

## Experts: Nazi group's rally is best met with silence, unity

American National Socialist Workers Party members will protest Monday's appearance of evangelist John Hagee.

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Community leaders say they will ignore plans by a national Nazi organization to stage a protest in Tulsa next week.

The American National Socialist Workers Party will protest the appearance Monday of evangelist John Hagee, whom the Nazi group calls "a noted supporter of the Zionist occupation of Palestine."

Hagee will speak at Victory Christian Center. His appearance is being billed as a tribute to Israel and the Jewish people.

Martin Belsky, former president of the Jewish Federation of Tulsa and president of the Tulsa Metropolitan Ministry, said a counterprotest typically wouldn't be productive; instead, he said, a series of discussions afterward would be more beneficial.

But awareness of such groups is important, said Mark Potok, director of the Intelligence Project at the Southern Poverty Law Center, which monitors hate groups and extremist activities.

"The community does need to do something, but it's important that they don't counterdemonstrate in the face of the group," Potok said. "Very often it ends in violence from anti-racist demonstrators toward police."

That's exactly what such a group hopes to provoke, Potok said.

Often in cases such as this, he said, the community will form a unity coalition made up of residents, police officials, city leaders and the clergy — in other words, a collection of people who represent the community and have a common goal of making sure that a message of hate isn't spread.

"The idea is to make an affirmative statement that this community does not support neo-Nazis," Potok said. "These type of groups are looking for publicity and violence but also looking for a small percentage of the audience to join their group."

A spokeswoman for Hagee said the evangelist was away from his office and unavailable to comment. Calls seeking comment from the Rev. Billy Joe Daugherty of Victory Christian were not returned.

The demonstration will consist of about a dozen members of the group's Oklahoma delegation and might be supported by members from other states, said Bill White, the group's leader.

"This will be a very peaceful protest on a public area nearby which is very visible and where we are trying to make our point known," he said.

According to the group's Web site, the goal of the organization is to establish in the U.S. a socialist form of government modeled on the government of Germany's Third Reich.

Normally, a public protest or demonstration would require a permit from the city, but if protesters aren't using a street or intersection for their protest, then a permit wouldn't necessarily be required, police Sgt. Skipper Bain said.

The only reason a group would need a permit to demonstrate would be if they wanted a street to be closed, Bain said.

"Technically, anybody can protest if it's done legally, such as remaining on the sidewalk, not interfering or stopping traffic, things like that," he said.

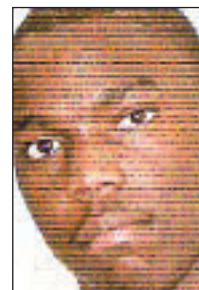
The Mayor's Office referred comment to Officer Jason Willingham, who said police will meet with officials from Victory Christian and discuss state laws on trespassing and other problems that might occur.

Willingham said he doesn't expect any problems as a result of the protest.

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## Teen charged in pawnshop killing

Meanwhile, the second of three men who are under investigation in connection with the homicide is arrested.



Holbert

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A 17-year-old was charged with first-degree murder and armed robbery, and a second man was taken into custody Tuesday in connection with the slaying of a pawnshop clerk.

Police are looking for Marquillo Lajon Holbert, against whom the charges were filed in connection with Friday's fatal shooting of Cody Holmes.

"We don't know where he is right now, but we have many officers out there searching for him," Sgt. Dave Walker said.

Evidence indicates that Holbert fired the shot that killed Holmes during a robbery about

12:45 p.m. Friday at EZ Pawn, 7482 E. Admiral Place, Walker said.

About 7 p.m. Tuesday, Marcel Frazier, 24, surrendered to investigators and was

booked into the Tulsa Jail on complaints of first-degree murder and armed robbery.

Police allege that Frazier, Holbert and another man entered the EZ Pawn and asked Holmes to open a jewelry display case.

When the clerk opened the case, Holbert tried to grab some jewelry, police allege in Frazier's arrest report.

Holmes then tried to shut the cabinet, and Frazier punched him in the chest, the document says. The men then started to leave, but Holbert turned around and shot the clerk once in the chest, police claim.

Witnesses told police that the

men got into a green car with large, shiny rims and no license tag. Officers found the car Friday night, Walker said.

When interviewed by police, Frazier was shown surveillance video from the store and identified himself on the tape, according to a police report.

Detectives are continuing to investigate the identity of the other participant in the fatal robbery.

Holbert is described as black, 5 feet 9 inches tall and 144 pounds, and Walker said he often frequents apartment complexes on the east side of the city.

Anyone with information regarding the robbery or Holbert's whereabouts is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 596-COPS.

The Crime Commission offers rewards for information that leads to arrests, and callers can be anonymous.

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## Roland ex-city manager sentenced in fraud

MUSKOGEE — Roland's former city manager was sentenced Tuesday in U.S. District Court to two years and three months in prison plus three years supervised release for money laundering.

Dwain Redden, 58, also was

ordered to pay \$224,983 in restitution to the city.

He had pleaded guilty in October.

Evidence obtained from the FBI showed that Redden issued checks for cash from the city's bank account to McKinney Gro-

cery & Station.

He reportedly would submit a voucher for office supplies at the Roland business and receive cash.

The business would then submit invoices to the city, which were paid with city funds.

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