



Commissary

Commissary News

Commissary is pleased to announce that the new shoe catalogs are now available. There are several shoes "Pending Approval" in the new catalog. **Do not send inmate communications asking about their availability, we will not be responding to them.** You will be notified through the shoe form and newsletters when and or if the shoes become available.

/s/ C. Lucero, Commissary

Miscellaneous

Incoming Mail

Recently there have been several complaints regarding the lack of incoming mail and the length of time it takes for mail to get from the sender to the recipient.

We have contacted our delivery service and learned that other DOC facilities are experiencing the same mail issues. For OSP, we receive the incoming mail at 8:30 a.m. each work day and by DOC Rule we have 48 hours to process the First Class mail. For the past several weeks we have not been receiving very much inmate mail and it is all processed the same day it arrives and sent to the housing units at 2:30 p.m. Magazines and publications may take another day to process.

We contacted the US Postal Service and the length of time between sending and receiving mail is attributed to staff shortages in the sorting department of the Portland Office of the US Postal Service. In 2012 the US Postal Service closed three sorting departments in Salem, Eugene and Bend, eliminating 180 jobs. All mail now is routed to Portland for sorting to various cities and states. It is noted that the US Postal Service does not have the same time restrictions that DOC has put into place for processing mail.

Historically during the warm summer months, there is less mail being sent/process than the cooler winter months. Also technology such as Access Corrections

emails, VIP visits, and Telmate text messages are also taking the place of hand written letters.

We will keep you informed if other factors out of our control become involved.

If you continue to have concerns, feel free to send an inmate communication to the OSP Mail Room.

/s/ Lt. Ufford, Security

OSP Mail Room

- Please remember that the scales in the blocks are an approximation. The final weight of an item is determined by the metered postage scale in the Mail Room.
- CD-28s: Be sure that you sign your CD-28. A staff will need to stamp this with an authorization stamp and initial this. If those three items (your signature, authorization stamp, and staffs' initials), are missing from the CD-28, staff will not process your request for postage, or funds, and the item will be returned to you. This delays your mail or package.
- Mail Room staff would like to remind you of the VIP Kiosk usage rules: All photos taken at the VIP kiosks require that the inmate is clothed (must have a shirt on) and not attempting to conceal their identity (no sunglasses, hats, or other appearance changers). No displays of hand signs. You must be alone in the photos, no group photos are approved. You may photograph awards, certificates, other photos, art, or personal property like a book or musical instrument for display in your GALLERY. The profile photo section is only to be used for the log in photo taken each time you log into the system. The Gallery section is where you may display the above listed various personal photos.
- If you have any questions about mail or the mail rules please send an inmate communication to OSP Mail Room, C. Toombs. I will do my best to answer your questions and resolve any issues that you may have.

/s/ C. Toombs, Mail Room

Flu Season

Well it's that time of year again, flu and cold season. If you have any chronic conditions or would like to receive the flu vaccine, please submit an inmate communication to Health Services. Those with chronic conditions, (diabetes, hypertension, HEP C, and/or HIV), please be sure to add your condition on your inmate communication. Flu vaccines will be administered first to those with chronic conditions named as priorities by the CDC. Once these have been administered we will offer the vaccine on the first come first serve basis.

The best way to decrease your chance of catching the flu and cold virus are to wash your hands before you eat or touch your face. If you end up becoming sick with the flu or cold virus please be sure to cover your mouth when you cough or sneeze and wash, wash, wash your hands. Since the cold and the flu are viruses that antibiotics **WILL NOT** work against.

/s/ C. Coffey, Health Services

Chapel

"The Bucket" Play

RJ Theater Class is offering a workshop screening of a play entitled "**The Bucket**" on both **Saturday, September 17 and 24, 2016, from 12:30 - 3:00 p.m.** "**The Bucket**" depicts the experiences of eight men in solitary confinement. Space is limited to **40 people** per viewing. If interested in attending the play, send an inmate communication listing your preference for the first or second showing.

Wake Up and Explore Workshop

Are you interested in introspective conversations or reflective dialogue? If you're interested in thoughtful and creative dialogue, the Restorative Justice Discussion Group is going to hold a one-day seminar of peer facilitated discussions regarding personal values and value clarification. A conscious exploration of self-value helps empower people to make wiser choices as well as identify ways to create more value in your life by working consciously to enhance your activities based on what you value.

The workshop will be on **Monday, September 12, 2016, from 8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** There will be an out count and lunch in the Chapel. This event is limited to 25 people. If your interested in attending send an inmate communication to the Chapel as soon as possible.

/s/ A. Perlstein, Chapel



Chapel Schedule

SATURDAY, September 17

8:00 a.m. Native American Ceremony
Jehovah's Witness Study
Latter Day Saints
Jewish Service

11:30 a.m. Native American Ceremony

12:30 p.m. R J Play

6:00 p.m. Calvary Chapel

SUNDAY, September 18

8:00 a.m. Spanish Protestant Service
Jehovah's Witness Spanish

1:00 p.m. Catholic Mass
Jewish Study

6:00 p.m. Latter Day Saints Study
Urantia
Lutheran Worship

MONDAY, September 19

1:00 p.m. Restorative Justice
Buddhist Discussion Group

TUESDAY, September 20

8:00 p.m. Universal Unitarian

1:00 p.m. Russian Bible
Hare Krishna

6:00 p.m. Buddhist Service
Prison Fellowship Discipleship
Catholic Study
Non Violent Practice Group 🚫

WEDNESDAY, September 21

8:00 a.m. OSP Choir Practice

1:00 p.m. Seventh Day Adventist Study
Orthodox Christianity
Life Support

6:00 p.m. Indigenous Circle 🚫
Acting group

THURSDAY, September 22

8:00 a.m. Thresholds
Jehovah's Witness Service
Jehovah's Witness Spanish

1:00 p.m. TUMI 🚫
Spanish Catholic

6:00 p.m. Gospel Worship
Spanish NVC
Non-Violent Communication
Celebrate Recovery 🚫

FRIDAY, September 23

8:00 a.m. Trauma Transformation Group 🚫

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.