

Ballots are out, now what?

By NATE SCHWARTZ
Pilot Editor

Ballots for the May primary were sent out on April 29. It takes about a week to arrive so if you're reading this and still haven't received a ballot, you can reach out to the county clerk's office to double check.

If you have your ballot here are some important reminders ahead of Election Day on May 19:

Oregon uses a closed primary system. Those registered as Democrats or Republicans will get a chance to vote on the candidates from their respective parties. Depending on your party registration your ballot may look different from other members of your household.

Those registered as non-affiliated with either major party will still receive a ballot with nonpartisan positions, local elections, and ballot measures.

Once you've made your choices, hopefully after some research and thought, make sure you sign your ballot. It is important that you use the same signature that you usually sign with; checking your driver's license for a reminder is a good idea. No need to use an overly formal or extra readable signature as those verifying your ballot will be comparing it to your normal, everyday "John Hancock".

When your ballot is fully completed you have a couple of options for where to take it. Most clerks recommend using one of the 24-hour drive up ballot boxes. For Curry County, there is one in Brookings, Gold Beach, and Port Orford:

-Brookings: Brookings City Hall, 898 Elk Drive, Brookings, OR 97415

-Gold Beach: Curry County



In Brookings, the ballot drop-site is located in front of City Hall.

Courthouse, E Moore Street Parking lot, Gold Beach, OR 97444

-Port Orford: Port Orford City Hall, 555 W 20th Street, Port Orford, OR 97465

Ballot drop boxes are monitored via camera 24/7. Couriers from each town work in pairs to get the secured ballot bags back to the county elections office as quickly and safely as possible. Only those within the elections office have the codes necessary to open them, not the couriers themselves.

Those who insist on seeing it through themselves can hand their ballot directly to someone at the elections office at the County Courthouse in Gold

Beach during open hours from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Mailing is also an available option but it is a good idea to do so a week or so ahead of the deadline on May 19. If you are planning to do so close to election day, it is best to go to the post office in person and specifically request a postmark. All ballots must be postmarked on or before May 19 to be accepted.

You can use the My Vote tool on the Oregon Secretary of State's official website, sos.oregon.gov, to track your ballot and see that it has been received.

It is highly recommended to vote early and to vote informed. Early voting better ensures your

vote is counted quickly and allows for a faster turnaround of results after election day closes at 8 p.m.

Results are tabulated using air-gapped counting machines, and those handling ballots do so at tables with representatives from both major parties to ensure security. Those interested in observing the election process can reach out to the county clerk to register for a time slot.

If you have any other questions about the process, your ballot, or observation you can reach out to the Curry County Clerk's office at (541) 247-3297, or check the elections page of the County Website at CurryCountyOR.gov.

May is Wildfire Awareness Month

OREGON DEPT. OF FORESTRY

After an uncharacteristically warm winter, Oregon is experiencing various levels of drought and a record-low snowpack. May and June rainfall, or lack thereof, determines whether the state faces an early start to fire season.

If the spring drying trend persists, the combination of these conditions sets the stage for extremely active and challenging wildfires this summer.

Keep Oregon Green, in partnership with federal, state, tribal and local fire



and emergency response agencies will be spreading the word about the steps we all can take to prevent the start of careless, unwanted wildfires this summer.

Emergency response agencies encourage all Oregonians to take steps now to create defensible space around homes and out-buildings and become familiar with evacuation procedures.

Each year, over 70% of Oregon's wildfires are started by people. Many are a result of escaped campfires and debris burn piles or overheated equipment and vehicles casting sparks or catching fire.

During the 2025 fire season, the Oregon Department of Forestry reported that people were directly responsible for sparking 740 wildfires that burned over 20,000 acres. Any spark can gain traction in dry vegetation, spread quickly and impact lives, personal property, and the many benefits provided by Oregon's scenic natural areas.

Before heading outdoors this summer, be sure to contact the agency or landowner who manages the land at your destination for an update on current fire restrictions or bans. Everyone should be familiar with these restrictions before building open fires or using equipment that could ignite a wildfire.

One Spark Changes Everything

Keep Oregon Green has been fighting wildfire with publicity since 1941. This season, the Association is unveiling a new campaign theme: 'One Spark Changes Everything'. It highlights how everyday choices can either spark a negative or positive outcome.

The campaign calls on the public to recognize risky outdoor behaviors that can lead to wildfires and predict the effects of their actions. Campaign artwork, PSAs, and additional wildfire safety tips can be found at keeporegongreen.org and various social media platforms.

Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation to hosts awareness walk

Shedding light on missing and murdered Indigenous people

FOR THE PILOT

The Tolowa Dee-ni Nation is inviting the Curry County community to support Missing and Murdered Indigenous People during the 4th annual MMIP Awareness Walk scheduled for 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesday, May 5, at the Del Norte County Fairgrounds in Crescent City.

The goal of the event is to bring more awareness to those who have gone missing within the Nation's service area spanning Del Norte and Curry counties, and nationwide. More than 50 adults, youth and community members participated in last year's event.

Staff with the Nation's Community and Family

Wellness Victim Services Division will offer sign-making and face-painting stations at the fairgrounds starting at 10 a.m., followed by guest speakers and testimonies from families of loved ones who were murdered or are still missing. The walk is scheduled for noon, during which participants will walk along Highway 101 from the fairgrounds to Beach Front Park and back to the fairgrounds. In previous years, the walkers were greeted by people honking their car horns or waving in support.

For more information about the walk and MMIP, contact Adrian Lopez at 707-487-9255 ext. 1129, or email adrian.lopez@tolowa.gov.



Participants carry signs as they walk along Highway 101 in Crescent City during the 2025 MMIP Awareness Walk.

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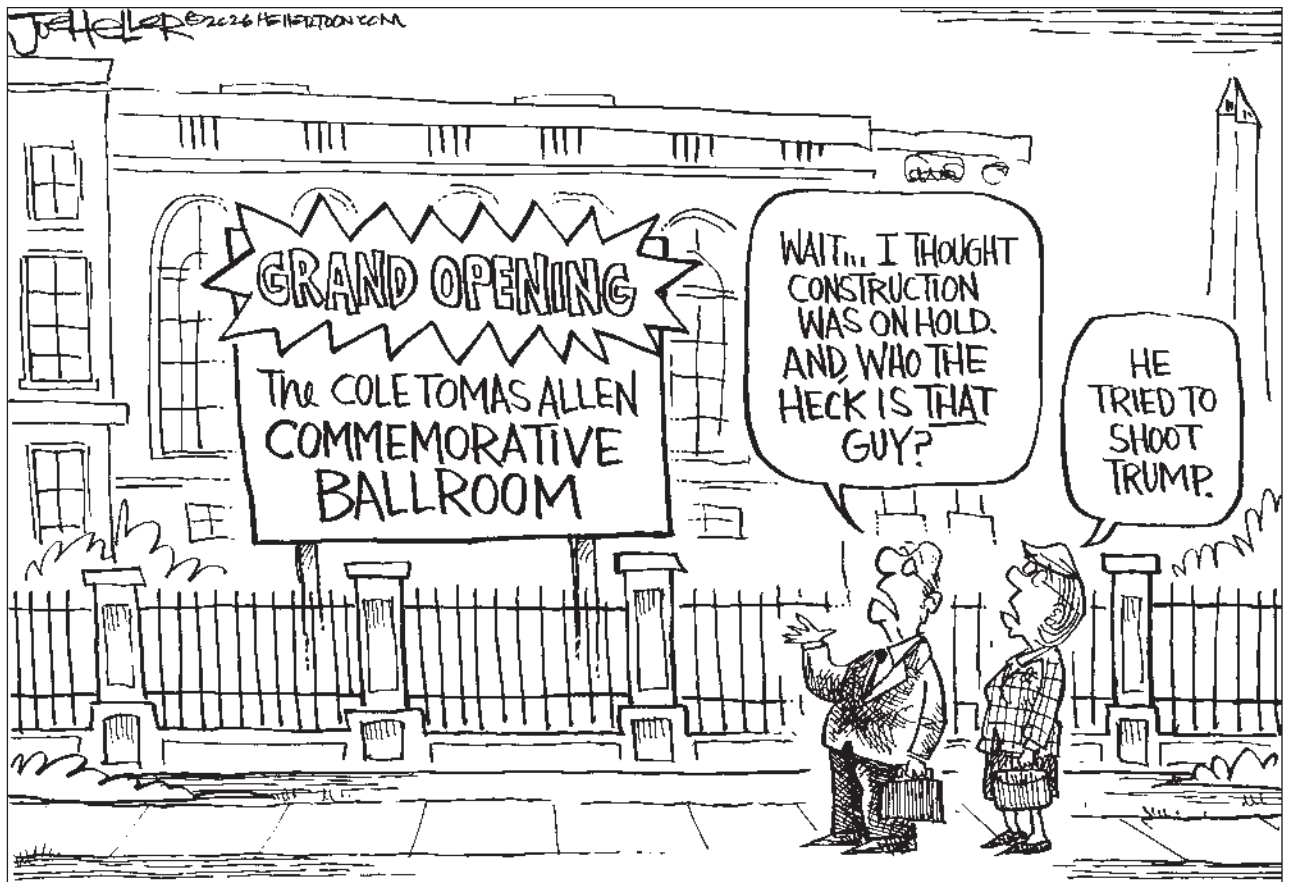
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SPEAK OUT

Dear Curry County Voters,
 I once heard it said: "You and I are told increasingly we have to choose between a left or right... There is no such thing as a left or right. There is only an up or down: up to man's age-old dream... or down to the ant heap of totalitarianism."
 This week I attended the League of Women Voters forum at Chetco Library in Brookings to hear the candidates for Curry County Commissioner.
 Jeremy Dumire was the only candidate to speak on the history of Curry County and share his vision of a Curry County with strong economic base, growth in tourism and recreation, resurgence of strength in public service and safety and a voice for the people of the people.
 Through his years of residency and relationships developed, Dumire demonstrated he has his finger on the pulse of Curry County. Dumire plans to fully fund the Sheriff's office, maintain a balanced budget, improve efficiency through technology, promote tourism and recreation, partner with state and federal agencies, and collaborate on ideas to bring funding back to Curry

County for real growth.
 It was disgraceful and embarrassing to listen to the current seated Curry County Commissioner and candidate, Lynn Coker, using inflammatory rhetoric and resorting to personal attacks through innuendos and fact less claims.
 This was Mr. Coker's time to shine, to share his achievements and vision moving forward. Yet he wasted most of his allotted time lambasting others. Mr. Coker talked about more of the same with zero specifics and no plan.
 He spoke of the endless lawsuits that the current seated board has engaged in, and continues to do so, without resolution, and somehow also claiming that they have "saved" our county money. His words were a direct contradiction. He also made a statement that the current seated board has brought us back from the "cliff of bankruptcy" without providing details or facts other than his word.
 Candidate Coker proclaimed to the crowd that we, as a county, must conform to what the capital wants us to do (specifically the recent issue surrounding our local farmers' market).
 As a county in the State



of Oregon, we have "home rule". Simply put: We have local control. We are permitted to make our own decisions about local issues and do not require asking Salem for permission. I met with Mr. Coker afterwards and reminded him: he works

for US - not Salem. When a commissioner takes the oath of office, they promise to follow the law, serve the public fairly and do the job with integrity. No single Commissioner can act alone. Unfortunately, Mr. Coker's comments

revealed the current BOC supports placing legal, operational, and financial control in one individual. What's called cost savings becomes a concentration of power. One that weakens oversight and shared responsibility. Is that

what we want to continue? The choice is clear: Dumire for leadership. Dumire for Public Safety. Dumire for a better Curry County.
 David Blythe Brookings

SPEAK OUT

SUBMIT LETTERS TO THE EDITOR:

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Weekly Poll

HAPPY NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK! DO YOU TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED BY YOUR LOCAL PUBLIC LIBRARY?

- Yes I frequent the library 29%
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- No I don't have a library card 46%



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and

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Saturday, May 23, 2026

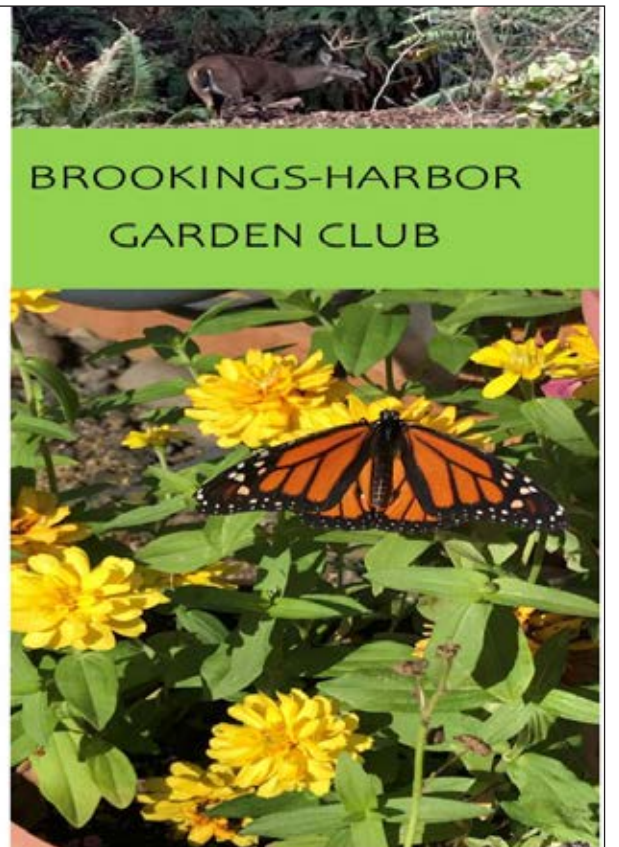
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Sunday, May 24, 2026

10am-3pm

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POLICE BLOTTER

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Monday 04/20:

- 7:44 Fern and Easy, traffic crash
- 10:46 Hwy 101 S, disorderly conduct
- 13:18 2nd Pullout N Bank Chetco, violation of city ordinance
- 14:40 Chetco Ave, illegal camping
- 18:01 5th St, building check
- 20:37 Arnold Ln, threats

Tuesday 04/21

- 1:16 Cottage St, criminal mischief

- 6:42 Bridge St, illegal camping
- 8:32 Oak St, fire alarm
- 8:41 Hwy 101 and Camellia Dr, traffic crash
- 9:10 North Bank, illegal camping
- 9:18 Bridge St, illegal camping
- 10:07 Hwy 101, pan-handling
- 10:34 Chetco Ave, strangulation
- 13:59 Shopping Center Ave, dispute/fight
- 14:12 Railroad Ave, theft

- 15:22 Chetco and Willow, disorderly conduct
- 17:15 5th St, criminal trespass
- 22:47 Chetco Ave, theft

Wednesday 04/22

- 4:54 Seascape Ct, alarm
- 8:54 Easy St, alarm
- 10:33 Memory Ln, harassment
- 12:51 Hillside, criminal trespass
- 15:39 Elk Dr, false information
- 17:35 Railroad Ave, alarm

Thursday 04/23

- 7:29 Stateline Rd, traffic crash
- 10:59 Arch Ln, criminal trespass
- 12:27 Chetco Ave, disorderly conduct
- 15:49 Shopping Center Ave, intoxicated subject
- 15:50 Old County Rd, disorderly conduct

- 16:03 Hwy 101, alarm
- 21:01 Elk Dr, harassment telephone
- 23:46 Chetco Ave, curfew violation

Friday 04/24

- 0:56 Rowland Ln, fire alarm
- 10:04 Duma Ln, burglary
- 10:44 Garvin Ct, harassment
- 11:04 Cottage St, violation of city ordinance
- 13:26 Apple Blossom Ct, traffic crash
- 14:23 Parkview Dr, fire alarm

Saturday 04/25

Sunday 04/26

- 0:59 Old County Rd, criminal
- 2:41 Gerlach Ln, loud noise
- 13:28 Fir St, telephone harassment
- 16:07 Kings Way, alarm

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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

DAILY

- Daily Meal, 11:15 am – 12:30 pm, 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.
- 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 (in-

cludes OGA membership). All skill levels welcome. For info call: Bob K. 701-269-7822.

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.

SATURDAYS

- 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.
- 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.

May 9

- 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.

May 10

- Stillhouse Junkies concert, Pistol River Friendship Hall: 6:00 pm. The Pistol River Concert Association is pleased to present the Colorado based free-range folk band, Stillhouse Junkies. This dynamic trio explore the worlds between roots, bluegrass, Texas-swing, blues and rock. Tickets are available for \$20 at Wrights Custom Framing in Brookings, First Chapter Coffee House in Gold Beach, or online at pistolriver.com.

May 17

- Monthly Potluck, Chetco Activity Center, 550 Chetco Lane, 4:30 pm. Bring your own or enough to share, either way, we share community and friendship.

Coos-Curry Electric participates in new power project

FOR THE PILOT

Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CCEC) recently announced that it will participate in the development of a new natural gas power plant in northern Idaho, as part of the cooperative's long-term planning to support reliable and affordable electricity for the homes, businesses and communities it serves in Coos and Curry counties.

CCEC is a member of PNGC Power, a generation and transmission cooperative that develops and manages power supply resources on behalf of

its 25-member distribution cooperatives across the Northwest. The project is being developed through PNGC, allowing CCEC to share costs and risk while gaining access to resources that support long-term reliability.

The facility is being developed by PNGC Power and Kindle Energy as an advanced natural gas combined-cycle plant designed to provide dependable power during periods of high demand, extreme weather, or reduced hydropower availability. The technology is expected to be among the most efficient and low-



er-emitting natural gas resources in the region and includes a pathway for hydrogen blending as the technology and fuel supply evolve.

CCEC currently receives all of its electricity from the Bonneville Power Administration.

BPA's system is primarily hydropower, supported by other federal resources that contribute to the region's overall supply. This portfolio continues to meet CCEC's needs today and remains the primary resource for the communities the cooperative serves.

As the region grows and electricity demand increases, the Northwest is experiencing more frequent periods of grid stress caused by storms, extreme temperatures, and the retirement of older power plants. Planning ahead helps CCEC prepare for these changing conditions and future needs.

"Our members count on us to plan and prepare for the future," said Brent Bischoff, Chief Executive Officer of Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative.

"BPA meets the needs of our communities today, and the federal hydropower system is the foundation of our power supply. Adding this project to our future power supply portfolio will provide the reliable and affordable electricity we will need as we grow beyond our allocation of federal power."

By participating through PNGC Power, CCEC joins other Northwest cooperatives in strengthening the region's long-term reliability. This partnership allows CCEC to access a resource that would be difficult to pursue independently and contributes to a broader regional effort to build a more resilient energy system that can respond during the most challenging conditions.

"Our board looks at the long-term needs of the

communities we serve," said Dan Loshbaugh, Chair of the Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative Board of Directors.

"This project diversifies our power supply and strengthens our ability to respond to the conditions and demands that are coming to the Northwest. It is a practical step that supports reliability for our members in the years ahead."

The project is expected to come online in 2032. Participation in this project is not expected to create an immediate rate impact for CCEC members. It is part of long-term planning that helps reduce exposure to volatile wholesale markets and supports CCEC's ability to maintain reliable service and stable rates as regional conditions change.

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derground utilities and grading. Foreman will have full working knowledge of the use of heavy equipment needed for all excavation projects. Leadership, communication, critical thinking, and problem solving under pressure will be essential in this position. The ability to successfully manage projects and use project management software tools is also a must. 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.

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702 Garage Sales

Large Garage Sale! May 6-9 & May 13-16. 9am-5pm. 97953 Court St.

800 Available For Rent

1BR 1BA apartment. Upstairs. Approx 600 sqft. Renter pays electric. \$1000/mo + \$1000 dep. Background check required. If interested call 541-469-6119

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RV Space Available. River Bend Terrace RV, Payne Rd, Harbor. 55+ park, 35x35 spaces, bathroom/shower, laundry, pet area, excellent wifi, cable. Manager on site. \$550.00 / month. 541-251-3334

999 Public Notices

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF CURRY PROBATE DEPARTMENT In the Matter of the Estate of: MICHAEL JAMES BROGAN, Deceased. Case No. 26PB03404 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Julie Rosebraugh-Brown has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative at c/o K.R. Olin, Attorney at Law, PO Box 7530, Brookings, OR 97415, within four months after the date of first 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 attorney for the personal representative, K.R. Olin, PO Box 7530, Brookings, OR 97415. DATED AND FIRST PUBLISHED this 6th day of May, 2026. /s/ K.R. Olin K. R. Olin, OSB #903547 Attorney for Personal Representative PO Box 7530 Brookings, OR 97415 (541)469-2669 olinandassociates@gmail.com 5/6, 5/13, & 5/20/2026 Pilot 425956

Notice of Public Meeting The Winchuck Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors will hold a Budget Committee Meeting on Wed., May 13, 2026 at 6:00 P.M., at the Winchuck Fire Hall, 363 Winchuck River Road, Brookings, Oregon, in Curry County. Subject of discussion: The Budget for 2026/2027. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027. The purpose is also 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. To request an interpreter, contact Chief Marcum at winchuckfire@gmail.com., or call the fire hall at (541) 469-7751 at least 48 hours in advance. After the Budget Committee Meeting the Board of Directors will hold their monthly meeting with the following agenda: 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 5/6/2026 Pilot 425959

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NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS PROBATE NO.: 26PB03447 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that I, David Coggeshall, have been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Darrell E. Coggeshall by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Curry County, and all persons having claims against said estate are required to present them to me at the law office of my attorney, Jason C. Broesder, 770 S. Front Street, Suite 100, Central Point, OR 97502, within four months after the date of the publication of this Notice or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding are advised that additional information may be obtained from the court records, the undersigned, or my attorney. DATED AND FIRST PUBLISHED this 6th day of May, 2026. David Coggeshall, Personal Representative 5/6/2026 Pilot 425993

NOTICE OF BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Harbor Sanitary District, Curry County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027, will be held at Harbor Sanitary District Office, 16408 Lower Harbor Rd. Brookings, OR. The meeting will take place on May 19, 2026 at 3:00 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. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 7, 2026 at Harbor Sanitary District 16408 Lower Harbor Road, between the hours of 9:00 am and 2:00 pm Monday through Thursday 5/6 & 5/13/2026 Pilot 426180

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS Frances A. Kindred has been appointed Personal Representative (herein PR) of the Estate of Gene Richard Kindred, deceased. Probate No. 26-PB-03831, Curry County Circuit Court, State of Oregon. All persons whose right may be affected by the proceeding may obtain additional information from the Court records, or the PR. All persons having claims against the estate must present them to the PR at: Frances A. Kindred 2200 N D'Andrea Parkway, Unit 2016 Sparks, NV 89434 775-762-6014 within four months after the date of first publication of this Notice or they may be barred. 5/6/2026 Pilot 426233

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE OF STATUTORY LIEN According to O.R.S. 87 152-87 162 Name of the Owner: Ashley Purdue Description of Property Sold: Contents of Unit A14 The Amount Due on the Lien: \$1401.00 Date and Time of Sale: June 6, 2026 at 9:00

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AM Place of Sale: AAA Stor-All, LLC., 14703 Oceanview Drive, Brookings, OR 97415 Name of Person Foreclosing the Lien: AAA Stor-All, LLC. Payment Terms: To reclaim your property, all above costs must be paid by cash, certified check, or money order. Payable To: AAA Stor-All, LLC., 14703 Oceanview Drive, Brookings, OR 97415, (541) 412-7758 Date Signed: 4/26/2024 Manager: Rose Gabrielson 5/13 & 5/20/2026 Pilot 426xxx

LIEN SALE HARBOR MINI STORAGE A lien sale will be held on May 12, 2026 at 10:00 AM, with a preview at 9:45 AM at Harbor Mini Storage, 97879 Shopping Center Ave., Brookings, OR 97415, on the following unit: UNIT No. 70 - Household & Misc. Items Belonging to: Charles Bullock 417 Fern Ave #201 Brookings, OR 97415 4/29 & 5/6/2026 Pilot 425957

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to Rule (3) and (4), Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure ("Supplemental Admiralty Rules"), by Petitioner in Limitation, the Estate of Samuel Waller, Jr. ("Petitioner"), as an owner of the 26' Glacier Bay Catamaran UNO MAS (Oregon Reg. No. OR845ACS), which was and now is duly registered under the laws of the State of Oregon, that he has filed a complaint in the above-mentioned court pursuant to 46 U.S.C. §§ 30501 et seq., 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331 & 1333, claiming the right to exoneration from or limitation of his liability in connection with all claims against him for injury or other damages resulting from the alleged injury and/or death, or other incident, involving Samuel Waller, Robert (Robbie) Nelson, and Jerrod Bruner, which occurred on or about August 31, 2025. All persons having such claims and wishing to contest Petitioner's complaint must file such claims, if at all, as provided in Rule F of the Supplemental Admiralty Rules, with the Clerk of this Court, the United States District Court, District of Oregon, Medford Division, located at 310 West Sixth Street, Medford, Oregon 97501, and serve copies of them on or mail to the Petitioner's attorney, Chris P. Reilly of the law firm Nicoll Black Altenbrun & Feig, located at 1325 4th Ave, Suite 1650, Seattle, WA 98101, on or before May 15, 2026, being not less than 30 days after issuance of this Notice, or be defaulted. A personal appearance is not required. DATED this 3rd day of April, 2026. NICOLL BLACK ALTENBRUN & FEIG /s/ Chris P. Reilly Chris P. Reilly, OSB No. 196144 Attorneys for the Estate of Samuel Waller, Jr. 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, & 5/6/2026 Pilot 425513

FORM LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

A public meeting of the Cape Ferrello Rural Fire Protection District will be held on May 13th, 2026 at 5:45 pm at 96349 Cape Ferrello Rd, Brookings, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 as approved by the Cape Ferrello RFPD Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget is posted at the Cape Ferrello Fire Hall. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year.

Contact: Sue Gold Telephone: 541-469-5637

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES			
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Actual Amount 2024-25	Adopted Budget 2025-26	Approved Budget 2026-27
Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital	217,393	264,743	358,086
Federal, State & all Other Grants, Gifts, Allocations, Donations & Interest	14,382	10,000	15,000
Interfund Transfers / Internal Service Reimbursements	30,000	65,657	35,000
Current Year Property Taxes Estimated to be Received	96,070	95,650	98,800
Total Resources	357,845	436,050	506,886

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION			
Materials and Services	34,262	81,250	95,000
Capital Outlay	9,095	165,000	200,000
Interfund Transfers	30,000	65,657	35,000
Contingencies		2,500	2,500
Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure	284,488	121,643	174,386
Total Requirements	357,845	436,050	506,886

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES (FTE) BY ORGANIZATIONAL UNIT OR PROGRAM			
Name of Organizational Unit or Program	FTE		
FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICE	262,679	296,307	347,800
Building Fund	39,295	48,872	48,872
Truck Fund	40,214	75,214	110,214
Grants	15,657	15,657	
Total Requirements	357,845	436,050	506,886

PROPERTY TAX LEVIES			
	Rate Imposed 2024-25	Rate Imposed 2025-26	Rate Approved 2026-27
Permanent Rate Levy (rate limit .4811 per \$1,000)	.4811	.4811	.4811

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City of Brookings Water Users Annual Water Quality Report Available

The Federal Safe Drinking Water Act requires the City to provide their water customers a yearly Consumer Confidence Report advising how the City water quality meets or exceeds established federal and state drinking water standards. We encourage customers to review this report as it provides details about the source and quality of the drinking water delivered to you.



In an effort to be environmentally and fiscally responsible, the City no longer prints and mails reports to customers unless requested. The report is available to be viewed online and printed at: <http://www.brookings.or.us/DocumentCenter/View/22>. Please call 541-469-1103 if you would like the report mailed to you.

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Two Democrats are challenging U.S. Rep. Val Hoyle

Both candidates cite their indigenous backgrounds as a motivation for their run

By **MIA MALDONADO**
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Two Democrats are challenging U.S. Rep. Val Hoyle in the primary to represent Oregon's 4th Congressional District, which includes the central and southern coast and parts of the Willamette and Umpqua River Valleys. Hoyle, a former state lawmaker and labor commissioner from Lane County, has held the seat since 2023. Her campaign has raised nearly \$1 million since January 2025, and she has slightly more than \$500,000 left in her campaign account as of March 31, according to the Federal Election Commission.

Her past electoral success came from listening to and earning the trust of Republicans and nonaffiliated voters, she told the Capital Chronicle in a statement, and she intends to do the same if elected again.

"I am running for reelection to Congress because this is a time when ordinary people need someone who can fight for them," Hoyle said.

Hoyle said she has the

experience and relationships across the district and political spectrum to serve as a liaison between her constituents and federal agencies. She supports bipartisan legislation and investments that help the district, as well as fighting back against unconstitutional attacks from the Trump administration, she said.

Corvallis small business owner Melissa Bird and Eugene resident Daniel Bahlen are challenging Hoyle in the Democratic primary. The winner will face the winner of the Republican primary — either Monique Despain, an Air Force veteran from Eugene who lost to Hoyle in 2024, or Stefan Strek, a Southern Oregon University student who has run unsuccessfully for governor and Congress in past elections.

The state will begin mailing ballots to voters on Wednesday ahead of the May 19 primary.

Meet the challengers

After receiving a doctoral degree in California, Melissa Bird moved to Corvallis 10 years ago with her three children to support her hus-



From left to right, Melissa Bird, a business owner with a social work background, and Daniel Bahlen, a former behavioral health worker, are challenging incumbent U.S. Rep. Val Hoyle for the Democratic nomination in the May primary. (Courtesy of the campaigns for Melissa Bird, Daniel Bahlen and U.S. Rep. Val Hoyle)

band's education at Oregon State University.

She owns a small business training government and nonprofit organizations about leadership and community building. She filed to run for Congress in October because she felt it needed more working class

people who understand what it's like to live in the current economy.

Bird is originally from Utah and spent years there doing social work and political advocacy. As a former lobbyist for Planned Parenthood advocating for homeless and LGBTQ+ youth, she said she grew familiar with talking to conservative lawmakers — a skill she said could help her if elected to Congress.

Her identity would also help her represent marginalized people in her district, she said. She is a descendant of the Shiwits Band of Paiutes and married to a disabled veteran.

"I grew up as a non-Mormon, Native person and I'm part of the LGBTQ+ community," she said. "When you grow up different in a world that expects you to be something that you just aren't, you forge a fire in yourself, and I had to fight for everything that I've gotten."

If elected, Bird said she'd prioritize housing, healthcare, rural economic development, water infrastructure and the environment and reducing political polarization.

She criticized Hoyle

for accepting money from political action committees funded by corporations, saying she is out of touch with people in her district. Bird's said her campaign is not accepting corporate money.

Candidates can't accept money directly from corporations or unions, though they can take money from political action committees funded by those groups. Data from OpenSecrets, a nonprofit that tracks money in politics, shows that Hoyle has broad support from unions representing transportation, retail, grocery and construction workers.

"I'm running because I believe that we need people in Congress who are going to fight like hell against the rising tide of fascism," Bird said.

Daniel Bahlen's faith called him to run for Congress, he said, and he is running because he wants to overcome a legacy of Native American exclusion. He quit his job in January at recycled plastics manufacturer Pak Tech to focus on his campaign.

Bahlen grew up in foster care and was homeless for many years as a youth. After pursuing his education in Colorado and Arizona, he worked in behavioral health at the San Carlos Apache Indian Reservation — the tribe he is a part of. However, he had to agree to not renew his license for at least five years after receiving a driving under the influence charge in 2022.

He moved to Oregon in 2023 after visiting it a year prior while helping a former coworker move to the state.

He also moved because he was inspired by his faith.

"I was reading the Bible and I saw Jesus moved around, and something just kind of came out at me to just move up here," he told the Capital Chronicle.

He ran as a Libertarian candidate for the district in the 2024 election while he was finishing his doctorate and living in a homeless camp along Oregon Route 99.

"In the summer of 2024 I saw the Trump-Biden debate and I was kind of blown away by what I saw," he said. "So I was like, if this is the way it's going down, I might as well jump in."

Bahlen lives in a hut supported by the Eugene-based housing solutions nonprofit Community Supported Shelters.

If elected, Bahlen said he would prioritize housing and employing homeless people, returning the land that the United Nations sits on in New York City to local tribes and moving the headquarters to Israel, disaster and earthquake preparedness and addressing student debt.

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The Garden Bug

Dogwood trees

These lovely trees thrive in "sun-dappled" environments that enjoy protection from hours of direct sun. They like being next to tall buildings or taller trees. The most crucial factor when planting dogwoods is water access; they have shallow roots, and even with shade these root systems will dry quickly. If the leaves are light-green, prickly, or crispy, more water is needed. - Brenda Weaver

Source: www.threetreecenter.com/flowering-trees/dogwood-trees

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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
409 Hillside Ave. Unit C, Brookings
541-412-1070

Sunday School.....10 a.m.
Morning Preaching.....11 a.m.
Evening Preaching.....6 p.m.
Wednesday Bible Study...7 p.m.
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Church of Christ
1722 Passley Rd., Brookings
Sunday Morning Bible Study.....10am

Sunday Morning Worship Assembly...11:00am
Wednesday Bible Class.....3pm

Evangelist: Darryl A Cope
541-469-6453 or 541-469-0191

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
www.BrookingsCSC.com
541-469-2398 or 469-3333

Crescent City

Grace Lutheran Church (LCMS)

9:00am All Ages Bible Study Childcare Available
10:15am "The Story" Worship
11:15am Fellowship

188 E Cooper, Crescent City
www.GraceLutheranCC.com

Ft. Dick

Fort Dick Bible Church

"Grace Alone, through Christ Alone, for God's Glory Alone"
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

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Friends Who Like Christian Community Church - Harbor

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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<https://www.facebook.com/7thdayadventistbrookings/>

Smith River

Seventh-day Adventist Church

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.

Smith River Baptist Church

340 Highland Avenue, Smith River

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

SolidRock Christian Fellowship
Pastor Pat Henderson
(707) 460-1696

3180 S Fred D Haight Drive
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Fun Fact

Having an extreme, overwhelming fear of snakes is called **ophidiophobia**. It's more intense than the somewhat-scared feelings towards snakes most people have.

Ophidiophobia is an anxiety disorder that interferes with your daily life.

Source: my.clevelandclinic.org

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



TIGER

by BUD BLAKE



OLIVE & POPEYE

By Randy Milholland



HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



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: L equals U

MWDG NZLGBOP FTGYTG Y
 NDEDOTBP OZP KBDGDH D
 CEKNS-BTD KVKTOF, HTH WD
 MDKO KNLVV-ETGSF?

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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!

Stay **MARINE** _____

Chance **MODARN** _____

Fake **SOUPED** _____

Values **SCITHE** _____

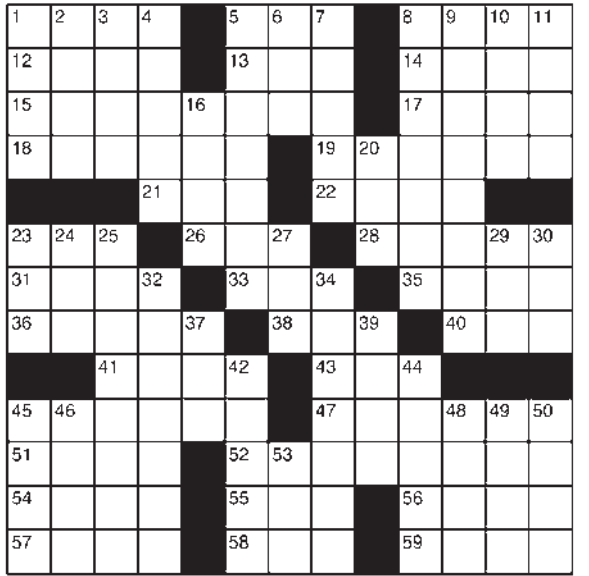
TODAY'S WORD _____

"That one is in case you want another _____!"

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Lopsided win
- 5 Have bills
- 8 Wan
- 12 Golden Fleece ship
- 13 Fix illegally
- 14 Final Four gp.
- 15 Speed
- 17 Teri of "Tootsie"
- 18 Actor Estevez
- 19 Looked closely (at)
- 21 Pitcher Maglie
- 22 Bath powder
- 23 Speed (up)
- 26 Poetic contraction
- 28 Period of rule
- 31 El-Masry of "Star Wars"
- 33 Bro, maybe
- 35 Stair part
- 36 Deeply touched
- 38 Its cap. is Brussels
- 40 "— outta here!"
- 41 "Dream on!"
- 43 Actor Holbrook
- 45 Locust
- 47 Talisman
- 51 Seethe
- 52 Maximum contents
- 54 Diminutive suffix



- 55 Hirohito's title (Abbr.)
- 56 One-named supermodel
- 57 Sun beams
- 58 Verbalize
- 59 Church section
- 7 Pharaoh's land
- 8 The "A" of UCLA
- 9 Shortage
- 10 Fast runner
- 11 Lawn party site
- 16 Pisa farewell
- 20 Jug handle
- 23 Zodiac animal
- 24 Comic Philips
- 25 Liveliness
- 27 Tease
- 29 "My word!"
- 30 "Science Friday" network
- 32 Secondhand deals
- 34 "Cheer up!"
- 37 Carried out
- 39 Tibetan monk
- 42 Confronts
- 44 "— di Lammemoor"
- 45 Driver with a handle
- 46 Tiny bit
- 48 Walk unevenly
- 49 LAX guesses
- 50 Broadway actress Daly
- 53 Docs' org.

DOWN

- 1 Gushing review
- 2 Utah city
- 3 Wrinkled fruit
- 4 Workshop array
- 5 Baltimore baseballers
- 6 Humorist

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Weekly SUDOKU

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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

- MOVIES: What is Indiana Jones' real first name in "Raiders of the Lost Ark"?
- LITERATURE: What is Charlie's last name in the children's book "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"?
- GEOGRAPHY: What isthmus connects the Asian and African continents?
- MATH: What is the first prime number to follow 19?
- GEOLOGY: What type of rock is formed by cooled lava?
- TELEVISION: What is the title character's famous line in the TV detective show "Columbo"?
- BUSINESS: What company's stock ticker symbol is LUV?
- ASTRONOMY: Which four planets in our solar system have rings?
- HISTORY: About how many people worldwide were infected by the Spanish flu in the early part of the 20th century?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: If an animal eats only plants, what is it called?

NONINO

Today's Word
1. Remain; 2. Random
solution

SCRAMBLERS

S	A	R	S
F	E	A	R
L	A	S	E
R	E	A	L
S	C	A	L
E	D	C	E
D	U	C	A
L	O	U	D

5-letter word

Five Spot™

Weather watching

C	L	O	U	D

Computer data storage option

Type of peage

Prepared new running shoes

Increase proportionally

Type of printer

Views with dread

Solve each row by replacing one letter from the answer above or below and scrambling to make a new word. When complete, the top and bottom words will have no letters in common.

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Answers

King Crossword

Weekly SUDOKU

When country singer Gene Autry attended back-the-affairs, did he wear Autry-links?

CryptoQuip

- Henry
- Bucket
- Isthmus of Suez
- 23
- Igneous
- "Just one more thing"
- Southeast Airlines
- Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus and Neptune
- Nearly one-third of the world's population
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Small Oregon businesses are skeptical of Trump's tariff reimbursements

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In 2021, Richard Smith and Serengeti Savage took over the downtown McMinnville tea shop where they had their first date. The shop sits along the town's popular Third Street, which is lined with antique shops, restaurants, wineries and other unique gift stores.

Right as the couple was feeling ready to hire employees at Velvet Monkey Tea Shop and reached the end of a supply chain crisis last year, President Donald Trump imposed tariffs on foreign imports.

Although the Supreme Court ruled those tariffs were illegal and ordered that the Trump administration reimburse businesses, the couple and many other small Oregon business owners say they're unlikely to receive those refunds because the manufacturers that they buy their products from were the ones who paid those tariffs directly.

The tea shop was one of three businesses where reporters and U.S. Rep. Andrea Salinas, a Democrat representing the 6th Congressional District based in the Willamette Valley, met with owners to discuss the impact of tariffs just days ahead of

the federal government launching a refund system Monday, April 20.

The tea shop relies on suppliers who import foreign tea mostly from China, India and Japan because there isn't a large American tea manufacturing sector, and tea plantations take decades to become profitable, Smith said.

Since Trump imposed tariffs, the shop is down half its supply because some of its main suppliers went out of business. A kilogram of tea that used to cost \$60 now costs the business \$220.

The couple has taken most of the hit themselves so they don't have to put extra costs on the customers. Each of them pays themselves less than \$1,500 a month, which is less than minimum wage.

"We're not an affluent community," Smith said. "It's really hard for people to come in and see these pricing increases on stuff that they like to consume every day, and so it is a way that major global politics and uncertainty has affected our everyday lives."

A few businesses down from the tea shop, Entwined co-owner Lia Harris finds herself in a similar situation. Most of

the products she sells in her yarn shop are from New Zealand or Peru, and a yarn manufacturing industry doesn't really exist in the U.S.

"Because the domestic textile market moved overseas, it would take decades to restore any sort of manufacturing to a domestic market," she said. "We would love to buy more American, but that just isn't possible right now."

Another concern Harris pointed to was the end of the de minimis exemption, a trade regulation that Trump ended in August 2025 that previously allowed shipments worth \$800 or less to enter the country tax-free.

"We've had delays and cancellations, and we've also lost some of our suppliers who have chosen to shut down rather than continue to carry the cost of the United States tariffs," she said. "The tariffs are a significant disruption. We don't have large lines of credit. We don't have Wall Street backing. We are absorbing those increases on our own until we can no longer handle that, and we have to pass that on to our customers."

At Hopscotch Toys and Games, owner Linda Hays said most of her products



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Half of Velvet Monkey Tea Shop's tea supply is down since President Donald Trump imposed tariffs. Tea shop owners Richard Smith, 30, and Serengeti Savage, 29, met with U.S. Rep. Andrea Salinas of Oregon's 6th Congressional District to discuss the impact of tariffs on Friday, April 24, 2026.

come from China. When Trump first imposed tariffs, she maxed out credit lines to buy as many products as she could before prices went up.

"One of the things that caused so much uncertainty wasn't just that the tariffs were instated, but that it was so erratic," Hays said. "Your manufacturer would put their goods on a boat, and by the time it got to shore, it was twice as expensive to bring it into dock, and then they would watch the tariffs go down."

Friday was Salinas' fourth stop in her affordability tour across her district.

"This isn't a location where people stop off because it's the beach," Salinas told reporters. "It's the local community that really makes these businesses run."

Salinas said she is working on legislation to try to support small businesses that didn't directly pay tariffs but were still affected by them.

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Oregon's job growth fastest in private education, health services

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Guest Article

Oregon lost 18,600 nonfarm payroll jobs, or -0.9%, from January 2025 to January 2026.

Among all states and the District of Columbia, Oregon was near the bottom of the rankings, at 48th. Nevada was the fastest growing state, adding 1.9% over the year. Idaho and California were also among the faster-growing states, at 0.8% and 0.7% growth, respectively. Washington had slower growth at 0.3%, ranking 20th. The District of Columbia was the slowest growing over the year, at -5.9%.

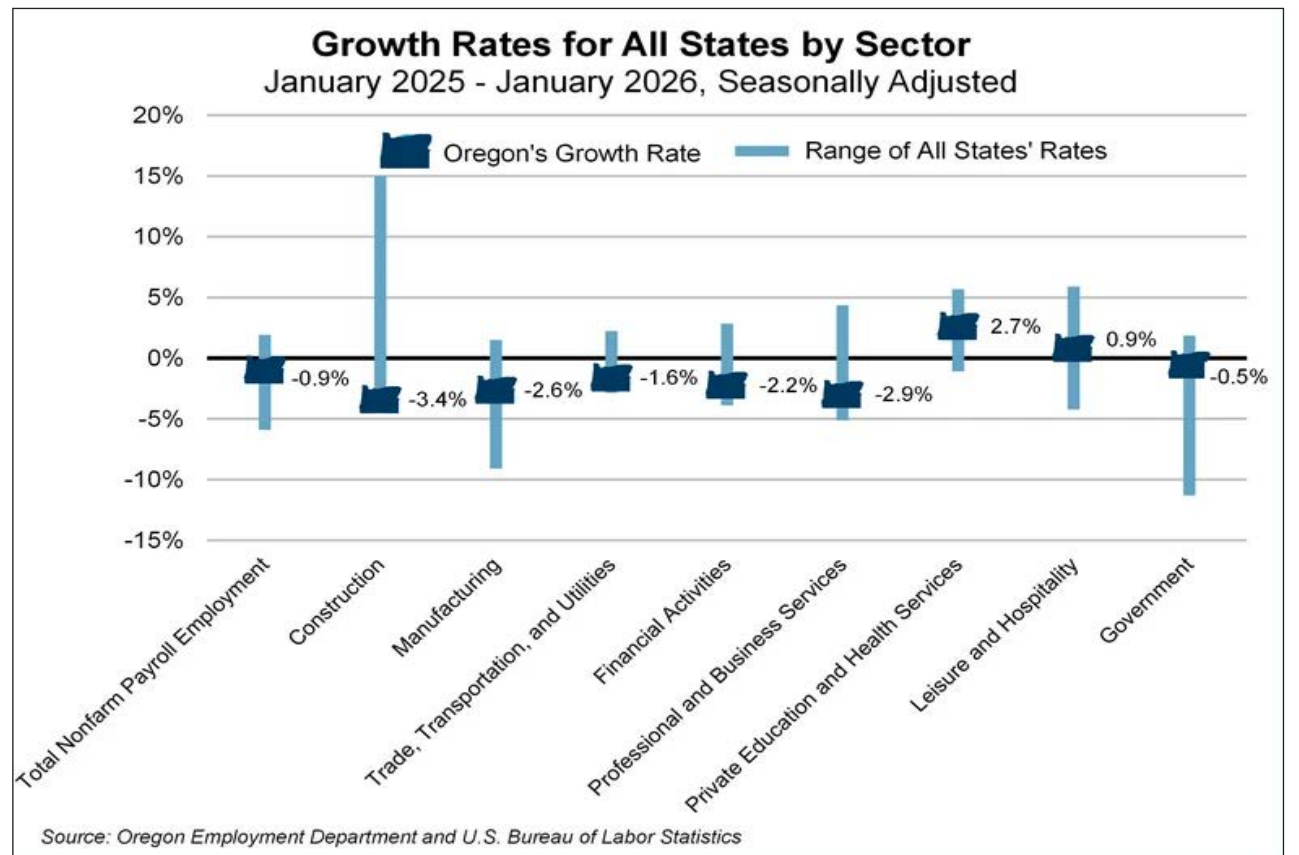
Oregon Industry Rankings

Job growth rankings by industry sector show that only Oregon's private education and health services industry added jobs fast enough to rank in the top 10 of all states. Oregon added 9,200 private education and health services jobs, or 2.7% from January 2025 to January 2026. California grew the fastest

(5.7%) while the District of Columbia was the slowest (-1.1%). This growth was driven by health care and social assistance, which added 9,800 jobs (3.2%) over the year. Private educational services lost 600 jobs (-1.7%) over the same time.

Job growth was also positive in Oregon's leisure and hospitality industry (1,800 jobs, 0.9%), which ranked 19th among all states and the District of Columbia. South Dakota grew the fastest (5.9%) while Iowa was the slowest (-4.2%). This growth came from the accommodation and food services sector, which added 3,600 jobs, or 2.0%. Arts, entertainment, and recreation lost 1,800 jobs, or -6.0%.

Oregon lost jobs over the year in government (-1,600 jobs, -0.5%), and ranked 20th. South Carolina experienced the fastest growth, at 1.9%, while most states lost jobs, though the District of Columbia experienced the steepest decline (-11.3%). Job losses occurred in federal government (-2,200 jobs, -7.5%),



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while both state (300 jobs, 0.6%) and local (300 jobs, 0.1%) government added jobs.

In all other major industry sectors, Oregon lost jobs, and ranked near the bottom of all states and D.C. Construction declined by 3.4% and ranked 51st; professional and business services declined by 2.9% and ranked 48th; financial activities declined by 2.2% and ranked 47th; and manufacturing (-2.6%) and trade, transportation, and utilities (-1.6%) both ranked 46th.

Oregon's Historical Job Growth Compared with the U.S.

Historically, Oregon has a track record of greater job growth than the United States. Oregon has tended to grow faster than the U.S. during good economic times, but lose more jobs, relatively, in the tough times. However, something different seems to be happening in Oregon in the recovery since the pandemic recession.

Oregon's employment

growth is diverging from the U.S. trend in recent years. Toward the end of 2023, Oregon began to grow slower and slightly decline at times. In 2024, Oregon added jobs at around the same rate as the U.S., though decidedly not faster. Since 2025, Oregon has been losing jobs while the U.S. continues to grow or remain steady. It will be interesting over the next few years to see if Oregon reverts to prior trends of growing faster than the U.S. or if that period

of consistently stronger growth is behind us.

Where to Get Oregon's Latest Job Growth Rates

The most recent job growth rates by industry for Oregon are available on QualityInfo.org using the Current Employment Estimates (CES) tool.

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