

Police News

Wanted Subject

Portland Police, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in locating and apprehending Justin Neal Stroup. A Felony Arrest Warrant, charging Stroup with Assault In The First Degree, is on file in Multnomah County.

Bail on the warrant is set at \$505,000. The warrant stems from an incident that occurred in the early morning hours of Sunday, July 12, 1998, in the 1500 block of NE 10th Avenue.

Justin Neal Stroup is a 22-year-old white male, with a date of birth of May



3, 1977. He is 5'10" tall, and weighs approximately 160 pounds, with blonde hair and unknown color eyes.

Investigators believe he is staying with friends and relatives in the Metro area and may be using vehicles belonging to them.

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.

Vandalism: Graffiti



One of many graffiti covering our city

The Oregon Department of Transportation, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, is asking for your help in identifying and apprehending an individual responsible for vandalizing state highway signs.

Since August 19, 1998, five large reflective overhead directional signs in the Portland area have been spray painted with graffiti. The vandalism is believed to

be the work of one individual using the tag name of "SPOR." Because of the paint, the signs were unreadable. The vandalized signs include one marking the 58th Street exit from I-84, the I-84 Eastbound ramp from Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, the Morrison Bridge off ramp from I-5 Southbound, and two signs at the East end of the Steel Bridge.

The estimated cost of cleaning

the signs is \$4,000, and traffic has to be disrupted, as lane closures take place while the work is performed.

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Police Investigate Homicide Near N. Lombard St.

On Monday, September 14, approximately 7:30 a.m., the body of a male was discovered approximately 100 yards south of N. Lombard St. near Carey Ave.. The body was discovered on the side of a bike path/access road by a neighborhood resident who was walking his dog. The location where the body was discovered is

a bike path/access road on the east side of the railroad ravine near N. Lombard and N. Carey. This area is frequented by transients.

The victim has been identified as Lorn Leroy Grindle, 42 years old, who appears to have lead a transient lifestyle. The autopsy revealed that the cause of death is

internal injuries. The victim, Grindle appeared to have died within the previous 24 hours.

Detective Sergeant Jon Rhodes and Detective Sergeant Shirley McLaughlin are the detectives investigating this homicide. Anyone with information regarding this homicide is asked to call the Detective Division at 823-0400.

Investigation on Marijuana

Multnomah County Sheriff's Deputies assigned to the Special Investigations Unit (SIU) assisted by Bureau of Land Management (BLM) agents have arrested one man at a very large, out-door, marijuana grow. The grow location is near the Multnomah County, Clackamas county border on BLM land in the 48000 block of Marmot RD.

Sheriff's deputies spotted the marijuana grow last week during the annual marijuana eradication-spotting mission and with the help of BLM agents put the area under surveillance. At approximately 1:30 pm today the officers located a male adult in the grow location and eventually arrested him for Manufacturing and Distribution of a controlled substance Schedule I. The preliminary

indication is that the suspect has a prior criminal history, including drug arrests.

This is the traditional time of year for outdoor marijuana grow eradication because it is close to the time for harvest of the valuable, illegal crop.

Multnomah county Sheriff's deputies have been busy with outdoor marijuana grows the past two weeks. This is the biggest of the year so far and preliminary appears to be in the hundreds for amount of plants.

The grow location is in a very rural location near the southeastern end of Multnomah County and eastern end of Clackamas County.

UPDATE

Deputies arrested Iain Fletcher Livingstone, 45 years old, at the scene without incident. Mr.

Livingstone was apparently staying at the grow location in a tent and his last known address is in Government Camp. He is on felony probation in Multnomah County for distribution of a controlled substance, schedule I, Marijuana. Mr. Livingstone also has a criminal history in Colorado and Michigan.

Deputies recovered approximately 300, large, mature marijuana plants and the equipment utilized for growing them. These plants are capable of producing up to one pound, or more, of marijuana each.

Mr. Livingstone was booked into the Clackamas County jail last night and charged with distribution, manufacturing and possession of a controlled substance, schedule I.

Confronting Gun Violence in America

A student opens fire in a high school cafeteria. A man is struck by a stray bullet while driving in traffic. A 5-year-old boy playing with a loaded gun wounds his sister. Among the 36 most advanced nations in the world, the United States has the highest rate of death by gun-fire. What can the community do to stop the violence?

Northwestern School of Law of Lewis & Clark College is joining with the Oregon Coalition Against Gun Violence to present the first Oregon summit on gun violence, Saturday, Sept. 19, 8 am to 6 pm, Lewis & Clark College, 0615 SW Palatine Hill Road. The summit is also presented by Cease-fire Oregon, Inc., Handgun Control, Inc., and Oregonians Against Gun Violence.

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Leading national and regional experts and lawmakers will explore solutions to gun violence, discuss current firearm regulations and gun-violence protection strategies, promote understanding of the dimensions of gun violence and motivate participants to action.

The invited keynote speaker is U.S. Sen. Diane Feinstein, a national spokesperson on the issue of gun control and author of the ban of the future manufacture, sale and possession of semi-automatic military combat weapons. Other speakers include Mayor Vera Katz; U.S. Rep. Earl Blumenauer; Tuck Wilson, Oregonians Against Gun Violence; Dennis A. Henigan, general counsel of Handgun Control, Inc. and

director of the Legal Action Project at the Center to Prevent Handgun Violence; Mike Schunk, district attorney; Peter Ozanne, assistant U.S. attorney for crime reduction strategies; and Fred Keeley, California state assemblyman.

Workshops will address child access prevention, community action programs, state and federal legislative initiatives, communication and media skills and product liability.

The Oregon Coalition Against Gun Violence has met regularly to discuss gun violence issues since 1996.

For more information, contact Sonnie Russell, 503-233-1224. Registration is \$30 and includes lunch and refreshments.

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Victims Assistance Program

The Multnomah County Rape Victim Advocates

are recruiting and training volunteer Rape Victim Advocates. The RVA program is one of the oldest programs of its kind in the nation and is a rewarding and enlightening volunteer opportunity.

RVA's respond to the designated hospital when requested by the police, whenever a citizen reports having been victimized by sexual assault. RVA's provide information and support to crime victims. RVA's are part of a team who focus on making sure sexual assault victims are treated with dignity from the time of the crime until its eventual resolution.

RVA's can be women or men, but must be at least 18 years old; have a clear criminal record; have reliable transportation; and be willing to make a 1-year commitment (usually 1 night per month) to the program. RVA's are provided with appropriate training, a pager and ongoing staff support.

For more information, please call 503-248-3222.

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