

Dogs rescued from South Korean meat farm arrive in Oregon



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In this Monday photo, Emily Warchol, a veterinary technician at the Humane Society of Central Oregon, holds one of the puppies rescued from South Korean dog-meat trade, during its examination at Humane Society of Central Oregon in Bend.

By **ABBY SPEGMAN**
The Bulletin

BEND — Twenty-eight dogs raised on a South Korean dog-meat farm were brought to Central Oregon over the weekend, part of a campaign by Humane Society International to end the dog-meat trade in Asia.

The Humane Society of Central Oregon, in Bend, took in 17 dogs, including six puppies; BrightSide Animal Center in Redmond took in 11 dogs, from 4 months to 2 years old. Officials say all of the dogs need to be assessed for medical and behavioral issues before they can be put up for adoption.

While dogs are used as meat for human consumption in other countries, South Korea is the only place they are raised on farms for that purpose, said Adam Parascandola, director of animal protection and crisis response for Humane Society International. Last year the group started working with farmers directly to close them down, paying the farmers to demolish their kennels and switch to another operation that doesn't involve raising animals for meat.

It closed four farms and relocated 236 dogs last year. Earlier this year it closed one farm in Wonju, South Korea, with 270 dogs, which is where the dogs brought to Central Oregon came from.

Anyone who adopts these dogs will need a great deal of patience," said Becky Stock, BrightSide execu-

utive director, noting they've never been potty trained, walked on a leash or socialized to play with other dogs.

Stock said a BrightSide trainer will spend the next few weeks reading to the dogs so they get used to hearing voices and hand-feeding them to build up trust.

Stock said once they are adopted, their owners may receive special training.

On Monday at the Humane Society of Central Oregon, dogs were brought in one by one from their pens for medical exams. Most of their ages and breeds are a guess at this point.

Carmine, believed to be a 1-year-old retriever-Lab mix, had to be coaxed from his pen slowly, peeking around the corner for the dog next to him.

He was carried into the exam room, where he cowered in the corner, but his tail started to wag when he saw Vanessa, another 1-year-old mix brought from South Korea.

Next up were the puppies, 3 months old and visibly shaking. Technician Emily Warchol kept both hands on Fallon, one of the puppies, to keep him calm as veterinarian Elizabeth Gray checked his eyes and ears and listened to his heart.

Some of the older dogs have foot infections from standing on grates for long periods, and the larger dogs have orthopedic issues as a result of being confined to too-small kennels. Apollo, a 129-pound mastiff with droopy jowls, has asymmetrical hips, large

callouses on his back legs and broken teeth, most likely from chewing on his kennel.

But a bigger concern than the medical issues is how fearful these dogs are. While other dogs in the shelter howl and bark and compete for attention, these dogs lie quietly in the corners of their pens.

"For the most part, they just hide in back like that. They're not used to people looking at them, trying to interact with them," said Karie Gibbs, an animal care technician at Humane Society of Central Oregon.

The shelter commonly has open beds and brings in dogs from out of the area to be adopted, since it does not receive enough strays and forfeited dogs to meet the demand of people wanting to adopt, said Lynne Ouchida, the shelter's outreach manager. Stray dogs are held for five days before being put up for adoption to give owners time to claim them; last month 92 percent of the strays brought in were claimed.

"We're definitely having to do more (transfers)," Ouchida said, noting this was the first international transfer in the 20 years she has been there.

Suzanne Verhaeg, of Bend, came to Humane Society of Central Oregon on Monday with her husband, Marty. They were thinking of adopting and heard about the South Korean dogs.

Just knowing what they've been through, she said, it makes you want to help.

ODA eyes adding 'stop work' orders to its authority

By **MATEUSZ PERKOWSKI**
Capital Bureau

Food manufacturers and pesticide applicators could be subject to "stop work" orders under new regulatory authority being considered by Oregon's farm regulators.

The Oregon Department of Agriculture may seek new regulatory power to halt specific unlawful actions that endanger public safety.

Currently, the agency can suspend or revoke the license of a food establishment or pesticide applicator that's violating the law, but such sanctions may be overkill in some situations, said Lauren Henderson, ODA's assistant director.

"We don't have anything that's specific to an activity. It's all or nothing," he said during this week's meeting of the Oregon Board of Agriculture in Corvallis.

Revoking a license or obtaining a temporary restraining order in court also involves fairly high legal hurdles, Henderson said.

Taking such drastic steps would be overly burdensome for the agency and the business in the case of minor violations, such as a faulty thermometer in a refrigerated meat cooler, he said.

Under the proposed "stop work" authority, the ODA could simply require a company to cease using that cooler until it's fixed, he said.

"We're looking at something very narrow and probably short-term," Henderson said.

The proposal is in a very early stage but the agency is considering it as a possible "legislative concept" for the 2017 legislative session, he said.

Henderson acknowledged the "stop work" idea has met with some trepidation among regulated companies.

"The industry as a whole is pretty nervous about us having that authority," he said.

Aside from possibly affecting pesticide applications, the proposal could impact on-farm processing, such as dairymen who make farm-

stead cheese.

Doug Krahrmer, a blueberry farmer and board member, said companies should have a way to challenge a "stop work" order.

"I would caution you to put some sort of judicial mechanism in there, so if a grower or an owner takes issue with a stop work order, there is a quick way to get adjudication," he said.

The U.S. Department of Labor did not provide such recourse when it issued "hot goods" orders in 2012 that halted the sale of perishable fruit based on alleged labor violations, he said.

Krahrmer said he would characterize the DOL's actions as "tyrannical" and he doesn't ever want to describe ODA that way.

Katy Coba, ODA's director, said the agency is still examining similar authority in other states and recognizes the importance of protecting due process while ensuring public safety.

"It's finding in statute the right balance," she said.

Man sentenced for 1988 cold case murder

PORTLAND (AP) — A man who killed his downstairs neighbor in the 1980s and got away with it for more than a quarter-century was sentenced Wednesday to 11 years in prison.

Walter Wayne Howard was a prime suspect after 25-year-old Renee Harvey was found dead in her southeast Portland apartment in January 1988. She had been strangled and her throat had been cut.

Days before her death, Harvey's apartment had been burglarized, and she suspected Howard was the culprit who stole her earrings and VCR.

Upset by the crime, she decided to move out. Detectives said she had put down a deposit on another apartment and was in the process of moving when a friend discovered her body.

Investigators lacked the evidence to charge in Howard in 1988, and the case eventually went cold.

The Portland Police Cold Case Unit rekindled the investigation,

and in 2012 submitted old blood evidence from a pillowcase and underwear for DNA testing. The blood matched Howard, who was by this time a sex offender living in San Diego.

Police arrested Howard in November 2014, and he was extradited to Oregon. Initially charged with murder, the 60-year-old pleaded guilty to manslaughter in a plea deal two weeks ago. Court records after his arrest show he had been diagnosed with schizophrenia and was taking the anti-psychotic drug Thorazine.

Harvey worked as a receptionist at Special Olympics of Oregon after moving to Portland from Montana. She was also an aspiring singer and actress.

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TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Abundant sunshine	Mild with plenty of sun	A stray afternoon shower	Partly sunny and mild	A couple of afternoon showers
68° 43°	70° 47°	70° 47°	67° 45°	66° 46°
72° 40°	74° 46°	74° 47°	72° 48°	69° 48°

PENDLETON TEMPERATURE FORECAST
68° 43° 70° 47° 70° 47° 67° 45° 66° 46°

HERMISTON TEMPERATURE FORECAST
72° 40° 74° 46° 74° 47° 72° 48° 69° 48°

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PENDLETON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	61°	30°
Normals	58°	37°
Records	79° (1964)	19° (1936)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 1.49"
Normal month to date 1.40"
Year to date 3.86"
Last year to date 2.74"
Normal year to date 3.95"

HERMISTON
through 3 p.m. yesterday

TEMPERATURE	HIGH	LOW
Yesterday	65°	30°
Normals	61°	37°
Records	79° (2003)	16° (1954)

PRECIPITATION
24 hours ending 3 p.m. 0.00"
Month to date 1.21"
Normal month to date 0.85"
Year to date 2.70"
Last year to date 1.52"
Normal year to date 3.12"

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today	6:37 a.m.
Sunset tonight	7:23 p.m.
Moonrise today	2:12 a.m.
Moonset today	11:55 a.m.

Last New First Full
Mar 31 Apr 7 Apr 13 Apr 21

REGIONAL FORECAST

Coastal Oregon: Abundant sunshine today. Clear tonight. Mostly sunny tomorrow.

Eastern Washington: Mostly sunny today. Clear tonight. Plenty of sunshine tomorrow.

Eastern and Central Oregon: Sunshine today. Clear tonight. Plenty of sunshine tomorrow.

Cascades: Plenty of sunshine today; warmer in central parts. Clear tonight.

Western Washington: Plenty of sunshine today. Clear tonight. Plenty of sun tomorrow.

Northern California: Sunny today. Mostly clear tonight. Sunny to partly cloudy tomorrow.

REGIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Astoria	62	44	s	60	43	s
Baker City	63	31	s	66	34	s
Bend	65	33	s	68	39	s
Brookings	60	45	s	59	46	s
Burns	64	33	s	66	36	s
Enterprise	60	32	s	64	35	s
Eugene	71	44	s	71	45	s
Heppner	66	39	s	70	43	s
Hermiston	72	40	s	74	46	s
John Day	66	41	s	70	45	s
Klamath Falls	67	32	s	69	37	s
La Grande	64	37	s	67	38	s
Meacham	61	32	s	65	37	s
Medford	74	43	s	76	48	s
Newport	61	45	s	59	45	s
North Bend	62	44	s	62	45	s
Ontario	71	39	s	69	41	s
Pasco	73	40	s	76	44	s
Pendleton	68	43	s	70	47	s
Portland	72	48	s	74	49	s
Redmond	68	32	s	71	37	s
Salem	72	45	s	72	45	s
Spokane	62	42	s	65	45	s
Ukiah	62	34	s	66	38	s
Vancouver	72	46	s	72	47	s
Walla Walla	66	44	s	71	49	s
Yakima	76	45	s	77	46	s

WORLD CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Beijing	79	53	s	74	46	s
Hong Kong	75	66	pc	74	67	c
Jerusalem	64	48	s	68	51	s
London	54	37	pc	55	39	pc
Mexico City	84	51	s	83	50	s
Moscow	43	36	sh	45	35	c
Paris	47	40	r	55	41	pc
Rome	73	57	pc	71	53	pc
Seoul	68	39	pc	72	43	pc
Sydney	75	63	s	78	66	s
Tokyo	63	51	pc	61	50	c

WINDS

(in mph)	Today	Friday
Boardman	WSW 3-6	SW 3-6
Pendleton	WNW 4-8	W 3-6

UV INDEX TODAY

0 3 5 5 3 0

8 a.m. 10 a.m. Noon 2 p.m. 4 p.m. 6 p.m.
0-2, Low 3-5, Moderate 6-7, High; 8-10, Very High; 11+, Extreme

The higher the AccuWeather.com UV Index™ number, the greater the need for eye and skin protection.

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NATIONAL WEATHER TODAY

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

National Summary: Drenching showers and gusty storms will extend from the Gulf Coast to the Ohio Valley with drenching rain over the Upper Midwest today. Spotty rain and snow showers will extend from Colorado to the Dakotas.

Yesterday's National Extremes: (for the 48 contiguous states)
High 91° in Dryden, Texas
Low 5° in Bryce Canyon, Utah

NATIONAL CITIES

	Today			Fri.		
	Hi	Lo	W	Hi	Lo	W
Albuquerque	59	35	pc	55	32	c
Atlanta	75	65	t	75	55	c
Atlanta City	65	56	pc	67	53	t
Baltimore	73	61	pc	75	51	t
Billings	46	29	sf	59	38	pc
Birmingham	77	63	t	74	50	pc
Birning	66	42	s	68	45	s
Boston	65	56	pc	63	47	sh
Charleston, SC	80	66	t	78	64	t
Chicago, IL	70	56	t	72	44	pc
Chicago	67	39	t	49	33	sn
Cleveland	65	50	r	53	36	c
Dallas	75	49	s	60	43	pc
Denver	41	21	pc	47	29	pc
Detroit	66	44	r	53	33	c
El Paso	67	45	pc	63	40	sh
Fairbanks	44	25	c	40	23	pc
Fargo	46	23	sh	42	24	pc
Honolulu	83	69	pc	85	71	pc
Houston	83	58	t	74	50	c
Indianapolis	68	45	t	58	36	c
Jacksonville	86	65	pc	84	67	t
Kansas City	61	38	pc	52	35	pc
Las Vegas	72	55	s	75	56	s
Little Rock	81	49	t	67	41	pc
Los Angeles	69	52	s	72	54	pc
Louisville	72	53	r	66	42	c
Memphis	78	53	t	69	45	pc
Miami	86	76	pc	88	78	s
Millwaukee	53	34	r	46	32	sn
Minneapolis	50	34	c	43	28	c
Nashville	75	56	r	62	43	pc
New Orleans	82	68	t	74	59	r
New York City	69	59	pc	71	52	t
Oklahoma City	70	42	s	62	34	pc
Omaha	57	36	c	50	34	c
Philadelphia	73	62	pc	75	5	