

briefing

Boy's need for bone marrow prompts many to volunteer



PORTLAND (AP) — A four-year-old Talent, Ore., boy's search for a bone marrow transplant has prompted more people to register in hopes of increasing his slim chances of finding a donor.

Sam Mobley, who was adopted from Colombia, is battling the odds as his parents search for a donor to help treat his leukemia.

Since blood tests on two siblings last week failed to find a match, at least 75 more people have indicated they would be willing to serve as donors, said Everette Rice, manager of marrow donor services with the American Red Cross in Portland.

Rice said 2,000 people a day search the pool of 2 million people in the National Bone Marrow Program for a match in blood type and six genetic markers. "The odds that someone will come in and provide a match for Sam aren't good," said Rice.

Research institute to move to Corvallis

CORVALLIS (AP) — A famed research institute will become part of Oregon State University this year.

Officials of the Linus Pauling Institute of Science and Medicine in Palo Alto, Calif., have recommended that it be moved to Corvallis.

Pauling, a graduate of what is now Oregon State University, founded the institute as a non-profit research organization in 1973.

This Bud was not for them, students say

FEDERAL WAY, Wash. (AP) — Call it the case of the mistaken cans.

On a typically harried morning, Judy Densmore-Mallette was attempting to pack school lunches while trying to quiet her German shepherd, which was barking at the cockatiel.

She reached into the refrigerator, grabbed what she thought was a can of pop and stuck it inside her daughter Pam's lunch box.

But the pop can was actually a beer.

And that mistake got her daughter and a friend suspended from school for five days.

The cans — of Pepsi and Budweiser Ice — look remarkably similar and Densmore-Mallette has admitted to the oversight. No one has suggested that the 12-year-olds took the beer to school intentionally, not even the principal.

But school officials at Sherwood Forest Elementary say there are no exceptions to their "no-tolerance" stance on drugs, alcohol and beer.

That, in spite of the fact that the children didn't drink the beer, and took it immediately to the principal's office. Both are members of DARE — Drug Awareness Resistance Education — and get good grades and solid praise at school.

The children want an apology because, the way they see it, they didn't do anything wrong.

Louisiana governor tries to end affirmative action programs



BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — In two of his first official acts as governor, Mike Foster moved to end affirmative action programs in Louisiana government Thursday, and at the same time proclaimed a Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

Foster, a conservative white Republican who defeated a liberal black Democrat, declared his belief that King himself would have opposed affirmative action.

"I can't find anywhere in his writings that he wanted reverse discrimination," Foster said. "He just wanted an end to all discrimination based on color."

The exact effect of Foster's executive order on affirmative action was not immediately clear.

At a news conference, Foster acknowledged that his executive order cannot stop affirmative action in any program funded with federal money or in any state affirmative action program specifically protected by Louisiana law.

Almost half of Louisiana's \$12 billion budget comes from the federal government, including most of the \$3.2 billion Medicaid program.

Proclaiming King's birthday as a holiday is optional for a governor in Louisiana. The birthday has been declared a holiday each year for the past eight years under two governors.

Russians close in on Chechen hostages after talks are stalled



PERVO-MAYSKAYA, Russia (AP) — Russian helicopter gunships today circled menacingly over a convoy of Chechen rebels holding more than 100 hostages, and a top Russian commander said the guerrillas must be annihilated.

Talks failed to break the deadlock between the rebels who say they will shoot their captives if they are not guaranteed safe passage and the Russians who insist they release the hostages before going home to Chechnya.

Russian troops advanced in dozens of armored vehicles and trucks towed in heavy artillery. The rebels were apparently reluctant to give up the hostages, fearing a Russian attack once their human shield was removed.

Confessed Rabin assassin's parents say he had accomplice

JERUSALEM (AP) — The parents of Yitzhak Rabin's confessed assassin say their son had an accomplice who is still free.

Gunman Yigal Amir is on trial for murder, and his brother Hagai has been charged with conspiracy in Rabin's Nov. 4 assassination. Hagai is accused of preparing the hollow-point bullets that killed the prime minister.

Police have not ruled out other accomplices, but have not made more arrests.

Amir later told reporters that the whole truth had yet to come out.

STRANGER THAN FICTION

That Tuesday, Jan. 2, Pam Densmore-Mallette and Justin Williams had volunteered to help serve lunch to others in Sherwood Forest's cafeteria. When they were finished, they sat on an unused food cart inside the kitchen area, and began to eat their own lunches.

Pam pulled out the can. Justin, who didn't have anything to drink, asked for a sip.

Pam handed the can to Justin who sipped a bit of liquid, then quickly spat it out. "It was beer. It was yucky," Justin said.

Big fish takes its revenge on fisherman

KONAKOVO, Russia (AP) — One Russian fisherman has a story about the big one that he wished had gotten away.

According to an ITAR-Tass news agency report Thursday, the man and some pals were ice-fishing on the Ivankovo reservoir when he caught a 28-inch pike.

Showing off for his buddies, he raised the fish high and kissed it on the mouth. The pike clamped down hard on the fisherman's nose.

The pike's jaws remained tightly locked on the fisherman's nose even after his companions beheaded it.

Doctors at a local hospital finally set the man free. ITAR-Tass did not say when the incident happened.

Smooch earns court spectator contempt of court arrest

PASCO, Wash. (AP) — Kissing in public is one thing, but kissing in a courtroom is quite another — especially if the object of one's affection is being led away in handcuffs.

Connie Kimble learned that the hard way after being thrown in the Franklin County Jail for delivering a passionate smooch and hug to prisoner Criselia Gonzalez Chavez.

Kimble, a courtroom spectator, vaulted over a courtroom railing Tuesday and kissed Chavez as she was being led away from Superior Court, where she had just been sentenced on a drug charge.

That's a no-no in court, where authorities try to keep prisoners and the public separated for safety reasons and to prevent exchanges of contraband.

In the ensuing melee, two jail officers and a bailiff team-tackled the lip-locked pair.

Judge Duane Taber ordered the 30-year-old Kimble booked for contempt of court.

Chavez, 23, of Pasco, was sentenced to two years in prison, with a recommendation for work-ethic camp, on a charge of delivering cocaine.

BREW YOUR OWN BEER

Willamette St.
HOMEBREW

- Hops
- Barley
- Bulk Malt Extract
- Books
- Instruction

Complete Equipment Kits from \$39.00

17th & Willamette 683-4064

BACK PAIN RESEARCH STUDY

If you are 18-60 years old and you have had back pain for no more than 3 days, you may be eligible to participate in a research project to study the effectiveness and safety of Relafen®, 1 gm and 2 gm, compared with placebo, for patients with acute onset moderate to severe back pain.

(Relafen® is an approved drug and has been shown to be effective in the treatment of the signs and symptoms of arthritis pain.)

For more information regarding this Clinical Research Trial, call Oregon Research Group.

Call today:
Oregon Research Group
686-3804

PeaceHealth
Medical Group
1200 Hilliard Street
Suite 5-200 • Eugene

The Pizza Pipeline.

Welcomes students back with some great deals.

Any 16" Two Item Pizza
Plus Two (2) FREE 22 oz Soft Drinks

ONLY \$9.00

Free Delivery including UO Campus!

Any 14" One Item Pizza
Plus One (1) FREE 22 oz Soft Drink

ONLY \$6.50

Free Delivery including UO Campus!

Any 12" One Item Pizza
Plus One Tricky Stick (one sweet or one spicy) and One (1) FREE 22 oz Soft Drink

ONLY \$7.75

Free Delivery including UO Campus!

Quick Service and a Fair Price™

Eugene Hotline CSC-DSOS
824 Charnelton Street