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Peace



Artist Antwoine Thomas supervised volunteers of all ages who came together to paint the Big Bang of Peace street painting at the intersection of North Killingsworth Court and North Borthwick streets in Portland. The street painting is one of a series of projects from the STRYVE program which has trained and hired youth to support community efforts to reduce violence.

Racists Picket IRCO



Around 9:30 a.m. July 7, a handful of people, including a child, arrived at IRCO's offices on 103rd and N.E. Glisan Street. The group had signs with white supremacist messages, and flyers.

Solid Ground Anniversary



Keoke Silvano and his son Julius, 12, take a selfie with acclaimed film director Spike Lee after Lee spoke at the Solid Ground Building Community Luncheon, April 4 at the Westin Hotel in Seattle. Solid Ground celebrated 40 years of “building community to end poverty.” Lee spoke about the importance of education in helping to end poverty.

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remained skeptical about the program.

Malaysia Airlines Mystery

En route from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing, Malaysia Airlines Flight 370 disappeared on March 8 with 239 people on board. In the weeks that followed, aircraft, ships and searchers from two-dozen countries mobilized to look in vain for the wreckage on the Indian Ocean floor. To date, there's no consensus as to why the plane vanished.

Immigration

Frustrated by an impasse in Congress, President Obama took executive actions in November to curb deportations for many immigrants residing in the U.S. illegally. Republican leaders in the House and Senate pledged efforts to block the president's moves. Prospects for reform legislation were dimmed earlier in the year by the influx of unaccompanied Central American minors arriving at the U.S. border, causing shelter overloads and case backlogs.

Turmoil In Ukraine

A sometimes bloody revolt that toppled President Viktor Yanukovich in February triggered a chain of events that continued to roil Ukraine as the year drew to a close. Russia, worried that Ukraine would tilt increasingly toward the West, annexed the Crimean peninsula in March and backed an armed separatist insurgency in coal-rich eastern regions of Ukraine. The U.S. and its allies responded with sanctions against Russia.

Gay Marriage

Due to a wave of federal court rulings, 19 more U.S. states began allowing same-sex marriages, raising the total to 35 states encompassing about 64 percent of the population. Given that one U.S. court of appeals bucked the trend by upholding state bans on gay marriage, there was widespread expectation that the U.S. Supreme Court will take up the issue and make a national ruling.

VA Scandal

The Department of Veterans Affairs became embroiled in a nationwide scandal over allegations of misconduct and cover-ups. Several senior officials were fired or forced to resign, including VA Secretary Eric Shinseki. At the heart of the scandal was the VA hospital in Phoenix; allegations surfaced that 40 veterans died while awaiting treatment there.

Same-Sex Marriage in Oregon



Paul Rummell, Ben West and their son Jay Rummell-West celebrated legalization of same-sex marriage in Oregon on the steps of the Melody Ballroom. Rummell and West were plaintiffs in the case.