



The NW Connector gives people an easy travel option to driving to the Coast or driving Hwy. 101 along the Coast. Short stay or long stay, the NW Connector is available as it operates buses seven days a week, and connects to Tri-Met, Amtrak and Greyhound.

Riders can leave the Willamette Valley from Portland, Salem or Corvallis to get to the Coast. Once on the Coast they are able to ride from Astoria to Yachats with stops in seven cities along the way. Bus drivers are local, friend-

ly and accessible to answer questions. To encourage people to ride the NW Connector, riders can purchase a three-day (\$25) or seven-day (\$30) pass from the bus driver which gives them one round trip to and from the coast and unlimited travel at the Coast. It's a great deal!

How do you ride the NW Connector? First, visit NW-Connector.org. Once you're there, it's easy.

A map shows the different routes, and a Plan Your Trip tab is displayed on the front page. -

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home in Sisters when we attended the Sisters Folk Festival. It is an amazing large custom log home on 2 acres surrounded by pine and aspen trees."

"We stayed at her beautiful

Jo Schechter

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The Bay City Booster Club invites you to visit our beautiful city on Tillamook Bay for the Pearl Music Festival, Saturday, Aug. 25 at Al Griffin Memorial Park. The event will feature a car show, antiques, hobbies and craft sales, food and live entertainment. Proceeds from this event will benefit local children's programs and our annual Bay City Christmas lighting.

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4 reasons to get travel insurance

Here are **4 reasons** it's a good idea to visit your travel professional before your big trip:

- ♦ It's 10 p.m. You've just landed at the airport to catch your connect home. Your family is tired and wants their own beds. But now, you just found out your flight has been cancelled. This isn't fun. So, who will find you a flight home?
- ♦ You've lost your bag. And your bag had your meds. So, you need to find your bag ASAP. Who can help you find that bag or refill your emergency prescription?
- ◆ You are in Europe. You've waited to take in all the grandeur new

and old. But someone not very nice just stole your passport and wallet. Yikes! You need emergency cash. You need a new passport. You need someone who can get things done fast. Who is that someone?

♦ Uh oh. You're in an accident and the medical treatment you need is not happening way out there. That means a medical evacuation. Are you going to coordinate all of that alone after you've been in an accident?

Contact C.P. Trips, Inc. at 503-658-5646, cptrips@aol.com, we'll help you with travel insurance.

Ice Age Trail:

At the end of the Ice Age, the powerful Lake Missoula Floods, some of the largest on earth, swept over this region, devastating and reshaping the landscape. With 540 cubic miles of water and debris bulldozing across the expanse at up to 60 miles per hour the evidence can still be seen today. Now the path of these floods from Montana to the Pacific Ocean has become the Ice Age Floods National Geologic Trail.

You can explore the Trail by driving, hiking or flying. The Trail is managed by the National Park Service in partnership with

A natural disaster has turned into a fascinating National Trail

the Ice Age Floods Institute (IAFI). You can get more information at **iafi.org/ice-age-floods-national-geologic-trail**.

But can you really see any remnants in Northwest Oregon and the Willamette Valley? Yes: Lake Oswego, the Bellevue Erratic, Alameda Ridge and Coffee Lake are just a few of the many examples. Learn more at the Lower Columbia chapter of the IAFI monthly meetings at the Tualatin Heritage Center, tualatinhistoricalsociety.org/newsletter.html or call 503-257-0144.

Also, visit **GigaFlood.com**. 🗢









