

OSP urges motorists to prepare, travel safely this weekend

During this Labor Day holiday weekend, the Oregon State Police (OSP) will be increasing patrols on state highways to ensure travelers in Oregon have safer travels.

Despite those efforts, the public is asked to prepare for its travels and to help enforcement efforts if they spot dangerous driving (any hazardous driving that puts others at risk: excessive speeding, impaired driving, etc).

“Too many lives are lost on our highways and we want to ensure all Oregonians and visitors safely reach their destinations this weekend,” said OSP Superintendent Travis Hampton.

According to AAA Oregon, there will be a large percentage

of travelers on the roadways.

“Labor Day is seen as the final chance for a long weekend getaway before the summer comes to an end and generally sees the lowest travel volume of the three major summer holiday weekends,” said Hampton. “Over the last decade, travel over the Labor Day holiday weekend has remained relatively stable, with approximately 35 million Americans traveling 50 miles or more from home each year.”

To add further traffic on the highways, the Oregon Ducks are playing in Eugene on Saturday, which will lead to additional traffic congestion. In 2015 and 2016, Oregon has seen a rise in fatal traffic crashes.

OSP will continue its pledge in transportation safety by focusing on five major categories of driving behaviors that contribute to fatal or serious injury crashes. These categories are speed, occupant safety, lane usage, impaired driving and distracted driving.

OSP is also urging motorists to plan their travels:

- Expect heavy traffic volumes. Take extra time to reach your destination.
- Visit ODOT’s traveler page www.tripcheck.com.
- Be prepared in the event you become stuck during your travels — Carry water, food, and blankets in the event you are stuck in your vehicle during your trip.
- Get a designated driver

(plan ahead) if you plan on consuming intoxicating substances.

- Put the distractions away. Pull over to use that handheld electronic device, ask as passenger to help or wait to arrive at your destination to use them.
- Watch your speed; often speeding will not get you to your destination any faster. You will fatigue faster, burn more fuel and create a more hazardous environment on the highway.
- Be extra vigilant in highway work zones. Even when workers are not present, all work zone speed limits still apply and fines double.

Inactive work zones still have equipment, detours and incomplete changes in the road-

way so drivers need to slow down and be alert.

- Get rested before you travel. Fatigued drivers are more frequent during holiday weekends because of increased travel and activity. Be patient and allow plenty of time to reach your destination.

- Wear your safety belt. Ensure your passengers and children are properly restrained too.

“We see too many crashes were people would have walked away with minor injuries,” said Hampton.

Habitat for Humanity BeachWalk set for Sept. 10

The 17th annual Florence Habitat for Humanity BeachWalk will be taking place Sept. 10, with all monies raised going to support Habitat’s mission of building affordable housing for people in need.

This year, Florence Habitat has started on the 28th Habitat for Humanity home. The family of six will move in after contributing 500 or more hours of “sweat equity” working with

community volunteers to build their home and the home of another Habitat family.

They will buy and pay for their home with a no-interest 30-year mortgage.

The community is invited to drive by or stop and look around and see the volunteers working on the homesite.

These volunteers range from carpentry, painting, baking cookies or making sandwiches.

Lots of lunches are packed each work day and delivered to the worksite by volunteers willing to bring sandwiches and other treats.

The latest home is on 37th Street, one 1/2 block from Highway 101 across from the printing shop and laundry.

All monies collected at the BeachWalk stay in Florence to build or repair homes. Anyone who would like to contribute to

this endeavor can send a check made out to Florence Habitat for Humanity, P.O. Box 3302 in Florence, or come by the Habitat office at 2004 Highway 101.

Come to the beach and take a walk, fly a kite, watch the waves or just listen to the music while helping with a worthy cause in the Florence community.

Viks from 1B

Down 17-6 in the third set, the Vikings were able to launch a rally fueled in part by junior libero Maci Wells, whose work as a defensive specialist kept Siuslaw afloat long enough to overtake the Tigers and secure a 26-24 win for the match.

Junction City then went on to beat Philomath in the night-cap, 3-2, with all three teams

ending the tournament at 1-1.

The Vikings will host two matches next week, beginning on Tuesday against Elmira, then again Thursday against Pleasant Hill.

Both are nonleague matches.

Elmira opened the season with losses against Far West teams Douglas (3-1) and North Bend (3-0).

Saturday, Siuslaw will be on the road for the Canby Varsity Tournament on Sept. 10.

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Lots of furniture, & everything else you could want. 25% off Sticker prices. Come join us for hotdogs, music & 3 days of fun. For more info call Linda at 541-997-0877.

Fri-Sat 9/2-9/3 8am-7 West 15th St.
Multi-Family Moving Sale! Little bit of everything!

SALE GUIDE

Sat 9/3 8am-3pm
Moving Sale!
Greentrees (W-1601) @ Spc 551.
Living, Dining, Kitchen Items, Flat Screen TV's, Bedroom Furniture, & Tools. Will consider all offers.

ESTATE SALE
9/2 & 9/3 9am to 3pm
Liquidating contents of lovely home in Florentine Estates on behalf of executor. Immaculate furnishings, household goods & small appliances, queen beds, garden statuary & plants. All must go! Use Munsel Lake Rd. entrance only. Gates open at 9am. See photos at CindyWobbeEstates.com

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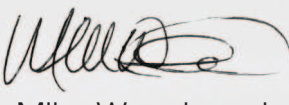


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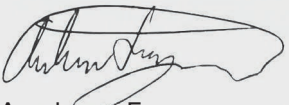


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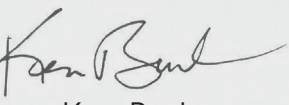




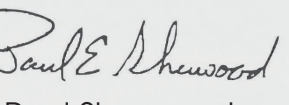
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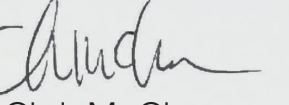
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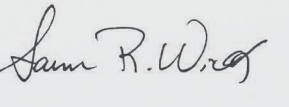
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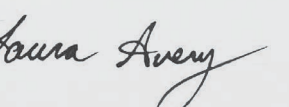
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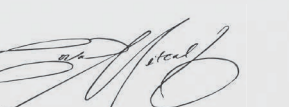
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