State championships

Klamath Basin athletes capture five individual and two relay championships

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Give Back Day

Community service project: Romeo Connell puts a piece of trash in a bag with his fellow Mills Elementary Students. They walked from their school to Mills-Kiwanis Park picking up litter for the Klamath Falls City Schools

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Day. H&N photos by Samantha Tipler

Give Back



Local students help improve the community

By SAMANTHA TIPLER H&N Staff Reporter

Klamath Falls City Schools students hit the town Friday, taking an entire day to complete service projects for the community for Give Back Day.

Students cleaned neighborhoods, planted flowers, picked up litter, cleaned windows, picked up parks, donated food and other items and gave back to their community.

The Herald and New accompanied the Klamath Union High School yearbook staff for half the day, running from site to site, trying to see what every school is up to. The paper managed to get to almost every school, all but Ponderosa Middle School, which cleaned up Moore Park and



Giving back: Klamath Union High School students helped clean up Kiger Stadium.

Putnam Point.

Give Back Day: 8:30 a.m. — Klamath **Union High School**

Give Back Day started in the Klamath Union High

School gymnasium, where the student body met to rally for a day of service projects around the community.

"This is our opportunity to go and make our com-

More online

Watch a video from Friday's Give Back Day at http:// bit.ly/1gqe1Cp. To view a gallery of photos from Friday events, go to http://bit.ly/1ky5lcN.

munity better," leadership teacher Mary Mateos told the KU students. "Each one of you has potential, and each one of you can make a change."

Just after the assembly Klamath Union High School yearbook students climb into an Exquisite Limousine to document Give Back Day with videographer Dan Stearns.

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Ending on a good note:

Klamath Union High School students finished Give Back Dav with a big KU chant in downtown Klamath Falls.

Crater Lake entrance opens early

Access to North Entrance Road to increase visitation

By LEE JUILLERAT H&N Regional Editor

There's still snow on the ground, but it's beginning to act a bit like summer at Crater Lake National Park.

Visitation is expected to multiply following Friday's unusually early opening of the North Entrance Road, which allows easy travel through the park, especially from motorists traveling on Highway 97.

"It means more people get to actually see the lake and visit the park, and that's good," said Supt. Craig Ackerman. "People can enjoy spectacular views of the lake from West Rim Drive."

The North Entrance's opening resulted because of recent warm temperatures and the park's unusually low snow pack. As of Friday morning, the on-ground snow total was 18 inches, well below the 66 inches usually measured May 23. During the current 2013-14 winter season, the park has received 257 inches of snow, nearly half the usual 513 inches as of May 23 during a typical winter.

"It looks like late June to me," Ackerman said of the low snow pack.

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E. coli found in Portland water supply

PORTLAND (AP) — A citywide boil notice was issued for Portland after E. coli was detected in the water supply.

The Portland Water Bureau said Friday that residents should boil all tap water used for drinking, food preparation, tooth brushing and ice for at least one minute. Ice or any beverages prepared with un-boiled tap water on or after Tuesday should be dumped.

The notice, which also covers several suburban cities, affects about 670,000 people. It will remain in effect until tests show the water system is clean. That could be Saturday.

We're painfully aware that we're going into a holiday weekend and that this is an inconvenience for people," City Commissioner Nick Fish said. "We regret that, but we're also guided by good science and regulations."

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DAILY BRIEFING

Kmart to close its doors this weekend

The store's closure, which was announced in February when the store lost its lease, will leave 64 people without jobs. It is unknown what company will fill the space. See page A4.

Investigation on Hope Street fire continues

The May 14 Hope Street fire that damaged multiple homes and structures is still under investigation. Some families have been left homeless due to the severe damages. See page A4.

HOLIDAY NOTE

Flags at half-staff in observance of holiday



Governor Kitzhaber ordered all flags to be flown at half-staff from sunrise to noon Memorial Day in honor

of veterans service to our country.

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Not A Good Excuse... Alcohol-related death is the third leading preventable cause of death in the United States and results from excessive use of alcohol.

START Now:

Moderate alcohol consumption may provide some health benefits. Even so, the evidence about the possible health benefits of alcohol isn't certain, and alcohol may not benefit everyone who drinks.