This is a K-C-T-I News Break. I’m Patrick Harwood. Making news at this hour....
A bizarre incident today at a local grocery store involving a woman—her cat…and the police…ends in death.

Midcity police say they had no choice but to shoot the woman—whose name has not yet been released. It all happened at the Food Basket store on West Petrie Avenue. They say the woman came in…carrying her Siamese cat…and a knife…and that she proceeded to sit down in an aisle.

Police say when they arrived and asked the woman to drop the knife…she refused and threatened to kill the cat. They say she then got up and started walking toward the officers in a threatening way. And that’s when the officers opened fire.

More on this breaking story as it develops.

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More tragic news today…a worker’s cigarette break turned into a devastating disaster at a downtown donut shop.

Tastee Donuts on Broadway is in ruins this morning after an early morning fire. The shop’s owner…Mildred Norton…says around four this morning she stepped out for a smoke…and that’s when the real smoke began. She says she left a pot of oil on the stove and it overflowed igniting a massive blaze.

The fire department was quickly on the scene but officials say there was no saving Tastee Donuts. Damages have been estimated at nearly a half million dollars.

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There’s something going around the Midcity Police Department that may lead to a lot of officers calling in sick Monday.

It’s not a virus or some other illness. No…officers are angry that the Midcity Board of Supervisors has rejected their demand for a six percent pay increase. The board offered a two percent hike. In protest, most of the city’s police officers may go on strike Monday…calling it a quote…sick out.

Negotiations are expected to resume tonight to try to avert such a strike.

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A new career opportunity is blowing in the wind at Midcity University. The school has found a unique way to address America’s energy challenges: windmills.

That’s right…Midcity officials say the century’s old technology can be used today to efficiently generate electricity and pump water. The first of its kind course in the nation began today. Twenty five students are enrolled in the two week program and their first job is to build a windmill.

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Checking local sports…the Midcity Moose minor league season kicks off today.

First pitch will be at 7:00 tonight at Fallbrook Field. Plenty of tickets are still available for tonight’s season debut against the Lincolnville Legends.

Midcity University’s Minutemen….meantime…are also in baseball action tonight.

The Midland Conference leaders are on the road at conference cellar-dweller Coosaw College.

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Weather
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A quick check of the weather before we bid you…good day. It’s just gorgeous outside now….65 degrees, not a cloud in the sky. You may need a jacket tonight at the Moose game…temps will dip down into the low 40s. Tomorrow look for highs to top 70.

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Closing
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That’s our time for now. I’ll be back with another update in one hour. For K-C-T-I News....I’m Patrick Harwood.

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