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KICK IT



PHOTO BY SUSAN FRIED

Prince Charles, 7, and a couple of his teammates attempt to catch a ball in the air to guarantee an out during the "Kick N it" Kickball Classic, July 31 at Rainier Playfield. The event, which was organized by B.U.I.L.D (Brothers United in Leadership Development) brought the community together for everyone's favorite recess game – kickball.

City Rolls Back Homeless Camping Policy

City Promises to Continue Some Programs Meant to Address Homelessness

The Skanner News Staff

Tuesday afternoon Mayor Charlie Hales' office announced an update to the Homelessness State of Emergency it declared six months ago – which will roll back some aspects of the city's response to homelessness and continue others.

"The State of Emergency means three things: first, rapid action; second, deliberate experimentation; and third, real money," Hales' statement said. "We quickly launched several pilot programs in response to livability issues associ-

ated with the homeless crisis. They were deliberate experiments to determine how we should allocate resources."

Notably, the city will discontinue its practice of allowing overnight homeless people to sleep outside without interference from law enforcement.

The statement from the mayor's office said the camping guidelines released six months ago created confusion for residents and left nobody – including law enforcement, homeless people and housed residents of neighborhoods near camps – sat-

isfied. Some residents, the statement argued, believed the guidelines made unpermitted camping (which is a violation of a city ordinance) legal. Homeless camps will be swept and campers will be given 72-hour notice to leave – but will still be able to store their belongings in locking storage container provided by the city.

"The City will continue to work with social service providers and Police Bureau to communicate to homeless people the situations that will be prioritized for enforcement. Police will continue to use

compassion in enforcement, recognizing that the city doesn't have enough shelter beds for everyone, and that some people have to sleep outside.

The city also announced it would attempt to create nonprofit-managed outdoor shelters – with basic services provided by the city, and social services provided by nonprofit partners – similar to self-governed communities like Hazelnut Grove, Dignity Village and Right 2 Dream 2.

The following aspects of

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OHS to Feature Photos From The Skanner's Archives

Exhibit to highlight work of photographer Julie Keefe

By The Skanner News Staff

The Oregon Historical Society Research Library will exhibit its collection of photo-

graphs from *The Skanner News* Aug. 24 through Dec. 18. The exhibit will feature the work of photographer Julie Keefe, whose work has ap-

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PHOTO BY JULIE KEEFE

Start of the Junior Varsity Men's 100 meter race during meet between Benson Polytechnic High and Jefferson High.



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Local police accountability advocates say a recently released report detailing the efforts of the Independent Police Review is misleading and lacking analysis necessary for reform.

IPR Report and Response

Critics say recent report on IPR process contains some omissions

By Arashi Young of The Skanner News

The office of the city auditor recently released its annual report detailing the efforts of the Independent Police Review, citing progress in the handling of police complaints.

The report gives an overview of the complaint process and IPR's role. Highlights of the report include shorter resolution times for complaints, more independent investigations and fewer dismissed complaints compared to previous years – 67 percent dismissed down from 76 percent in 2014.

But local police accountability advo-

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In the documentary 'Olympic Pride, American Prejudice' Cornelius Johnson of the USA competes in high jump at the 1936 Olympic Games in Berlin.

Opening This Week

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Simmons and RushCard expand partnership with The Peace Keepers

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