

**See Spot run away.
See Spot returned home.
LICENSE YOUR PET!**

8 REASONS WHY A PET LICENSE CAN SAVE YOUR DOG OR CAT!

A LICENSE...

- tells everyone your pet is not a homeless stray.
- means Multnomah County Animal Services can reunite you with your pet.
- provides emergency medical care for your pet, while in the care of the county.
- enables the county to protect neighborhoods from dangerous dogs.
- helps pay for the care of homeless animals while attempts are made to find them new homes.
- supports investigations of cruelty and neglect.
- provides AROUND-THE-CLOCK contact with you via your home phone, emergency phone, or internet if someone finds your lost pet...but it must wear its license.
- means you and your pet are law-abiding citizens (according to Section 13.101 of the County Code.)

License online at www.multcopets.org
or mail in the application below.



PET LICENSE APPLICATION

NEW LICENSE # _____ EXP DATE _____ CURRENT LICENSE # _____ EXP DATE _____
 LICENSE FEE \$ _____ CHECK # _____ OR CASH DATE _____
 PLEASE SEND REPLACEMENT TAG
 OWNER NAME: _____
 ADDRESS: _____ CITY/STATE _____ ZIP _____
 HOME PHONE _____ EMERGENCY # _____ OWNER DATE OF BIRTH _____
 PET'S NAME _____ BREED _____ COLORS _____ SEX M N F
 VET NAME & PHONE _____
 MICROCHIP # _____ DOG CAT RABIES EXP DATE: _____

FEE SCHEDULE			FEE SCHEDULE				
DOGS	1 YR	2 YR	3 YR	CATS	1 YR	2 YR	3 YR
FERTILE	\$30	\$45	\$65	FERTILE	\$30	\$60	\$90
ALTERED	\$18	\$26	\$38	ALTERED	\$8	\$14	\$19
SENIOR DISCOUNT (limit 2 animals per household)	FERTILE \$15	\$23	\$33	SENIOR DISCOUNT (limit 2 animals per household)	FERTILE \$15	\$30	\$45
	ALTERED \$9	\$13	\$19		ALTERED \$4	\$7	\$9

Please fill out the above form and return it to Multnomah County Animal Services with your check and rabies certificate.

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POLICE

Man Guilty in Murder, Corpse Abuse

(AP)—A Beaverton man was sentenced last week to life in prison for killing and dismembering a Tualatin woman last year.

Ali Mohamad Mattar, who is 28, was scheduled to go on trial Oct. 22 in Washington County Circuit Court. Rather than risk a possible death sentence, he pleaded guilty to aggravated murder and corpse abuse in the death of 24-year-old Harlee Rena Holland.



Harlee Holland and Ali Mohamad Mattar

August of last year in the bathtub of her apartment. Authorities say she was raped and strangled before Mattar cut off her head and the tips of her fingers to try to hide the

cause of death and his DNA. The body parts have never been found.

Prosecutors said Mattar became infatuated with Holland after meeting her through a mutual friend at a nightclub. Holland went out with him once after he taped several love notes to her door. Then she decided she didn't want a romantic relationship and told him so.

Jerry Holland, the victim's father, says he thinks that Mattar's punishment is just.

Prisons Outspend Higher Education

Report finds more African American men in prison than college

A new report shows that between 1985 and 2000, total state spending on corrections in Oregon grew by 600 percent, while total state spending on higher education declined by 10 percent, and between 1980 and 2000, more African American men entered Oregon prisons than enrolled in universities.

The report, "Cellblocks or Classrooms? The Funding of Higher Education and Corrections and Its Impact on African American Men," is the latest in a series of reports by the Justice Policy Institute to show the fiscal impact of the nation's overuse of prison as a solution to social problems.

Between 1985 and 2000, the nationwide increase in state spend-

Education is the best crime prevention we can invest in. But our leaders seem to be saying they'd rather lock up our citizens than educate them.

—Brigette Sarabi, a spokesperson for the Oregon Criminal Justice Reform Coalition

form Coalition.

The report suggests that states could lift some of the fiscal strain of enlarged corrections systems by choosing new policies that would

reduce the expensive emphasis on incarceration.

The Oregon Criminal Justice Reform Coalition has strongly advocating several proposals, including: convening a task force to examine moderate reforms to Oregon's hodge-podge of sentencing laws and delaying new prison construction during this fiscal crisis.

In the last year, a diverse group of states in all regions and with governors and legislatures of all parties, have enacted legislation to end mandatory minimum sentencing; reform the nation's drug laws; reduce probation and parole violations; and defund the construction of planned prison expansion.

Truck Driver Convicted in Child-Rape

(AP)—A 35-year-old truck driver was convicted in Vancouver Thursday of 15 felony counts of child rape and molestation.

A Clark County jury convicted John T. Tyler after about two hours of deliberation.

Tyler raped and sodomized three family members for several years. The girls, now ages 13, 12 and 9, all testified the abuse began when they were 4 or 5. At first, he kept them quiet with promises of candy. But as they grew older, the 6-foot-2, 280-pound Tyler threatened them with violence.

The girls said they didn't come forward earlier because they were afraid of Tyler.

Sentencing was set for Oct. 17, and deputy prosecutor Katie Hart said she will ask Superior Court Judge John Wulle to go beyond state guidelines and impose a life sentence. Tyler has prior convictions for robbery, assault and forgery.

CRIMESTOPPERS Fantasy Robbery Suspect Wanted

Portland Police Bureau robbery detectives, in cooperation with Crime Stoppers, are asking for your help in identifying and apprehending the suspect in an armed robbery.



Armed robbery suspect.

On Wednesday, July 10, at approximately 7:15 a.m., the clerk at Fantasy Adult Video, 8445 SE McLoughlin Blvd., was robbed by a subject with what he pur-

ported to be a gun.

The suspect is described as a white male in his mid-40's, 5 feet, 10 inches tall, with a medium build and salt and pepper hair. It appeared the

suspect had long hair, which he tucked under a white baseball cap. At the time, the suspect was wearing a gray shirt and sunglasses.

Witness Needed in Car Assault

Police are looking for a witness to a hit and run accident.

A 24-year-old Portland man was walking in the 2600 block of Southwest Spring Garden when he was hit by a car and seriously injured.

It happened around 4 a.m. on July 28.

The victim believes the car may have been a gold Honda driven by a younger white male. The assault may have caused front-end damage to the suspect's vehicle.

Anyone with information is asked to call Detective Mark Georgioff at 503-823-0400.

Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information, reported to Crime Stoppers, which leads to an arrest in these cases, or any unsolved felony crime, and you need not give your name. Call Crime Stoppers at 503-823-HELP.

Kennedy Cousin Sentenced for 1975 Killing

(AP)—Kennedy cousin Michael Skakel was sentenced to 20 years to life in prison Thursday for bludgeoning a teenage neighbor to death with a golf club 27 years ago.

Skakel wept as he testified for the first time on Thursday and insisted he was innocent in the death of Martha Moxley.

"I would love to be able to say I did the crime so that the Moxley family could have peace," he said, sobbing. "But to do that would



Michael Skakel be a lie."

Skakel, 41, a nephew of Ethel Kennedy, was convicted in June of beating Moxley to death in their gated Greenwich neighborhood of Belle Haven when they were both 15.

Her battered body was discov-

ered on Oct. 31, 1975, under a tree on her family's estate, next door to the Skakels. She had been bludgeoned with a golf club — later traced to a set owned by Skakel's mother — and stabbed in the neck with the shaft of the club.

Prosecutor Jonathan Benedict on Thursday called the murder "cold-bloodedly evil."

Under the sentencing guidelines in effect at the time of the killing, Skakel could have receive a minimum sentence of 10 years to life in prison and a maximum of 25 years to life.

Local Police Step Up School Zones Enforcement

The Vancouver Police Department will be conducting school zone enforcement throughout the school year, but will be beefing up enforcement in the school zones during the first two weeks of school.

Nine traffic officers will be working the school zones during the peak morning, mid-

day and afternoon hours, and will rotate through all the school zones in the City of Vancouver.

The speed limit in school zones, when the school zone lights are flashing or when children are present, is 20 m.p.h. The average school zone speeding violation is \$157, add \$86 to that for each person not wearing a seatbelt or each child not secured in a child car seat or

booster seat. Parents who are transporting young children to and from school should be aware that children need to be in a belt positioning booster if they are between 4-6 years old, 40-60 pounds or until the vehicle seatbelt fits them properly.

It's especially important this time of year for drivers to be extra cautious when driving through neighborhoods and school zones.