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The Barry Farm Redevelopment Plan is at the heart of a new class-action lawsuit brought by Washington D.C. attorney Ari Theresa against the city.

## **D.C. Lawsuit Fights** Gentrification

**Urban planning** experts, attorneys see implications for other gentrifying cities

By Christen McCurdy **Of The Skanner News** 

ri Theresa is taking the fight against gentrification to the courts.

Theresa, a Washington, D.C.based attorney specializing in zoning law and civil rights, filed a \$1 billion lawsuit in April against the city, on behalf of a community organization composed of longterm D.C. residents.

The crux of Theresa's argument should sound familiar to anyone living in a major American city in the 21st century. City planners have worked aggressively to woo the so-called "creative class" and in so doing are pushing

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Charleena Lyles cousins Tonya Isabell and Katrina Johnson welcome former Seattle Seahawks defensive end Michael Bennet to the Charleena Lyles One Year Remembrance Reflection and Healing June 18 at Magnuson Park across the street from where Lyles was shot seven times by two Seattle police officers on June 19, 2017. The event included numerous speakers and performances including Bennett, Garfield High School teacher Jessie Hagopian, Vocalist DeChelle Monet, Spoken word by Nakeya Isabell and Nikkita Oliver, MC and choreographer Shakiah Danielson, Rapper Jerrell Davis, and Miming by Kent Carson.

## **Sankofa Collective Hosts Black Pride** Events include Oaks Park family fun day and Saturday Social at Sante Bar

The Skanner News

hile Pride Month is in full swing across the city, it's not too late to check out some events from Portland Black Pride's "Out of the Box – Summer of Pride" festival. As a program of Sankofa Collective North- gan as a result of the gay

west – formerly known as PFLAG Portland Black Chapter – Portland Black Pride is part of the national Black Pride movement that strives to lift up African Americans within the LGBT community.

According to Portland Black Pride's Facebook page, the movement "be-

Black minority community in the United States feeling marginalized and less a part of the whole gay community in participation, organization and administration, as well as the cultural differences that prevented the community to fully participate in the gay movement."

Today, under the world-

wide LGBT Pride umbrella, Black Pride events are held each June across the nation to unite Black lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people in celebration of both their heritage and sexual orientation.

Those interested in volunteering for Portland Black Pride, please contact See PRIDE on page 3

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San Fransisco Mayor-Elect London Breed says she is humbled by this historical victory.

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## **Portland ICE Headquarters Closed After Protests** Attorneys say no access to asylum seekers in **Oregon prison**

**Associated Press** 

The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement facility in Portland is closed as protests over President Trump's immigration policies continued.

Protesters told KATU-TV that shutting down ICE is one of their goals, so they considered Wednesday's closure a win.

The protest began Sunday, with demonstrators calling for an end to the Trump administration's "zero tolerance" policy in which all unlawful border crossings are referred for prosecution. The protesters also sought an immediate end to the practice of separating children from their families.

Though the facility was open Tuesday, police were called in to make sure employees could leave safely.

Immigration attorneys in Oregon said Tuesday they haven't been able to meet with more than 120 asylum seekers being held at a federal prison southwest of Portland as protests against the Trump administration's policy of separating families crossing the border illegally flared for a second day.



A round-the-clock vigil was underway at ICE headquarters in Portland, Ore. About two dozen protesters gathered June 17 for a round-theclock vigil and vowed not to leave until policy was changed.

There are 123 men being held at the prison in Sheridan, at least six of whom have been separated from their children, attorneys from the

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