

POLICE / VANCOUVER

Residence Inn Rape Suspect Wanted

Vancouver Police are looking for the suspect in a March 13 rape at the Residence Inn at 8005 N.E. Parkway Drive.

Authorities said a male wearing only a shirt or jacket had somehow entered locked doors of the main lobby around 2 a.m. and assaulted a young female.

The assailant fled the scene and was last seen running south through the center of the complex. The suspect was described as a young white male

adult, approximately 6 feet tall with a stocky build, broad shoulders, and short brown hair.

A canvas of the area has yielded no suspects.

Anyone with information regarding this crime is asked to contact Lead Detective Jane Scott at 360-696-8119, Detective Jane Easter at 360-735-8822 or Detective Sergeant Lou Braafladt at 360-696-8226.

Terrorism War Puts Limits on Rose Festival Fleet

(AP) - Guided tours of Rose Festival fleet will be sharply curtailed this year because of the country's ongoing war.

Only small, controlled groups - such as Scouts - will be able to board the nine-ship fleet that arrives June 5 and 6, and they have to sign up through the Navy and Marine Corps Reserve Center on Swan Island.

"This is obviously the result of the attacks of 9/11," said Lt. Cmdr. Charles Flynn, executive officer of the U.S.

Navy's reserve center on Swan Island. "It's not just for these ships on this trip, it's for military installations around the world."

Private boaters who like to see the ships up close from the Willamette River also will be restricted by Coast Guard patrols.

The popular Host-A-Sailor program, in which the public can take care of a sailor for a day, will continue.

"I think the city understands the situation," said Marilyn Clint, associate executive director of the Rose Festival Asso-

The list of ships is still tentative, but it's likely to be the smallest since the Vietnam War. Capt. Paul Anderson, commander of the Swan Island reserve unit, recalls that during one year of the war, only two ships arrived. And one year during World War II, there was no fleet at all.

A 14-ship fleet at Tom McCall Waterfront Park drew 22,500 visitors last year.

Study Finds Liquor Sold to Minors

More than one in four liquor licensees sold alcohol to a minor during 211 compliance visits conducted by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission this year.

The agency has finished a quarter of its planned 788 compliance checks for 2002 at restaurants, stores, bars and other licensed businesses around the state.

Underage volunteers, also known as minor decoys, attempt to buy alcohol at licensed businesses to determine if employees are properly checking ID or selling to minors. The volunteers are supervised by OLCC inspectors or other law officers. They use their own ID and are instructed not to lie about their age.

Police Earn Better Complaint Record

For the third straight year, complaints against Portland police officers have fallen.

In general, complaints of officer conduct are lower during the winter and higher during the summer and fall.

The number of complaints received during the first quarter of this year was 134. That compares to 160 complaints during the same period last year and 215 complaints in 2000.

There is a general misconception that the majority of complaints involve the use of force. However, communication issues generate the vast majority of complaints, according to figures released by the Police Bureau.

For example, last year, Portland police officers made about 433,000 contacts with citizens. Of those contacts, less than 2 tenths of one percent (.2%) generated a complaint of any

Senior leaders of the bureau say they realize that citizen complaints are one of several yardsticks that can be used to evaluate community members' trust in our ability to serve the

A police spokesman said Portland Police Chief Mark Kroeker believes that declining complaints are an excellent indication that Portland police officers are continuing to carry out their responsibilities in a professional and productive manner.



A store surveillance camera shows a robbery suspect.

Crime Stoppers

Camera Shows Store Robbery Suspect

Portland Police Bureau Robbery Detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in identifying a robbery suspect in a surveillance camera photo.

On Friday, April 5, at about 1 a.m., a man simulating a weapon, attempted to rob the Seven-Eleven store at 30 S.W. Arthur St. After failing to obtain cash, he fled on foot.

The suspect is described as a white male in his 20s, 5 foot 10 inches tall, 150 pounds with

brown curly hair, a mustache, and possibly hair under his lower lip. He was wearing a gray shirt, blue jeans, and brown shoes at the time of the robbery.

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.

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WHAT?

REACH stands for Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health.

It is a community action plan to decrease

Cardiovascular disease (CVD) in the Oregon African American community.

WHY?

In Oregon an African American is twice as likely to die from a

stroke and one and one-half times as likely to die from a heart attack.

African Americans have a higher incidence of premature death, diabetes, stroke, heart attack and high blood pressure.

STAY TUNED...

For more information programs such as HOLLA (youth peer education) and Lookin' Tight Livin' Right (beauty and barber shop based education) to decrease the disparity of preventable chronic diseases.

More Women Die of Domestic Violence

(AP) - A report from the and 2000, during which 46 partners. Oregon Department of Human Services says that women who are victims of homicide are more likely to die at the hands of their husbands and partners or exhusbands and ex-partners than from the acts of strang-

State statistics from 1999

women were homicides in Oregon, show that 27 of them or 59 percent, died at the hands of those partners or ex-partners.

Mel Kohn, the state epidemiologist, says more action is needed by health care providers to recognize the threats to women from their intimate

Kohn says women are 3.7 times more likely than men to die from partner violence, and most are killed with guns.

Only seven of the 126 male homicides were partner-related, according to Kohn, and three of those came during attacks upon the women involved.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED PUBLIC HEARING



PROPOSED HEARING JOB ACCESS PROGRAM 9 a.m., Wed., May 8 Room B. 4012 SE 17th Avenue, Portland

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing, if so requested by any interested person, will be held by the Tri-County Metropolitan Transportation District of Oregon (Tri-Met) in Conference Room B, 4012 SE 17th Avenue, Portland at 9 AM on Wednesday, May 8, 2002. The purpose of the hearing is to consider the Job Access Program for which federal FY02 and FY03 § 3037 funds from the Federal Transit Administration is being sought for Tri-Met's ongoing capital program.

The Proposed Program of projects includes:

	Federal	Total	Match
Fixed Route Service	\$2,000,000	\$4,000,000	50%
Regional Transportation Improvements	1,029,600	2,059,200	50%
Transportation and Services	994,800	1,989,600	50%
Service to Employment Areas	807,600	1,615,200	50%
Project Marketing Staff	252,000	504,000	50%
Other Operating (Travel Training/Job Retention)	224,000	448,000	50%
Bike Program	151,000	302,000	50%
Non-Commute Trips	105,000	210,000	50%
Customer Support & Information	36,000	72,000	50%
Total Grant Application	\$5,600,000	\$11,200,000	

This project has been selected through Tri-Met's planning process, which incorporates public involvement, and is programmed in the Metropolitan and State Transportation Improvement Programs. No persons, families, or businesses will be displaced by the project. The project described above is in conformance with comprehensive land use and transportation planning in the area.

Persons requesting that this hearing be convened should contact Tri-Met's Finance Administrator at PHONE: 503-962-5850, or FAX: 503-962-6463, or e-mail: langtona@tri-met.org or mail: Tri-Met, 4012 S.E. 17th Avenue, Portland, OR 97202 by Friday, April 26, 2002. In the event a hearing is held, Tri-Met will afford opportunity for interested persons or agencies to be heard with respect to the social, economic, and environmental aspects of the projects.

A person requesting a sign language interpreter shall give Tri-Met at least 48 hours notice of the request by contacting Tri-Met at 503-962-4831 or TDD 503-962-5811, Monday through Friday, 8 AM to 5 PM.

If any interested person requires information regarding the grant or Tri-Met's transit development plan they may contact Tri-Met's Finance Administrator as outlined above.

> Bruce Harder Executive Director Finance & Administration, Tri-Met