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BEAT THE HEAT



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As temperatures soared this week, Portland residents flocked to splash pads (including the pictured pad at Dawson Park), fountains and swimming pools located across the city. Poet's Beach, the City of Portland's Willamette riverfront swimming beach, is now open as well. For a full list of Portland Parks & Recreation aquatic facilities, visit <https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/article/578662>.

Delta Separates Family on Flight

Portland mother was stranded in Baltimore overnight with her baby, while her five-year-old child, parents and brother flew back to Portland

By Christen McCurdy
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Last week a Portland family was separated while traveling home from visiting relatives in Baltimore. For their trouble, they received a \$75 gift card and to date, no apology.

Dominique Butler, 27, works as a medical receptionist in Portland. On July 10 Butler, and her parents and brother were traveling on the same flight with But-

ler's two young children, aged one and five. When it was time for Butler to board, she realized she had left her carry-on bag at security. In an interview with *The Skanner* and a public Facebook post, Butler says she asked flight attendants what to do, and a Delta staff member advised her to go back to security and get her bag and "hope that the plane waits."

With her one-year-old son, Makai, in her arms, Butler ran back to securi-

ty, got her bag and when she got back to the gate, the plane doors were still open and, because she was on the phone with her mother through the ordeal, airline staff knew she was back at the gate. But the plane didn't wait.

There were no staff at the gate when Butler returned. A few minutes later, a gate agent she'd talked to previously appeared with her diaper bag — which contained Butler's wallet and ID, and which Michelle

Butler had managed to hand off to Delta staff before departure.

"Me and my one-year-old are watching the plane take off, and I know my [older] son was OK because he was with my parents," Butler said. "But God forbid, my five-year-old son was on that flight."

Michelle Butler also told *The Skanner* that staff almost didn't let her and her husband take their grandson with him once they

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Black Charter KairosPDX Faces Uncertain Future

The charter says the school district is shortchanging it on its lease terms and undermining its work in serving students of color

The Skanner News

With another school year come and gone, Portland's predominantly Black charter school KairosPDX is facing an uncertain future once again surrounding its building, on loan from Portland Public Schools.

In a recent press release, the charter called PPS's lack of action "an assault on Black achievement."

Last fall, Portland Public Schools proposed a new policy that would redraw boundaries and make way for major changes. Among them, the historically Black Harriet Tubman Middle School would re-open and several existing K-8 schools would be converted into K-5 schools.

In the reshuffling, KairosPDX — a K-5 charter that serves primarily children of color — was to lose its

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VIDEO STILL, COURTESY KAIROSPDX

PPS has granted KairosPDX mere one-year extension on its lease, after the charter asked for five years, creating a state of limbo for students and staff.



Protestor displays a Black Lives Matter sign at a 2014 Police Accountability protest downtown Portland.

Oregon DOJ to Clean Up Data

The Skanner report prompts fact-checking action by State Attorney General's office

By Lisa Loving
Special To The Skanner News

The Oregon Department of Justice says it will review the listings on their law enforcement use-of-force webpage, after advocates found numerous factual errors on a database meant to help in accountability and planning efforts around the state.

The database was created as part of SB 111 passed in 2007, which required law enforcement agencies to compile and submit reports on their uses of force. (Read through that database at <https://justice.oregon.gov/deathinci->

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Latina actor Penelope Cruz is nominated for and Emmy for her role as Donatella Versace in "The Assassination of Gianni Versace: American Crime Story." Co-star Ricky Martin is also nominated.

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