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Wellness Within REACH: Mind, Body, and Soul Activity Calendar

All classes are free of charge!

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Matt Dishman 77 NE Knott	Strength Training 8-9am and 2-3pm Brown	Strength Training 9-11am Norris	Strength Training 8-9am and 2-3pm Brown	Strength Training 9-11am Norris	Strength Training 8-9am and 2-3pm Brown Chicago Step 6:00-7:00pm Kendrick	African Dance 10:00-11:00am Addo
Salvation Army 5325 N Williams	Salsa 6:30-7:30pm Hamland	Water Aerobics 2:00 - 3:00pm Hampton	Tai Chi 6:30 - 7:30pm Lyles	Water Aerobics 2:00 - 3:00pm Hampton		
Nature's 3535 NE 15th		Yoga 7:30-8:30pm O'Rourke		Yoga 7:30-8:30pm O'Rourke		Body Conditioning 9:30-10:30am Nickerson
Peninsula Park 700 N Portland		Walking Group # 6:00-7:00pm Nickerson		Walking Group # 6:00-7:00pm Nickerson		Walking Group 12:30pm Nickerson
Salvation and Deliverance 5736 N Albina	Low Impact Aerobics 7:15 - 8:15pm Norris	Low Impact Aerobics 7:15 - 8:15pm Norris				Community Prayer Walk 9:00 - 10:00am Irby
Mallory Avenue Christian Church (Gym) 126 NE Alberta	Aerobics 5:30-6:20pm (starting 5/12/03) and 6:30-7:30pm Nickerson		Aerobics 5:30-6:20pm (starting 5/12/03) and 6:30-7:30pm Nickerson		Aerobics 6:30-7:30pm Nickerson	
Highland United Church of Christ 4635 NE 9th Ave.	Aerobics 6:00-7:00am Pierce	Aerobics 6:00-7:00pm Keller	Aerobics 6:00-7:00am Pierce	Aerobics 6:00-7:00pm Keller	Aerobics 6:00-7:00am Pierce	
Whitaker Track 42nd & Killingsworth		Wt. Management/Conditioning 9:00 - 10:00am Hasan		Wt. Management/Conditioning 9:00 - 10:00am Hasan		

**Must be 21 or older to participate. Please check with AAHC before showing up to the first class 503-413-1850. Please receive approval from your doctor before beginning exercise class.
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Police Policies in Fatal Shooting Questioned

Experts point to oversights in Kendra James investigation

(AP)—National police experts say there were a number of oversights and questionable decisions by Portland officers in the fatal shooting of a 21-year-old woman who tried to flee arrest following a traffic stop.

Officer Scott McCollister fired the fatal shot on May 5 after Kendra James jumped into the driver's seat of the car and tried to escape. The single 9 mm bullet entered below her lower left hip and lodged beneath her right breast.

McCollister, 27, told detectives he feared he would be killed by the moving car. A grand jury last Monday cleared him of any criminal wrongdoing. An internal police investigation and FBI civil rights inquiry are still pending.

Chief Mark Kroeker has ordered a full organizational review of police policy, training and officer recruitment following the shooting.

Police experts nationwide already are criticizing the way the arrest was handled.

"I think there are some serious questions in my mind about the procedures," said Sam Walker, a criminologist at the University of Nebraska who specializes in police oversight.

McCollister told police he fired because was falling and was afraid he would be struck by the moving car. Other officers at the scene, and two witnesses who were walking by the traffic stop, said they did not see McCollister fall.

Initial reports from officers at the scene suggested McCollister first said his foot



Kendra James

got stuck in the car, or car seat. McCollister later denied making such a statement.

Several witnesses told KGW-TV they did not agree with the police version of the shooting.

"The door was open, they were standing shoulder to shoulder, at the front door while it was open,

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—Sam Walker, a criminologist at the University of Nebraska who specializes in police oversight, on the Kendra James shooting

and the car was going forward, so how can you be pinned?" witness Brician Williams said.

Geoffrey Alpert, a criminologist at the University of South Carolina who studies police shootings nationwide, said the first mistake by officers was not removing the keys from the car after they took the driver into custody for not carrying

a license.

The officers, Alpert said, should have coordinated a plan to get James out of the car.

But Officer Rick Bean, when questioned by detectives, said, "There was no set out plan."

Once James was shot, McCollister pulled her from the car, handcuffed her on the ground, and called for an ambulance. He said he walked to his car to get crime scene tape.

"Just so I'm fully understanding, there's a person that's shot on the ground and you walked away and there was no one with this person?" Detective John Brooks asked McCollister during the initial review of the shooting. McCollister said he did walk away.

There was no indication from police records that anyone else stood by James as they waited for the ambulance.

Experts also criticized a dinner that McCollister and his wife had with Officer Kenneth Reynolds and another officer following the shooting. Reynolds tried firing an electrical stun gun at James as he stood beside McCollister at the driver's front door of the car, but it apparently failed to deliver a charge.

McCollister also talked by phone with Bean a day or so later. All the officers said they did not discuss the shooting.

General police policy calls for witnesses to a shooting to be separated until after they have been interviewed. Walker, the Nebraska police expert, said the policy also applies to officers.

The police union president, Sgt. Robert King, said the union will stand by McCollister.

"We are not paid in our role as police officers to go to work and be hurt and be killed," he said. "We stand firmly beside them now and we will continue to, through whatever comes."

Woman Beaten Over the Head

Family says victim had mental capacity of a 12-year-old

(AP)—Family members of the woman whose body was found Friday between railroad tracks in downtown Portland say their lost daughter and sister was a "little girl in a big woman's body."

Twenty-two-year-old Jessica Kate Williams was born with fetal alcohol syndrome and had the mental capacity of a 12-year-old, her family says. She lived with her parents in Gladstone. She wasn't allowed to drive, and though she was 6-foot-4 and 230 pounds, she got along best with children.

Despite her imposing figure, she was "a big teddy bear, the sweetest, most kind person," said her sister, 18-year-old Noel Williams.

So her family was baffled



Jessica Williams

when police told them that Jessica Williams had been beaten over the head.

Portland police detectives are still investigating the death, said Henry Groepper, a Police Bureau spokesman.

But some who knew Williams forecasted danger. Unbeknownst to her parents, Williams had been hanging out with gang members over the last decade, said Loren Whitcomb, 17, a close friend of Williams.

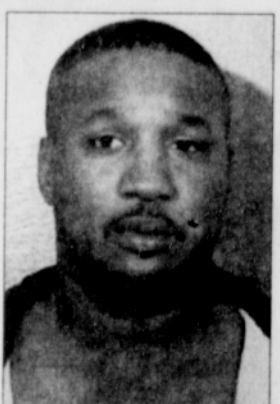
Williams, a Gladstone High School graduate, lived with Whitcomb's family for a week when she was having problems at home earlier this year, Whitcomb said. She also lived in a downtown Portland shelter for a couple of months, where she befriended homeless youths. And during the week before her death, Whitcomb said, Jessica lived beneath the Steel Bridge.

Sam and Rebecca Williams adopted Jessica when she was 9 months old. She was one of their 14 children—ages 8 to 40—nine of whom are adopted and seven of whom have some form of disability, Noel Williams said.

Williams' family said they worked to keep her safe but that it was hard to set boundaries once Williams reached adulthood.

Her family last saw Jessica on May 17, when she left her Gladstone home over her mother's objections to hang out with friends.

Man Suspected of Louisiana Serial Killings



Derrick Todd Lee

(AP)—The man sought in the serial killings of five women in southern Louisiana is

also suspected in a sixth death more than a decade ago and the disappearance of yet another woman, police said Tuesday.

Derrick Todd Lee, 34, was charged in a warrant issued Monday with murder and aggravated rape in the killing of Carrie Yoder, 26, a Louisiana State University graduate student who became the serial killer's fifth known victim in March.

The nationwide hunt for Lee continued Tuesday. In the FBI's Atlanta office, agent Theodore Jackson said Lee was last seen around midday Monday at a hotel

in the southeastern part of the city.

Meanwhile, authorities in Zachary, a Baton Rouge suburb, said police obtained a DNA sample from Lee - which linked him to the five slayings - earlier this month because they were investigating him for an unconnected disappearance in their town.

Zachary Police Chief Joey Watson said a detective was given a tip from one of Lee's relatives that Lee was discussing the disappearance of Randi Mebruer, 28, who vanished from her home in April 1998.

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