

First Oregon Krispy Kreme Opens on 82nd Avenue

Clackamas just got a little crispier and a whole lot creamier with the introduction of Oregon's first Krispy Kreme Doughnuts.

Krispy Kreme fans reportedly camped outside the store at 9950 S.E. 82nd Ave. for two straight days, until the ribbon cutting at 5:15 a.m. Tuesday.

The store put 150 people to work, making 250 dozen doughnuts an hour—all within sight of customers.

The Clackamas Krispy Kreme's drive-thru window is open 24 hours and seating is available inside from 5:30 a.m. to midnight, daily.

Krispy Kreme features 15 doughnut flavors, including the famous glazed, and a line of coffee and espresso drinks.

For more information, visit www.krispykreme.com.



Krispy Kreme baker Shalese Brown bakes 3,000 doughnuts an hour.



Krispy Kreme General Manager Josh Goodman Pincetich greets customers and special guests at the grand opening of his Clackamas store.

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Bruce, Era and Sky Williams wait to board the Willamette Ferry on the east bank of the Willamette River near OMSI. The ferry is offering free commuter rides for the next three weekends.

Looking for a new way to move around downtown? Take the river.

The Willamette Ferry, which carries passengers between Riverplace Marina, OMSI and the East Esplanade, is free to commuters for the next three weekends, through Aug. 10.

"This maiden voyage of the Willamette Ferry is the first step to achieve a long-held dream of a river transit system in Portland," said Mayor Vera Katz.

Signs featuring the ferry route and schedule are at the entrances to the dock on the north end of the Eastbank Esplanade's floating walkway, at southeast Madison, near the Hawthorne Bridge.

The ferry is an "environmentally sensitive" way to travel, according to Peter Wilcox of RiversWest.

"This boat is very low-impact—it has a minimum negative effect on air and water. It is a very efficient design and produces a low wake as it moves through the water," Wilcox said.

For a map of the ferry route, visit www.river.ci.portland.or.us.

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Raising the Roof on Education

The African-American Scholarship Foundation will "Raise the Roof on Education" at 7 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 3 with a fundraiser for higher education.

The scholarship awards night with a fashion show, local entertainment and hors d'oeuvres is at the Shenanigans on the Willamette ballroom, at 4575 N. Channel Ave. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased at the door or in advance.

The scholarship foundation, which began in 2000, is available to

African-American children with a grade point average of between 2.5 and 3.0, who have the academic ability to be accepted into a college of higher learning, but lack the necessary funding to keep them there. The foundation reaches out to children who have had to overcome hardships.

The foundation accepts donations of computers, textbooks and cash for travel assistance.

For more information, call 503-287-7354.

New Jobless Benefits Begin

Oregon has reached a "high level of unemployment," triggering a further extension of Federal Extended Unemployment Benefits.

For the past three months, the state has experienced an average seasonally-adjusted unemployment rate of 8.4 percent. This means Oregon will enter a period of high unemployment beginning the week of Aug. 3, extending the

number of weeks a claimant may receive unemployment benefits under the extended benefits program from 13 to 20 weeks.

The Oregon Employment Department will notify all individuals potentially eligible for the extension. Due to a high volume of activity, the department urges Oregonians not to call their local Employment Department offices regarding this program.

INVESTIGATIONAL VACCINE TO PREVENT HERPES

Seeking women aged 18 to 30 to participate in a research study evaluating an investigational vaccine to prevent herpes. If you meet the criteria for enrollment, you will be invited to a screening visit, which will involve a free herpes blood test as well as free educational materials and counseling about herpes. Those who qualify based on blood test results will be eligible to enroll in the vaccine trial. Vaccine trial participants will be reimbursed for time and travel. For more information or to see if you qualify, call (503) 226-6678.

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