

...Secretary of state reviewing audit of UO's arena project

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formation. All that and more was laid out by John Williams, a researcher employed by Local 290, at a May 24 hearing of the Oregon Senate Business and Transportation Committee. The Oregon Secretary of State's office is reviewing an independent audit of the arena project. Williams was at the Higher Ed Board meeting as well, and asked the Board to commit that no public money

will later be used to fund this project. At the Jaqua Center, UO administrators repeatedly claimed that project was built entirely with private money, Williams said, but his research revealed that \$333,000 of public money was diverted from the Knight arena project to pay for Jaqua Center landscaping. Williams also asked the Board to bar subcontractors from bidding if they've had a history of wage violations or failing building code inspec-

tions. Bob Shiprack, executive secretary of the Oregon State Building and Construction Trades Council, also addressed the Board: "When we've got this many people out of work and des-

perate, it's our responsibility as labor leaders to make sure that our contractors have a fair shot at those jobs." Board president Paul Kelly asked Shiprack: "Do your members want this project to happen, if it's a choice of

project or no project? "We just want a process that's transparent," Shiprack replied, "so that we know that a true competitive low bid is what we're getting, and that workers are treated fairly on the job."

SW Washington Dems say 'yes' to bridge

VANCOUVER — A resolution in support of quickly moving forward on construction of a new I-5 bridge over the Columbia River was unanimously approved by Democrats in the 17th, 18th and 49th Legislative Districts. The resolution will be presented to the Washington State Democrats convention June 25-26 at the Vancouver Hilton. Replacing the aged lift-span bridge has been under review since 1995, with more than \$87 million spent to date. In 2008, a Columbia River Crossing Project Sponsors Council unanimously supported construction of a new 12-lane bridge with light rail, bicycle, and pedestrian lanes. Since then,

however, some politicians have wavered in their support. The application for federal funding must be completed by October, or else the opportunity for funding will be lost for at least eight years. The resolutions calls upon "all agencies and elected officials to unite behind the project, and be united in recognition of the urgency that the project must go forward in this transportation funding cycle." It further states that "no more studies are needed and all responsible elected officials should move rapidly to complete and submit the applications for funding...."

LERA meeting will look at how employers regulate off-duty conduct of employees

"When Worlds Collide" is the topic of discussion at the July 13 breakfast program sponsored by the Oregon Labor Employment Relations Association (LERA). Attorneys Sarah Drescher and Victor Kisch will answer questions and offer opinions about what activities an employer can regulate and discipline

an employee for engaging in. Can an employer prohibit your picture on Facebook if you are wearing clothing with the employer's logo? Discipline you for a DUI, or a write-up in the newspaper? Terminate an employee for drug use off duty? The breakfast begins at 7:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 13, at Clackamas Community College, 29353 Town Center Loop East, Wilsonville. Cost is \$35 (\$25 if you pay for a membership in the Labor Employment Relations Association.) Registrations can be made by e-mail to: oregonlera@aol.com. For more information, contact Jim Bailey at 503-819-4071. LERA is an organization that brings labor, management, neutrals and academics together to improve labor-management relations.

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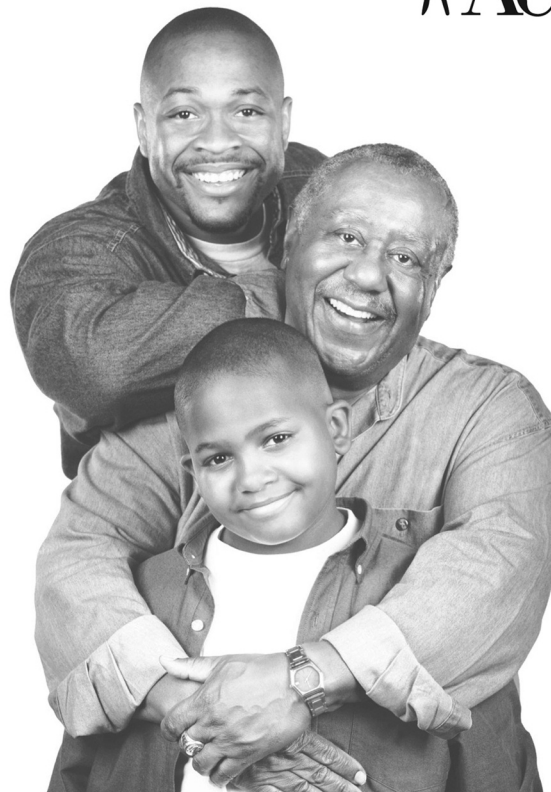
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