OSU benefits from Ag bill, nets \$1.7 mil

U.S. Senators Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) and Gordon Smith (R-Ore.) announced Senate approval of more than \$10 million for agricultural projects in Oregon and the Northwest.

Oregon State University (OSU) known as a regional leader in the study of agriculture would directly receive more than \$1.7 million and would share in more than \$8.4 million of these funds. These funds were included in the FY 2004 Agricultural spending bill.

The FY 2004 Agriculture spending bill also provides \$408,000 to be shared among Oregon, Idaho and Washington for research.



as the large angel was lifted and placed on the top of the building. ing a different face, different wings and hair. (Photo by Steve Fairchild)

ANGEL ARRIVES - Coffee Heaven received a new angel carving on This is the second angel to grace the roof of the building. The other Thursday, Nov. 6. A number of area residents stopped by to watch carving was stolen in February. The new angel has a revised look includ-

A simple thing; change batteries and save lives

The Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety (GPDPS) Fire Prevention Bureau is reminding residents to change the batteries in their smoke detectors.

Communities nationwide witness tragic home fire deaths each year. An average of three children a day die in home fires and according to the National Fire Protection Association, half of all fatal home fires occur in the small number of homes without working smoke detectors.

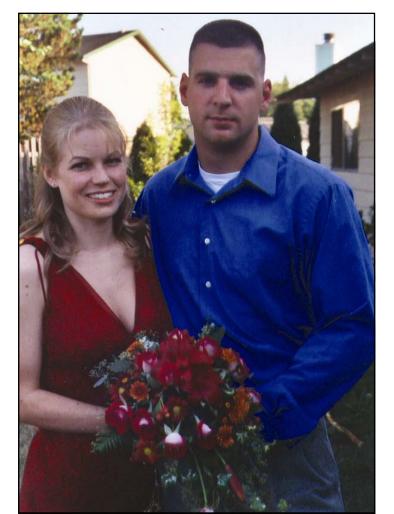
The most commonly cited cause of non-working smoke detectors: worn or missing batteries.

Changing smoke detector batteries at least once a year is one of the simplest, most effective ways to reduce tragic deaths and injuries. In fact, working, working smoke detectors nearly cut in half the risk of dying in a home fire. Additionally, the International Association of Fire Chiefs recommends replacing your smoke detectors every 10 years.

"The peak time for home fire fatalities is between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. when most families are sleeping," says Scott Williams, Fire Prevention specialist. "Smoke detector maintenance is a simple effective way to reduce home fire deaths Children and senior citizens are most at risk, and a working smoke detector can give them the extra seconds they need to get out safely.

In addition, residents who have a smoke detector that is equipped with a 10year Lithium battery do not need to change out the battery. This is only for smoke detectors what are equipped with a standard 9-volt battery.

GPDPS Fire Prevention Bureau recommends residents who have a smoke detector that is older than 10 years to replace it with a new smoke detector.



Jessica and James Haxton

Fickes and Haxton wed

Jessica Fickes and James Haxton were married on Oct. 5, 2003 in Hillsboro, at the groom's

Police Chaplain, Brian McKelvey, performed the double-ring ceremony.

The bride is the daughter of Dwight and Fran Fickes of Cave Junction. She is a 1995 graduate of IVHS and earned her B.A. in Business Management from Western Oregon State College. She is a police officer.

The groom is the son of Dale Haxton of Madras. He is a 1992 graduate of Glencoe High School and earned his Associates Degree in Criminal Justice from Portland Community College. He is a police officer in the K9 unit.

The ceremony was attended by their immediate family with dinner afterwards at the Juan Colorado restaurant. The newlyweds honeymooned in California and live in Hillsboro.

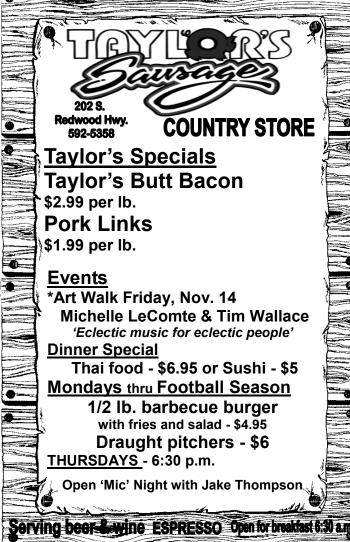
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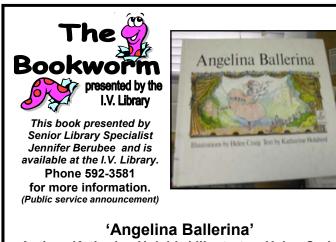
Friday, November 14 5-8 p.m. Mosaic Furniture by Carolyn Fosmore & Hot Soup in Clay Bowls Winter Holiday Sale will be Friday Dec. 12 & Sat. Dec. 13

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Author: Katharine Holabird Illustrator: Helen Craig Ages: 4 to 7 A story that tells children they can accomplish anything with work and effort.

People are always good company when they are doing what they really enjoy.

- Samuel Butler -

Arson being investigated in GP blaze

Grants Pass fire and rescue units were dispatched to a structure fire at 612 S.W. Fourth Street in Grants Pass on Friday, Nov. 7.

The first police officer that arrived reported seeing flames in a bedroom window of a small singlefamily home, according to GP Dept. of Public Safety.

Fire units arrived and made an aggressive interior attack. Fire damage was confined to the bedroom and contents of the room with heat and smoke damage throughout the remainder of the house.

Police said the fire was started deliberately and is under investigation.

The tenant, Woody Lindsay, was not home at the time of the fire. Damages are estimated at



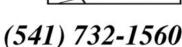
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of the water meter, back flow valve, interconnecting pipe and installation will be paid for by a low-interest government loan. Next month it could cost up to \$5,000 or more out-of-pocket to join. Phone by Friday, Nov. 21. **Phone Gail Lebowitz at**

592-4354, John Plute at 592-3791 or IVCRT at 592-4440. \$11,000.