

Bicyclist Injured on Powell

A 22-year-old man lost his leg after being hit by a pick-up truck on the corner of Southeast 26th and Powell Boulevard Sunday morning. The driver, 42-year-old Barry Scott Allen, was detained and released as the investigation continues.

New Check on Gun Sales

Oregon Gov. Kate Brown on Monday signed a law requiring background checks on private gun sales in the state, the first tightening of gun laws in Oregon since 2000 when voters approved an initiative requiring background checks for all firearms sales at gun shows.

Mayor Withdraws Support

Mayor Charlie Hales pulled support for a proposed \$500 million propane terminal on the Columbia River in north Portland last week, citing opposition by too many Portlanders with environmental

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and safety concerns. Port of Portland executive director Bill Wyatt blamed the decision on Hales maneuvering for re-election, something Hales' office denied.

Zimmerman Hurt in Dispute

George Zimmerman, acquitted by a Florida jury in the shooting death of Trayvon Martin in 2013, suffered minor injuries in what looked like a road rage incident Monday in Florida. Zimmerman's car was shot at by another man who witnesses said admitted shooting Zimmerman over some sort of dispute that's still being investigated.

Justice Looks At Baltimore

Attorney General Loretta Lynch

announced Friday that the Justice Department has opened an investigation into the Baltimore Police Department. The investigation will specifically focus on the department's use of force and whether there is a pattern of discriminatory policing.

Penalty for Deflate Gate

The NFL suspended New England Patriots' quarterback Tom Brady for four games without pay Monday in relation to the "Deflate gate" incident in which the team used underinflated footballs for an advantage in the playoffs. The Patriots were also fined \$1 million and will forfeit its first-round selection in the 2016 NFL Draft and fourth-round pick in the 2017 draft.



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Gus Jehnin, volunteer of the year for Meals on Wheels at the Northeast Martin Luther King Senior Center, carries hot meals to local seniors.



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Volunteer drivers like Roberta Bond (left) and Rhania Bensafia deliver food to seniors throughout north and northeast Portland from the Meals on Wheels site at Martin Luther King Senior Center.

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**Giving Back****MLK Senior Center needs volunteer drivers**

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Drivers are needed for an organization that delivers meals to seniors in our community, providing a vital link to their health and wellbeing.

Meals on Wheels, in partnership with the Multicultural Senior Center at 5325 N.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. opens its doors to the community every weekday from noon to 1 p.m., providing lunch to hundreds of people over 60 each week. The suggested donation is \$3 but the center does not turn anyone away for lack of funds.

Daily activities are provided to

guests afterwards as well through the Urban League of Portland, a non-profit organization that focuses on civil rights and the survival of black and marginalized communities.

"Many are widowed or live alone," said David Lomax, the center's director, "so coming here gives them a chance to talk with others. Our Center takes the place of the front porch in the old days."

Now, as always, the center is in need of drivers to deliver meals to seniors who cannot leave their homes and arrive at the center during specific hours. Commitment hours vary, but the organization is willing to work with volunteers and support a schedule that might accommodate both the needs of its seniors and its helpers.

For more information on volunteering, call 503-736-6325 or visit mealsonwheelspeople.org.

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