

What Whale Watching Week in Oregon can tell us about climate change

As gray whales make 10,000-mile round-trip migration, scientists warn less Arctic food is impacting reproduction



Courtesy of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
From Astoria to Brookings, volunteers and state park rangers this week from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. are stationed at 15 locations to help visitors spot whales and answer questions during Whale Watching Week.

By: **MIA MALDONADO**
Oregon Capital Chronicle

It's Whale Watching Week in Oregon, which means coastal visitors will get the chance to spot gray whales as they swim

north to their Arctic feeding grounds.

Each winter, gray whales travel to the warm tropical waters of Baja California, Mexico where they reproduce and raise their calves. In the spring, they migrate north to

Alaskan waters where they spend the next five to six months eating enough crustaceans along the ocean floor to energize them for the remainder of the year.

"It's the longest migration of any mammal on the planet," said

Josh Stewart, an assistant professor at Oregon State University's Marine Mammal Institute.

But as much as tourists come from worldwide to gather along Oregon's cliffs and shores to whale watch, these beloved ma-

rine mammals aren't immune to the impacts of climate change.

Scientists say fewer whales may swim by compared to prior years. In 2025, scientists estimated the eastern North Pacific gray whale population was at about 13,000. That's the lowest number since the 1970s — the decade when they were listed as an endangered species. Gray whales have since been delisted, but reproduction among the species remains low, according to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

While gray whale populations have historically fluctuated with natural cycles in food availability, the ongoing decline is lasting longer than normal and scientists have seen fewer calves since 2019, Stewart said.

That's because the Arctic sea ice, which helps store nutrients that sustain the crustaceans whales eat, is melting earlier in the year — disrupting the food chain whales depend on.

"These feeding areas that they migrate such long distances to are warming four times as quickly as the rest of the planet on average, and that's having a major impact on their prey availability," Stewart said.

Other impacts, including ship strikes and entanglement in fishing gear, pose threats to whale populations.

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New Live Stream Webcam at Chetco Point Showcases One of the Southern Oregon Coast's Most Spectacular Views



The City of Brookings is thrilled to announce a new live stream webcam at Chetco Point Park, made possible through sponsorship by EarthCam.

The new camera delivers stunning real-time views of Chetco Point, the Pacific Ocean, and part of Zwagg Island, offering locals, visitors, and news outlets an incredible new way to experience one of Brookings' most treasured places.

Perched above the coastline, Chetco Point Park is one of the community's most scenic and beloved destinations. From the moment visitors enter the park and follow the trail south, they are immersed in the natural beauty of the area, with access to Chetco Cove Beach on one side and views of Mill Beach on the other. Along the way, visitors can enjoy views of the sandy shoreline, marine life, and lush coastal

foliage before crossing the park's wooden bridge and continuing to the bluff at the south end of Chetco Point.

There, visitors are rewarded with one of the most extraordinary views on the Southern Oregon Coast. At the point, they stand on a dramatic bluff high above the ocean, surrounded on three sides by the Pacific. From this striking vantage point, the views stretch across the

horizon to the St. George Reef Lighthouse near Crescent City, while the waters below are often dotted with fishing boats. During migration seasons, visitors may spot gray whales — the most commonly seen whales off the Oregon coast — and, with a little luck, even humpback or other passing whales offshore. With sweeping views of the Pacific Ocean, the Port of Brookings-Harbor, Macklyn Cove, and

beyond, Chetco Point Park offers an unforgettable coastal experience.

The livestream captures the spirit of the park and the beauty that makes Brookings so special. Viewers may catch dramatic surf, changing weather and glowing sunsets. Native seals can often be spotted resting on the rocky outcroppings, adding to the

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Guest Column



HOLY COW! HISTORY:

The Ghastly Tale of the Giggling Granny

By J. MARK POWELL
InsideSources.com

Criminals come in all shapes and varieties, and they prompt many reactions. Some infuriate you. Some leave you perplexed. Some evoke pathos and tragedy. And some are just plain creepy.

They all apply to one felon who left lawmen stunned and disturbed. When her crimes finally caught up with her, 11 people were dead by her hand. This is the story of the Giggling Granny, a case that was anything but funny.

She was born Nancy Hazel. Everyone called her Nannie. Her demanding father wouldn't let his children attend school; they had to work on the family's hardscrabble farm in the North Alabama hill country instead. Her favorite escape was reading her mother's romance magazine and dreaming of finding true love.

Traveling to visit relatives in South Alabama when she was 7 years old, the train she was riding in abruptly stopped. Nannie's head slammed against a metal bar, leading to years of blackouts, severe headaches and acute depression. She later blamed

what happened next on that head injury.

Nannie took a job in a textile factory and, at age 16, married for the first time. That was in 1921. Four daughters followed in four years. Her demanding mother-in-law lived with the newlyweds. Nannie started smoking and drinking to excess. The young couple each accused the other of being unfaithful. It was a miserable existence.

Suspected food poisoning took the lives of two daughters. Then the mother-in-law died. The husband grabbed their youngest, an infant girl, and ran off. When he finally returned, a nasty divorce followed.

Husband No. 2 turned out to be an alcoholic. Now grown, the daughter gave Nannie a grandson. The boy died of asphyxiation while she was watching him. She soon collected a \$500 life insurance payout (almost \$10,000 today).

The years rolled by. More marriages; more mysterious deaths. There would be five husbands in all. It was the demise of the last one that finally led the law to catch up with her.

The two had tied the knot in Tulsa, Okla., in June 1953. Nannie was nearing 50 then. Sam Doss was a Nazarene minister who'd lost his wife and six children in an Arkansas tornado. He strongly disapproved of the romance magazines Nannie still loved. It appeared this marriage was headed for heartache like all the others.

Just 15 months later, Sam was admitted to the hospital with strange flulike symptoms. Doctors discovered a severe infection of the digestive tract. Sent home on Oct. 5, he died one week later. Alarmed, his doctor ordered an autopsy.

And that was when Nannie Doss' morbid secrets came crashing down.

The autopsy had turned up a huge dose of arsenic in Sam's system, landing Nannie behind bars. What was most unnerving was her demeanor during her confession to investigators.

Puffing one cigarette after another, she was chatty, even jovial, as she recanted a horrifying string of killings in several states over the years. Her happy, upbeat attitude disturbed every-

one. Nannie laughed, smiled and repeatedly giggled while recounting to detectives her grisly, low-key killing spree. When all was said and done, she admitted murdering four husbands, two of her kids, her mother and sister, one mother-in-law, and two grandsons. Eleven victims in all, each connected by marriage or family blood.

Insurance money was a prime motive. Most of her murders used liquid rat poison.

The press had a field day. News stories referred to her as the Lonely Hearts Killer, the Jolly Black Widow, and the nickname that stuck above all others, the Giggling Granny.

Nannie pleaded guilty in 1955. The state didn't pursue the death penalty because she was a woman, as sometimes happened at the time. She was sentenced to life in prison for Sam Doss' murder; she was never charged for the other 10 killings.

The end came in 1965 when she died of leukemia in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary at age 59. The secret of what drove her to kill so many people went to the grave with her.



J. Mark Powell

Did the head trauma suffered in that railroad car so many years before cause her mental instability? Was it the times she was raped as a small girl, stories her parents refused to believe when she told them? Or was there some deeply seeded demon buried within that made her kill again and again? We are left without answers. Only the relentless chuckling during her confession still eerily echoes through the decades.

ABOUT THE WRITER
J. Mark Powell is a former television journalist. His non-fiction book "Witness to War: The Story of the Civil War Told by Those Living Through It" is available at jmarkpowell.com. He wrote this for InsideSources.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dumire on Homelessness

Homelessness across Curry County has become a serious concern—impacting families, local businesses, and the safety and dignity of our communities. From Brookings to Port Orford, and especially in areas like Harbor, we are seeing the effects more each day. This is not an issue we can ignore, and it is not one that can be solved with a one-size-fits-all approach.

I understand this issue on a personal level. There was a time in my life when I experienced homelessness myself. I know firsthand that behind every situation is a different story—some individuals need temporary help getting back on their feet, while others are facing deeper challenges like addiction or mental health struggles.

That is why I believe in a "hand up, not a handout" approach. We need to focus on real pathways forward—supporting partnerships that connect people to job training and employment, expanding access to mental health and addiction recovery services, and encouraging accountability alongside opportunity.

We must also address practical, common-sense needs. In high-traffic areas, especially those visited by tourists, I support investing in public trash receptacles and maintenance funded in part by tourism dollars. Keeping Curry County clean and welcoming benefits both residents and visitors alike.

At the same time, public safety must remain a priority. While many individuals simply need help, there is also a criminal element that cannot be ignored. Our communities deserve to feel safe. This means ensuring law enforcement has the support and tools needed to address illegal activity, prevent unsafe encampments, and respond when laws are broken.

Compassion without structure does not solve the problem, and enforcement without compassion does not fix it. We need both.

With thoughtful leadership and a balanced approach, I believe Curry County can address homelessness in a way that restores dignity, strengthens our communities, and preserves the beauty and safety of the place we call home.

Sincerely,
Jeremy Dumire
Candidate for Curry County Commissioner

From the Coker Campaign

Curry County deserves leadership that delivers results—not just promises

As your County Commissioner, I am focused on the fundamentals that matter most: public safety, fiscal discipline, operational efficiency, infrastructure renewal, and restoring trust in county government. This is not a campaign agenda—it is work already underway.

We are strengthening public safety by backing law enforcement and improving coordination among courts, treatment providers, and community services. The goal is clear: reduce repeat crises, increase accountability, and ensure taxpayer dollars produce measurable outcomes—not just activity. This year alone, we secured more than \$1.2 million in public safety funding.

We are also restoring transparency and discipline to county operations. That means clearer decisions, better tracking of resources, and responsible budgeting that protects taxpayers while maintaining essential services. Our long-standing audit deficiencies have been corrected, and expanded forensic tracking of revenues and expenditures is now underway.

At the same time, we are improving service delivery by aligning county, state, local, and nonprofit efforts into a more coordinated system that produces real, visible improvements in quality of life.

We are also advancing infrastructure, housing, and economic development with a focus on long-term value—prioritizing roads, bridges, and public safety facilities while supporting responsible land-use practices. This past year, we secured more than \$1.4 million for emergency road repairs.

These issues are interconnected—and they depend on steady, effective leadership. I have set clear priorities, taken action, and delivered results. Now it is fair to ask others to do the same.

What are my opponents' specific priorities?
What actions will they take?
How will they measure success?
Curry County deserves clarity, accountability, and leadership that delivers.
Lynn Coker
Curry County Commissioner
Candidate for Re-election

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Tsunami 101 Community Roadshow returns to Gold Beach to help residents prepare

FROM THE OREGON DEPT. OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

The Oregon Department of Emergency Management (OEM), in partnership with the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) and the National Weather Service, is continuing the Tsunami 101 Community Roadshow, a long-standing public education effort designed to help coastal residents and visitors understand tsunami risks and how to stay safe.

First launched in 2012, the Tsunami Roadshow brings subject-matter experts directly into coastal communities to share practical, lifesaving information about earthquake and tsunami preparedness.

Community members are invited to attend these free sessions

featuring expert presentations and actionable steps people can take before, during and after a tsunami or major earthquake event.

“You’ve heard about the Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake and tsunami risk—now is the time to learn what you can do to prepare,” OEM Geologic Hazards Program Coordinator Althea Rizzo, said. “These workshops are designed to give Oregonians practical information that can help save lives.”

What Attendees Will Learn:

- How tsunamis impact the Oregon coast
- How to recognize natural tsunami warning signs
- Where evacuation zones are located
- How to plan evacuation routes and family communication plans

tion plans

- How to build emergency kits and be prepared to be self-sufficient

Participants will also hear directly from local and state experts, including:

- Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI)
- National Weather Service
- Oregon Department of Emergency Management (OEM)
- Local emergency management partners

The Gold Beach event will take place on April 7, 2026, from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm at the Curr County Fairgrounds. As part of preparedness efforts, residents are encouraged to download the free NVS Tsunami Evacuation App, available in the Apple App



Store and Google Play, which provides evacuation maps and preparedness information.

OEM also encourages everyone—especially those living or visiting coastal communities—to Be 2 Weeks Ready, meaning households should be prepared to be self-sufficient for at least 14 days following a disaster.

Learn how to build your emergency kit and make a plan on the OEM website.



Azalea Festival Grand Marshals honored to represent Brookings-Harbor

FROM THE CITY OF BROOKINGS

The Azalea Festival has named Dick and Ruth Wilson as the 2026 Azalea Festival Grand Marshals, recognizing their longtime contributions to the Brookings-Harbor community.

“Dick and Ruth Wilson represent the very best of Brookings-Harbor,” said Lauri Ziemer, of the Azalea Festival Committee. “Their decades of service through education, faith, business, and community involvement have touched countless lives, and we are proud to honor them as our 2026 Grand Marshals.”

For Dick and Ruth Wilson, the recognition was humbling. “We both were pleasantly surprised to receive such a high honor,” they shared.

Since making Brookings their home in 1970, the Wilsons have helped shape the community through education, coaching, youth mentorship, business leadership, faith, and service. What began as a difficult move became one of the most meaningful decisions of their lives.

“Even though I cried when we came to Brookings in 1970 because I didn’t want to leave my family in Southern California, this has been one of the most important decisions we have made,” Ruth said. “We love it here.”

Over the years, Brookings became home in every sense of the word. “We have raised our children and now grandchildren and great-grandchildren in Brookings,” the Wilsons said.

Both Dick and Ruth served as teachers in the Brook-



ings-Harbor School District, where they became a familiar and trusted part of the lives of many local families. Dick also spent years coaching and serving as Athletic Director, while Ruth dedicated herself to teaching children and sharing her love of music and faith through

church ministry and Child Evangelism Fellowship.

“We both became acquainted with lots of families and we have enjoyed watching lives develop over the years,” they said.

Their service extended beyond education. Dick worked hard across several professions, including at South Coast Lumber and later in real estate after acquiring his license and purchasing Century 21 Agate Realty. Ruth’s life of service continued through teaching, ministry, and music. Together, they built a life centered on hard work, generosity, and community. Even now, their work continues. “We are both 85 years and still working, which keeps us young,” they shared.

When asked what message they would leave with the Brookings-Harbor community, the Wilsons spoke with the same humility and wisdom that have defined their lives here. “However your life leads you, as Dick would say, a ‘fork in the road,’ your life matters, and you never know the influence you have on other people, be a giver in time or money. It enriches your life and others as well.”

The Azalea Festival is honored to recognize Dick and Ruth Wilson for the example they have set through decades of service and quiet leadership. Their story reflects the values that continue to shape Brookings-Harbor: commitment to family, dedication to community, and a willingness to give of themselves for others.

“Thank you for the opportunity to represent Brookings-Harbor”, they both said.

Curry and Josephine County Prevention teaming up for ‘Strong Choices, Bright Futures’

Curry County Prevention and Josephine County Prevention are teaming up to co-host a free regional prevention event on Saturday, April 18, 2026, from 11 am to 3 pm at the Docia Sweet Hall at the Curry County Fairgrounds in Gold Beach. This is a free, family-friendly, regional prevention event to help make strong, healthy choices and to ensure bright futures for youth and adults in our community.

Prevention and Education are important for all ages and demographics, and both organizations strive to reach as many members of our community as possible, keeping them informed, knowledgeable, and aware of available resources.

Starting at the entry

booth, each person will receive an event card to take to participating community partner tables. Once the card is complete, attendees will be entered to win an amazing prize basket.

Additional free activities will include hair tinsel and braiding, blow-up axe-throwing, bounce house, photo booth, games, and giveaways. The first 300 people will receive a meal ticket to one of the three local food trucks (Smashed Burger, La Casita, Groundlings Pizza) at the event.

Everyone attending gets to participate in all events. Come join for a day of fun and education on April 18, 2026, at the Curry County Fairgrounds Docia Sweet Hall in Gold Beach, Oregon.

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- Bounce House
- Blow up Axe Throwing
- Community Partners
- Games & Activities
- Photo Booth
- Hair Tinsel/Braiding/Chalk
- Giveaways
- Education
- Mocktail Competition
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Whales

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“This distant Arctic ecosystem that’s warming is impacting species that we care about, that are economically valuable for our coastal communities and that pass right by our shores,” he said.

Each year, the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department helps tens of thousands of visitors learn about gray whales during Whale Watching Week, which began Saturday and ends March 29. From Astoria to Brookings, volunteers and park rang-

ers between 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. are stationed at 15 locations across the coast to help spot whales and answer visitor questions.

“Spring is a great time for whale watching because the gray whale migration can be a bit closer on their return trip north, usually within a few miles from shore,” Oregon State Park ranger Peter McBride said in a statement. “As we get later into the spring, we can sometimes see the mothers with calves in tow.”

For more information about Whale Watching Week in Oregon, visit

the Oregon State Parks website.

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Live Stream

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ever-changing natural scene visible from the point.

“This new live stream opens a window to one of Brookings’ most extraordinary places,” said Tim Rundel, City Manager. “Whether you are a local checking in on the coast, a visitor planning your next trip, or a news station looking for a beautiful live coastal view, this camera offers a real-time connection to the natural beauty of Chetco Point Park.”

Located at 905 Wharf Street, Brookings, Chetco Point Park is open to the public at no charge and offers a variety of amenities, including beach access, parking, picnic tables, paved trail, restroom, and ADA accessibility. The park is also home to Chetco Point Dog Park, an off-leash area where four-legged visitors can enjoy the scenery too, complete with remarkable ocean views.

The City has worked to preserve the park’s nearly nine acres with minimal impact, allowing visitors to enjoy its breathtaking natural character. The area also offers a glimpse into Brookings history, with remnants of the old wharf still visible — including pilings and rock portions where the first locomotive and rail cars were brought into Brookings.

The new EarthCam-sponsored livestream is expected to become a valuable resource for residents, travelers, and media alike — offering a live look at current coastal conditions while also showcasing the unmatched beauty of Brookings to audiences near and far.

To view the live stream, visit: <https://www.earthcam.com/usa/oregon/brookings/> or go to the City of Brookings website home page at www.brookings.or.us and scroll down to the embedded stream.

For more information, contact: **Wendy Giordano** Grant/Project Manager wgiordano@brookings.or.us

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Submissions for events can be sent by email to: pilotofficegr@countrymedia.net. The deadline for submission is 4:30 pm Monday, the week prior to publication.

DAILY

• Daily Meal, 11:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Chetco Activity Center, 550 Chetco Lane

WEDNESDAYS

- T'ai Chi, Chetco Activity Center: 9:00 am – 10:30 am and 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm.
- Line dance lessons, Brookings Elks Lodge. Membership not required. All donations welcome and appreciated, \$2 minimum from all dancers. 10:30 - 11:00 am absolute beginners, 11:00 – 12:00 pm improver, 12:00 - 1:00 pm intermediate.
- The Walking Group, Azalea Park: 11:00 am. Meet by Capella by the Sea. If raining meet at Brookings Harbor Shopping Center by the barbershop. For information 541-412-8664.
- Cribbage Club, Wild Rivers Pizza: 5:30 pm.
- Afterschool Program, Chetco Library: 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm. School aged kids are welcome to come by the library for a free snack and to hang out, work on homework, or craft using supplies from the Maker cart.
- Recorders, Chetco Activity Center, 1:00pm – 2:30 pm. Bring your recorder(s) and a music stand. Music will be provided.

THURSDAYS

- Bridge, Chetco Activity Center: 12:15 pm. Closed on Thanksgiving.
- Widows and Widowers Coffee Clique, Community Center, Airport Way, Gold Beach: 10:30 – 11:30 am.
- Easy Flow Yoga, Chetco

- Library: 5:30 pm. A beginners’ yoga class that includes standing positions. For this class it is recommended that participants be able to comfortably get up and down from the floor.
- Rowdy Creek String Band (open rehearsal), Chetco Library: 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. A friendly open rehearsal for acoustic string instrument players. Not a string instrument player? Drop in and listen.
- Checkmate Corner, Chetco Library: 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm. A weekly chess club for players of all ages and skill levels. Can’t bring your own set? Extra game boards are available.
- Recreational Table Tennis, 102 Park Street, Brookings: 6:30 pm. Love a good rally? Join us. For intermediate players who enjoy fast, friendly matches and great company. Bring your paddle and hope to see you soon.
- Line dance lessons, Crescent City Elks Lodge. Membership not required. All donations welcome and appreciated, \$2 minimum from all dancers. 10:30 - 11:00 am absolute beginners, 11:00 – 12:00 pm improver, 12:00 - 1:00 pm intermediate.

FRIDAYS

- Bingo, Chetco Activity Center: 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm. Closed Friday after Thanksgiving.
- The Walking Group, Azalea Park: 11 am. Meet by Capella by the Sea. If raining meet at Brookings Harbor Shopping Center by the barbershop. For information

- 541-412-8664
- Pinochle and other card games, Chetco Activity Center: 12:30 pm – 4:00 pm
- T'ai Chi, Chetco Activity Center: 9:00 am – 10:30 am.
- Threads, Hooks, & Needles, Chetco Library: 10:30 am. A fiber arts club for knitters, sewers, and more. Bring your latest project and connect with other fiber artists over light refreshments in the Makerspace.
- Teens Teach Tech, Chetco Library: 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm. Drop by the Library Annex with your device or tech questions and get help from a trained Cyber-Senior Technology Mentor. Our mentors are young people who have been trained to teach technology to older adults and are standing by to help with your smart phone, iPad or computer. This free service is presented in partnership with Harmony & Me Music.

SATURDAYS

- Men’s Club Golf, Salmon Run Golf Course: 9:00 am. Friendly team and individual play. Prizes, laughs, good food and drink. \$65 annual fee (includes OGA membership). All skill levels welcome. For info call: Bob K. 701-269-7822.
- Saturday Shuffle: Magic the Gathering and more, Chetco Library: 1:00 pm. Stop by the library every week for Saturday Shuffle, where players can bring their favorite deck and play Magic: The Gathering. Gamers of all kinds are also welcome to bring their favorite card or board games from their own collections, or browse the library’s games, and find a crew to play with.

OBITUARIES

Connie Lyne Shipley

Connie Lynn Shipley passed away surrounded by the love of her family, leaving behind a legacy of faith, service, and compassion.

Connie was born in Bandon, Oregon, and raised in Brookings, Oregon. She spent her life serving her community, holding jobs that focused on helping others. She was known for her generous heart and her willingness to support anyone in need.

A talented artist, Connie had a creative spirit and a deep appreciation for beauty. Above all, she was a devoted mother and a proud Grammy who cherished time with her children and grandchildren.

Connie shared nearly

16 years of marriage with her loving husband, Tim Shipley. She was deeply dedicated to her sobriety and spent much of her life encouraging and helping others on their own recovery journeys.

Her faith in God guided her daily life. She loved the Lord and shared His word with those around her.

Connie loved the outdoors, especially camping on the river bar, fishing, and spending time in nature with her family, friends, and beloved pets.

She is survived by her husband, Tim Shipley; her three children; and her five grandchildren.

Connie will be remembered for her kind heart,



strong faith, and the love she gave so freely to those around her. Her legacy will live on in the many lives she touched.

Patricia May Thomas

Patricia Thomas, a Brookings resident, passed away 20th of March 2026 at 12:05 at the age of 85. Patricia also known as Pat, Mom, Grandma Pat, was born in Red Bluff, California on May 5th 1940.

Pat retired from Qwest Phone Company now known as Century Links. During her time at Qwest Phone Company she would make the coolest (well her granddaughter Christine thought they were the coolest) rose rings out of extra phone wire. After she retired she was a volunteer for the Jackson County Search and Rescue as the head cook. Let’s be honest, Pat never really retired she was always volunteering somewhere. Anywhere from Oregon State Parks to yard sales.

Pat is survived by her son Louis Heaton and his wife Valerie of Fort Worth Texas, Grandson Christopher Heaton and his wife Jamie of Citrus Heights California and Granddaughter Christeen, that’s how Grandma Pat always spelled it, (Christine) Kilgore and her husband Stan Kilgore of Weatherford Texas. Along with her son and grandkids she had 3 great

Grandchildren, James and Anna, Christopher’s children and Wyatt, Christine’s son.

Pat also had 4 stepchildren, Janice Luton of Medford Oregon, Jackqueline Thomas of Cottage Grove Oregon, Jeff Thomas of Richland Oregon and Greg Thomas of Bend Oregon. She is also survived by 5 step Grandchildren and 5 step Great Grandchildren. She leaves behind her sister Sandra Higgins and her husband Don of Gooding Idaho and countless nieces and nephews.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents Calvin and Effie Whitney, her brother George Whitney and her husband Lewis Thomas.

Pat loved her family and always kept them entertained. You never knew what she was going to say, well one thing you could always count on when talking to her was the elevation of the snow. You could also count on some of the most random gifts she’d find at a yard sale or auction and while we might have scratched our heads at some random sports team we’d never heard of’s shirt, she had rhytm and reason behind it!



Afterglow I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.

I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways.

Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve, to dry before the sun Of happy memories that I leave when life is done

By Helen Lowrie Marshal

- Saturday Storytime, Chetco Library: 10:30 am. Stories, songs, and games for young children.

MONDAYS

- Line dance lessons, Brookings Elks Lodge. Membership not required. All donations welcome and appreciated, \$2 minimum from all dancers. 10:30 - 11:00 am absolute beginners, 11:00 – 12:00 pm improver, 12:00 - 1:00 pm intermediate.

TUESDAYS

- Brookings-Harbor Garden Club Work Party, 10:00 am – 11:30 am, Brookings Botanical Garden. Come see how you can help.
- Bridge, 12:15 pm, Chetco Activity Center
- Line Dancing, Brookings Elks Lodge, 6 pm – 8 pm Donations requested.
- Storytime, Chetco Library: 10:30 am. Stories, songs, and simple crafts for young children.
- Tween Club, Chetco Library: 3:30 pm. Youth ages 10-13 are welcome to hang out and explore new interests and

- activities every week.
- Pinochle and other card games, Chetco Activity Center: 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm
- Amateur Radio Net check-ins, Gasquet Net: 6:30 pm on 147.18, DN Amateur Radio Club: 7:15 pm on 146.88. If you are a licensed Ham Radio operator, join us. You do not have to be a member of the Del Norte Amateur Radio Club. Find out what is happening around the area. Registration recommended, but team signups are allowed the day of if space allows.
- Line dance lessons, Crescent City Elks Lodge. Membership not required. All donations welcome and appreciated, \$2 minimum from all dancers. 10:30 - 11:00 am absolute beginners, 11:00 – 12:00 pm improver, 12:00 - 1:00 pm intermediate.
- Ukuleles, Chetco Activity Center: 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm. Bring your uke and a music stand. Music will be provided.

APRIL 1

- Safety City Program applications, Kalmiopsis School.

Kalmiopsis School will be handing out applications for the 28th year of Safety City Program, during the Kindergarten Roundup. Applications may also be picked up at the Brookings Police Department. This is a free program for children entering kindergarten. Parent or Guardians will be contacted to confirm the weeks chosen on the application. Applications available through May. The program is scheduled for the weeks of June 15, June 22, and July 13.

- Line dance, Chetco Brewing: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Ziggy, The Wobble, Pieces of the puzzle, and Foolish

APRIL 11

- VFW Post 966 meeting, 507 Pacific Ave, Brookings, 10:30 am – 12:00 pm. Wartime veterans are encouraged to join. Help us save our Post, buy a brick. For more information call: 541-412-6236.
- Dress a Girl, Trinity Lutheran Church, 1200 Easy Street: 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. We sew dresses for girls and shorts for boys around the world. Bring your lunch and bring a friend. Contact Jane Knox for more information at 209-815-2100.
- Ian George and the Knee Pockets concert, Pistol River Friendship Hall: 7:00 pm. Ian George is a prolific and heartfelt folk songwriter, wonderful vocalist and a superb musician who has performed two decades across the US, Canada and Europe. When he gets together with his band, The Knee Pockets, they live by the moto: We Allow A Good Time! Tickets are available for \$20 each at Wright’s Custom Framing in Brookings and First Chapter Coffee House in Gold Beach or can be purchased on-line at pistolriver.com for \$21 each.

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McLennan Excavation offers health & dental benefits as well as 401K opportunities. **Email your resume to:** lily@pipeandrock.com or drop off your resume & apply directly at 98109 N. Bank Chetco River Road; Brookings, OR. Open hours are Monday through Friday from 7am to 5pm. Please be prepared for a prospective interview.

McLennan Excavation is looking for a part-time &/or full-time Concrete Finisher. The finisher will expertly pour, level, and smooth concrete on surfaces including pads, walls, sidewalks, curbs, and driveways. Strong working knowledge of hand-held and power tools including power vibrators, polishers, cutting saws, and edging tools will be important in setting forms, patching existing surfaces, and cutting expansion joints. The ability to monitor the curing of the concrete to ensure a high-quality finish is also a needed.

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McLennan Excavation is looking for full-time Commercial Drivers Licensed Dump Truck Drivers for local deliveries and equipment mobilization. Drivers should be familiar with using manual and automatic dump trucks, transfers, and lowboys. McLennan Excavation offers health & dental benefits as well as 401K opportunities.

Apply directly at 98109 N. Bank Chetco River Road; Brookings, OR. Or send resume to lily@pipeandrock.com. Open hours are Monday through Friday from 7am to 5pm. Please be prepared for a prospective interview.

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Announcements

Easter weekend services - Resurrection weekend with healing evangelist David Woods 4/4 4:00 p.m. 4/5 10:30 a.m. Gold Beach Foursquare Church 541-247-2111

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Public Notices

Notice of Public Meeting
The Winchuck Rural Fire Protection District will hold its next Board of Director's meeting on Wed., April 8, 2026 at 6:00 P.M., at the Winchuck Fire Hall, 363 Winchuck River Road.

Agenda:
1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Reading of the Minutes
3. Chief's Report
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Old Business
6. New Business
7. Public comment
8. Adjourn meeting
Respectfully Submitted
Jan Loren, Secretary
4/1/2026 Pilot 424703

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS

The Curry County Soil & Water Conservation District will hold its **2024-25 Annual Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 28, 2026.** Agenda topics include presenting the 2024-25 financial audit and the 2024-25 annual report. Other matters may be discussed. The meeting will be held at the Curry Watersheds Partnership office located at 29286 Ellensburg Ave., Gold Beach. The location is accessible to persons with disabilities. An option to join electronically is available. To access the meeting electronically, please contact Liesl Coleman at liesl.coleman@currywatersheds.org or (541) 247-2755 ext 0. To request an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities, please contact Liesl Coleman at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.
4/1/2026 Pilot 424763

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF CURRY

[Probate Department]
In the Matter of the Estate of EDWARD MICHAEL POWERS, Deceased.

Case No. 26PB01469
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative's attorney at 97779 North Bank Chetco River Road, Brookings, OR 97415, within four months after the date of publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyer for the personal representative, Jeremiah J. Scannell.
DATED AND PUBLISHED ON: April 1, 2026
/s/ Jeremiah J. Scannell
Attorney for Personal Representative

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4/1/2026 Pilot 424948

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS CITY OF BROOKINGS WASTEWATER COLLECTION SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS - PHASE 1

General Notice
City of Brookings (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following Project: Wastewater Collection System Improvements - Phase 1
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Bids for the construction of

the Project will be received by electronic means only and must be received by 2:00 PM local time on **April 30, 2026.** The Bids received will be publicly opened and read. The City of Brookings will receive and accept bids ONLY through QuestCDN.com via their electronic VirtuBid™ online bid service. A virtual bid opening will be held at the day and time the bid closing utilizing GoToMeeting™. Bids received after this time will not be accepted. Bids will be received and reviewed at 2:00 PM and publicly read at 2:30 PM. All interested parties are invited to attend.

See Bidding Documents for the complete Project descriptions of the Wastewater Collection System Improvements for Phase 1. The Project includes sanitary sewer improvements at the following locations:

1. Schedule A - Wharf Street
2. Schedule B - Rowland Lane to Mill Beach Road
3. Schedule C - Crissey Circle to Moore Street
4. Schedule D - Mill Beach Road to WWTP
5. Schedule E - Moore Street
6. Schedule F - Collis Lane
7. Schedule G - Pioneer Road
8. Schedule H - Old County Road
9. Schedule I - Fir Street
10. Schedule J - Oak Street
11. Schedule K - Chetco AVE & Pacific AVE & Railroad ST
Bids are requested for the following Contract: City of Brookings - Wastewater Collection System Improvements - Phase 1 for a single prime contract. Owner anticipates that the Project's total bid price will be between \$6,600,000 and \$8,000,000. The Project must be substantially complete 480 days after issuance of Notice to Proceed.

Obtaining the Bidding Documents

Information and Bidding Documents for the Project can be found at the following designated website:

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Complete digital project Bidding Documents are available at www.questcdn.com. You may download the digital plan documents for \$64.00 by inputting **QuestCDN Project No. 10127645** on the website's project search page. Please contact QuestCDN.com at (952) 233-1632 or info@questcdn.com for assistance in free membership registration, downloading, and working with this digital project information. Bidding Documents may be downloaded from the designated website. Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format. The designated website will be updated periodically with addenda, lists of registered plan holders, reports, and other information relevant to submitting a Bid for the Project. All official notifications, addenda, and other Bidding Documents will be offered only through the designated website.

For this project, prospective bidders must be on the Planholder list through QuestCDN for bids to be accepted. Bids will ONLY be received and accepted via the online electronic bid service through QuestCDN.com.

The Issuing Office for the Bidding Documents is: The Dyer Partnership
1330 Teakwood Avenue, Coos Bay, OR 97420, (541) 269-0732

Prospective Bidders may examine the Bidding Documents at the Issuing Office, or online at www.questcdn.com. Neither Owner nor Engineer will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bidding Documents, including addenda, if any, obtained from sources other than the Issuing Office.

Pre-bid Conference
A pre-bid conference for the Project will not be held.

Instructions to Bidders
Bids will be received for a single prime Contract. Bids shall be on a unit price basis as indicated in the Bid Form. No

Bid will be considered unless fully completed in the manner provided in the Instructions to Bidders, and accompanied by a Bid Security executed in favor of the Owner in the amount of not less than 10% of the total amount of the Bid. Per ORS 279C.385 (2), Bid Security is to be forfeited as fixed and liquidated damages should the Bidder neglect or refuse to enter into a Contract and provide suitable insurance certificates, bonds, and other required documents for the faithful performance of the work in the event the Bidder is awarded the Contract.

All Bidders must be "equal opportunity employers" and comply with the appropriate provisions of state and federal law. In addition, all Bidders are required to comply with ORS 656.017 regarding Workers' Compensation. Bidder, Contractor, and subcontractors are required to be registered with Construction Contractors Board.

Pursuant to ORS 279C.505(2), all Bidders must certify with their Bids that they have an employee drug testing program in place. If awarded a Contract, Bidder must provide proof of such drug testing program when executed Agreements are returned to Owner.

Each Bidder must submit a First-Tier Subcontractor Disclosure Form to the Owner within two working hours of the time for receipt of Bids in accordance with ORS 279C.370. Each Bidder must also submit Evidence of Authority to sign Bid and Evidence to do Business in the State within two working hours of the time for receipt of the Bid.

This Contract is for a public works project subject to the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts (40 U.S.C. 3141 et seq.). If state prevailing rate of wage is higher than the federal prevailing rate of wage, the Contractor and every subcontractor on the project shall pay at least the state prevailing rate of wage as determined under ORS 279C.815. ORS 279C.

Any awarded contract under this Bid shall be for a public work subject to ORS 279C.800 to 279C.870. Accordingly, ORS 279C.800 to 279C.870 will be administered and enforced in a manner that is consistent with federal law and regulations adopted or guidelines issued in accordance with the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts. For clarity's sake, Contractor agrees to be bound by and will comply with the provisions of 279C.838, 279C.840 or 40 U.S.C. 3141 to 3148.

No Bid will be received or considered by the Owner unless the Bid contains: 1) a statement that Bidder will comply with the provisions of 40 USC 276a and ORS 279C.840 and 2) a statement as to whether the Bidder is a resident Bidder as defined in ORS 279A.120.

Work under this Contract will be funded in part by the United States Department of Agriculture through Rural Development and with funds from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality Clean Water State Revolving Fund. This funding requires the Contractor to comply with buying American Iron and Steel (AIS) as spelled out in the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017.

Contractors shall state whether they have ever been terminated by the City of Brookings under a public contract. If termination exists, the City shall declare the Bidder to be non-responsible and therefore not eligible for award.

The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all Bids, to waive all informalities, and to accept such Bids that in the opinion of the Owner are in the best interest of the Owner. No Bidder may withdraw or modify this Bid after the hour set for the receipt of Bids, and thereafter until the lapse of 60 days from the Bid opening.

For all further requirements regarding bid submittal, qualifications, procedures, and contract award, refer to the Instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents. American Iron and Steel Section 746 of Title VII of the

Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2017 (Division A - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2017) and subsequent statutes mandating domestic preference applies an American Iron and Steel requirement to this project. All iron and steel products used in this project must be produced in the United States. The term "iron and steel products" means the following products made primarily of iron or steel: lined or unlined pipes and fittings, manhole covers and other municipal castings, hydrants, tanks, flanges, pipe clamps and restraints, valves, structural steel, reinforced precast concrete, and Construction Materials. The following waivers apply to this Contract:

De Minimis, Minor Components, and Pig iron and direct reduced iron. The federal, state, and local agencies including, but not limited to: Environmental Protection Agency, US Fish and Wildlife Service, Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, Oregon Department of State Lands, Oregon Department of Transportation, National Marine Fisheries Service, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, City of Brookings, and Curry County have enacted ordinances, rules or regulations dealing with the prevention of environmental pollution and the preservation of natural resources that affect the performance of the contract. If the successful bidder awarded the project is delayed or must undertake additional work by reason of existing ordinances, rules or regulations of agencies not cited above or due to the enactment of new or the amendment of existing statutes, ordinances, rules or regulations relating to the prevention of environmental pollution and the preservation of natural resources occurring after the submission of the successful bid, the contracting agency may:

1. Terminate the contract;
2. Complete the work itself;
3. Use nonagency forces already under contract with the contracting agency;
4. Require that the underlying property owner be responsible for cleanup;
5. Solicit bids for a new contractor to provide the necessary services under the competitive bid requirements of this chapter; or
6. Issue the contractor a change order setting forth the additional work that must be undertaken.

This Advertisement is issued by:

Owner: City of Brookings
By: Tony Baron
Title: Public Works Director
4/1 & 4/8/2026 Pilot 424963

Abandoned Vehicle Notice ORS 98.830

Re: 2012 Volkswagen Jetta CC SPORT 2.0 Silver
Vin: WVWMP7AN8CE551719
A) With this notice vehicle may be towed if not removed.
B) Vehicle is currently located at 16098 King St, Brookings OR 97415.
C) Property owner has complied with A) and B) as above. Action shall be effective for lien sale on April 10, 2026.
For information contact Richard Wise 541-661-0899
3/25 & 4/1/2026 Pilot 424734

NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Cape Ferrello Rural Fire Protection District of Curry County, in the State of OR, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027, will be held at the Fire Hall at 96349 Cape Ferrello Rd, Brookings, OR on April 8th at 5:30 pm. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee. Public comments are limited to 3 minutes of a respectful presentation. A copy of the budget document may be viewed on or after April 1st in the covered entry to the Fire Hall
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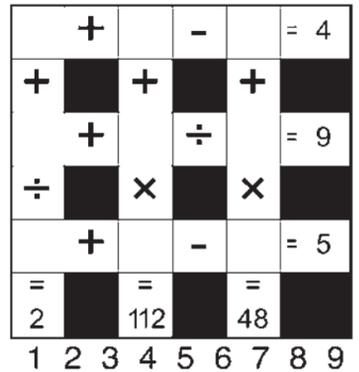
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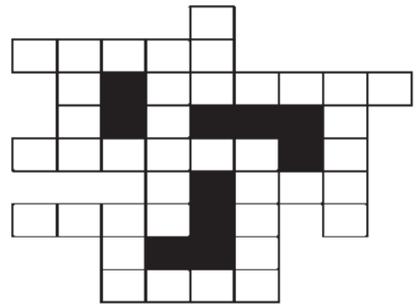


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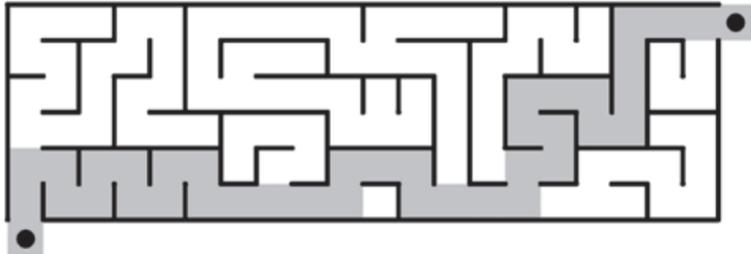
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- ♥ PLOSTI
- DOGNA
- OKOL



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Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

Kids' Maze Solution



FEAR KNIGHT

answer



Go Figure!

answers

2	+	9	-	7	=	4
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4	+	5	÷	1	=	9
÷		×		×		
3	+	8	-	6	=	5
=		=		=		
2		112		48		

POLICE BLOTTER

The police blotter is an excerpt of a public record of incidents as reported by law-enforcement agencies. All individuals arrested or charged with a crime are innocent until proven guilty. The information printed is preliminary and subject to change. For a list of missing items found in the Brookings area, you can visit the police services page of the city of Brookings website at www.brookings.or.us/134/police-services and follow the link near the bottom of the page.

Monday 03/16:

- 5:12 Chetco Ave, disorderly conduct
- 9:33 Lower Harbor, traffic crash
- 11:58 Chetco and Center, traffic crash
- 14:37 Museum Rd, burglary
- 20:11 Old County, assault
- 21:23 Gowman Ln, fire
- 22:16 Bridge, warrant service

- 14:58 Pacific Ave, dispute/fight
- 15:14 Lucky Ln, stalking
- 15:39 5th St, hit & run
- 16:05 Chetco Ave, forgery/fraud/bad check
- 18:14 Chetco Ave, criminal trespass
- 18:36 Hwy 101 N, disorderly conduct
- 19:06 Chetco Ave, hit & run

- 19:17 Elk Dr, warrant service
- 23:20 Boat Basin Rd, hit & run
- 23:56 W Benham Ln, dispute/fight

Thursday 03/19:

- 7:18 Smith and Mill Beach, illegal camping
- 9:36 Chetco Ave, criminal trespass
- 10:23 Vista Ridge, forgery/fraud/bad check
- 11:23 Chetco Ave, disorderly conduct
- 16:53 Coverdell Rd, disorderly conduct
- 17:56 Mendy St, criminal mischief
- 19:40 Gerlach Ln, fire alarm
- 19:52 Chetco Ave, violation

Wednesday 03/18:

- 0:18 Pioneer Rd, unauthorized use of a vehicle
- 9:54 898 Elk Dr, dispute/fight
- 13:32 1st St, civil problem
- 14:46 5th st, identity theft
- 18:12 Fern Ave, fire alarm
- 18:58 2nd St, intoxicated subject

Tuesday 03/17:

- 8:32 5th St, theft
- 10:52 Chetco Ave, harassment
- 14:11 Chetco Ave, disorderly conduct
- 14:16 Alder st, criminal mischief

Friday 03/20:

- 8:19 Fern Ave, disorderly conduct
- 10:55 5th st, violation of restraining order
- 10:57 Coverdell and Rainbow Rd, traffic crash
- 13:49 5th St, traffic crash
- 14:06 Pacific Ave, threats
- 17:30 Oceanview dr, disorderly conduct
- 18:38 Hillside near Chapman Ln, fire
- 20:13 Gerlach Ln, fire alarm
- 20:46 5th and Chetco, traffic crash
- 23:01 Cushing Ct, elderly

Saturday 03/21:

- 1:23 Gerlach Ln, disorderly conduct
- 10:22 Pioneer Rd, civil problem
- 12:07 Hwy 101 and Arch Rock, traffic crash
- 12:36 Hwy 101 S, alarm
- 15:59 E Harris Heights, probation violation
- 19:25 Oceanview Dr, DUII
- 20:00 Fir St, civil problem
- 23:44 NB Chetco after Coho

Sunday 03/22:

- 10:53 Museum Rd, burglary
- 12:00 Oak St, violation of city ordinance
- 12:28 5th St, panhandling
- 13:31 Railroad St, alarm
- 13:47 Chetco Ave, hit & run
- 20:00 Lower Harbor Rd, disorderly conduct
- 21:32 5th St, theft

Wild Rivers Coast Worship Directory

Brookings

Star of the Sea Catholic Church
 Justus Alaeto, Pastor
 820 Old County Rd., Brookings
 541-469-2313

Tuesday Mass.....5:15 p.m.
 Wednesday Mass.....5:15 p.m.
 Friday Mass.....5:15 p.m.
 Saturday Mass.....4:30 p.m.
 Saturday Spanish Mass...6:30 p.m.
 Sunday Mass.....8:30 a.m.
 First Friday every month Adoration 4 p.m. & Mass 6 p.m.
 First Saturday every month Mass 9 a.m.
<https://staroftheseastcharles.org/>

Faith Baptist Church
 Fundamental Independent
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Christian Science Church
 429 Pine St. at Redwood Spur, Brookings

Sunday Service.....11 a.m.
 Sunday School.....11 a.m.
 Wednesday Testimony Mtg..6 p.m.

Reading Room:
 Monday & Wednesday..1-3 p.m. or by appointment
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 541-469-2398 or 469-3333

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 10:15am "The Story" Worship
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Ft. Dick

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 6725 Lake Earl Dr.

Sunday School - 9:30am
 Sunday Service - 10:45am
 Sunday Replay on Facebook @FortDickBibleChurch
 Mid-Week Bible Study - call for details
 Phone (707) 458-4030

To God Be The Glory Christian Community Church
 15138 McVay Lane

Sunday Service 10:30am
 Bible Study Thursdays 7:00pm

See Our Facebook page

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Pastor **Carl Smith**
 541-659-9352

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
 Pastor Barry Kimbrough
 102 Park Ave., Brookings
 541-469-3030

Saturday Bible Study.....10:00am (All Ages)
 Saturday Worship.....11:15am

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1770 Northcrest Dr., Crescent City
 707-464-2738
 Pastor Mason Philpot

Crescent City
 Seventh-day Adventist School
 Grades 1-8707-464-2738

Saturday Sabbath School.....9:30 a.m.
 Worship Services.....11:00 a.m.



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340 Highland Avenue, Smith River

Just off Hwy. 101
 (707) 487-5275
 Pastor Steve Alexander
 Worship Service.....10:30am

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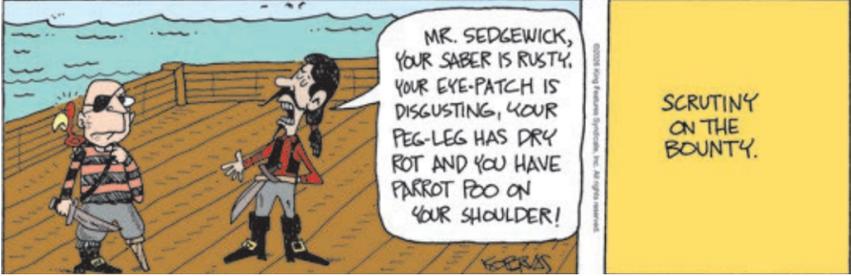
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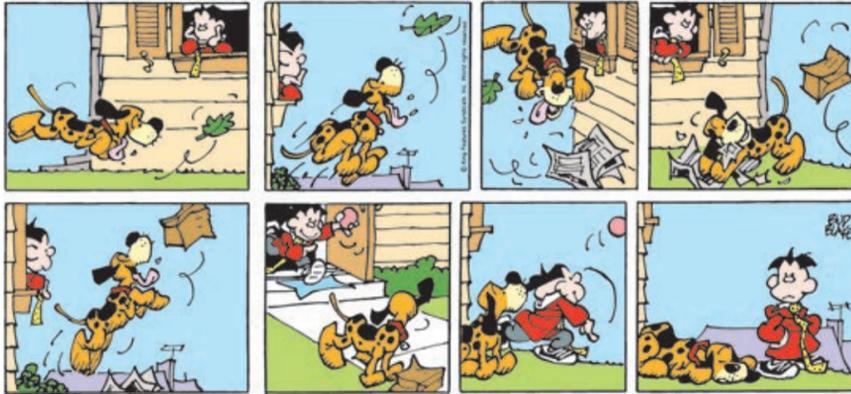
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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: R equals T

KR ROY GMHHTLXL' LKHMCC,
 MCY MD ROY GMLR FMFTHKE
 BMBXRKNHL ROYU MDDYE NL
 K ETLRU LCKNH.

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Display **EARPAD**

Process **RAMENN**

Crazy **LAMENT**

Divine **SCARED**

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
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49					50	51		52			
53								54		55	
56								57		58	

- 50 Genesis ves-sel
- 52 "Othello" villain
- 53 Taxpayer IDs
- 54 Fish eggs
- 55 Streetcar
- 56 Wise one
- 57 Summer hrs. in D.C.
- 58 Robust
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Weekly SUDOKU

4			9	6				8	
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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

- ◆ Moderate
- ◆◆ Challenging
- ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: Which Canadian province lies to the north of Washington state?
2. MOVIES: In the "Star Wars" movies, which character wields a purple lightsaber?
3. GAMES: In Monopoly, how much money do players get when they pass "Go"?
4. FOOD & DRINK: Which fast-food chain's 1970s jingle began, "Hold the pickles, hold the lettuce, special orders don't upset us"?
5. TELEVISION: What holiday did George's dad invent in the sitcom "Seinfeld"?
6. ANATOMY: How many skin cells does the average human being shed in a minute?
7. U.S. PRESIDENTS: How many presidents have won the Nobel Peace Prize?
8. ASTRONOMY: How many moons does Mars have?
9. LITERATURE: What is the name of Harry Potter's pet owl in the novel series?
10. SCIENCE: What is the boiling point of water in Celsius?

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SEPARATE Today's Word

1. Parade; 2. Manner; 3. Mental; 4. Sacred

SCRAMBLERS

E	F	K
E	R	F
R	I	N
S	E	S
R	A	F
R	E	A
R	P	A
S	H	A
R	P	A

Solution

6	1	3	7	2	9	4	8	5
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4	5	1	9	6	3	2	7	8

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

At the mollusk's saloon, one of the most popular cocktails they offer is a rusty nail.

answer

CryptoQuip

10. 100 degrees C

9. Hedwig

8. Two: Probos and Delimos and Barack Obama

Woodrow Wilson, Jimmy Carter

7. Four: Theodore Roosevelt, 30,000 to 40,000

6. Festus

5. Burger King

4. \$200

3. Mace Windu

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1. British Columbia

King Crossword

Solution time: 25 mins.

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Elk Point Estate sale is the largest in years, record-breaking list for South Coast

By NATE SCHWARTZ

A large Gold Beach estate closed escrow on March 18, 2026, marking one of the largest private real estate sales in the history of the South Coast. At \$7,750,000, the Elk Point Estate along Highway 101 in Gold Beach is the largest sale in the region in the last ten years, according to sales data from multiple databases.

Realtor Marie Curtis (RE/MAX), who hosts the

HGTV show *The American Dream*, served as the principal representative for both the seller and the buyer during the transaction.

“This was a little more than a four-year journey to bring the right buyer forward,” said Curtis. “This was not just selling a home, it became honoring the vision, the craftsmanship, and the story behind it... Opportunities like this don’t come around often. This is a property that stands in a category of its

own. The home, owned and built by the Wesselink family, is designed in the style of a mountain lodge, logs and all. It sits on a 28-acre oceanfront lot with direct beach access. The exterior contains Canadian old-growth logs measuring up to ten feet in diameter. The interior is made of local cedars, with no drywall anywhere in the home. The 35-foot-tall fireplace was constructed with stones from the Rogue River.

Much of the home was built, piece by piece, over a period of three years, with Paul Wesselink coordinating the construction. “The Elk Point area carries cultural significance, with the surrounding region historically inhabited by Native Indian peoples of the Rogue River area, including the Tututni. Like many coastal headlands along Southern Oregon, the land reflects a rich and layered history that predates modern develop-

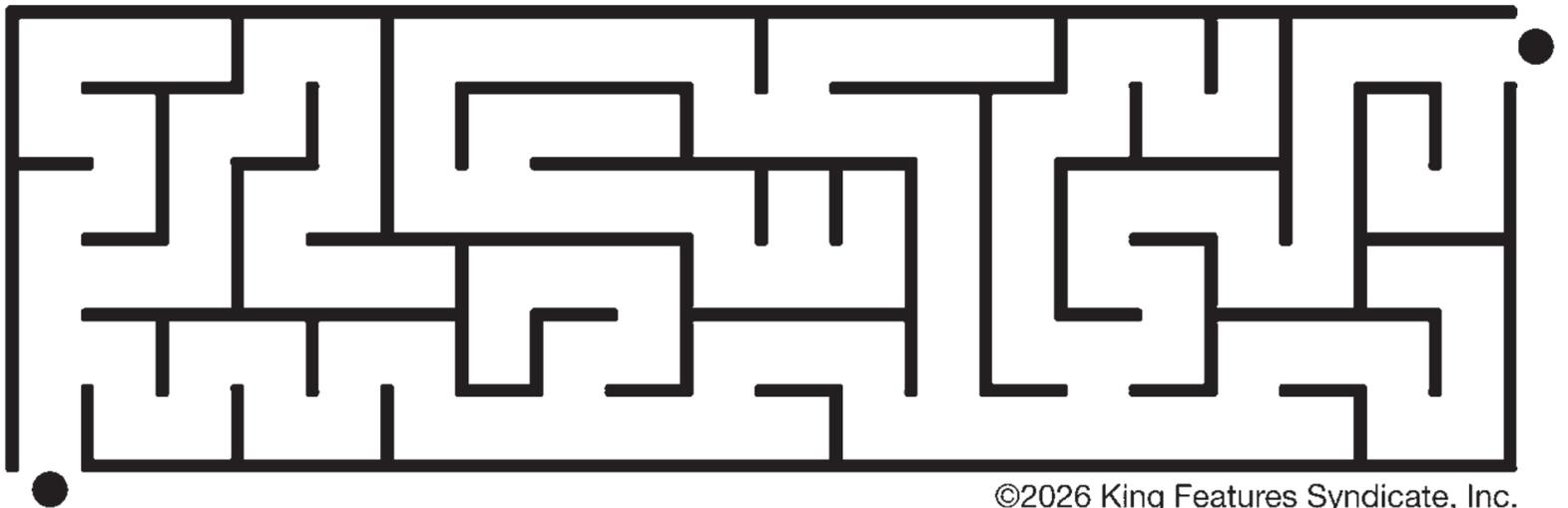
ment,” said Curtis. The interior design intentionally reflects that historical context. Curated by Kathy Wesselink and the late Betty Fox, the mother of Paul. The gated property also has a solarium, pond, and private helipad. It stood on the market for four years before the right buyer was found. “This was a bittersweet transition for the previous owners, representing over two decades of memories created with family and

friends. For me, it was an honor to be part of the owners’ journey,” said Curtis. “For me, it was an honor to be part of the owners’ journey, from the early stages through closing and to help carry forward the story behind a property that meant so much to them. There’s a depth to this home that goes far beyond what you see. It’s a legacy I’ll always deeply respect.”



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Kids' Maze



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