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\$8 Million Lottery Prize Claim Rejected

(AP) - The Oregon State Lottery has refused to pay an \$8.35 million jackpot to a Portland man who says he holds the winning ticket.

State police investigators say the ticket held by Chris Reamer was purchased more than three hours after the drawing. The Marion County district attorney's office is considering whether to prosecute the case as attempted fraud.

But Reamer insists he is the rightful winner of the \$8.34 million, and has filed a breach of contract suit against the Oregon Lottery Commission.

Reamer says he bought the ticket on June 17 at a 7-Eleven Store. When the next day's \$8.35 million Megabucks drawing was held, the six numbers Reamer picked came up, his complaint says.

Reamer's wife, Tanya, and father-in-law Gilbert Brown brought the ticket to lottery headquarters in Salem the next day. But lottery officials say that's not the way it happened.

They charge that after the winning numbers for June 18 were drawn, Reamer entered those numbers onto a play slip, purchased a Megabucks ticket,

went to lottery headquarters saying he'd bought the ticket on June 17 and he was there to claim the \$8.35 million Megabucks prize.

Investigators discovered the ticket had been purchased not on June 17 but at 11:10 p.m. the following day - more than three hours after the drawing, said lottery spokesman David Hooper.

Hooper said the ticket purchased by Reamer was actually for June 20, and it was identified as such. The ticket also stated the Megabucks jackpot for June 18.

Reamer's attorney, Karen

Thompson, insists that her client purchased the ticket on the day he claims.

Thompson said she has spoken with about 10 acquaintances of Reamer who say they saw him wildly celebrating his win after checking his ticket hours before lottery officials say he bought it.

She contends that the lottery computer system may have made a mistake by spitting out a June 20 ticket, rather than one for June 18.

"Surely there could be something wrong with the machine," she said.

Man Arrested in Southeast Murder

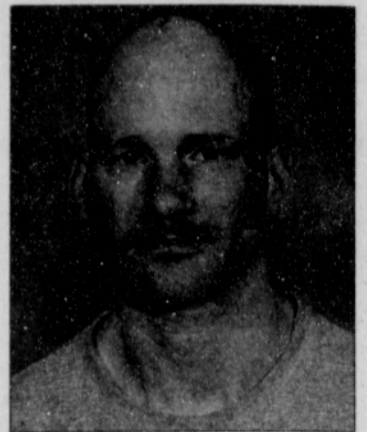
Portland Police Bureau Detectives have arrested a man for a Nov. 14 murder in southeast Portland.

Danny Phillip Flack, 33, faces a charge of aggravated murder in the death of 65-year-old Kenneth Patterson, who was found in the detached garage of a home in the 5200 block of Southeast 57th Avenue.

Flack was also charged with two counts of burglary and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle.

Homicide detectives believe Flack killed the victim during a robbery, then stole his vehicle, returning later to commit a burglary.

Police believe additional evidence of the murder may have



Danny Phillip Flack

been placed in a bag or backpack and then thrown into a nearby field or yard.

The investigation is continuing.

Feds May Question Portland Foreigners

(AP) - Federal agents will likely question 23 foreign visitors to the Portland area because Portland police won't, saying they can't do the interviews because of state privacy laws.

Portland was the first city in the nation to refuse the request to help interview five-thousand foreign visitors across the country as part of the federal terrorism probe.

Last week, Corvallis also announced it also won't be helping with the interviews as requested by the US Justice Department.

Corvallis Police Chief Pam Roskowski says the department's resources are best used in tracking down criminals, not in questioning people who aren't involved in crimes.

Roskowski says her department will continue to work with federal investigators, but it will only help when leads indicate criminal activity.

Even though the state attorney general says there is nothing in Oregon law that prevents state investigators from helping with the interviews, Portland officials have a different interpretation.

They say they believe several of the questions overstep the line allowed by state law.

Federal authorities want about 200 people in Oregon, here on student, work or tourist visas, questioned. All have come to the state in the past two years from countries known to harbor terrorists.

Teen Imposter Handed Prison Term



Treva Throneberry

(AP) - A 32-year-old Vancouver woman who posed as a high school student to obtain foster care and a taxpayer-funded education was sentenced last Wednesday in Clark County to three years and two months in prison.

Treva Throneberry was convicted earlier this month on

seven counts of felony theft and perjury.

Throneberry graduated from Evergreen High School in Vancouver in June of last year, and had received a tuition waiver to attend Clark College before she was arrested last March.

A DNA test showed Throneberry is the daughter of Carl and Patsy Throneberry of Comanche, Okla.

Throneberry said she did not know the couple, and witnesses said she had told tales of a troubled past, including a father who murdered her mother.

However, prosecutors said Throneberry has passed herself off as a teen-ager in other states, including Pennsylvania, Texas and Oregon.

Man Awaits Hearing in DMV Theft

(AP) A preliminary hearing was set for Wednesday, Dec. 5 for Jody Gene Oates, the Hillsboro man accused of identity theft in a scheme that could have targeted more than one million Oregon drivers.

He was arraigned last Wednesday afternoon in Washington County.

Oates was arrested on Nov. 14, after police seized computer discs with Oregon driver's license records.

During a search of Oates'

apartment, detectives found a CD ROM that likely includes the state's entire driver's license database, including names, addresses and dates of birth.

Information from the driver's license database and other documents can be used to get Social Security numbers and make fake documents. Investigators say that allows criminals to conduct virtually any financial transaction in the country under an assumed name.

Red Cross Blood Donations Memorialize Crash Victim

(AP) - A hundred Portland firefighters are using their days off to donate blood in memory of a comrade who died in a plane crash last month. The firefighters say they want to ensure that the Portland area has a steady supply of blood. They're inviting the public to also give blood throughout the month.

They're making the donations to the Red Cross in memory of Art Skipper Junior, a firefighter and former NCAA champion javelin

thrower from the University of Oregon. He was killed in a small plane crash southeast of Portland in October. He was 31 years old.

Skipper's cousin, Ted Skipper, has been in the hospital since the crash with severe injuries suffered in the crash.

After his track career, Art Skipper moved back to Sandy and became a Portland firefighter, following his father and uncle. He had just completed his first year with the department.

Scholarships Created For Terrorist Attack Victims

The children of victims of the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks will be eligible to receive a full scholarship for a college education at one of the United Negro College Fund's 39 member colleges and universities.

Scholarships will be offered to any child, regardless of age, who lost a parent or guardian, as a result of these tragic events.

The scholarships will be awarded based on financial

need and will cover the cost of tuition, fees, room and board, books and supplies.

UNCF hopes other colleges and universities around the country join UNCF in making the guaranty of a college education possible for each and every victim of the Sept. 11 tragedy because, "A mind is a terrible thing to waste."

For more information on UNCF, go online to www.uncf.org.

Simpson Home Searched

(AP) - Federal agents searched O.J. Simpson's home early Tuesday as part of an investigation into an Ecstasy drug ring that also laundered money and stole equipment to activate satellite television signals.

Eight other people were arrested in Miami and two in Chicago as part of a two-year investigation called Operation X, FBI spokeswoman Judy Orihuela said.

Simpson had not been arrested or indicted and Orihuela wouldn't discuss his connection to the investigation. Nine other homes in Miami were also being searched by the FBI along with the U.S.

Drug Enforcement Administration and the Miami-Dade Police Department.

Agents arrived at about 6 a.m. and the former football great was at home. In a shot from a television helicopter, Simpson could be seen walking in the backyard in a bathrobe. About two hours after agents arrived, Simpson left the home alone in his sports utility vehicle without talking to reporters.

Simpson attorney Yale Galanter arrived at the house and spoke to agents for about 15 minutes. He also left the home without speaking to reporters.

Seeking African American Families with ADHD Children for a Research Study

ADHD, Ethnicity, and Family Environment

Who is the Principal Investigator?

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What is the study about?

This study is about gaining an understanding of what it is like for a family to live with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). Virtually no research exists on how African American and Hispanic families experience and manage ADHD, what health needs they may have, and what opportunities they have for receiving these services. The study will involve two meetings, about 2 hours each, at your home or place convenient for you.

Which families are eligible?

- Families with at least one child (age 6-19) with a diagnosis of ADHD.
- Families with at least two people (the ADHD child and one parent). Hopefully both parents and siblings will participate as well.
- Families that are willing to participate in one interview and complete a series of questionnaires.
- Families that speak English or are willing to work through an interpreter.
- Parents that are able to read and write at the 5th grade level or are willing to have the questions read to them.

Spanish interpreters can be available.

All information will be held strictly confidential.

There will be no cost to you for participating in the research.

In appreciation of your time and contribution, Each family will receive \$50 after each meeting for a possible total of \$100.

If interested please call 503-494-4122.