

THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Southwest Georgia Struck by Tornadoes

CAMILLA, Ga. - Tornadoes tore through southwest Georgia, killing at least 13 people and injuring more than 100. The Mitchell County town of Camilla appeared to be hardest hit, with a tornado cutting a 5-mile path through a housing development south of town. A volunteer firefighter estimated that 50 to 60 homes were demolished, 90 percent of them mobile homes. Six people were reported dead in Mitchell County. Six more were confirmed dead in Grady County, and one in Colquitt County.

NTSB Notes History of Alaska Plane

LOS ANGELES - Part of the horizontal stabilizer on the Alaska Airlines jetliner that crashed was to be replaced more than two years ago because of suspicion that it was worn, but the work was canceled after a reinspection, federal investigators said. There was no indication whether that decision had any bearing on the Jan. 31 crash that killed all 88 people on board, the National Transportation Safety Board said. Eight Alaska Airlines MD-80-series jets remain idle with tail problems potentially related to the crash.

Justice Reviews Elian Guardians

WASHINGTON - The Justice Department is reviewing whether relatives with temporary custody of Elian Gonzalez have alcohol-related driving violations and whether a new temporary guardian is needed for the 6-year-old. A Justice official believes the department has authority, if necessary, to designate a new temporary guardian for Elian, other than his great-uncle, Lazaro Gonzalez, with whom the boy was placed after he was found in the Atlantic last Thanksgiving.

Clinton Discusses Internet Security

WASHINGTON - President Clinton met with Internet executives, security experts and a computer hacker to talk about the recent attacks on top Web sites. The goal is to coordinate a response to the crippling of e-retailers like Etrade, eBay and Amazon.com. Aides say the session is the latest in a series of such meetings as Clinton seeks to beef up Internet security. Clinton has already set aside \$2 billion in next year's budget for that purpose.

'American Beauty' Tops Oscar Nods

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. - "American Beauty" led the Oscar nomination parade, picking up eight for the story of perfect suburban family falling apart. It will compete for best picture with "The Insider" and "Cider House Rules," which have seven nominations apiece, along with "The Green Mile" and "The Sixth Sense." Meanwhile, Meryl Streep reached a milestone as she earned her 12th Oscar nomination, tying Katherine Hepburn for the most acting nominations. Streep received the best actress nod for her role in "Music of the Heart."

Spacecraft Orbits Asteroid

LAUREL, Md. - A robot craft became the first spacecraft to orbit an asteroid, settling into a Valentine's Day rendezvous with a space rock named for the Greek god of love. The Near Earth Asteroid Rendezvous, or NEAR, spacecraft automatically fired for 57 seconds and then signaled success to earth. NEAR will spend a year in orbit of Eros, dropping to lower orbits. It will gather basic research that one day may help humans defend the Earth against a "killer asteroid" like that one thought to have wiped out the dinosaurs.

Trump Won't Run for President

WASHINGTON - Real estate magnate Donald Trump said he won't run for president because the Reform Party is "self-destructing" and can't provide the support a candidate needs to win. "You could only win the whole thing with a totally unified party," Trump told NBC. After months of speculation about a possible candidacy, the billionaire said he was dissuaded in part by the departure of Minnesota Gov. Jesse Ventura, who had been an ally of Trump's in the Reform Party squabbles.

IRS Revises Notice Language

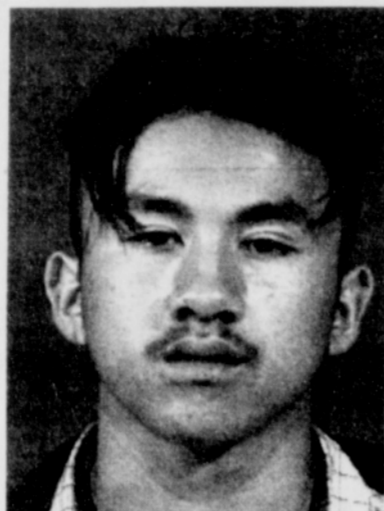
WASHINGTON - The Internal Revenue Service is taking a less confrontational approach when it sends letters to taxpayers to notify them that employers, banks and friends could be contacted as part of a tax audit. The original versions drew criticism last year for heavy-handed wording. The new notices will reflect longstanding IRS policy of resorting to these "third-party" contacts only when all else fails. About 8 million taxpayers will likely receive a notice at some point this year.



Police News/Vancouver

Crime Stoppers

Homicide Portland Police Bureau Detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in solving the homicide of a young man who died trying to help protect a friend.



A year ago, on Saturday, February 6, 1999, at approximately 1:53 in the morning, at a fast food restaurant at SE 49th and Powell, 19-year-old Hien Minh Pham and two friends were in their car waiting in line. Directly behind them, alone in his vehicle, was another friend of Pham's.

Pham got out of his car and attempted to go to the aid of his friend. But it was there that Pham was stabbed and mortally wounded.

According to investigators, the suspects, who confronted Pham's friend and stabbed Pham, are possibly associated with a gang called "The Red Cobras."

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, which leads to an arrest in this case or any unsolved felony crime, and you can remain anonymous. Call Crime Stoppers at (503) 823-Help.

Vancouver forum discusses civic campus

CONTRIBUTOR STORY FOR THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

On Thursday, Feb. 24, the City of Vancouver invites the public to the second in a series of three public forums to help develop a master plan for the East Vancouver Civic Campus. The civic campus will include a parks and recreation community center, a police precinct and a public works maintenance compound. The proposed location is adjacent to Haagen Park, on NE 136th Ave. and NE 9th St.

On Feb. 24, from 6:30 to 9 p.m., information will be shared from the January 27th forum, and the public will be asked for further input. All three forums are at Cascade Junior High School, 13900 NE 18th St. Those who may use the new civic campus facility, or have an interest in the development of civic facilities in the community are encouraged to participate. The third and final forum will be held March 30 from 7 to 9 p.m. Vancouver-Clark Parks and Recreation provides free, supervised activities for children at the forums.

Black History Month

Dr. Martin Luther King was one of the most important figures of the Civil Rights movement of the 1950s and 1960s by bringing an end to institutionalized racial segregation through nonviolence. This week's observation of Black History Month covers the years of 1950-2000. Can you name the famous young man that Martin Luther King met on March 26, 1964 in Washington, D.C. to hear a debate on the Civil Rights Bill? Both men were revered for their differing philosophies and assassinated at the age of thirty-nine. For the answer, look in Focus under the header, X.



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- 8:30am Portland, OR - GI Joe's Shopping Center, On 82nd Ave. Between Iaco Bell & GI Joe's
- 9:00am Vancouver, WA - Vancouver Mall (Orchards Shopping Ctr.) next to Miller's Paint sign in front of Fred Meyer
- 9:45am Kelso, WA - Three Rivers Mall, north end of parking lot by Target
- 11:00am Arrive Lucky Eagle Casino.
- 3:00pm Depart Lucky Eagle Casino.

TUESDAY

- 7:45am Tualatin, OR - K Mart parking lot by Wendy's Restaurant
- 8:30am Portland, OR - Hollywood Fred Meyer, west side parking lot behind store, Section C 5
- 8:45am Portland, OR - Safeway on MLK Ave. north side of parking lot (Cars cannot be left in Safeway's lot)
- 9:00am Portland, OR - Janzen Beach Mall, northeast end of parking lot by Tri Met sign in front of Ross
- 9:15am Vancouver, WA - Fred Meyer north side, 78th st exit gravel lot by 9:30am Woodland, WA - Park & ride exit #21

TUESDAY - CONT.

- 9:45am Kalama, WA - Kalama River Inn
- 10:00am Kelso, WA - Three Rivers Mall, north end of parking lot by Target & Red Lobster
- 10:10am Castlerock, WA - Park & Ride at Exit #49
- 11:00am Arrive Lucky Eagle Casino.
- 3:00pm Depart Lucky Eagle Casino.

THURSDAY

- 8:00am Oregon City, OR - Oregon City Shopping Center, west side of parking lot by shopping center sign
- 8:30am Portland, OR - Mall 205 Shopping Center at Tri Met pick up sign, next to Sears
- 9:00am Vancouver, WA - Vancouver Mall (Orchards Shopping Ctr.) next to Miller's Paint sign in front of Fred Meyer
- 10:00am Castle Rock, WA - Park & Ride Exit #49
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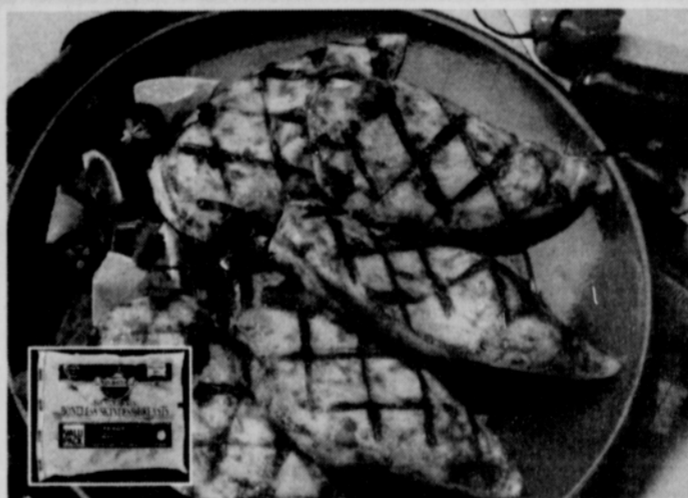
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