

From Janitor to Roofer: One Woman's Journey to Building a Business

This story is part of a women-owned business series



By LINDA LEE
Curry Coastal Pilot

In 2017, April Hempenstall embarked on an unexpected journey as she sought a way to fund her daughter's out-of-state college tuition, which led her to become a successful roofing contractor and a champion for community involvement.

"Being a public servant doesn't pay much at all," said Hempenstall, referring to her time working as a high school janitor. So to supplement her income, she started assisting a local roofing crew, a venture that quickly sparked a new passion.

"I really enjoyed working outside on the roof," she explained. "It was also much better pay, which I needed at the time to help pay for my daughter's tuition."

After about eight months of working with others in the roofing industry, Hempenstall decided to forge her own path. Her steadfast attention to detail and strong work ethics meant she prioritized buying quality roofing materials and putting the extra effort into meticulous work.

April's journey into the male-dominated construction world wasn't without its hurdles, especially in her early years in Brookings, but she persevered. She obtained her license in 2016 and by April 2017 was fully up and running and has been going strong ever since.

"It's hard to come into Brookings as an outsider in general, but then to also be the one and only female contractor in town is way different," she admitted.

She encountered skepticism and what she described as a "good old boy mentality" replete with the construction industry; however, Hempenstall wasn't discouraged and that gave her the fuel to fire her ambition to strive for further success.

Today, she's booked four months out, a testament to her tenacity and quality of work. She also highlighted the common challenge of customers automatically approaching her male employees instead of her, the owner.

"My guys are like, 'No, no, no, she's the boss, you go talk to her,'" she

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A Rescue Turned Recovery: Curry County Mourns Fishermen

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A harrowing three-day search off the coast of Gold Beach for three people aboard a capsized vessel ended with one man rescued, another recovered and a third still missing. The extensive, multi-agency effort, which faced dangerous weather and water conditions, has left the community devastated.

The incident began on Saturday, August 31st, at approximately 8:50 p.m., when the Curry County Sheriff's Office received a distress call for a capsized vessel about four miles northwest of Gold Beach. Three people, Sam Waller, Robbie Nelson and Jerrod Bruner, were reported on board, with two of them trapped beneath the vessel.

Coast Guard Sector Columbia River received a report from Curry County 911 of an overturned 26-foot catamaran approximately four miles off the coast of Gold Beach shortly thereafter.

"Boat crews aboard a Coast Guard 47-foot mo-

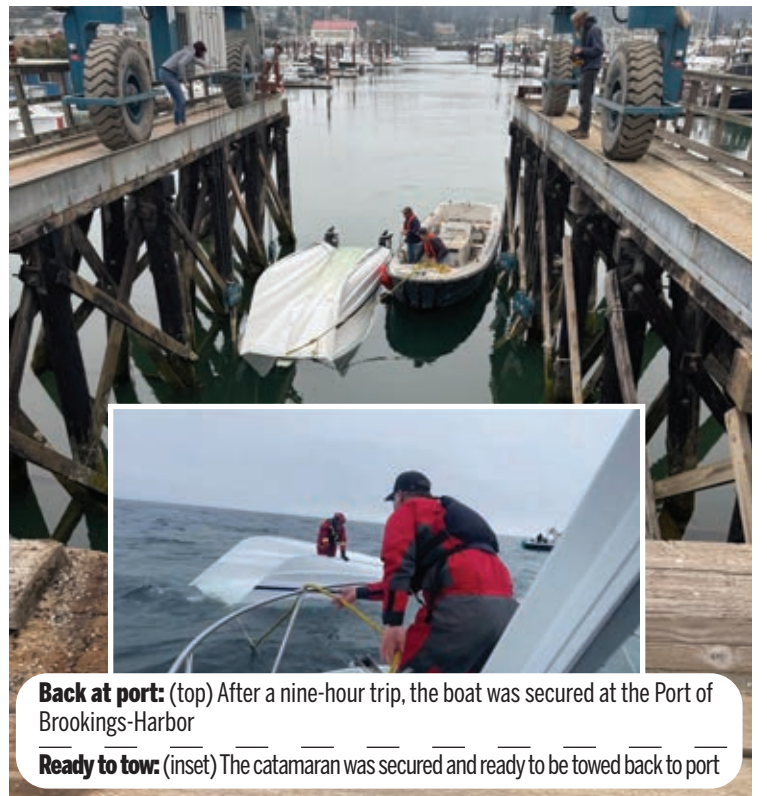
tor lifeboat and 29-foot response boat from Station Chetco River and a MH-65 Dolphin helicopter crew from Air Station North Bend were dispatched to search for the missing men," said United States Coast Guard Petty Officer Steve Strohmaier.

Sheriff John Ward and Sergeant Jared Gray were joined by several other local vessels that braved the harsh sea conditions to look for the men. A two-person jet ski team from Gold Beach Water Safety also assisted in the search.

Merit Draven and Scott Feist, who arrived first on the scene, managed to pull one of the passengers, Robbie Nelson, from the outer hull of the vessel. He was immediately transported to Curry General Hospital for treatment of hypothermia. The other two men, Waller and Bruner, were not found and were feared trapped. All were reportedly wearing life vests.

Due to worsening conditions, the Sheriff's ves-

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Back at port: (top) After a nine-hour trip, the boat was secured at the Port of Brookings-Harbor

Ready to tow: (inset) The catamaran was secured and ready to be towed back to port

Dear Stranger ~ Get a Library Card, Get a Librarian Slimed

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The Chetco Library is challenging the community to a messy cause. Throughout National Library Card Sign-up month, the library will host a "Slime the Librarian" event to encourage new sign-ups and account renewals.

The library has set a goal

of 200 new or renewed library card accounts. If they reach that number by the end of the month, library staff will get a bucket of slime poured over their heads at the annual Fall Festival on October 4th. The community can track the progress on a Slime-O-Meter" display inside the library.

That's not the only thing happening at the library this month.

The library is also hosting a Library Bingo challenge for all ages, with prizes for participants who complete activities on their bingo card.

The fun continues from September 8th to 13th with a Library Card Sign-up Ice Cream Social. Anyone who signs up for a new card or updates their information will get a free ice cream or pop-

sicle and a coupon for a free item from the Friends of the Chetco Library Bookstore.

In addition to the festivities, the library is bringing back the popular "Dear Stranger" letter exchange project from Oregon Humanities.

This fall's theme, "Real," invites participants to reflect on the meaning of truth and reality

in a world of "artificial" intelligence and "fake" news. The project aims to connect Oregonians through shared stories and ideas, and anyone is welcome to participate.

The letters will be swapped with other letters outside of one's zip code and it's best not to

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POLICE BLOTTER

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

Monday 09/01: 0:01 Mill Beach, disorderly conduct 1:09 325 Chetco Ave, theft 1:09 Dawson area, loud noise 1:55 Mill Beach, loud noise 13:11 1143 Chetco Ave, dispute/fight 14:46 16282 Tolman Ln, disorderly conduct 14:50 1144 Chetco Ave, theft 15:06 Hwy 101 and Harris Beach, traffic crash 16:28 14854 Oceanview Dr, fire 17:41 519 Pine St, warrant service 20:33 431 Oak St, loud noise 21:12 Hwy 101 and Benham Ln, fire	Tuesday 09/02: Wednesday 09/03: 2:29 1201 Chetco Ave, loud noise 8:02 431 Oak St, theft 8:51 325 Hazel St, juvenile problem 10:03 650 Easy St, juvenile problem 10:34 16035 Boat Basin Rd, illegal burn 11:18 607 Pacific Ave, criminal trespass 13:25 650 5th St, dispute/fight 15:30 640 Old County Rd, juvenile problem 16:51 248 Wharf St, warrant service 20:28 99917 North Bank Chetco River Rd, rescue operation	Thursday 09/04: 10:48 1508 Seacrest Ln, dispute/fight 11:02 1153 Chetco Ave, criminal trespass 12:34 1025 Chetco Ave, theft of services 12:45 325 5th St, traffic crash 13:56 898 Elk Dr, disorderly conduct 19:18 99070 McVay Creek Rd, theft 21:43 1240 Chetco Ave, DUII Friday 09/05: 0:01 737 4th St, juvenile problem 3:40 Mill Beach, loud noise 5:00 613 Chetco Ave, fire alarm 7:34 1123 Chetco Ave, disorderly conduct 8:27 711 Spruce St, criminal mischief 14:17 1020 Fifield St, criminal trespass 14:21 98136 E Hoffeldt Ln, illegal burn 14:47 336 5th St, theft of services 15:50 747 Chetco Ave, criminal trespass 16:38 417 Fern Ave, civil problem 18:25 16941 Parkview Dr, juvenile problem 18:47 406 Smith Dr, fire alarm 21:02 401 Hillside Ave, harassment 21:28 509 Rosichelli Dr, loud noise	Saturday 09/06: 13:08 North end of Bridge, explosion 13:36 Bridge St, criminal trespass 14:07 500 5th St, dispute/fight 14:29 500 5th St, disorderly conduct 14:52 500 5th St, disorderly conduct 15:02 500 5th St, disorderly conduct 15:42 1130 Ransom Ave, juvenile problem 17:26 Hwy 101 and Pedrioli, disorderly conduct 22:08 Chetco and Hillside, disorderly conduct 22:51 248 Wharf St, disorderly conduct	Sunday 09/07: 1:17 325 5th St, criminal trespass 9:28 1216 Chetco Ave, theft 11:41 Chetco and Oak, criminal trespass 12:13 97883 Court St, dispute/fight 14:06 421 Oak St, violation of city ordinance 16:16 810 Pioneer Rd, juvenile problem 18:10 808 Pioneer Rd, disorderly conduct 18:49 704 Chetco Ave, dispute/fight 19:47 Kevin Pl and Hassett, fire 22:49 908 Chetco Ave, illegal camping
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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	THURSDAYS - Bridge, 11:45 am, Chetco Activity Center - Widows and Widowers Coffee Clique, 10:30 – 11:30 am, Community Center, Airport Way, Gold Beach - Easy Flow Yoga, Chetco Library: 5:30 pm. A beginners' yoga class that includes standing positions.	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.	am – 11:30 am, Brookings Botanical Garden. Come see how you can help. - Bridge, 11:45 am, 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. - 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.	invited to experience this liturgy for peace, justice and reconciliation, excerpted from Dag Hammarskjöld's spiritual writings, Markings, as compiled by Robert O'Sullivan. Swedish diplomat Dag Hammarskjöld served as the second Secretary-General of the United Nations and annually is commemorated this week in both the Anglican and Lutheran traditions as a faithful renewer of society. He was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for advancing peaceful solutions to conflict, and his spiritual writings were published posthumously..	at Del Norte Unified and Brookings-Harbor School Districts. The event opens with a short set featuring the combined jazz bands of Del Norte and Brookings-Harbor high schools, followed by 90 minutes of the most intoxicating, high octane, knock your socks off dance music on the planet. Tickets are \$20 for 18 and under, \$50 for adults, and \$100 for the VIP section. https://www.ppadelnorte.org/event-details/big-bad-voodoo-daddy
WEDNESDAYS - T'ai Chi, 9:00 am – 10:30 am, Chetco Activity Center - 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, 11:00 am, Azalea Park. Meet by Capella by the Sea. If raining meet at Brookings Harbor Shopping Center by the barbershop. For information 541-412-8664. - Recorders, Chetco Activity Center: 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm. Bring your recorder and a music stand. Music will be provided. - Cribbage Club, Wild Rivers Pizza: 5:30 pm.	FRIDAYS - T'ai Chi, 9 – 10:30 am, Chetco Activity Center - The Walking Group, 11 am, Azalea Park. 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 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm	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.	SEPTEMBER 17 - Brookings Rural Fire District monthly meeting, Brookings Fire Department: 9:30 am. "Markings" Mass 2.0, St. Timothy Episcopal Church, 401 Fir St: 12:00 pm. All are	SEPTEMBER 21 - 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. - Big Bad Voodoo Daddy in concert, Azalea Park band shell: 3:00 pm. This is a benefit concert, with all profits going to the music departments	SEPTEMBER 22 Azalea Quilters Guild monthly meeting, Driftwood Estates Club House 16063 Driftwood Lane: 5:30 pm.
	SATURDAYS Men's Club Golf, Salmon Run Golf Course: 900 am. Friendly team and individual play. Prizes, laughs, good food and drink. \$65	TUESDAYS Brookings-Harbor Garden Club Work Party, 10:00			SEPTEMBER 26 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.

Obituary

Bailey Ryan Iwema

5/10/2000 – 8/26/2025

It is with deep sadness that we share the passing of Bailey Ryan Iwema, who lived and died here in his home of Brookings Oregon. He fought a battle none of us ever could have imagined he was fighting. He left this world far too soon. Bailey was a beloved son, brother, uncle, cousin, nephew, grandson, friend, and so much more. His kindness and loving spirit touched the lives of everyone around him.

Those who knew Bailey will remember him for his warm heart, genuine smile, his goofiness and the way he cared deeply for the people around him. He had a presence that made others feel seen valued, heard and appreciated. He could light up a room just by walking

in. Everyone knew Bailey and always welcomed him with a warm hello and an energy that could match his. His absence leaves a void that can never truly be filled.

Bailey is survived by his beautiful mother Lora, his brothers Aaron and me (Louis Delgado), his sister-in-law Brandi, as well as his nieces and nephews on both sides of the family, his aunts, uncles, his grandma, and his cousins. He also left as well countless friends who will forever hold his memory close. His life, though shorter than we all wished, will continue to inspire love, laughter, and compassion in the hearts of everyone that knew him

A celebration of Bailey's life will be held at a later date, where friends and fam-



ily will gather to honor his memory and share stories of the joy he brought into their lives.

Though we mourn his loss, we also give thanks for the time we had with him. His spirit will live on in the love we carry forward.

Written with love,
His brother, Louis Delgado.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

This year, our nation will commemorate the 238th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America. In the latter part of the 1700s, representatives from our thirteen original colonies convened in Philadelphia to draft documents that would shape our future.

The Constitution serves as the foundation for a free, prosperous, and independent life for every citizen. However, it is crucial for each generation to actively safeguard this vital document. Ne-glect or indifference could lead to the erosion of the rights and liberties we cherish.

The tradition of celebrating the Constitution was initiated by the Daughters of the American Revolution in 1955. They petitioned Congress to designate September 17-23 as Constitution Week. This resolution was adopted by Congress and signed into law by President Dwight D. Eisenhower. On Constitution Day annually, the Daughters of the American Revolution gather across the United States to ring bells in celebration of this remarkable document. We invite you to join us in learning about, protecting, and celebrating this great document.

The National Society Daughters of the American Revolution (NSDAR) continues to thrive today as a non-profit, non-political, and volunteer women's service organization. Their mission is to promote patriotism, preserve American history, and secure the nation's future through im-proved education for both adults and children. Notably, the NSDAR remains apolitical and re-frains from advocating for any specific political ideology. Instead, they uphold and defend the right to free speech and expression, as enshrined in the first amendment of our Constitution.

We invite all to celebrate by ringing a bell at 1 pm PST when others in the nation will be doing so! Ring out for freedom!

Debbie Roush
Associate Member
Cape Sebastian Chapter
Daughters of the American Revolution

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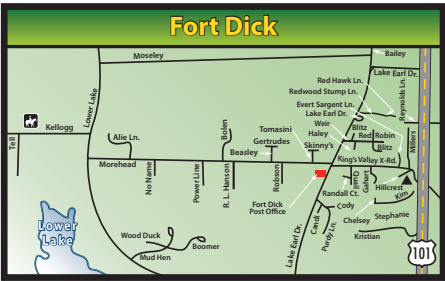
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When Gold Beach Comes Together, Big Things Happen

Celebrating 75 Years of Rotary Partnerships



Photo courtesy of Rotary Club of Gold Beach
Party in the Park: Bryan and Sherry Pip give tree hugging a new meaning.

They say numbers can tell you what was done, but stories reveal why it mattered.

“Storytelling is the heartbeat of service,” as Rotary Club President Anna Marie Curtis put it. “Facts tell, but stories inspire, turning good deeds into movements and members into lifelong champions.”

For 75 years, the story of the Rotary Club of Gold Beach has been one of partnerships neighbors, organizations, and businesses linking arms to make big things happen in a small town.

One of the clearest examples of that spirit is Party in the Park. Nearly two decades ago, this beloved community event grew too large for one small-but-mighty Rotary club to manage alone.

Rather than let it fade, Rotary extended an invitation: Join us. Bring your ideas. Make this event ours, together. That decision changed everything.

Today, Party in the Park is in its 19th year, with more than twenty organizations hosting booths and activities. From face painting to scavenger hunts, archery games to garden crafts, the event has become a living showcase of what happens when people come together, not just to entertain, but to connect, to listen, and to learn.

For many groups, it’s more than an activity; it’s a chance to sit face-to-face with the people they serve, to hear their stories, and to strengthen relationships that make future collaboration possible.

Partnerships That Last

This same spirit of partnership has carried Gold Beach Rotary through every decade. Together with more community organizations to name, a few are: Christian Help Food Pantry; Riley Creek PTO; Curry Master Gardeners; Friends of the Curry Public Library; Curry Watershed Partnership; Kaitlin’s Cause; Gold Beach Community Center; Wally’s House; Gold Beach Main Street; City of Gold Beach; Soroptimist International of Gold Beach and so many more, from service clubs and banks to youth groups and health foundations, have played a part.

More Than Projects — It’s People

At its heart, Rotary is not just about projects. It’s about people. It’s about trust, especially in a rural community where everyone knows everyone. When organizations work together, barriers break down. Needs get met. And neighbors become friends, and even more beautifully is watching people from all different backgrounds, beliefs and demographics coming together to serve, together!

As Rotary celebrates its 75th anniversary, the story is not just about a club. It’s about a town that chose collaboration over competition, and connection over isolation.

“Pivots like Party in the Park are what strengthen a community forever,” said Curtis. “When we choose to do it together, we are unstoppable.”

Want to be part of the next chapter? Join us for a Rotary meeting Wednesdays at noon at The Landing North, or visit goldbeachrotary.com to learn how you can get involved.



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15 Cheeseburger, Lettuce, Tom, Onion, Pickle, Fries	16 Chef Salad Crackers Fruit	17 Meatloaf Mac 'N Cheese Roasted Vegetables	18 Fish Sandwich with cheese Vegetable Soup	19 Chile Relleno Spanish Rice Refried Beans
22 Kielbasa & Sauerkraut Beans Peas & Carrots	23 Egg Salad Pasta Salad Fruit Salad Crackers	24 Spaghetti with meatballs Garlic Bread Brussel Sprouts	25 Fish Sticks Baked Beans Chef's Blend	26 Turkey, Stuffing, Mashed Potatoes, gravy, yams
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
FOR CHANGE OF NAME
To all interested persons:
Petitioner: **Martin Dean Zosel**
filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:\uc1\u10 Present name(s): **Martin Dean Zosel, Quest Hunter Zosel, Martin Dean Zosel Jr, Amilia Svn-Taa-Chu Mae Zosel**
to Proposed name(s): **Martin Dean Jones, Quest Hunter Jones, West Martin Jones, Amilia Svn-Taa-Chu Jones**
THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Any person objecting to the name changes described above must file a written objection that includes the reasons for the objection at least two court days before the matter is scheduled to be heard and must appear at the hearing to show cause why the petition should not be granted. If

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no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant the petition without a hearing.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: **10/17/2025** Time: **10:00 am** Dept.: **1**
The address of the court is same as noted above.\uc1\u10
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Del Norte Triplicate
Date: August 22, 2025.
/s/ Darren McElfresh
Judge of the Superior Court
9/3, 9/10, 9/17, & 9/24/2025, Triplicate, 418022

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF CURRY
SAM ROYES, Personal Representative of the Estate of Dick B. Royes, Deceased, Plaintiff,
v.
WAYNE R. BROOKSHIRE and **ROSEMARY E. BROOKSHIRE**, Defendants.

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No. 25CV27919 SUMMONS
To: Wayne R. Brookshire and Rosemary E. Brookshire
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/s/ J. Glenn Null
J. Glenn Null OSB #040961
Attorney for Plaintiff
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Registered Owner(s):
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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: **n/a**
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Signed:/s/ **David Wylie**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Del Norte County on: **8/15/2025**
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County Clerk-Recorder
Hannah Gill, Deputy
File No. 20250099
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said with a laugh, noting that this dynamic has improved over time. "It took me a long time to get more secure in my own skin." Beyond her thriving business, Hempenstall is deeply committed to her community. She was honored with the Woman on the Rise Award from the Oregon Tradeswoman, an accolade she attributes to her work with local

students. She also collaborates with high school programs, encouraging both boys and girls to explore the trades and demonstrating that physical limitations shouldn't hinder aspirations. "I have worked a lot of the men around here, and I'm almost 50," she proudly stated, "I think that anyone can pursue a career in the trades. College isn't the only choice." Hempenstall also dedicates her time to environ-

mental efforts. In March 2024, she organized an event with sixty-five volunteers to clean up public lands, earning them the SOLV (Stop Oregon Litter and Vandalism) Oregon award for removing five times the normal amount of trash. "We try to stay in our community because that's what it's all for," she said. "It's important to be a part of that and try and have a positive impact."

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include photos as they may reveal too much personal information. According to the Oregon Humanities website, "One of the goals of Dear Stranger is to share and read perspectives from around Oregon. The views shared in these letters are those of their writers, and do not necessarily represent those of the National Endowment for the Humanities or Oregon Humanities." More than 1500 people have participated since 2014 and while the event is open to people of all ages, those under eighteen years of age must have their parents' permission. All letters are read by the Oregon Humanities staff

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Veteran Services Grant funding

The Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs is now accepting proposals for a new round of Veteran Services Grant funding aimed at expanding outreach and services available to veterans throughout Oregon's rural, urban and Tribal communities. "Partnering with diverse organizations throughout Oregon is crucial to ensure that every veteran in our state has access to the full range of earned benefits, services and resources they need in their own homes and communities," said ODVA Director Dr. Nakeia Council Daniels. The 2025 Legislature approved \$972,653 to fund organizations that provide direct services at no cost to veterans. The Veteran Services Grant Program awards grants up to \$250,000 to organizations through a competitive grant process. The purpose of the Veteran Services Grant Program is to fund eligible proposals that help im-

prove outcomes in areas such as health or behavioral health care, housing security and homelessness, employment opportunities or stability, education and training opportunities, transportation accessibility and availability, or other critical services within a community, region, or statewide basis. "This grant is an invitation to collaborate on community-led projects that improve veterans' lives, promoting their health and wellbeing, secure housing, stable employment, educational opportunities, accessible transportation, and other critical services," said Daniels. The Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs will host a webinar at 10 a.m. on September 11TH, to provide additional information about the application process. Submit an Intent to Apply to register for the webinar

and to receive additional information and any updates about the Veteran Service Grant during this open proposal opportunity. The 2025 Veteran Services Grant application window closes at 11:59 p.m. October 13TH. For more information about this grant or to apply, visit Oregon Department of Veterans' Affairs : Veteran Services Grant : Grants : State of Oregon or contact ODVA Grants Coordinator Brenna Bandstra at brenna.bandstra@odva.oregon.gov or 971-388-8204.



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Speck: The image of the boat from the helicopter.

Rescue

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sel, and other local boats, were forced to return to port. The United States Coast Guard continued the search through the night, but suspended their efforts the following morning at 9:30 a.m.
Undeterred, the next morning, the Curry County Sheriff's Office and local volunteers continued the search despite heavy fog grounding air support.
On September 1st, Sheriff Ward and Jordan White conducted helicopter flights, spotting

the capsized vessel near Pistol River, but there were no signs of survivors and with water conditions too dangerous, a water rescue was not possible. Weather conditions at the time of search were 18-20 knots winds with 4-6-foot waves, a 57-degree air temperature and 55-degree water temperature.
Marine Deputy Jordan Rhodes, Gold Beach Fire Captain Tim Bolster and Doug Breidenthal launched a private vessel from the Port of Brookings Harbor to continue the search, joined by a second vessel operated by Dan Akin,



Looking for Survivors: Marine diver Jordan White readies his gear

Graig Maclay and Earl Yager.
At 1:52 p.m., Deputy Rhodes located the capsized vessel approximately twelve miles northwest of the Port of Brookings where it had drifted to. The area was searched again with no signs of life and Bolster was able to secure the boat for towing. Due to the treacherous water con-

ditions, it was deemed too dangerous to send a diver in to search the cabin.
The vessel was towed back to the Port of Brookings Harbor, a grueling process that took more than nine hours and involved multiple crews. At 11:15 p.m., the boat was secured at the dock, with a dive operation planned for the next morning.

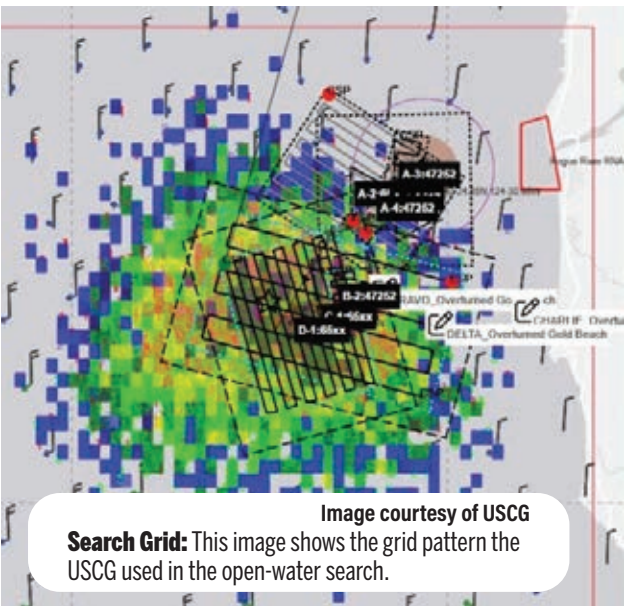


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Search Grid: This image shows the grid pattern the USCG used in the open-water search.

The next morning, on September 3rd, the search crew returned to the vessel. Sheriff Ward, Sergeant Gray, Marine Deputy Rhodes and diver Jordan White conducted a thorough search of the vessel. They located and recovered the body of Sam Waller. The body of Jerrod Bruner was not found.
With the assistance of Port of Brookings Harbor Master Travis Webster, the vessel was lifted from the water and a final search was completed, confirming there were no other bodies on board.
At this time, Jerrod

Bruner is still missing. The Curry County Sheriff's Office, along with local volunteers and resources, continues to search for him. The loss of these two men has had a devastating effect on their families and the entire community.
"This is a very tragic situation," said Master Chief Petty Officer Carlos Hessler Officer in Charge of Station Chetco River. "Anytime there is a vessel in distress, we do everything we can to help those in need. Our hearts are with the boaters and their families during this difficult time."

Oregon transportation tax vote and layoffs delayed because of senator's health



Jordan Gale / Oregon Capital Chronicle
Sen. Chris Gorsek, D-Gresham, at the Oregon Legislature on Feb. 12, 2024.



JULIA SHUMWAY Oregon Capital Chronicle

With a key Democratic senator recovering from surgery, the Oregon Senate will delay a planned vote on a transportation tax package for two weeks.
The House narrowly passed the 10-year, \$4.3 billion package Monday, and a Senate vote was scheduled for Wednesday. But on Tuesday evening, Senate Democrats announced that they would delay the vote until Sept. 17, when they expect Sen. Chris Gorsek, D-Gresham, to be available.
Raising taxes requires support from 18 of 30 senators, and Democrats hold 18 seats. That means all Democrats need to be present if Republicans remain united against the transportation bill. Gorsek underwent back surgery in August and is recovering from complications of that surgery, Democratic leaders said.
"We have been in constant communication with Sen. Gorsek and his team as he works to recover from complications relating to a planned back surgery," Senate President Rob Wagner, D-Lake Oswego, said in a statement Tuesday. "My understand-

ing is that it would be unsafe for Sen. Gorsek to be away from medical care at this time."
A Sept. 17 vote means the bill cannot pass until after Sept. 15, when hundreds of Oregon Department of Transportation workers were slated to be laid off pending legislative intervention. Kotek on Tuesday ordered layoffs be delayed until Oct. 15 again only if the transportation tax package fails final passage in the Senate.
"This date will make sure there are no interruptions for the hundreds of workers whose jobs hang in the balance and the basic services that Oregonians rely on," Kotek said in a statement.
Melissa Unger, executive director of the Service Employees International Union Local 503 that represents many of the affected employees, said workers appreciate the security of knowing no one will lose their jobs for another month, but that lawmakers need to do better.
"When one of our workers calls out sick, someone will step up and do their job," she said. "And I think right now, we really believe that we need to give workers security. They

have been facing unknown timelines, unknown votes for the past two months about whether they get to save their jobs."
The Oregon Department of Transportation faces an immediate \$300 million shortfall in the two-year budget cycle that began July 1, because lawmakers failed to pass a transportation funding plan during the recent six-month legislative session. Kotek in July announced that the department would lay off 483 workers and close a dozen maintenance stations, but she postponed the effective date of layoffs after calling lawmakers back in a special session.
Wren Gilson, an ODOT senior application developer who received a layoff notice in July, held back tears while talking to reporters about an hour after learning of the delay. About half of Gilson's team, who work on software for the Motor Vehicles Division and compile data, received layoff notices, and at least one person on the team left state employment because of the uncertainty over department funding.
"I definitely feel like my job is being held hostage for some political game, and I just wish that there was something that I could do or say, or anything that would help get people to just make this happen," Gilson said.

The House on Labor Day passed an amended version of Kotek's proposed plan, including a 6-cent gas tax increase, hikes to vehicle title and registration fees and temporarily doubling a statewide payroll tax for transit from one-tenth of 1% to two-tenths of 1%.
Under that plan, the payroll tax increase would cost a worker who earns the statewide average salary of \$68,283 about \$68 per year, and drivers of passenger vehicles would pay \$84 more on their two-year car registration. The gas tax impact would vary depending on how many miles people drive and how fuel-efficient their cars are.
<https://oregoncapitalchronicle.com/2025/09/02/oregon-transportation-tax-vote-and-layoffs-delayed-because-of-senators-health/>
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