

# Police News/Vancouver

## Mayor Katz, police tighten down on pawn shops and stolen goods

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Pawn shops and occasional second-hand dealers and their sellers would face tighter scrutiny under a new ordinance being proposed by Mayor Vera Katz and Portland Police. "While the second-hand dealers ordinance has helped cut out stolen goods trafficking to some extent, we know we can do better," said Katz. "If you are a legitimate seller, you have nothing to worry about if you are

selling stolen goods, watch out, because this means we'll have better information to build a case against you." Second-hand dealers already have to report the purchase of regulated property to enable law enforcement to keep track of stolen goods. The new ordinance would slightly expand the list of regulated property, and require storeowners to obtain more thorough information, including thumbprints and photocopies of identification presented by sellers.

The ordinance adds some specifics to the list of precious metals, jewelry, gems, watches, silver, audio/video/photographic equipment, electrical office and telephone equipment, power tools, automotive and hand tools, musical instruments, firearms, and sporting equipment now on list and adds microwave ovens. The ordinance also extends the current 15-day holding period to 30 days to allow police to better track down stolen property before storeowners sell it.

## Crimestoppers

### Crime Stoppers Case # 99-49

The Portland Police Bureau, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, is asking for your help in locating and apprehending Robert Truevette Taylor.

A felony arrest warrant is on file charging Taylor with Criminal Mischief in the First Degree.

In addition, auto theft investigator would like to speak with Taylor regarding several cases involving stolen vehicles.

Investigators believe Taylor may be using an assumed identity, and could be living in Southeast Portland or the Clackamas area.

Robert Truevette Taylor is described

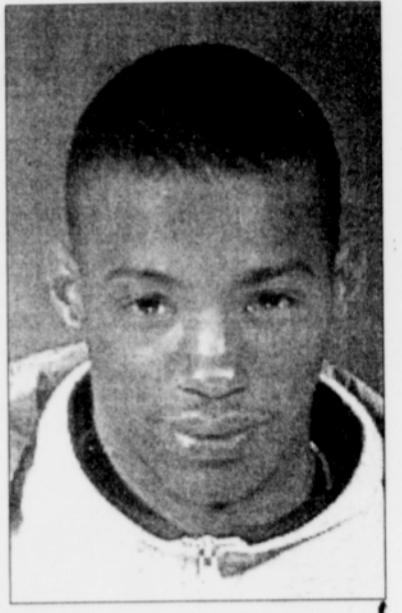
as a 22-year-old black male, with a date of birth of May 15, 1977.

Taylor is described as 6' tall, weighing 150 pounds with black hair, brown eyes, and a scar on his left wrist.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, which leads to an arrest in the case or any unsolved felony crime and you need not give your name.

Call Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP Investigator: Detective Scott Pitton Portland Police Bureau Auto Theft Task Force (503) 823-5098

Alternate Crime Stoppers Coordinator: Officer John Wrigley Portland Police Bureau (503) 823-4357 (503) 823-0830



## Vancouver Briefs

### Kit helps cultivate health

Where: Norris Road Center, 2000 Norris Road, Vancouver, Wash. Time/Date: Call 759-4438 for an appointment.

Admission: Fee: \$55/\$65 (non-city resident) scholarships available for city residents.

Give the gift of health to yourself or someone you love. This self-help weight management kit provides a new vehicle for healthy changes and weight management. Kit includes 10 self-paced and resource guides and several other valuable tools. Programs also include two one-half hour sessions with fitness and weight management consultant to get you started plus a follow-up.

### Noon fitness class energizes

Where: The Norris Road Recreation Center located by Fred Meyer's (4th

Plains and Grand Blvd). 2000 Norris Road Vancouver, Wash. Time: 12:05-1:05 p.m.

Date: Class starts January 3, 2000 Admission: Fee: \$24/\$30 (non-city residents) Includes all fitness classes and the weight room offered by City Fitness for one month. Scholarships available for city residents.

Need to get rid of those holiday pounds, but never have enough time before or after work? How about "Aerobics for Lunch?" Leave work feeling sluggish and grumpy, come back feeling happy and energized. City Fitness offers a fitness class for beginners to advanced at Call & 59-4438 (Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation) for further information. Class aims at freedom from fat

Where: Norris Road Recreation Center 2000 Norris Road Vancouver, Wash.

Time: Tuesday, noon at City Hall, or Thursday, 6pm at 2000 Norris Rd. Date: Jan 4-April 18 or Jan-April 20 Admission: Costs is \$100 for city

resident and \$120 for non-city resident. Scholarships available for city resident.

Are you hungry all the time and tried numerous diets to no avail? The Freedom From Fat weight management program may be the answer. Learn the latest information on insulin resistance, menopause, diabetes, and osteoporosis as it relates to healthy weight loss. Classes are taught by a SW Washington Medical Center dietitian and a certified fitness instructor, an eating disorder and behavior specialist and a molecular biologist.

The focus of the class is on positive lifestyle changes and improving eating patterns.

Participants receive a textbook, personality profiles, body composition analysis, handouts and more.

Classes meet for one hour per week for 16 weeks. You can choose a class on either Tuesday or Thursday. Call 759-4438 for further information.

## Community notification of sex offender

2400 Block Of SE Clinton St.

The Portland Police Bureau is notifying the community of a Registered Sex Offender living in the Portland area. ORS. 181.588 allows law enforcement agencies to release such information to the public regarding convicted offenders, who are required to register, when such information will increase public awareness and promote community safety.

The Sex Offender has been convicted of a sex offense that requires he register with a law enforcement

agency in Oregon. His criminal history indicates he may reoffend. This subject is not wanted by the police at this time.

This Offender has served his sentence and is no longer being supervised by the Oregon Department of Corrections. The purpose of this community notification is to reduce the chances of further victimization by this offender as well as to promote community awareness and child safety. Intimidating, harassing, or threatening of this registered offender

will not be tolerated and may be a crime.

If you have any information about this offender committing additional crimes, please contact the Detectives

of the Sexual Assault Detail at 823-4636.

Subject's name is Michael Kenneth Cohron. Cohron has been convicted of Burglary I, Rape I, Sodomy I, & Prostitution and is no longer under supervision. He has targeted young adult females in the past. It is believed there is a substantial risk Cohron could reoffend.

## Police Briefs

### Enhanced DUI Enforcement Patrols

The Traffic Division of the Portland Police Bureau in cooperation with the Oregon State Police, the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office, and other local agencies will conduct Enhanced DUI Enforcement Patrols throughout the metropolitan area over the holidays. Highly trained Police Officers will conduct saturation patrols to specifically target DUI drivers. The officers will be looking for drivers who are impaired by alcohol and/or drugs.

The purpose of these enhanced patrols are to rid Portland area streets of impaired drivers who cause death, injury and property damage by their reckless actions. If you see a driver who you suspect is impaired, call 911 and report them immediately. The life you save may be yours or a family member. The Portland Police Bureau considers DUI a "Zero Tolerance" crime. December will be targeted by law enforcement throughout the area as Drunk and Drugged Driving (3D) Prevention Month. Mayor Vera Katz, City of Portland, has issued a proclamation to this affect. Point of contact is Sergeant Dan Parks of the Portland Police Bureau Traffic Division, 823-2209.

### Arrest In Homicide

On Sunday, December 19, 1999, at approximately 3:03 PM, 36-year-old Brian David Hill was arrested in connection with a homicide that took place earlier in the day, in the parking lot of a grocery store located at 1222 NE 102nd Avenue.

The arrest was made without incident at a residence located in Tigard. The Tigard Police Department and the

Washington County Sheriff's Office assisted the Portland Police Bureau in making the arrest.

The relationship between Hill and the female victim is unclear. The name of the victim is being withheld pending notification of family members. Hill has been charged with Murder, no bail, and is being lodged at the Multnomah County Detention Center.

### Methamphetamine Arrests

7135 North Montana Avenue On December 16, 1999, at 6:00 p.m., officers of the Portland Police Bureau Drugs and Vice Division, contacted occupants of a residence located at 7135 N. Montana Avenue. Officers received information of a possible clandestine methamphetamine laboratory operating at that location. The investigation revealed an active methamphetamine laboratory to be operating in a motor home parked at the address. Three subjects were arrested, \$12,000 in cash, and approximately 5 ounces of methamphetamine were seized. In addition, precursor chemicals including ten pounds of red phosphorous, ten pounds of iodine and a large quantity of pseudo ephedrine tablets were located and seized.

Arrested at the scene were 63 year-old, Donald Lloyd Grace, and 54 year-old, Patricia Ann Sorrell, both who were charged with the following charges; manufacture of a Controlled Substance \$50,000 bail, Distribution of a Controlled Substance (methamphetamine) \$70,000 bail, Possession of a Controlled Substance II (methamphetamine) \$5,000 bail, Manufacture of a Controlled Substance within 1000 feet of a School \$50,000 bail, Child Neglect I \$20,000 bail, and Ex-Con in Possession of a Firearm \$5,000 bail. In Addition, 45 year-old, Larry D.

Smith, was arrested for Manufacture of a Controlled Substance II, \$50,000 bail.

Portland Police Bureau HazMat Team responded to the location and assisted in removing all hazardous chemicals from the scene.

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## U.S. 101 expected to open today

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Highway officials announced Monday that a temporary, two-lane bypass for U.S. Highway 101 will open Wednesday morning.

The main north-south route along the Oregon Coast was closed last week after a 150-foot section of the highway was wiped out by a massive mud slide, stopping traffic between Newport and Lincoln City.

The bypass, which is to open at 10 a.m. Wednesday, is being built adjacent to the damaged road.

"We had a geologist take a good look at the area," said Oregon Department of Transportation spokesman Dave Davis. "They are about as confident as a geologist can get."

Davis said the permanent road would not reopen for six to eight weeks.

But crews are holding off on work to stabilize the slipping hillside over the highway near Florence, where a second landslide blocked the road

last week. The slide has dumped about 7,000 cubic yards of material and more than 300 trees onto the highway.

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