has been identified as Jacob Joseph Shaw.

## COMMISSIONERS APPOINT DELEISSEGUES TO CLARK COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION

A Hockinson area resident has been appointed by the Board of Clark County Commissioners to serve a six year term on the county's seven member Planning Commission.

Dick Deleissegues has extensive experience with civil engineering, land use planning, transportation systems, public facilities,

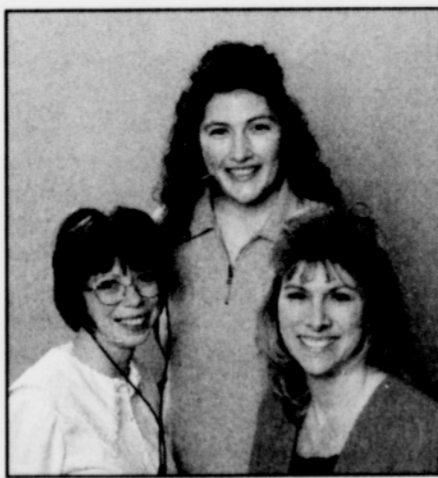
wetlands and environmental protection. He served 34 years with the US Forest Service, including 11 years as regional director of engineering in the San Francisco office.

Deleissegues has also been an officer for the US Army Corps of Engineers, earning the rank of Colonel in the Army Reserve.

"Dick has experience on planning commissions and citizen task forces, and will be quickly up to speed," said Commissioner Betty Sue Morris. "He is prepared to listen to the community, evaluate all sides of the issues, and develop sound conclusions in the interest of serving the entire county."

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### Tip of the week: Grasscycling

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