

# POLICE/VANCOUVER

## **Man Wanted for Burglary, Lottery Theft**

The Beaverton Police Department, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, is asking for your help in identifying and apprehending the suspect in a burglary

About 5 o'clock in the morning of June 23, a burglary took place at Maguffy's Pub at 3805 Southwest Murray Boulevard in Beaverton.

Among the items taken were a large number of lottery tickets. A short while later, the same suspect redeemed some of the tickets at a convenience store at North Lombard and Denver Street in Portland.

The suspect is described as a white male in his late 20's to early 30's, 6'0" tall, weighing 175 pounds, with short light or medium colored hair, a goatee with a thin mustache, wearing a black leather jacket.

A sketch of the suspect was



A sketch of a burglary suspect.

made from surveillance photos. 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 can re-

main anonymous. Call Crime

Stoppers at (503) 823-HELP.

#### (AP) - A 19-year-old driver whose pickup ran over three police officers and killed two of them was asleep at the wheel at the time of the accident on Interstate 5, the

Jacob Todoriko, a student at Oregon State University, has not been charged in the crash.

teen's attorney said Thursday.

"It's simply a matter of he fell asleep behind the wheel," said Salem attorney Walter Todd. "There's no indications at all of alcohol, of drugs, reckless driving, or speeding."

Flags were lowered to half staff at the Capitol and other state buildings as law enforcement officials mourned the loss of two officers who were struck and killed as they came to the aid of people in a disabled van along Interstate 5.

A third officer remained hospitalized in critical condition after being hit by the pickup truck that veered onto the freeway shoulder eight miles south of Salem.

Police continued to investigate the cause of the accident and there was no official confirmation



Jason Hoerauf

that Todoriko had fallen asleep. "We're looking at other sce-

narios that the Marion County district attorney has asked us not to discuss" until the investigation is completed, said Oregon State Police Lt. Gregg Hastings.

Todoriko was driving on a license that had been suspended last November for failing to report his involvement in a crash. His driving record also included a speeding ticket in 1999, according



Maria Mignano

Police Deaths Blamed on Sleepy Driver

to the state officials.

OSP Senior Trooper Maria Mignano, 39, and off-duty Albany policeman Jason Hoerauf, 29, died at the scene of the Aug. 4 accident. Mignano's death marked the first time a female trooper has been killed in the line of duty.

The third officer, OSP Sgt. John Burright, 41, underwent five hours of emergency surgery at Legacy Emanuel Hospital. He was listed in critical condition with head and



John Burright

chest injuries and multiple broken bones.

To honor their fallen colleagues, OSP members tied black ribbons around the gold stars they wear on their uniforms.

According to the state police, 27 troopers have died while on duty since 1931, including three who were struck and killed by motorists while standing outside their vehicles as they provided roadside assistance.

### **Sheriff's Office Honored**

The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office has been honored for outstanding leadership in policing because of its professional standards that require a four-year college degree for enforcement deputies.

The award was presented by the Police Association for College Education at a press conference last week.

Two major national organizations, involved in policing, have passed resolutions advocating four-college degree standards for law enforcement officers. In addition, studies have established that officers with college degrees have much lower rates of abuse of power.

Yet, according to the police association, less than 50 state and local police agencies in the country require a four-year degree for their officers. The Multnomah County Sheriff's Office is the only police agency in Oregon known to require the degree.

# **Northeast Precinct Enforces Curfew**

A stepped up effort at curfew enforcement has led to 47 citations in the Northeast Precinct over the past two week-

Police officers also stepped up enforcement of traffic laws in the precinct, resulting in 13 citations and 5 warnings over the same period.

The curfew violators were taken to the Northeast Precinct Community room for processing by youth outreach workers.

Community volunteers from New Avenues for Youth, Urban League of Portland, Youth Gang Outreach, as well as counselors and juvenile probation officers from the Donald E. Long Juvenile Detention Center assisted in the mission.

The precinct assigned four

officers to specifically locate children who were in violation of the city curfew ordinance on four different days.

Officers said they monitored juvenile parties and other places where young people congregate between the hours of midnight and 5 a.m., arresting juveniles who were violating curfew.

Police said additional missions are planned for the future.

# **Nichols to Face State Charges**

(AP) - The new district attorney in Oklahoma City said he will prosecute bombing conspirator Terry Nichols on state murder charges that could bring the death pen-

District Attorney Wes Lane had hinted in recent months that he might not pursue the first-degree murder and other state charges filed by his predecessor against Nichols, 46.

He said he wanted to ensure that Nichols is held accountable for the bombing, no matter what happens to Nichols' appeal of his federal conviction.

Some bombing survivors and members of victims' families have expressed concern that Nichols might win his appeal and escape punishment for his role in the bombing



Bombing suspect Terry Nichols

that killed 168 people and injured hundreds of others.

Nichols worked with his former Army buddy, Timothy McVeigh, to steal and purchase bomb ingredients and pack the bomb inside a Ryder truck the day before the April 19, 1995,

bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building.

He was convicted at a federal trial in Denver of conspiracy and involuntary manslaughter in the deaths of eight federal agents. McVeigh was executed June 11 in Terre Haute, Ind.

Doubts were raised about Nichols' conviction in May after the FBI admitted it had not turned over thousands of pages of documents to defense attorneys before the bombing trials.

Lane, who took over when former District Attorney Bob Macy retired in June, had been considering dismissing the murder charges that Macy filed against Nichols in 1999. He said federal law barred him from dropping the state charges, then refilling them should the federal conviction be overturned.

#### Couple Charged in **Robbery Of Elderly**

Two people have been charged in an armed robbery against a local elderly couple.

The incident took place in late June, when Benjamin and Hazel Currin were returning to Portland after a trip to the East Coast.

Their car broke down on the freeway and Thomas Frederick Brower, 30, and Ina Michelle Hendrix, 19, stopped to help. Brower and Hendrix then agreed to drive the Currins to their home. In turn, the Currins invited Brower and Hendrix to stay with them for a few days.

In the early morning hours of July 4, the Currins' reported that they woke up to find Brower pointing a shotgun at them. The Currins' say they were restrained and their lives were threatened. They also reported that they were robbed of their vehicle and some property.

On Aug 7, police in North Carolina arrested Brower and Hendrix in the Currin's vehicle.

The case involved an incredible amount of teamwork and investigation by Portland Detectives.

Increasingly, the elderly, the more trusting members of our community, are finding themselves the victims of crime, police said.





