



Administration

Inmate Financial Accountability Workgroup

One bill that passed in the 2017 Legislative Session that will impact you is Senate Bill (SB) 844. The bill is a result of the Inmate Financial Accountability Workgroup (IFAW). This group met over the course of a year to discuss issues related to inmate money and how DOC could collect from inmate funds to help you pay off your debt. This will not take effect until July 2018, which provides us time to answer your questions and communicate.

SB 844 authorizes DOC to collect a portion of trust account deposits for two primary reasons:

- To establish a protected, re-entry savings account for individuals who are not sentenced to death or to life imprisonment without the possibility of release or parole, which will be given to you upon release.
- To pay towards your court-ordered financial obligations.

The bill allows DOC to collect the following from each deposit into your trust account:

- 10 percent for court-ordered obligations or financial obligations imposed in a criminal action that are collected by the court (such as restitution, criminal fines and fees, and civil judgments). If you don't owe any of these, DOC will not collect 10 percent.
- 5 percent for re-entry savings (up to \$500). Once re-entry savings reaches \$500, DOC will collect:
 - 15 percent for court-ordered obligations (if you still owe).
 - If no other debt is owed, you can choose to continue making 5 percent deposits into your re-entry savings account.

SB 844 also:

- Includes discretionary monetary awards under the Performance Recognition and Awards System (PRAS);

- Includes funds sent in from individuals or entities; and
- Excludes Tribal funds, veteran disability funds, Prison Industries Enhancement Certification Program funds, funds dedicated for medical, dental, and optical expenses, and funds dedicated for emergency trips.

The Governor signed SB 844 on August 8, 2017. The bill becomes operational June 18, 2018. Again, this will allow DOC some time to put appropriate systems in place. So, any changes will not take place for almost a year.

I know that paying debt while incarcerated can be difficult. This legislation will help you pay off your debt without depleting your funds. SB 844 will provide an opportunity for financial accountability to the courts and your victims and for you to continue on a path of positive change. It will also improve your transition and re-entry as you will have less of a burden when you return to your community.

I encourage you to talk with your families about these upcoming changes and feel free to kyte DOC's Communications Office with any questions you may have.

/s/ C. Peters, Director of DOC

Security

Tablet Checkout

There have been some changes in the tablet checkout times. To ensure the tablets are returned prior to locking down for count they will need to be turned in at 8:30 p.m. The tablets can be used during count but they are not to become a distraction to you from being able to follow staff instructions. If you check out a tablet and your block is scheduled to go to the recreation yard, you are not allowed to leave the tablet in your cell if you go to the recreation yard you must turn it in. Lastly the two hour limit is not going to be strictly enforced, this is due to the way the institution operates and the ability to get you out of your cell. This does not mean you can check a tablet out in the morning and keep it until you need to

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turn it in that night. You will need to turn it in at the first available chance you get.

/s/ Lt. G. Ross, Security

Annual Blanket Wash

The Clothing Room will be conducting its semi-annual mandatory blanket wash during the month of **October 2017**. All blankets will be collected at the **5:15 a.m.** wake-up bell and returned after the **4:00 p.m.** count clears on the same day. Clothing Room staff and block staff will supervise workers and housing unit orderlies in the collection and distribution of blankets. **ALL CELLS WILL BE SEARCHED FOR EXTRA LINEN.**

The schedule will be as follows:

(Starting the first week of Oct 2017)

- *Friday Oct 13th **D-Block**
- *Friday Oct 20th **C-Block**
- *Friday Oct 27th **E-Block**

*Scheduled rotation is subject to change

/s/ L. Warren, Clothing Room

Activities

Athletic Club Handball Results for 8-19-17 and 8-20-17

Large Ball Doubles Handball

- 1st A. Cetina/ J Sanchez
- 2nd A. Howard/ D. Lawrence
- 3rd R. Allen/ E. Gilbert

Large Ball Singles Handball

- 1st T Westfall
- 2nd A. Cetina
- 3rd E. Gilbert

Small Ball Doubles Handball

- 1st R. Branch / T. Westfall
- 2nd D. Lawrence/ J. Navarro
- 3rd O. Garcia/ J Ramirez

Small Ball Singles Handball

- 1st T Westfall
- 2nd A. Cetina
- 3rd A. Tadeo

/s/ B. Marion, Activities

Improve Your Writing

Are you a writer? Have you ever thought about writing? The State Street Literature and Ethics Project would like to help. The motto of our group is to encourage and improve written expression by incarcerated individuals, and to facilitate the production and publication of those expressions. This year our members started a quarterly newsletter called *The State Street Tyro*. The Tyro is a forum for creative expression by writers here at OSP. If you would like to receive a copy of our pilot issue please send an inmate communication to Kessler's Writer's Group/Lifers' Unlimited Club/OSP Activities section.

/s/ S. Finster, Activities

Capital Toastmasters College Debate Tournament

On October 7, 2017, nine college teams from Carroll College, College of Idaho, Corban University, George Fox University, Linfield College, and Willamette University along with a professor from the University of Georgia attended our 7th Annual Debate Tournament. The college teams, and three teams from the Capital Toastmasters club, competed against each other in a round-robin tournament to see which team would win the championship.

There were 12 teams, and after three rounds of debating on Sanctuary Cities, removing troops from Afghanistan, and whether or not the United States should engage in talks with North Korea, the top four teams competed for the championship in a final round. The top four teams were in First Place Cory Adair and Ron Edgemon, in Second Place Cornelius Davis and Kyle Hedquist, in Third Place the College of Idaho, and in Fourth Place Corban University. The championship round was on whether or not the death penalty and life without parole prison sentences should be abolished. In the end, the team of Cory Adair and Ron Edgemon won the championship. A special congratulations also goes out to Cory and Ron for winning first place in all four rounds of debate.

While debate is a team event, and the championship is based on teams, we also track individual scores. There were 24 debaters, and after three rounds of debate, on an individual basis, our guys did really well and finished as follows: Second Place Ron Edgemon with 236 points, Third Place Cory Adair with 233 points, Ninth Place Travis Ramsey with 224 points, in Tenth Place Kyle Hedquist with 223 points, Eleventh Place

Capital Toastmasters College Debate Tournament (cont.)

Cornelius Davis with 222 points and in Twelfth Place Daniel Dejesus-Lopez with 221 points. Congratulations guys.

The competition was tough, the topics were in depth, and everyone should be proud of their accomplishments. Way to go guys.

/s/ B. Marion, Activities

Commissary

Commissary News, Updates and Reminders

Commissary News

We have recently renewed our commissary vendor price agreement contracts for another two years. With this renewal has come several price increases, the majority of which are relatively minor and too numerous to list. Very few, if any, of these items have been changed since Fall 2013. Listed below is the new item and a few price increases of note.

Taster's Choice Coffee 8 oz. - \$10.13

Whipper Mix - \$5.21

AA Batteries - \$0.34

AAA Batteries - \$0.34

9 Volt Batteries - \$1.54

Value Ice Cream (includes Umpqua brand) - \$2.85

Deluxe Ice Cream (includes Ben & Jerry's) - \$5.50

Commissary Updates

Holiday Cards are now available for purchase.

Single card for \$1.29

Pack of 12 for only \$13.00

New items coming soon

Sayulita White Corn Tortillas 10 ct. - \$0.75

Hunts Ketchup 100% Natural 20oz - \$2.85

Commissary Reminders

When submitting a communication or suggestion form to Commissary please include the following:

A. Full Name

B. SID#

C. Institution

Forms with **missing information** or that are **not legible** will not be accepted.

/s/ S. Jackson, Commissary

UPDATE on accounting software system

The following is an update on the accounting software system upgrade affecting Trust and Commissary Accounting operations. The commissary **double spending limit** scheduled for next week, October 16 - 20, 2017, and commissary closures scheduled for the week of October 23 - 27, 2017, have been **cancelled**. There has been a delay with the new system, and the estimated timeframe for it to go live. We do not have any additional information at this time.

/s/ B. Bernt, Communications Manager

Miscellaneous

Access to Medical Care

Sick call appointments are available by appointment. If you are not feeling well or have a problem that requires medical attention, you are required to send a request for medical/dental communication form to Medical Services. You need to sign your full name, SID number, cell number, and date. Include a brief description of your need, explaining your signs and symptoms. Please fill out the form completely to help us better meet your health care needs. Place your completed inmate communication in the secured Health Services mailbox on the Control Floor to ensure your communication is confidential. Medical Communications are picked up daily and will be responded to promptly.

If a medical appointment is necessary, an appointment will be scheduled and a call pass will be issued. It is important that you keep your appointment and report promptly to the Medical Services area at the time shown on the call pass.

Should you become ill or otherwise need medical attention during other times of the day, consult your supervisor or housing unit officer. Your housing unit officer will call Nursing Services and triage your medical concerns awaiting further direction by Nursing staff. All emergency medical situations will be handled when they arise.

/s/ C. Coffey, Health Services

Chapel

Memorial

On **Tuesday, October 17, 2017, at 8:00 a.m.** there will be a memorial for Leroy Earp. If you would like to attend please send your request to the Chapel. If there are any pictures, poetry, art, or music you would like to see included please bring it to our attention.

Strong Man of God Rally

If you are a fan of Gospel Music you will not want to miss **The Mt. Oliver Baptist Church** choir that will be performing only one time in the chapel on **Saturday, October 21, 2017, at 1:00 p.m.**

Bahai Faith Announcement.

A Bahai faith intro and discussion group will be held on Monday's in the Chapel from 2:00-3:00 p.m. If you are interested in attending please send an inmate communication to the Chapel.

/s/ K. Thompson, Chaplain

Chapel Schedule

SATURDAY, October 14

- 8:00 a.m.** Native American Ceremony
Jehovah's Witness Study
Latter Day Saints
Jewish Service
- 11:30 a.m.** Native American Ceremony
- 1:00 p.m.** Suni Muslim Study
Seventh Day Adventist Service
Worship Practice
- 6:00 p.m.** Calvary Chapel
Siddha Yoga

SUNDAY, October 15

- 8:00 a.m.** Spanish Protestant Service
Jehovah's Witness Spanish
Zen Retreat
Wicca
- 1:00 p.m.** Catholic Mass
- 6:00 p.m.** Latter Day Saints Study
University Fellowship
Urantia

MONDAY, October 16

- 8:00 a.m.** Restorative Justice Writing
- 1:00 p.m.** Buddhist Discussion Group
- 6:00 p.m.** Restorative Justice
Non-Violent Communication

TUESDAY, October 17

- 1:00 p.m.** Hari Krishna
Russian Bible
- 6:00 p.m.** Buddhist Service
Prison Fellowship Discipleship
Catholic Study

WEDNESDAY, October 18

- 8:00 a.m.** OSP Choir Practice
- 1:00 p.m.** Seventh Day Adventist Study
Life Support
- 6:00 p.m.** Indigenous Circle ☹
Acting Group

THURSDAY, October 19

- 8:00 a.m.** Thresholds
Jehovah's Witness Service
Jehovah's Witness Spanish Library
- 1:00 p.m.** TUMI ☹
Spanish Catholic
- 6:00 p.m.** Celebrate Recovery ☹
Gospel Worship

FRIDAY, October 20

- 8:00 a.m.** Trauma Transformation
- 1:00 p.m.** Nation of Islam
Sunni Jum'ah Prayer
United Pentecostal Study

☹ = Service is full or restricted. Add requests are not being accepted at this time.

☹ = Service has a waiting list. Submit a request to be placed on waiting list.