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**QUARTERLY POSTING OF COMMUNITY PROBLEMS, NEEDS AND
INTERESTS**

Third Quarter, 2014: July 1st through September 30th

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Each quarter, on January 10, April 10, July 10 & October 10, we place in our public inspection file a list of what are considered to be the most significant Problems, Needs and Issues of the Springfield-Eugene, Oregon, community.

Along with this list are the programs that were aired to deal with these problems, needs and issues.

ASCERTAINMENT METHODS

To ascertain these problems, needs and issues, McKenzie River Broadcasting Co., Inc., employs a Public Affairs Director who, within the natural course of news gathering, is made aware of problems, needs and issues in the community. The views of citizens of the community and civic leaders regarding community problems, needs and issues are also ascertained during meetings and interviews. Problems, needs and issues are also ascertained during interaction with members of the public.

PROGRAMMING

To air information about these problems, needs and issues, McKenzie River Broadcasting Co., Inc., relies on the following methods:

1. **Bon'a Fide Newscasts:** These include news stories and segments that target these problems, needs and issues.
2. **Community Forum:** This is a 15-30 minute weekly program that offers in-depth examinations of community problems, needs and issues.

McKENZIE RIVER BROADCASTING 3Q, 2014, ISSUES LIST:

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The Following are Issues determined by the previous quarters' ascertainment to be the relevant issues to be broadcast in this quarter.

Quarter	July 1 st to September 30 th
Year	2014
	Issue: <i>*Note: Major breaking news stories during the quarter that fall under these categories will be added as is appropriate and reflected in daily news-public service postings</i>
1	<u>ECONOMY:</u> Economic recovery; Unemployment, workforce training; Federal, state and local budgets, political standoffs; Gas & food prices; Immigration; Retirement concerns; Economic development; Athletics funding and spending; Sports events; Agriculture; Technology; Legal marijuana; Energy prices and development
2	<u>HEALTH:</u> The Affordable Care Act and Cover Oregon botched rollouts and insurance issues; Fall recreational marijuana initiative; the expansion of medical marijuana dispensaries; the Oregon Health Plan, co-ops and managed care; Prescription drug prices; Immunizations and treatments; Food and product recalls; General health care issues; Obesity, diabetes & healthy eating; Drug & alcohol abuse; Pandemic risks; Physician-assisted suicide.
3	<u>WOMEN, FAMILY, ELDERS, MINORITIES, HUMAN RIGHTS, RELIGION, COMMUNITY:</u> Same-sex marriage in Oregon and elsewhere; Gay rights, fair housing, domestic partnerships; Immigration; Families and children; Domestic violence; Youth programs; Minority issues, including the growing local Latino population; Racial issues; Civil Rights; Civil liberties; The NSA and related issues; Religious issues and churches, Community and charitable events, Older adults, Pets and animal rights.
4	<u>POLITICS, ELECTIONS:</u> Congressional gridlock, mid-term election politics; Legislative session; Ballot initiatives; Funding issues; Election finance.
5	<u>CRIME-SAFETY:</u> Gun control, gun violence and politics; Drug & alcohol abuse; Human trafficking; School safety; Gangs; Policing & community policing; Demonstrations & riots; Arsonists; Racial profiling; Youth protection, including child abuse; Traffic; Public safety during severe weather, disasters and terrorism.
6	<u>EDUCATION:</u> Local and state budgets for higher and lower education; Paying for college; Curriculum and academic standards; Programs and students honored for academic or civic excellence. National education and trends; teacher contracts.
7	<u>HOMELESSNESS, LOW-INCOME ISSUES:</u> "The Working Poor"; At-risk youth; Community agencies; Veteran homelessness and mental health issues; Homeless and low-income families and "living wages"; Affordable housing; Senior citizens financial, health and lifestyle issues; Local coalitions.
8	<u>MILITARY, VETERANS, WAR ON TERRORISM:</u> National Guard deployments; Oregonians in the military; Overseas deployments; Veterans' issues, including jobs, mental health (PTSD, suicide, etc.) and homelessness; Military families issues; Homeland and local security; Balancing terrorism with civil rights; NSA hacking and privacy issues.
9	<u>GROWTH & TRANSPORTATION :</u> Willamette Street modifications; Road projects; Lane Transit District EmX expansion, other bus lines; Downtown development; Rural development, urban growth boundary; Economic development efforts; Highway and street improvements & safety; Urban renewal and urban density; UO athletic facilities.
10	<u>ENVIRONMENT:</u> Drought, severe weather; Disaster preparedness; Earthquakes, tsunamis, Japanese tsunami debris; Wildfires; Hazardous materials transport, toxic dumps, clean-up sites. Air quality and greenhouse gases; Agriculture; Ocean health; Forest management; Wildlife habitat, fish recovery, fishing effects; Power generation; Alternate energy, Technology

The 3rd Quarter, 2014, Issues List was formulated at a public meeting on Thursday, July 10, 2014. In attendance were Tracy Berry of KGNU-FM and Mary Reilly of KMGE-FM.

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	07/06/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	SAFETY, CRIME, TRANSPORTATION, FAMILIES
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>It takes a lot of work, including prevention, detection and investigation to keep drunken an impaired drivers off our roadways. Earlier this month, the Lane County chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving, or "MADD," held an event to thank members of local law enforcement for putting their lives on the line every day to keep our streets and highways safe from drunken drivers. We chat with one of the honorees, Springfield Police Officer Tom Speldrich, who made more than 150 DUI arrests last year. And we speak with Cate Duke from MADD about the organization's continued efforts.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	07/13/14 and 07/20/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	SAFETY, FAMILIES, ECONOMY, HEALTH
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>Do you spend a lot of time cooking or grilling or picnicking or camping? Then this topic is for you because we're going to talk about summer food safety and food safety year-round. We keep hearing about outbreaks of food-borne illnesses. Nellie Oehler with the Lane County-Oregon State University Extension Service takes us into her own kitchen to talk about preparation, transportation, serving and preservation of food.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	07/27/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY, ECONOMY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	Hey, anyone want to pull some weeds? It might not sound like fun at first, but every week, a group of committed volunteers get together on the slopes of Mt. Pisgah, southeast of Eugene, to do just that and more. This morning on Community Forum, we talk about the many volunteer organizations in our community that help maintain our local parks and natural areas. We focus on the "Monday Morning Regulars" at 23-hundred acre Buford Recreation Area and Arboretum.

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	08/03/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNV-FM 7:00 AM on KMGH-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY, ECONOMY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>Imagine the Southern Willamette Valley 100 year ago: Not many people, plenty of birds and wildlife. But as settlers arrived they brought with them plants from home. And in many places, those imports turned invasive, crowding out the local plants and changing the landscape and the environment. This morning, we chat with staff and volunteers at the Native Plant Nursery at the Howard Buford Recreation Area. The group works year-round to harvest, cultivate and transplant native plants into the park's natural areas. And they also collect seeds and grow plants for sale to other conservation groups and occasionally to the public. The proceeds help pay for additional restoration efforts at the natural area.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	08/10/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	EDUCATION, FAMILIES, LOW-INCOME, COMMUNITY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>Imagine you're a kid and it's your first day of school: Everyone else has backpacks and notebooks and pencils and pens. Everyone except you. Now imagine trying to keep up in class. How much are you going to enjoy school? Will you even want to go? Each year, members of our community step up to help ensure every child has the opportunity to succeed in school, by ensuring they have the tools they need in the classroom. One of the largest efforts is the subject of this week's program. It's the "Backpacks for Back-to-School" drive in Eugene-Springfield, an effort by the local districts, their educational foundations and the St. Vincent DePaul Society of Lane County. We talk with the organizers as well as a dad and his son who benefit from the drive—and the little guy takes us on his shopping expedition.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	08/17/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>When fast-growing wildfires break out in some of the driest and most vulnerable parts of the state, crews and equipment from Lane County and some of our neighbors to the north step up and help out. They're part of a group of fire task forces that specialize in protecting homes and other buildings so the wildland crews can focus on building fire lines and containing blazes on forests and rangeland. This morning, we chat with Rick MacPherson. He's an engineer, firefighter and EMT with the Coburg Fire District. He's also a leader of one of the interagency task forces who can double as an engineer and crew boss, operator and firefighter, as needed. He talks about the season so far, how the coordination works and the challenges crews face in the field as more people live in the so-called "wildland interface."</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	08/24/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	COMMUNITY, FAMILIES, ECONOMY, HUMAN RIGHTS
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>The Oregon Supportive Living Program assists those with physical and developmental disabilities lead full lives. One key part of the outreach is the "Look Me in the Eye" campaign, designed to reduce bullying, increase positive interactions and self-esteem for adults and young people with disabilities. This morning, we speak with a coordinator of the program and one of its participants. And we learn about an art show featuring work from some of the OSLP's clients.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	08/31/14 and 09/28/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	FAMILIES, COMMUNITY, SENIORS, LOW-INCOME, HEALTH, SAFETY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>Are you or someone you know over the age of 55, meet some low-income guidelines and have a little bit of free time? If so, you might be able to help improve the quality of life of some older adults here in Lane County. You'll provide supportive services and companionship to adults who are often living alone or living with disabilities. This morning, we learn more about the Senior Companions program here in Lane County and how volunteers can earn a small stipend for their time while changing lives for the better. Our guest is one of the program's coordinators, Beth Brooks.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	09/07/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KKNV-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	EDUCATION, FAMILIES, COMMUNITY, LOW-INCOME
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>Every day is a busy day at Eugene's downtown library. And while generations of Eugene's kids have grown up going to the library, for some of the youngest, the library is about to come to them. The Imagination Library is a new program unveiled just days ago by the Eugene Public Library and the Eugene Public Library Foundation. We chat with foundation board member Doug Barber and librarian Connie Bennett. The Imagination Library was founded by country singer Dolly Parton to improve literacy and foster a love of reading among children ages birth through age four. Each month, enrolled children are mailed a free book. If they begin at birth, by the time they've received their final book before their fifth birthday they'll have their own personal library of 60 books. The cost is \$25 per child per year and the foundation is raising donations to cover the costs. Library officials say there are between 5,000 and 6,000 eligible youngsters in the city and they'd like to see all of them enrolled. The goal: Get kids ready and eager to start kindergarten and succeed in school and in life.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	09/14/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	ECONOMY, BUSINESS, EDUCATION
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>Are you ready to start a new business or take your small business to the next level? That's where folks at the Lane Small Business Development Center can help. The SBDC is located in the downtown campus of Lane Community College. The center's holding a special "open door" event this month—a chance for individuals and business owners to drop by for some brief one-on-one informational sessions with the center's instructors, coaches and staff. It's a chance to learn more about some of the center's programs and resources that it offers. Our guests are Gary Smith, an instructor with both the Small Business Development Center and the Small Business Management Program, and Frank Plaisted, an SBDC instructor and advisor who also manages the New Product Development Program.</p>

COMMUNITY FORUM PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING

Name of Program	Community Forum
Date of Program	09/21/14
Time of Program	6:30 AM on KGNU-FM 7:00 AM on KMGE-FM & KEUG-FM
Issue	SAFETY, COMMUNITY, HEALTH, FAMILIES, ECONOMY
Length Of Program	30 Minutes
TOPIC	<p>Are you ready for a major disaster? Recent news stories about wildfires, flash floods and even earthquakes have a lot of people thinking about whether they're ready to deal with emergency situations. We preview a special event hosted by the City of Eugene's Emergency Management Program. It's designed to give you some good skills and also get you tied into a local network of people who can help back up our emergency responders. Patence Winningham is our guest. She also offers tips for individuals, families and businesses for dealing with disasters and the early stages of recovery.</p>

PUBLIC AFFAIRS POSTING FORM

**DATE OF
BROADCAST** 07/01/14

**TIME OF
BROADCAST** 5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM

**NAME OF
PROGRAM** Morning News

**LENGTH OF
PROGRAM** 30 Seconds

**ISSUE OR
SUBJECT
DISCUSSED** ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, HEALTH: There's hot weather in the forecast in the run-up to the July 4th holiday. The National Weather Service has issued a heat advisory for temperatures in the low 90s. ; Oregon's workplace safety officials are urging outdoor workers at risk as temperatures climb. Learn the signs of heat exhaustion; take precautions. Landscaping, construction, and agriculture are some of the outdoor jobs that can expose workers to dangerous high heat. Labor-intensive activities in hot weather can raise body temperatures beyond the level that normally can be cooled by sweating and may lead to heat exhaustion or heat stroke. Oregon OSHA encourages employers and workers to learn the signs of heat illness and take precautions. Many Oregon workers aren't used to this type of heat and may need time to acclimate. A person overcome with heat exhaustion will still sweat but may experience extreme fatigue, nausea, lightheadedness, or a headache. The person could have clammy and moist skin, a pale complexion, and a normal or only slightly elevated body temperature. If heat exhaustion is not treated promptly, the illness could progress to heat stroke, and possibly even death. Water, rest, and shade are the three things to remember. Employers should ensure workers are taking water breaks throughout the day and provide shade to give their body time to recover. To help those suffering from heat exhaustion: Move them to a cool, shaded area. Do not leave them alone. Loosen and remove heavy clothing. Provide cool water to drink (a small cup every 15 minutes) if they are not feeling sick to their stomach. Try to cool them by fanning them. Cool the skin with a spray mist of cold water or a wet cloth. If they do not feel better in a few minutes, call 911 for emergency help. Certain medications, wearing personal protective equipment while on the job, and a past case of heat stress create a higher risk for heat illness. Heat stroke is a different condition than heat exhaustion. There are several reactions that occur in the human body with heat stroke: hot, red skin (looks like a sunburn); mood changes; irritability and confusion; and collapsing (person will not respond to verbal commands). Immediately call for emergency help if you think the person is suffering from heat stroke. If not treated quickly, the condition can result in death. Here are some tips for preventing a heat-related illness: Perform the heaviest, most labor-intensive work during the coolest part of the day. Use the buddy system (work in pairs) to monitor the heat. Drink plenty of cool water (one small cup every 15 to 20 minutes). Wear light, loose-fitting, breathable clothing (such as cotton). Take frequent short breaks in cool, shaded areas – allow your body to cool down. Avoid eating large meals before working in hot environments. Avoid caffeine and alcoholic beverages (these make the body lose water and increase the risk of heat illnesses). Employers can calculate the heat index for their worksite with the federal OSHA heat stress app for mobile phones. The tool is available at http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/heatillness/heat_index/heat_app.html. A number of other tools are also available at <http://www.osha.gov/SLTC/heatillness/index.html>.

Oregon OSHA also has a pocket-sized booklet available, in both English and Spanish, with tips for working in the heat: <http://www.orosha.org/pdf/pubs/4926.pdf> (English version).

/ POLITICS, MINORITIES, ECONOMY: President Barack Obama's abrupt shift to a go-it-alone strategy on immigration sets up a clash with House Republicans who've already threatened to sue him. The president is also raising expectations among immigration advocates that he may have trouble satisfying. It comes after a senior White House official said House Speaker John Boehner had told the president that the House of Representatives will not vote on an immigration overhaul this year. So Obama is planning to take steps on his own to change immigration policies through executive actions, without congressional approval. Obama will confront a rising influx of children across the border by refocusing immigration enforcement. The move will effectively reduce the number of deportations in the country's interior by stressing enforcement action on individuals who are either recent unlawful border crossers or who present a national security, public safety, or border security threat. The president is limited in his powers to ease deportations and is under pressure to crack down on a tide of Central American children entering the U.S. without their parents. He has only so many options to tackle immigration, complicated by a midterm election that could cost him Democratic control of the Senate.

/ POLITICS, HEALTH, RELIGION: Republicans called it a win for religious freedom, saying yesterday's decision by the U.S. Supreme Court is further evidence the country's new health care law is deeply flawed. But Democrats said the ruling would shine a spotlight on access to birth control and dovetail with a strategy by the party to mobilize female voters on issues such as raising the minimum wage and supporting pay equity for women. The claims arrived almost immediately after the high court ruled Monday that some companies need not provide contraception to women as required by the Affordable Care Act. The Supreme Court ruled 5-4 that some companies can hold religious objections allowing them to opt out of health law's birth control coverage requirement. While the ruling does not address the heart of the Affordable Care Act, it's a setback for Democrats and amplifies a longstanding argument from conservatives that "Obamacare," as it's known, intrudes on religious liberties as part of a larger government overreach. Writing for the court's conservative majority, Justice Samuel Alito suggested the White House could resolve the issue by broadening a birth control compromise it created earlier for religion-oriented nonprofits. In those cases a third party - usually an insurer - can cover contraceptives at no charge to the affected employees, and the government absorbs the cost. But White House spokesman Josh Earnest signaled the administration might not take that route. Instead, he challenged Congress to pass legislation to address the coverage gap for women. That could put some Republicans in a difficult spot politically, but not right away. For now, they're enjoying what many viewed as a win.

; Oregon's candidates for U.S. Senate are taking differing views of Monday's Supreme Court decision on insurance coverage for contraceptives. The high court ruled that some companies with religious objections can avoid the contraceptives requirement in President Barack Obama's health care overhaul. Democratic incumbent Jeff Merkley denounced the decision, releasing a statement that called the ruling "an unacceptable intrusion of bosses into personal health options." Republican Monica Wehby's campaign manager says Wehby "doesn't see a problem with the ruling," as long as every woman has access to contraception through other means. The court's ruling suggested ways the Obama administration could offer birth control to women whose employers refused.

/ ECONOMY: U.S. home prices are rising. Data provider CoreLogic says home prices went up 8.8 percent in May compared with 12 months earlier. But the company says the pace of gains has slowed as more homes have come onto the market. On a month-to-month basis, prices rose 1.2 percent from April to May.

/ ENVIRONMENT: More and more plastic garbage and other junk is floating on the surface of the world's oceans. But a new study finds if there's any good news, it's

that there's less of it than expected. Ocean pollution—including floating plastics—have the potential to harm fish and other wildlife. The study draws its results from an around-the-world cruise by a research ship that towed a mesh net at 141 sites. Scientists also looked at other ocean studies. They concluded that between seven-thousand and 35-thousand tons of plastic debris is floating in the open ocean as well as on the ocean floor. Of the plastic pieces caught by the ship's net, most were less than about a fifth of an inch long. Many started out as larger pieces but broke down over time. That makes it easier for marine life to swallow, leading to health issues and, if the debris lodges in their stomachs and digestive tracts, the risk of slow starvation. Plastic debris from land reaches the ocean mostly through storm water runoff, including garbage tossed into rivers and streams and along beaches. / **HEALTH, WOMEN:** It's one of the least comfortable aspects of women's annual medical exam. But now a new study, led by researchers in Oregon, suggests new medical guidelines that healthy women may skip their yearly routine pelvic exam. The American College of Physicians unveiled the recommendation yesterday, recommending that doctors quit using them as a screening tool. It's part of a growing movement to evaluate whether many longtime medical practices are done more out of habit than necessity, and the guideline is sure to be controversial. Coauthor Dr. Linda Humphrey of the Portland Veterans Affairs Medical Center and Oregon Health & Science University says scientific evidence "just doesn't support the benefit of having a pelvic exam every year." The recommendation is not binding to doctors - or insurers. Indeed, a different doctors' group, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, still recommends yearly pelvic exams, even as it acknowledges a lack of evidence supporting, or refuting, them. During the exams, a doctor feels for abnormalities in the ovaries, uterus and other pelvic organs. But two years ago, scientists at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reported that the internal exams weren't a good screening tool for some problems, including ovarian cancer, and that there are other ways, such as urine tests, to detect such problems. / **CRIME:** An Oregon teenager was officially identified Monday as one of two women whose bodies were found in suitcases in Wisconsin. Investigators believe Jenny Gamez was killed in Wisconsin in late 2012 or early 2013, when she was 19. A 52-year-old security officer was arrested last week and charged with two counts of hiding a corpse, though prosecutors say they expect to file homicide charges. Her foster mother says Gamez had ties to Oakridge, Cottage Grove and Eugene but moved to California and they lost touch. Lorraine Ericksen said Gamez was a joy to be around. She said Gamez had been in foster care with numerous families since she was five years old. Ericksen said Gamez came to live with Ericksen about three years after Gamez relinquished her parental rights of her son. The bodies were discovered after Wisconsin highway workers discovered the two suitcases while cutting grass along a roadway. The other body was that of a Minnesota woman. / **MILITARY:** The U.S. will soon have about 750 American troops in Iraq. An additional 300 troops have been sent to beef up security at the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad and to protect citizens in the area. The State Department is also temporarily moving some of its embassy staff in Baghdad to U.S. consulates in the northern city of Irbil and the southern city of Basra. / **MILITARY, ECONOMY:** It's designed for military veterans, active duty military members, National Guard and Reserve members, and military spouses. Another big job fair is taking place in our area. This one is set for Wednesday, July 9th, in Springfield. The "Hiring Our Heroes" event begins with a morning employment workshop designed to help veterans and transitioning service members analyze their skills and how they may best enhance their civilian career goals. This includes one-on-one sessions for those who pre-register. Walk-ins will be scheduled for remaining available slots. The hiring fair gets underway after that. A number of local and state employers will be on-hand to meet with applicants. Want to learn more? Check out the website www.hiringourheroes.org or go to my Tracy Berry newsroom Facebook page—or

call us here at New Country 93.3. Learn more here:

<http://www.hiringourheroes.org/springfield-OR> / **TRANSPORTATION, CRIME, SAFETY:** Law enforcement in Eugene is putting a new twist on drivers suspected of impaired driving over the Fourth of July weekend. Police are concerned about the number of drivers who refuse breath tests in an apparent attempt to avoid or reduce the sanctions they could face if convicted. The Register-Guard reports police are countering with a "no refusal" program. Spokesman John Hankemeier says they will quickly obtain a warrant to draw a blood sample at a jail or medical facility. A dozen Eugene officers, two prosecutors, a blood-draw technician and an on-call judge will take part in the "no refusal Fourth of July." / **ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY:** Oregon State University says one in five of the state's commercial honeybee colonies did not survive the winter. And the school's experts say that if that kind of winter mortality continues, some professional beekeepers may not survive in business. Oregon State entomologist Ramesh Sagili (suh-GEE'-lee) says losing 10 to 15 percent of colonies is considered sustainable. But last winter, Oregon's die-off rate was 21.1 percent, near the average of 22 percent over the last six years. Sagili says replacing lost colonies is a lengthy and expensive process. Oregon is home to 62,000 managed honeybee colonies. They're instrumental in pollinating a variety of crops, including pears, blueberries, cherries, apples and vegetable seeds. /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The death of a youth at popular Wildwood Falls yesterday afternoon is a reminder to use caution even when just walking along Lane County's natural features. It happened shortly after two-thirty at the LaSells Stewart Picnic Area at Wildwood Falls along Brice Creek Road. The Sheriff's Office received a report that a young male visiting with his brother had slipped and fallen down a 25-30 foot rock wall near the top of the Wildwood Falls and gone into the swift-moving water. The older brother tried to save his sibling from the rocks but was unable to hold onto him in the current. That's when witnesses say the older brother went into the water to save his younger brother and both were swept down a narrow chute of water. The younger brother emerged from the water but the older brother did not. His body was recovered by Lane County Search and rescue after an extensive operation that required a tow truck to remove a large log from the water chute to allow access to the victim. The identity of the deceased is being withheld pending next of kin notification. The Lane County Medical Examiner will investigate cause and manner of death. ; Some recent drownings and near-drownings in Oregon's lakes, rivers and streams have officials concerned. They're reminding families and individuals to take some basic safety precautions—especially for young children playing and swimming in the water: Swim in designated areas supervised by lifeguards. Always swim with a buddy. Ensure that everyone in the family learns to swim well. Never leave a young child unattended near water and do not trust a child's life to another child; teach children to always ask permission to go near water. Have young children or inexperienced swimmers wear U.S. Coast Guard-approved life jackets around water, but do not rely on life jackets alone. Establish rules for your family and enforce them without fail. For example, set limits based on each person's ability. / **FAMILIES, SAFETY:** Fireworks went on sale June 23, and as July 4 gets closer, there may be more people using them. For many pets, this time of year is more scary than Halloween and it is a potentially dangerous time. Fireworks, loud noises and large gatherings of family and friends can all serve as catalysts for pet incidents including lost or injured pets, as well as bites. Plan for Your Pet's Safety: Noise – Make sure pets are secured in a safe and quiet place during times when fireworks will be going off. If a pet is extremely sensitive, call your veterinarian ahead of time to check if medication may help keep them calm. Carefully monitor any pet on medications. Outside your home - Keep dogs on a leash. Crowds – Be aware of and anticipate your pet's reactions to unusual activities and people. If your pet is not used to crowds and/or does not know visitors, introduce them carefully and monitor their activity and comfort level. If there is a potential problem, address it by securing them in a safe place away from activities. Dogs can misread horseplay between people as an attack and become protective of their loved ones or get excited, leading to bites. Be aware of and anticipate your pet's reactions to unusual activities and people. Fireworks – Secure animals away from

any area where you will be setting off fireworks. If your pet is sensitive, or if you don't know how they will react to the noise of fireworks, secure them in a safe, peaceful location. Don't let any pet chase fireworks. Picnics and Barbecues – be aware that children with food in their hands are at risk of bites by dogs reaching for the food and ensure the children are protected. Other animals – Ensure your dog is safe from other dogs that are loose, and keep them at a distance. Be aware that breaking up a dog fight is risky and that owners are frequently bitten when intervening. Hot weather – Ensure your pets have a lot of convenient water and a cool place to retreat when it is hot. Remember shade can be variable outside - Keep pets under a cool shelter or inside during peak hours when possible. Never leave pets locked in cars, where in the summer the temperatures can reach to 120 degrees, even with the windows down. Signs of heatstroke in pets include panting, staring, high fever, rapid heartbeat, vomiting, collapse and disobedience, among others. If you suspect heatstroke, call your veterinarian immediately and apply water-soaked towels to hairless areas of the animal's body to lower its temperature. Just as for humans, too much exercise during hot weather can cause overheating. Consider walks during cooler times of the day. If you take your pet hiking, make sure you pack food and water for the animal. Help for Lost and Found Pets: Lost and found animals, animals at large, or abuse call 541-687-4060. To contact the 1st Avenue Shelter located at 3970 W. 1st Ave. in Eugene call 541-844-1777. To see animals in the care of the shelter visit green-hill.org and click on Lost & Found. The average cost of a one year dog license is \$18. Licenses can be obtained in person at most local veterinary offices and the 1st Avenue Public Shelter; or online and by phone through PetData at 855-328-1400 or petdata.com/eugene. / ENVIRONMENT: Columbia River Chinook anglers can celebrate the Fourth of July with some fishing. The Lower Columbia River is reopening to summer Chinook from Thursday, July 3rd, through Sunday, July 6th. Meantime, the popular "show pond" for trout and sturgeon up at Leaburg Hatchery is closed for renovation on Monday. Officials say it'll be closed for up to six weeks to upgrade the pond, meaning the fish are being temporarily relocated. The "show pond" is a popular spot for visitors to the Leaburg hatchery. They can see the huge fish and even purchase feed to toss to into the water. / ECONOMY: The number of U.S. breweries more than doubled in the past five years, according to new data from the U.S. Census Bureau. Analysts credit the growth of microbreweries in many cities. They say there were 398 breweries in 2007. By 2012, the total was up to 869. And that's having a significant economic impact: The breweries industry reported more than \$28 billion in shipments in 2012, up by one-third from five years earlier. Their employment also climbed to 26,077 people. / FAMILIES, HUMAN RIGHTS: A federal judge in Kentucky has struck down the state's ban on same-sex couples getting licenses and marrying in the state. However, Tuesday's ruling was temporarily put on hold because it will be appealed, meaning it is not yet clear when same-sex couples could be issued marriage licenses. U.S. District Judge John G. Heyburn in Louisville concluded in Tuesday's ruling that the state's prohibition on same-sex couples being wed violates the Equal Protection Clause of the U.S. Constitution by treating gay couples differently than straight couples. Heyburn previously struck down Kentucky's ban on recognizing same-sex marriages from other states and countries, but put the implementation of that ruling on hold. That decision did not deal with whether Kentucky would have to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples. / HEALTH, COMMUNITY: A growing number of local governments across the country are banning the use of electronic or "e-cigarettes" in some of their public areas. Add to the list public parks in the city of Hillsboro, west of Portland. The Oregonian newspaper reports the Hillsboro City Council voted 5-1 last night to prohibiting the use of e-cigarettes on park property – which includes the home of the Hillsboro Hops minor league baseball team. While opponents argue there's no evidence of health issues, those voting for the ban say parks are

supposed to promote health and well-being. They also worry that e-cigarettes might appear attractive to children and that the vapor might be irritating and harmful for those that may have breathing conditions. The city already had a ban on the use of tobacco products on public properties. / **ECONOMY, SAFETY:** Target is asking its customers to not bring firearms into its stores, even where it is allowed by law. In a statement on the retailer's corporate blog, interim CEO John Mulligan said that Target wants a "safe and inviting" atmosphere for its shoppers and employees. Target Corp. made the announcement after questions arose in recent weeks about its policy on the "open carry" of firearms in its stores. / **ENVIRONMENT:** Researchers in London say so far, they've found no evidence of Bigfoot. In 2012, scientists at Oxford University and the Lausanne Museum of Zoology issued an open call asking museums, scientists and Bigfoot aficionados to share any samples they thought were from the legendary ape-like creatures. They've tested hair samples from Bhutan, India, Indonesia, Nepal, Russia and the U.S., but no Bigfoot. In fact, the DNA testing is taking a bite out of the Bigfoot legend. After scientists analyzed more than 30 hair samples reportedly left behind by Bigfoot and similar mythical beasts like the Himalayan Yeti, they found all of them came from more mundane creatures like bears, wolves, cows and raccoons. / **HEALTH, POLITICS, ECONOMY:** Oregon has hired a tech firm to help transfer the botched Cover Oregon health insurance exchange to the federal exchange website and finish building the state's Medicaid system. The Oregon Health Authority will pay Deloitte (deh-LOYT) Consulting, LLC up to \$18.4 million to be the systems integrator that oversees the transition. The decision to forego a systems integrator on the original Cover Oregon website was widely blamed for contributing to the site's failure to launch. Deloitte will create a website that will redirect Oregonians to the federal site to enroll in private plans and to OHA to enroll in Medicaid. It will also transfer the current Cover Oregon technology for Medicaid to the state's Medicaid system. The transition will be finished by the next open enrollment in November. / **SAFETY, ENVIRONMENT, CRIME:** A reward for information about a fire that threatened west Bend earlier this month has grown to \$43,000. The Bulletin newspaper of Bend reports investigators are still conducting interviews about the Two Bulls fire. The Deschutes County sheriff's office has described it as human caused, and possibly a case of arson. On June 7, a fire lookout spotted two separate fires near Tumalo Reservoir that eventually merged, resulting in the evacuation of about 200 homes. Eight days later, the fire was declared contained. The fire burned in an area of 6,908 acres, nearly 11 square miles. Cascade Timberlands, a timber holding company, owns most of the acreage. Company forester Bill Swarts says he's evaluating whether to do salvage logging. / **TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY, POLITICS:** States will be headed down a rough road if Congress doesn't reach an agreement quickly on how to pay for federal highway and transit programs. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx says in a letter to states that they'll begin to feel the pain of cutbacks in federal aid as soon as the first week in August. That's because the balance in the federal Highway Trust Fund will soon go below a \$4 billion cushion. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** Graco Children's Products is recalling 1.9 million infant car seats after going along with government demands. It's the largest seat recall in American history. The recall came after a five-month fight between Graco and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Earlier this year the company recalled 4.2 million toddler seats for a harness buckle problem. But it resisted the agency's demand to recall the infant seats. Buckles can get gummed up by food and drinks, making it difficult to remove children. In some cases parents had to cut harnesses to get their kids out. The agency says that increases the risk of injuries in emergencies. Graco argued that infant seats are used differently, and in an emergency, an adult can remove the whole seat rather than using the buckle. / **ENVIRONMENT:** Thunderstorms come to the middle Cascades this morning in the wake of yesterday's high temperatures (96 degrees

in Eugene-Springfield). Oakridge and the Hills Creek Reservoir region are among the hardest hit. / **TRANSPORTATION:** Lane Transit District plans Sunday service on Friday's Fourth of July holiday thanks to financial help from the Oregon track Club. Special shuttles will run from near downtown for Butte-to-Butte runners and walkers. /

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TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: The southbound Interstate 5 off-ramp at Exit 162 (Oregon 38 junction/Drain) is now open following a 12-day closure to replace damaged concrete in the adjacent travel lane. The ramp, which is used by southbound I-5 motorists heading to Reedsport and the southern Oregon coast, had originally been scheduled to be closed 33 days, from June 16 to July 18. However, following long traffic delays on Memorial Day weekend, ODOT and prime contractor Oregon Mainline Paving have been working on an expedited schedule to ensure traffic moves more quickly through the seven-mile work zone on the Independence Day weekend. ODOT and Oregon Mainline Paving have been working around the clock the last five weeks, revising the staging plans and bringing in extra workers to speed up the pace of construction. Some additional closures of the Exit 162 and Exit 163 (Curtin) ramps may be necessary next month to complete guardrail and paving work. These closures will be scheduled at night, when there is less traffic on the road. The ramp closure is part of the \$18.5 million I-5 Martin Creek-Curtin Paving project, which will repair or replace damaged concrete in several areas of I-5 between Cottage Grove and Drain. ; A traffic slowdown near the Goodpasture Covered Bridge up Highway 126 along the McKenzie River. Multiple sheriff's and EMT vehicles. (We learn later it's a suspected self-inflicted gunshot wound that left one dead). / COMMUNITY, FAMILIES: Fireworks went on sale June 23, and as July 4 gets closer, there may be more people using fireworks. For many pets, this time of year is more scary than Halloween and it is a potentially dangerous time. Fireworks, loud noises and large gatherings of family and friends can all serve as catalysts for pet incidents including lost or injured pets, as well as bites. / HEALTH, EDUCATION, ECONOMY: The Washington Post reports that the researcher who conducted Facebook's now infamous mood manipulation study is a University of Oregon graduate. The Post reports that Kramer studied decision making at the University of Oregon where he earned a doctorate in social psychology. Angry Facebook users are expressing their outrage – where else – on Facebook, about an interview Kramer gave in March of 2012. In it, he talks about how much he liked working at Facebook rather than in an academic setting. Kramer complained about how in traditional research labs, red tape makes research a slow process with results sometimes relegated to obscurity. At Facebook, he said researchers, quote, "just message someone on the right team" and the project is underway. Traditional researchers have complained that the Facebook social experiments lacked proper controls and oversight. / ECONOMY: The number of Americans filing applications for unemployment benefits edged up slightly last week but remained at a level that indicated a healthy labor market. The Labor Department says the average has fallen by nine percent since the beginning of this year. Unemployment benefit applications are a proxy for layoffs, so the declines indicate that companies are cutting fewer jobs. A separate report today showed that the

economy created 288,000 jobs in June, the fifth straight month of strong job creation above 200,000 per month. The unemployment rate dropped to 6.1 percent, the lowest rate since September 2008. The number of long-term unemployed has dropped by 1.2 million over the past year to just under 3.1 million. That is half what it was three years ago. Still, economists at the liberal Economic Policy Institute estimate that 7 million more jobs would have been needed to keep up with population growth. The challenge is whether the job gains will pull more Americans back into employment and lift wages that have barely budged. Many people who lost jobs during the recession and were never rehired have stopped looking for work. Just 62.8 percent of adult Americans are working or are looking for a job, compared with 66 percent before the recession. Average wages, meanwhile, have grown just 2 percent a year during the recovery, below the long-run average annual growth of about 3.5 percent. / MINORITIES, ECONOMY, HUMAN RIGHTS: An overflow crowd in a Southern California community where protesters turned back Homeland Security busloads of immigrants gave a harsh reception to federal officials behind the decision to bring them to Murrieta in the first place. The Wednesday night special meeting in Murrieta was called a day after the U.S. flag-waving protesters forced border officials to reroute the Central American immigrant families and children that had been sent from Texas. The Riverside Press-Enterprise reports that Chief Border Patrol Agent Paul Beeson took responsibility for sending the immigrants to Murrieta, bringing jeers and chants of "send them back" from the crowd. Riverside County Supervisor Jeff Stone, was wildly cheered after calling for secure borders and denouncing what he called the "exploitation" of traumatized women and children brought to the city Tuesday. / TERRORISM: U.S. intelligence officials are concerned that al-Qaida is trying to develop a new and improved explosive that could pass undetected through airport security. There is no indication that such a bomb has been created or that there's a specific threat to the U.S., but the Obama administration on Wednesday called for tighter security measures at foreign airports that have direct flights to the U.S. American intelligence has picked up indications that bomb makers from Yemen-based al-Qaida in the Arabian Peninsula have traveled to Syria to link up with the al-Qaida affiliate there. Over the past year, Americans and others from the West have traveled to Syria to join the fight against the Syrian government. The fear is that fighters with a U.S. or other Western passport, who therefore are subject to less stringent security screening, could carry such a bomb onto an American plane. / ELECTIONS, POLITICS: Proponents of a ballot measure to require the labeling of genetically modified foods in Oregon say they're turning in more than 155,000 signatures — far more than required to qualify the measure for a statewide vote in November. The secretary of state's office will count and verify the signatures. The initiative needs just over 87,000 signatures to qualify for the ballot. The initiative would require manufacturers, retailers and suppliers to label raw and packaged foods produced entirely or partially by genetic engineering. It would be effective January 2016. Labeling proponents say too much is still unknown about GMOs, so consumers should know if they are eating them. Critics say labels would mislead consumers into thinking that genetically engineered ingredients are unsafe. / ENVIRONMENT: More than 1,900 lightning strikes were reported yesterday in south central Oregon. A fire management partnership for state and federal agencies says firefighters responded to 32 fires in the area. The largest was contained at 2 acres. / CRIME: A former high school athletic trainer in Eugene has been sentenced to three years in prison for sexually abusing a student. The Register-Guard reports that a jury found 29-year-old Timothy Schley guilty last week of sexual contact with the Willamette High School student. Prosecutor Erik Hasselman asked the judge Tuesday for a sentence to send a message that, as he put it "student-athletes are not available sexual partners for adults. Period." Schley's lawyer asked for probation, but Judge Debra Vogt imposed a prison term. Vogt also barred Schley from having contact with the

victim for five years. The girl was in the courtroom and broke down in tears at the sentencing. Schley resigned in February. / **TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY:** Average fuel prices for the holiday weekend are at \$4.08 per gallon here in Eugene-Springfield. / **SAFETY:** A reminder about fireworks safety, particularly for young children around sparklers and other fireworks. / **CRIME, SAFETY:** To combat the deadly problem of impaired driving, the Eugene Police Department, along with Oregon State Police and Springfield Police Department will be out in force on July 4, cracking down on impaired drivers. Impaired driving remains a major public safety threat that still claims thousands of innocent lives on our roadways every year. This latest enforcement strategy is one of a series of "No Refusal Weekends." They are called that because all suspected impaired drivers caught during the enforcement who refuse breath testing will be subject to blood testing for alcohol. Police and other law enforcement officials work in coordination with prosecutors and judges to quickly obtain "blood draw warrants" for drivers who refuse breath testing. With the approval of a judge, anyone suspected of impaired driving who unlawfully refuses to provide a breath sample is subject to blood testing at the scene, a medical facility, or nearest jail facility. The program helps ensure that prosecutors obtain the scientific evidence needed to effectively pursue cases involving impaired driving. In Eugene, as well as the rest of America, anyone driving with a blood alcohol concentration of .08 grams per deciliter or higher is considered legally impaired (the standard is even lower, .04, for commercial drivers). However, many impaired drivers refuse to submit to BAC testing in an attempt to avoid-or have reduced-the criminal sanctions they could face upon conviction. It is important to note that a person is arrested based upon impairment, so even if someone is below the legal limit, if they are impaired they can be arrested. For example, some prescription medicines, illegal drugs, and or combinations of alcohol and drugs can impair a person's driving abilities. BAC test refusals are increasing around the nation. In a 2008 NHTSA report to Congress, Refusal of Intoxication Testing: A Report to Congress, refusal rates ranged from 2.4 percent to 81 percent, with an average refusal rate of 22.4 percent. According to data from NHTSA, during that period from 2007 to 2011, 780 people lost their lives in crashes involving drivers with a BAC of .08 or more, which accounted for 40 percent of all motor vehicle fatalities during that span. According to the NHTSA, there were 10,839 alcohol-impaired-driving fatalities in the United States in 2009. /

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ECONOMY, ELECTIONS: Washington state issued its first retail marijuana licenses early today with a middle-of-the-night email alerting bleary-eyed pot-shop proprietors that they'll finally be able to open for business. The first two dozen stores were being notified early to give them an extra few hours to get cannabis on their shelves before they are allowed to open their doors at 8 a.m. Tuesday — an opening that's expected to be accompanied by high prices, shortages and celebration. The issuance of the retail licenses marked a major step that's been 20 months in the making. Washington state and Colorado stunned much of the world by voting in November 2012 to legalize marijuana for adults over 21, and to create state-licensed systems for growing, selling and taxing the pot. Sales began in Colorado on Jan. 1. It remained unclear how many of the pot-shops being licensed in Washington planned to open on Tuesday. Officials eventually expect to have more than 300 recreational pot shops across the state. For now, there is only one licensed recreational marijuana shop in Seattle. He planned to hold off on opening his store until noon on Tuesday. With the emailed notifications in hand, the shops immediately worked to place their orders with some of the state's first licensed growers. As soon as the orders were received, via state-approved software for tracking the bar-coded pot, the growers could place the product in a required 24-hour "quarantine" before shipping it early Tuesday morning. Pot prices were expected to reach \$25 a gram or higher on the first day of sales — twice what people pay in the state's unregulated medical marijuana dispensaries. That was largely due to the short supply of legally produced pot in the state. Although more than 2,600 people applied to become licensed growers, fewer than 100 have been approved — and only about a dozen were ready to harvest by early this month. / **TRANSPORTATION, TERRORISM:** Passengers at some overseas airports that offer U.S.-bound flights will soon be required to power on their electronic devices in order to board their flights. The measure is intended to enhance aviation security at a time of increased threats. The Transportation Security Administration says it is adding the requirement that passengers coming to the U.S. from some airports must turn on devices such as cellphones before boarding. It says devices that won't power up won't be allowed on planes and those travelers may have to undergo additional screening. American intelligence officials have been concerned about new al-Qaida efforts to produce a bomb that would go undetected through airport security. There is no indication that such a bomb has been created or that there's a specific threat to the U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Jeh Johnson recently ordered the TSA to call for extra security measures at some international airports with direct flights to the United States. TSA does not conduct screening abroad, but has the ability to set screening criteria and processes for flights flying to the U.S. from abroad. During an interview aired Sunday on NBC's "Meet The Press," Johnson declined to speculate on whether new security procedures called for overseas will be required

at domestic airports in the future. TSA will not disclose which airports will be conducting the additional screening. Industry data show that more than 250 foreign airports offer nonstop service to the U.S. Over the past year, Americans and others from the West have traveled to Syria to join the fight against the Syrian government. The fear is that a fighter with a U.S. or other Western passport, who therefore may be subject to less stringent security screening, could carry such a bomb onto an American plane. / **TERRORISM:** The Washington Post is reporting that when the National Security Agency intercepted online accounts of legally targeted foreigners over a four-year period, it also collected the conversations of nine times as many ordinary Internet users, both Americans and non-Americans. The Post reports that the intercepted messages did contain material of considerable intelligence value, such as information about a secret overseas nuclear project and the identities of aggressive intruders into U.S. computer networks. The trove of intercepted documents was provided to the Post by former NSA analyst Edward Snowden. / **EDUCATION:** Education researchers say they have found that some students simply wilt away between the last day of high school and the first day of college. They call it "summer melt" and say it happens when the excitement of acceptance wears off and the reality of finances housing and other details kick in and students abandon their plans. Studies suggest the figure as much as 20 percent in some places. / **MINORITIES, HUMAN RIGHTS:** A top Obama administration official says no one, not even children trying to escape violent countries, can illegally enter the United States without eventually facing deportation proceedings. But Homeland Security Secretary Jeh (JAY) Johnson basically acknowledged Sunday that such proceedings might be long delayed, and what to do with unaccompanied children crossing the border is a legal and humanitarian dilemma. Johnson said the border is not open to illegal migration, and the administration is taking a number of steps to address it. But he told NBC's "Meet the Press" that the administration is looking at ways to create additional options for dealing with the children, in particular, that are "consistent with our laws and our values." / **CRIME, FAMILIES, COMMUNITY, RELIGION:** Pope Francis today begged forgiveness from the victims of clergy sex abuse in his first meeting with several abuse survivors. The Vatican said Francis met with three men and three women who had been sexually abused as youths by clergy, listening to each one privately for about a half-hour each, at his Vatican residence. In remarks afterward, Francis noted the abuse caused some victims to resort to addictions, or even suicide. He added that such deaths weigh upon his heart and his conscience and that of the whole church. Advocacy groups for clerical abuse survivors have denounced the Vatican repeatedly for failing to fire or otherwise discipline bishops and other prelates who routinely shuffled known pedophile priests from parish to parish without alerting parishioners to the danger. Francis' predecessor, Pope Benedict, met several times with abuse victims, starting in 2008. / **MINORITIES, ECONOMY:** A trial begins today in Los Angeles to decide whether Donald Sterling's estranged wife had the authority to negotiate a deal to sell the Los Angeles Clippers. Shelly Sterling had two doctors examine her 80-year-old husband and they declared him mentally incapacitated and unable to act as an administrator of The Sterling Family Trust, which owns the Clippers. Donald Sterling was banned from the NBA for life after he was recorded making racist comments. / **ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY:** Twenty years ago, members of the community of Glenwood Springs, Colorado, pledged that they would never forget. Yesterday, they renewed that promise. It's been two decades since 14 firefighters—many from Oregon—died battling a blaze on Colorado's Storm King Mountain. The Post-Independent newspaper in Glenwood Springs reports there was memorial yesterday in the community at the foot of the mountain that reunited family members and those from Glenwood Springs who reached out in their time of grief. Hundreds of Glenwood Springs residents joined the more than 200 relatives, friends and fellow firefighters at the 20th anniversary commemoration. A fire

engine procession, representing the many wildland firefighting agencies that were present in 1994, as well as the local fire departments that provided support, wound its way through town. The deaths of firefighters—including nine members of the Prineville Hotshots, one of whom was from Lane County—led to changes in safety guidelines for wildland crews. / **HEALTH, SAFETY:** Officials are dedicating a memorial today to the thousands of people who died at an Oregon mental hospital and whose remains were never claimed. The cremated remains were discovered in a shed a decade ago and only 183 have been claimed. The 3,400 that remain are listed in a searchable online database. / **ENVIRONMENT:** It could be cloudy and foggy this week on the Oregon coast, but most of the rest of the state can expect sunny skies and hot weather. The National Weather Service expects highs in inland valleys in the 80s and 90s. Forecasters say highs in eastern Oregon will be in the 90s, nearing 100 degrees in places. / **CRIME, FAMILIES:** A 40-year-old Humpty Dumpty took a great fall at the Enchanted Forest theme park in Turner over the weekend. Park officials say the popular attraction fell Saturday when two men tried to climb his wall and accidentally pulled him down. KGW-TV reports Humpty Dumpty was an original sculpture by Salem artist Roger Tofte. The park says it hasn't decided whether to repair or replace Humpty Dumpty. /

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ECONOMY, ELECTIONS: The legal recreational marijuana market begins sales in an hour in Washington state, the second U.S. state to allow such purchases by adults over the age of 21. Lines began forming yesterday in front of some stores, which are expected to sell their supplies fairly quickly because of a limited amount of marijuana from licensed pot growers. The start of legal marijuana sales in Washington state comes after 20 months of preparations after voters okayed the process in November of 2012. Sales began in Colorado on January 1st. Only about two dozen stores are eligible to open today. Of those, it appears only about six will actually begin selling to customers. They include two stores in Bellingham, one in Seattle, one in Spokane, one in Prosser and one in Kelso. Others plan to open later this or next week. Still others say it might take another month before they acquire licensed marijuana to sell. Officials eventually expect to have more than 300 recreational pot shops across Washington state. Pot prices were expected to reach \$25 a gram or higher on the first day of sales - twice what people pay in the state's unregulated medical marijuana dispensaries. That was largely due to the short supply of legally produced pot in the state. Although more than 2,600 people applied to become licensed growers, fewer than 100 have been approved - and only about a dozen were ready to harvest by early this month. / **ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY, CRIME:** Investigators say three Eugene men—two of whom locked themselves to mill equipment and a third who helped them—were arrested at an environmental protest yesterday morning off Highway 99-North. Sheriff's investigators say they received a call after 10:30 yesterday morning from the Seneca-Jones Sawmill and biomass cogeneration facilities about a group of roughly 100 protestors whom they said had closed the road and the entrances into the business, creating a safety concern for passing motorists and interfering with the mill's and biomass facility's operations. Officials were told that protestors attempted to force their way into the business as employees were trying to secure the perimeter gates. That resulted in a brief closure of Enid Road between Prairie Road and Highway 99-North as members of the Lane County Sheriff's Office responded, assisted by Eugene Police and Oregon State Police. The protestors with Cascadia Forest Defenders and Earth First! said they oppose Seneca's plans to log a timber sale parcel on the Elliot State Forest near Reedsport. Investigators say 21-year-old Richard Denton Hayley, 23-year-old Benjamin Pinkney Jones and 22-year-old Chad Alan Kemp were taken into custody after locking themselves to portions of the plant and its equipment. / **CRIME:** It took a prolonged high-speed chase, deployment of a spike strip to flatten one of his tires and a tactical driving maneuver in Creswell to bring things to a halt. But a Washington state man whom investigators say was behind the wheel of a stolen car that reached speeds in excess of 100 miles an hour on Interstate five is now sitting in a cell at the Lane County Jail. Police suspect 24-year-old James Carl Voshell might have also fired a gunshot at a passing truck, although they add the driver of the rig probably never

realized the vehicle had been struck. He's facing charged related to the pursuit and carrying a concealed weapon along with possession of methamphetamine. / MINORITIES, ECONOMY: A judge in Los Angeles is telling Donald Sterling to show up in court today to testify in his challenge to the sale of his Los Angeles Clippers basketball team. The NBA wants to oust Sterling because of racist remarks he made to a girlfriend that were recorded. Sterling's attorneys argue that his estranged wife Shelly had no authority to unilaterally reach a deal to sell the team to former Microsoft CEO Steve Ballmer for \$2 billion. / HEALTH, ECONOMY: That landmark deal designed to compensate thousands of former NFL players for concussion-related claims has been given preliminary approval by the federal judge in charge of the case. The ruling comes about two weeks after the NFL agreed to remove a \$675 million cap on damages. The judge had previously questioned the cap, asking whether that would be enough money to pay all claims. / HUMAN RIGHTS, FAMILY, MILITARY: The battle over gay and lesbian rights has shifted to the nation's veteran's cemeteries. A U.S. Navy veteran filed a civil rights lawsuit this week because the Idaho State Veterans Cemetery is refusing to allow her to be buried with the ashes of her late wife. Seventy-four-year-old Madelynn Taylor filed the lawsuit in U.S. District Court in Boise after she tried to make advance arrangements last year to have her ashes interred with her partner's. The two were married in California in 2008 when same-sex marriage was legal for a brief time as well as during a religious ceremony in Oregon. Though federal veteran's cemeteries allow the spouses of same-sex veterans to be interred with their loved ones, Taylor said she was surprised to find the Idaho cemetery - which is owned and operated by the state - does not. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Dry, hot weather is increasing the wildfire danger in parts of eastern Oregon. The National Weather Service has issued a red flag warning for critical fire weather conditions from 2 p.m. to 11 p.m. Tuesday in an area that includes the east slopes of the central Cascades and areas around the cities of Bend, Madras, Redmond and Prineville. Temperatures are expected in the 90s and forecasters say lightning from scattered thunderstorms could spark wildfires. In addition, the Weather Service has issued a fire weather watch for the area around the cities of John Day, Baker City, Ontario and Burns. Western Oregon also is warm, and forecasters expect highs Tuesday in Portland near 90 and in the 80s through Friday. / COMMUNITY, HEALTH: The Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics is scheduled to run through Douglas County on Tuesday, July 8. Local law enforcement officers will be "Guardians of the Flame" as they run through Douglas County on Tuesday, July 8. Law Enforcement Officers from Myrtle Creek Police Department, Winston Police Department, Roseburg Police Department, Sutherlin Police Department, Douglas County Sheriff's Office and Oregon State Police will be participating to bring awareness to Special Olympics and the upcoming State Summer Games. The community is welcome and encouraged to come out to support and cheer on the runners. The Law Enforcement Torch Run represents a long-standing tradition within the Special Olympics family. This year's torch run will include four separate legs, which will all converge at Newberg High School July 12th. / ECONOMY: U.S. employers advertised more jobs in May than in any month in the past seven years, a sign that this year's strong hiring trend is likely to continue. The Labor Department reports more Americans also quit their jobs. Analysts consider that a good economic sign because that usually occurs when workers find new and higher-paying jobs. It also opens up more positions for those out of work. ; Meantime, the amount paid to Oregonians making new filings for unemployment insurance benefits has increased slightly. The change affects new unemployment insurance claims effective on or after June 29, 2014. Those with existing unemployment claims will continue to receive the same weekly amount. The maximum weekly benefit amount an individual can receive will increase to \$549, while the minimum amount will be \$128. The amounts are set as percentages of

the average weekly wage earned by Oregonians, which represent roughly a two-percent and 1.6 percent increase over last year. / MINORITIES, HUMAN RIGHTS: President Barack Obama will be asking Congress for emergency spending of more than \$2 billion to deal with the crisis caused by unaccompanied children at the border with Mexico. But for now, he won't be looking for legal changes that would let him send the children back home more quickly. Immigration advocates had objected to proposals to speed thousands of the minors back to Central America, where many of them face gang violence. Obama will discuss the crisis with faith and local leaders during a fundraising trip to Texas tomorrow. /

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DISCUSSED** ECONOMY, ELECTIONS: Legal sales of recreational marijuana began yesterday morning in Washington state. And with that, Washington became the second state in the U.S. to allow the sale of recreational pot. Colorado began sales Jan. 1. Washington issued its first 24 retail licenses Monday, though only four businesses started sales the first day. They attracted lines of buyers—including many from Oregon and elsewhere in the U.S. Some shops limited purchases because supplies from licensed growers remain tight. In Spokane, for example, shoppers—including the 70 in line before the doors opened—were allowed to buy one bag of marijuana, either a 2-gram size for \$50 or 4-gram size for \$100. Tax was included in the price. Washington state law allows the sale of up to an ounce of dried marijuana, 16 ounces of pot-infused solids, 72 ounces of pot-infused liquids or 7 grams of concentrated marijuana, like hashish, to adults over 21. ; As Washington state's slow rollout of its legal marijuana market spreads to more cities today, one or two more shops hope to open their doors. Eventually, the state expects to have more than 300 shops operating. The pot being sold at four stores in Seattle, Bellingham, Prosser and Spokane was regulated, tested for impurities, heavily taxed and in short supply - such short supply that several other shops couldn't open because they had nothing to sell. After voters approved legal pot, Washington's Liquor Control Board began working to develop rules governing just about every aspect of the industry, from what fertilizers can be used to how extracts are produced. But the board has been overwhelmed: Nearly 7,000 people applied to grow, process or sell pot, and those licenses are being reviewed slowly by the board's 18 investigators. Fewer than 100 growers have been approved, and only about a dozen were ready to harvest in time for the market's launch. As for the stores, most first had to get lucky in state-run lotteries for 300-plus retail licenses being issued. Then they had to strike deals to buy product from the growers - in many cases at exorbitant prices. ; Advocates seeking more lenient marijuana laws have no intention of stopping with Colorado and Washington. Twenty-three states, including Oregon, and the District of Columbia have allowed marijuana for medicinal purposes, and more could follow. Oregonians rejected legalization just two years ago but we are all but certain to have a chance to reconsider this November. State elections officials haven't yet validated the signatures turned in last week, but advocates submitted far more than they needed. Oregon has long been on the leading edge of the decades-long push to loosen marijuana laws. It was the first state to decriminalize small-scale marijuana possession in 1973 - a step that's been taken in more than a dozen other states. Recreational marijuana use remains illegal, but possession of a small amount of the drug is punished with a citation and fine rather than a criminal charge. Oregon was also among the first states to approve medical marijuana. Unlike Oregon's 2012 effort, the team behind the current initiative has strong backing from many of the groups and individuals who helped bankroll the successful campaigns in

Colorado and Washington. / **MINORITIES, HUMAN RIGHTS:** For President Barack Obama, the humanitarian crisis at the U.S.-Mexico border is increasingly becoming a political liability, giving Republicans a fresh opportunity to question his administration's competence and complicating the debate over the nation's fractured immigration laws. Still, Obama is resisting calls to visit the border during his two-day fundraising trip to Texas, where he arrives late this afternoon. Instead, Obama will hold a meeting hundreds of miles away in Dallas to discuss the crisis with faith leaders and Texas officials, including Republican Gov. Rick Perry. Obama's trip comes one day after he asked Congress for \$3.7 billion in emergency spending to get more resources to the border. The roundtable discussion in Dallas is seen by the White House as a way to address the immigration issue while avoiding awkward photo opportunities at the border. Tens of thousands of unaccompanied children have arrived there in recent months, many fleeing violence in Central America, but also drawn by rumors that they can stay in the U.S. White House officials say most are unlikely to qualify for humanitarian relief and will be sent back to their home countries. If approved by Congress, the funding would go to increase detention, care and transportation of unaccompanied children, help speed the removal of adults with children by increasing the capacity of immigration courts, and increase prosecution of smuggling networks. The money also would help increase surveillance at the border and help Central American countries repatriate border-crossers sent back from the United States. Democrats and some Republicans on Capitol Hill seemed open to the emergency spending request. But Republicans criticized Obama for pulling back on plans to pursue legal changes that would allow the administration to send the minors back to Central America more quickly. Those proposals had infuriated immigrant advocates, who say the changes could result in harsh treatment of kids and eliminate their legal protections. / **HEALTH, SAFETY:** A government scientist cleaning out an old storage room at a research center near Washington made a startling discovery last week - decades-old vials of smallpox packed away and forgotten in a cardboard box. The six glass vials were intact and sealed, and scientists have yet to establish whether the virus is dead or alive. Still, the find was disturbing because for decades after smallpox was declared eradicated in 1980, world health authorities said the only known samples left were safely stored in super-secure laboratories in Atlanta and in Russia. Officials said this is the first time in the U.S. that unaccounted-for smallpox has been discovered. At least one leading scientist raised the possibility that there are more such vials out there around the world. The CDC and the FBI are investigating. Smallpox was one of the most lethal diseases in history. For centuries, it killed about one-third of the people it infected, and left most survivors with deep scars on their faces from the pus-filled lesions. Global vaccination campaigns finally brought smallpox under control. After it was declared eradicated, all known remaining samples of live virus were stored at a CDC lab in Atlanta and at a Russian lab in Novosibirsk, Siberia. / **SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION:** Oregon State Police (OSP) is continuing the investigation into Tuesday afternoon's fatal traffic crash that occurred on Highway 58 twelve miles east of Pleasant Hill. The crash involved a pickup and commercial truck, resulting in the death of the pickup's adult male and minor injuries to the truck's two occupants. All names and other information will be released later today. It happened shortly after around 5:15, when a Dodge pickup driven by an adult male was eastbound on Highway 58 near milepost 16 when it crossed the centerline and collided with an westbound commercial truck pulling a semi-trailer loaded with computers and tires. The truck and trailer caught fire and was fully engulfed when emergency responders started arriving. The fire spread to brush on both sides of the highway. The truck's two occupants escaped the commercial truck with minor injuries. The pickup's driver was pronounced deceased at the scene. The highway was completely closed while firefighters controlled the fire. One lane was opened after 8:00 p.m. The

other lane was be closed for several hours while ODOT and a tow company worked with heavy equipment to remove the burned truck and semi-trailer, and the pickup. ; ODOT officials say they restricted travel for several hours yesterday on Highway 242, the Old McKenzie Highway, until they could fill a sinkhole that opened up in the road. The Register-Guard reports that the hole measured 4 feet wide by 4 feet long and was 3 feet deep. The road reopened to two-way traffic by last evening. / ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: Hundreds of lightning strikes dotted a wide swath of central Oregon as summer thunderstorms rolled through on Tuesday afternoon and evening. Jada Altman at the Central Oregon Interagency Dispatch Center in Prineville says more than 750 lightning strikes were recorded. Fire crews quickly jumped on a handful of small wildfires spotted by lookouts. KTVZ-TV reports that one of the lightning strikes sparked a house fire in Bend. The National Weather Service says Tuesday's highs reached 96 degrees in Redmond and 91 in Bend. In Medford, Weather Service meteorologist Mike Stavish says thick morning cloud cover kept Tuesday's highs a little lower than expected. Medford had a high of 89. Stavish says while the atmosphere was fairly unstable, few thunderstorms hit southern Oregon. ; President Barack Obama is asking Congress for \$615 million to help fight wildfires as the summer season is already prompting blazes across western states. Obama submitted the request yesterday along with a bigger, \$3.7 billion proposal to confront a wave of Central American children crossing the southern border illegally. The \$615 million would go to the Department of Agriculture and it's hoped it will is designed to pay for all wildfire needs in 2014. ; A day of diminishing temperatures brought big gains toward containment of a wildfire in rugged and steep terrain in Northern California. The 6,500 acre Monticello Fire near Lake Berryessa in Yolo County was 71 percent contained Tuesday night - with full containment expected by the end of the week. It was one of dozens of blazes blackening parts of the West during summer drought conditions. Fire crews also increased containment of several wildfires covering a combined 21,000 acres of desert rangeland in eastern Nevada and southwestern Utah. No homes or other structures were threatened. A new wildfire in central Washington has burned about 5,100 acres. / ECONOMY: Oregon's economy is growing faster than normal, according to a monthly report from the University of Oregon. The report by economics professor Tim Duy showed fewer people filed for unemployment insurance in May, many sectors increased workers, contractors applied for more residential building permits and factories gave employees more hours at work. Duy says the information suggests above-average economic growth will continue. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, FAMILIES: More than three dozen children die of in hot cars annually in the United States, and since 1998 more than 500 children have perished. Heatstroke can happen when the temperature is as low as 57 degrees, and car interiors can reach well over 110 degrees even when the outside temperature is in the 60s. Here are some tips from safety advocates on avoiding accidental deaths in hot cars: Never leave children alone in a vehicle to run even a short errand. Use drive-thru windows at banks, dry cleaners and restaurants whenever possible. Use a debit or credit card to pay for gas at the pump. Put a purse, cellphone or other item you will need in the back seat of your car. This will ensure that you check the back seat before leaving the vehicle. Make a habit of opening the back door of your car and checking the back seat whenever you exit it. Keep a stuffed animal or toy in your child's unoccupied car seat. Put that item in the front seat when you place the child in the seat as a reminder that the child is in the back of the car. If a child is missing, immediately check the car, including the trunk. If you see a child alone in any vehicle for more than a few minutes, get the child out and call 911. For more information, go to www.kidsandcars.org ; There were three calls tonight within less than 30 minutes of animals left in vehicles during this hot weather. It is dangerous or even deadly for any animal or human to be left in a vehicle this time of year. Pets need special care during hot weather. Ensure your pets have a lot of

convenient water and a cool place to retreat when it is hot. Remember shade can be variable outside - Keep pets under a cool shelter or inside during peak hours when possible. Never leave pets locked in cars, where in the summer the temperatures can reach to 120 degrees, even with the windows down. Signs of heatstroke in pets include panting, staring, high fever, rapid heartbeat, vomiting, collapse and disobedience, among others. If you suspect heatstroke, call your veterinarian immediately and apply water-soaked towels to hairless areas of the animal's body to lower its temperature. Just as for humans, too much exercise during hot weather can cause overheating. Consider walks during cooler times of the day. If you take your pet hiking, make sure you pack food and water for the animal. / ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, ECONOMY: A year after people in Bandon spent a miserable summer swatting mosquitoes and staying indoors, the report is that things are better this year -- but not as good as they could be. The World newspaper reports that mosquito trap counts are way down and fewer people are showing up at meetings of the mosquito board. Last year, residents blamed newly restored wetlands at the Bandon Marsh National Wildlife Refuge for giving mosquito larvae large areas to grow up. / ECONOMY POLITICS, HEALTH: How unhappy are members of the Lane County Board of Commissioners about the Eugene City Council's proposed mandatory sick leave ordinance? Enough that the Register-Guard reports the board yesterday advanced three broad preemptive ordinances, all of which would directly undercut Eugene's proposed ordinance. The newspaper's Saul Hubbard and Edward Russo report that the most far-reaching one would prohibit any city within Lane County from passing laws that mandate any employment conditions — including wages and benefits. That would potentially neuter the mandatory sick leave ordinance if the City Council passes it. Another would exempt all Lane County businesses from Eugene's ordinance if they are located outside the city's limits. The third would exempt all Lane County government employees and all the county's future contractors from the controversial mandate. A draft of Eugene's ordinance would apply to all workers in the city limits, whether they are employees at a Eugene-based company, or whether they are employees who are working within the city limits for a company that is located outside the city limits. / COMMUNITY, FAMILY: The Flame of Hope torch, carried by local law enforcement officers as part of the Law Enforcement Torch Run, will pass through Lane County today with law enforcement personnel carrying the Special Olympics Torch to raise awareness and funds for Special Olympics. The Torch Run will end at Newberg High School Stadium in Newberg on Friday at 5:45 p.m. The Lane County leg of the Torch Run will be run by members of the Eugene Police Department and Springfield Police Department, along with Special Olympic Athletes. At about 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, Eugene Police participants will receive the torch from Springfield Police in front of the Juvenile Justice Center, 2727 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. They will run the torch to Valley River Center, taking the route Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. to Club Road to Country Club / Willagillespie Road. Special Olympic athletes will join the group for the last 0.8 miles of the run to Valley River Center, arriving at VRC around noon. Participants will be available for interviews during an approximately half-hour rest stop, then the run will start up again. Runners will carry the torch by relay from Valley River Center to the city limits of Junction City and handed-off to the Junction City PD, going through Maurie Jacobs Park to Roosevelt Boulevard to Highway 99. The torch will be picked up by Corvallis Police at the Junction City Police Department for their leg of the run. Eugene Police employees and Oregon law enforcement agencies together raise thousands of dollars each year for Special Olympics Oregon and the Law Enforcement Torch Run is the Special Olympics largest grassroots fundraiser and public awareness vehicle. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, FAMILY: Will your kids' car seats protect them in a crash? Eugene Police join with community partners this afternoon to offer child safety seat check-ups at Eugene Fire Station 2, 1705 W 2nd Ave in Eugene.

Certified child passenger safety technicians will help install and check the installation of child safety seats. The event is sponsored by the Oregon Department of Transportation and is free. Did you know the majority of child safety restraints are installed or used incorrectly? No matter how safely parents drive, a crash is still possible—and more than one-third of children who are killed or injured in Oregon traffic crashes are either unrestrained or not restrained properly. A stop at a car seat clinic can help ensure your child's car seat is set up correctly to provide the protection it is designed for. According to at least one study by the National SAFE KIDS Campaign, more than 80 percent of child restraints are installed or used incorrectly. The three most common mistakes are reported to be not attaching the seat to the vehicle tightly enough, not fastening the harness tightly enough, and not using or incorrectly using the chest clip. Eugene Police Officers, along with certified child safety seat installers, will be on hand to help parents ensure their kids are safely secured in their vehicles. At the clinic, certified child passenger safety technicians will help install or check the installation of child safety seats and teach parents how to check and use the seats properly. /

HEALTH, SAFETY: Oregon officials have reached a \$2.3 million settlement with a generic drug manufacturer from India over allegations that it sold improperly manufactured prescription drugs in Oregon. The Oregon Department of Justice says it filed the settlement Tuesday with Ranbaxy Laboratories and two affiliated U.S. companies. Officials say no Oregonians are known to have been harmed by the drugs, and all the products are now off the market. As part of the settlement, five state agencies that purchased the allegedly adulterated drugs will receive a full refund. Ranbaxy must also pay \$1.4 million to the Department of Justice's consumer protection fund, and \$540,000 to the Board of Pharmacy. Oregon's settlement follows a 2013 federal and state government settlement with Ranbaxy for \$500 million. Oregon was the lead state in the settlement. /

TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY, HEALTH, SAFETY: The developer of a proposed Columbia River coal export terminal is facing resistance from local tribes who argue the terminal's dock would interfere with their fishing rights. Australia-based Ambre Energy wants to ship 8.8 million tons of coal per year down the Columbia River and overseas to Asia. The East Oregonian reports the Oregon Department of State Lands has until Aug. 18 to decide whether to issue a key permit allowing Ambre Energy to begin construction. The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation's objection is one of several opposing the project, which business leaders say will bring needed jobs when a nearby coal plant is shuttered in 2020. Project advocates say they would contribute up to \$800,000 per year to the tribes as part of the company's proposal. /

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ECONOMY: Fewer people sought U.S. unemployment benefits last week, driving down the level of applications to nearly the lowest in seven years. The Labor Department says weekly applications for unemployment aid dropped 11,000 to a seasonally adjusted 304,000. That's not far from a reading of 298,000 two months ago, which was the lowest since 2007, before the Great Recession began. The four-week average, a less volatile measure, dipped 3,500 to 311,500, the second-lowest level since August 2007. Applications are a proxy for layoffs, so the low readings indicate that employers are letting go of fewer workers. The figures are the latest sign that the job market is steadily improving. Employers are adding jobs at a healthy clip and the unemployment rate is at a 5 1/2-year low. /

TRANSPORTATION: Motorists crossing the Ferry Street Bridge will encounter significant lane detours for the next four weekends. The 600 feet of deteriorated asphalt paving between the south end of the bridge and the Third/Fourth Avenue on- and off-ramps will be replaced with concrete surfacing one lane at a time beginning Friday, July 11, at 7 p.m. First the northbound lanes and then the southbound lanes will be repaired over a four-weekend period. When a lane is being repaired, all traffic will be shifted to the other side of the bridge on Friday at 7 p.m., with one lane of traffic in each direction. This traffic pattern will be maintained until the old asphalt surface has been removed and the new concrete surface has been poured. Then, probably Saturday evening, the lane next to the lane being repaired will be reopened and traffic in that direction will be limited to that one lane while traffic in the opposite direction will be able to use both lanes as usual. All work will be completed and all lanes reopened by 6:15 a.m. Monday. During work on the northbound lanes, the Fourth Avenue on- and off-ramps will be closed. During work on the southbound lanes, the Third Avenue on- and off-ramps will be closed. Lane closures will not affect access to the Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard off-ramp. Traffic speeds in the work zone will be reduced to 25 mph. Motorists are cautioned to leave plenty of stopping distance and watch for signs and flaggers as they approach the lane detours. Use alternate routes if possible. /

TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Reminder: When it's warm out, don't leave pets in vehicles. As much as people enjoy taking their pets with them to run errands, leaving a dog or other pet in a car, even on a warm day with windows cracked, can be dangerous or downright deadly for the pet. Animals left in a hot car can sustain permanent brain damage when their body temperature reaches or exceeds 106F. A dog locked inside a hot car can suffer from heat stress in as little as six minutes, resulting in an agonizing death. The City of Eugene's Animal Services Program is reminding pet owners to leave those pets at home during the summer while running errands in their car. / **HUMAN RIGHTS, FAMILY:** Utah officials have decided to go straight to the U.S. Supreme Court to argue against same-sex marriage. That means justices on the nation's high court will have at least one same-sex marriage case on its docket when it returns in October. If the

U.S. Supreme court decides to take the case, it will be the first time the top court considers gay marriage since justices last year struck down part of the federal Defense of Marriage Act. But because Utah's attorney General is bypassing federal appeals courts, the high court is under no obligation to take the case. Legal scholars say it's possible Supreme Court justices might instead wait for rulings from one or more of the five other appellate courts with pending same-sex marriage cases. The Supreme Court's landmark ruling last summer allowed married same-sex couples to receive the same federal benefits as other married people, but did not specifically address whether gay marriage is a constitutional right. Since then, lower courts—including here in Oregon—have repeatedly cited the decision when striking down gay marriage bans. The latest such ruling was Wednesday, when a state judge struck down Colorado's gay marriage ban. That ruling is on hold pending an appeal. / CRIME: Police in Portland say they have arrested a 29-year-old man accused of running up to a police horse, uttering a "karate-like battle cry" and delivering what a spokesman calls "a jumping, double kick" to the horse's right thigh. Police say the horse named Olin was unfazed and unhurt Wednesday. A police spokesman notes Olin outweighed his attacker by about 1,000 pounds. Olin and his human partner took Joseph Cruz into custody for investigation of interfering with a law enforcement animal. The man was also wanted on an unrelated arrest warrant. The incident happened as mounted patrol officers patrolled in Portland's Old Town, near a bus depot. They had stopped to speak to a group of people. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A wildfire has damaged four homes on a hillside above an Oregon coast beach. KPTV reports that five fire agencies responded to the Tuesday evening fire at Neahkahnie. Firefighters found flames stretching from the beach up to the homes. The fire appeared to start in some beach driftwood but fire officials didn't know the cause. Strong winds pushed the fire toward the homes. Two suffered heavy damage while the other two sustained just minor damage. No one was hurt. / HEALTH, ECONOMY, POLITICS: The new director of Cover Oregon will earn a base salary of \$215,000 a year. Aaron Patnode will also be eligible for yearly incentive pay of \$32,250 if he meets performance measures set by the Cover Oregon board. The Oregonian reports that Patnode's wage will be \$30,000 more than his predecessor's. Board Chair Liz Baxter says the salary is appropriate and stressed that the salary range was set using a consultant's survey of equivalent positions. She says Patnode is taking on a lot of risk and is leaving a good job to take on the helm at Cover Oregon. The former Kaiser Permanente manager will lead a troubled health insurance exchange facing an uncertain future, staff departures and multiple investigations. / ECONOMY: Colorado is smoking pot by the ton, and visitors are, too. That's the conclusion from Colorado pot regulators who have issued what might be the world's first market study of legal recreational marijuana. The study concludes that total market demand for marijuana in Colorado is about 130 metric tons a year. That's about 121 metric tons for residents and almost 9 metric tons a year for visitors. These figures include medical and recreational marijuana. The state concluded that visitors account for 44 percent of the marijuana recreational retail sales in the Denver area. In the mountains and other vacation spots, visitors to Colorado account for 90 percent of recreational dispensary traffic. Colorado's Department of Revenue compiled the market study, the first since retail sales began in January. / ENVIRONMENT: Recreational Chinook salmon fishermen will get an additional three weeks of fishing on the main stem Columbia river downstream of Bonneville Dam under rules adopted today by fishery managers from Oregon and Washington. The fishery will take place Friday, July 11 through Thursday, July 31 from the Astoria-Megler Bridge upstream to the Bonneville Dam deadline, with a daily bag limit of two adult salmonids – Chinook, steelhead or sockeye – per day. All Chinook and steelhead must be fin-clipped. This is the second time fishery managers have extended the summer Chinook salmon retention season below Bonneville Dam. Sockeye and steelhead seasons are

already open. The decision was based on an increase in the catch guideline for summer Chinook that resulted from updated run size and catch data. Current expectations are for a Columbia River return of 74,000 summer Chinook and 560,000 sockeye, up from the preseason forecasts of 67,500 Chinook and 347,000 sockeye. The summer Chinook and sockeye season remains open through July 31 from Bonneville Dam upstream to the Oregon/Washington border. Steelhead fisheries in this section of the Columbia are open through the end of the year, Fall Chinook salmon fisheries are scheduled to commence on Aug. 1. For more information, visit ODFW's website at www.odfw.com /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Forecasters say we're expecting an extended period of hot weather through the middle of next week, with temperatures heading for the 90s and low 100s in inland areas and an increased risk of thunderstorms in the mountains, which might spark new wildfires. It also means campers and hikers should keep an eye on the weather and think about where they might need to take shelter during a storm. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Chrysler says it is recalling 651,000 Jeep and Dodge SUVs in the U.S. because vanity mirror lights that have undergone repairs can short circuit and start a fire if not reassembled correctly. The recall is for certain 2011 to 2014 Jeep Grand Cherokee and Dodge Durango models. Chrysler says it has seen the problem only in lighted sun visor mirrors that have been repaired. But as a precaution, it says the recall applies to all of the vehicles. The automaker says it knows of three injuries caused by the lighted mirror. Chrysler will contact customers and let them know when they can have the problem fixed. ; The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says it is investigating steering problems in about 500,000 Ford cars. The investigation covers 2004 to 2007 Crown Victoria, Grand Marquis and Marauder models. NHTSA says a heat shield in the car can rust, dislodge and cause the steering shaft to jam. It has received 5 complaints about the issue and knows of one injury. In that case, the steering froze as a driver entered a high entrance ramp, causing the car to roll over and cause injuries. Ford Motor Co. says it will cooperate with the NHTSA on the investigation. / CRIME: Springfield police are looking for a sex offender who they say fled after learning of new allegations against him. 66-year-old David Edward Reitz is accused of sexually abusing a girl. Police say he has a record of sex assaults dating back to the early 1980s. The Oregon State Parole Board designated Reitz as a predatory sex offender on his release from prison in 2007. His parole term ended in 2012. ; An inmate who told FBI agents he was "at war with the world" has been convicted a second time for attacks on other inmates at the federal prison in Yamhill County. The Eugene Register-Guard reports 49-year-old Thomas William Cornelius was convicted Wednesday of using a razor blade to slash the throat of a handcuffed inmate at the Federal Correctional Institution at Sheridan. Authorities said Cornelius was angered because inmate Kevin Schultz hadn't delivered a letter to a female prisoner on his behalf. Court documents say that after the attack, Cornelius told the FBI agents he hoped for a death sentence. In April Cornelius was convicted of stabbing and clubbing Randy Mainwaring, a former Eugene banker serving time for fraud and identity theft. ; Oregon State Police say they've arrested the owner of a company called Whoops Towing as he tried to haul off an undercover vehicle. Police say they'd gotten reports that a towing business operating without the required certificate was posting its own impoundment warning signs in parking lots and using a spotter to generate tows. Police say they parked the unmarked vehicle Tuesday as part of the investigation. When 35-year-old Michael Alan Selmer of Falls City showed up

in the tow truck, whoops: They booked him on charges of failure to register as a sex offender and violating parole terms. The towing investigation is being reviewed by Marion County prosecutors. A call to Whoops Towing on Thursday went unanswered, and it's unclear if Selmer has an attorney. /

TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY: Oregon Department of Transportation officials say a stalemate in Congress threatens highway projects slated to begin next year. ODOT warned this week that the state may need to spend as much as \$110 million to cover the federal share of highway work now underway. The money would eventually be repaid. U.S. House and Senate committees took steps Thursday to avoid rationing federal transportation aid beginning next month, but it would only last into early next year. ODOT Assistant Director Travis Brouwer (BROW'-er) says the bills would ensure sufficient funding for current projects but would not allow the state to seek bids for work slated to begin next year. For years, gasoline tax revenues have been falling short of covering transportation spending. Congress is divided over whether to boost transportation spending with general revenue. / CRIME, FAMILY: The nursery rhyme proved right: Humpty Dumpty couldn't be put together again. But the owner of an Oregon tourist attraction vows to build Humpty anew. Last weekend, two men planning a photograph jumped on the wall where the statue of rebar, cement, sand and plaster had sat for 40 years. And, you know how it goes: Humpty Dumpty had a great fall. Sculptor Roger Tofte tells the Salem Statesman Journal Humpty was in too many pieces to fix, but the two men offered to pay for a new one. He says it will take a month to build. The 84-year-old Tofte has been running the Enchanted Forest along Interstate 5 south of Salem since 1971. It's 20 acres of rides and sculptures based on fairy tales and nursery rhymes. / HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT: The Oregon Health Authority has issued health advisories for two state beaches, citing tests indicating fecal bacteria. The Oregonian reports the advisories target D River Beach in Lincoln County and Heceta Beach in Lane County. Contact with fecal bacteria can lead to diarrhea, stomach cramps, rashes, respiratory infections and other ailments. Officials say people should avoid contact with water at those beaches until the advisory is lifted. Other recreational activities are OK at the beaches. / EDUCATION, HEALTH: Oregon State University says Paul Risser, who served as the school's 13th president from 1996 to 2002, has died at age 74. Risser died Thursday in Norman, Oklahoma. Current university President Ed Ray said in a statement that Risser led the school during a time of transition, helping to re-energize the athletics program, increase enrollment and guide OSU through "difficult financial times." Ray notes that Risser also led the successful effort to establish the OSU-Cascades Campus in Bend. Risser left the Corvallis school in 2003 to return to his home state as chancellor of the Oklahoma state system of higher education. / HUMAN RIGHTS, FAMILY: Two county clerks in Colorado say they'll join the clerk in Boulder County in issuing marriage licenses to same-sex couples. A Colorado judge ruled Thursday that same-sex couples can continue to get married in the state, even though Colorado's gay marriage ban is still in effect. Denver's clerk says she'll also begin issuing marriage licenses to gay couples, and Pueblo County's clerk says he'll begin issuing same sex marriage licenses Friday morning. / ECONOMY, FAMILY: The Federal Trade Commission is suing Amazon over charges that the company has not done enough to prevent children from making millions of dollars in unauthorized in-app purchases, according to a complaint filed Thursday in federal court. The move had been expected since last week, when Amazon said it wouldn't settle with the FTC over the charges. Amazon said it already refunded money to parents who complained and was prepared to go to court. The lawsuit seeks a court order requiring refunds to consumers for unauthorized charges. It also seeks to ban Amazon from billing account holders for in-app charges made without their consent. The FTC settled with Apple over a similar matter for \$32.5 million in January. Amazon did not respond immediately to a request for comment. / SAFETY: The gun manufacturer

Remington Arms Co. will replace trigger mechanisms on Model 700 bolt-action hunting rifles, or provide economic relief for purchasers, as part of a settlement of class-action lawsuits. Remington announced the agreement Thursday. Suits filed in Missouri and Washington state claimed the rifle has a defective trigger mechanism that can cause injury and death. They are among several suits filed against the gun maker over the years. Remington has sold more than 5 million of the rifles since 1948. Remington Arms says in a statement that it agreed to the settlements even though the company denies the plaintiffs' allegations of economic loss. The company declined further comment and did not provide details of how the trigger mechanisms will be replaced /

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ECONOMY: The number of people seeking U.S. unemployment benefits fell last week, a steady decline that suggests a strengthening job market. The Labor Department says weekly applications for unemployment aid dipped by 3,000. The four-week average, a less volatile measure, dropped to the level of June, 2007, about five months before the start of the Great Recession. Hiring is at its healthiest clip since the late 1990s and the 6.1 percent unemployment rate is at a 5 1/2-year low. ; U.S. home construction fell in June to the slowest pace in nine months, a setback to hopes that housing is regaining momentum and will boost economic growth this year. The Commerce Department says that construction fell 9.3 percent last month to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 893,000 homes. That was the slowest pace since last September and followed a 7.3 percent drop in May, a decline even worse than initially reported. Applications for building permits, considered a good indicator of future activity, were also down in June, dropping 4.2 percent. The worse-than-expected June performance reflected a big drop in activity in the South, where construction plunged by 29.6 percent last month. ; Microsoft says it will eliminate up to 18,000 jobs over the next year as it works on integrating the Nokia devices business it bought in April. With the Nokia deal, Microsoft's employee headcount rose from about 99,000 last year to 127,000 as of last month. Microsoft officials said that of the up to 18,000 jobs, about 12,500 professional and factory jobs will be cut. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** One person died, a second was critically injured in that head-on collision yesterday afternoon on Highway 126 west of Eugene. Oregon State Police are still investigating the crash, which happened shortly after one p.m. They have not released the victim's names. But they say the accident occurred when, for an unknown reason, an older woman driving a 2008 Toyota Prius westbound on the highway crossed the centerline, striking a 1986 Toyota 4-Runner headed the other direction. The woman died at the scene. Firefighters had to extricate the male driver of the other vehicle and he was taken to the hospital with critical injuries. It's believed both drivers were believed to be using safety restraints. The accident closed the highway until about 4:30 yesterday afternoon. ; GM officials will be on Capitol Hill today to testify about the company's delayed recall of millions of small cars. The Senate Commerce subcommittee on consumer protection wants to know what role the company's legal department played in the mishandled recall of defective ignition switches. It also will ask how GM is changing the corporate culture that allowed such a mishandling to occur. Expected to testify are CEO Mary Barra and GM General Counsel Michael Millikin. ; Chrysler says it can fix its recalled Jeep SUVs far faster than U.S. safety regulators have predicted. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has accused Chrysler of moving too slowly to repair about 2.7 million older Jeep Grand Cherokees and Liberty SUVs in a recall announced more than a year ago. They have gas tanks behind the rear axles that can rupture in rear collisions, leak fuel and cause fires. The

remedy is to install a trailer hitch to protect the tanks in low-speed collisions. /

DEVELOPMENT: December 1st: That's the new deadline for backers of a plan to renovate Eugene's aging Civic Stadium to come up with at least three million dollars for the project. The Register-Guard reports the new date came after a tie-breaking vote provided by Mayor Kitty Piercy, and members of the Eugene City Council. Earlier this year, the Eugene School Board selected the city's \$4.5 million bid for the property near South Eugene High School over separate offers from Fred Meyer and the Eugene Family YMCA. The City Council has until Feb. 16 of next year to decide whether it will complete the Civic purchase. However, the council has said the city won't buy the 10-acre parcel unless it finds one or more groups capable of raising at least \$3 million to renovate the 76-year-old stadium, plus an entity with a business plan showing it is capable of overseeing the renovation and managing the facility. The school board in March, meanwhile, voted unanimously to move forward with a plan that would instead allow the YMCA to acquire a 6-acre parcel at the Roosevelt Middle School property, southeast of the Civic site. /

SAFETY: A big fire yesterday afternoon at a home on Butte Road in Creswell. Officials with South Lane Fire are continuing their investigation and said while the home was occupied by two people neither was accounted for yesterday. Investigators are investigating the cause of the blaze, which fully engulfed the house and took close to an hour to bring under control. Three firefighters, working on a very hot afternoon, were treated for heat exposure. /

CRIME: A former police officer charged with dumping two bodies—including that of a missing Oregon teen—in suitcases along a rural Wisconsin road is due to enter a plea today. Fifty-two-year-old Steven Zelich is accused of killing 19-year-old Jenny Gamez, of Cottage Grove, and a 37-year-old Minnesota woman. Their bodies were found in the suitcases by Wisconsin highway workers in June. ; A third suspect has been arrested on suspicion of stealing three Volkswagen minibuses that were customized to look like bright orange Tillamook cheese loafs. KCRA-TV reports the man was taken in custody yesterday at his home in San Joaquin County. The \$100,000 minibuses were stolen Saturday from a hotel parking lot in Manteca, where they had stopped on a tour promoting the Oregon-based Tillamook County Creamery Association's dairy products. /

ENVIRONMENT, TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: A highway through the Ochoco Mountains of central Oregon remains closed by a wildfire, but the threat to about 10 scattered homes and ranches eased. Fire officials say the Bailey Butte fire burned more than 2,000 acres west of Mitchell and was moving south into the Ochoco National Forest. Several fires in the area have burned more than 4,000 acres. ; Oregon Gov. John Kitzhaber has issued an emergency declaration in response to wildfires. Kitzhaber's verbal declaration on Wednesday enables the Oregon National Guard to assist with firefighting as needed. Kitzhaber says the declaration will help protect people, property and natural areas. Hot and dry weather has fueled a number of wildfires across Oregon, forcing evacuations and closing roadways. /

HEALTH: New details from two studies reveal more side effects from niacin, a drug that hundreds of thousands of Americans take for cholesterol problems and general heart health. Some prominent doctors say the drug now seems too risky for routine use. Niacin is a type of B vitamin long sold over the counter and in higher prescription doses. Some people take it alone or with statin medicines such as Lipitor for cholesterol problems. In an earlier study, researchers announced that prescription versions of niacin did not help prevent heart problems any more than statins alone do. Now, a second study confirms that there was a slight rise in deaths among niacin users. The research suggests that "for every 200 people that we treat with niacin, there is one excess death," plus higher rates of bleeding, infections and other problems. Heart specialists stress that patients never should stop taking any medicine without first talking with their doctors. Many have shied away from niacin since the initial results came out, but more than 700,000 prescriptions for various niacin drugs are written each

month in the U.S. The top brands are Niaspan and Tredaptive. The details are in this week's New England Journal of Medicine. / ENVIRONMENT, CRIME: In perhaps one of the most extensive investigations involving troopers of the Oregon State Police (OSP) Fish & Wildlife Division, a Bend area man was recently sentenced after pleading guilty to multiple misdemeanor and felony charges related to illegal guiding and hunting activities in central Oregon. In total, 23 people have been charged for more than 200 counts/charges filed in Wheeler County and 15 additional charges were filed in Deschutes County. Ten of those individuals pled guilty or no contest; and cases are pending adjudication for 13 other people. In October 2012, an OSP Fish & Wildlife trooper received an anonymous tip about alleged illegal guiding and hunting activities in Wheeler County. The initial tip only provided a first name of a suspect. As the investigation progressed, the trooper identified the primary suspect as 43-year-old Alan Roy Aronson from Bend, who was alleged to be conducting illegal guided hunts, primarily for elk and buffalo, on another person's ranch property without the owner's consent. During the investigation, OSP Fish & Wildlife troopers across the state were involved in a coordinated effort and interviewed over a hundred people. Information indicated Aronson was performing guided fee hunts, to hunters on private lands, whether or not they had valid hunting licenses or tags. Between 2010 and 2012, hunters accompanying Aronson killed dozens of elk, including several large trophy elk that were shot and killed by persons without valid tags, and at least 9 buffalo from a neighboring ranch without the ranch owner's consent. Oregon State Marine Board records revealed that Aronson was not a registered hunting guide in the State of Oregon during the time of the unlawful activities and was operating on land he did not own and therefore was illegally guiding hunters without an outfitter/guide registration. Investigators also found evidence that a 6x7 bull elk was unlawfully shot and killed by his wife, 34-year-old Emily Aronson. Search warrants were served at two different locations tied to the Aronson's in Deschutes and Wheeler County. Subsequent to searching the properties, evidence seized included documents, a computer, untagged trophy elk and deer mounts, vehicles, a rifle, and three freshly skinned buffalo hides. Both Alan Aronson and Emily Aronson were sentenced in Wheeler County Circuit Court on June 20, 2014. / ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: East and northeast winds overnight brought more smoke into the southern Willamette Valley from wildfires. As a result, air quality has degraded to the moderate range. The smoke, combined with forecasted warm temperatures, will make conditions uncomfortable for some residents. Air quality will stay in the moderate range until a strong onshore flow pushes the smoke out of the area. "It's not uncommon to have smoke from distant fires make its way into our area," says Jo Niehaus, spokesperson for the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency (LRAPA). "This summer has been unseasonably dry and our forests are prone to fires started by lightning." The fires in Willamette National Forest and Central Oregon area have grown and new fires erupted in eastern Oregon after thunderstorms. Cooler temperatures are forecasted for this week and air quality is predicted to clear up by Sunday. Residents who are sensitive to pollution are advised to use caution when participating in outdoor activities. Individuals with asthma, respiratory problems, or heart disease are advised to curtail vigorous activity when air quality deteriorates. Residents experiencing health problems associated with the smoke and heat are encouraged to consult their doctors. / ECONOMY, HEALTH, DEVELOPMENT: The Ashland City Council is getting ready to lift a moratorium on medical marijuana dispensaries. The Daily Tidings reported the council gave initial approval Tuesday and expects to take final action Aug. 5. The Legislature has approved medical marijuana dispensaries but allowed cities and counties to impose moratoriums lasting as long as a year. Many local jurisdictions have local bans, with expiration dates next May. Ashland officials say there are two proposed dispensaries, but one is too close to houses. The second will need to get a

conditional use permit, which could take at least 45 days. / ENVIRONMENT,
SAFETY: A magnitude 4.5 earthquake was recorded Wednesday morning in the Pacific Ocean about 125 miles west of Bandon on the south Oregon Coast. The Bandon police department said there were no immediate reports of shaking or damage. The quake was at 8:30 a.m. The U.S. Geological Survey website said it was at a depth of more than 6 miles. /

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SAFETY, ECONOMY, HEALTH: It was a massive fire that produced a plume of heavy, black smoke that was visible for miles. Now, as the remnants of a major Springfield mill continue to smoulder, the owners must decide whether to rebuild and what will happen to the jobs of the close to 250 people who work there. The blaze gutted many of the major buildings at the Swanson Group's Springfield Plywood and Veneer Mill after the fast-moving fire started apparently in a dryer and quickly spread. As police and fire officials closed nearby streets they used the automated Community Emergency Notification System to telephone nearby homes and businesses, ordering an evacuation of areas up to one mile from the blaze as what were believed to be glue tanks exploded and the smoke began drifting into neighborhoods. The evacuation was rescinded shortly before seven p.m. as the smoke eased. The Springfield mill is one of four operated by the Douglas County-based Swanson Group, which purchased the former Springfield Forest Products facility in 2007. According to the company's website, the Springfield mill produced Douglas fir structural panels and had the added capability of making overlay panels. ; Swanson Group CEO Steve Swanson said Thursday night that the company's executives and owners will meet in the coming days to decide whether to rebuild the company's burned veneer and plywood plant. "We probably won't have any firm conclusions on what steps we'll take until at least late next week," he said. But, Swanson added, "My initial reaction is that we will rebuild that facility." Swanson said he had not yet been to the site, but had been told that the Springfield Plywood and Veneer plant was a complete loss. He said he did not have a dollar figure for the amount of the loss, but the plant was insured. "It's a significant blow to the company, but it's not a fatal blow," he said. Swanson said the company will ramp up production at its Glendale plywood and veneer plant to try to fill customers' orders. Glendale is near the Douglas--Josephine county line. "We will do the best we can to fill the orders we have," he said. But, he added, "We will not be able to produce (all) the orders that are on the books today. There are some things at that (Springfield) facility we won't be able to make, some specialty products that are only made there. "Right now, my major concern is the employees, getting everybody lined out as best we can, getting them any assistance we can," Swanson said. A few of the Springfield employees are likely to be able to get jobs at the Glendale plant, he said, "but nowhere near the extent of those that have been affected." The Glendale plant currently employs about 250 people, he said. There also is a good chance that some employees from the Springfield plant will be picked up by other mills in the area, which he expects to increase production in response to the loss of Swanson's plant, he said. If the company does decide to rebuild the plant, "it would be a lengthy period of time" before it reopens, Swanson said, "at least a year." "I need to get on site," he said. "We'll assess what we can do and make some announcement next week." Swanson said the last time he recalls a mill burning in Oregon was about

eight or 10 years ago. "The last one was Murphy Plywood, in Southern Oregon," he said. "They rebuilt that mill." In addition to its Glendale plywood and veneer mill, Swanson also has a sawmill in Glendale and a stud mill in Roseburg. / SAFETY: The Lane County sheriff's office is looking for two men who are unaccounted for after a fire destroyed a home in rural Creswell. The office says 65-year-old Dennis Michael Kelley and 69-year-old Carl Robb McFarland have been missing since the home burned down Wednesday afternoon. The Register-Guard reports that no one has been reported injured or killed in the fire. The fire's cause is under investigation. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: More evacuations have been advised due to fast-growing Oregon wildfires, this time in Jefferson County outside Sisters. Authorities said Thursday the Bridge 99 Complex fire has tripled in size since Wednesday, and was threatening rural homes along the Metolius River from Allen Springs Campground to Lake Billy Chinook. A level III evacuation advisory — the highest level — urged residents to leave their homes. The Bridge 99 fire has burned 1,800 acres in timber 18 miles northwest of Sisters. The Bear Butte 2 fire has burned 1,600 acres about four miles southeast of Mount Jefferson. A section of the Pacific Crest Trail was closed, as were some Forest Service roads. Residents of the Three Rivers subdivision were told to be ready to leave on short notice, and several other subdivisions were told to be aware they could be advised to evacuate if things get worse. ; A pair of wildfires in Central Oregon prompted fire officials to close a stretch of the lower Deschutes River to rafting and other activities. The Central Oregon Interagency Dispatch Center said Thursday that the Shaniko Butte fire grew to 18,000 acres overnight and made a run toward the community of Dant, on the west side of the river located about 10 miles south of Maupin. Meanwhile, the Ward Canyon fire east of Antelope was backing toward the east side of the river. As a result, fire officials closed the river to day and overnight use on the popular stretch between Trout Creek at river mile 88.5 and Long Bend at river mile 57. Other sections of the river remained open. ; More than 100 firefighters and other personnel from Alaska are headed south to help battle wildfires in the western United States. Officials say rains have diminished the threat of wildfires in Alaska this summer, allowing resources to be sent to the Lower 48. The Gannett Glacier and the White Mountain type two initial attack crews will head to Washington state. Officials say crew members and support personnel from the state Division of Forestry and the Alaska Fire Service will head to Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Oregon and California to fight wildfires. A hotshot crew on assignment in Canada's Northwest Territories is expected to return to Alaska next week. / HEALTH, SAFETY, ECONOMY: The Oregon attorney general has sued the makers and marketers of 5-Hour Energy, alleging they engaged in deceptive advertising. The lawsuit filed Thursday in Portland contends the company falsely claims customers get extra energy and focus from a unique blend of ingredients, when the effect actually comes from a concentrated dose of caffeine. Oregon has been part of a group leading a 33-state investigation into the accuracy of the product's claims. The suit also targets claims that users don't experience a crash when the effects subside and that the product is OK for adolescents. The suit names Living Essentials LLC and Innovation Ventures LLC as defendants. 5-Hour Energy spokeswoman Melissa Skabich said state Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum is grasping at straws and the company will defend itself against what Skabich called civil intimidation. / CRIME: A former police officer suspected in the deaths of two women has pleaded not guilty to charges that he tried to hide their bodies in suitcases dumped along a rural Wisconsin road. The plea was entered for 52-year-old Steven Zelich Thursday in Walworth County, where the bodies were found June 5. His attorney, Travis Schwantes, has said the charges might not hold up because prosecutors must show that the former West Allis officer tried to conceal a crime. Schwantes says Zelich claims he killed the women accidentally during sexual encounters. A detective testified Zelich said it happened during bondage. The Walworth County prosecutor has said he expects homicide

charges to be filed in the counties where Jenny Gamez of Cottage Grove, Oregon, and Laura Simonson of Farmington, Minnesota, died. ; Police say a man was shot in an exchange of gunfire with police at a mobile home park off U.S. Highway 101 in Reedsport, Oregon. State Police spokesman Gregg Hastings says officers from the Douglas County sheriff's office and Reedsport police were called to the home at about 12:30 p.m. Thursday on a report of a disturbance and were confronted by a man with a gun. He says the man was shot at least once by a law enforcement officer and taken to a hospital. The officers were unhurt. Authorities did not release the names of the man or the police officers involved. The shooting was being investigated by the Douglas County Major Crimes Team, led by the Oregon State Police Criminal Investigations Division. / **POLITICS, ELECTIONS:**

Democratic U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley's campaign says a conservative super PAC is buying television ads, presumably to boost Merkley's Republican rival. Merkley spokesman Andrew Zucker said Thursday that Freedom Partners Action Fund purchased nearly \$1.5 million worth of airtime beginning Aug. 6. Freedom Partners is an independent expenditure committee linked to the Koch brothers, who are major donors to conservative candidates and causes. The outside money could help close a fundraising gap between the campaigns for Merkley and Republican Monica Wehby. It also shows that big donors haven't been scared off by reports that two former partners called police on Wehby as their relationships deteriorated. Wehby's campaign said Thursday that she raised \$950,000 during the second quarter — about half as much as Merkley. Freedom Partners did not immediately respond to a request for comment. ; Republican Monica Wehby says she raised \$846,000 for her U.S. Senate campaign during the latest fundraising period. The report brings her total second-quarter fundraising haul to \$955,000 — slightly more than half of what Democratic Sen. Jeff Merkley raised in the same period. A summary of Wehby's finances says she had just under \$650,000 in the bank at the end of June and \$120,000 in debt. She's at a significant disadvantage against Merkley's \$3.5 million bank account. Still, Wehby's campaign said Thursday the report shows she is well positioned to take on Merkley. Wehby spent \$550,000 over the last two months. ; Gov. John Kitzhaber and his Republican rival Dennis Richardson are preparing to square off in the campaign's first debate. The candidates meet today in Salem at a convention for the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association. Kitzhaber is a Democrat seeking an unprecedented fourth term. Richardson is a state representative. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** Kia is recalling nearly 52,000 Soul small SUVs to fix a problem that can cause steering failure. The recall covers vehicles from the 2014 model year built from July 21, 2013, through Jan. 17, 2014. The Korean automaker says a plug that secures a pinion gear to the steering assembly can loosen and cause the gear to separate. That can cause a driver to lose steering and increase the risk of a crash. /

HUMAN RIGHTS, FAMILY: A federal appeals court has ruled for the second time that states cannot prevent gay people from getting married. A three-judge panel of the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Denver on Friday has found a ban on same-sex marriage in Oklahoma violates the U.S. Constitution. In a Utah case, the court ruled June 25 that gay couples have a constitutional right to wed. Lower courts struck down Utah and Oklahoma's voter-approved bans in December and January, respectively. The rulings are the first at the appellate level since the U.S. Supreme Court changed the legal landscape by striking down the Defense of Marriage Act in June 2013. They are likely to be appealed to the high court. Gay marriage in both states is on hold until appeals are resolved. / **HEALTH, TRANSPORTATION, TERRORISM:** Ukraine accused pro-Russian separatists of shooting down a Malaysian jetliner with 298 people aboard. The rebels denied downing the aircraft. The incident sharply escalates the crisis in Ukraine and threatens to draw both East and West deeper into the conflict. American intelligence authorities believe a surface-to-air missile brought the plane down yesterday but were still working to determine who fired the missile and whether it

came from the Russian or Ukrainian side of the border. Bodies, debris and burning wreckage of the Boeing 777 were strewn over fields near a rebel-held village in eastern Ukraine, about 25 miles from the Russian border, where fighting has raged for months. The aircraft appeared to have broken up before impact, and there were large pieces of the plane that bore the red, white and blue markings of Malaysia Airlines — now familiar worldwide because of the carrier's still-missing jetliner from earlier this year. The cockpit and one of the turbines lay more than a half-mile from one another. Residents said the tail was about six miles farther away. Rescue workers planted sticks with white flags in spots where they found human remains. Flight 17 took off yesterday from Amsterdam to Kuala Lumpur with 283 passengers, including three infants, and a crew of 15. Malaysia's prime minister said there was no distress call before the plane went down and that the flight route was declared safe by the International Civil Aviation Organization. Ukraine's security services produced what they said were two intercepted telephone conversations that showed rebels were responsible. In the first call, the security services said, a rebel commander tells a Russian military intelligence officer that rebel forces shot down a plane. In the second, two rebel fighters — one of them at the crash scene — say the rocket attack was carried out by a unit of insurgents about 15 miles north of the site. Neither recording could be independently verified. Russia's Interfax news agency quoted a special representative of the Donetsk People's Republic as denying that the intercepted phone conversations were genuine. Earlier in the week, the rebels had claimed responsibility for shooting down two Ukrainian military planes. President Barack Obama called the crash a "terrible tragedy" and spoke by phone with Russian President Vladimir Putin as well as Ukraine's president Poroshenko. Britain asked for an emergency meeting of the U.N. Security Council on Ukraine. Later, Putin said Ukraine bore responsibility for the crash, but he didn't address the question of who might have shot it down and didn't accuse Ukraine of doing so. At the United Nations, Ukrainian Ambassador Yuriy Sergeyev told the AP that Russia gave the separatists a sophisticated missile system and thus Moscow bears responsibility, along with the rebels. More than half of those aboard the plane were Dutch citizens, along with passengers from Australia, Malaysia, the United Kingdom, Germany, Belgium, the Philippines and Canada. The home countries of 41 people were not confirmed. The different nationalities of the dead could bring Ukraine's conflict to parts of the globe that were previous untouched by it. U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry said he was "horrified" by the crash, and said the United States was prepared to help with an international investigation. Aviation authorities in several countries, including the FAA in the United States, had issued warnings not to fly over parts of Ukraine prior to Thursday's crash, but many carriers, including cash-strapped Malaysia Airlines, had continued to use the route because "it is a shorter route, which means less fuel and therefore less money," said aviation expert Norman Shanks. A U.S. official said American intelligence authorities believe the plane was brought down by a surface-to-air missile but were still working to determine additional details about the crash, including who fired the missile and whether it came from the Russian or Ukraine side of the border. But American intelligence assessments suggest it is more likely pro-Russian separatists or the Russians rather than Ukrainian government forces shot down the plane, according to the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity because he was not authorized to discuss the matter publicly. The United States has sophisticated technologies that can detect missile launches, including the identification of heat from the rocket engine. A Ukrainian fighter jet was shot down Wednesday by an air-to-air missile from a Russian plane and said a second military jet was hit by landed. ; There's an outpouring of grief today from the scientific community, following word that researchers and activists heading to an AIDS conference in Australia were among those on the Malaysian jetliner. An Australian politician says the passengers included the former head of the

International AIDS Society. The AIDS conference will be held as planned in the Australian city of Melbourne, out of respect for those who died. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Authorities say a 38-year-old man died when his parachute failed to deploy during a base jump from a 1,000-foot tower near Silverton, Oregon. Sgt. Jeff Stutrud of the Marion County Sheriff's Office says friends of 38-year-old Zachary Sommer of Portland called Thursday morning to report that he had not returned from a jump he had planned the night before. Deputies discovered Sommer's body in a field near the tower on private property. Base jumping is like skydiving, but the participant jumps from a fixed object — like a bridge or cliff. Stutrud says it's not legal in Marion County, but the old radio tower near Silverton attracts fans of the extreme sport. / TRANSPORTATION, GROWTH: A victory for Lane Transit District's planned bus rapid-transit line in West Eugene and a big setback for a group opposed to the Em-X extension. A federal judge yesterday dismissed a lawsuit brought by the group "Our Money, Our Transit," seeking to block the project. The Register-Guard reports members criticized the project's environmental study and claimed Lane Transit officials failed to adequately consider an alternative route. But the judge concluded that the bus agency conducted its research and the study in a thorough fashion that included ample public comment. The bus extension would run a new EmX line nine miles round-trip from the downtown Eugene station to near Randy Papé Beltline in west Eugene, following West Sixth and Seventh avenues and West 11th Avenue. Portions of the route would be in dedicated, bus-only lanes, and other portions would be in lanes shared with other traffic. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>TERRORISM: President Barack Obama is urging Russian president Vladimir Putin to compel Russian-backed separatists to stop hampering the probe at the Malaysia Airlines crash site in eastern Ukraine. Four days after the jet was shot out of the sky, international investigators still have only limited access to the crash site in eastern Ukraine amid growing, widespread international outrage. Twenty-one more bodies were found at the crash site today, while the refrigerated train holding more than 200 victims had a power outage overnight. Ukrainian officials say the plane was shot down by a mobile missile battery from a rebel-controlled area in eastern Ukraine. They said the rocket launcher was supplied from Russia and operated by Russian personnel. The United States presented what it called "powerful" evidence Sunday that the rebels shot down the Boeing 777 with a Russian surface-to-air missile. That evidence included video of a rocket launcher, one surface-to-air missile missing, leaving the likely launch site; imagery showing the firing; phone calls claiming credit for the strike and phone recordings said to reveal a cover-up at the crash site. Pressure has been growing on Russian President Vladimir Putin, who the U.S. and others say has backed and armed the rebels, to rein in the insurgents in Ukraine and allow a full-scale investigation. Russia has denied backing the separatists. Putin lashed out against those criticisms again Monday, accusing others of exploiting the downing of the plane for "mercenary objectives." / POLITICS: Vic Atiyeh (uh-TEE'-uh), Oregon's Republican governor from 1979 to 1987 who shepherded the state through a deep recession in the early 1980s, died Sunday night. Family spokesman Denny Miles says the 91-year-old died at 8:15 p.m. PDT at Portland's Providence St. Vincent Medical Center of complications from renal failure. He says Atiyeh was at home but had returned to the hospital Saturday because of shortness of breath and possible internal bleeding. The son of a Syrian immigrant, he worked as a rug salesman before he entered politics in the Oregon Legislature. He won the gubernatorial race in 1979 on a platform of cutting taxes. In office, though, he ended up raising taxes because of the 1980s recession. / CRIME: A custody dispute sparked a high-speed chase between a mother and father in Oregon. Police say that a 21-year-old mother attempted to ram her children's father off the road during the chase in Grants Pass on Saturday. She missed and ended up crashing into a power pole, causing a widespread outage. The woman, Brandy Thomas of Washington, was arrested on suspicion of attempted first-degree assault, first-degree criminal mischief, and reckless driving among other charges. She was booked into Josephine County jail. The 23-year-old man crashed into a median. The couple's children were traveling with the man. No one was seriously hurt. The Oregonian reports that the chase began after a dispute at a park. Police say the man had just recently received custody of the couple's three children — ages 1, 2 and an infant. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Wildfires continue to scorch huge areas of Oregon and Washington. These include the Waterman Complex,</p>

which has burned more than 11-thousand acres and continues to close a portion of U.S. Highway 26 near the Central Oregon community of Mitchell. The Bridge 99 blaze, which forced the evacuation of some homes and campgrounds along part of the Metolius River and on the Warm Springs Reservation, now covers 53-hundred acres. A larger blaze, the Logging Unit Fire, has scorched 73-hundred acres on the reservation while the Shainko Butte Fire nearby has blacked close to 43-thousand acres. The Oregon National Guard joined that fight—providing two helicopters to make water drops on some very tough-to-access terrain. The Bingham Ridge Fire remained fairly compact at 275 in the Mount Jefferson Wilderness. It closed a number of trails, including a portion of the popular Pacific Crest Trail. Ground crews and helicopters are working the fire lines. The blaze is 25 percent contained. ; The most destructive blaze in the country remains is the Carlton Complex Fire in Central Washington's Methow Valley, which has burned close to 300,000 acres and destroyed at least 150 homes. The blaze also took down major electrical transmission lines, meaning those communities not evacuated have had to make do without power and use cellphones, tablets and radios to stay abreast of public safety information. The fire was so hot it burned homes completely to their foundations in a matter of minutes. ; An Oregon Army National Guard CH-47 Chinook helicopter is among those dropping water on an Oregon wildfire in support of fire suppression efforts at the Logging Unit fire west of Madras, Ore., July 20. The "Bambi" bucket used on the Chinook helicopters can carry up to 1,500 gallons of water. Two CH-47 Chinook helicopters and two HH-60M Blackhawk helicopters of the Oregon Army National Guard arrived at the Madras Airport, July 19, to assist local authorities in suppressing the wildfire west of Madras. ; The Buzzard Complex Fire is burning southeast of Burns. The blaze was sparked by lightning early last week and covers 368,000 acres—sending heavy smoke into some southeastern Oregon communities. Crews say the possibility of increased winds the next couple of days might test their containment lines. The blaze is 50 percent contained but has a perimeter more than 380 miles long, which is creating a mix of logistical and safety concerns. Much of the area is used for grazing and ranchers say they've lost cattle although they don't know how many head. Some of the land is also used as grouse conservation habitat. Many unburned pockets of juniper and sage brush remain within the interior of the fire area and officials say it has the potential to ignite under some conditions. ; The most fascinating news release of the day comes from the Marion County Sheriff's Office: The Marion County Sheriff's Office received information from The Air Force Rescue Coordination Center, which is located at Tyndall Air Force Base in Panama City Florida, there was an activation from a Personal Locator Beacon near Mt Jefferson. A Personal Locator Beacon is similar to locating devices which are used on aircraft, but for personal use. The Air Force Rescue Coordination Center was able to find out the beacon was registered to 56 year old Michael Smilenski out of the Detroit, Oregon area. Deputies received information from friends that Smilenski left yesterday to hike up to Mt Jefferson but they did not know the trail he was taking. Deputies attempted to locate the man's vehicle and began activating Search and Rescue units from Marion County and Linn County. The sheriff's office also requested a helicopter from the Oregon National Guard. The National Guard activated staff and sent a helicopter into the area to locate Smilenski. Smilenski was located by the helicopter just after 10 p.m.. as he was flashing some kind of light to signal rescuers. The helicopter that located the hiker was not equipped to conduct a rescue operation and they requested an additional helicopter for the rescue. Once the rescue helicopter was on scene overhead, they were able to use a hoist to lower down, load up Smilenski and lift him up into the helicopter where he was flown to Salem and then taken by ambulance Salem Hospital for medical treatment. Mr Smilenski was hoisted into the rescue helicopter just before 2:30 A.M. Smilenski is an experienced hiker and had hiking equipment with him for the different conditions he might face. Information from Mr

Smilenski indicates he fell approximately 100 feet and was unable to hike out on his own due to the injuries he sustained. ; Quick follow-up on the Willamette River fish kill spotted Friday between Eugene and Springfield. Just received an update this (7/20) morning from local officials: Lane County Emergency Management has been notified by the Department of Environmental Quality that the lab results for the water samples taken from the area of concern do not show any past or present public health threat. The advisory to stay out of the water has been cancelled. / HUMAN RIGHTS, ECONOMY: Federal workers and contractors who are gay and transgender are getting new protections from President Barack Obama. Obama is signing executive orders that will prohibit employment discrimination against those workers by the federal government and its contracting agencies. Some religious groups and conservatives urged him to provide a broad exemption for religious groups. But Obama declined. Last month, the Supreme Court allowed some religiously oriented businesses to opt out of Obama's requirement that employers provide free birth control. The president planned to take the action in the White House East Room Monday. President Bill Clinton already protected federal employees from discrimination based on sexual orientation. But Obama is adding gender identity. Neither group previously had protection under the law in federal contracting. Federal contractors employ one-fifth of the U.S. workforce. / MILITARY: President Barack Obama will bestow the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest decoration for battlefield valor, to Ryan Pitts, a former Army staff sergeant who fought off enemy fighters during one of the bloodiest battles of the Afghanistan war despite his own critical injuries. Pitts, from Nashua, N.H., will be awarded the medal during a White House ceremony Monday. Pitts, 28, will become the ninth living recipient of the medal for actions in Iraq and Afghanistan. The citation says Pitts fought off enemy fighters on July 13, 2008, in Wanat, Afghanistan. Despite losing blood from wounds in both legs and an arm, he continued to fire at about 200 Taliban fighters and guided air strikes that helped repel the attack. / ECONOMY: Verizon Wireless is launching a nationwide loyalty program this week for its 100-million-plus subscribers. There's a twist, though: To earn points for every dollar spent, subscribers must consent to have their movements tracked so the company can help target ads that match their interests. Verizon is the first wireless carrier to roll out a comprehensive rewards program, and it's expecting big benefits. The program has already been offered for a few months in some states, helping explain Verizon's strong subscriber figures in the second quarter. The company says Smart Rewards is designed as a loyalty program, but the company is also using it to encourage enrollment in Verizon Selects, a separate program that uses subscriber surfing and location data to better target Web ads they see. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Motorcyclists, Oregon State Police are reminding you to be safe when riding your bike this summer. We've already had 19 motorcycle fatalities so far this year, compared to nine last year. Some of those are the result of freak accidents—a deer running into the path of the rider, for example. But a disturbing number are the result of excessive speed and dangerous passing. Case in point: Oregon State Police say a motorcycle rider was traveling at a high rate of speed Sunday near the Southern Oregon city of Gold Hill when he passed a pickup truck, lost control as he cut in front of the other driver and veered onto a gravel shoulder, crashing in a nearby field. The 31-year-old from Lakeview died at the scene. Investigators say he was wearing a helmet but was traveling so fast that when he was thrown from the bike it landed several hundred feet away from its rider. / HEALTH, SAFETY: Federal officials issued a health alert on Friday, advising consumers to stay away from pure caffeine products which can be deadly. The Oregonian newspaper reports the warning follows the death of a teenager in Ohio. The Food and Drug Administration said in a statement the agency is particularly worried about caffeine powder sold in bulk. "These products are essentially 100 percent caffeine," the statement said. "A single teaspoon of

pure caffeine is roughly equivalent to the amount in 25 cups of coffee." Caffeine powder can easily cause an overdose, and parents should be on the lookout to keep it away from children. An overdose can cause rapid or dangerously erratic heartbeat, seizures and death. The Center for Science in the Public Interest welcomed the alert but said the FDA should also warn the public about caffeine-laced energy drinks, which have been associated with dozens of deaths. "The overuse and misuse of caffeine in the food supply is creating a Wild West marketplace, and it's about time the sheriff noticed and did something," the center said in a statement. The FDA advised consumers who experience any adverse symptoms to seek help from their health care provider and also to alert the agency by calling 240-402-2405 or by emailing CAERS@cfsan.fda.gov.

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>ECONOMY: It could take up to two years for a new mill to be built at the site of the Springfield Plywood and Veneer Mill that burned last week. The Register-Guard reports owners of the Swanson Group met with employees yesterday to provide an update in the wake of last week's devastating fire that idled 250 workers. The owners say they're still working to decide whether they can rebuild. But in the meantime, employees are being told they may apply for openings at Swanson's three Douglas County mills or will have their employers' blessing to look for work at mills owned by other companies here in Lane County. ; The world's finest junior track and field athletes are coming to TrackTown USA to compete in the 2014 IAAF World Junior Championships, July 22-27, at Hayward Field. This is the first time this event has ever been held on U.S. soil. There are 177 member federations and the 1,758 junior athletes, ages 16-19, entered to compete in the events. With a highly touted American roster, Team USA will be strong in all categories. Competition begins at 10am this morning at Hayward Field. At the venue entrance you'll notice a giant welcome sign with 'welcome' written in every language of the 175 participating countries. The 'Flag Grove' is in place in the south entrance and all 175 flags are now labeled at the base so athletes and fans can identify which flags belong to which countries. The first evening session being at 5:15pm this evening. The custom designed medal award ceremony stand at the south end of the track visually represents the unique nature of Oregon with an emphasis on trees and mountains. Opening Ceremonies including a flag parade begins at 8:05pm. IAAF President Lamine Diack from Senegal, a long-jumper in the 1950s, will address the crowd at 8:20am, along with Vin Lananna and UO President Gottfredson. The men's 10,000 meter final (8:35pm start time) includes a live performance by a University of Oregon orchestra. This is a historic meeting of the worlds of arts and athletics. Final preparations are underway for this weekend's Eugene Marathon events, which has set a new record with participants from 49 states (every state except West Virginia) and 17 countries. ; U.S. consumer prices rose in June at a slightly slower pace than in May with two-thirds of the June advance driven by the largest jump in gasoline prices in a year. The Labor Department says prices rose 0.3 percent in June following a 0.4 percent rise in May which had been the biggest one-month gain in more than a year. Energy prices were up 1.6 percent, nearly double the May gain, reflecting a sharp 3.3 percent rise in gasoline costs. But food costs edged up just 0.1 percent, the smallest gain since January. Core prices, which exclude volatile food and energy, were up just 0.1 percent. Over the past 12 months, core prices are up 1.9 percent, an indication of moderate inflation. ; Sales of previously owned homes rose for a third straight month in June, pushing activity to the highest level in eight months and providing evidence that housing is regaining lost momentum. The National Association of Realtors says that sales of existing homes increased 2.6 percent. It also marked the first time that sales have been above the 5 million-mark since</p>

October. Sales peaked in early summer last year and then lost momentum as mortgage rates rose from extremely low levels. Sales were further hurt by an unusually severe winter. ; A six-month review of federal job-training programs concludes that the government needs to better engage U.S. employers, improve the use of data, and boost apprenticeship programs so workers can earn while they train. The White House is releasing the results of a report developed under the leadership of Vice President Joe Biden. The report says the government is working to tailor training and grants to better match jobs that are in demand. The government is also adding employment outcome measures to all federal programs. The report also stresses the need for regional partnerships and for programs that provide stepping stones for a seamless transition from one level of education to the next. Obama today signs bipartisan legislation aimed at improving business engagement and accountability in federally-funded programs.

/ ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: Seems like it always happens during hot summer weather. Odell Lake—located off Highway 58 just east of Willamette Pass—has been hit with a toxic algae bloom. The high levels of blue-green algae mean the water contains some toxins that can be harmful to humans and animals if swallowed or if the water comes in contact with your skin. Drinking water directly from Odell Lake is especially dangerous. Are you camping, hiking or fishing at Odell? Oregon Public Health officials advise that toxins cannot be removed by boiling, filtering or treating the water with camping-style filters. People who draw in-home water directly from Odell Lake are advised to use an alternative water source because private treatment systems are not proven effective at removing algae toxins. However, public drinking water systems can reduce algae toxins through proper filtration and disinfection. If people on public water systems have questions about treatment and testing, they should contact their water supplier. Oregon health officials recommend that people who choose to eat fish from waters where algae blooms are present remove all fat, skin and organs before cooking, because toxins are more likely to collect in these tissues. Public health officials also advise that people not eat freshwater clams or mussels from affected water, and that Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife regulations do not allow the harvest of these shellfish from freshwater sources. Crayfish muscle can be eaten, but internal organs and liquid fat should be discarded. With proper precautions to avoid water contact, people are encouraged to visit Odell Lake and enjoy activities such as camping, hiking, biking, picnicking, fishing and bird watching. Boating is safe as long as speeds do not create excessive water spray, which could lead to inhalation risk. Exposure to toxins can produce symptoms of numbness, tingling and dizziness that can lead to difficulty breathing or heart problems, and require immediate medical attention. Symptoms of skin irritation, weakness, diarrhea, nausea, cramps and fainting should also receive medical attention if they persist or worsen. Children and pets are at increased risk for exposure because of their size and level of activity.

/ HEALTH: An Iowa man who was convicted of growing marijuana is heading to Oregon to purchase the drug legally. Benton Mackenzie is a 48-year-old terminal cancer patient who was convicted earlier this month of growing 71 marijuana plants in his rural Scott County home. His wife Loretta was also convicted. The Quad-City Times reports the pair is traveling to Oregon with cash that was donated by family and friends. He previously met with an Oregon doctor to apply for and receive a medical cannabis card. Mackenzie will be able to purchase and consume marijuana while in Oregon, but he cannot bring the drug back to Iowa with him. Oregon passed a medical marijuana law in 1998. / ECONOMY, HEALTH: The first recreational marijuana sold legally in Seattle is headed to the Museum of History and Industry. The woman who waited all night to be first in line at the Cannabis City store, 65-year-old Deb Greene, plans to donate her pot on Tuesday to the Seattle museum on South Lake Union. Cannabis City says it also will donate items from the opening day of the store. / HEALTH, SAFETY: A Central California company has

issued a voluntary nationwide recall of specific lots of its fresh peaches, plums, nectarines and pluots over concerns of possible listeria contamination. Wawona Packing says on its website that no illnesses have been reported and the recall is a precautionary measure. The company said the recalled fruit was packed and shipped to retailers from June 1 through July 12. Retailers that received the fruit include Costco and Trader Joe's. The recall came after internal testing at the packing house in Tulare County. Officials say they shut down the lines, retrofitted some equipment and sanitized the facility. Subsequent tests have been negative. Clovis-based Wawona Frozen Foods is a separate company and is not involved in the voluntary recall. Listeria bacteria can cause a dangerous flu-like illness. /

HEALTH, ECONOMY, POLITICS: The Lane County Board of Commissioners yesterday passed three ordinances that take direct aim at the City of Eugene's proposed mandatory sick leave ordinance. Taken together, they limit the ability of local jurisdictions within Lane County to enforce rules governing labor relationships between employers and employees. That doesn't mean private employers and local governments couldn't adopt sick leave policies of for their own workers. But the ordinances are designed to prevent the City of Eugene and other jurisdictions within Lane County from requiring public and private employers to do so. The ordinances go into effect immediately. /

ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Scattered lightning is in the forecast for parts of Eastern Oregon today. That's bad news for fire crews battling a number of large blazes in canyons and rangeland from north of the city of Sisters to southeast of the community of Burns. The cooler temperatures and scattered rainfall did help on the lines overnight, but gusty winds can create challenges on the ground. Meantime, the largest fire in Washington state's history has claimed a life. Officials managing the battle against the Carlton Complex fires in north-central Washington say a 67-year-old man died from an apparent heart attack while fighting the fire near his home. At least 150 houses have been destroyed but the number is expected to climb as crews gain access to more rural neighborhoods. The fires took down major transmission lines feeding communities in the scenic Methow Valley. Residents are being told it could take up to one month to restore power to some areas. /

HEALTH, POLITICS, LOW-INCOME: A federal appeals court has delivered a potentially serious setback to President Barack Obama's health care law, potentially derailing subsidies for many low- and middle-income people who bought policies. If upheld, the decision could mean premium increases for more than half of the eight million Americans who purchased taxpayer-subsidized insurance under the law. It affects consumers who purchased their coverage through the federal insurance marketplace — or exchange — that serves 36 states. In a 2-1 decision, a three-judge panel in Washington, D.C. ruled that the law, as written, only allows insurance subsidies in states that have set up their own exchanges. That invalidated an Internal Revenue Service regulation that allowed subsidies in all 50 states. /

POLITICS, MINORITIES: House Speaker John Boehner (BAY'nuhr) says the public won't support spending money on the border crisis unless Congress makes policy changes to return migrant kids home faster. In a statement this morning, Boehner also claims that President Barack Obama's refusal to stand up to Democratic critics is jeopardizing Congress' ability to act. At issue is a 2008 law that Republicans want to change to allow Central American kids to be sent back home without lengthy legal proceedings. The White House has supported such changes but has sent mixed signals and Democrats have grown increasingly opposed. Now Congress looks like it might take no action to deal with the border crisis or Obama's \$3.7 billion emergency spending request. Still Boehner says House Republicans will work to chart a path forward. /

ENVIRONMENT: Federal wildlife refuges in the Northwest and Hawaii are phasing out pesticides similar to nicotine because they pose a threat to bees and other pollinators. Kim Trust, deputy regional director of refuges for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, said Monday the agency pest management policy calls for methods posing the least

risk to wildlife, and there is scientific evidence that neonicotinoids kill bees and other pollinators. The region covering Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Hawaii is the first in the agency to ban neonicotinoids. They will be phased out by January 2016. Neonicotinoids are commonly applied as a coating on seeds such as corn planted on refuges both as a commercial crop and to benefit wildlife.

Neonicotinoids sprayed on trees recently at a Eugene apartment complex killed a thousand bees. / CRIME: The daughter-in-law of Nike co-founder Bill Bowerman has been arrested, accused of sex abuse offenses involving a 17-year-old boy on a track and field team she coaches at a central Oregon high school. Oregon State Police say they arrested 43-year-old Melissa Bowerman on Monday at her home in Fossil, Oregon. She was taken to the Jefferson County Jail and booked for investigation of three felony counts - luring a minor, second-degree sexual abuse and second-degree online sexual corruption of a child. The Oregonian reports that her husband, Jon Bowerman, says authorities served a search warrant at the couple's house and searched his wife's computers, cameras and other belongings. Jon Bowerman says he's in a "state of shock" and adds he loves his wife "and still will no matter how this thing turns out." The 76-year-old Bowerman says he helped his wife coach the Madras High School track team. She's expected to have a court appearance Tuesday. In May 2012, Melissa Bowerman was dismissed as the volunteer Condon/Wheeler high school track coach after she escorted a 17-year-old boy to a prom. She called that an error in judgment.

The late Bill Bowerman co-founded Nike with Phil Knight. / ECONOMY, HEALTH: The owner of an Ashland medical marijuana dispensary is appealing a state decision that closed his business. The state denied Mike Welch a dispensary license because Oregon law requires dispensaries to be located at least 1,000 feet from a school, and Puff's Smoke Shop is 990 feet from one. Welch told the Mail Tribune newspaper he has an appeal hearing on July 29 in Salem. Welch says Puff's might be less than 1,000 feet from the school as the crow flies, but kids would have to scale rooftops to get there in less than 1,000 feet. / MILITARY, VETERANS, HEALTH: President Barack Obama's pick to lead the Veterans Affairs Department appears headed to easy confirmation. Robert McDonald goes before the Senate Veterans Affairs Committee today. Veterans Affairs has been plagued by treatment delays and falsified appointment records to cover up long wait times. / ENVIRONMENT: Today's word: "petrichor." That's the smell of dust after the rain—usually following a long, hot period like ours. It's in the forecast. /

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SAFETY: Two bodies have been located in the charred debris of the fire that gutted a home on the 33000 block of Creswell's Bryant Road one week ago. While the identities of the victims have not yet been determined, investigators last week said two men—65-year-old Dennis Michael Kelley and 69-year-old Carl Robb McFarland—were known to live at the property and had not been located by officials. Investigators say the fire was extensive and destroyed most of the two-story home on the working farm. That meant there was a large amount of debris through which crews needed to sift. The Lane County Medical Examiner's Office, assisted by the Lane County Sheriff's Office, will work to identify the victims. / **HEALTH, POLITICS, ECONOMY:** In rapid succession, two federal appeals courts issued dueling rulings yesterday on a key component of President Barack Obama's health care law. The legal drama played out in Washington, D.C., and Richmond, Virginia. In the first ruling, a divided three-judge panel of the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia called into question the subsidies that help millions of low- and middle-income people afford their health care premiums, saying financial aid can be provided only in states that have set up their own insurance markets, or exchanges. Less than two hours later, a three-judge panel of the 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Richmond unanimously came to the opposite conclusion, ruling that the Internal Revenue Service correctly interpreted the will of Congress when it issued regulations allowing health insurance tax credits for consumers in all 50 states. Whatever the final outcome of the legal fight, a White House spokesman says nothing will change in the near term. Millions of consumers will continue to receive financial aid for their premiums, totaling billions of dollars, as the administration appeals the Washington, D.C., court ruling. The next stop for the administration is to ask the full appeals court to hear the case. Tuesday's decisions are part of a long-running political and legal campaign to overturn Obama's signature domestic legislation by Republicans and other opponents of the law. / **ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, ECONOMY, POLITICS:** As wildfires spanning nearly 600,000 acres burn across Oregon – with lightning storms predicted for the next 48 hours – Oregon's Senators Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden were joined by ten other senators yesterday in sending a letter to Senate leaders calling for swift passage of the president's emergency supplemental funding request. It would allocate \$615 million – accessible immediately – to fight wildfires. The senators also called for a vote on a bill sponsored by Wyden and Merkley that would fix the system where money for wildfire prevention is siphoned when needed to pay for firefighting. The cost of fighting wildfires has regularly exceeded the amount appropriated by Congress in past years. Oregon's Governor John Kitzhaber declared a state of emergency on July 16th as fires raged across the state. More than 6,100 firefighters and support personnel have been deployed to contain the blazes. / **ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY:** Fire officials in Oregon say they've gotten several

dozen reports of new wildfire starts after lightning rolled through much of the state on Tuesday. That news came as firefighters made progress in their battle against 11 major wildfires already burning across Oregon. The Central Oregon Interagency Dispatch Center says many of the new fire reports came from the same areas around Prineville and in the Ochoco National Forest that were hard hit in the last lightning storm. Fire crews were dispatched quickly across central Oregon. By late Tuesday night, the dispatch center said it was responding to more than 40 reports, with many of those fire starts already encircled by fire line and contained. Earlier in the day, a spokeswoman for the Northwest Interagency Coordination Center said 3,000 lightning strikes were reported as a band of lightning storms moved the state. / MINORITIES, MILITARY, HUMAN RIGHTS: House Republicans want to send National Guard personnel to the nation's southern border to speed removal of unaccompanied young migrants. The recommendations Wednesday from a working group established by House Speaker John Boehner (BAY'nuhr) put the House on a collision course with the Democrat-controlled Senate. A Senate bill would spend \$2.7 billion to address the border crisis but doesn't include any of the policy changes embraced by the House GOP. Congresswoman Kay Granger, who led Boehner's working group, says that amending current law to allow speedier return of the Central American youths can be done while ensuring proper protections of the unaccompanied minors. Democrats say it would put the kids at risk by sending them back to brutal gangs. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: Federal regulators are proposing to phase out thousands of older rail tank cars that carry crude oil. It's the government's response to a series of fiery train crashes over the past year, including a runaway oil train that exploded in the Quebec town of Lac-Megantic, killing 47 people. The Department of Transportation said Wednesday that older DOT-111 tank cars will have to be retrofitted or replaced. Accident investigators have complained for decades that the cars are too easily punctured or ruptured when derailed, spilling their contents. / ELECTIONS, ECONOMY: It's already legal in Washington state and Colorado. Now, Oregon voters will be asked again whether they want to create a recreational marijuana market here. It comes after state elections officials said yesterday that backers of a fall ballot measure collected enough signatures to place it before voters in November. The measure would allow adults 21 and older to buy and possess marijuana and would give the Oregon Liquor Control Commission the job of regulating and taxing the drug. Oregon voters rejected a legalization measure two years ago, but little money was spent promoting it. By contrast, New Approach Oregon, the group behind the initiative, has received contributions from some of the same donors who backed successful marijuana initiatives in Washington and Colorado. Authors say the measure contains regulations and restrictions that draw on the existing laws in Colorado and Washington state. Law enforcement officials, including sheriffs and district attorneys, oppose the measure. Oregon already has reduced penalties for marijuana use: Possessing up to an ounce of marijuana draws a citation and fine, not a criminal charge. / ECONOMY: The World Junior Track & Field Championships continue at Hayward Field in Eugene. * Today's free morning session runs 10am - 2:30pm. * Tonight's evening session starts at 5:30pm with 7 finals including the men's and women's 100 meter dash and 6 medal ceremonies including the decathlon. * Preparation of food for 1600 athletes is an amazing undertaking. Tom Driscoll, Director of Food Services, says it's a challenge but also rewarding to feeding this many athletes from so many cultures. * The University of Oregon's Student Ambassador Program has students providing foreign language and culture assistance to the 1,600 athletes in Eugene this week. * The Eugene Marathon is in final preparation for this weekend's events. Participants are coming from 49 states (everywhere except West Virginia) and 17 countries. / EDUCATION, HEALTH, FAMILY: A major national survey finds disconcerting data about teen use of performance enhancing drugs. The survey

by the Partnership for Drug-Free Kids finds experimentation with human growth hormones by America's teens more than doubled in the past year as young people strove to boost their athletic performance and improve their looks. The large-scale survey finds 11 percent of students reported using synthetic HGH at least once — up from about 5 percent in the past four surveys. Teen use of steroids increased from 5 percent to 7 percent. Travis Tygart, CEO of the U.S. Anti-Doping Agency, says it's alarming but not surprising, given the extensive online marketing of performance-enhancing substances and lack of drug testing for high school athletes. Partnership President Steve Pasierb says high school coaches have a key role, but while some are vigilant, perhaps a third only care about winning. /

HUMAN RIGHTS, FAMILY: Supporters and opponents of same-sex marriage are anxiously awaiting a decision today in Colorado. A federal judge in Denver is expected to rule whether Colorado's same-sex marriage ban should be overturned immediately, or if the issue should be decided by the U.S. Supreme Court. The state attorney general wants any injunctions stayed until the Supreme Court rules. /

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TIME OF BROADCAST	5:30AM-8:30AM / KGNU-FM
NAME OF PROGRAM	Morning News
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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>ECONOMY: The number of people seeking U.S. unemployment benefits is now at its lowest level in eight years. The Labor Department says weekly applications for unemployment aid dropped 19,000 last week to a seasonally adjusted 284,000. That's the lowest reading since February 2006, nearly two years before the Great Recession began. Claims for jobless aid have been falling for the past three months. ; Real estate continues to be a weak spot in the economy. That's the indication from Commerce Department numbers today, showing that sales of new U.S. homes plunged in June. Sales fell 8.1 percent. Home sales had been improving through the middle of 2013, only to stumble over the past 12 months due to a mix of rising prices, higher interest rates and meager wage growth. /</p> <p>CRIME: A 21-year-old Albany man will spend 12 years in prison for forcing two girls into prostitution. Chief U.S. District Court Judge Ann Aiken sentenced Steven Anthony Kidd for two counts of child sex trafficking. Following his release from prison, Kidd will be on supervised release for five years. His arrest and conviction came after a Eugene Police officer learned in December of 2012 that Kidd might be trafficking minors for sex. The FBI and Albany Police assisted prosecutors in the investigation. Investigators said Kidd forced the girls to have sex with customers—one in half a dozen cities in Western Oregon as well as Washington state. They say he drove the other to Corvallis where she was compelled to have sex with customers. U.S. Attorney Amanda Marshall says the case is a prime example of how pimps use violence, power, and control to manipulate vulnerable victims into a life of terror. ; The Register-Guard reports the widow of slain Eugene Police Officer Chris Kilcullen was among those who spoke this week, urging members of a state psychiatric review board to keep his alleged killer hospitalized. The suspect, 60-year-old Cheryl Dawn Kidd, was found too mentally ill to face aggravated murder charges in Kilcullen's death in April of 2011. Investigators say Kidd fatally shot him during a traffic stop. The Register-Guard reports the officer's widow, Kristie Sampson-Kilcullen, held a photo of her late husband as she spoke during the hearing about her life and her daughter's life changed after the shooting. While Kidd cannot be prosecuted, a new Oregon law, passed at the behest of the Kilcullen family and State senator Floyd Prozanski, makes it easier for the state to keep dangerous offenders who are mentally ill in custody. The Register-Guard reports Kidd is still being held at the Oregon State Hospital in Salem but is being evaluated for possible admission to a smaller state-run secure facility in Pendleton. But Kilcullen family members are among those who say she should be kept at the state hospital. ; A 42-year-old transient faces charges of aggravated murder and arson in the deaths of two Creswell men. Investigators say the bodies of 65-year-old Dennis Michael Kelley and 69-year-old Carl Robb McFarland were found earlier this week in the debris from a July 16th fire that gutted a two-story home on a farm off Creswell's Bryant Road. Investigators say both men lived on the property and The Register-Guard reports the suspect,</p>

identified as Eugene Whitehall, previously stayed at the home while working there. / **HEALTH, COMMUNITY, FAMILY:** Five people who operate home-based child-care centers in Oregon might soon have to choose between their day-care licenses and their state medical marijuana cards. Up 'til now, medical marijuana card holders have been able to get licenses to run day-care centers—so long as they meet certain conditions, which include not using medical marijuana in front of children in their care. But after some recent media coverage, those guidelines are under review. Oregon Governor John Kitzhaber says the owners should have to choose between their child-care license and their medical marijuana card. He's directed the Early Learning Council, which he appointed to oversee early-childhood education, to take action to ensure that medical marijuana cardholders cannot also be licensed child-care providers. / **ELECTIONS, HEALTH, ECONOMY:** An initiative to require the labeling of genetically modified foods in Oregon has qualified for a November statewide vote. Backers of the effort turned in tens of thousands more signatures than needed and elections officials said yesterday they have certified more than enough to qualify the issue for the ballot. If approved this fall, the new law would require manufacturers, retailers and suppliers to label raw and packaged foods produced entirely or partially by genetic engineering. The measure would not apply to animal feed or food served in restaurants. It take effect in January of 2016. Oregon voters defeated a similar measure in 2002 and more recently GMO labeling initiatives failed in California and Washington state. But three northeastern states—Vermont, Maine and Connecticut — have enacted laws that require such labeling. / **ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY:** This week's cooler temperatures and rain helped firefighters increase containment on 11 large fires still burning across more than 935 square miles of central and northeastern Oregon. But the wildfire season is far from over. Oregon received 19,000 lightning strikes since Tuesday afternoon, resulting in at least 25 new fires covering a total of 160 acres, stretching from the southern Cascade Range northwest into central and northeastern Oregon. And we're still a few weeks away from the hottest, driest weather of the summer. The Buzzard Complex of fires was 90 percent contained after burning through 618 square miles of rangeland about 45 miles northeast of Burns. The Waterman Complex of fires was 80 percent contained after burning 20 square miles of timber, brush and grass in the Ochoco Mountains around Mitchell. The Bridge 99 Fire 20 miles north of Sisters was 50 percent contained after charring 9 square miles, mostly on the Deschutes National Forest. / **HEALTH, LOW-INCOME, ECONOMY:** An Associated Press review shows an unexpected rush of enrollees has strained Oregon's expanded Medicaid system, mostly due to a shortage of doctors. Some enrollees have been locked out of the coordinated care system. Others have seen reduced access to care as some doctors, clinics and health centers closed to new Medicaid patients. State officials say they are working to ease the crunch. / **EDUCATION, ECONOMY:** Oregon coach Mark Helfrich and Pac-12 Commissioner Larry Scott both used the league's opening media day to praise Ducks quarterback Marcus Mariota for staying in school. The rest of the Pac-12 isn't quite as excited about Mariota's return, but he's just one reason why the Ducks are favored to win their highly competitive league again. / **LOW-INCOME, POLITICS:** Congressman Paul Ryan is out with a new plan to merge anti-poverty programs into a single grant program for states that he says would give more flexibility to distribute federal help for the poor. Eleven programs would be merged, including food stamps, cash welfare, housing subsidies and heating aid for the poor. Ryan was the 2012 vice presidential nominee and is a respected voice within his party. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>COMMUNITY, TRANSPORTATION: On Sunday, July 27, the annual Eugene Marathon will begin its 26.2 mile route at E. 15th Avenue & Agate Street in Eugene at 6:00 a.m. Thousands of runners are registered and it will require some traffic closures, delays and re-routing. The marathon race course has three distinct sections: the Eugene street section, the Springfield street section, and the River Bank trail section. The Eugene section will wind its way through the east University area, then head south on Hilyard Street to the south end of East Amazon. After looping through the neighborhood, it returns northbound on West Amazon and back to Hilyard Street. It will then enter the Amazon Parkway at E. 30th Avenue. From there it heads north through the Amazon Parkway and past South Eugene High School to E. 19th Avenue. Runners will then turn eastbound back to the University area, where the course will cross the Knickerbocker footbridge and split from the half marathoners as the full marathon participants turn east (right) down the canal path toward Springfield. Once participants enter downtown Springfield, they will travel east to East 10th Street, then north to Centennial Boulevard. Marathoners will then head west on Centennial and cross over I-5 into Eugene. After returning from Springfield on Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard, the full-marathoners will head west on Leo Harris Parkway then enter Alton Baker Park, south of Autzen Stadium. From there the course will follow the River Bank Trail system westbound, ultimately crossing over the Owosso Bridge near Marist High School. It will then return along the south side of the Willamette River back to River Front Parkway. The last half mile of the course will cross south back over Franklin Boulevard on Agate Street to E. 15th Avenue. From there, participants will enter through the plaza entrance and cross the finish line on historic Hayward Field. It is anticipated all of the race participants will complete the early portion of the Eugene section around 8:45 a.m. and the Springfield section at approximately 10 a.m. Area residents can expect some delays and road closures along the Eugene street portion of the course between 5:30 a.m. and approximately 1 p.m. and along the Springfield portion between approximately 6:45 a.m. to 10 a.m. Franklin Boulevard will be closed to thru motor vehicle traffic between Villard Street and Alder Street for the duration of the event and motorists will be detoured around this area. All LTD buses, including EmX, will also be required to use the detour during the race and will resume regular routes around 10 a.m., which is the expected completion time of the race. Eugene Police, Springfield Police, and volunteer course marshals will provide traffic direction and assistance to motorists along the route. Once the race begins, motorists will not be allowed to proceed on the course, but assistance to cross over the course will be provided when gaps between the runners permits. Approximately 5,500 to 6,000 people from around the world are signed up to participate in this exciting event. Patience and consideration from residents' is greatly appreciated while we work together to showcase our community. For a detailed map of the courses and</p>

other information about the event, please visit the Eugene Marathon website at <http://www.eugenemarathon.com>. ; The IAAF World Junior Track and Field Nationals continue at Hayward Field. Meantime, the Eugene Marathon takes places this weekend. We share maps, traffic advisories and other details. ; Don't Forget Breakfast at the Bike Bridges Friday Morning at the DeFazio Bridge from 7:00 – 9:30 a.m. Free Coffee, Free Bagels, Free Bike Bells and Special Limited Time, Limited Availability Free Bike Lights and Bicycle Safety Checks provided by Bicycle Way of Life. Breakfast at the Bridges is designed for path users and commuters to grab a quick bite to eat and a cup of coffee, meet City staff, learn more about transportation in Eugene, and get a bicycle safety check. This signature summer event series celebrates the outdoors and encourages active transportation – especially walking and bicycling – to meet larger City goals, including healthy living, sustainability and a vibrant business community. Breakfast at the Bridges features local advocacy organizations and local businesses who actively work toward these City goals. On average about 150-200 commuters participate at each event. / COMMUNITY, HEALTH: The annual "Relay for Life" gets underway at noon today at Willamette High School. It's a fundraiser for the American Cancer Society and brings together individuals and teams whose lives have been touched by cancer. The opening ceremony is this evening at six p.m. There will be plenty of cheering and happy tears as the Survivor's Lap takes place at 7:30 p.m. At ten p.m., it's the moving Luminaria Ceremony—a tribute to those currently battling cancer and those we've lost. Things wrap up tomorrow with the closing ceremony at 11:30 a.m. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, HEALTH: It was a huge fire and its massive plume of smoke and cinders was carried for miles. Now, officials with the Lane Regional Air Protection Agency (LRAPA) say some of the debris from last week's fire at Swanson's Springfield Plywood and Veneer mill, ranging from small flakes of ash to larger palm-sized charred pieces, has tested positive for containing asbestos. Further testing is being conducted to confirm the results. Asbestos, used for decades as a building and insulating material, can be harmful to health when it becomes airborne. So experts say if you spot fire debris on your property that is white, beige, or gray in color, and is felt-like in appearance, do not disturb it. As long as the debris is solid and undisturbed, it will reduce risk of possible asbestos fibers becoming airborne. What's the best way to dispose of the stuff? Put on a gloves and a protective mask, use a water mister to gently wet the stuff down and place it in a sealable plastic bag. Do not use a high pressure water hose—that can break the fibers apart. For safest disposal, call the Lane County Public Works Waste Management Division at 541-682-4120. If you believe that your property contains some of the debris, call the Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority at 541-736-1056. ; A remarkable rescue yesterday morning in coastal Benton County after an alert deputy found a vehicle belonging to a missing elderly Waldport man. It was over an embankment northeast of Alsea, upside-down in a shallow creek with its 80-year-old driver inside and still alive. The victim, Jon Culton, was reported missing one day earlier. Benton County Sheriff's Deputy Chris Dale was patrolling along a curvy section of Highway 34, checking for any signs of Culton's missing vehicle. He saw something along the roadway's shoulder and stopping and peering 90 feet down the side of the coastal mountain he spotted the car with Culton inside. Remarkably, he had only minor injuries. Culton told rescuers he used the vehicle's floor mats to keep warm overnight and that he was feeling okay but a bit thirsty. He said he'd been traveling from Yachats to Corvallis for a doctor's appointment when the accident occurred and that he had a cell phone but, that deep in the ravine, couldn't get a signal. State Police and the Corvallis and Philomath fire departments helped get Culton up the embankment and into a waiting ambulance. Officials say he had a non-life threatening chest injury and is recovering. / LOW-INCOME, FAMILY, COMMUNITY: In an effort to help working families, Catholic Community Services of Lane County (CCS) announces Saturday food pantry hours at the Springfield Community Service

Center. The hours are from 9:00am – 1:00pm. Food will now be distributed on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday at the CCS Springfield location (1025 G Street). Food will continue to be distributed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the CCS Eugene location (1464 W. 6th Ave). At both Community Service Centers, the food is supplied by FOOD for Lane County and major operating funding is provided through the Lane County Human Services Commission. The Community Service Centers provide food, free clothing and personal care items, bus passes and other emergency assistance to homeless and low-income persons, as well as utility assistance, temporary shelter and short-term financial assistance to prevent homelessness. More than 10,000 low income households each year get help at the CCS Community Service Centers in Springfield and Eugene. / MINORITIES, HUMAN RIGHTS, POLITICS: Today, President Barack Obama invites to the White House Central American leaders to discuss the thousands of young immigrations from their countries who are crossing the border illegally into the United States. The meeting comes as White House officials say the administration is considering creating a pilot program to give refugee status to young people from Honduras, part of one of the most violent regions in the world. ; Federal officials say a relatively small number of the unaccompanied immigrant children who have been flooding into the United States have been sent to Oregon, Washington state and Idaho over the past six months. The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services says 50 immigrant children were released to sponsors in Oregon, 211 in Washington state, and 8 in Idaho between January 1 and July 7. Sponsors can include relatives, family friends, or foster parents. Prior to January, Oregon also received unaccompanied children into a Portland-based foster care program. Oregon Gov. John Kitzhaber said the state welcomes the children, who "do not deserve to become political fodder." More than 57,000 minors, mostly from El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala, have crossed into the U.S. since October. / CRIME: Police say a 58-year-old Eugene woman gave her 2-year-old grandson a fatal overdose of methadone. The boy, Max Maciejewski, stopped breathing and died last December while in the care of his grandmother, Carol Lumsden. The Register-Guard reports a medical examiner determined Max's official cause of death to be intoxication from methadone, and police said this week they have evidence Lumsden gave him the powerful narcotic. She could have been charged with manslaughter, but she died six weeks after her grandson of complications from the flu. / TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY: U.S. safety regulators are investigating whether an electrical problem can knock out the air bags on some older Hyundai Sonatas. The probe announced covers about 394,000 midsize cars from the 2006 through 2008 model years. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says it has received 83 complaints about the problem. ; ; Police say a second man has died while working on an Eastern Oregon highway this week. Oregon State Police Lt. Gregg Hastings says 64-year-old Glen McCoy of Sparks, Nevada, died late Wednesday on Interstate 84 near Boardman. McCoy worked for a construction company installing rumble strips at a paving project. Hastings says McCoy was run over by a pickup operated by another employee that had a piece of equipment in tow. The Oregon Department of Transportation responded to the scene to help investigate, and Oregon OSHA was notified. Earlier this week, an ODOT employee died at a work site near Echo. Lt. Michael Turner says 54-year-old Donald Kendall was part of a maintenance crew paving Highway 320 on Tuesday when a dump truck slowly backed up and ran over him. ; Police say the person responsible for crashing a Jeep into a house in Myrtle Creek ran home to watch cartoons. The 3-year-old boy climbed into the Jeep Tuesday evening and knocked it out of gear. It rolled into the house with minor damage. KOIN reports an officer found the boy on a couch watching TV as if nothing had happened. He said his parents weren't home and another relative was sleeping. Police woke up the relative and cited him for the incident. / ENVIRONMENT: Some of the Willamette Valley's magnificent Oregon White Oak trees are showing signs of

stress this summer, including dead branches and browning leaves. Foresters say they've investigated and think the damage is being caused by a combination of small wasps and Western gray squirrels. The gall wasps, as they're known, lay eggs on branches and leaves that create swelling and round "galls" that are home to the wasp larvae. As for the squirrels, they like to eat the wasp larvae, and will chew or strip the tender, infected young tree bark in an effort to get at them. Foresters say the "branch dieback" on the Oregon White Oak trees is generally fairly short-term and the trees will recover. / ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH: The state of Oregon is taking steps to ban smoking on all 362 miles of beaches along the Pacific coast. The move by the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department follows a ban on smoking at most other state-park property, which was enacted earlier this year. Agency spokesman Chris Havel says the move to include beaches is partly a response to concerns that the earlier ban would push more smokers onto the coastline. Havel says the smoking ban would also reduce litter on beaches. The agency is taking public comment on the proposal through Aug. 29 and will hold public meetings to discuss it in Seaside, Newport, Coos Bay and Salem. Under a 1967 Oregon law, the state controls the entire coast up to the line of vegetation, and the public has free access. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: Six new range fires are burning in eastern Oregon, ignited by lightning storms that moved across the region. Meanwhile, the Northwest Interagency Coordination Center in Portland says the fires touched off by the last string of thunderstorms a week and a half ago are closer to containment, and some firefighters are being demobilized to fight blazes in Washington state. Spokeswoman Carol Connolly says others are being assigned to the new fires on the Vale District of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management. A total of 17 large fires are now burning across 933 square miles of forests and range in central and eastern Oregon. The six new fires range from one-and-a-half square miles to 14 square miles. Nine structures are threatened, but no evacuation alerts have been issued. /

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LENGTH OF PROGRAM	30 Seconds
ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, HEALTH: Air quality continues to be impacted here in the Southern Willamette Valley by wildfires burning in the mountains and elsewhere, including in Northern California. Among the blazes closer to us: The Staley Complex—three fires burning in steep, rocky terrain in a remote area of the Willamette National Forest approximately 25 miles southeast of the town of Oakridge. The blazes only cover about 85 acres and are primarily creeping and smoldering. But they are burning in steep, rocky terrain is punctuated by cliffs—an area too dangerous for firefighters to access on the ground. During the coming days, crews will be working to along the nearest accessible road systems to prepare for an indirect attack operation that will burn out fuels to create a secure fire line around the blazes. That includes using helicopters for bucket drops to slow the progress of the fires. Fire crews also spent the past several days responding to and extinguishing multiple small lightning fires from the lightning storm last week. The biggest challenge on this and other blazes? Continued very warm and dry conditions with the possibility of isolated thunderstorms and erratic winds. ; Also on the Willamette National Forest: The 452-acre Bingham Complex of fires were sparked by lightning in mid-July and are still putting out smoke in the Mount Jefferson Wilderness. Crews have built fire lines around the largest blaze and working to contain and extinguish the smaller fires—some of which are less than 1/4 acre in size. There are eight actives wildfires burning on the Deschutes National Forest, the largest of which has scorched close to 35,000 acres. When you add up all of the major blazes in Oregon, including those from earlier this season, close to three-quarters of a million acres of forest and rangeland have burned since early May. The largest blaze in the state is the Buzzard Complex, which over the course of several weeks scorched close to 395,000 acres of rangeland and forest in southeastern Oregon. ; Fire officials say a wildfire threatening about 270 structures on the Oregon-California border has grown to nearly 51 square miles. But fire spokeswoman Jen Warren says firefighters are making good progress and have the Oregon Gulch Fire 10 percent contained as of Sunday morning. The fire that started by lightning on Thursday has burned three homes, five outbuildings and multiple vehicles. Several neighborhoods southwest of Ashland were still evacuated on Sunday. More than 1000 people are fighting a complex of fires including the Oregon Gulch blaze. More wind and hot weather was expected by Sunday afternoon, but weather was calm overnight. Warren says a new, more accurate infrared measurement of the fire was completed early Sunday morning, establishing the size of nearly 51 square miles burned. Lightning started a bunch of new fires in Oregon Saturday. Warren says a quick attack got those fires under control quickly. ; Authorities say a wildfire in northeast California that nearly quadrupled in size over the weekend has destroyed eight homes and prompted the precautionary evacuation of a small long-term care hospital. U.S. Forest Service spokeswoman Linda Tiffin says the</p>

fire burning in and around Lassen National Forest near the town of Burney had torched 36 square miles as of Sunday morning, up from 11 square miles a day earlier. The fire started Thursday and was not contained at all Sunday afternoon. Officials at Mayer Memorial Hospital say they are evacuating their 49-bed annex in Burney and moving patients to a hospital in Redding, in case the flames get closer. The hospital's website says the annex serves patients with dementia and other conditions requiring skilled nursing services. Residents of three small neighboring communities already have been ordered to evacuate. / HEALTH, SAFETY: An American missionary stricken with Ebola in Liberia begins the long journey home to the United States tomorrow. Nancy Writebol will be accompanied by a medical evacuation team when she travels to the infectious disease unit at Emory University Hospital in Atlanta. That's where her colleague, Dr. Kent Brantly, already is being treated. Both Brantly and Writebol are said to be improving. ; The nation's top infectious disease official says there's hope that a vaccine against Ebola will be available as early as next July. Dr. Anthony Fauci (FOW'-chee) of the National Institutes of Health says such a preventive vaccine has been successfully tested with monkeys. Fauci tells "CBS This Morning" that human trials with volunteers will commence in September, and by July it should be ready. He also says people shouldn't have concerns that two infected patients were brought here from West Africa, saying they can be handled safely. More than 1,300 people have been stricken in West Africa, and nearly 730 have died in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone. Ebola currently has no vaccine or antidote. It is contracted through close contact with bodily fluid and blood, unlike other airborne viruses. ; Nigerian authorities say they have confirmed a second case of Ebola in Africa's most populous country, an alarming development after a man who flew by plane to that country died of Ebola. Nigeria's Health Minister says the second victim is a doctor who had helped treat Patrick Sawyer, the Liberian-American man who died of Ebola in late July. Sawyer, who was traveling to Nigeria on business, became ill while aboard a flight and Nigerian authorities immediately took him into isolation. They did not quarantine his fellow passengers, and have insisted that the risk of additional cases was minimal. Nigeria is the fourth country to report Ebola cases and at least 728 other people have died in Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia. / CRIME: Authorities in Oregon have in custody a woman suspected of attacking her two daughters -- killing one and leaving the other in serious condition. Jessica Smith faces charges of aggravated murder and attempted aggravated murder, and could appear in court for arraignment this afternoon after being arrested late last night. Authorities had been looking for the 40-year-old mother since a housekeeper at a Cannon Beach resort on Friday discovered Smith's 2-year-old daughter dead and her 13-year-old daughter with severe cut wounds. ; Confessed killer David "Joey" Pedersen will be sentenced today by a federal judge for the murders of a college student here in Oregon and a California truck driver. The white supremacist is already serving a life sentence after being convicted in Washington state in the killings of his father and stepmother. The Oregonian newspaper reports it brings to a close two-and-a-half years of legal activity. Pedersen and his girlfriend were arrested following a multi-state crime spree that included the carjack kidnappings and murders of 19-year-old Cody Myers and 53-year-old Reginald Clark. ; Authorities arrested a man who was tight-rope walking on the cables of a Portland bridge. Police say 21-year-old Benjamin Lovitz was charged with disorderly conduct and criminal trespass. Police were called to the Steel Bridge early Saturday by people who thought he might be a jumper. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY, COMMUNITY, HEALTH: A water use ban entered its third day in northwest Ohio this morning as Toledo's mayor extended the advisory. It came amid an abundance of caution as the latest tests suggested the city's tap water was probably safe. The ban has left hundreds of thousands of residents scrambling for water for drinking, cooking and bathing. The latest test results suggest the algae-induced toxin contaminating Lake Erie has probably dissipated

to safe levels. But because the mayor says the results are still, quote, "too close for comfort," he's holding off on lifting the ban at least until this afternoon. Ohio's fourth-largest city warned residents not to use city water early Saturday after tests at one treatment plant showed readings for microcystin above the standard for consumption, most likely from algae on the lake. The advisory affected more than 400,000 residents in northwestern Ohio and southwestern Michigan. Worried residents who were told not to drink, brush their teeth or wash dishes with the water descended on truckloads of bottled water delivered from across the state. Oregonians and others who are seasonally affected by toxic algae blooms in some locations are watching the news with special interest. The Ohio National Guard was using water purification systems to produce drinkable water. Some hospitals canceled elective surgeries and were sending surgical equipment that needed sterilized to facilities outside the water emergency. Drinking water tainted by the toxic algae can cause vomiting, cramps and rashes. But no serious illnesses had been reported by late Sunday. Health officials advised children and those with weak immune systems to avoid showering or bathing in the water. Amid the emergency, discussion began to center around how to stop the pollutants fouling the lake that supplies drinking water for 11 million people. The toxins that contaminated the region's drinking water supply didn't just suddenly appear. Water plant operators along western Lake Erie have long been worried about this very scenario as a growing number of algae blooms have turned the water into a pea soup color in recent summers, leaving behind toxins that can sicken people and kill pets. In fact, the problems on the shallowest of the five Great Lakes brought on by farm runoff and sludge from sewage treatment plants have been building for more than a decade. ; Late-morning update: The mayor of Toledo, Ohio, has lifted a water ban that left 400,000 Ohio and Michigan residents scrambling for water for drinking, cooking and bathing. Officials now say drinking water from Lake Erie is safe and that the warning has been lifted. The announcement comes after people in northwestern Ohio and southeastern Michigan were told early Saturday to avoid drinking tap water because of toxins contaminating the lake, possibly from algae. The Ohio National Guard and other state agencies worked through the weekend delivering pallets of bottled water to the city and operating water purification systems to make more drinkable water. / TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY, POLITICS: States are taking it upon themselves to raise revenues for roads and mass transit as federal lawmakers remain stymied on long-term highway funding. An Associated Press review found that one-fourth of the states have enacted transportation funding increases in the past year and a half, and at least a dozen others are studying it. Missouri voters will decide tomorrow whether to impose a three-quarters cent sales tax for transportation. The push for more funding comes as revenues from federal and state fuel taxes are deteriorating because of more fuel efficient cars, a decline in per capita driving and stagnant tax rates. Congress recently approved a 10-month patch for its highway trust fund but still has not addressed a long-term transportation funding plan. / MINORITIES, HUMAN RIGHTS, ECONOMY, POLITICS: A senior White House adviser says President Barack Obama will make a decision by the end of the summer on how to use his authority to address immigrants living illegally in the U.S. Dan Pfeiffer said reports that Obama might delay the deportation of up to five million immigrants were, quote, "uninformed speculation." He said Obama is waiting for recommendations from Attorney General Eric Holder and Homeland Secretary Jeh Johnson before taking action, but that any actions would be within "the confines of the law." Pfeiffer spoke Sunday on ABC News' "This Week." He said Obama has no choice but to act on his own because of inaction in Congress. ; Last week, House Republicans struggled for a day over how to deal with recent border problems. Party leaders had to yank an immigration bill from the floor Thursday after realizing they lacked the votes to pass it, before ultimately passing a face-saving bill late Friday night as

they prepared to leave town for a summer break. The action kept Republicans from ending the summer empty-handed on immigration. But that doesn't mean the party is any closer to untying the nation's immigration knot. Analysts say the extended process proved anew that there remains a deep divide between a small number of uncompromising conservatives and the Congressional GOP leadership. /

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ISSUE OR SUBJECT DISCUSSED	<p>COMMUNITY, CRIME: The Springfield Police Department and Springfield Neighborhood Watch are hosting National Night out events in local parks on Tuesday, August 5th. National Night Out promotes Police and community partnerships, crime and drug prevention awareness, safety, and neighborhood unity. The Springfield Police Department and Springfield Neighborhood Watch invite you to come meet your neighbors, Police Command Staff, McGruff the Crime Dog, and a Police K9 team. There will be goody bags and games for children, door prizes for adults, resources, Police Canine demonstration giveaways and refreshments for everyone. Help give Crime and Drugs a going away party. Meet your neighbors; learn about Neighborhood Watch and other crime prevention strategies. "National Night Out has proven to be an effective, inexpensive and enjoyable program to promote neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships in the fight for a safer nation," said Tana Steers, a Community Service Officer and one of the event's coordinators. "The benefits our community will derive from this activity will most certainly extend well beyond the kickoff and the Aug. 5 neighborhood events." / HEALTH, RELIGION, POLITICS: A federal judge says an Alabama law restricting abortion doctors is unconstitutional. U.S. District Judge Myron Thompson ruled Monday that state lawmakers exceeded their authority when they passed a law last year requiring doctors at abortion clinics to have hospital admitting privileges. Thompson issued an order temporarily blocking enforcement of the law. Thompson's decision comes days after a federal appeals court blocked a similar law in Mississippi. Planned Parenthood and others filed a lawsuit over the Alabama law last year. Supporters of the law say it would make clinics safer. Clinic operators say the law would force the shutdown of all but two of Alabama's five clinics. Thompson says the Alabama law would place an undue burden on women. / TRANSPORTATION: Construction on a new overpass continues during the month of August at Goodpasture Island Bridge (at Goodpasture Island Rd. and Delta Hwy). Contractors are constructing roadbeds, bridge foundations, driving piles and installing traffic signal equipment. Work will begin in the Delta Highway center median August 19. All lanes will be maintained on the Delta Highway but temporarily shifted away from the center median. Please reduce speeds and use extreme caution. The Delta Highway (south bound only, from Beltline to the Bridge) will be closed for one night, August 19, from 7:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m., to prepare for construction in the median. Goodpasture south bound on-ramp will remain open. North bound Delta Highway will be open but drivers must use the on/off ramps to portage around the construction zone. North bound access to Goodpasture Island Road will be maintained. Lane restrictions and flagging will be in effect, expect delays. Please find an alternate route if possible. The construction zone is currently closed to pedestrians. Bicyclists should merge, if comfortable, into the flow of traffic. Bicyclists and pedestrians are encouraged to</p>

use the Delta Ponds Bike/Pedestrian Bridge as an alternate route. Watch for large trucks entering and exiting the roadway. / SAFETY: The Register-Guard is reporting that at least one of four Ethiopian athletes reported missing last week from an international track meet in Eugene told a police officer in Washington state that she and her teammates left Eugene to escape civil unrest in their native country. The newspaper reports the 18-year-old woman told the police officer through an interpreter last week that she might seek asylum in the United States. She said she is afraid to return to Ethiopia, which has seen significant political turmoil and human rights abuses in recent years. / CRIME: The former Wisconsin police officer accused of killing a Cottage Grove woman, stuffing her body in a suitcase and dumping it alongside a rural Wisconsin road is returning to court today and might face more charges. 52-year-old Steven Zelich is accused in the death of 19-year-old Jenny Gamez and is the lead suspect in the death of one other woman whom investigators believe died in Minnesota. ; White supremacist David "Joey" Pedersen (PEH'-der-suhn) has been sentenced to life in prison for the carjacking murders of an Oregon teenager he mistakenly thought was Jewish and of an African-American man in Northern California. Pedersen, who appeared before a federal judge in Portland yesterday, had already been sentenced to life in prison in Washington state for the murders of his father and stepmother. Pedersen and his girlfriend, Holly Grigsby, went on a multistate rampage during nine days in 2011. Grigsby was sentenced to life in prison last month. ; A woman accused of killing her 2-year-old daughter and severely cutting her teenage daughter at a coastal Oregon resort said nothing and frequently looked down during her first court appearance Monday. The Daily Astorian reports 40-year-old Jessica Smith of Goldendale, Washington, appeared in court via a video link from the Clatsop County Jail after being arrested late Sunday. Authorities began looking for her Friday after a housekeeper at the resort found Smith's toddler dead in a room. Police say the older daughter was badly cut and taken to a Portland hospital for surgery. She is expected to recover. Smith was silent at her arraignment and looked down during most of her time on screen. She did not enter a plea and is being held without bail. Her lawyer, William Falls, declined to comment. ; The stepmother of an Oregon boy whose disappearance in 2010 touched off an intense search has failed to persuade a judge to let her change her name. Terri Horman testified Monday in Roseburg that her life has been threatened and she hasn't been able to find a job since Kyron Horman vanished from his Portland school. She said a name change would allow her to start over. The Roseburg News-Review reports that Judge Randy Garrison rejected the request, saying it wasn't in the public interest because an investigation remains open. Terri Horman told investigators she dropped off the 7-year-old for a science fair. There has been no trace of him. She has not been charged. ; The Oregon Lottery is alerting people of a scam involving calls from a "Mega Millions representative." The caller is instructing the person receiving the call to go to a local 7-Eleven and purchase a \$299 Green Dot MoneyPak card to release their Mega Millions prize money. Lottery officials warn that anytime you receive any type of notification that you have won a lottery prize, it is undoubtedly a scam. They say that with any of Oregon's games, or all other US lottery for that matter, you must have purchased a ticket in order to win a prize. There are a number of steps that you can take to protect yourself: Never give your credit card numbers over the Internet or over the phone to a business promising lottery jackpots. Never send cash to an unfamiliar or foreign business. Never believe an Internet offer, a letter or a phone call from someone who offers you a guarantee of winning a prize. Never accept a collect phone call from someone claiming to be a lottery official. Never trust someone who says you can win the lottery by purchasing a set of "winning numbers" instead of a ticket. You must possess the winning lottery ticket to claim a prize. If you receive materials from suspicious businesses, have a question about a suspicious website, or receive phone calls, please call the

Oregon State Police Lottery Security Section at (503) 540-1400. / HEALTH, SAFETY: A New York City hospital says it's performing Ebola tests on a patient who recently traveled to West Africa. Mount Sinai Medical Center in Manhattan says the male patient with a high fever and gastrointestinal symptoms came to the facility on Monday. The hospital placed him in strict isolation and he's undergoing medical screenings. At least three other Americans have been tested in the U.S. All three tested negative. It comes as officials at U.S. airports are on a heightened watch for travelers from Africa who might have flu-like symptoms that could be tied to the recent Ebola outbreak there. The Ebola virus causes a hemorrhagic fever that has sickened more than 1,600 people, killing nearly 900 mostly in Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone. It's spread through direct contact with bodily fluids. ; The second American aid worker who was recently diagnosed with Ebola in West Africa has arrived back in the United States. The plane carrying Nancy Writebol landed briefly this morning in Bangor, Maine, for refueling and a federal customs inspection before heading on to Atlanta, Georgia. Writebol will be treated at a special isolation unit at Emory University Hospital, which is already treating the other American aid worker, Dr. Kent Brantly. The two are receiving an experimental drug that is so new it has never been tested for safety in humans and was only identified as a potential treatment earlier this year. It is the result of a longstanding research program by the U.S. government and the military. While officials say the two patients are improving, it's impossible to know whether the treatment is the reason or whether they are recovering on their own, as some others who have survived Ebola have done. They were infected while working in Liberia, one of four West African nations dealing with the world's largest Ebola outbreak. On Monday, the World Health Organization said the death toll had increased to 887 deaths in Guinea, Sierra Leone, Liberia and Nigeria, and that more than 1,600 people have been infected. There is no vaccine or specific treatment for Ebola, but several are under development. / CRIME, SAFETY: The San Juan County, Washington, sheriff's office says it is working with the local community and the Washington State Ferries system but so far has been unable to confirm a report that a missing Dundee, Oregon, woman might be in the San Juan Islands of northwest Washington. Investigators were checking out a report that Jennifer Huston was spotted late last week on the ferry out of Anacortes to Friday Harbor. The 38-year-old woman was last seen July 24 running errands near her Oregon home. Huston's family says she spent time in the San Juans in the past. / SAFETY: The distraught family of a Montana toddler who accidentally drowned after tipping headfirst into a 5-gallon mop bucket is trying to get the word to all parents of young children: Drownings can occur quickly and in very little water. The child died Saturday night, 10 days before her first birthday. The parents and first responders tried to resuscitate the child but she was pronounced dead after arrival at the hospital in Kalispell. The devastated family members say it's a tragic reminder to all parents of young children to never leave youngsters alone around water, even momentarily. ; Search crews at Crater Lake National Park have found no sign of a weekend hiker who was seen falling from the caldera rim surrounding the lake. The man disappeared into trees on the slope Friday, and rangers and search and rescue teams from Douglas and Josephine counties scoured the area while boats on Crater Lake and a helicopter also looked for him over the weekend. The hiker appeared to be a white man in his 40s, about 5-foot-10, 150 pounds with long hair and a full beard. He was wearing a knee brace. So far, the only thing crews have found is a pair of sun glasses. It's possible the man stopped his fall and made it back to the nearby trail. But they're publicizing the search in hopes he or someone who saw the man will contact them to let them know he is all right. / EDUCATION, CRIME: Well, the University of Oregon didn't make the Top Five, but the Princeton Review's annual college rankings lists the home of the Ducks as one of the Top 20 "Party Schools" in the country. Syracuse University actually grabbed the top spot. The U-of-O was Number 19. Close to

130,000 students on 279 campuses were surveyed for the publication. They were asked about everything from academics and financial aid options to athletic facilities and food. The rankings placed Utah's Brigham Young University atop the "Stone Cold Sober" schools for a second consecutive year. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The spread of a major wildfire in the Siskiyou Mountains along the Oregon-California border has slowed with cooling temperatures, giving firefighters a chance to build containment lines. But more lightning is predicted, and it could start more fires. The Northwest Interagency Coordination Center in Portland reports the Oregon Gulch fire 15 miles east of Ashland was 20 percent contained on Monday at 72 square miles — 57 of them in Oregon in Jackson and Klamath counties. Spokesman Tom Knappenberger says after two straight days of major runs, the fire burned only about 7 square miles on Sunday. Thunderstorms are expected Monday night and Tuesday morning, followed by calmer weather until the weekend. The Oregon Gulch fire burned six scattered rural homes last week and still threatens 270 more. / ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has settled a lawsuit that will force it to disclose the amount of pollutants its dams are sending into U.S. waterways for the first time in the agency's history. The groundbreaking legal settlement could have broad implications for the Corps' hundreds of dams nationwide. The Corps says in the settlement on Monday that it will immediately notify the conservation group Columbia Riverkeeper of any oil spills among its eight dams in Oregon and Washington. The Corps also will apply to the EPA for pollution permits, something it has never done for the dams on the Columbia and Snake rivers. The settlement was filed in U.S. District Court in Portland, Oregon. Columbia Riverkeeper says in the lawsuit that the Corps violated the Clean Water Act. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: A 24-year-old Albany man who slipped off an inner tube has drowned in the Willamette River. The Benton County sheriff's office says the man wasn't wearing a life vest when he got onto the inner tube at a boat ramp Sunday afternoon, went underwater and didn't come up. Divers found his body not far from where he was seen going under water. The sheriff's office identified him as Lee Roy Allen Dow. ; A teenager has drowned in a creek that flows through Salem, Oregon.

Police Lt. Dave Okada says divers recovered the body of 16-year-old Matthew Tufts from Mill Creek on Monday. Friends said he was last seen Sunday evening getting into the water for a last swim in a stretch of the stream behind a mobile home development. Police say the stretch has some fast-moving water and depths of 2 feet to 15 feet. / POLITICS: Oregon Gov. John Kitzhaber and his longtime partner, Sylvia Hayes, are engaged. The governor's office confirmed Monday that Kitzhaber and Sylvia Hayes have been engaged "for a couple of weeks." Spokeswoman Melissa Navas says she doesn't know details, but "the governor and first lady could not be happier or more excited." No wedding date has been set. The marriage will be the third for both Kitzhaber, 67, and Hayes, 46. The couple met when Hayes ran unsuccessfully for the state Legislature in 2002. Kitzhaber refers to Hayes as the "first lady," and she's embraced the role of political spouse. She regularly appears with Kitzhaber in public and works on her own initiatives that include battling hunger and poverty. The engagement was first reported by The Oregonian. / LOW-INCOME, ECONOMY: The Standard & Poor's rating agency says the rising wealth gap in the United States is complicating the rebound from the recession, making the economy more prone to boom-bust cycles. The rising concentration of income among the top 1 percent of earners has contributed to S&P's cutting its growth estimates for the economy to a 2.5 percent annual pace over the next decade, down from a forecast five years ago of a 2.8 percent rate. Part of the problem is that educational achievement has stalled in recent decades. S&P estimates that the U.S. economy would grow annually by an additional half a percentage point — or \$105 billion — over the next five years, if the average the American worker had completed just one more year of school.

The S&P report advises against using the tax code to try to narrow the gap, saying higher taxes on the wealthy could remove incentives for people to work and cause businesses to hire fewer employees. Instead, it suggests that greater access to education would help ease wealth disparities. / HEALTH, POLITICS: Starting this week, "gluten-free" labels on packaged foods have real meaning. Until now, the term "gluten-free" had not been regulated, and manufacturers made their own decisions about what it means. This new requirement is especially important for people who suffer from celiac disease and don't absorb nutrients well. They can get sick from the gluten found in wheat and other cereal grains. Food manufacturers faced a Tuesday deadline to ensure that anything labeled gluten-free contains less than 20 parts per million of gluten — ensuring that those products are technically free of wheat, rye and barley. That amount is generally recognized by the medical community to be low enough so that most people who have celiac disease won't get sick if they eat it. /

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ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: It was been a busy evening in Oakridge and Westfir. Crews successfully attacked spot fires in the Deception Creek Mobile Park, the compound of the Middle Fork Ranger District and on LaDuke/Harbour Roads. Cooler evening temperatures helped subdue fire behavior on the main fires within the Deception Creek Complex Fire. The fire weather forecast for today, while calling for slighter cooler temperatures and higher humidity, is not significantly different from yesterday's in terms of expected fire behavior. Crews remain prepared to suppress spot fires, as necessary. Yesterday evening, crews and equipment from Oregon Department of Forestry, Lane County, the City of Oakridge and the Willamette National Forest all responded to the emerging situation on the outskirts of Westfir and Oakridge. Residents of the Deception Creek Mobile Park and LaDuke/Harbour Roads remain on a Level 2 evacuation notice. Keep an eye on the Willamette National Forest's Twitter feed: @willametteNF as well as some of the feed's links to other wildfire resources. The fire info phone is working again as the Ranger District office has allowed employees back in – that number is 541.782.5359. ; The folks at Oakridge Fire & EMS shared this update with residents yesterday evening following a public meeting that provided updates on the wildfires outside of town. Here is that update: --There's a lot of rumors and hearsay, here is the official word from the meeting at Greenwaters Park this evening: Currently there is a Unified Command established which consists of the Forest Service, Oregon Dept. of Forestry, Oakridge Fire & EMS, Oakridge Police Dept, Oregon State Police, Lane County Sheriffs Office, Lane County Task force just to name a few. Firstly, during the greater portion of the day there was a Level 2 Evacuation notice. Just a little after 6pm today there was a level 3 evacuation on LaDuke Rd and the Deception Creek mobile home park. Level 3 means residents need to leave their home immediately. There was a reverse 9-1-1 issued to reach those area residents. Just before 7pm the threat level was down graded to a Level 2, which means be ready to go at a moments notice. In addition Casey's RV Park's residents have started voluntarily taking extra precautions and began leaving, however they were not asked to do so. Where to go if you have an evacuation? The WAC is hosting an evacuation center. Please call the fire information center at (541) 782-5359. Why did the fire increase today? During the night and into the early afternoon today the crews were unable to use helicopter water drops because of poor visibility last night. Unfortunately hot shot crews were unable to reach the area where the active fire was because of the rocky terrain. There have been spot fires on the 5850 rd, right above LaDuke and the Deception Creek Mobile Home Park. This area is being aggressively attacked. Helicopter water operations resumed this afternoon and has made good progress on the spot fires. What about fire retardant? The fire has to reach a certain level before fire retardant planes can be ordered. These specialty fire retardant bomber planes are a very limited resource and there are

currently many fires across the state they are designated to. However, our fire has reached the level at which they can respond and has been approved. 3 Retardant Bombers were ordered out of Redmond, Oregon and will be dropping retardant this evening to treat specific areas. You may have also seen a fixed wing plane this evening, that is a water scooper plane that will be boosting water operations. There are several plantations of new growth timber that are helping suppress the fire. What about the falling debris?! The debris that you see in the air may be alarming, but it is mostly normal. These are generally burned pine needles, oak leaves or other forest debris. By the time they reach your home they should be completely burned fuels and have also lost their heat. Usually there is no a danger of catching your house on fire. However, we always recommend that you keep your home free of limbs and dead yard or tree debris.... Any of those dry ground debris should always be cleaned to protect your home. If you have a shake roof, there is a little higher concern and wetting down your roof may be a good precaution. If you see embers, please take a picture and alert the fire dept. Please note what a 'true ember is,' the black debris floating in the air are NOT embers. True embers will be glowing orange and hot/warm. These are heated carbon-based material that is unburned fuels and can be a cause for concern. So far there have not been any true embers spotted outside of the designated fire areas. We welcome dialogue and questioned posted, but the best place for gaining the most up to date information is at: Inciweb: <http://inciweb.nwcg.gov/incident/4093/> Twitter: willamettenf Deception Blog: www.deceptioncomplex.blogspot.com ; We also received and shared Facebook updates and photos from Oakridge residents throughout the morning. ; Firefighters in Marion County say a state-owned island in the Santiam River is expected to burn for several days, creating heavy smoke. The Jefferson Fire District said the wildfire on Wiseman Island was reported Tuesday, and firefighters are unable to reach it. Firefighters say the state Fish and Wildlife Department decided to let the fire burn. The fire department says no structures are threatened, and there have been no injuries. / **HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT:** For the first time this year, the air quality index on Wednesday afternoon reached the red "Unhealthy" range due to wildfire smoke from the Deception Creek Complex in Oakridge-Westfir and surrounding areas. The Eugene/Springfield area readings went into the high yellow "moderate" range and might climb in coming days to the orange "Unsafe for Sensitive Groups (USG)" level. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) defines the "Unhealthy" level on the Air Quality Index (AQI) as, "Unhealthy: Everyone may begin to experience health effects; members of sensitive groups may experience more serious health effects." The AQI is divided into six categories: good/green; moderate/yellow; unhealthy for sensitive groups/orange; unhealthy/red; very unhealthy/purple; and hazardous/maroon. The Lane Regional Air Protection Agency (LRAPA) and Lane County Public Health (LCPH) warn residents to take precaution with their activities. It is recommended to stay indoors if possible and limit outdoor activity, especially for children, seniors, and people with pre-existing heart and lung conditions. Exposure to excess smoke could cause repeated coughing, shortness of breath, wheezing, tightness or pain in your chest, palpitations, unusual fatigue, and lightheadedness. Please contact your healthcare provider or doctor if you feel these health impacts from smoke. LRAPA and LCPH are closely monitoring the smoke situation and provide updates as needed. The public can track hourly particulate levels by logging onto the LRAPA website at www.LRAPA.org or on twitter @LaneRegionalAir. ; Lane County Emergency Management has made arrangements through the City of Oakridge to open Room 10 of the Willamette Activity Center located at 47674 School Street in Oakridge so people can get a break from the fire smoke inundating the area. The room will be open daily from 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 28 and Friday, August 29. People should bring their own snacks and beverages. Anyone with transportation needs, such as those in wheel chairs or on ventilators, can call Ride Source at 541-782-

1157. / **HEALTH, COMMUNITY, LOW-INCOME:** Community Health Centers of Lane County and Trillium Community Health Plan yesterday held the grand opening of the Brookside Clinic. The Brookside is the fifth Community Health Center in Lane County but the first to be located in West Eugene. Since January 2014 Medicaid expansion has provided new access to healthcare for nearly 35,000 Oregon Health Plan (OHP) members in Lane County. This large influx of new OHP members overwhelmed the current provider network leaving approximately 9,000 adult members without a primary care provider. Trillium, the Coordinated Care Organization in Lane County, along with Lane County developed a 4-point Access to Care Plan to address this problem, which included investing nearly one million dollars in the new Brookside Clinic. Other clinic locations include RiverStone Clinic – Springfield, Springfield High School Clinic – Springfield, Charnelton Community Clinic – Eugene and Primary Care Clinic at Lane County Mental Health – Eugene. In 2013 approximately 55% of CHC patients were covered by Medicaid insurance. Trillium, the Coordinated Care Organization in Lane County covers nearly 90,000 Oregon Health Plan members, about 25% of the Lane County population. / **ECONOMY:** The number of Americans seeking unemployment benefits slipped 1,000 last week to a seasonally adjusted 298,000, a low level that signals employers are cutting few jobs and hiring is likely to remain strong. The Labor Department says the four-week average, a less volatile measure, dropped to 299,750. That's just 6,000 higher than four weeks ago, when the average fell to the lowest level in more than eight years. Applications are a proxy for layoffs. When employers hold onto their workers, it suggests they are more confident in the economy and could step up hiring. The applications data is the latest sign that the job market is steadily healing. Average job gains since February have been the best in eight years. ; After a bleak start to the year, the U.S. economy rebounded vigorously in the April-June quarter, growing at a brisk annual rate of 4.2 percent, slightly faster than first estimated. The upward revision supported expectations that the second half of 2014 will prove far stronger than the first half. The Commerce Department's second estimate of growth for last quarter compares with its initial estimate of 4 percent. The revision reflected stronger business investment in new equipment and structures than first thought. The seasonally adjusted 4.2 percent annual growth rate for the gross domestic product came after the economy had shrink at an annual rate of 2.1 percent in the January-March quarter, the biggest drop in activity since the depths of the Great Recession. / **HEALTH:** Federal researchers next week will start testing humans with an experimental vaccine to prevent the deadly Ebola virus. The National Institutes of Health announced Thursday that it is launching the safety trial on a vaccine developed by the agency's National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases and GlaxoSmithKline. It will test 20 healthy adult volunteers to see if the virus is safe and triggers an adequate response in their immune systems. That testing will be at NIH's campus in Bethesda, Maryland. Later in September, NIH and a British team will test that vaccine on volunteers in the United Kingdom, Gambia and Mali. American health officials are also talking about a future trial in Nigeria. So far Ebola has killed 1,552 people in West Africa. / **TRANSPORTATION:** It took 17 hours to completely clear the mess. The 42nd Street exit ramp from westbound Highway 126 remained closed much of the day yesterday while crews continued to try to reload a 69-ton turbine onto the trailer on which it was riding when the trailer flipped early yesterday morning. The ramp reopened shortly before five p.m. but there were still some lane closures until almost 8-30 last night as crews finished their work. / **CRIME:** Spencer's Butte Vehicle Break-ins: Eugene Police have been getting at least three calls every day from owners of vehicles who have had their cars broken into and items stolen. This trend started about 2-3 weeks ago in the Spencer's Butte parking lot and most of the thefts have happened in the hours near dusk until 10 p.m. If you happen to notice a suspicious subject or have information about the

thefts, call Eugene Police at 541.682.5131. By incorporating the tips below people who use the park can help protect themselves from unwanted surprises when they return to their vehicles. Theft Prevention Tips: * Remove all items (and any extra items such as backpacks and purses that may tempt thieves even if there are no valuables inside) from the car prior to leaving home. * Secure vehicles by rolling up the windows and locking doors (even on a hot day - it is better to take a few minutes to air out a hot car than to discover a theft). * Utilize a theft prevention device (e.g. The Club) * Don't leave anything in your car. / SAFETY: The accidental death of an Arizona firearms instructor by a nine-year-old girl who was firing a fully automatic Uzi displayed a tragic side of what has become a hot industry in the U.S.: gun tourism. 39-year-old instructor Charles Vacca was standing next to the girl Monday at the Last Stop or "Bullets and Burgers" range in Arizona—about 60 miles south of Las Vegas—when she squeezed the trigger. The recoil wrenched the Uzi upward, and Vacca was shot in the head. Prosecutors say they will not file charges in the case. The identities of the girl and her family have not been released. The instructor was an Army veteran of Iraq and Afghanistan. But experts who have viewed a video recorded by the parents said Vacca was standing on the left rather than right side of the child as she fired the Uzi and did not have his hand in the proper spot on the girl's back to help counteract the recoil. The chief deputy for the Mohave County Attorney's Office said the instructor was probably the most criminally negligent person involved in the accident for having allowed the child to hold the gun without enough training. He said the parents trusted the instructor to know what he was doing, and the girl could not possibly have comprehended the potential dangers involved. Still, the accident has raised questions about whether children that young should be handling such powerful weapons, even with their parents' permission. In 2008, an 8-year-old boy died after accidentally shooting himself in the head with an Uzi at a gun expo near Springfield, Massachusetts. The child was firing at pumpkins when the gun kicked back. Meantime, some businesses are now installing a tethering system that will prevent machine guns from riding upward after firing — the same motion that killed the gun instructor this week. Indoor shooting ranges with high-powered weapons have become a popular attraction. And the dozen or so that have cropped up in Las Vegas offer bullet-riddled bachelor parties and literal shotgun weddings, where newly married couples can fire submachine gun rounds and pose with Uzis and ammo belts. And not just for folks here in the U.S.: Gun laws keep high-powered weapons out of reach for most people — especially those outside the U.S. — meaning tourists from, for example, Japan flock to ranges in Waikiki, Hawaii. Gun range owners say tourists from Australia, Europe or Asia, where civilians are barred from many types of guns, want to indulge in the quintessentially American right to bear arms. There's also the prohibitive cost of owning an automatic weapon — an M5 might go for \$25,000, while a chance to gun down zombie targets with an AR-15 and three other weapons costs less than \$200. / CRIME: A man shot and seriously wounded a Klamath County sheriff's deputy during a traffic stop was arrested early Thursday. Klamath County Sheriff Frank Skrah says William Jack Parkerson was taken into custody just before 6 a.m. in Chiloquin, about 20 miles north and west of the city of Klamath Falls. Skrah says Parkerson's girlfriend was also arrested after a manhunt involving nearly every police officer in the state. The sheriff says everyone feels good about the fact that they were taken into custody without any further injuries and no shots fired. Meanwhile, the officer who was shot is scheduled for surgery at a Portland hospital on Thursday. His name has not been released. / SAFETY, FAMILY: Nearly half of parents who answered a new poll say they're not comfortable letting their child play football, as concerns over head injuries increase. Forty-four percent of parents who responded to the Associated Press-GfK poll say they're uncomfortable letting their kids play football. But only five percent say they've actually discouraged their child from playing in the last two

years. The poll has a sampling error of plus or minus 3.4 percentage points. / SAFETY: South Lane County Fire and Rescue, assisted by crews from Goshen and Pleasant Hill, responded to a reported Structure Fire yesterday afternoon in the 200 block of Creswell's "A" Street. Crews arrived to find heavy smoke and fire coming from the residence. The fire took over an hour to extinguish, and the residence is a complete loss. Four people lived in the home. They were not injured. The Red Cross assisted the occupants with their immediate food and shelter needs. / FAMILY, COMMUNITY, RELIGION, HUMAN RIGHTS: A federal appeals court has dismissed the National Organization for Marriage's effort to appeal an Oregon court ruling that allows same sex marriage. The Ninth U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals issued its decision on Wednesday. Several same-sex couples sued the state of Oregon last year arguing the ban on same-sex marriage is unconstitutional. Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum refused to defend it and joined the couples in asking U.S. District Judge Michael McShane to throw it out. The National Organization for Marriage, which opposes same-sex unions, asked to offer a defense of the ban on behalf of its members in Oregon. But the judge ruled they lacked standing to intervene in the case. The group appealed, but a three-judge panel dismissed their case in Wednesday's ruling. / HEALTH, LOW-INCOME, ECONOMY: About 2,100 Oregonians will have to re-enroll in health care because they were incorrectly enrolled either in Medicaid or in a commercial health plan by the state. The Oregonian reports Cover Oregon will hold a special sign-up period for 1,400 people who were incorrectly enrolled the Oregon Health Plan, the state's version of Medicaid, even though their income was too high. Starting Aug. 31, they can sign up for private insurance coverage and qualify for tax credits through Cover Oregon. Another 700 Oregonians — who should have been enrolled in Medicaid, but were instead found eligible for a commercial plan — will be automatically switched to the Oregon Health Plan. It's still unclear if they will have to refund the IRS all the tax credits they received incorrectly. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Oregon State Police say the driver of a pickup truck was seriously injured when his vehicle was hit by a westbound Union Pacific Railroad train at a crossing near Westfir. The Register-Guard reports Oakridge fire crews got him out of the pickup Wednesday morning. He was flown to a Springfield hospital. The man was not immediately identified. Police say the train's operator braked after seeing the pickup stopped on the tracks but couldn't stop completely. /

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DISCUSSED** CRIME, TERRORISM: On the west side of downtown, Eugene Police searched an apartment near west 8th Avenue and Washington Street, seized numerous illegal fireworks and other items they say are used to make homemade explosives. It came after police say they were notified yesterday morning of a man injured by an improvised explosive device. Officers say they determined the man had ignited an illegal firework inside a pipe which exploded in a local apartment. When contacted by police, they say the victim was uncooperative with officers who were trying to determine if the original scene still posed a danger to nearby residents. During the investigation and search, officers blocked traffic on nearby streets as a safety precaution and contacted neighbors, asking them to stay indoors while the search was underway and any explosives were dealt with. 26-year-old Brian M. Markowsky was cited in lieu of custody for Manufacture of a Destructive Device. He remained in the care of medical personnel for the treatment of his injuries. Additional charges may be pending. ; Eugene Police say they're looking for the person or persons responsible for making and detonating some homemade explosives in a North Gilham neighborhood. Investigators say early yesterday morning, homemade explosives, made with empty beverage containers, were detonated by unknown people, causing an explosion loud enough to wake several people in the RiverPointe neighborhood. The device design has been seen recently in the same neighborhood, and police say it presents a high degree of hazard and risk to life-safety for those who make and ignite the devices. In an earlier case, they say one of the unexploded devices was left in the street with a fuse still exposed. While no suspects have yet been identified, police are reviewing available evidence in this case and the previous case and there is a possibility that the crime is being committed by juveniles. For this reason, they're encouraging parents to speak to their children about the danger of making homemade fireworks or explosives. Dozens of people are injured every year while making and detonating homemade explosives; even when a relatively small amount of propellant is used in the device. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: No official evacuation notice has been issued. However, the Lane County Sheriff's Office is on stand-by to assist Oakridge residents with evacuation IF necessary. Many resources are ready such as a Red Cross shelter, an animal assistance trailer so people can bring their pets with them and, the Sheriff's Office will coordinate transportation for people with special needs through Ride Source. The areas that would most likely need to be evacuated have been pre-planned for door-to-door notification. ; Officials with the Willamette National Forest say 15,700 gallons of fire retardant were dropped on Wednesday on the fires near Oakridge and Westfir. ; The Lane Regional Air Protection Authority reports that air quality for the cities of Oakridge and Westfir is "moderate" this morning. That's a step up from the "unhealthy" readings they hit Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. /; The Eugene Airport is a temporary base for some firefighting aircraft this week. The

U.S. Forest Service Fire and Aviation Management Amphibious Aircraft Team's Bombardier CL-415 water scooper and two Canadair CL-215 water scoopers are spending portions of each day at the airport. The aircraft arrived on Tuesday, August 26th, and have already flown several missions. Water scoopers are a relatively new tool in the fire fight; they can drop between 1400 and 1800 gallons of water from heights as low as 100' over open flames. The Eugene Airport operations staff worked closely with Forest Service staff and contractors over the last few days to accommodate not only the large aircraft, but the support equipment and personnel. The Bombardier CL-415 aircraft is staged on the south general aviation ramp and the Canadair CL-215 aircraft are on the north general aviation ramp. Atlantic Aviation, the full service fixed based operator on the field, is providing fueling and additional equipment support. The newest scooper, the CL-415 can operate at higher elevations, fly faster, and carry more water than previous water scoopers. The Forest Service invested in this new technology as part of an on-going effort to modernize the aerial firefighting fleet. This is the first year with the CL-415 and the U.S. Forest Service is gaining more experience every day with the operational capability of modern water scoopers. As time progresses, the agency will continue to determine the appropriate mix of aircraft in the aerial firefighting fleet, using helicopters, air tankers and scoopers as best suited to the individual situation. ; Labor Day Weekend is one of the top three boating weekends of the year on many Oregon lakes and rivers, attracting thousands to the alluring banks and warmest water of the season. To keep things fun and safe, the Oregon State Marine Board suggests keeping the following in mind as you plan your water getaway: Don't drink and boat. The Marine Board encourages boaters and persons floating on the waterways, to leave the alcohol on shore. It's safer for everyone. If arrested for Boating Under the Influence of Intoxicants (BUII), a violator can be fined \$6,250, lose boating privileges for a period of time and may even serve jail time. Know your waterway. "Be familiar with your surroundings and always keep a sharp lookout throughout your trip," says Ashley Massey, Public Information Officer for the Marine Board. "Stumps, deadheads and sand and gravel bars can appear out of nowhere with water depth changes. Start out slow and get your bearings. Water levels around the state are very low." Know what rules apply. "There are all types of watercraft on the market; some are considered boats and others are pool toys. Boats are designed differently, and by state law, have specific equipment requirements such as having enough properly fitted life jackets and a sound producing device, like a whistle. Attach the whistle to your life jacket and you're set." Massey adds. "If you plan to float the river, keep in mind that pool toys are designed for use in a swimming pool - not a dynamic river with obstructions that can puncture easily. If you are planning a relaxing float, do so in a watercraft designed for the river; one which won't easily puncture and comes properly equipped with a paddle so you can maneuver away from obstructions." Wear your life jacket. Each boat (including kayaks, inflatable boats and canoes) must have a properly fitting life jacket with a sound producing device, like a whistle, for each person on board. Life jackets need to be in good shape and readily accessible - not under a hatch or in its packaging. All youth 12 and younger must wear a life jacket when in a boat that's underway. U.S. Coast Guard statistics show that over half of all boating fatalities occur with small boats on calm waterways, in sunny conditions. Eight-five to 90 percent of boating fatality victims were not wearing a life jacket. Sit on the seat. The growth of wake surfing is luring many people to ride on the swim platform, stern or sides of the boat. This is a carbon monoxide and prop-strike safety hazard. It is also illegal to ride on the bow, decks, gunwales or transoms of a motor boat when the boat is underway. Sitting on designated seat cushions is the safest place to be -especially when the boat is towing someone. Slow down and keep a sharp lookout. Know the boating regulations for your area of operation. Always obey the "5-mph, slow no-wake" buoys or signs. Boaters are responsible for their wake. Remember to slow down

within 200 feet of a dock, launch ramp, marina, moorage, floating home or boathouse, pier or swim float. Be courteous with paddlers who are also sharing the waterway. Wakes can easily swamp low-freeboard paddle craft. Don't allow your wakes to generate negative attention from other boaters, property owners, and possibly, result in a citation. Carry your boater education card. All boaters operating boats over 10 hp need to have a boater education card. Youth 12-15 who operate a powerboat 0-10 hp alone must carry a boater education card. When operating a powerboat greater than 10 hp, youth must be supervised by a card-holding adult age 16 or older. When operating a personal watercraft, the supervising adult must be 18 or older. Educated boaters are much less likely to be involved in boating accidents because they know the "rules of the road." Carry your aquatic invasive species prevention permit. For registered motorized craft, a \$5 surcharge is added onto the boat registration and current decals act as proof of payment into the program. For non-motorized watercraft 10 feet long and longer, such as canoes, kayaks, sailboats, paddleboards and inflatable rafts, the operator needs to physically carry a permit when out on the water. The cost is \$7 for non-motorized craft and can be purchased through any ODFW field office or licensing agent. Permits are valid until December 31 of the year issued. Tyvek tags (waterproof permits) are sold through the Marine Board's online storefront and various Marine Board permit dealers. Tyvek tags are \$5 for the annual permit and \$10 for a two-year permit. This program is self-funded and permit fees support aquatic invasive species detection, decontamination, signage, and education materials for boaters. Marine officers will be on the water to assist boaters and help keep the waterways safe. The top violations so far this summer involve not having life jackets, failure to carry a boater education card or aquatic invasive species permit, and not having current boat registration decals. Other violations involve reckless operation and alcohol. "Boating is a lot of fun, and a long weekend makes it even better," Massey adds. "Just remember to prepare, and plan so you can have the best time out on the water, playing." For more information on boating safety, visit

<http://www.oregon.gov/OSMB/Pages/safety/safety.aspx> / **ECONOMY:** College football fans flocking to Autzen Stadium this fall may not see physical changes on the scale of last year's exiting and accessibility improvements and north side exterior makeover, but thanks to AT&T and Verizon Wireless, they will notice a big difference when pulling out their smart phones. That's because the two largest mobile network operators in the U.S. recently installed a Distributed Antenna System (DAS) throughout the seating bowl of the 47-year-old venue to improve the capacity of their respective cellular networks. "The atmosphere on a game day at Autzen Stadium is one of a kind in college football," said Director of Athletics Rob Mullens. "The DAS will contribute to an improved experience for fans and make it easier for them to share that experience with family, friends and fellow Duck fans." PK Park, home of Oregon baseball, and Pape' Field, home of UO soccer and lacrosse, will also benefit from the Autzen project. Matthew Knight Arena was equipped with DAS serving AT&T and Verizon Wireless customers in 2013. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** The 2014 football season kicks off this weekend for both University of Oregon (UO) and Oregon State University (OSU), so the Oregon State Police (OSP) and Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) urge football fans and other game day travelers to start planning now for the upcoming season. According to ODOT, an estimated 30,000 additional vehicles converge on Interstate 5 and roads leading to Eugene and Corvallis when home games occur on the same day for UO and OSU, as is the case for their first games this Saturday, August 30. Even though kickoffs are scheduled at different times, traffic heading south to Eugene may encounter departure traffic from Corvallis with possible heavy congestion between Albany and Eugene. The extra traffic will also join Labor Day holiday weekend travelers, affecting travel time and increasing the potential for highway incidents and crashes. In Eugene/Springfield

area: * Construction at the I-5/Randy Pape Beltline interchange has resulted in a significant change to the southbound Exits 195 A and B. Motorists should carefully read the signs preceding the exit. * The Pioneer Parkway exit ramp from eastbound Highway 126 (Officer Chris Kilcullen Memorial Highway) will be closed for approximately 90 minutes after an Oregon game. Motorists traveling eastbound on Highway 126 are encouraged to take the Mohawk Boulevard exit and use Q Street to access north Springfield area. * After Labor Day, highway construction work on Interstate 5 south of Cottage Grove will reduce traffic to a single lane in each direction for ten weeks. During that period, motorists should plan extra travel time and anticipate congestion and delays during peak travel times, including game days. In the Corvallis area: According to Corvallis Police Department, approximately 80 percent of traffic leaving the Corvallis area after a home football game does so by traveling east or west on Philomath Boulevard, and it typically takes 2 - 3 hours to facilitate traffic flow after games. Game day changes for the Corvallis area will again include: * Signal timing adjustment on Highway 34 to allow more traffic to pass through intersections. * After an OSU game, motorists at the South Bypass will be restricted from turning west into town but will enjoy a dedicated right turn lane to travel east onto Highway 34. * Motorists on the Van Buren Bridge traveling east on Highway 34 will not have to stop at the intersection. Oregon State Police, the Oregon Department of Transportation and local law enforcement partners offer these simple safety tips and reminders: * Start putting together your traveling game plan now before the season starts * On game day: leave early, be patient and alert so you can react to sudden stops in traffic, quick lane changes by other vehicles, and leave plenty of distance between you and others on the road * Keep current on road and travel conditions by visiting TripCheck.com, calling 5-1-1, and listening for radio traffic-related news and updates * Drivers: avoid distractions and leave talking or texting on mobile devices in the hands of your passengers * Buckle up every trip, every time * Have a sober, rested driver behind the wheel of your vehicle before and after the game State, county and city police along with ODOT encourage reporting any possible intoxicated or dangerous drivers by calling 9-1-1 or OSP dispatch at 800-24DRUNK (800-243-7865). ; Saturday's UO Football game brings excitement and traffic to the area. Here are a few tips from EPD for a successful commute: Ride the Bus - Lane Transit District offers several convenient park and ride locations throughout Eugene/Springfield at an affordable price. LTD buses are given priority into and out of the area of Autzen Stadium on game days which greatly minimizes travel time for fans. Have a Plan - Fans coming to the game should pre-plan their travel routes and where they will park once they arrive. Normal traffic patterns around Autzen Stadium are dramatically changed on game days and will limit your ability to drive freely through the area. Obey the Law - It's vital that fans observe basic traffic laws when commuting to and from the game. The traffic cone patterns around the area of Autzen Stadium on games days are considered traffic control devices and cannot be arbitrarily disregarded. Failure to obey these cones patterns or the officers who are directing traffic, may lead to a \$237.00 citation. Be Patient - On game days, approximately 60,000 people come to the area near Autzen Stadium. Trying to get that many people into and out of the area is a huge undertaking and takes time. By allowing plenty of travel time and expecting some delays you will improve your overall game day experience. Don't Drink and Drive!!! - Local law enforcement agencies want football fans to enjoy themselves but to do so responsibly. By not drinking excessively and designating sober drivers, fans can help prevent tragedies from occurring. In order to ease congestion in the Ferry Street/Coburg Road area on game day, we recommend that non-game motorists use alternate routes to access that area during their commutes. Alternate routes such as the Washington/Jefferson Street Bridge, Delta Highway, Cal Young Road, Harlow Road, Goodpasture Island Road, and Green Acres/Crescent Avenue are several ways motorists can access the

Coburg Road area without competing with game traffic. Other transportation options include walking and biking to Autzen Stadium along the numerous pedestrian paths and bike lanes throughout Eugene. Since it will be getting dark at game time, cyclists are reminded to have the proper lighting equipment and it is always recommended you wear light colored or reflective clothing and an approved helmet. / Economy: Despite entering the 2014 football season riding a string of 96 consecutive sellouts, the Ducks want their fans to know they don't intend to rest on their laurels. Oregon has attracted more than 400,000 fans to Autzen Stadium over each of the past three seasons for the first time in school history – but the Ducks think they can do better. Addressing that belief, the Oregon Athletics Department commissioned several studies since the start of last season, with the fans' feedback playing a vital role in several upgrades inside one of the most exhilarating college football venues in the country as the Ducks kickoff their 48th season with Saturday's season opener vs. South Dakota. One of the most notable improvements is a new digital scoreboard at the east end of Autzen Stadium, designed to offer fans in the stadium's west end and adjacent corners some of the same enjoyment that fans in other parts of the stadium experienced from the west-end DuckVision. The new scoreboard will include a video element that will display replays and other technological advances designed to enhance fans' game-day experience. In addition, more than 150 flat screen HD monitors have been implemented in public areas along the stadium concourse to help keep fans updated to what is going on inside the stadium while they are utilizing concession stands and restroom facilities. In an effort to add to the culinary options along the north side of the stadium, as many as four food trucks will be introduced at the lower concourse inside the Autzen perimeter which will provide sliders, wraps, sandwiches and tacos. The menus at the conventional concession stands along the concourse will also feature upgraded food items such as a Mighty Duck bacon corn dog in the Sausage stands (near sections 28 and 34), barbecue sliders, macaroni and cheese, and coleslaw in the Barbeque stands (near sections 24 and 38), a black bean burger with a gluten free bun option in the burger stands (sections 22, 29, 33 and 38), as well as a vegetarian sandwich and soup to deli stands (near sections 26 and 36). Additional upgrades will include new electric trams to help ease the navigation of disabled and senior patrons inside the stadium, as well a continued study of the stadium's sound system to better enhance the audio quality inside Autzen Stadium. ; Duck alert! The Amtrak Cascades passenger train will offer discounted rates to and from Eugene during home football game weekends this fall. Amtrak train – or POINT bus – riders can avoid traffic and parking hassles, and once in town, can ride the Lane Transit District bus for free. In both downtown Eugene and downtown Springfield, special "Duck Downtown" events are planned the evening before game day, and early arrival in town on the train or bus allows Duck fans to enjoy these events and more. The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is partnering with Travel Lane County, Lane Transit District and the University of Oregon on the promotion, which encourages season ticketholders and UO alumni to take advantage of train savings, avoid congestion and enjoy special events. Amtrak trains and POINT buses offering the discount run on Game Day. Get all the details on the Amtrak Cascades special at www.amtrak.com/GoDucks and remember, showing your Amtrak Cascades/POINT bus ticket for the weekend to an LTD driver gets you on the bus for free throughout Eugene and Springfield. / CRIME, SAFETY: The Linn County Major Crime Team, in conjunction with the Linn County District Attorney's Office, has been activated to investigate an officer involved shooting by a Springfield Police Officer. The shooting took place at the Jackson's Chevron station located at 33157 Highway 34 in Linn County on Thursday, August 28, 2014, at about 1:30 a.m. following a vehicle pursuit. Springfield Police pursued a stolen 2000 Suzuki Vitara northbound on I-5 from Springfield. The Oregon State Police and Linn County Sheriff's Office assisted in the pursuit during which spike

strips and P.I.T. (pursuit intervention technique) were used. The vehicle exited I-5 and headed west on Highway 34 before it stopped at the entrance to the Chevron station. The driver, who was the only occupant of the vehicle, ran towards the store entrance. The driver was shot after she pointed what appeared to be a handgun at officers. A replica of a 1911 semi-automatic handgun was recovered at the scene. Store surveillance video is aiding this investigation. The driver, identified as 44-year-old Springfield resident Amanda Lynn Gatewood was transported to Good Samaritan Hospital in Corvallis in critical condition. The Linn County Major Crime Team is comprised of members of the Linn County Sheriff's Office, Albany Police Department, Lebanon Police Department, Sweet Home Police Department and the Oregon State Police. / HEALTH, ECONOMY: The turnaround expert hired to fix Cover Oregon has stayed longer than expected, did more than planned -- and has left behind a big bill. The Oregonian reports Clyde Hamstreet completed his job stabilizing Oregon's health care exchange. But the cost of his work and two associates has added up nearly \$600,000 and he hasn't submitted his August invoice. Hamstreet was hired for a four-to-six-week job that extended into five months because it turned out to be a bigger job than expected. / CRIME: Doctors begin today operating on the Klamath County sheriff's deputy who was shot in the face during a traffic stop. Deputy Jason Weber remains in serious, but stable condition at OHSU Hospital in Portland. William Parkerson has been charged with attempted aggravated murder in Wednesday's shooting. Parkerson's girlfriend and another man have also been arrested. / ENVIRONMENT: The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has announced that the Oregon spotted frog will be protected as a threatened species. Once common from the Puget Sound in Washington through the Willamette Valley in Oregon down into Northern California, the frog survives now in about 10 percent of its former range, mostly east of the Cascades. / ECONOMY, CRIME: A judge on Friday is expected hear arguments over whether cities in Washington can ban marijuana businesses that are allowed under state law, in a case that could have big implications for Washington's experiment in legal weed. A man who wants to open a marijuana store in the Tacoma suburb of Fife has sued the city, saying its ban on pot businesses is not allowed. The city is defending its right to remain pot-shop free. It says that if the state law doesn't leave room for local bans, then the judge should consider whether the state's entire new system of licensed marijuana growers, processors and stores should be thrown out as incompatible with the federal prohibition on marijuana. State Attorney General Bob Ferguson calls Fife's arguments a significant threat to legal marijuana in Washington. / HEALTH, EDUCATION: Colleges and universities may be implementing additional health checks on foreign students from West Africa because of the Ebola outbreak there. Administrators are trying to insulate their campuses from the worst Ebola outbreak in history. U.S. authorities are on alert but caution against undue alarm. Ebola is transmitted by contact with body fluids of a sick person. /

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ECONOMY: U.S. home prices rose in July but at a slower rate compared with earlier this year. The moderating price increases could help support sales. Real estate data provider CoreLogic says prices rose 1.2 percent in July from June and were up 7.4 percent over one year ago. Analysts say the smaller price gains should make homes more affordable. The average 30-year fixed mortgage rate was 4.1 percent last week, the lowest in a year. And the number of available homes rose 3.5 percent in July to the most in nearly two years. A greater supply tends to limit the bidding wars that inflate prices. ; 1-800-FLOWERS.COM Inc. is buying Harry & David for \$142.5 million to help broaden the assortment of foods that its customers can choose as gifts. The deal includes Harry & David Holdings Inc.'s brands, websites, 47 retail stores, some plants, orchards and its headquarters in Medford, Oregon. Harry & David's fruit, food and other gifts are housed under brands including Wolferman's, Cushman's and its namesake. Products include Royal Riviera pears, Wolferman's specialty English muffins and Cushman's HoneyBells citrus gifts. 1-800-FLOWERS' brands already include Fannie May, Cheryl's and The Popcorn Factory. The transaction is expected to close in October. / **ECONOMY, ENVIRONMENT:** Midway through an early harvest, one of the world's largest pear growers says its Rogue Valley crop isn't meeting expectations. Medford-based Naumes Inc. told the Mail Tribune that the harvest is two weeks ahead of schedule and it looks like the yield will be 15 percent below normal. It says the culprit was a two-day freeze in late March. Naumes says the harvest itself has gone well despite a shortage of pickers. According to Oregon State University, Rogue Valley pear sales produce \$30 million to \$40 million annually and the industry's ripple effect adds up to about 15 percent of Jackson County's gross domestic product. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** Another flight's been disrupted by a battle among passengers over a reclining airline seat. A Delta Air Lines flight from New York to West Palm Beach, Florida, was diverted to Jacksonville because of a dispute between two passengers. Apparently one woman was trying to recline her seat while the passenger behind her was trying to sleep using the tray table as a headrest. Witnesses say the woman who was trying to sleep started screaming. A flight attendant came over and the woman who was screaming demanded that the flight be diverted. Done. Delta says local law enforcement removed the unruly woman from the plane. Oregon State Police with the assistance of the Lane County Medical Examiner is continuing the investigation into Monday morning's fatal pedestrian-involved collision that occurred on Highway 101 about two miles north of Florence. Initial investigation indicates the pedestrian's action leading to his being struck by a passenger car may have been an intentional act. On September 1, 2014 at approximately 11:53 a.m., OSP troopers were dispatched to a reported injury crash involving a male pedestrian and a passenger car on Highway 101 near milepost 187. EMS responders arrived on scene and

quickly transported the 48-year old male pedestrian by Western Lane Ambulance to PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center where he was pronounced deceased after arrival. Preliminary investigation indicates the victim was a passenger in a vehicle occupied by his mother and her friend enroute to a local store. As they pulled up toward Highway 101 in a private driveway, the victim got out from the rear passenger seat and approached the road. As a northbound 1997 Honda Civic driven by a 19-year old male approached, the man moved in the car's path. Despite the driver's attempted to avoid the man by braking and veering left, the car struck the man. The car's driver and 17-year old female passenger had no apparent injury. The names of the involved persons will be released Tuesday. / SAFETY: Springfield Police responded yesterday to the 1100 block of Olympic Street after a report that a two year old child was attacked by a family dog, a large, adult male Pit Bull. While attempting to rescue his daughter from the dog, the child's father was bitten in the face. A second dog was present and menaced the child by growling but did not bite either subject. The child was taken to McKenzie-Willamette Hospital and ultimately was transported via Life Flight to Legacy Emmanuel Hospital in Portland, OR in critical condition. / ENVIRONMENT: Update on the Deception Complex of fires from Willamette National Forest and Oakridge officials: The community of Oakridge and the surrounding forest is open to recreationists with the exception of the closure order associated with the Deception Complex. We invite you to come enjoy the beautiful fall weather on the Willamette National Forest. The Waldo Lake Wilderness Area closure on the Willamette National Forest has been lifted. A community meeting to provide a fire update is scheduled at Green Waters Park in Oakridge at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday. Local communities and surrounding areas can expect to see smoke in the next couple of days associated with planned burnout operations. This strategy will strengthen containment lines for the Deception Complex while keeping firefighter and public safety a top priority. Two new smoke monitors are now in place at Middle Fork Ranger Station and Dexter in addition to the smoke monitor in Oakridge; information from the monitors is incorporated in the daily Deception Complex smoke forecast which is posted at www.oregonsmoke.blogspot.com Closure changes: The Larison Trail has reopened and Patterson Road (Forest Road 5840) has closed. The rest of the closure order will remain in place. Fire managers are working closely with local natural resource advisors to identify helispots, drop points, weed wash operations, and suppression repair standards to keep any impacts associated with the suppression operations to a minimum. Motorists traveling Highway 58 are advised to proceed with caution near the community of Oakridge due to increased traffic association with hunters and fire equipment working on the Deception Complex. Deception Creek Mobile Home Park, Middle Fork Ranger Station and houses along La Duke Road remain under a Level 1 (first level or "Get Ready") evacuation notice. Currently, five heavy helicopters, three light helicopters and two air attack platforms are assigned to the Deception Complex. The air operations group is currently working on checking and refining medivac site locations. Total Acres: 2,218, Containment: 55%, Total Personnel: 1,009. / HEALTH: Low carb or low fat? For weight loss and for reducing cardiovascular risk, a new study funded by the National Institutes of Health finds that cutting down on carbs is a more effective strategy than limiting fat intake. Researchers at Tulane University said those in their study lost more weight cutting the carbs and the fats and also had greater increases in their so-called "good" cholesterol. For years, there have been concerns about the trade-offs of low-carb diets because people who use them often consume relatively high fat levels. The scientists behind the study say it doesn't mean low-fat diets don't work—they just don't appear to work as well. The study tracked mostly middle-aged participants over the course of a year, providing them monitoring and some dietary counseling. ; On Friday, a new study reported one of the biggest potential advances against heart failure in more than a decade. Doctors said that a first-of-

its-kind, experimental drug cut the chances of death or hospitalization by about 20 percent. The drug, made by Switzerland-based Novartis, which is getting lots of attention this morning on Wall Street. If the drug wins federal approval, doctors say it could quickly change care for more than half of the six million Americans and 24 million people worldwide with heart failure. The study involved nearly 8,500 people and was stopped early once independent monitors saw the Novartis drug was better. Results were discussed Saturday at a cardiology conference in Barcelona and published by the New England Journal of Medicine. / EDUCATION:

A new study of school attendance in all 50 states confirms that Oregon has one of the nation's worst chronic absenteeism problems -- and that is contributing to the state's mediocre levels of reading and math achievement. The Oregonian newspaper reports that the "Absences Add Up" study, which is being released today, found that students who miss about a month of school per year are dramatically worse at both reading and math than students who attend regularly. That's the case in every state, grade level, subject and demographic group studied. In Oregon, students who reported they missed that many school days were a full year behind in both subjects in fourth grade and eighth grade, according to the study, done by the national pro-attendance nonprofit Attendance Works. ; More than 500,000 students return to school in Oregon this week, and their parents will need to add a phrase to their own vocabulary — Smarter Balanced. The rigorous test of reading, math, writing, listening, research and thinking skills will be given to students in grades three through eight and to high school juniors. Scores will be used to judge whether students are on track and which Oregon schools are doing the best and worst jobs. / ENVIRONMENT:

ODFW is offering two adult pheasant hunting workshop for beginners or those who want to sharpen their skills on Sept. 5 and 6 at Fern Ridge Wildlife Area in Eugene. Pre-registration is required. See the ODFW event calendar, www.odfwcalendar.com/ Friday, Sept. 5, Women's Pheasant Hunting Workshop. Fern Ridge Wildlife Area, Eugene. This half-day session of shotgun skills training is followed by afternoon pheasant hunt with a guide and hunting dog. Cost: \$62.00, minimum age 18. Lunch provided. Participants need hunting license, upland game bird validation and HIP. Saturday, Sept. 6, Adult Pheasant Hunting Workshop. Fern Ridge Wildlife Area, Eugene. A Half-day session of shotgun skills training is followed by afternoon pheasant hunt with a guide and hunting dog. Cost: \$62.00, minimum age 18. Lunch provided. Participants need hunting license, upland game bird validation and HIP. ODFW provides all the gear and equipment needed at these workshops including bows, arrows, firearms, shells, eye and ear protection, and hunter orange clothing. Each class begins with a safety talk. /

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DISCUSSED** ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The Deception complex of fires outside of Oakridge and Westfir continues to send smoke into the skies. It has scorched 2,278 acres and is 55 percent contained. Local communities and surrounding areas can expect to see an increase in smoke as the firefighters respond to more active fire behavior by implementing planned burnout operations. This strategy will strengthen containment lines for the Deception Fire while keeping firefighter and public safety a top priority, and reduce the likelihood of a more devastating stand-replacement fire. Motorists traveling Highway 58 are advised to proceed with caution near the community of Oakridge as students and teachers return to school amidst continuing heavy fire-related traffic. Deception Creek Mobile Home Park, Middle Fork Ranger Station and houses along La Duke Road remain under a Level 1 evacuation notice. ; On the Staley Fire, firefighters are finishing rehabilitation, monitoring fire activity, and continuing to operate the sprinkler system as the fire backs toward the line. On the Pool Fire, the fire is being patrolled aerially, and responsibility for the fire will soon be returned to the Middle Fork Ranger District. On the Davey Fire crews are preparing the fire for return to the Middle Fork District for patrolling. ; A fire located in a drainage of Cummins Creek in the Cape Perpetua Scenic Area near the wilderness boundary was spotted late Monday night. Siuslaw National Forest firefighters responded with initial attack on the half acre fire, and have called in a 20-person crew Tuesday to work on containment. Siuslaw National Forest fire officials report that brush, duff, and downed wood are burning. The cause is unknown at this time. Smoke may be visible to hikers on the Cummins Creek Trail #1382 and from Forest Service Road 55. There are no closures in place. ; Don't be surprised if you see a big plume of smoke west of Corvallis later today. If conditions allow, the city of Corvallis and Oregon Department of Forestry are planning to light a controlled burn at noon near Mary's Peak. The Corvallis Gazette-Times reports officials are working to reduce the invasive grass that dominates a three-acre site at Old Peak Meadow so it can be replanted with native vegetation. One-hundred and fifty years ago, small wildfires burned through the area on a regular basis. But with fire suppression came the spread of invasive species that crowded out native plants. This controlled burn is designed to restore the natural balance. ; For the past 100 years—and then some—the Pacific Northwest has been on a warming trend. A new study from Oregon State University finds the region has warmed by about 1.3 degrees Fahrenheit since the early 1900s. And they say the gradual warming trend has been accelerating over the past three to four decades because of human causes. The authors say the study is one of the first to isolate the role of greenhouse gases associated with regional warming. It was published in a recent issue of the Journal of Climate, a publication of the American Meteorological Society. Co-author Philip Mote, the director of the Oregon Climate Change Research Institute at OSU, says while the amount of warming may not sound like

a lot to the casual observer, they we already are starting to see some of the impacts. Mote says just a 1.3-degree increase has lengthened the 'freeze-free' season by 2-3 weeks and is equivalent to moving the snowline 600 feet up the mountain. The study was funded by the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. ; The malfunction of a motor home's exhaust system is blamed for igniting about 10 small brush fires along U.S. 97 south of Bend. Firefighters from several agencies worked quickly to contain and mop up the fires late yesterday afternoon and evening. KTVZ-TV reports that several motorists pulled over not just to report the fires but to grab shovels and tackle the blazes themselves. The motor home was located a short distance away and the driver cooperated with the investigation. ; Oregon's tough wildfire season has pushed spending to the point the state Department of Forest is tapping its special insurance policy for the second year in a row. The Bulletin reports that state wildfire costs exceeded the \$20 million deductible last July, and spending is now two-thirds of the way through the \$25 million Lloyd's of London insurance policy. Department spokesman Rod Nichols says the premium this year doubled to \$2 million. Wildfires have already burned three times the 10-year average in Oregon, and the department expects the upward trend to continue as the changing climate brings more drought, longer burning seasons and higher temperatures. ; Oregon's state Board of Forestry is working on balancing a healthy timber industry with healthy salmon runs. On Wednesday the board votes on taking the next step in developing rules governing how many trees must be left standing along streams to keep the water shaded and cool enough for salmon to survive. It would be the first change to the riparian protections of the Oregon Forest Practices Act since 1994. The question was raised by a 2011 study that found temperatures were getting warmer in salmon streams on state-regulated timberlands in the Coast Range. The Department of Forestry is recommending the board go forward. A final decision is months away and will take into account whether the changes are too tough on the timber industry. / EDUCATION, GROWTH: A hearing officer for the city of Bend has approved OSU-Cascades' plans to develop a four-year campus in Bend. The official says the university's proposal can meet building code requirements. The Bulletin reports opponents have 12 days to file an appeal with the City Council. They say the development could overwhelm traffic and housing in the area. / ECONOMY, CRIME: Home Depot may be the latest retailer to suffer a major credit card data breach. The Atlanta-based home improvement retailer has told The Associated Press that it's working with both banks and law enforcement to investigate unusual activity that could point to a hack. Home Depot spokeswoman Paula Drake says, quote, "Protecting our customers' information is something we take extremely seriously, and we are aggressively gathering facts at this point while working to protect customers." She didn't elaborate, but did say that the retailer would notify customers immediately if it confirms a breach. Shares of Home Depot Inc. fell \$1.88, or 2 percent, to close at \$91.15. Hackers have broken security walls for many retailers in recent months, including Target, grocery store chain Supervalu, P.F. Chang's and the thrift store operations of Goodwill. The rash of breaches has rattled shoppers' confidence in the security of their personal data and pushed retailers, banks and card companies to increase security by speeding the adoption of microchips into U.S. credit and debit cards. / HEALTH, ECONOMY: As CVS sharpens its focus on customer health, the nation's second-largest drugstore chain will tweak its corporate name and stop the sale of tobacco nearly a month sooner than planned. CVS Caremark will now be known as CVS Health. The signs on its roughly 7,700 drugstores won't change, so the tweak may not register with shoppers. However, those customers will see a big change when they check out. The cigars and cigarettes that used to fill the shelves behind store cash registers have been replaced with nicotine gum and other products that help people kick the tobacco habit. CVS said earlier this year that it would stop selling tobacco

products on Oct. 1. CVS and other drugstores have delved deeper into customer health care in recent years. / ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: Twenty-one species of west Coast fish have made the leap off a watch list of seafood to avoid as unsustainably overfished. Conservationists and many fishermen and chefs celebrating the turnaround of a fishing ground declared an economic disaster area by the federal government just 14 years ago. The Monterey Bay Aquarium upgraded the 21 species of West Coast bottom-dwelling fish known as ground fish — including rockfish, sablefish, and other workhorses of the white-fish seafood fillet market — from its "avoid" category on the Seafood Watch list. That means the food industry and consumers now should feel free to sell and eat those fish without guilt. The declaration marks a rebound from 2000, when commercial overfishing of ground fish off California, Oregon and Washington had depleted those and other species so badly as to earn a government designation of an economic disaster. /

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TERRORISM, ECONOMY: the U.S. and allied countries are trying to cut off the Islamic State group's funding with airstrikes in Syria overnight that targeted oil installations held by the militant group. Islamic State is believed to control 11 oil fields in Iraq and Syria, and earn more than \$3 million a day from oil smuggling, theft and extortion. Activists say the latest airstrikes have killed nearly 20 people, including at least 14 militants. ; U.S. officials are telling Americans in Turkey to be vigilant against possible terror attacks in retaliation for U.S. airstrikes against the Islamic State group. Meanwhile, Turkey says it's joining NATO allies and fellow Sunni Muslim nations in the coalition to destroy Islamic State militants. The U.S. says it's still waiting to hear what exactly Turkey will contribute. Turkey has long resisted being used as a launching pad for foreign troops to attack neighboring nations. / **HEALTH, SAFETY:** One-third of Sierra Leone's population is now isolated because of the Ebola outbreak. The country is restricting travel to three more "hotspots," meaning only people delivering essential services can enter the areas where a total of about 1.5 million people live. Ebola has sickened more than 6,200 people in West Africa, and the World Health Organization says more than 2,900 people have now died. ; Three New York City firefighters who became ill after the 9/11 terror attacks have died on the same day, from 9/11-related illnesses. The fire commission says the deaths of Lt. Howard Bischoff and firefighters Robert Leaver and Daniel Heglund on Monday are "a painful reminder that 13 years later we continue to pay a terrible price for the department's heroic efforts." The Uniformed Fire Officers Association says 99 percent of firefighters exposed to the 9/11 rubble have reported at least one new respiratory illness. / **SAFETY:** A transformer blew at a substation on Eugene's Country Club Road shortly after five this morning, plunging 2,500 Eugene Water and Electric Board customers in the Cal Young and Norkenzie neighborhoods into darkness. Power was completely restored shortly before nine this morning. ; Shortly after 2:30 on Wednesday afternoon, Lane Electric members reported a big outage in Oakridge and Westfir. Utility officials say it appears it was the result of a fault in the Bonneville Power Administration's transmission line between Lookout Point Dam and the Oakridge Substation. Repair crews changed the communities' power supply over to the Hills Creek Dam, re-energizing the substation and restoring power to the area. The lights and heat returned to Oakridge and Westfir shortly before six last night. / **SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION:** No one was injured Wednesday morning after a school bus loaded with children came to rest in a ditch near the Stewart Parkway and Jasper-Lowell Road north of Pleasant Hill. It happened at about 7:45 Wednesday morning. Investigators say that in addition to the driver there were a number of children on board, ranging in age from five to 15, all of whom are students in the Pleasant Hill School District. Officials say the 67-year-old male driver told them he pulled over to the side of the road because of heavy traffic and a child jumping out of his seat. The driver said he stood to deal

with the situation but apparently failed to set the parking brake so the bus began to roll. The driver said he quickly got back in his seat to halt the bus but not before it went into a steep ditch. The children were moved onto another bus so crews could get the first one out of the ditch. No citations were issued. / **ECONOMY, DEVELOPMENT, POLITICS:** The on-again, off-again work at Eugene's city hall is back on again. At Wednesday's work session, members of the Eugene City Council decided to return to the original plan of constructing a new building on one-half of the site at Eighth and Pearl Streets. That means the existing building—with the possible exception of the Council Chamber, will be demolished. Earlier this month, the City Council pressed "pause" on the demolition or, as officials termed it, the "deconstruction" effort amid pressure from members of the community who favor renovating the existing building. That forced the contractor to lay off some of workers who'd been hired to begin tearing the structure down. / **ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY:** The Siuslaw National Forest entered an Industrial Fire Precaution Level IFPL I and Moderate Fire Danger Level as of 8:30 a.m. Wednesday morning and also lifted public use restrictions on campfires. "Even though the rain and cooler temperatures have started with the fall season, we encourage people to still be careful with campfires," stated Chris Waverek, Assistant Fire Management Officer for the Siuslaw National Forest. / **ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY:** The Seattle City Council passed a new ordinance Monday that could mean \$1 fines for people who toss too many table scraps into the trash. The Seattle Times reports that under current Seattle Public Utilities (SPU) rules, people living in single-family homes are encouraged but not required to dispose of food waste and compostable paper products in compost bins. Apartment buildings must have compost bins available, but residents of apartment buildings aren't required to use them. And businesses aren't subject to any composting requirements. Under the new rules, collectors can take a cursory look each time they dump trash into a garbage truck. If they see compostable items make up 10 percent or more of the trash, they'll enter the violation into a computer system their trucks already carry, and will leave a ticket on the garbage bin that says to expect a \$1 fine on the next garbage bill. Apartment buildings and businesses will be subject to the same 10 percent threshold but will get two warnings before they are fined. A third violation will result in a \$50 fine. Dumpsters there will be checked by inspectors on a random basis. Collectors will begin tagging garbage bins and Dumpsters with educational tickets starting Jan. 1 when they find violations. But fines won't start until July 1. SPU doesn't expect to collect many fines, says Tim Croll, the agency's solid-waste director. The city outlawed recyclable items from the trash nine years ago, but SPU has collected less than \$2,000 in fines since then, Croll says. "The point isn't to raise revenue," he said. "We care more about reminding people to separate their materials." SPU asked the council to consider the new ordinance because the agency is falling short of its recycling and composting goals. Seattle's recycling rate for 2013 was 56 percent, a slight improvement over 2012 but not on pace to meet SPU's goal of 60 percent for 2015. "Our growth rate for recycling has stalled," said Councilmember Sally Bagshaw, who sponsored the legislation. "It's surprising, but we still send 300,000 tons of garbage every year to a landfill in eastern Oregon. I think we can do a lot better than that," Bagshaw said. Collectors already check garbage bins at single-family homes for recyclable items. When they find too many glass or plastic items, they leave the bins with a tag asking the resident to remove the items. / **POLITICS:** Attorney General Eric Holder is resigning. That's according to a White House official. Holder has been attorney general since the start of President Barack Obama's first term. Holder was the first black attorney general and has been the fourth-longest person to hold the job. He plans to remain at the Justice Department until his successor is in place. / **CRIME, ECONOMY:** Officials with the Jimmy John's sandwich chain suspect customers' credit card data was stolen from 216 of it more than 2,000 locations between June and September. Stores in

37 states across the United States were affected, including two in Beaverton. But—good news—it appears none of the Lane County stores were affected. Jimmy John's officials believe someone stole log-in credentials and remotely installed malware on machines used to swipe credit cards. Some customers' credit card numbers, expiration dates, verification codes and names were stolen between June 16 and Sept. 15. Company officials say they believe they've fixed the security issue by installing encrypted swipe machines and taking other steps. ; Some lenders are preparing to reissue credit or debit cards to customers to head off possible losses following the breach of customer data at Home Depot. Capital One Financial and JPMorgan Chase & Co. said yesterday they are preparing to assign new cards to accountholders due to the data theft at the home-improvement retailer. Earlier this month, Home Depot confirmed that malicious software lurking in its check-out terminals between April and September affected 56 million debit and credit cards. Target, Michaels and Neiman Marcus also have been attacked by hackers in the past year. While lenders often will issue customers a card after it's been lost, stolen or used to make an unauthorized purchase, Capital One and JPMorgan are taking action based merely on whether accounts may be compromised. Capital One, which issues debit cards in addition to its namesake credit card, is preparing to do a proactive, "mass reissue" of credit and debit cards on accounts that it believes are at risk due to the Home Depot data breach, said spokeswoman Pam Girardo. / EDUCATION, CRIME, SAFETY: Students are returning to Oregon's college campuses and, sadly, they're often targets of thieves. The Eugene Police Crime Prevention Unit, University of Oregon and U-of-O Police Department have partnered with volunteers and others to focus their efforts this week to reduce crime in areas that attract large numbers of students. These include neighborhood, business districts and spots on and off campus. The team's main focus is preventing burglaries, thefts from vehicles, and thefts of laptops and bicycles. Crime Prevention Tips: Burglaries - The majority of burglaries in these areas occur during the day and where a door or window was left unsecured. Lock all doors and windows, even if you are home. Car break-ins - Don't leave ANYTHING visible in your unattended vehicle...no matter the value. Laptops - Don't ever leave your laptop unattended...libraries, coffee shops, and cars are common locations that laptop thefts occur. Bicycles - Make sure to always lock your bike with a high quality lock and to register your bicycle, either with the UO Police Department (if you are a UO student or faculty member), or with the Eugene Police Department. The Kinsrow/Commons area and other University neighborhoods often have high rates of property crime. The Eugene Police Crime Prevention Unit is hoping that educating students and other residents now will help them become more difficult or "harder" targets for criminals. And remember: Report suspicious behaviors and do your part to prevent property crimes. / EDUCATION, ECONOMY: Nearly 3,000 new Ducks will move into the on-campus residence halls on Thursday, Sept. 25. For the fourth year, the event will be celebrated with hundreds of UO students, alumni, faculty and staff members volunteering to help new students and their families "Unpack the Quack." This year, thirty members of our University leadership team will join in as greeters throughout the day. Worrisome looks about how to carry belongings up several flights of stairs can quickly turn to smiles when volunteers approach a family and offer to help make the experience smoother and quicker. More than 4,000 students are expected to live in on-campus University Housing this year. Students come from all over the globe, representing more than 35 countries. Of those, residence hall populations are comprised of approximately 55 percent women and 45 percent men, approximately 80 percent of our first-time full time students. University Housing has a robust system of living-learning environments including academic residential communities, where students expand upon their classroom experience and live with others who are passionate and committed to similar topics. Topics in the academic residential communities range from

languages and business focuses to ecological leaders who are interested in raising backyard chickens or backpacking through old-growth forests. Dining services is also gearing up to return to serving an average of 10,000 meals a day to students in the residence halls at nine University Housing dining venues, offering choices including local, sustainable, international, organic and vegetarian options. /

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HEALTH, SAFETY: This Saturday, September 27th, is National Pharmaceutical Drug Take Back Day. Between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, there are 5,200 collection sites across Oregon and the U.S. accepting expired or unwanted prescription medications. The free service is organized by the Drug Enforcement Administration, local law enforcement and community groups. The goal? Collect and safely dispose of potentially dangerous prescription drugs. And while the events are not set up to handle liquids or needles or sharps, veterinary medicines are also acceptable. This service is free and anonymous, no questions asked. Officials say unused and outdated medicines that overstay their welcome in homes are often stolen, misused or abused, resulting in accidental poisonings and overdoses. And studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including from the home medicine cabinet. In addition, the usual methods for disposing of unused medicines—flushing them down the toilet or throwing them in the trash—pose potential safety and environmental health hazards. Want to find one of the sites near you? Go to www.dea.gov Look for the "Got Drugs?" graphic and click to search for a site in or near your zip code. That's www.dea.gov / **CRIME, SAFETY:** A warning from Eugene Police about so-called Ecstasy "candy": In recent weeks, the Eugene Police Department's Downtown Team has focused enforcement on the Park Blocks following public complaints about suspected criminal activity. One morning last week, officers observed two suspects in that area in violation of park rules and found them in possession of approximately three pounds of Ecstasy "candy." Eugene Police officers say they come in contact with several different types of drugs while on patrol, including Ecstasy (the drug MDMA). But it's fairly rare to encounter the drug in this form. That's one reason Eugene Police this week issued a public advisory: Ecstasy "candy" not only poses a severe and fatal threat to recreational drug users because of its unknown concentrations—it can be deadly to children and others who don't realize what they're consuming. / **ECONOMY:** The latest reading on the economy finds that it grew at an annual rate of 4.6 percent in the spring -- the fastest pace in more than two years. The strong performance came after a dismal winter. The solid rebound is expected to provide momentum for strong growth the rest of the year. / **COMMUNITY, FAMILIES:** Willamalane Center for Sports and Recreation hosted a celebration yesterday to officially open its expanded and newly renovated synthetic turf sports fields at 250 S. 32nd St. in Springfield. The Ready to Play Celebration recognized the upgrade to Morrisette Field and completion of two new artificial turf fields that were paid for with bond measure funds. Willamalane officials say the improvements were paid for when district voters in 2012 approved a \$20 million bond measure that funded projects to upgrade sports fields as well as expand trails; preserve parkland around hillsides, rivers and streams; and conserve energy. The 10-year-old Morrisette Field was originally installed in 2003. This summer's effort replaced

approximately 86,350 square feet of worn AstroTurf. The renovated field will be used for football, soccer and lacrosse. The two new 189,650-square-foot fields, located south of Morrisette Field, will be used for softball, soccer and baseball. In addition to renovating and adding new sports fields, the project includes 55 new parking spaces and a new entry road; eight new field lighting poles and lights; and an approximately 7,200-square-foot concrete main entry plaza with water and power connections for up to four concession trailers. The budgeted cost of the turf sports fields project is \$3.6 million. Future improvements include a picnic shelter, additional restrooms, landscaped planter beds, a walking path and an upgraded playground. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ECONOMY:** A fire at a suburban Chicago air traffic control facility that shut down the city's two airports Friday was intentionally set by a contract employee, police said. The early morning fire forced the evacuation of the control center in Aurora, about 40 miles west of downtown Chicago. Emergency crews found a man in the basement with a self-inflicted wound and took him to a hospital. The man was a contract employee of the Federal Aviation Administration, said Aurora Police Chief Gregory Thomas. He said it was not a terrorist act and that the investigation was being run by the FBI, the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and local police and fire departments. ; Travelers trying to fly in and out of Chicago today have been stranded because of a fire at an air traffic control facility in suburban Chicago. The fire put a stop to all flights in and out of Chicago's two airports, canceling hundreds of flights. And the impact is expected to be felt at airports around the country. Police say the fire was intentionally set by a contract employee. ; USA Today reports that Ford is recalling 850,000 vehicles due to electrical glitch that can prevent air bags from deploying. The recall includes certain 2013-14 Ford C-Max, Fusion, Escape and Lincoln MKZ vehicles. Yesterday, Chrysler Group ordered a recall of 349,000 cars and SUVs from the 2008 model year to fix faulty ignition switches that can move out of position and potentially could lead to the engine shutting off while driving and air bags not functioning. Until the cars can be fixed, Chrysler is urging owners to confirm their ignition keys are set in the "on" position when they start their cars. ; The oil industry's leading trade group has adopted new standards for testing and classifying crude shipped by rail after prior shipments were misclassified, including a train that derailed in Canada and killed 47 people. As with earlier orders from the federal government, the standards unveiled Thursday left it to companies to decide how often to test crude in order to gauge its danger. The American Petroleum Institute says the standards were crafted in cooperation with regulators and the rail industry. Shipping oil by rail has become far more common as domestic drilling booms in North Dakota, Montana, Texas, Colorado and other states. In July 2013, a crude train from North Dakota crude derailed and exploded in Lac-Mégantic (lahk meh-GAHN'-teek), Quebec, killing 47. Regulators said the shipment had been misclassified as posing a low risk. / **ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY:** The Northwest led the nation in wildfires this year. Citing federal statistics, The Oregonian reports Thursday that the number of wildfires in Oregon and Washington is down — 3,270 — but the area burned is higher than any other region of the country — a total of nearly 1.3 million acres. Northwest Interagency Coordination Center spokeswoman Carol Connolly says the region set a record with 43 days as the nation's top firefighting priority, with 12,000 people fighting fires in the two states during one week in July. Mike Ferris of the National Interagency Fire Center says that while much of the nation saw wetter and cooler than normal weather, Oregon was in the second year of drought, and both states saw frequent lightning storms, particularly east of the Cascades. ; Faced with increasing criticism of a proposal that would restrict media filming in wilderness areas, the head of the U.S. Forest Service said late Thursday that the rule is not intended to apply to news-gathering activities. Chief Tom Tidwell says the rule would apply to commercial filming, like a movie production, but reporters and news organizations would not need to get a permit to shoot

video or photographs in the nation's wilderness areas. He says the agency wants feedback to help make sure the rules are clear and consistent. Mickey Osterreicher, general counsel for the National Press Photographers Association, says the proposal is so vague that "the language does not reflect that intent." He says the agency needs to craft unambiguous language that exempts news-gathering. ; Interior Secretary Sally Jewell visited Oregon to get a closer look at a habitat restoration project to help the sage grouse, a candidate for Endangered Species Act protection. The Department of Interior says Jewell and U.S. Bureau of Land Management Deputy Director Steve Ellis toured BLM land outside Lakeview on Thursday where juniper trees are being cut down as part of a larger effort involving state and federal agencies, private landowners and others. Jewell said in a statement that she is encouraged by the collaborative spirit she is seeing. Juniper trees have come to dominate much of the habitat used by sage grouse. The trees crowd out native plants, and suck up scarce water. Cutting them down restores the landscape to a condition more beneficial to sage grouse and other species. / CRIME: The head of the University of Oregon's physics department has been hospitalized after he was stabbed. Authorities say his wife has been arrested. The Register-Guard reports that 57-year-old Regina Claypool-Frey was arrested early Thursday for investigation of first-degree assault, menacing and unlawful use of a weapon. Police declined to discuss the severity of Raymond Frey's injuries but said he was conscious and able to speak. The stabbing was reported at about 2 a.m. Thursday. A Sacred Heart Medical Center spokeswoman said Frey was in fair condition. Additional details were not immediately available late Thursday. / MINORITIES, ECONOMY, SAFETY: The Homeland Security Department is privately acknowledging that about 70 percent of immigrant families caught illegally crossing the Mexican border have not reported back to immigration authorities. Instead, they've vanished into the interior of the United States. The disclosure to immigration advocates came during a confidential meeting at Homeland Security's Washington headquarters for a federal working group on detention and enforcement policies. / CRIME, WOMEN, ECONOMY: The NFL's security chief insists that he never received a video showing former Ravens player Ray Rice punching his then-fiance on an elevator. But a law enforcement official says that in April, the video was sent to NFL headquarters to the attention of security chief Jeffrey Miller. The enforcement official says he doesn't know if Miller ever opened the package. Those same images were released earlier this month by TMZ Sports. / ECONOMY: U.S. Bank is refunding about \$48 million in the latest federal settlement by a major bank over improper billing for extra credit card products that customers didn't receive. The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau announced the agreement Thursday with U.S. Bank, the sixth-largest bank by assets. U.S. Bank was ordered to repay about 420,000 customers who signed up for credit monitoring products and were charged for services they didn't receive. In addition, Minneapolis-based U.S. Bank is paying \$9 million in penalties to the CFPB and the Treasury Department agency that oversees national banks. It was the latest in a string of enforcement actions against major banks over billing for credit card "add-ons." Federal regulators have been examining the financial industry's marketing of the products for several years. ; The price of a gallon of gasoline may soon start with a "2" across much the country. Gasoline prices typically decline in autumn. This year they're getting a big push lower from falling global oil prices. By the end of the year, up to 30 states could have an average gasoline price of under \$3 a gallon, according to a forecast from GasBuddy.com. Already the average in Springfield, Missouri is below \$3. Several other cities are on the brink. The national average is \$3.35 per gallon, a dime below last year at this time and near its low for 2014. Lower fuel prices help the economy by making goods cheaper to ship, making travel more affordable, and leaving a few extra dollars in drivers' pockets. / ECONOMY, ELECTIONS, SAFETY: Seattle will be getting its second legal pot shop in a matter of days. State officials have granted a

retail marijuana license to Ian Eisenberg. He's calling his pot store Uncle Ike's. Seattle's other legal pot shop, Cannabis City, has been open since early July. Eisenberg tells seattlepi.com that he intends to open Uncle Ike's next Tuesday. ; Taking up and driving don't mix and now state officials in Washington want to put it into law. The Washington Traffic Safety Commission is urging the legislature to outlaw smoking pot in cars. When Washington state legalized pot, smoking in public was banned. But there's nothing in the law that bars lighting up a joint in a vehicle. The News Tribune of Tacoma reports the commission is asking state lawmakers to create a clear rule covering both drivers and passengers. /

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TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY, ECONOMY: The Federal Aviation Administration says it will take about two weeks to fully reopen a Chicago-area control center where an act of sabotage brought the city's two international airports to a halt last week. FAA officials said Sunday they hope to return the facility to full service by mid-October. Authorities say a contract employee started a fire Friday at regional control center in suburban Aurora, Illinois, and then attempted to commit suicide. More than 2,000 flights were canceled that day at O'Hare and Midway international airports, disrupting travel nationwide. About 600 flights were canceled at the airports Sunday, and delays were about a half-hour. The FAA said crews are working to install replacement equipment. Air traffic controllers from Aurora are now at other FAA offices in the Midwest. / ENVIRONMENT, SAFETY: The National Weather Service says a fast-moving but potent cold front will arrive today, bringing cooler temperatures and a rain that could turn to light snow in the higher elevations. This comes as hunters prepare their camps for Saturday's opening of the rifle deer season. ; State troopers and Douglas County deputies are looking for a woman who was reported missing on the way to the Crater Lake area. Family and friends of 51-year-old Andria Terrell tell police they haven't heard from her and haven't been able to contact her cellphone. Phone activity shows the last location was yesterday afternoon near Canyonville. Terrell is a traveling nurse currently working in Eugene. / CRIME, EDUCATION, WOMEN: In a move to combat sexual assaults on college campuses, California Governor Jerry Brown announced yesterday that he has signed a bill that makes California the first in the nation to define when "yes means yes" and adopt requirements for colleges to follow when investigating sexual assault reports. California lawmakers last month approved the legislation. It came as states and universities across the U.S. are under pressure to change how they handle rape allegations. Rather than using the refrain "no means no," the definition of consent under the bill requires "an affirmative, conscious and voluntary agreement to engage in sexual activity." Backers of the new law shifts the conversation regarding sexual assault to prevention, justice, and healing. The legislation says silence or lack of resistance does not constitute consent. Under the bill, someone who is drunk, drugged, unconscious or asleep cannot grant consent. Lawmakers say consent can be nonverbal, and universities with similar policies have outlined examples as a nod of the head or moving in closer to the person. Advocates for victims of sexual assault supported the change as one that will provide consistency across campuses and challenge the notion that victims must have resisted assault to have valid complaints. / EDUCATION, CRIME, CIVIL LIBERTIES: Student-athletes an Oregon school district must submit to drug tests this year, a proposal that students had been urging. The South Lane School Board has approved a plan to test every student-athlete at least once per season, with some random tests also administered. The Junction City School District has adopted a similar

plan. Students who fail three tests will be removed from the teams. Some parents and students complain that the policy is ineffective and will drive students away from extracurricular activities. The school districts say the policies will help curb drug abuse and encourage students with issues to seek help. A U.S. Supreme Court case in 2002 allowed testing of students participating in extracurricular activities. / **MILITARY, TERRORISM:** A senior adviser to President Barack Obama says Afghanistan will sign a deal tomorrow to allow American soldiers to remain in the country past the end of the year. John Podesta made the comments at a news conference at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul. Podesta said he didn't know if newly inaugurated President Ashraf Ghani Ahmadzai would be the official signing the deal for Afghanistan, but said he would sign it on behalf of the U.S. The deal will allow about 10,000 American troops to stay in the country after the international combat mission ends on Dec. 31. / **CRIME, SAFETY:** Oregon State Police investigators are asking for your help in locating the vehicle and driver involved in Saturday night's fatal hit and run pedestrian-involved crash along Shoreview Drive east of Cottage Grove. It happened shortly after 10:30 Saturday night. Investigators say they were called to the 35000 block of Shoreview Drive near Dorena Reservoir. Officials say an unknown vehicle struck 39-year-old Reuben James Orr of Eugene, leaving the victim lying in the center of the road. There are no current leads to help indicate the type of vehicle involved in the incident. That's why state police want to hear from you if you know anything about the incident or the vehicle that was involved. Anyone with information in this investigation is asked to call OSP Northern Command Center dispatch at 800-452-7888. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** U.S. safety regulators are looking into a consumer's petition alleging that older Toyota Corollas can accelerate unexpectedly at low speeds and cause crashes. The inquiry covers about 1.69 million of the compact cars from the 2006 to 2010 model years. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration will decide whether to open a formal investigation. An unidentified consumer said in a letter to the agency that a Corolla surged at low speeds several times, and the brakes failed to stop the car. The consumer said the problem caused one collision with a parked vehicle on June 8. Investigators said they found 141 consumer complaints about the problem. No other crashes or injuries were reported. The consumer filed the petition on Sept. 11. ; Harley-Davidson is recalling more than 105,000 motorcycles from the 2014 model year because their clutches may fail, causing stopped bikes to creep forward and potentially crash. The Milwaukee company also is recalling 1,384 motorcycles made earlier this year to test for possible fuel tank leaks. For the clutch issue, Harley-Davidson says dealers will rebuild affected clutch master cylinders for free. The company knows of 19 low-speed tip-over crashes tied to the problem, with three minor injuries reported. Bikes named in that recall include the Electra Glide Ultra Classic and the CVO Road King. Dealers also will test fuel tanks subject to that recall and replace them for free if any leak from under their caps. No injuries, accidents or fires have been tied to that problem. / **ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY:** More than 4,700 dedicated volunteers turned out in force Saturday to remove trash and improve Oregon's environment as part of the 30th Anniversary of the SOLVE Beach & Riverside Cleanup. This year 52,200 pounds of trash and debris were collected from over 110 project sites including beaches, rivers, neighborhoods, parks, and school grounds around the state. Invasive non-native plants were cleared from three acres of natural area and 51 native trees and shrubs were planted. Of the 4,700 volunteers, nearly 2,000 were youth and students. On the coast there were some strange finds, including a box of solar lights found by volunteers at the Netarts Bay Boat Ramp Cleanup. The Rockaway Beach Lions Club also found bike racks, canopies, shoes and cell phones. Today, the success of this event is due in large part to the dedicated coordinators and Beach Captains that step up to lead projects throughout the state. / **CRIME:** Eugene Police are asking for your help in locating a suspect in a

series of thefts. The woman in a photo distributed by the agency is a person of interest related to a number of thefts initiated in the Winco Grocery parking lot. Investigators say the woman approaches her victims and tells them she is locked out of her vehicle. She then asks for a ride to the area of Malabon Elementary School. The suspect acquires the victim's wallet before exiting the vehicle. Eugene police are investigating numerous reports similar in nature that have occurred within the last ten days. Eugene Police Officer Eric Hubbard is asking for any information leading to the identification of the suspect in this case be forwarded to the above listed email address or call (541)682-5111. / HEALTH, EDUCATION: The American Academy of Pediatrics is updating its birth control guidance for sexually active teen girls, saying it should include not only condoms, but IUDs or hormonal implants. IUDs are long-acting birth control methods that, once implanted, don't have to be remembered on a daily basis like condoms, and they have an effective life time of a few years or more. And the group says condoms should also be used every time teens have sex to provide protection against sexually transmitted disease. / ENVIRONMENT: Officials say crews have made more progress toward taming a massive wildfire in Northern California. U.S. Forest Service spokesman Michael Williams says more rain and high humidity on Saturday aided firefighters battling the King Fire, which did not see a major spread since it began two weeks ago. The blaze has burned more than 151 square miles of a heavily forested region east of Sacramento. Williams said Sunday that the fire is 87 percent contained — up 3 percent from Saturday. More than 4,800 firefighters remain on the scene to strengthen containment lines as fire suppression and repair teams assess the damage. The blaze has destroyed about a dozen homes and nearly 70 other structures near Pollock Pines in El Dorado County. The fire has cost more than \$53 million to fight. / ECONOMY: Florida State remains the No. 1 team in the latest Associated Press college football poll, but the Seminoles claimed just 27 of 60 first-place votes following their second consecutive close call. Second-ranked Oregon and No. 3 Alabama each claimed 13 first-place votes, while Oklahoma took seven. Auburn is fifth, followed by Texas A&M, Baylor, UCLA, Notre Dame and Michigan State. / ECONOMY: No need to fear the "software update" button on your Apple mobile devices. The company says it has now patched up the latest update to its operating system for iPhones, iPads and iPods. The release last Wednesday of the new version of iOS 8 triggered complaints that the update caused problems with people making calls on the new iPhone 6 and 6 Plus — and trying to use the Touch ID system, which lets you swipe a finger to unlock phones and buy stuff. In addition to issuing the software update — called iOS 8.0.2, Apple is also issuing another apology, saying it was sorry to those affected by the bug-ridden release of iOS 8.0.1. / EDUCATION: It's the first day of fall term for the University of Oregon and Lane Community College. We remind listeners about traffic congestion and the hunt for parking spots near campus, suggest arriving early, using a carpool or taking one of many Lane Transit District buses. /

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TERRORISM, MILITARY: Afghanistan and the United States have signed a long-awaited security pact that will allow U.S. forces to remain in the country past the end of year. Afghanistan's new president, Ashraf Ghani Ahmadzai (ahsh-RAHF' gah-NEE' ah-mahd-ZEYE'), who was sworn into office one day earlier, says agreement signals a fundamental shift in the country's relations with the world. President Barack Obama says the security agreement marks an "historic day" in the partnership between the two countries. The pact allows about 10,000 American military personnel to remain in Afghanistan after the end of this year. It comes after a lengthy political struggle in Afghanistan that delayed its implementation. ; Activists say U.S.-led airstrikes in Syria have targeted the Islamic State group near a besieged Kurdish town along the border with Turkey. It's not clear if today's airstrikes have halted the militants' advance on the Koubani area, where activists say 57 Islamic militants and Kurdish defenders were killed yesterday. Koubani has been under attack by the Islamic State group since mid-September. ; The head of the Secret Service will have to explain to members of Congress today how a man with a knife was able to jump a White House fence, sprint across the north lawn and dash deep into the executive mansion before finally being subdued. This morning's House Oversight and Government Reform Committee hearing comes after Republican Congressman Jason Chaffetz of Utah said accused intruder Omar Gonzalez got as far as the White House East Room. /

CRIME: A 29-year-old man who robbed an armored truck courier at a Keizer ATM was sentenced Monday in Salem to 17 years in prison. The Register-Guard reports Anthony Sam White was arrested four days after the Marion County incident when he was shot during an attempted armored truck robbery in Eugene. White was paralyzed from the waist down in the shooting and is awaiting trial in the Lane County case. Investigators say nine years ago he served prison time for assault, robbery and burglary charges in Portland. ; Fifty-three people were arrested or cited in lieu of custody over the weekend, as Eugene Police began their fall efforts to crack down on out-of-control parties and unruly behavior in the West and South University neighborhoods. The most common issues? Open Containers, Minor in Possession of Alcohol and Prohibited Noise. Eugene and Springfield Police patrols also reported 23 DUII arrests between seven p.m. Friday and seven a.m. Sunday. ; He was already lying in the roadway before he was struck by a car. That's the latest from Oregon State Police, who are investigating the death of a 39-year old Eugene man Saturday night on Shoreview Drive near Dorena Lake. State police initially believed the pedestrian, Reuben James Orr, had been knocked to the roadway by a hit-and-run driver. But new information from the Lane County Medical Examiner indicates that was not the case. Officials are awaiting the results of toxicology tests, which could take several weeks. Orr was wearing dark clothing when found by emergency responders. On Sunday, a woman told police she'd been driving in the area that night and thought she ran

over a deer lying on the road. Investigators say the woman is fully cooperating in the case and has provided them with access to her vehicle. / SAFETY: Thanks to everyone for who kept an eye out for a visiting nurse from Georgia who dropped out of contact on a weekend trip from Eugene to Crater Lake. Oregon State Police say they made contact with her yesterday. She's okay. Her family and friends became concerned when she hadn't heard from her, which they said was unusual, and had not been able to contact her via cellphone. The woman told police she'd been in an area that had no cell coverage. / ECONOMY, ELECTIONS: Will the Eugene City Council also try to impose a local tax on the recreational use of marijuana? The Register-Guard reports that council members will discuss the potential tax sometime in the next couple of weeks, before state voters decide the fate of the legalization proposal. If the council members take action, they'll follow Springfield's lead. And Eugene would join a growing number of Oregon cities that either have passed a local tax or are considering doing so before the November election. Measure 91 would legalize the recreational use of marijuana by adults 21 years of age and older and create a system to regulate its production and sale. But the measure also bars cities and counties from adopting a local tax and voids local ordinances that conflict with its provisions. Despite the wording of Measure 91, some cities figure that they stand a chance of having their taxes grandfathered in if they approve them ahead of legalization. / CRIME, ECONOMY: Are Albertson's customers in Oregon among those caught in the latest retail security breach? Officials with Albertsons and Supervalu grocery stores are reporting that the credit and debit card data of its shoppers in more than one dozen states, including Oregon, might be at risk because of a hack. The companies say that in late August or early September, malicious software was installed on networks that process card transactions at some of their stores. Albertsons says the malware may have captured data including account numbers, card expiration dates and the names of cardholders at stores in more than a dozen states. / TRANSPORTATION, ECONOMY: Free bus transportation is being offered for Thursday night's UO-Arizona football game at Autzen Stadium. How's this for a deal? All fares will be waived for Duck Express riders attending the 7:30 p.m. game. Game attendees may need to alter park-and-ride plans due to adjustments in staging locations. Because of weekday commitments, the number of sites that will serve as pick-up and drop-off locations for the sports shuttles will be reduced from eight to five for the Thursday night game. However, more buses will be available at each location than there were for this season's previous three Oregon home football games. Lane Transit District will continue to offer its regular service within the Eugene-Springfield area. Football game shuttles will use buses from both LTD and Starline Luxury Coaches. There will be 80 buses, in all, providing sports shuttles to and from Autzen Stadium. Here are Thursday night's Park-and-Ride locations: The Lane County Fairgrounds, Symantec, Valley River Center, Willamette between 10th and 11th Ave, Eugene Christian Fellowship on Game Farm Road. The locations that will not be in use for Thursday night's game are South Eugene and Thurston High School (due to school in session), as well as the LTD River Road and Springfield Station sites (to avoid interfering with regular LTD transportation schedules). Shuttle service to Autzen Stadium will begin four hours prior to the 7:30 p.m. kickoff, while return trips to parking locations will be available at halftime and for one hour following the game's conclusion. The Autzen Stadium parking lots will operate on regular schedules, opening four hours prior to kickoff (or 3:30 p.m.). Private parking lots immediately surrounding Autzen Stadium also will be operating on their normal schedules. The Eugene Police Department and partnering agencies are expected to convert the traffic flow on Martin Luther King Blvd. and surrounding Autzen Stadium area to regular game-day operations no later than 3:30 p.m., with idle vehicles along MLK Blvd. awaiting the opening of parking lots prohibited. / RELIGION: The NFL says Kansas City Chiefs safety Husain Abdullah should not have been penalized for dropping to his

knees in prayer in the end zone after an interception. An NFL spokesman writes that the official guidance in this situation is not to flag a player who goes to the ground as part of religious expression. The flag, thrown in the fourth quarter of Kansas City's victory over New England on Monday night, touched off a firestorm on social media, with many wondering how Abdullah's prayer was any different from players dropping to one knee in Christian prayer. / **TRANSPORTATION, GROWTH:** Construction of a new bridge over Delta Highway at Goodpasture Island Road will require lane closures on Delta Highway on three nights: Tuesday, Sept. 30th; Wednesday, October 1st; and Monday, October 6th. The northbound lanes of Delta Highway from the Goodpasture Island Road off-ramp to the Goodpasture Island on-ramp will be closed for one night, September 30th, from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., to place precast concrete slabs over the northbound lanes. Northbound Delta Highway will remain open but drivers will be required to use the off- and -on ramps at Goodpasture Island to portage around the construction zone. The southbound lanes of Delta Highway from Randy Pape' Beltline Highway to the Goodpasture Island Road off-ramp will be closed on October 1st and again on October 6th, from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., to place precast concrete slabs over the southbound lanes. The Goodpasture Island Road southbound on-ramp will remain open for vehicles turning from Goodpasture Island Road to southbound Delta Highway. The off-ramp from eastbound Beltline to southbound Delta will be closed at Beltline, and traffic exiting westbound Beltline at Delta will be required to turn right. During all three nights, Goodpasture Island Road will be reduced to one lane with traffic control, and lane restrictions and flagging will be in effect. Motorists should expect delays. Use alternate routes and surface streets if possible. The new bridge has been under construction for several months and is expected to be completed in late November. No additional closures of Delta Highway are scheduled at this time; however, motorists should observe the 45 MPH speed limit and watch for signs, workers, equipment and lane detours in the construction zone. For more information on this and other area road projects, go to www.keepusmoving.info / **EDUCATION, ECONOMY:** Oregon school districts have caught a break in public pension payments that have been battering their budgets since the 2008 recession. The Salem Statesman Journal reported Monday new payment schedules show schools paying about 25 percent less next year, on average, to bail out the Public Employees Retirement System. The Legislature has cut cost-of-living payments for retirees, and the stock market is up. So, the \$16 billion shortfall the system was looking at two years ago is half that today. The way the system works, schools benefit most when the stock market is up. By contrast, other state and local public employers will see an average 11 percent increase in 2015. / **TRANSPORTATION, SAFETY:** Four West Coast senators want the federal government to expand a recent order for railroads to notify state emergency responders about crude oil shipments from the Great Plains. The letter sent Monday to U.S. Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx says railroads should notify states of all high-hazard flammable liquids — including crude from outside the Bakken region of North Dakota and Montana, as well as ethanol and 71 other liquids. In May, Foxx ordered railroads operating trains containing more than 1 million gallons of Bakken crude — or about 35 tank cars — to inform states the trains pass through. The letter was signed by Sens. Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley of Oregon and Diane Feinstein and Barbara Boxer of California. Wyden and Merkley raised similar concerns in June. / **CRIME:** Officers in Western Oregon say a suspect they tried to collar at a traffic stop drove too fast for pursuing officers, but eventually he was just too fragrant. The Albany Democrat-Herald reports that the driver gave officers in Linn County the slip in a high-speed chase before dawn Sunday, doing better than 100 mph in a red Honda Prelude whose hood flew off. But Lebanon police later saw the car parked and launched a search by foot. That's when officers caught a "strong scent of cologne" in the darkness and soon found their suspect hiding in shrubbery. Thirty-five-year-old

Charles V. Agosto was jailed on charges including probation violation and trying to elude officers. Officers said he told them he regretted using the cologne. There was no immediate indication he had a lawyer. / ENVIRONMENT, ECONOMY: California Gov. Jerry Brown has indicated that he is likely to sign a bill imposing the nation's first statewide ban on single-use plastic bags as a way to address litter. SB270 is one of the last major bills pending today, the deadline for the governor to sign or veto hundreds of bills. The legislation will prohibit large grocery stores from carrying single-use bags starting in July 2015, expanding to smaller stores the year after. It also allows businesses to charge 10-cent fees for customers using paper bags. More than 100 cities and counties, including San Francisco and Los Angeles, have their own plastic bag bans. Brown said during a gubernatorial debate earlier this month that he would "probably" sign SB270 because of the patchwork of local regulations regarding plastic bags. / SAFETY, POLITICS: Today is the deadline for California Gov. Jerry Brown to act on a host of new bills, including a gun safety measure that would allow family members to petition judges to take away relatives' guns if the relatives are deemed to be dangerous. The bill's catalyst was a deadly rampage near the University of California, Santa Barbara that left six people dead and 13 wounded. Opponents say the bill would erode gun rights. / HEALTH, ECONOMY: The Colorado Supreme Court is set to hear arguments in a marijuana-related firing case that could have big implications for the state's pot smokers. The case involves 35-year-old Brandon Coats, a quadriplegic medical marijuana patient who was fired from his job at the Dish Network after failing a drug test in 2010. Coats says he needs the drug to help with violent spasms he has suffered since he was paralyzed in a car accident. Dish says that because pot is still illegal federally, medical marijuana is not a lawful activity covered by a state law intended to protect cigarette smokers from being fired for legal behavior off the clock. The case is being watched closely around the country. Twenty-three states, including Oregon, allow medical marijuana, but courts have ruled against patients who have been fired for using it. / SAFETY, TRANSPORTATION: Toyota says it is recalling 690,000 Tacoma pickup trucks because the rear leaf springs could break, puncture the gas tank and cause a fire. The recall covers Tacoma Four-by-Four and Pre-Runner pickups from the 2005 through 2011 model years. The automaker says the leaf springs can fracture due to stress and corrosion. They can move out of position and come into contact with surrounding components, including the gas tank. Toyota says it's not aware of any fires, crashes or injuries from the problem. Owners will be notified by mail and Toyota says dealers will fix the problem at no cost. Owners with questions can call Toyota at (800) 331-4331.

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