

Evidence Gathered in Unsolved Murder

African immigrant killed one year ago

An unsolved murder one year after the slaying is bringing new pleas for help in solving the crime.

Mohamed Jabbie, 33, a member of Portland's African immigrant community, was gunned down inside his apartment near the Clackamas Town Center at 8800 S.E. Causey on Sept. 24, 2004.

Authorities said Michael Spencer Washington Jr. and people associated with him are persons of interest in the investigation.

Washington assaulted Jabbie just a few weeks before the murder. The victim also had a car vandalized in another unsolved crime around



Michael Spencer Washington Jr.



Mohamed Jabbie

the same time.

According to Clackamas County Sheriff's Detective Dan Kraus, it's believed that the motive in the assault was jealousy because Jabbie had a friendship with Washington's former girlfriend who he had met through work.

Jabbie was killed the day after testifying about the attack before a Multnomah County Grand Jury. A former resident of Sierra Leone, he lived in Portland for several years and had worked as a medical transportation aide.

Washington was eventually convicted of misdemeanor assault and is serving a two year jail sentence. He has not been charged with murder.

Kraus says investigators continue to work on leads and evaluate evidence that has been collected.

There are people in the African American community that have critical information in the case, he said.

Kraus said anyone with information should contact him at the Clackamas County Sheriff's Office at 503-557-5811.

Music for Katrina Relief

"The Relations", a family ministry, Broken Vessel Ministries and Community A.M.E. Zion Church

invite area residents to a night of musical praises in the name of Christ Jesus to help our sisters and brothers effected by hurricane Katrina.

All donations will be given to families in need through the local Salvation Army.

This special event will be held Saturday, Oct. 1 at Community A.M.E. Zion Church - 3605 East 13th St., Vancouver. For more information, contact Doris Ann Smith at 360-891-9072 or Karen Smith at 360-828-5944.

Stolen Letter Box Keys Found

Hundreds of pieces of stolen mail, methamphetamine, forged checks, counterfeit money, and four keys to Postal Service boxes were seized from an apartment in the 4600 block of Northeast Killingsworth Street.

The keys open some of the blue-colored Post Office drop boxes commonly found throughout the Portland area. They were stolen from a postal employee who had been the victim of a car prowler. But the postal worker apparently did

not realize the keys had been taken from the car. Additional keys were stolen that open locking mailboxes found in apartment complexes and on neighborhood streets.

The Postal Service has begun changing locks, but until then any mail left in a locking receptacle is vulnerable to theft. The Police Bureau and Postal Service are advising citizens to take mail into a post office, a postal contact station or hand deliver mail to a letter carrier.

Johnson Dinner Raises Reward Murder suspects still at large

The family of Chauntee Lamont Johnson, a 28-year-old man who was shot and killed this summer, will be holding a barbecue dinner in northeast Portland on Saturday, Oct. 8 to raise a reward fund to help in the arrest of his killers.

The dinner will be held from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Mallory Church, 3908 N.E. Mallory Ave. An entrée choice of pork ribs or chicken, along with a side of greens, potato salad, cornbread and dessert, will be served for \$10. To place an order, call 971-322-5866. Contributions can also be made

to the Makayla Chauntee Johnson fund at any Washington Mutual Bank.

Two men are still being sought for Johnson's death. They were seen in a blue 1991 Ford Escort in the parking lot of Sun's Market on Southeast Division Street on July 22 around 7:50 p.m. Three of the numbers on the Oregon plate are 575, and the car has a spoiler on the trunk, low-profile tires and custom wheels.

Anyone with information on this case can call Crime Stoppers anonymously at 503-823-4357.

Jefferson Schools Summit on Saturday

A Parent, Community and Youth Summit is planned for north and northeast Portland on Saturday, Oct. 1 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Jefferson High School, in hopes of empowering parents, students, and community members to support quality public schools in the Jefferson cluster.

The 11 schools in the Jefferson

cluster are: Beach, Boise Eliot, Chief Joseph, Faubion, Humboldt, King, Vernon, & Woodlawn Elementary Schools; Ockley Green and Tubman Middle Schools; and Jefferson High School.

The summit has been organized so that participants can attend the morning session, afternoon session, or both. The morn-

ing session will focus on parent and community involvement in the schools, and the afternoon session will focus on a community workshop for the middle schools and high school. For more information or to register for the event, e-mail JeffSchoolsSummit@yahoo.com, or call 503-247-8299.

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