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Woman Beaten at Bar

The family of Krystal Guinn seeks the man who assaulted her

By Lisa Loving
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The family of a young woman assaulted at an Old Town "micro-bar" has put up a \$2,750 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of her attacker.

Krystal Guinn, 25, was punched in the face early in the morning of Jan. 5 at the Black Book after turning down the advances of a young man who was sexually harassing her, her family says, and could lose the range of vision in her right eye.

The attacker is described as a black male between 21 and 27 years old, slight to medium build; 5'6"-5'8" tall, medium/ dark complexion skin, little or no facial hair; wearing a snap-back Oakland A's hat, and a plaid shirt, either green or red in color, with jeans and white athletic shoes.

Portland Police are investigating and asking for tipsters to send info to crimetips@portlandoregon.gov.

The Guinn family has also put out numerous appeals, and Krystal's father, Chris Guinn III, has put out his cell phone number in the hopes someone will call or text him with clues, that number is 503-703-4462.

Black Book owner Peter Webb did not return calls for comment this week.

Krystal has had major eye surgery since the incident (and she may require more), which happened days before the start of her last term at Portland State University and she has been unable to work.

Still recovering from her latest surgery, her family was waiting for the latest word from her doctor on Friday.

"She's afraid, she can't work, she had to quit school," said her father this week. "She couldn't start her last term in college because this happened right before she was about to go back – which caused her to lose her health insurance as well, because she had her medical insurance through school.

"So it's been a domino effect of things in

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BIRTHDAY



PHOTO BY JERRY FOSTER

Portland Mayor Charlie Hales celebrated his birthday last week, Wednesday, Jan. 22, with a local student who has the same birthday, Justece Kinney-Craig, a Big Brothers/Big Sisters "little," at St. Andrew Nativity School on Northeast Portland. Pictured above at left, Hales' staffer Grace Uwagbae, Justece and Hales at the school-wide celebration.

State Indicts Men on Sex Charges

Department of Justice, FBI crack down using interstate laws

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Federal officials this week charged more than half a dozen Portland-area men with pimping offenses. The men are accused of transporting sex workers across state lines to engage in prostitution.

One, Mark Miles, 35, is accused of bringing Ivanice Harris, 29, to Hawaii last year, where she was murdered, apparently while working.

U.S. Marines Master Sgt. Nathaniel Crosby, 39, faces a

military trial March 17 in the case. He has been charged with unpremeditated murder, voluntary manslaughter, obstructing justice, and attempting to patronize a prostitute.

In Oregon, federal officials today said another seven local pimps are charged with transporting sex workers across state lines to Hawaii, Alaska, Nevada, Idaho, and Minnesota. No trial date has been announced for the men.

They are, in addition to Miles: Steven Huffman, Jr., 40, Jorge

Ortega, Jr., 32, Jermaine Hankins, 38, Michael Willis, Jr., 28, DeShawne Howard, 23, Samuel Howard, Jr., 32, and Camillio Carradine, 33.

The Department of Justice press release on the indictments listed each defendant along with his colorful street name, such as "Meezilini," "Chocolate," "Flawless," "Mackin Mike" and "Killa."

"Local traffickers are sending young Portland-area women all over the country to have sex with strangers for money," said

U.S. Attorney Amanda Marshall in a statement. "These young women, far from home, are being placed in grave danger, so that their pimp can buy himself a Mercedes, or a Cadillac, or an expensive pair of jeans. The reason traffickers do what they do is because they think they can get away with it; we are here to show them they are wrong."

The FBI led the investigations. Officials said two more individuals have not yet been

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New Group Screens Kwame Ture Film

Pan-African People's Revolutionary Party comes together in Portland

By Lisa Loving
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Author and community organizer Ahjamu Umi is building a new chapter of the international All African People's Revolutionary Party in Portland, starting with Pan-African Film/Discussion Nights on the last Wednesday of every month. Their first event is,

"From Black Power, Forward to Pan-Africanism! A Tribute to the Life and Contributions of Kwame Ture (formerly Stokely Carmichael)," on Wednesday, Jan. 29, 6 to 9 p.m. at the Smith Memorial Student Center at Portland State University, Room #329.

Umi is well-known to readers of The Skanner News for his work in support of elderly homeowners facing foreclosure and also his writing, which includes a novel

about race and racism in rural Oregon, "Find the Flower That Blooms."

Kwame Ture was born in Trinidad and at the age of 10, moved with his family to New York City. While attending Howard University he joined the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, enduring dozens of beatings in the 1960s while organizing in

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