Oregon in Brief

From wire reports

Ex-Oregon State student pleads guilty in tweet-threat case

EUGENE — A former student who threatened a shooting at Oregon State University has been sentenced to time served and will be on federal supervised release for three years.

The U.S. Attorney's Office in the District of Oregon said 23-year-old Christopher Strahan pleaded guilty Tuesday to making interstate threats. He has been in custody for about a year.

He was also barred from entering the campuses or contacting the employees of OSU or Linn-Benton Community College, where he also took classes.

Authorities were alerted in February 2018 of threatening tweets posted by username "Hard Belly Dorm." Detectives linked Strahan to the username and arrested him.

Strahan was arrested a year earlier for threatening a campus shooting. He pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct, and was sentenced to 20 days in jail and probation.

During supervised release, Strahan must follow a treatment plan, which his lawyer said his family fully supports.

Oregon seeks participants in food program

SALEM — The Oregon Department of Education is seeking schools, community organizations and Native American tribes to participate in a summertime effort to provide meals and snacks to children.

The Salem Statesman Journal reports applications are due in April for the Summer Food Service Program that distributes free, nutritious food to children up to age 18 regardless of their family's income.

The state plans to expand the outreach effort in 15 of the state's 36 counties.

Education department officials say only 12 percent of more than 307,000 eligible children participate in the summer program.

Last year 135 sponsors served nearly 1.6 million meals and snacks at 816 locations.

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