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POLICE NEWS

Officer Involved Shooting

On Tuesday, September 21, 1999, at approximately 5:15 PM, officers from North Precinct were dispatched to 10228 N. Midway after a neighbor called and reported a family disturbance at that location. When the officers arrived, the wife of Duane Lyle White Jr. was outside of the residence. She stated to the officers that he had threatened her and was inside their house destroying the interior. The officers could hear the sounds of a disturbance inside the house, including the sound of glass breaking. The officers attempted to contact Duane White Jr. and he would not open the door. After interviewing the wife, officers established probable cause to arrest Duane White Jr. for menacing under the Domestic Violence Statute.

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They repeatedly attempted to get him to open the door of the residence. Officers then forced the door of the residence and Duane

White Jr. confronted the officers with a machete. The officers who were within several feet of Duane White Jr. repeatedly ordered him to drop the machete and when he refused to do so, one officer fired his weapon several times and struck Duane White Jr. Duane White Jr. was transported to an area hospital where he is being treated for his

Detectives from the Portland Police Bureau and the East County Major Crimes Team responded to the scene and are conducting the investigation. An arrest warrant was obtained for Duane White Jr., 34 years, for 2 counts of Menacing, and 1 count of Attempted Assault I. He has been arrested for the charges.

As in all officer involved shootings, the names of the officers will not be released for 24 hours. The Multnomah County District Attorney's Office will review the case

Council approves new drug free zones

Sabin neighborhood said she feared

the zone would continue the pro-

cess of "disrespect" of African-

Americans brought on by

gentrification. She cited several

cases of African-Americans ha-

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Mayor Vera Katz, in response

on the street.

BY LEE PERLMAN

After hearing an afternoon of testimony, the Portland City Council last week approved a new drug free zone, and the expansion of an existing one, in north and northeast Portland.

Council voted four to zero to approve the zones, with commissioner Erik Sten absent for the vote.

A new Woodlawn zone will be bounded by Northeast Mallory and 15th avenues, Portland Boulevard and Lombard Street, with a short panhandle extending south to Northeast Ainsworth Street.

The new zones are small compared to an earlier proposal to take in nearly all the territory between North and Northeast Dekum and Russell streets, North Concord and Northeast 15th avenues, with an extension to Northeast 33rd Avenue north of Prescott Street. The current proposed zone is "very narrowly drawn around specific drug traffic problems," Hayden said. "The more loosely drawn it is, the more vulnerable we are to charges that the zone doesn't address the (drug) problem."

A police officer can order a person arrested for sale or possession of illegal drugs to be excluded from all city drug free zones for 90 days. A judge can order someone convicted of such offenses excluded for a year. Anyone excluded who is found within the zone is subject to a "criminal trespass" arrest. Anyone excluded has seven days to challenge the exclusion, or to seek a variance to travel to or from a job, treatment program or their own home if it is within a zone.

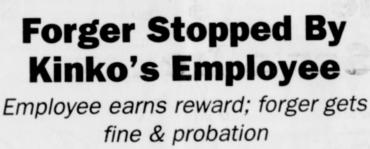
Sten, the only Council member to vote against establishing the Beech zone two years ago, said he was "pleasantly surprised by the way this has gone. If you're arrested and there's no room for incarceration, it makes sense to exclude." He said that in two years "there doesn't seem to be a ton of evidence that there's abuse going

on. During public testimony the week before, Representatives of the Boise, Humboldt, King, Piedmont and Woodlawn neighborhood associations, the Coalition of Black Men, Portland Community College, Jefferson High School, and the Hope and Hard Work Committee spoke in favor of the proposed zones. Jack Paulson of King called for a six square block addition to the Beech zone expansion to take in a critical area on the north. Council declined to approve this request.

Piedmont chair Betsy Radigan said that drug houses these days are "less likely to be rentals run by clueless landlords than people with nowhere to go but back to ma or grandma. The tools have to change with the problem."

Several speakers, most of them lawyers, opposed the zone as a threat to civil liberties and discriminatory in its operation. Kelly Skye of the Metropolitan Public Defender's Office said that the written information given to those excluded is confusing, as is the map of the zones. Exclusion puts most treatment and drug-free housing off-limits to recovering addicts, she said

Frances O'Hallorhan of the



employee thwarted attempts of a 23- He then grabbed the originals and left

The watchful eyes of a Kinko's and turned the copies over to the worker.

standable, and legal redress as easy to obtain, as possible.

Several zone supporters said the exclusion actually helped recovering addicts stay clean. Daniele Johnson of Franciscan Enterprise told of being stopped for trespassing in a drug free zone. "It showed me my problem was out of control," she said. "I am a result of this program, clean for two years."

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Neighborhood **Enhancement Fund Grant Application Deadline Nears**

The Green Neighborhood Network (GNN) Neighborhood Enhancement Fund is seeking proposals from community groups needing funds for local projects with an environmental benefit. The deadline to apply for these funds in this round is nearing. The application deadline is October 15th.

GNN is a partnership of sixteen public and private organizations with a goal of helping Hollywood area residents and businesses reduce operating costs, enhance the natural environment, and make the best use of natural resources. The Neighborhood Enhancement Fund was created with funding from Pacific Power to encourage community-based partnerships that promote resource efficiency or enhance the natural environment. The funds are available for projects to be implemented within the GNN target area - between NE 33rd and 57th Aves, from I-84 to Fremont St.

Applicants must be non-profit organizations. They can partner with school, community, or business groups. Cost matching with outside funds or in-kind services is encouraged. Preference will be given to requests with cost-sharing. Measurable outcomes are strongly encouraged. The benefits can be stated in terms of resources saved, waste avoided and/ or emissions reduced. Projects with long-term benefits will be given preference in funding.

All interested parties are encouraged to apply. Anyone that is not eligible can apply in partnership with an organization that is. Application forms are available at the Hollywood Library, the Central Northeast Neighbors office, the Hollywood Senior Center, and the Portland Energy Office. For more details, contact the Energy Office at 823-7222.

Oregon food-stamp recipients receive an increase beginning in October

Oregon's 105,000 food-stamp households will receive small increases in October in the amount of their allotment and in how much they can earn to qualify.

The change, affecting about 220,000 people, becomes effective Oct. 1. Amounts received are based on household size, income and expenses. For an individual, the monthly food-stamp allotment will increase by \$2, from \$125 to \$127, if the individual has no other income or expenses. The individual also can earn more - gross income to qualify must be \$893 a month or less compared with \$873 before Oct. 1.

For family government revise food-stamp payments annually to reflect changes in food, housing and other costs. Food-stamp recipients are low income, elderly or disabled. The average amount of food stamps received by an Oregon household is about \$150.

The federal financed foodstamp program, intended to ensure access to a nutritious diet, is administered in Oregon by the Adult and Family Services and the Senior Disabled Services division of the state Department of Human Services.

Since spring 1998, Oregon food-stamp benefits have been delivered electronically and recipients have been able to obtain funds using credit card sized Oregon Trail card. Oregon, the first West Coast state to adopt what is called electronic benefit transfer, did so to comply with a federal

requirement effective in 2002 that is intended to help recipients budget, to reduce fraud and to increase efficiency for retailers.

year-old man to forge Tri-Met passes and will earn her a \$200 reward for bringing him to justice.

Jason Michael Merrigan pleaded guilty to one count of forgery in Multnomah Circuit Court. He was fined \$200, had to pay court costs and was placed under 18-months' probation through a plea bargain agreement.

In August, police caught Merrigan after a second attempt at copying Tri-Met monthly passes at two different Kinko's stores, according to Portland Police records.

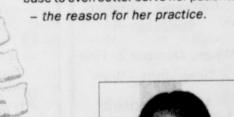
On Aug. 8, Merrigan and a woman entered a Kinko's in NE Vancouver and began making color copies of August monthly passes. When an employee confronted Merrigan and told him he was violating copyright laws, he agreed to stop making the copies

the building. The employee called other Kinko's stores in the metro area and advised them of what happened.

Eight days later, Merrigan entered a Kinko's in SW Portland near Portland State University and attempted to make copies of the pass again. He was confronted again by an employee who saw him copying them.

The employee, Amy Thornton, took most of the copies away from Merrigan, who fled the copy shop, leaving behind the original pass in the photocopier. The employee called the police who discovered Merrigan at a nearby restaurant.

Merrigan was arrested on several forgery counts and possession of a forged instrument. He has spent the past 35 days in jail





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