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City reacts to sewage spill on beach

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n July 17, a city of Cannon Beach wastewater pump station failed resulting in an estimated 26,000 gallons of sewage flowing onto the beach at the end of Nelchena Street.

The city's Ecola and Matanuska pump stations failed, but since the Ecola was in bypass mode while the city made improvements, only the Matanuska pump overflowed, according to the city's report.

The spill did not get into the ocean water because it "did not meet the tide level," the city press release states. The city removed an amount of sand from the spill area and took it to a "secure uninhabited city-owned property site for handling. Barricades and caution tape were placed around the circumference of the affected area, as well as sandwich boards with signs indicating "WARNING: Contaminated Drainage – Do Not Enter".

"The initial cause (of the overflow) was

associated with air pressure damage experienced in a panel that controls the bubbler system, which also controls some of the key elements of the flow levels that act as the indicator and warning that ultimately trigger alert notices to city staff," the release states. "Additional discoveries of malfunctioning floats, as well as malfunctions in the auto dialer system were also discovered and contributed to the ultimate overflow condition.'

City Public Works Director Karen La Bonte told the Gazette on Monday Aug. 3, that "it began with human error that led to the chain of events which exposed other malfunctioning aspects of the pump station we already knew were challenged due to age, and have been pursuing funding to address. That is why we've pursued grant dollars, low interest loans and other funding sources outside of raising utility rates again. However, a rate adjustment is inevitable to address what must be dealt with to bring this and numerous other pump stations up to

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Crews work to clean up approximately 26,000 gallons of sewage that spilled onto the beach at the end of Nelchena Street last week. Courtesy photo.

School

District

provides

summer

Hilary Dorsey

For The Gazette

g a summer "Grab-n-Go" meal service

this summer. The assistance began June 15

This meal service, which provides free

meals to children, is through the Summer

Food Service Program, a federally funded

nutrition program open to all kids aged

welcome to drop by one of the drop off

district took over the program from Coral

USDA granted a waiver to the Oregon

Cook, who ran it from out of a church.

Department of Education so the Seaside

School District could provide a grab-n-go

Head Cook Jessica Smith said the school

1-18 years. All children and teens are

and will continue until Aug. 28.

Seaside School District has been provid-

meals



EXPOSING THE ROCK

Submit your images of **Haystack Rock for** photo contest

Hilary Dorsey For The Gazette

Enter the Friends of Hay-stack Rock annual photography contest and showcase your work while helping to communicate the beauty and value of Haystack Rock. Professionals and amateurs are encouraged to submit photos that feature Haystack Rock in Cannon Beach.

Tiffany Boothe, secretary of Friends of Haystack Rock said the photo contests are quarterly and run four months at a time. The four winners are placed in the yearly contest. The winning photo will be placed on a fundraising

The quarterly photo contests helps gain attention about the organization, while providing awareness about the inhabitants

of Haystack Rock, Boothe said. "It gets more people involved," Boothe said.

Each photo contest has a theme associated with it. The first photo contest's theme was Tufted Puffins. Because of this challenging subject, the contest had a slow start of six entries.

This quarterly photo contest, with the theme of Haystack Rock, is getting a lot more traction, Boothe added. There are 10

entries so far and submissions can be made until Sept. 15.

Boothe does not vote on the photo submissions. At a board meeting, she brings all photos to the board and they pick the three winning photos with first, second and third picks. The winner receives a complimentary poster of Haystack Rock.

The first place prize winner will be featured on Friends of Haystack Rock's website and newsletter, and will be automatically entered into the yearly contest where the photo may be chosen to be featured on a fundraising tote bag. Second and third place winners will be featured on the website as well.

Photos must be taken at Haystack Rock in Cannon Beach and each photographer may enter a maximum of five images. All submissions must list the location where the photo was taken, descriptors such as the species photographed and a title. If chosen as a winner, photographers consent to allowing Friends of Haystack Rock to use their photos on the Friends website, in



The winning photo of last quarter's contest. Photo by Terri Neal

publications and other materials.

Friends will not share photos with other entities without permission by the photographer. Photo credit will be given whenever the photo is used.

"Thank you everyone for your participation," Boothe said.

Submit photos as high definition JPEG, PNG, GIF, or TIFF.

Submit entries via email to fohrcontest@gmail.com or submit to the online form through the website at https://bit.ly/30WPP4Q

Submissions are due by Sept.

Send comments to: headlightreporter@countrymedia.net

meal service (breakfast and lunch) during the COVID-19 pandemic. Meals are served at a designated site and children or an authorized adult may pick up meals. "The children need to get their school

lunches," Smith said. "It's more important now with everything going on.'

Smith said people are so appreciative of the meals and make it part of their daily routine. People sometimes move around and find the meal service at different sites.

"We'll have to keep feeding people," Smith said of the upcoming school year. At this time, the school district does not know what that will look like.

From March to June of this year, the school buses took the group around to deliver the meals. Now in summer, the group drives their own vehicles to the sites. If they are able to use the buses again the fall, they expect to cover a bigger area than they are now.

We're happy to be here," Smith said. Smith said a lot of people have masks on when they pick up their food. The meal service always wears masks and drives to the various locations in a two hour time period. They deliver meals rain or shine.

"We're serving hot dogs today," Smith said on Thursday, July 30.

The hot dogs were cooked and bagged that morning, still warm for pickup.

The route in Cannon Beach goes from Shorewood – Spruce Court to Broadway Middle School at 1120 Broadway with the Grab-n-Go in the cafeteria. Another route for the Gearhart/Seaside area begins at Pine Grove at 2481 N Hwy 101 and ends at Salmonberry Knoll Apartments at 1250 S Wahanna Rd.

Sea Level 'Bread Relief Fund' sees 270th loaf donation

Chelsea Yarnell **Guest Contributor**

fter COVID-19 shuttered many businesses in Cannon Beach, locals with jobs in the hospitality and tourism industry found themselves without Owners of Sea Level Bak-

ery, Liz and Jason Menke, felt that they could offer a piece of comfort. "We feel like a piece of

bread is the basic sustenance of life and it just made sense to share what we're already doing.'

Sea Level Bakery was already in the practice of donating extra pastries to the Cannon Beach Food Pantry, but once COVID-19 hit the area, they began donating loaves of bread.

"I know that I am not able to be there to physically to hand out the gift," Liz said. "But I get to hear...that a fresh loaf of bread is a sur-

prise to receive." To partner with the greater community, Sea Level Bakery created a 'Bread Relief Fund' on their website. Those interested in partnering with their mission can chose to donate money that is then used to donate loaves of bread to the Food Pantry.

A couple loaves a day are set aside at Sea Level Bakery's physical location for those who are unable to access the Food Pantry. All someone needs to do is order a "bread relief loaf" online to reserve their free loaf. As of the end of July, 270

loaves of bread had been donated from Sea Level Bakery.

"It's very humbling," Liz

Liz and Jason have owned and operated Sea Level Bakery in Cannon Beach for six and half years.

Sea Level Bakery is open seven days a week, 7 a.m. -4 p.m. at 3116 Hemlock St.



Liz and Jason Menke, owners of Sea Level Bakery.

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Census workers start to visit households that have not responded to mailers

Kathleen Stinson For The Gazette

The U.S. Census Bureau will start to visit households in Oregon that have not responded to requests for information on August 11. This visit will involve an

in-person interview. Misty Slater, media specialist for the Census Bureau,

said in a press release that

"census takers will follow local public health guidelines when they visit. Census takers will be wearing masks. Census takers must complete a virtual COVID-19 training on social distancing protocols and other health and safety guidance before beginning their work in neighborhoods."

Slater said census takers are members of the local community and many are



bilingual, according to the

release. If they do not speak

the language spoken in the

household, the bureau will

send someone who does. 'If no one is home when the census taker visits, the census taker will leave a notice of their visit with information about how to respond online, by phone or by mail," she said. "People are encouraged to cooperate with census takers and ensure that everyone who was living in their household as of April 1, 2020, is counted.'

She said 65 percent of the households in Oregon have responded to requests for census information. "The Census Bureau will need to visit the remaining addresses to collect responses in person."

Census takers have government ID badges with their photograph, the release states. The badge has a watermark from the U.S. Department of Commerce on it.

'Households can still respond now by completing and mailing back the paper questionnaire they received, by responding online at 2020census.gov, or by phone for English at 844-330-2020, or for Španish at 844-468-2020," as stated in the release.

Summer of Sandcastles building on creativity

Kathleen Stinson For The Gazette

The 56th annual Sandcastle Contest has gone virtual this year. Dubbed for 2020 the Summer of Sandcastles.

Like so many other activities in our lives, the COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way the Sandcastle Contest is taking place this year because to hold it in the open with thousands of observers would not be safe.

But to cancel the contest was unthinkable.

"I just wanted to see that my hometown tradition continued," said Debbie Nelson, chairman of the committee in charge of putting on the event.

Nelson said anyone can enter by constructing a sand sculpture at a beach, taking a photo and sending in an entry. Information as to where to send the photo is on the Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce website. The contest is presented by the chamber.

"The Sandcastle Contest is usually a party for 30,000 people -it sure has changed this year," she said.

The contest usually has about 26 to 30 teams, but this year so far there are seven registrations, said Buddie Anderson, executive assistant at the chamber.

The contest takes place between June 13, and Sept. 7, as stated on the chamber website. It is the "oldest competition of its kind in the Pacific Northwest.

"In 2014, the Cannon Beach Sandcastle Contest was recognized as an Oregon Heritage Tradition by the Oregon Parks & Recreation Department, making it one of just 11 events statewide to achieve such a designation. An Oregon Heritage Tradition is an event with broad public appeal, with at least 50 years of continuous operation and that contributes to the identity of the state."

For more information, go to www.cannonbeach.org/ sandcastle.



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At the library

Library opening services and programs slowly and safely

Joseph Bernt Library Volunteer

he last "At the Library" column mentioned that the Cannon Beach Library was opening services slowly and safely beginning with Door-Side Service on July 20, which allowed contact-free service so patrons can request, and then pick up, books and DVDs.

After two weeks, the library's board of directors decided to expand pickup times and incorporate requests via voicemail and email messages to better serve patrons. Patrons now may call the library on Mondays and Wednesdays from 12 to 4 p.m. at 503-436-1391 to reserve books or DVDs. Volunteers will take patron calls, pull requested items from shelves and provide patrons an appointment time to retrieve requested items from a table at the library's entrance doorway.

Patrons who cannot call the library on Monday or Wednesday from noon to 4 p.m. may leave a message by calling 503-436-1391 or emailing info@cannonbeachlibrary.org. Volunteers will respond to messages on Monday and Wednesday.

Patrons may request four adult books, two DVDs or four children's books These items are loaned for two weeks and should be

returned to the drop box near the library's front door. Door-Side Service is available to patrons who have library cards or to residents of Cannon Beach and Arch Cape who purchase a library card for an annual fee of

Wearing a mask is expected for using this service. For additional information and helpful tips about Door-Side Service, patrons should refer to the library website.

The plague also is driving the library's Northwest Authors Speakers series online. In the library's first foray into online presentations using Facebook Live, Astoria author Marianne Monson will discuss "Her Quiet Revolution," her recently published novel," at 2 p.m., Saturday, August 22.

Monson based her novel on the life of Dr. Martha Hughes Cannon, a frontier doctor and the nation's first female state senator when elected to the Utah State Senate in 1896.

opening of the 100th year

Monson's talk honors the

of Women's Suffrage in the United States. Women gained the right to vote on August 18, 1920, when Tennessee became the 36th state to ratify the 19th Amendment which asserted,"The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex. Congress

shall have power to enforce

this article by appropriate legislation."

Cannon Beach Reads, has not met since March, but the library's monthly reading group intends to meet over Zoom on Wednesday, Sept. 16, at 7 p.m., to discuss "Mozart's Star- Joseph Bernt ling" by Lyanda

Lynn Haupt. Anyone interested in joining this discussion can borrow a copy of Haupt's book at the library or purchase a copy at Cannon Beach Books. They should contact Joe Bernt at berntj@ohio.edu or 503-436-4186 for information about signing into the

Zoom discussion. New books added recently to the library include eight works of fiction: "The Vanishing Self" by Brit Bennett, "Firing Point" by Tom Clancy, "Wrath of Poseidon" by Clive Cussler, "The Sweeney Sisters" by Lian Dolan, "The Paris Hours" by Alex George, "The City We Became" by N.K. Jemisin, "Home Before Dark" by Riley Sager and "Her Last Flight" by Beatriz Williams,

Also added were seven mysteries: "The Delightful Life of a Suicide Plot" by Colin Cotterill, "Credible Threat" by J,.A. Jance, "The Girl from Widow Hills" by



Megan Mi-randa, "Grudge Match" by Robert B. Parker, "The Last Trial" by Scott Turow, "The Shooting at Chateau Rock" by Martin Walker and "Bombshell" by Stuart Woods.

Finally, nine nonfiction titles have been

added: "The Room Where It Happened: A White House Memoir" by John Bolton, The Industrialists: How the National Association of Manufacturers Shaped American Capitalism" by Jennifer A. Dalton, "Crying the News: A History of America's Newsboys" by Vincent DiGirolamo and "Let Them Eat Tweets: How the Right Rules in an Age of Extreme Inequality" by Jacob Hacker.

Other new nonfiction books include: "Leave Only Footprints: My Acadia to Zion Journey Through Every National Park" by Conor Knighton, "Separated: Inside an American Tragedy" by Jacob Soboroff, "The Next Great Migration: The Beauty and Terror of Life on the Move" by Sonia Shah, "Too Much and Never Enough: How My Family Created the World's Most Dangerous Man," by Mary Trump and "Demagogue: The Life and

Long Shadow of Senator Joe McCarthy" by Larry Tye.

Your columnist is anxious to read several of the nonfiction titles that have been added to the library recently, so anxious, in fact, that I just finished "The Industrialists: How the National Association of Manufacturers Shaped American Capitalism" by Jennifer Dalton and will take this opportunity to comment on what I consider an excellent explanation of how the United States lost its manufacturing base following World War II to a misplaced pursuit of globalism pushed by the National Association of Manufactur-

ers (NAM),. In "The Industrialists" Dalton traces the 125-year history of NAM from its founding in 1895 in order to expand foreign trade through following decades building a reputation for extreme conservatism, John Birch Society members, defense of unrestricted "free enterprise" and employer rights, continuing battles to suppress union organizing and influence on government labor policy and resistance to environmental and workplace regulation.

This critique of NAM is pretty much the standard historical presentation, but Dalton throughout "The Industrialists" argues that the organization's leadership and staff also encouraged and cooperated with government efforts to eliminate tariffs and liberalize trade relations and

markets in the face of opposition from smaller member companies aligned with the Republican Party.

Dalton also stresses NAM's continuous efforts to develop training materials and meetings to transform, rationalize, modernize and internationalize American manufacturing while strengthening businesses in Europe, Asia and Latin America after the conclusion of the Second World War in order to expand exports from NAM's member companies.

Unfortunately, NAM's liberal support of international trading partners succeeded beyond expectations as America's largest companies reacted against competition from trading partners by offshoring their own manufacturing to Europe, Asia (particularly China) and Latin America. American manufacturing, once distributed in small communities throughout the nation, left smokestacks, diminished infrastructure and unemployment throughout the country during the past 50 years.

As unions lost members as factories closed, NAM also lost member companies to foreign competition or such companies as General Electric and General Motors jettisoned their manufacturing as they entered the service economy of financial services causing many Americans to ask: "Don't we make anything here anymore?"



Jessica Smith, Rebecca Ray, Andrea Ryan prepare meals for pickup. Courtesy photo.

Meals

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Meal Service Schedule

Cannon Beach / Broad-

way Middle School 11:18 a.m. - CB Shorewood - Spruce Court 11:37 a.m. – CB Elk Creek

12:30 p.m. – Broadway

Middle School - 1120 Broad-

Grab-n-Go in Cafeteria entry on eastside

Gearhart/Seaside

11 a.m. – Pine Cove – 2481 N Hwy 101 11:18 a.m. - Windjammer

- 4253 Hwy 101 N

11:34 a.m. - Gearhart Elementary School – 1002 Pacific Way

11:52 a.m. - Seaside Fitness Center

12:05 p.m. - 12th Avenue

and N Holladay 12:17 p.m. - Cartwright Park – Avenue South and South Franklin Street 12:25 p.m. - Cooper and

Stillwater 12:37 p.m. – Creekside

Village Apartments – 1953

Spruce Dr 12:54 p.m. – Salmonberry

Knoll Apartments – 1250

Wahanna Rd

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date on the technology that controls every aspect of its operation.'

"The spill occurred after low tide, which was -0.1ft that morning, but before high tide, which was 6.4ft," the city press release states. "Based on the low tide conditions at the time of the spill (approximately 10 a.m.), it was confirmed the spill did not meet the tide level. All clean-up was completed prior to high tide."

The city's report states: "At 10:16 a.m., the Matanuska Lift Station (the second lift station) auto dialer called the City of Cannon Beach's dedicated emergency wastewater callout phone. The call was for

a high flow condition." "By noon, the bubbler system was back in service and operating both pumps in the auto position," the report states. "The next several hours were spent troubleshooting the reason for the bubbler system failure.

'Validation that an overflow had in fact occurred was not realized until around 4 p.m. that afternoon when a call was received by the Public Works Director from

a resident who lives in the area. The resident reported that he had walked on the beach that morning about 10 a.m. and had noticed water coming from the southernmost outfall and wanted to be sure the director knew about it. The resident also noted that the water from the outfall overflow had not reached the point where it interacted with the tide.

"After receiving the call, the director and assistant Director immediately returned to the site for another visual inspection of the area. The morning fog had lifted, and the sun had significantly evaporated the wet conditions seen earlier that morning. Signs that a spill had occurred were present as the sun had dried the area out and debris from the lift station had become visible.

"Visual signs of tiny shards of toilet tissue remnants could be seen around the area, confirming a spill had occurred, and the approximate limits of its flow.

"The public works director immediately notified the city manager and contacted the Oregon Emergency

Response System..." The report also states: "28 truckloads of sand (roughly 400 cubic yards) were removed from the beach and taken to an area we could isolate east of 101 referred

to as the Southwind-Tango Acres. This site has been used in the past for excavation spoils. Additional cautionary signage was posted at the locked gate entrance of this area to advise of the potentially contaminated materials and to not enter.

"The material was spread out (as instructed by DEQ), allowing it to completely dry out and be treated from the sun/UV exposure. During the week of July 26th, additional measures were taken to place organic materials around the perimeter of the potentially contaminated materials site to ensure contaminant run-off could not occur should we experience

rainy conditions. "All signage on the beach, as well as at the materials site location, will remain in place for several more

weeks." La Bonte also said: "As far as further sanitation, the natural UV sun is the best course of treatment in a spill situation in addition to the salt water when tides finally shift to the high tide schedule. DEQ and OPRD will instruct us if they feel further clean-up is in order. As of now, they are comfortable in the actions we've taken."





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Governor releases school health, safety metrics

Hilary Dorsey For The Gazette

Gov. Kate Brown released Tuesday, July 28, new metrics to guide school district decisions about when it is safe to resume in-person instruction, and when a transition to comprehensive distance learning is neces-

Brown said closing schools in the spring was one of the most difficult decisions she made during the pandemic. She uses science and data as her guide. There is clear evidence that students receiving education in the classroom is better for

"It fosters our students' social and mental wellbeing, their overall health and often their physical safety," Brown said. "I know that most parents agree.'

This is a highly contagious virus, Brown said. American Academy of Pediatrics is clear that only with safeguards in place and low cases, can schools open for in-person instruction.

"The plan each public dis-

trict adopts for the coming school year is, and remains, a local decision," Brown said. "And yet, in the time since then, the virus has continued to spread and we must follow clear public health metrics to know when and where it is safe for school to convene inside school buildings."

These requirements will give schools and communities the opportunity to make sound decisions, Brown added. Studies show younger students, kids under 10, have lower rates of illness than older children and adults.

"Overall, these requirements align with recommendations from both public health experts and educators," Brown said.

Doctor Dean Sidelinger of Oregon Health Authority said some places have reopened schools safely, such as in Denmark and Germany. There is no simple statewide answer for Oregon. School district may offer limited onsite learning for students with disabilities.

"Oregon public health officials have developed

transparent evidence-based metrics to help school boards and school districts make local decisions based on local conditions to determine how they can safely reopen school to in-person instruction," Sidelinger said.

The metrics for in-person instruction or hybrid instruction model for all grade levels states the statewide test positivity rate needs to be at or below 5 percent over seven days for three weeks in a row. In the county, there needs to be 10 or fewer cases per 100,000 people over seven days and a 5 percent or less test positivity rate. There needs to be a trend of three weeks of decreasing

"Schools will provide in-person education for students in Kindergarten through third grade," Sidelinger said. "It's expected that these in-class options will be offered to the extent possible under the reopening plans." The metrics for K-3

include fewer than 30 cases per 100,000 over seven days and test positivity of 5 percent or less over seven days.

Sidelinger said younger students get the virus at lower rates.

"We know that opening schools to in-person instruction is not a one way journey," Sidelinger said. "If we see increasing cases in the community, it may be time for schools to consider moving back to comprehensive distance learning."

In-Person Instruction or Hybrid Instruction Model: All Grade Levels and **School Districts**

In order to resume in-person instruction in any form, including hybrid instruction models when students are only sometimes in the classroom, the following conditions must be met:

County Metrics (Must be Met Three Weeks in a

• 10 or fewer cases per 100,000 people over 7 days

 Test positivity of 5% or less over 7 days

Statewide Metrics (Must be Met Three Weeks in a

• Test positivity of 5% or

less over 7 days

In-Person Instruction or Hybrid Instruction Model: K-3 Students and **Remote and Rural School Districts**

Under some conditions, in-person instruction can resume only for K-3 students and remote and rural school districts with fewer than 100 students. The following conditions must be met for in-person instruction for K-3 students or for remote and rural students:

• Fewer than 30 cases per 100,000 over 7 days

• Test positivity of 5% or less over 7 days

• COVID-19 is not actively spreading in the school community

 School districts are in compliance with sections 1-3 of Ready Schools, Safe Learners Guidance

Transition Planning for Comprehensive Distance Learning

For school districts where in-person instruction is occurring during the school year, planning for a switch

to comprehensive distance learning should take place, including training for staff and notification of the community, if one or both conditions are met:

 20 cases or greater per 100,000 over 7 days

• Test positivity of 7.5% or greater over 7 days

Comprehensive Distance Learning

All school districts must implement comprehensive distance learning if the following conditions are met:

• 30 or more cases per 100,000 over 7 days

• Test positivity of 10% or greater over 7 days

Based on these metrics, many, if not most, school districts will begin school in the fall by focusing on online distance learning or will have a hybrid model that combines distance learning and in-person instruction.

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No Friday night lights as high school football delayed indefinitely

Hilary Dorsey

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The Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA) announced Wednesday, July 22, that high school football is delayed indefinitely, while the first fall contest date for other sports has been pushed back to Sept. 23. This decision came after the OSAA Executive Board met in a closed work session July 20-22 to discuss school reopening and school sports and activities.

OSAA said football is considered

a full contact sport and is currently prohibited. No definite date has been established by the state for a review of this prohibition. Football restrictions would need to be lifted by Sept. 28 in order to have a modified regular season this fall.

Cheerleading and dance/drill are also considered full contact activities through the governor's and Oregon Health Authority guidelines and are currently prohibited as well.

If fall activities are not able to be held in the fall, the OSAA executive board is committed to working with its contingency groups to exhaust all options for these activities including

shifting, condensing or stacking seasons, like they have done in Washington and California, with the fundamental objective of providing participation opportunities for students, OSAA said.

OSAA Executive Director Peter Weber said if there were a football season this fall, it would likely be a 6-game season.

"I'm not sure if there would be a post season," Weber said. The OSAA Executive Board is

looking at the possibility of moving the football season to later in the school year if it is not able to begin

"The issue for us, in the state, is that football is not allowed," Weber said. "Something would have to

Weber said this not a decision OSAA can make, but rather what the state will allow.

The first contest dates for cross country, volleyball and soccer has been delayed to Sept. 23, previously Aug. 27. The original first fall practice date of Aug. 17 remains in place at this time. New guidance from the state requiring face coverings even when exercising indoors will require further consideration regarding guidance for indoor

OSAA is trying to do what they can to provide fall activities, Weber said. They want kids to get back to

The OSAA Executive Board will meet again the week of Aug. 3 as they anticipate additional information regarding reopening plans by schools and further school sports and activity guidance from the state. New guidance regarding face coverings and health metrics will be coming soon, the OSAA said.

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Environmental Steward program starts new round

The Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition partners with Clatsop Community College (CCC) in sponsoring the Environmental Steward Certificate program, an innovative program which melds volunteerism with preparation for careers in conservation. Participants in the program combine classes in relevant subjects at CCC with experience in citizen science projects organized by Oregon Shores' CoastWatch volunteer program.

The certificate program, which began during the 2019-2020 academic year, recently awarded its first certificate, to Angela Whitlock, both a CCC student and a CoastWatch volunteer, who also received a \$500 scholarship from the program which she will use to take additional classes at CCC. Immediately after gaining the certificate, Whitlock found employment as a rocky shore interpreter with the Haystack Rock Awareness Program in Cannon Beach. "The Environmental Steward Certificate program has set me on a path that I'm thrilled to be on!" she says.

The program is always open to new participants.

This would be a good time to become involved, by signing up for fall classes at CCC and getting started on participating in CoastWatch citizen science projects on the shore this summer.

The program has two key goals. One is to serve the CoastWatch program, through which volunteers adopt a one-mile segment of shoreline and monitor it for both natural changes and human impacts. Through the certificate program, CoastWatchers have an opportunity to boost their shoreline monitoring skills while deepening their knowledge of coastal science through classes and mentoring from environmental scientists at the college level.

The other goal is to enrich the experience of students at the college, who may become future conservation leaders and future CoastWatchers. by giving them a chance to explore the possibilities of a career in conservation. Both CoastWatchers and student participants will

Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition—Environmental Steward Certificate—Page 2 receive an Oregon Shores



Environmental Steward Certificate. This will go on college transcripts and boost the employability of gradu-

The longer-term goal is to extend this program to colleges throughout the coastal region so as to make it available to all CoastWatchers and students.

Oregon Shores and CCC

will award the certificate to those completing 12 credit hours of environmentally focused classes, and completing 30 hours of participation in CoastWatch monitoring and citizen science projects, or other volunteer work with Oregon Shores. The requirements could easily be met

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Governor Brown reviewing possible travel restrictions

Oregon Gov. Kate Brown is in active conversations about the potential of travel restrictions to slow the spread of COVID-19 between states.

Brown's Press Secretary Liz Merah responded in a statement to sister publication Curry Coast Pilot on Wednesday, Aug. 5, stating in recent weeks, doctors, health experts and case investigators have reported seeing cases linked to interstate travel.

"The issue of travel restrictions was raised by members of the Governor's Medical Advisory Panel based on COVID-19 cases linked to travel in southern Oregon, which is troubling based on the spikes in case counts California is currently experiencing," Merah said. 'County-level COVID-19 data from across the country likewise shows increasing case counts between linked communities across state borders." Merah said Brown is

asking health experts at the Oregon Health Authority and the Medical Advisory Panel for more data on travel-related spread of COVID-19, as well as recommendations for health and safety measures to address such cases. In conversations with legislators Aug. 5, the office also discussed the reality that many Oregonians in communities on the state's borders often cross those borders for work, and that any restrictions must take economic and supply chain implications into

account. "As the governor has stated previously, our focus is on restrictions related to tourist travel from hotspot states and communities," Merah said. "Conversations are ongoing about how those restrictions could work."

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Cannon Beach makes Travelmag's most charming beach towns list

Cannon Beach made Travelmag list of the most charming beach towns in America in its July issue. Cannon Beach joins the list of prestigious destinations listed fourth out of 30 total town on the list.

The following is what the magazine had to say about Cannon Beach.

From hip surf culture in the Pacific southwest, remote and rugged Hawaiian shores, sweltering bayou heat in the south and refined New England charm in the Atlantic northeast, America's shorelines merit special attention. Their diversity and natural beauty are further enhanced by the range of charming

beach towns and small cities that have developed there over the centuries. Here are 30 of the best.

Cannon Beach

The less-developed Pacific coastline often seems much wilder than the east coast, with its rambunctious waves and precipitous cliffs. Cannon Beach enjoys a real sense of watery wilderness, with large monoliths rising up above the surf and forest-clad hills plunging down to stretches of pristine, empty sand; apart from in June, when the annual sandcastle-building contest sees the beach transformed at the whims of imagination. To

the north in Ecola State Park you'll find isolated beaches and grazing elk. The town's center exhibits an idyllic cluster of small eateries, shops and galleries hemmed in by Ecola Creek as it seeks the ocean.

Read entire article online at:https://www.travelmag. com/articles/beach-towns-usa/

Other noted beach towns listed:

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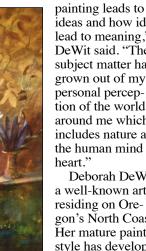
White Bird Gallery hosts Deborah DeWit exhibition

White Bird Gallery presents Deborah DeWit's The Choices We Make" painting exhibition Aug. 15 - Sept. 30.

For her new exhibition, DeWit continues to consider the human experience and moments in time through natural and figurative subjects rendered in luminous oil paintings. In this new body of work, DeWit considers her relationship to the act of painting with oils, reflecting on the organic

and malleable nature of the paint and how the medium responds to create a breadth of emotions on the surface through each choice made. DeWit's metaphoric compositions utilize familiar subjects in unsuspecting ways with many scenes conglomerated from her home-studio-property.

"In this work I've explored a lot of territory that interests me—how the process of



ideas and how ideas lead to meaning," DeWit said. "The subject matter has grown out of my personal perception of the world around me which includes nature and the human mind and heart.' Deborah DeWit is

a well-known artist residing on Oregon's North Coast. Her mature painting style has developed over the course of her lengthy career, which began as a photographer in late 1970's. She now has several books published on

her work, highlighting overarching themes in photography, writing, oil painting and pastels. DeWit's artwork expresses autobiographical subjects to create symbolic imagery through the interplay of indoor and outdoor environments to elevate her sensitive and thought-provoking compositions into a realm where real and imagined space meet.





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within a single academic year, although there is no time limit on completing the steps toward receiving the certificate.

For the technically inclined, classes appropriate for the certificate include some combination of General and Marine Biology, Geology, Oceanography, and Marine Technology. For those more interested in environmental administration, classes in Technical Writing and State & Local Government are recommended.

Successful completion of the program will better prepare the graduate to analyze and understand coastal ecosystems, prepare for environmental change, and participate in environmental management. Participants will gain first-hand experience addressing real-world environmental issues and learning citizen science techniques while volunteering with CoastWatch and Oregon Shores. CoastWatchers will gain skills and background knowledge that will contrib-

ute to more effective shoreline monitoring and improved citizen science results, and gain recognition of their efforts by receiving the certificate. CCC students will better prepare themselves for careers in conservation and resource management—and, it is hoped, become active CoastWatchers.

The Environmental Steward Certificate program will help prepare students for careers in environmental protection and resource management. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the job outlook for environmental scientists is good. Experience gained will enhance job search efforts within the environmental community and provide a good beginning for those pursuing environmental studies at a four-year institution.

Angela Whitlock's story typifies the impact that the Environmental Steward Certificate seeks to produce. She had enrolled at CCC, seeking a career change. "I wasn't sure what direction I wanted to take, and then heard about the Environmental Steward Certificate program offered by Oregon Shores in partnership with the college," she

recalls. "It was very interesting to me because I saw it as an opportunity to put my love for the Oregon coast into action!" She took relevant courses at the school, while adopting a CoastWatch mile and becoming an active participant in citizen science projects. "It's satisfying to know that as I'm enjoying my time Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition -**Environmental Steward** Certificateoutdoors, I'm collecting data that is used to protect our environment," says Whitlock. "Through the college and volunteer work I've made connections with so many great members of our community."

The program will award \$500 scholarships to selected participants. Businesses as well as individuals are invited to sponsor students with contributions of \$750 (covering a scholarship and associated program costs).

For additional information contact Ed Joyce, an Oregon Shores board member who is also adjunct faculty (in geology and oceanography) at CCC: (503) 468-0995, edjoyce1@verizon.net.

Cannon Beach Library makes changes to library services

Cannon Beach Library has made changes to its library services. Service is open to patrons who already have library cards or to new patrons who are Cannon Beach or Arch Cape residents.

A library representative will be available on Mondays and Wednesdays from noon to 4 p.m. to take orders and schedule pick ups. Orders may be called in to the library (503-436-1391) or emailed to info@cannonbeachlibrary.

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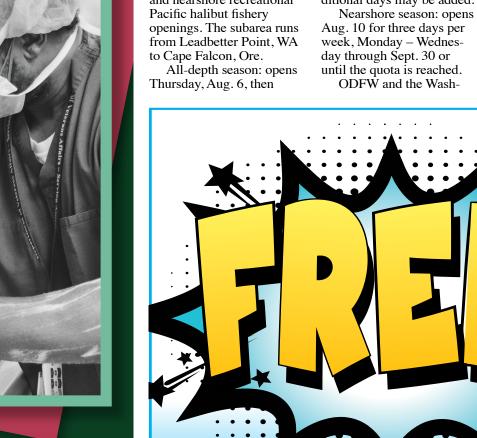
ODFW announces Columbia River recreational Pacific halibut openings

Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) announced Tuesday, July 14, opening dates for the Columbia River all-depth and nearshore recreational

beginning Aug. 13 is open each Thursday and Sunday or until the quota is taken. If catch and effort is tracking slower than anticipated, additional days may be added.

Aug. 10 for three days per week, Monday - Wednesday through Sept. 30 or

ington Department of Fish and Wildlife manage this shared subarea in close coordination and consulted on the open dates. Dates open are aligned with the open dates in other Washington subareas to prevent effort shift into this subarea as was seen a few years ago.



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