

Mayor Talks Safety after Girl Killed

Following the tragic death of Morgan Cook, a 5-year-old girl who was struck by a car on Southeast 136th Avenue and Ellis Street last Thursday, Portland Mayor Charlie Hales released a statement offering his condolences to her family and addressing public safety in the city.

"My heart goes out to the family of Morgan. As a parent, I can find no words that are sufficient to describe this horrible occurrence," he said.

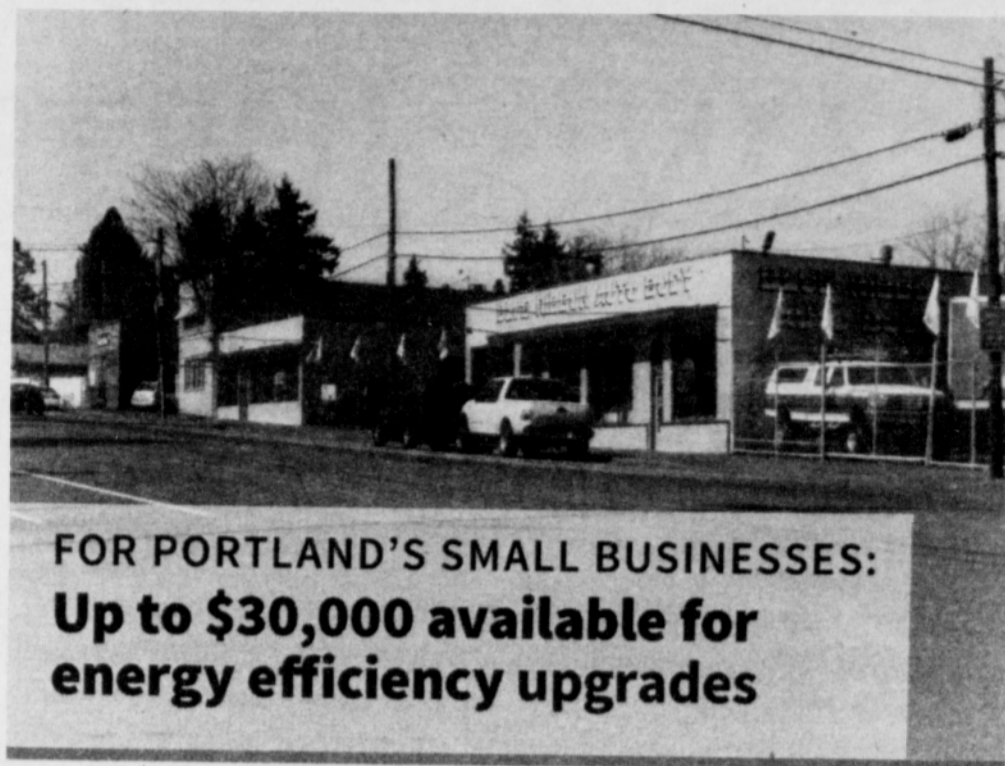
Cook was visiting friends nearby when she ran into the street to go home just after 7 p.m. Huong Dang Bacon, 68, was driving southbound on 136th Avenue when she struck the child. Investigators believe the car was traveling at or below the speed limit and Bacon was not impaired by alcohol or drugs.

She stopped and remained at the scene to cooperate with investigators, according to a police report. The young girl died enroute to the hospital.

Hales said his thoughts are also with the Portland Police officers who responded to the accident. "Each of them has family, too, and each is affected by such tragedies in different ways," he said.

In less than two months since he has been working as Mayor, Hales said there have been eight automobile-related fatalities in Portland, four of which were pedestrian deaths.

"Safety throughout the city has to be our first priority," Hales said.



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Jordan brand and created the "Believe to Achieve" youth program;

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Religion: Pastor T. Allen Bethel, senior pastor at Maranatha Church and community leader of police and justice issues at the Albina Ministerial Alliance;

Sports: Roy Pittman, longtime wrestling coach who has mentored countless young ath-

letes;

Law: Judge Ancer Haggerty, first African American to become a federal judge in Oregon;

Child Development: Ron Herndon, chair of the National Head Start Association, as well as of Albina Head Start;

Community Activism: Joyce Harris, an educator, civil rights champion and director of the equity program at Education Northwest;

Business: Michael Montgomery, Vice President and Oregon

Manager-Community Affairs & Development at U.S. Bank. Who has played a key role in improving access to capital for underserved groups;

Leadership: Paul and Geneva Knauls, key figures on Portland's social scene since the 1960s as owners of the iconic Portland hair salon, Geneva's Shear Perfection;

Education: Tony Hopson Sr., founder of Self Enhancement, Inc., which provides Portland's most disadvantaged students with a lifeline to success.

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tice policy advocate at the center.

Supported by the Urban League of Portland, the Albina Ministerial Alliance, and Basic Rights of Oregon, the center is working to pass Senate Bill 560, legislation that would prevent police from pulling over suspects based on a stereotype, ensuring that the suspect is properly identified and the data, recorded. It would also ensure cultural competency training to a higher

decree for police officers.

"[Racial profiling] is something I have experienced throughout my history living in Portland, Oregon," said Price. "It has affected everyone from elementary school kids to high school students to grown adults."

The public may recall the death of Keaton Otis, who was shot 23 times by Portland police in May 2010. A 25-year-old African-American man, Otis was wearing a hoodie and suspected to be a gang member when

police pulled him over in his car.

Racial profiling and police violence is not limited to Oregon. Last year, the nation called attention to Florida's Trayvon Martin, an unarmed 17-year-old African American shot dead by a resident watchman. Martin also was wearing a hoodie and was mistaken for criminal behavior when he was just walking through a neighborhood.

"These types of incidents have been happening throughout history and it's ridiculous," said Price.



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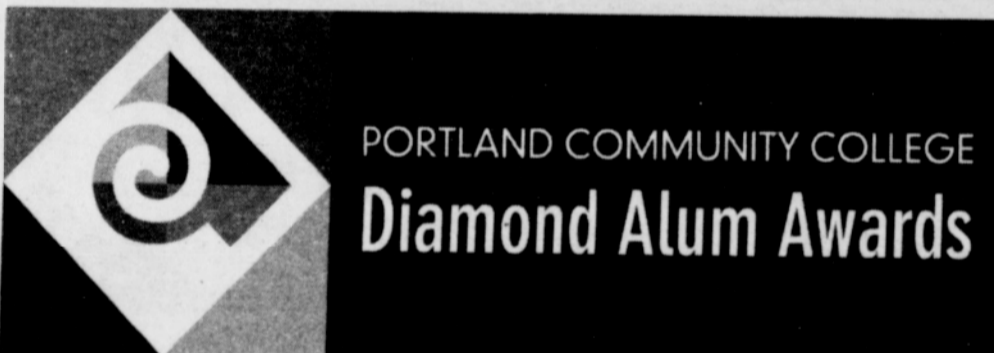
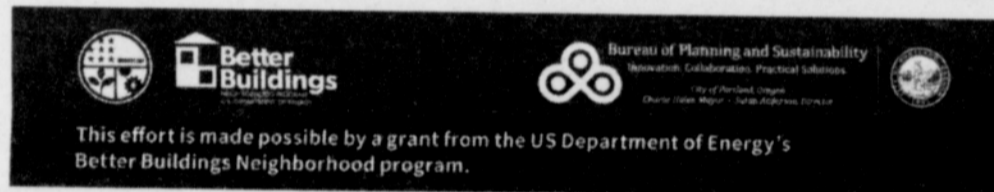
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