

# POLICE NEWS

## Investigation Reveals Youths At Psychiatric "Boys Ranch" Beaten

Youths at the Arizona Boys Ranch which uses psychiatric behavior modification were routinely beaten and assaulted by workers, according to the results of an investigation by the State of California. The California Department of Social Services investigates found that physical and psychological abuse were rampant at the facility, and that staff members used violent methods to obtain cooperation from the boys. The facility came under intense scrutiny after Nick Contrarez, a 17 year old boy, died during a violent confrontation with the staff in February. According to the *LA Times*, California officials said in a statement on July 7, 1998 that they would withdraw all federal and state funding to counties choosing to send juvenile offenders to the facility. California has banned any further placements at the facility. Hundreds of California boys had previously been sent by juvenile justice courts to the psychiatric facility.

The California investigator found that abuses included arm twisting, hitting boys in the stomach, hitting a boy's head against a pole repeatedly, stepping on a boy's hand, hitting a boy on the nose and cheeks and behind the ears. In addition, water was often denied to the boys, and the young men were often refused the right to use the bathroom. The boys reportedly were never allowed to call their parents on the telephone without supervision.

Gary Shannon of the Citizens Commission on Human Rights, an organization established in 1969 by the Church of Scientology to investigate and expose psychiatric violations of human rights said, "Psychiatric behavior modification techniques such as these are basically brain washing and mind control techniques. This is an example of why psychiatry is the biggest failure of the 20th century, and is unable to get any verifiable result on their clients. Psychiatrists and their staff abuse those sent to them for help and make them worse. Hitting, pulling, pinching and twisting arms, and denying boys the right to use the bathroom are abusive practices, and are typical of the type of reports the Citizen Commission on Human Rights receives from such facilities."

Nick Contrarez, the 17 year old boy who died at the Arizona Boy's Ranch in February was being subjected to military style punishment when he died, according to reports from the State of Arizona. Contrarez then suffocated to death due to a previously undiagnosed lung infection.

The Citizens on Human Rights was established in 1969 by the Church of Scientology, and has a 30 year history of denouncing human rights violations in the field of psychiatry. CCHR has been commended by the United Nations for their work, which has resulted in numerous reforms in the field of mental health internationally.

## UPDATE - WANTED COUPLE



Susanne Elizabeth Bohanan

In March of this year, Crime Stoppers profiled Susanne Elizabeth Bohanan and Douglas Clifton Bohanan, a couple wanted on Felony Arrest Warrants, extraditable from all fifty states, for First Degree Aggravated Theft in connection with a fund raising concert scam that started in August, 1996, and bilked numerous people out of money, including one man who gave \$70,000.

According to sources while the Bohanans left the area after pulling the

concert scam, and have been traveling parts of the United States reportedly pulling similar scams, they have maintained contact with family and relatives in the Vancouver/Portland Area.

The Bohanans have reportedly been trying to also lose weight, in an apparent attempt to alter their appearance, for either a visit or return to the Vancouver/Portland Area.

Susanne Elizabeth Bohanan is a 22-year-old white female, with a date of birth of February 5, 1976. She is 5'8" tall and weighed approximately 200 pounds, with brown hair and hazel eyes. Aliases she has used include Susanna Parker and Doris Kathleen Cohen.



Douglas Clifton Bohanan

## Study Volunteers Needed HIGH BLOOD PRESSURE

African American volunteers are needed for a 30 week hypertension research medication study. If you are 18 years or older with high blood pressure and in general good health, you may qualify. Volunteers will be thoroughly screened by the research team and their private physicians consulted. Study medication, study-related clinic visits and testing will be provided at no charge for those who qualify. Reimbursement for travel will be given. For information call 228-3217, Mon.-Thur. 9 to 4, Fri.- 9 to 1.

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## Aggravated Assault

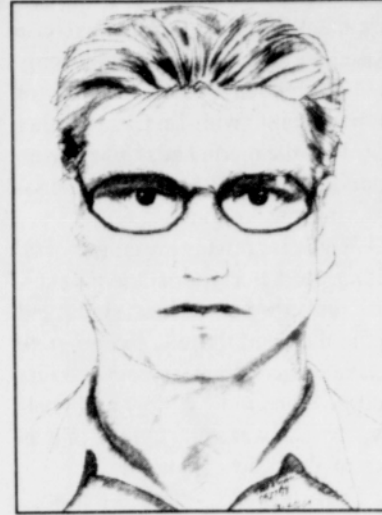
Portland Police Bureau Investigators, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in locating and apprehending two suspects in an assault.

On Tuesday, May 19, 1998, at about three in the morning, a 45-year-old Portland man was standing on the sidewalk in front of a thrift store, in the 3100 block of Northeast Sandy Boulevard, when two men walked by. As they did, the victim brushed against one of them. Words were exchanged, then one of the suspects struck the victim in the face. Although bleeding heavily, the victim managed to drive himself to a local hospital where it was determined he had suffered a serious stab wound.



Suspect #1

Suspect #1 is described as a white male, 25 to 29 years of age, weighing



Suspect #2

170 to 180 pounds with dark brown hair, a light complexion and a mus-

tache. At the time he was wearing a gray jacket, a button front shirt and dark colored pants.

Suspect #2 is described as a white male, 25 to 29 years of age, weighing 180 to 185 pounds with blond hair cut in a 2" long crew cut, and a thin mustache. At the time he was wearing dark wire frame glasses, a beige button front shirt with piping on the sleeves and down the front, and dark colored pants.

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 Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP.

## Detectives Arrest Man For 7 Robberies



On July 14 at approximately 3:45 pm, The Portland Police Bureau detectives arrested Richard Mario Martinez, 28 years, for seven counts of Robbery II, in connection with seven robberies at Subway Sandwich shops in Portland. Martinez, who simu-

lated a weapon, is believed to have committed these robberies between 6-25-98 and 7-14-98.

Martinez was arrested after detectives conducted surveillance and observed Martinez, who matched the description in the previous robberies, casing a

Subway Sandwich shop at 1301 NE Broadway St. Detectives interceded prior to Martinez completing the robbery and arrested him. Martinez, who resides in Portland, will be lodged at the Multnomah County Detention Center.

## Still Investigating The Death Of Marcos Antonio Lopez

The Multnomah County Sheriff's office are still investigating the death of Marcos Antonio Lopez and are offering a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for Mr. Lopez's death.

Mr. Lopez's body was found on March 24th of this year after Deputies responded to a brush fire off of Woodard Rd. in Corbett, OR (east Multnomah County). He had been

murdered and his body and the area around it set on fire after being doused with accelerant. Mr. Lopez was wearing a white sweatshirt with Honduras in blue block letters on the back, black pants and loafer type shoes.

Mr. Lopez was last seen alive between 9:45 p.m. and 10:00 p.m. on March 23rd at the Golden Slipper Tavern, located at 14270 S.E. Stark. Mr. Lopez was seen in the

Tavern with several other male Hispanic men. Mr. Lopez's whereabouts after 10:00 p.m. and before his body was discovered two and a half hours later are unaccounted for at this time.

Sheriff's detectives have no confirmed suspects at this time and are asking for the public's help in solving the death of Marcos Antonio Lopez who is survived by his mother and other family members who are

living in the S.E. Portland area.

The Multnomah County Sheriff's office is offering a \$5000.00 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for Mr. Lopez's murder.

Anyone who has information regarding the murder of Mr. Lopez should call Detective John Little at 251-2409. Spanish speaking persons can call 255-3600 extension 343.

## Police Arrest 6 In Drug Search Warrant

A several week investigation by the East Precinct Drug House Detail culminated in a search warrant being executed at 3322 SE 122nd ave at approximately 11:00 a.m. this date. Six people were taken into custody at

that location and two children were placed in protective custody.

Approximately 3/4 lb. of suspected methamphetamine product was seized, several weapons including rifles and handguns, and chemicals

related to the manufacturing of methamphetamine. While the search warrant was being executed, a homemade explosive device was discovered inside the residence and was subsequently rendered safe. Also

found inside the residence was a 6-foot iguana lizard which was taken by Multnomah County Animal Control. Charges on the six persons taken into custody are pending further investigation.

## Police Investigate Abductions In Woodstock Corridor

Portland Police Bureau Detectives are investigating two abductions and sexual assaults which occurred in the last month. These crimes occurred in the SE Woodstock corridor, SE 39th to SE 60th. The victims were both juvenile females in their early teens and were on foot when they were abducted at gunpoint and sexually assaulted. The crimes occurred in the early evening to late evening hours. The most recent abduction occurred on June 30, 1998.

The suspect approached both victims on foot and is described as a white, male, 25-35 years, 5'7" to 5'10",

husky build, with black hair shaved close on the sides and longer on the top, brown eyes, a close shaved mustache and goatee, dark colored baseball cap and

shorts.

We are asking anyone with information to contact the Detective Division of the Portland Police Bureau 823-0400, Detective Ser-

geant Kruger or Detective Sergeant Scott.

Two composite drawings are available in the Public Information Office of the Portland Police Bureau.



## AUGUST EVENTS

Event	Expected Attendance	Est. Economic Benefit
August 1 Anthony Robbins Seminar	150	\$7,920
August 1-10 American Numismatic Association (National Trade Show Using Entire Facility)	12,000	\$6,240,000
August 11-23 NIKE World Masters Games (National Convention Using Entire Facility)	21,000	\$13,356,000
August 24-26 Oregon DEQ Meeting	250	\$13,200
August 24-31 Farwest Nursery Show (National Convention Using Entire Facility)	14,500	\$9,033,500
August 26-27 Microsoft Meeting (Local)	500	\$26,400
August 28 Martin Luther King Jr. Statute Dedication (Local Public Event)	2,500	\$60,000
<b>Estimated Total Economic Benefit For The Region For August</b>		<b>\$28,737,020</b>

The Oregon Convention Center has generated a total of \$2.5 billion in economic benefits to the region since it opened in 1990.

A total of \$122 million has helped pay for schools, police and local services.