

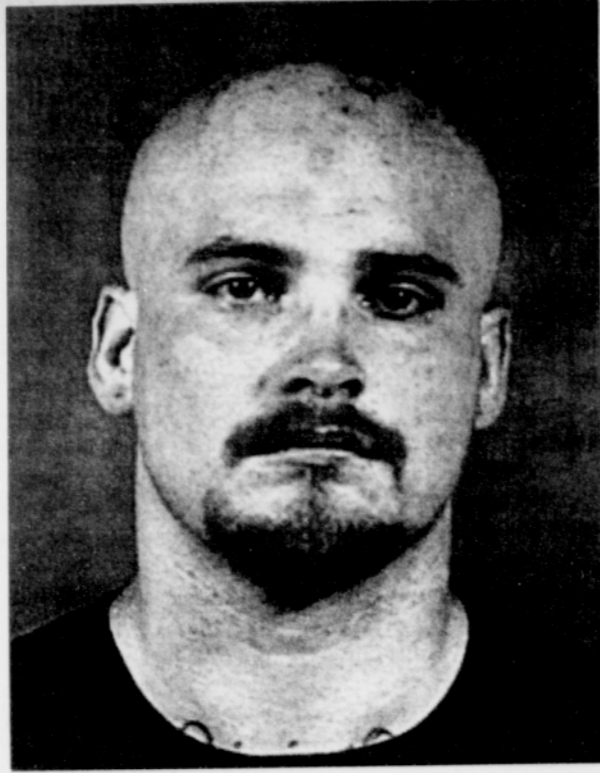
# POLICE NEWS

## CRIME STOPPERS

The Portland Police Bureau, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, is asking for your help in locating and apprehending Gene Michael Smith. Felony arrest warrants are on file charging Smith with Parole Violation and Assault.

Gene Michael Smith is described as a 24-year-old white male, with a date of birth of April 7, 1975. Smith is 6'4" tall, weighing 235 pounds, with brown hair and brown eyes. He has numerous tattoos and has also used the alias of Jason Michael Whitehouse. Smith is a known gang member and has lived in North and Southeast Portland in addition to Salem.

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 need not give your name. Call Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP.



## Murder Charges Filed Against Wife

PORTLAND, OREGON — A woman who called police to report her husband had been murdered has been charged with killing him. Police say the couple's four chil-

dren were home at the time. A friend of defendant 35-year old Carolyn Exum also has been charged in the case, but it's not clear what role police believe Allen

Browning played in the killing. Exum told police she heard a sound from the den one day in March, and found her 39-year old husband, William, in a pool of blood.

## Murder Investigation Closes Park

PORTLAND, OREGON — Portland police say part of a large park in the city will remain roped-off until the scene of the murders is investigated. Two bodies were

found in the park Friday... one only about ten-feet from a popular trail. Police spokeswoman Cheryl Kanzler says officers found the

second body while investigating the first. She says police could have more information today about the victims and how they died.

## Gun-Owners Discard Firearms

PORTLAND, OREGON — Hundreds of Oregon residents are turning in guns they don't want around their homes anymore. Among the 350 guns handed in to a group called

Ceasefire Oregon this weekend were an Uzi and six sawed-off shotguns. The total was fewer than it's been in earlier years, but Ceasefire Oregon spokeswoman Jean Morton says sig-

nificant consciousness has been raised about gun-violence since the shooting rampage in Littleton, Colorado. The group will continue its collection effort next weekend.

## Shooting At Wood Village Green Apartments

At 5:50 p.m. May 8, 1999, the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office received a call regarding shots at the Wood Village Green Apartments. When deputies arrived on the scene, they discovered Jose Feliz running down Arata Road away from a car he has wrecked a

the scene. Deputies found Caesar Ricardo Rochin with a gun shot wound to the chest.

Rochin and Feliz are brother-in-laws and apparently were involved in an argument. Feliz was arrested and is now being inter-

viewed by detectives. Rochin has been taken to Emanuel Hospital where he is in stable condition.

Caesar Rochin was born on February 25, 1979. An exact birth date for Jose Feliz is not known at this time. He is approximately 30 years old.

## Traffic Accident Involving Three Teens Driver Only Has Permit

At approximately 12 noon on May 6, 1999, three teen-agers were involved in a traffic accident at 302nd and Roork Road. The teens were speeding and lost control of their vehicle as they turned a corner. The car rolled as a result.

None of the people in the vehicle were wearing a seat belt. The driver of the car only had a learner's permit and no adult was in the car. Two of the teens were taken to OHSU and one was taken to Kaiser Sunnyside for evaluation.

The driver of the car is a former student from Sam Barlow High School; his name will be released pending contact with his family. The passengers were Justin Palmsblad, DOB February 14, 1984, and Ryan Holtman, DOB July 21, 1981. Both are students at Sam Barlow.

## Blacks, Whites Differ Greatly on Opinion of Police

AP Wire Service  
HAMDEN, Conn. (AP) — There is a significant difference in how blacks and whites in Connecticut view the way police do their jobs, according to a new poll.

The Quinnipiac College poll released Thursday found that 77 percent of the white voters surveyed approved of the job police are doing statewide while only 36 percent of black voters approved.

The poll found that among white voters, 60 percent see police as friends, but only 26 percent of the black respondents see police as friends.

The poll director said the huge gap could be the result, in part, of the recently highly publicized incidents involving black suspects shot by white police officers.

When asked about police in their own communities, 88 percent of white voters approve of the job the locals are doing, while 55 percent of black voters approve.

When asked about police officers statewide, 37 percent of white voters say police are tougher on blacks,

while 48 percent say police treat everyone else the same.

However, when black voters are asked the same question, 88 percent said police are tougher on blacks while only 9 percent say police treat everyone the same.

Quinnipiac College surveyed 649 state residents from April 26-May 2, who said they are registered voters and there was a supplemental sample of 71 black voters.

The poll has a margin of error of plus or minus 3.7 percent.

## Teenager Discourages Toy Guns

PORTLAND, OREGON — A Portland teenager is taking a unique approach to discouraging gun use. Cody Hill became an anti-gun activist two years ago when he saw

someone get shot. Hill, now 15, has organized a gun exchange program for kids. Instead of turning in real guns, the program encourages kids

to trade in their toy guns. In return for plastic firearms, children can get sports equipment, art supplies, Legos, and books.

# Observing

## Third Annual Sturgeon Festival

The third annual Sturgeon Festival at the city's Water Resources Education Center is scheduled Saturday, May 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The festival features entertainment, food, prizes and activities for all ages. New this year is the Watershed Congress, a presentation of water quality projects by local students. Festival visitors can:

- Watch amazing birds of prey

courtesy of Hawk Haven

- Test their knowledge of salmon and sturgeon in Jeopardy
- See and feel insects and reptiles with Creature Features.
- Watch the Bridge of the Gods puppet show by the Tears of Joy Theatre
- Meet Eartha the Clown and her parrot
- Discover what sturgeon eat at

the Sturgeon diner.

- Have fun at the Gummy Worm Feeding Frenzy
  - Try to catch the right size sturgeon at Keepers or Not
- The "Sturgeon General," John DeVore, will talk about what's new in the world of sturgeon. Learn about the rare animals that inhabit the Columbia River ecosystem and the plight of the Western Pond Turtles.

## Michael Piper Receives Pathfinder Award

Honor recognizes public administrators who have instituted innovative programs

Michael C. Piper, director of Clark County's Department of Community Services and Corrections, has been selected to receive this year's Pathfinder Award from the Washington Research Council. The award honors and recognizes outstanding non-elected public administrators who have instituted innovative programs that have substantially improved quality of service while reducing costs.

Piper will officially receive the award at the Washington Research Council's annual meeting on June 3 in Seattle.

In announcing Piper's selection, the Pathfinder Awards Committee cited his enterprising use of community partnerships, as well as his realistic and creative appraisal of

the best role of government in service delivery. The announcement state, "We believe his efforts and Clark County's approach to community services and corrections provide a model for administrators and local governments to emulate."

Piper has been instrumental in helping the community articulate its vision for social services, particularly family and youth services. In working toward the goal of effective, innovative programs, he encourages partners to put their resources on the table so they can be reused in new and different ways; illustrates the power of thinking about systems; empowers people at all levels of an organization to make change and to work toward the next level of change.

One recent outcome of Piper's leadership has been a five-year \$6.5 million grant to Clark County

from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. The grant is provided to develop a coordinated, seamless system of care for children at risk. Building on Clark County's history of innovative community and public-private partnerships, it involves the collaboration of 17 separate entities. The system of care is expected to serve as a national model.

The Washington Research Council, based in Seattle, is a private nonprofit organization devoted to public policy research. Its primary purpose is to serve its members and the public by promoting effective public policy and efficient government through independent and objective fiscal analysis of important policy questions and through broad communication of its findings.

## Second City Flyer Arrives This Month

The second edition of the new City Flyer will appear in city water/sewer bills as of May 3. The former eight-page newsletter was redesigned to a one-page tri-fold which fits into utility bills and saves the city postage costs. The redesign allows the publication to be printed six times a year. Ar-

ticles are focused on customer service and include information about Vancouver Farmers Market, the Neighborhood Paint Program, Community Policing, Salmon Recovery efforts, and a Y2K update.

Additional copies of the publication can be picked up at Marshall, Luepke and Bagley centers, City

Hall, Citizens Service Center, Clark Public Utilities office, the utilities office at 2323 General Anderson, East Police Precinct at 1201 Tech Center Dr. and Central Precinct at 2800 Stapleton Rd.

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