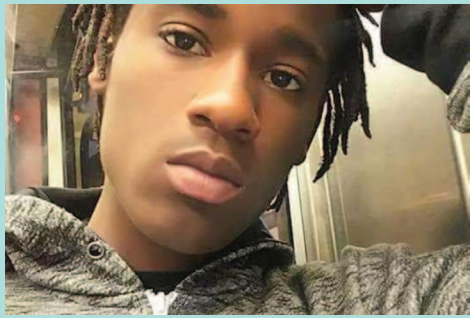


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Quanice Hayes

Hayes Family Sues City

Family still raising funds for legal expenses after February 2017 shooting death of 17-year-old Quanice Hayes

By Christen McCurdy
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The family of 17-year-old Quanice Hayes, who was shot and killed by Portland police in February 2017, has filed a lawsuit against the City of Portland and Andrew Hearst, the officer who fired the shots that killed the teenager.

The suit is not unexpected: on the anniversary of Hayes' death the family, with civil rights attorney Jesse Merithew, announced their intention in February to bring a suit against the city.

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In this June 1, 2018 photo, President Donald Trump attends a Change of Command ceremony at the U.S. Coast Guard Headquarters in Washington. Trump asserted his presidential power and escalated his efforts to discredit the special counsel Russia probe Monday, declaring he has the "absolute right" to pardon himself and attacking the investigation as "totally UNCONSTITUTIONAL!"

Trump Says He Can Pardon Himself

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Black Men with Prostate Cancer Fare Well

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CHESS PARK POP-UP



PHOTO BY SUSAN FRIED

Seattle Police Detective Denise "Cookie" Bouldin looks on as 2 girls shake hands before playing a game of chess during the Chess Park Pop-Up June 4. The Pop-Up was a chance for the community to play some chess, enjoy some free food and music and learn about the plans for the Detective Cookie Chess Park, which will include a giant built-in chess board and chess boards inlaid into tables. The park will be named in honor of Detective Cookie because of her long-running chess program in Seattle's Rainier Beach neighborhood.

First 'Hip Hop' Cannabis Dispensary to Open

Full-service dispensary Green Hop brings together art, hip hop, cannabis

The Skanner News

On June 16, Portland, Oregon will be the proud home of what its owners are calling the world's first hip hop dispensary.

"Hip hop, in a sense, saved my life," said Green Hop co-owner Karanja Crews, who added that groups like KRS1, Public Enemy and A Tribe Called Quest were in high circulation on MTV in his youth.

"That was a rough time in my life, my parents were struggling with drug ad-

iction and there was a lot of a gangs, drugs and negative activity," he continued. "(Hip Hop) was my refuge growing up. It planted a seed of consciousness and shifted me towards the trajectory I'm on now."

As a teacher and founder of Teaching With Purpose — an organization that promotes culturally responsive practices in the classroom — Crews wanted to pay homage to the culture of hip hop that inspired a positive turn in his life.

He also believes that hip

hop had a major influence on the legalization of marijuana in some states, as the culture has always been unapologetic about using the plant for both recreation and medicine.

Crew's efforts have paid off in Green Hop, a hip hop-inspired brand that meets at the intersection of music, art and cannabis, while ushering in the industry's next wave of Black entrepreneurs.

As one of the fastest growing industries in the United States, cannabis is still largely leaving Afri-

can Americans out of the rush — with only one percent of dispensaries owned by a Black person.

Some, however, are adamantly trying to change that statistic. In March 2017, a group of cannabis business owners, policy makers and activists drafted the first-ever cannabis bill that would assist those harmed by racial disparities in drug law by providing them opportunities within the cannabis economy — through business ownership, certification,

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Merkley Refused Entry to Facility Holding Children

Oregon Senator attempted to visit Texas center was told to leave and officials summoned police

By Andrew Selsky
Associated Press

A U.S. senator said Monday he tried to enter a federal facility in Texas where immigrant children are being held, but police were called and he was told to leave.

The attempt late Sunday by Sen. Jeff Merkley of Oregon came amid a national debate over the practice of

separating families caught crossing the border illegally.

Attorney General Jeff Sessions recently announced a "zero-tolerance policy" against all people crossing the border illegally. More children are expected to be separated from their parents as a result.

"The administration has started ripping these children out of the arms of their parents," Merkley said

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In this Nov. 28, 2017, file photo, Sen. Jeff Merkley, D-Ore., speaks at a rally in Washington. Merkley, while trying to gain access to a federal facility housing immigrant children in Texas near the Mexico border and talk to a supervisor was turned away after police were summoned.