

County Commissioners to Hold Town Hall Meeting on Illegal Camping

Your Commissioners want to hear from YOU!

The Curry County Board of Commissioners is hosting a Town Hall Meeting on Friday, January 16, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. at the Harbor Grange Hall – 97985 Shopping Center Avenue, Brookings, Oregon.

Representatives from the Curry County Sheriff's Office, Curry County District Attorney, Oregon Department of Transportation, and Oregon State Police have been invited to attend as well.

This Town Hall is being driven by continued community concerns regarding the

impacts of illegal camping and hazardous waste that is left behind by transients. These and other concerns need to be addressed in a manner that prioritizes public safety and respect for our community.

- Do you have suggestions for services the County can offer to assist with these issues?

- What impacts are you experiencing?

- What are ways the County could pursue services, programs, or partnerships to address the issue?

- What public safety concerns would you like your Commissioners to prioritize?

- How can your Commissioners best advocate for you?

- What areas do you see as being a particular concern (South of the bridge, Shopping Center, South Bank Chetco River, etc.)?

- How can the County improve communication with residents of Harbor regarding enforcement, services and resources?



Oregon saw at least 1,100 immigration arrests in 2025

Arrests in Oregon in 2025 almost 10 times as high as previous year

By MIA MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Federal immigration agents arrested at least 1,100 people in Oregon this year, immigration experts estimate — a surge from the 113 arrests recorded in all of 2024.

In August, the Trump administration said it would "come after" states like Oregon with laws preventing local law enforcement from coordinating with federal immigration officials. Since then, Oregon's been at the forefront of President Donald Trump's renewed immigration enforcement efforts.

From Trump's attempt to deploy Oregon National Guard troops to Portland in the spring, to the state's largest Latino labor union and a Portland immigration law firm suing his administration alleging it is blocking attorneys from accessing detained clients — the Beaver State in 2025 repeatedly drew the administration's attention.

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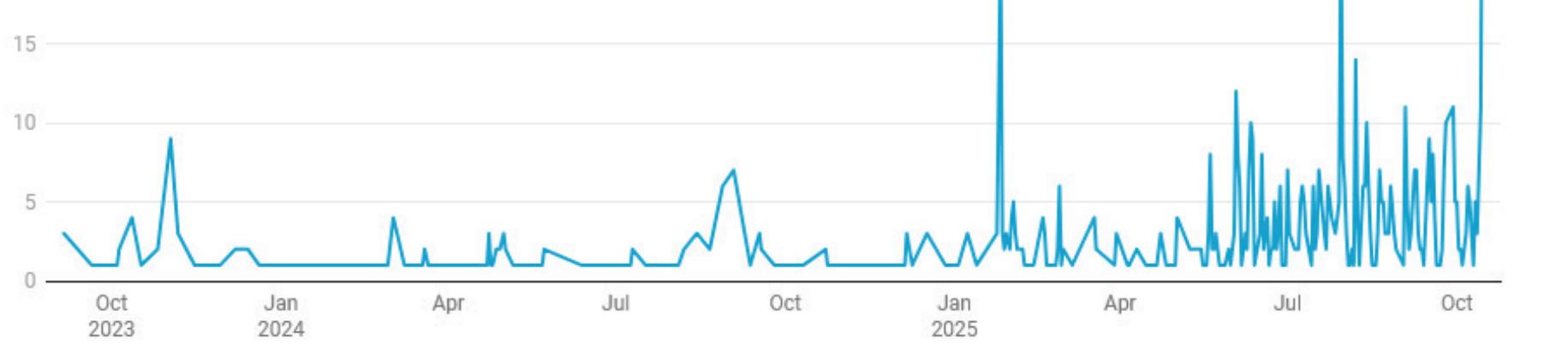


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DHS Arrests: Department of Homeland Security police, along with other federal police, push and tackle protesters at the Immigration and Customs Enforcement facility south of downtown Portland on Sunday, Oct. 12, 2025.

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Arrest Count Chart: The Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency arrested 807 people in Oregon between Sept. 1, 2023 and Oct. 15, 2025, with nearly 660 people of those arrested in the first 10 months of 2025 alone, according to data from the Deportation Data Project.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Submissions for events can be sent by email to: pilotofficemgr@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, Elks Lodge. Membership not required. All donations welcome and appreciated, \$2 minimum from all dancers. 11:30-12:00 absolute beginners (new), 12:00 – 1:00 pm improver, 1:00-2:00 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.
- Cabbage 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.

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.

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

MONDAYS

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

JANUARY 7

- Team Trivia Night, Chetco Library: 5:50 pm. Join us for a competitive, family-friendly trivia competition at the library. Gather your dream team of 2 to 4 players and put your knowledge to the test. Kids' division starts at 5:30, and the teen/adult division starts about 6:15. Registration recommended, but team sign-ups are allowed the day of if space allows.

JANUARY 9

- Winter Poetry Circle, Chetco Library: 4:00 pm. Share your own work or

poems by your favorite poet at this quarterly meetup where poets and poetry lovers connect, discuss, and celebrate the written and spoken word. Anyone who signs up to share a poem will be entered to win a door prize.

JANUARY 10

- 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.

- D&D One-Shot Campaign for Teens, Chetco Library: 11:00 am. This campaign is designed for participants 12 and up who are new to playing Dungeons and Dragons (D&D). This one-shot event will introduce beginners to the basics of the game.

JANUARY 13

- Art After Dark: Community Art Reception and Glow Paint Party, Chetco Library: 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Explore the blacklight paintings of John Harold Scott in our Forest Gallery. Attendees ages 15 and up may also register in advance to participate in a blacklight painting activity during the reception. To close the evening, the lights will go out for a few minutes at 6:45pm, allowing Scott's artwork to fully glow in the dark—an unforgettable, one-of-a-kind moment that invites visitors to slow down and

- 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.

JANUARY 16

- Creative Café, Chetco Library: 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm. A free monthly art event for adults and teens. Drop in to explore a new art medium with supplies from our maker cart and connect with fellow creators over coffee, tea, and light refreshments. January's focus: zentangles & grown-up coloring books.

- Bingo, Brookings Elks Lodge, 800 Elk Drive: 11:00 am. Early Bird - 3 games for \$3. Regular - 13 games for \$11. Lunch available for \$10. Free screen when a non-perishable item is donated for the Brookings food bank.

JANUARY 18

- 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.

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Answers on page 8.

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.

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Merkley, Wyden, Colleagues Urge Trump Administration to End Staffing Crisis at Fish and Wildlife Service, Warn of Devastating Impacts to Ecosystems and Public Lands



FROM THE OREGON DELEGATION

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley (D-OR)—the top Democrat overseeing funding for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS)—and U.S. Senator Ron Wyden (D-OR)—former chairman and current senior member of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources—joined their colleagues in urging the administration to immediately address and

reverse the staffing crisis at the FWS, which has lost the capacity to properly manage most of America's wildlife refuges, putting in jeopardy the ability to protect endangered wildlife species under the Service's care.

In a letter to U.S. Secretary of the Interior Doug Burge and FWS Director Brian Nesvik, the Senators highlight the direct impacts cuts in staffing are having on the 573 national wildlife refuges across the country—with

almost 60 percent of them lacking the resources and staff needed to fulfill their missions. According to public reports, Oregon and Washington have lost a combined 50 senior level scientists and staff.

"Americans of all backgrounds love their public lands, and protecting wildlife refuges is a bipartisan cause that brings together environmentalists, sportsmen, and all who enjoy the outdoor recreation opportunities provided by America's National Wildlife Refuge System. The Refuge System is the only federal network of public lands that is primarily dedicated to the conservation, management, and restoration of fish, wildlife, and plant species and their habitats," the Senators wrote.

"This downward trend did not begin under the Trump administration. Yet the current administration has not only shown an unwillingness to address the problem—it has made the situation far worse. The President's Fiscal Year 26 budget request slashed funding for FWS's overall

Resource Management account, which included a proposed 22 percent cut to the National Wildlife Refuge System. Moreover, the administration has indicated that it is planning more firings for public land agencies," the Sena-

tors continued. The Senators also emphasized that operating with few or no employees has also hurt disaster resilience because FWS employees carry out projects to control flooding and prevent catastrophic wildfires.

The open letter states: "We write to sound the alarm on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (FWS) staffing crisis, which is causing particular harm to the National Wildlife Refuge System. A startling amount of staff and expertise needed to manage the Refuge System and protect America's wildlife have been lost due to the administration's firings, early retirement programs, and other efforts to push staff out of FWS."

"The agency is losing the capacity to manage America's wildlife refuges and struggling to even keep them open. We ask that you provide Congress with your plan to address FWS's staffing crisis and immediately act to ensure that FWS and the Refuge System have the staff and resources needed to guarantee a safe, quality experience for visitors to the Refuge System and to protect the invaluable wildlife species under the agency's care."

The letter was led by U.S. Senator Adam Schiff (D-Calif.), Ranking Member of the Senate Environment and Public Works (EPW) Subcommittee on Fisheries, Water, and Wild-



life, and was also signed by U.S. Senators Angela Alsobrooks (D-Md.), Michael Bennet (D-Colo.), Richard Blumenthal (D-Conn.), Chris Coons (D-Del.), Dick Durbin (D-Ill.), Mazie Hirono (D-Hawai'i), Chris Van Hollen (D-Md.), Peter Welch (D-Vt.), and Sheldon Whitehouse (D-R.I.).

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Monday 12/22:

- 2:11 517 Chetco Ave, burglary
- 11:28 553 Chetco Ave, alarm
- 12:01 1143 Chetco Ave, traffic crash
- 13:18 Maple and Alder, traffic crash
- 14:58 855 Railroad St, dispute/flight
- 21:06 16107 Kings Way, dispute/flight
- 21:22 16219 Lower Harbor Rd, hit & run

Friday 12/26:

- 10:03 97900 Shopping Center Ave, disorderly conduct
- 16:21 North Bank and Chetco, traffic crash
- 22:05 Chetco Point, rescue operation

Saturday 12/27:

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Sunday 12/28:

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Arrests

From page 1

Oregon now ranks among the top five states with the largest year-over-year increases in ICE arrests, Stateline reported.

The Oregon Capital Chronicle analyzed data from Deportation Data Project, a database run by lawyers and academics who collected national ICE arrest data from public records requests between Sept. 1, 2023 and Oct. 15, 2025, as well as data from immigration advocates to understand what federal immigration enforcement looked like in Oregon by the numbers.

Oregon saw surge in arrests in summer and fall

ICE agents arrested 660 people in Oregon in the first ten months of 2025, according to the Deportation Data Project.

The project's dataset doesn't include arrests after mid-October, but U.S. Border Patrol Chief Michael Banks said on the social media platform X that federal agents arrested more than 560 people in Portland in October alone. Immigration experts assume his estimate is accurate, and the Portland Immigration Rights Coalition, which became a statewide hotline this year for Oregonians to report ICE sightings, confirmed with the Oregon Capital Chronicle that it's had more than 1,000 arrests reported to the hotline this year. Oregon for All, a coalition of organizations advocating for immigrants rights, reported 1,900 arrests, coalition spokesperson Diane Goodwin told the Capital Chronicle.

Detentions peaked in July, October and November, according to Stephen Manning, the director of Innovation Law Lab, a Portland-based law firm focused on immigration.

The rise came after Trump in the spring raised the national daily ICE arrest quota from 1,000 to 3,000 per day. Regional director Cammilla Wamsley, responsible for ICE operations in Oregon, Washington and Alaska, also

set an internal goal of 30 arrests per day for the region — double the daily goal the regional agency had in 2024.

ICE did not respond to the Capital Chronicle's request for comment.

"The data shows arbitrary quotas were imposed by Trump in June 2025 and apprehensions spiked and then in September 2025, they spiked again, and on October 15, 2025 they surged off the chart," Manning told the Capital Chronicle.

While ICE has claimed its crackdowns are catching criminals, the data shows that only 32% of people arrested in 2025 had criminal convictions. That's down from 45% of the people ICE arrested in Oregon in 2024, according to the Deportation Data Project.

People arrested by ICE came from at least 45 different countries, with the most people coming from Mexico, followed by Honduras, Venezuela, Guatemala and China.

About 84% of those arrested in the first 10 months of the year were male.

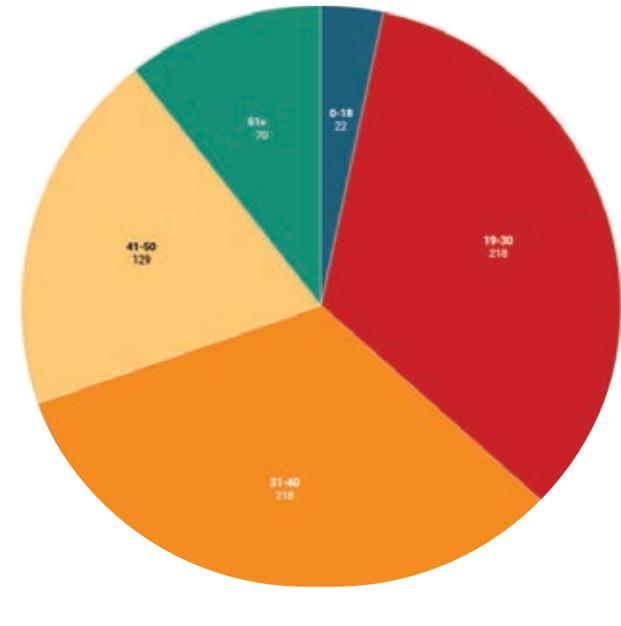
Roughly two-thirds of people detained were between the ages 19 and 40. The youngest person detained was 4-years-old.

Cities, counties respond to ICE action in Oregon

Portland Immigrants Rights Coalition Coordinator Alyssa Walker Keller said there will be "many hard months" ahead. The group anticipates a looming eviction and hunger crisis for families who lost their breadwinners.

"It will be important for local and state governments to invest in stabilizing, for mutual aid groups to supplement that support, and for all of us to be thinking about strategies of how to stabilize these families whose entire worlds have been rocked by their loved one being stolen away," she told the Capital Chronicle.

Cities and counties including Portland, Salem, Forest Grove, Woodburn and Multnomah and Washington counties have responded to ICE's increased presence in their communities by declaring local emergencies, ordering



The oldest person detained by ICE in Oregon in 2025 was 71 years old, with the youngest being 4 years old, according to the Deportation Data Project, which uses data from public records requests to ICE between Sept. 1 2023 and Oct. 15, 2025.

training for local staff on how to follow Oregon's sanctuary law or allocating funds to support immigrant and refugee communities.

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Conservation groups urge Oregon to reduce whale deaths from crab fishing gear

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After at least four humpback whales were entangled this year in Oregon commercial Dungeness crab fishing gear, conservation groups are petitioning the Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission to adopt measures to reduce the amount of fishing gear during whale feeding and migration seasons.

Filed by the Center for Biological Diversity, Oceana, Natural Resources Defense Council and the American Cetacean Society, the petition asks officials to open a pathway for fishers to use pop-up fishing gear, which eliminates unintended buoy lines. The gear has been tested in the California Dungeness crab fishery, and conservation groups say it is reliable, profitable and safe for whales and other marine animals.

"This year's horrific entanglements show that humpbacks are in a lot of danger from Oregon crab gear," said Ben Grundy, an oceans campaigner at the Center for Biological Diversity. "If state officials don't move to adopt whale-safe fishing gear, like pop-up buoys for Dungeness crab pots, endangered whales will continue to suffer and die preventable deaths."

The petition, filed earlier this month, comes weeks after a young entangled humpback whale was found stranded on a beach north of Yachats. Veterinarians euthanized the whale after unsuccessful attempts to free it on Nov. 17. The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is investigating the entanglement.

The department on Dec. 5 issued a fleet advisory, urging fishers to be vigilant and take precautions to avoid entanglements. The advisory doesn't include



enforcement measures, but it says the department is strongly considering further regulatory action to reduce entanglement risk.

"The latest dead humpback whale should be a wake-up call that entanglements in Oregon crab gear are a major problem," stated Ben Enticknap, fisheries director at Oceana.

"Oregon fishery managers should act quickly to strengthen conservation measures to reduce whale entanglements."

The number of entanglements in Oregon commercial Dungeness crab gear this year is likely higher than just the four confirmed by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration in Septem-

ber released preliminary results showing that there may have been as many as 20 entangled whales.

Entanglements can cause starvation, infections, amputations, strangulation as well as impact a whale's ability to reproduce, according to NOAA.

"The four humpback whales found tragically entangled in Oregon crab gear are a signal of a much greater entanglement problem, as only a small fraction of them are ever detected," said Francine Kershaw, a senior scientist at Natural Resources Defense Council. "The state should take swift, science-based management action to effectively protect endangered whales in Oregon waters."

State law requires the commission to respond to the petition in writing within 90 days and either deny it or begin rulemaking proceedings.

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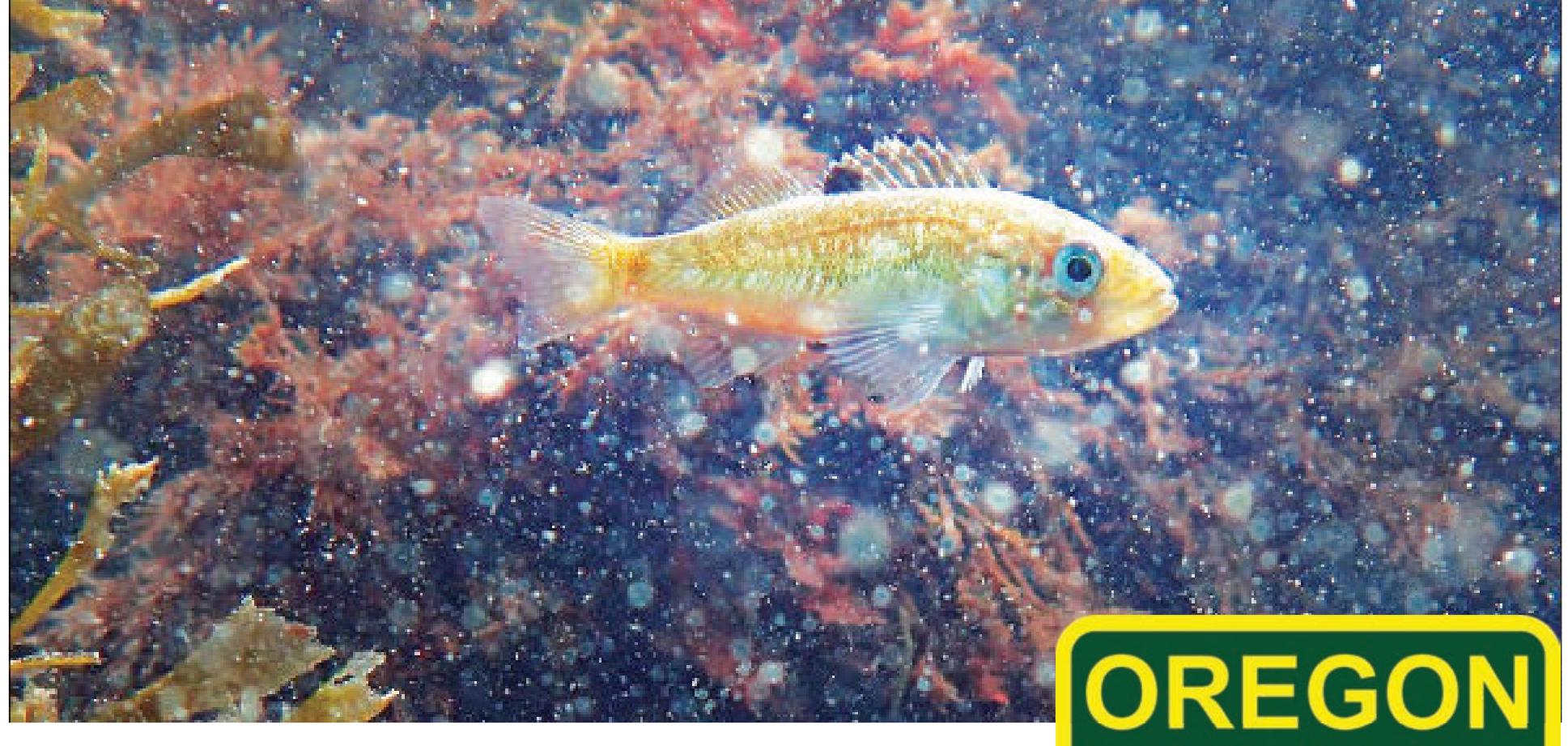
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ODFW seeks nominees to represent Oregon on Pacific Fisheries Management Council



ODFW is accepting nominations for a seat on the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council). The three-year term for this Oregon at-large seat begins Aug. 11, 2026.

Anyone interested in being considered, or wishing to nominate someone, must contact Jessica Watson at 541-351-1196 or jessica.l.watson@odfw.oregon.gov. Completed application packets must be submitted no later than January 23, 2026.

The Oregon at-large seat currently is held by Brad Pettinger who is not eligible for re-appointment to another three-year term, since he has completed

his full allotment of terms. ODFW will send all nominations to the Governor who will then forward the names of at least three candidates to the National Marine Fisheries Service (in the U.S. Department of Commerce) for consideration. Successful appointees must pass an extensive FBI background check.

The Council manages fisheries for approximately 119 species of salmon, groundfish (rockfish, flounders, whiting), coastal pelagic species (sardines, anchovies, and mackerel) and highly migratory species (tunas, sharks, and swordfish) off the coasts of Oregon, Washington, and

California. It includes 14 voting members representing tribal and state fish and wildlife agencies, and private citizens knowledgeable about sport fishing, commercial fishing, and/or marine conservation.

The ideal candidate would be knowledgeable about fishery resource conservation and management in marine waters off the U.S. West Coast. Specific knowledge of and experience in management issues and fisheries is important as is a strong conservation ethic.

The successful candidate works collectively with other Council members, often making difficult

decisions to fulfill the standards set forth by the Magnuson-Stevens Act. Members make a substantial time commitment to fully participate in Council business and related activities.

The Pacific Fishery Management Council is one of eight regional fishery management councils established by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to manage fisheries from three to 200 miles offshore of the United States coastline. The Pacific Council is responsible for fisheries off the coasts of California, Oregon and Washington.



Amber Waves



by Dave T. Phipps

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Sunday School.....9:30am
Sunday Worship.....10:30am
Thursday Youth Group.....5:00pm
Wednesday Bible Study.....6:00pm
Wed. Lighthouse Kids.....6:00pm
Doug Jamieson, Pastor
541-469-3458

Church of Christ
17222 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 Fellowship
11:15am "The Story" Worship Fellowship
188 E Cooper, Crescent City
www.GraceLutheranCC.com

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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15138 McVay Lane
Sunday Service 10:30am
Bible Study Thursdays 7:00pm
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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
Also on Facebook and YouTube.
<https://www.facebook.com/7thdayadventistbrookings/>

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

**Smith River
Baptist Church**
340 Highland Avenue,
Smith River
Just off Hwy. 101
(707) 487-5275
Pastor Steve Alexander
Worship Service.....10:30am
Sun 10:00am • Wed 6:30pm
Kids Ministry for both services
Also on Facebook and YouTube
www.solidrockcrescentcity.com

**SolidRock
Christian Fellowship**
Pastor Pat Henderson
(707) 460-1696
3180 S Fred D Haight Drive
Smith River, CA 95567 • (707) 460-1696
Sun 10:00am • Wed 6:30pm
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Closed
Happy New
Year's Day
Closed

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Happy New
Year's Day
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Happy New
Year's Day
Closed

Meatloaf With
Mush Gravy
Mashed Potato
Carrots
Oven Fr Chick
Tenders
Au Gratin Potat
Brussel Sprouts
Pork Ribs With
Sauerkraut
Mash Sweet Potat
Collard Greens
Tuna Noodle
Casserole
Seasoned Beets
Corn
Sloppy Joe's On A
Wh Wh Bn
Baked Potato
Chef's Blend

19
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23
Closed
Happy New
Year's Day
Closed

Ham & Bean Soup
Peanut Butter &
Jelly Sandwich On
Wh Wh Bread
Chick Andn
Breadsticks
Chef's Blend
Corn Bf Hash Reub
Casserole
Glazed Carrots
Succotash
Lemon Bkd Fish
Baked Beans
w/ Bac & Oni
Peas & Carrots
Bacon Wrap Bf
Mac N' Cheese
Roasted
Vegetables

26
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28
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Closed
Happy New
Year's Day
Closed

Sausage Gravy
Biscuits
Scrambled Eggs
Kielbasa With
Sauerkraut
Cheesy Mashed
Potatoes
Chef's Blend
Vegetarian
Spaghetti
Garlic Bread
Creamed Corn
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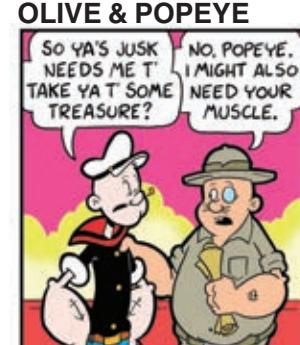
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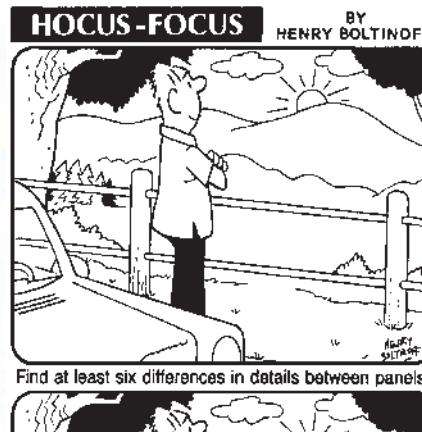
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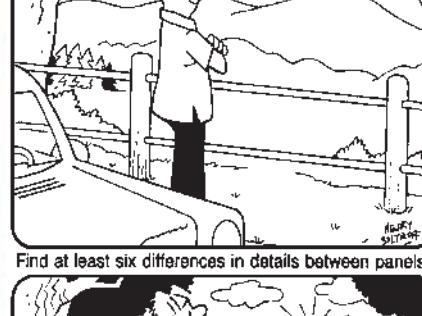
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

WHY ARE YOU SO WORRIED ABOUT MY FAMILY REUNION? JUST ACT NATURAL, BE YOURSELF AND STICK TO THE CUE CARDS I MADE YOU.

REUNION

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"By the way, when are you going to clean

out the _____?"

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:

Chant

DABALL

New

LOVEN

Ruler

ERGENT

Collect

GEARTH

TODAY'S WORD

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

ACROSS

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
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41			42	43				44	45	
46			47					48		
49			50					51		

DOWN

50 Yale students

51 Conclude

52 Chart toppers

53 Lowly worker

54 Devil's domain

55 Blanchett of "The Aviator"

56 Milky gem

57 Sandwich bread

58 "The King —"

59 Misery

60 Under the weather

61 Architect

62 Maya

63 Young fellow

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Weekly SUDOKU

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

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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1. GEOGRAPHY: What body of water lies between Ukraine and Russia?

2. SLOGANS: Which company uses the advertising slogan "Think Different"?

3. MOVIES: Which actor plays himself in the movie "Zombieland"?

4. HISTORY: Which U.S. president authorized the Indian Removal Act, which forcibly relocated Native Americans?

5. BIOLOGY: How do plants take in oxygen and carbon dioxide?

6. TELEVISION: What's the name of the bar in "The Simpsons"?

7. MUSIC: Which pop singer refers to her fans as "little monsters"?

8. ANATOMY: Where is the deltoid muscle in the human body?

9. FOOD & DRINK: What is the primary ingredient in the Greek dish moussaka?

10. LITERATURE: Who wrote the children's book "Where the Wild Things Are"?

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Hanging around

H A N D S

What a dealer deals

Room darkener

Tether

Cetacean

Entire

Bathroom accessory

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GARBAGE

Today's Word

3. Rebag; 4. Gather

1. Bagel; 2. Novel

southern

SCRAMBLERS

solution

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solution

One Dead, Another Stable After Two Found Unresponsive on Roadside

On Saturday December 27, 2025 at about 12:07pm, Sheriff's Dispatch received a call regarding a white Dodge Ram pulling a cargo trailer that was off the side of Airport Road, Sixes area north of Port Orford, and the engine had been running for over an hour and a half. Dispatch notified the Sixes River Fire Department and a volunteer, Ashley Moore, of that fire department arrived on scene first and then called 911 to report that there were two subjects in the vehicle and were unresponsive. Cal Ore Life Flight

ambulance were paged while Moore started providing CPR to the male driver after she was able to get him out of the truck and onto the ground. Moore saw that the female passenger, later identified as fifty-year-old Sandra Lewis, was gasping for air so Moore and a couple people driving by helped get Lewis out of the truck and into a recovery position. Moore then continued providing CPR to the male driver, later identified as forty-seven-year-old Anthony Carlson. Cal Ore Life Flight arrived shortly after that and took over

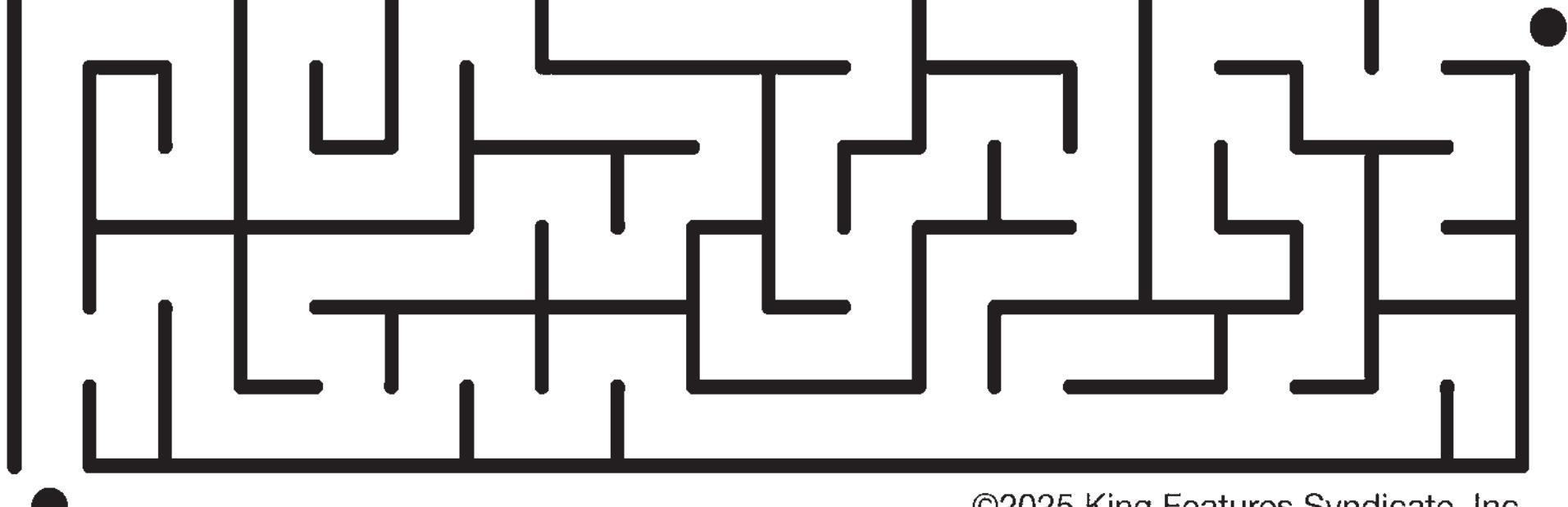
CPR. Carlson was pronounced deceased at 12:55pm. Lewis was transported to Southern Coos Hospital in Bandon and then was transferred to River Bend Hospital in Springfield. We were told today that Lewis is in stable condition.

Upon a visual search of Carlson's truck, drug items were seized by CCSO and later tested. Some items tested positive for methamphetamine, and one item tested positive for fentanyl.

The Curry County Sheriff's Office would like to thank all those who respond-

ed from the Sixes River Fire Department, Cal Ore Life Flight, Bay Cities Ambulance, Oregon State Police and Port Orford Police. It is so unfortunate that a life was lost. Our condolences to the family. All information was provided to the Curry County District Attorney. The next of KIN was notified and the Curry County Sheriff's Office is continuing the investigation.

Kids' Maze



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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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MAGIC MAZE — CALL

F	R	P	E	C	N	A	T	S	I	D	G	N	O	L	
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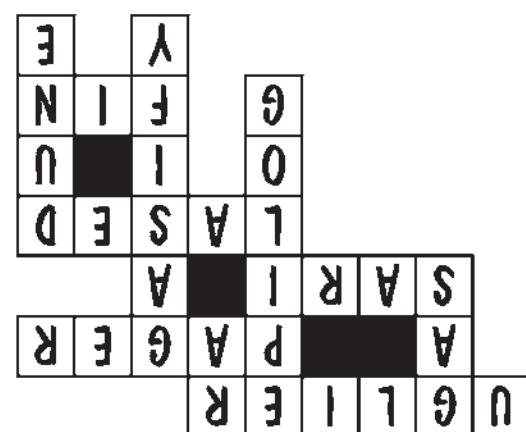
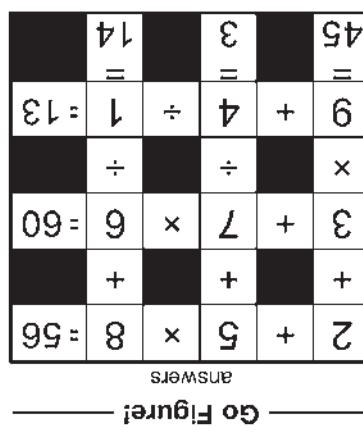
Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: AUTOMATED TELEPHONE CALL

Cattle	Conference	Distress	Ports of
Chorus	Courtesy	Long-distance	Service
Close	Crank	Margin	Social
Collect	Curtain	Phone	

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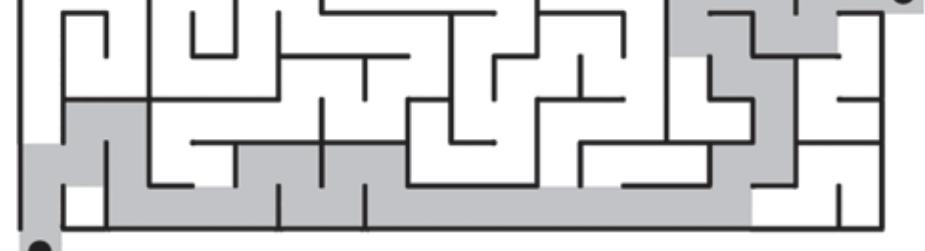


Go Figure!

Answers

FEAR
KNIGHT
FEAR

Kids' Maze Solution



Mental Health Care That's Close to Home

Primary Medical Care

Mental Health Care

Addiction Treatment

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