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THE WEEK IN REVIEW

Colleges Levy Energy Fee

SEATTLE — Already facing higher tuition bills, students at public universities from Maine to Washington state are returning this fall to find energy surcharges added to student fees. At least two dozen universities are levying energy fees to cope with the skyrocketing cost of power.

Second Shark Attack Kills 1

MANTEO, N.C. — A Russian man was killed by a shark as he and his girlfriend swam in shallow waters near the North Carolina shore, the latest in a rising tide of shark attacks and the second deadly one of the weekend.

Reno Takes Formal Step to Run

MIAMI — Former Attorney General Janet Reno set up a campaign fund to begin a high-profile bid to oust the president's brother, Jeb Bush, from the Florida governor's mansion.

Man Gets \$1 Million in McDonald's Giveaway

HOLLY HILL, Fla. — A former homeless day laborer had a happy meal at a McDonald's. McDonald's managers awarded Patrick Collier with a \$1 million prize they said was randomly given out as part of the chain's effort to restore consumer confidence in its sweepstakes promotions.

Manufacturing Decline Slows

NEW YORK — Manufacturing activity declined for the 13th consecutive month in August, but at a significantly slower rate, an industry group said.

Suicide Bomber Killed in Jerusalem

JERUSALEM — A suicide bomber blew himself up in central Jerusalem, injuring several passers-by, police said. The condition of those injured was not immediately known but no bystanders were killed.

Condit's Kids Resign Jobs

SACRAMENTO — Rep. Gary Condit's two children, Chad, 33, and Cadee, 26, resigned from Gov. Gray Davis' office, one day after the governor joined those criticizing their father for his response to the vanishing of Chandra Levy.

Manufacturing Job Losses Brighten

WASHINGTON — The loss of manufacturing jobs that has helped fuel the nation's rising unemployment rate should begin to stabilize at the end of the year, and new hiring could pick up in 2002, a report says. Retirements are likely to create 61.1 million job vacancies in the next 30 years.

Rodney King Arrest, Drug Charges

CLAREMONT, Calif. — Rodney King, whose beating by police officers led to the 1992 Los Angeles riots, faces misdemeanor drug charges in his latest run-in with the law. King was arrested for suspicion of being under the influence of the drug PCP.

Racial Profiling Panel Hears Report

New Brochure Helps Answer the Question: Why Was I Stopped By The Police?

A new brochure entitled "Understanding Police Procedures: If You Are Stopped By Police" was presented to a Blue Ribbon Panel on Racial Profiling Thursday by Portland Police Chief Kroeker at Bethel AME Church.

The panel, convened by Kroeker last year, called on police to "improve police communication with community members at the time of the stop or arrest."

The brochure, created in both English and Spanish, covers situations where people are stopped while driving or are stopped while on the street.

It includes information on driver responsibilities, curfew times and how to make a complaint.

It also includes language from the law enforcement non-discrimination resolution against racial profiling.

"This brochure, and the dialogue we will have with the community are important to the bureau and to the communities we serve," said Kroeker.

Kroeker also released a summary of the first six months of a police survey on race.

The figures show that Portland police are more than twice as likely to pull



Portland Police Chief Mark Kroeker meets with members of the Blue Ribbon Panel on Racial Profiling to discuss a new brochure (right) that explains police procedures and the police bureau's policies against discrimination, real or perceived.

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over black motorists compared to white people.

The difference is more pronounced in the downtown area where blacks were five times more likely than whites to be pulled

over.

The study also showed that once a motorist was pulled over, the rate of issuing tickets or citations was about the same for whites and blacks.

Kroeker cautioned that these reports do not include data from the traffic motorcycle officers and data collection from officers without mobile computers started July 1.

Portland Police Bureau

Understanding Police Procedures



If You Are Stopped by Police

Open Schools Bring Traffic Concerns

With the fall opening of schools this week, transportation officials are reminding motorists to be alert for children walking and riding bikes to and from schools and bus stops.

Drivers can expect to see children in places where they did not see them during the summer.

"As an adult, you have the responsibility to be alert and avoid injuring children," said Rick Waring of the ODOT Transportation Safety Division. "Imagine seeing a child in the street unconscious and bleeding in front of your car. You don't want that to happen."

The best way to avoid such a tragedy is simple: slow down and be alert. Obey the posted speed in school zones whenever children might be present.

Extracurricular activities mean that children will be traveling in school zones from early morning to well into the evening hours.

"This is not about avoiding a ticket. This is about avoiding a tragedy. As drivers we need to remember that we are the adults driving the 3,000-pound steel machines. We are responsible," Waring said. "The vulnerable ones are the children who are not protected by a vehicle and who often cannot understand a complex traffic situation."

Waring added that motorists should expect children to occasionally walk or



Jean Santos of Laidlaw transportation gets behind the wheel of a school bus to help remind people about traffic safety with the fall opening of schools.

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pedal into unsafe areas. "Children are not little adults. They are still developing their sensory and cognitive skills so

adults need to be especially cautious when driving in areas frequented by kids," he added.

Fareless Square Expands to Lloyd Center

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Tri-Met began its new extended Fareless Square to the eastside blocks around the Rose Quarter and Lloyd Center Saturday.

Community and business leaders requested the free bus and light rail service as a tool to lure conventioners and travelers downtown and to link both the downtown and Lloyd business districts.

Tri-Met officials have historically resisted efforts to expand Fareless Square. There was a long debate over how much the change would cost the agency in lost revenue. Tri-Met now estimates it will be about \$900,000 a year.

Ultimately Tri-Met agreed to absorb a third of the cost; the rest will come from parking meter revenues, part of the hotel-motel and car rental surtax that's financing the Oregon Convention Center expansion,

and a Business Improvement District assessment on property owners in the Lloyd Center area.

"I think it's great. It's something the district has been seeking since 1991," said Rick Williams, director of the Lloyd District Transportation Management Association, a non-profit agency that promotes non-auto transit use in the area.

An ongoing concern is that people will drive to the area and park there all day in order to take advantage of the new free service. Parking meters were installed in the Lloyd District in

1997 largely to prevent their being used as free long-term parking lots.

City officials hope that riders won't park north of Broadway to use Fareless Square, but they will monitor conditions to be sure. The adjacent Sullivan's Gulch neighborhood has considered adopting a

permit parking system such as those in effect in Goose Hollow and Northwest, but neighborhood leaders feel they must first see what the effect will be.

The managers of the Lloyd Center Mall and Lloyd Cinemas fear that their free parking lots will be exploited. Some speculate that people will park at the area's long-term meters, which at 35 cents per hour are a bargain compared to downtown meter and garage rates.

The new fareless zone includes four Max light rail eastside stations: Rose Quarter, Oregon Convention Center, Seventh Avenue, and Lloyd Center-Holladay Park.

The free fare also covers buses 8, 10, 70 and 95X within the area bounded by the Willamette River, the Banfield Freeway, Northeast 13th Avenue, and North and Northeast Multnomah Street.

Dignity Village Rejects Northeast Site

(AP) — Homeless people living in a tent city under the Fremont bridge downtown have broken an agreement to move from their campsite to an old composting site in northeast Portland near the Portland airport.

With the threat of police sweeps and a public backlash looming, residents said they wouldn't move to the city-owned site because of a barbed wire fence and its distance from a grocery store and other services.

Ibrahim Mubarak, a resident and spokesman for the camp of about 75 homeless people, said villagers voted Monday to remain at the current location and hoped to stay for another 60 days or "find a more reasonable site for that period."

Dignity Village was created last year by homeless people who dislike the city's shelter system. Many complain that the shelters are overcrowded or dirty, have antiquated rules, split up families and don't allow pets.

City leaders have tried to help, but finding a place for the village has been frustrating. The campers have called a stretch of grass under the Fremont Bridge home for the past few months. But the state Department of Transportation owns that land and ordered the village off by Sept. 1.

The city offered a temporary solution: an old composting site near the airport, roughly six miles from downtown. Dignity Village residents argued for more than two hours last Wednesday about that proposal before voting to accept a move to the leaf-collection yard near the airport, called Sunderland Yard.

Marshall Runkel, a spokesman for City Commissioner Erik Sten, called Monday's decision to stay "disappointing."

Mubarak and Runkel said separately they hoped talks could continue on where the camp can move to set up an experimental, resident-run tent city over the next year.

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