

Gun Law Passes Oregon House

A proposed law to prevent people from owning guns because of domestic violence or stalking convictions was passed by the Oregon House Thursday. The measure is intended to save the lives of mostly women and children who are killed by domestic abusers each year, most of whom were victims' husbands or boyfriends, according to Oregon Health Authority data.

Kitzhaber Broke Ethics Laws

Former Gov. John Kitzhaber misused his official position for personal gain in 10 instances of violating state laws, Oregon ethics officials voted unanimously Friday. He is accused of allowing his fiancée Cylvia Hayes to sidestep separation of her privately paid advocacy and public green energy

and economic policy shaping.

Teachers Endorse Hardesty

The Portland Association of Teachers has endorsed Jo Ann Hardesty in her May Primary election race to replace retiring city commissioner Dan Saltzman. Hardesty is the current Portland NAACP president and a former state lawmaker.



Gorge Fire Starter Sentenced

A 15 year old boy from Vancouver who admitted to causing the devastating Columbia Gorge fire last summer because of his carelessness with fireworks was sentenced to 1,920 hours of community service and five years of probation Friday. "I apologize with all my heart," he said in court after pleading guilty to 12 misdemeanors.

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session was moderated by former PPS student and Rhodes Scholar J.T. Flowers.

Fired from Black Parent Initiative

Former Black Parent Initiative chief executive officer and co-founder Chales McGee was terminated from his position with the non-profit after a second sexual harassment complaint surfaced last week. The former Multnomah County Commissioner candidate was previously placed on administrative leave pending an investigation.

Trail Blazers Repay Barkley

Trail Blazers All-Star Damian Lillard presented NBA Hall of Famer and current TNT analyst Charles Barkley a check for \$1,197 Sunday in response to a story Barkley told days before of a self-funded

flight to Portland to try to convince the Trail Blazers to acquire him decades ago. Barkley said he thought the Trail Blazers should have paid him back.

Prosecutor Resigns from Board

Federal prosecutor and Oregon native Ryan Bounds resigned from the Multnomah Bar Association's Diversity and Inclusion Committee, at the organization's request last week, following resurfaced opinion pieces he wrote in college that expressed racist, sexist, and homophobic views on multiculturalism. Bounds is President Trump's nominee to the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.



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1970 Benson graduate and Portland General Electric Chief Executive Officer Jim Piro (right) with Benson High School Principal Curtis Wilson.

Grad Honored with Benson Support

To honor its retiring chief executive officer Jim Piro, Portland General Electric recently donated \$100,000 to the engineering program at his alma mater, Benson High School.

But when the Portland School Board recognized Piro with a proclamation, he had a surprise of his own.

"I just wanted to let you know that my wife and I decid-

ed to match the grant, so now it's \$200,000," Piro said, drawing a loud ovation in the Benson auditorium where the board meeting was held.

Piro was student body president at Benson before graduating in 1970. After graduating from Oregon State, he started a 37-year career at PGE, first as an engineer, then as President and CEO from 2009 to 2017.

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