

Curry County Sheriff's Office offering courtesy boat inspections

By NATE SCHWARTZ
Editor

The Curry County Sheriff's Marine Division is conducting complimentary boat inspections for those who want to make sure their seafaring vessels are up to code with the Oregon State Marine Board's (OSMB) safety requirements.

The Port of Brookings-Harbor took place the morning of printing, March 18. The Port of Gold Beach event is still to come on March 25, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Bring your boat to the boat parking area near the boat ramp. Sheriff vehicles will be on hand to mark the right spot.

Those who pass inspection will receive an official compliance sticker, which will inform the U.S. Coast Guard, Auxiliaries, and Power Squadrons that your boat has cleared official inspection for the year. All kinds of watercraft are welcome and encouraged, from large to small. The inspections are no-penalty and primarily concern ensuring all gear complies with state and federal regulations to keep everyone as safe as possible on the water.



Courtesy of OSMB
The Port of Brookings Harbor recreational boarding dock, upon completion in 2018. Permitting and licensing fees through the OSMB contributed to the \$385,970 grant for the project.



"Bring your motorized, non-motorized, kayaks, rafts, and paddle boards to the port along with proper safety gear and documentation," said the Curry County Sheriff's office in an online statement.

If you miss the open inspection sessions at the ports, you can request a courtesy inspection from the Curry County Sheriff's Marine Patrol by calling 541-247-3242.

As of 2020, operators of all vessels require a Waterway Access Permit from the OSMB,

even non-motorized boats and stand-up paddleboards. Permits are available through the OSMB official webpage, Oregon.gov/osmb.

Revenue from marine permits and registration goes right back to improving infrastructure and access to the ocean for local boaters. Grants from the program have brought over \$527,000 back into Curry County for projects in Brookings-Harbor and Gold Beach.

In the grant years of 2017-2019, over \$385,000 was granted

to the Port of Brookings Harbor for the boarding dock replacement in the recreation basin, with another \$24,000 going to seal coating and repainting the parking lot in the last grant cycle. \$50,000 went to the Curry County Aquatic Safety program in the last cycle to help expand their ASCEND after-school program. The Port of Gold Beach received \$68,000 for electrical upgrades at its sport dock.

A Call for a Veto of HB 4177

COLUMN ON BEHALF OF THE CURRY COASTAL PILOT

We are asking Gov. Tina Kotek to veto HB 4177, an ill-advised measure approved by the Oregon Legislature that undermines Oregon's long-revered Public Meetings Law.

A work group that proposed HB 4177 excluded media organizations that were deeply embedded in the creation of our Public Meetings Law in 1973 and in subsequent amendments. Coming late to that table, representatives of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association were shocked to find this warning from the Oregon Government Ethics Commission:

"This exception would allow governing body members to meet in private and/or communicate privately with each other, outside of any public meeting, in order to gather information. Much of the information gathering that normally occurs in public meetings (work sessions or executive sessions) could instead be done privately ... with no meeting notice, no minutes or recordings, and no news media observers."

Here are additional notes of caution from OGEC, obtained through a public records request:

- "It should be noted at the outset that whenever a quorum of a governing body gathers together, whether in public or private, that quorum has the power to exercise government authority and bind the government to any decision. Even if that decision occurs in private and in violation of the Public Meetings Law, the action still binds the government."

- "It (HB 4177) is effectively rewriting the Public Meetings Law in ways that create much more ambiguity and inhibit enforcement, and doing so in a short session without any public involvement."

HB 4177 contains significant legal and political complications, and there is no emergency need for immediate legislative action without adequate attention to those problems.

Some portray HB 4177 as a measure simply to clarify issues related to "serial communications," which are 'daisy-chain' discussions among members of a governing body allowing deliberation without a meeting.

Instead, as testified by citizens, ONPA and OGEC, HB 4177 actually expands permissions for serial communications while allowing full-quorum gatherings of governing bodies with "no meeting notice, no minutes or recordings, and no news media observers."

And of course, no citizen observers.

Enactment of HB 4177 would result in loss of gov-

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From farm store rules to Moda Center renovations, these Oregon bills got bipartisan support

Nearly 90% of bills passed in 2026 received bipartisan support



Photo by Mia Maldonado/Oregon Capital Chronicle
The Oregon Pioneer, commonly known as the Gold Man, is a 23-foot-tall, 8.5-ton statue atop the state Capitol in Salem.

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Republicans during Oregon's 2026 legislative session repeatedly criticized Democrats, who hold the majority in the Legislature, for not working across the aisle on measures such as moving the date of a gas tax referendum and policies they said conflict with President Donald Trump's tax and immigration agenda.

Democrats hold 18 of 30 seats in the Senate and 37 of 60 in the House, meaning they can generally pass legislation without Republican votes so long as they stay unified.

There are tactics Republicans can use to stall or block a bill from a vote. That includes denying a quorum by leaving the chamber — which they did at least twice this session. The House requires 40 members present and the Senate 20 to conduct business. However, under a 2022

voter-approved constitutional amendment, any lawmaker who racks up ten unexcused absences from skipping session is barred from running for reelection.

Despite those tensions, both parties by the end of the session that adjourned Friday worked together to pass funding to renovate Portland's Moda Center, to keep a rural Coos Bay hospital from closing and to fund statewide wildlife conservation.

Nearly 90% of bills — or 128 of 143 — that passed both chambers received at least one Republican vote, according to the Oregon Senate Majority Office.

Below is a non-exhaustive list of some of the bills where Oregon lawmakers worked together. Some have already been signed into law by Gov. Tina Kotek, while others await her signature. She has 30 business days to sign or veto bills.

Rural Oregon

- Stabilizing Bay Area Hospital: House Bill 4075 approves a \$44 million loan from the state's unclaimed property and estates fund to loan a rural Coos Bay hospital. It is awaiting a signature from the governor.

- Farm stores: House Bill 4153 allows for "farm stores" of up to 10,000 square feet on lands zoned exclusively for farm use. It is awaiting a signature from the governor.

- Transient lodging tax: HB 4134 increases a tax on short-term lodging from 1.5% to 2.75% and declares those funds be distributed toward conservation efforts, including combatting poaching and invasive species, wolf management, wildlife law enforcement and protecting fish, wildlife and natural habitats. It is awaiting a signature from the governor.

- Liability waiver reform: Senate Bill 1517 aims at protecting small businesses by strengthening liability waivers

that ski areas, gyms and rafting guides offer. After several rounds of amendments, the bill received nearly unanimous support in both chambers. It awaits a signature from Kotek.

Affordability

- Banning speculative ticketing: House Bill 4024 bans people and websites from selling event tickets they don't actually have, unless they have a written contract to obtain the ticket from an initial sale. It received unanimous approval in the Senate and a 55-2 vote in the House. Kotek already signed it into law.

- Cervical cancer costs: Senate Bill 1527 eliminates out-of-pocket costs for cervical cancer screenings and procedures for Oregonians. It received unanimous approval in both chambers and Kotek already signed it into law.

- Tariff relief for small businesses: House Bill 4061 allocates \$950,000 to Business Oregon to administer tariff relief grants for small businesses, and work with other state and local agencies to update the state's unified trade strategy. It received near unanimous support in both chambers and awaits Kotek's signature.

Education

- Free books for kids: House Bill 4022 establishes the Oregon Imagination Library Program to provide a free book each month to eligible children ages 1-5 and encourage literacy. It received near unanimous votes in both chambers and was signed into law on Thursday.

- Requiring emergency response plans in schools: House Bill 4160 requires that schools have a cardiac emergency response plan in place, including ensuring access to automated external defibrillators and that all coaches be trained in CPR/AED

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Guest Column



HOLY COW! HISTORY:

The Woman Who Gave the World Barbie

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TSometimes, it's the popular girls who get picked on the most. Just ask a certain blonde. Because she's heard it all over the years. "She's unrealistically beautiful!"

"She feeds stereotypes about gender roles!"

"She promotes body shaming!"

And yet she remains as popular as ever. Although she's now 67, she doesn't look a day over 19. Oh, she's also among the best-selling toys of all time.

Yes, it's Barbie, Mattel's beloved doll with a career stretching back to the Eisenhower administration. And even though she's old enough to qualify for Social Security, she's still a superstar with American girls — on the store shelves and at the box office. (At \$1.4 billion, the 2023 Barbie movie was Warner Brothers' highest-grossing release of all time.)

Feminists have bashed the plastic plaything for decades as a bad role model for girls. Yet the story of how she became a staple of the childhood toy box is a testament to one woman's real-life vision and persistence.

Ruth Handler was something of a rarity for the 1950s. She was a mother and a successful businesswoman. She had joined her husband, Elliot, and Harold "Matt" Mattson in 1945 to create a company in a California garage. It made picture frames and, with scraps of leftover plastic, furniture for dollhouses. They combined the men's first names and christened the new business Mattel. ("We couldn't find a way to work in Ruth's name," Mattson later recalled.) They weren't getting rich, but everyone was eating.

They had a hit in 1947 when a miniature ukulele, the "Uke-A-Doodle," put Mattel on the toy-making map. Poor health forced Mattson to bow out of the business the following year.

As the company grew, so did the Handler's family: a daughter, Barbara, and a son, Kenneth. While watching her little girl play one day, Ruth noticed something interesting.

Dolls at that time were mostly babies and toddlers. But Barbara and her friends were captivated by flat, cutout paper dolls showing adult women. They could be adorned with a variety of paper

dresses, and girls could imagine them at home with their family, working in a business office, or even leading the glamorous life of a movie star.

That got Ruth's imagination going. What if there were a plastic doll depicting a young woman for girls to play with? She kept churning it over and over in her mind, imagining what one would look like.

Elliot and Mattel's board of directors were, to put it mildly, unresponsive to the idea. Ruth refused to give up.

Then, on a 1956 trip to Europe, inspiration met reality.

While shopping one day in Lucerne, Switzerland, (or maybe it was Geneva or Vienna; she remembered it differently over the years), Ruth stumbled upon something remarkable. It was a German doll of an adult woman named Bild Lilli. Bild was a popular German newspaper, and Lilli was a cartoon character who appeared in it. An array of clothing could be put together to outfit her for a variety of situations.

Though originally created as a novelty for adults, European girls claimed Lilli as their own, vindicating Ruth's idea. She

bought three of the dolls; one was a gift for little Barbara; the other two were taken to Mattel headquarters.

Inventor-designer Jack Ryan took it from there, reimagining the doll until it became the figure we know today. Both blonde and brunette, she wore a zebra-striped bathing suit, sported a ponytail, and was billed as a "teen model." (She even got a brief bio with Willows, Wis., as her hometown.) Ruth named the doll Barbie after her daughter.

She won over Mattel's board, which reversed course and decided to go big on the new doll.

When Barbie debuted on March 9, 1959, at the American International Toy Fair in New York, she was an instant hit. True, some parents objected to the doll's, um, let us say, ample bosoms. But that didn't dampen sales. Even its \$3 price tag (about \$33.50 today) didn't prevent folks from snatching it up.

In all, 350,000 Barbies were initially sold, blowing away original estimates.

Business was so brisk that Mattel couldn't keep up with demand for the first three years. Things picked up even more



J. Mark Powell

in 1961, when Barbie acquired a boyfriend, Ken, named after Ruth's son Kenneth. With that, both children were ensconced in the world of toy legends.

By 2006, it was estimated that more than 1 billion dolls have been sold in 150 countries. Mattel now says that more than one doll is sold every second somewhere in the world.

Barbie not only made Ruth Handler rich. The doll also gave her one of the biggest "I told you so's" in history.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The staff of Southwestern Oregon Community College Curry Campus would like to thank our community for helping us to revive a very popular pre-COVID event. The South Coast Writers Conference brings together experts in multiple areas with novices and dreamers for a weekend symposium of food and sharing writing expertise. This year's event was held February 13th and 14th, marking the first time the event has been held right here at the Curry Campus. Participants responded positively, noting a new confidence in moving forward in their writing endeavors. Also mentioned were the combination of intimacy and enthusiasm offered at our beautiful campus and a hope that we will keep it going every year.

Our conference was made possible by the input of many generous community members including co-sponsors, Travel Southern Oregon Coast, Oregon Wild River Coast, Curry County Chamber of Commerce, Women in Business, and the SWOCC Foundation. We appreciate

the donations from Battle Quest Comics, Beacon Broadband and Coos Curry Electric and other contributions from Chetco Public Library, Backstreet Bar Italian Kitchen, Beachfront Inn, Westward Inn, Harbor Inn and AmeriCoast Inn. A big thanks goes to the many volunteers who worked on planning and helped run the event, making it a first-rate experience for all. We especially want to thank the Brookings Harbor Education Foundation, whose sponsorship enabled young people under the age of 21 to attend for free.

Thank you everyone!
SWOCC Curry Campus staff

Serving as your County Commissioner, daily I see the character of this place—hard-working families, resilient businesses, and neighbors who still look out for one another.

My priority is simple: help build a safer, financially stable, and thriving Curry County.

That work begins with public safety.

Our sheriff's deputies, dispatchers, and emergency re-ponders serve across more than 1,600 square miles of rugged rural territory, one of the largest service areas in Oregon. Protecting our communities across that landscape is a de-manding and expensive responsibility, especially for a county with one of the smallest property-tax bases in the state.

That reality means county leadership must constantly improve efficiency and ensure every public-safety dollar is used effectively.

Second, we must practice responsible financial stewardship. Over the past two budget cycles, the Board of Commissioners has worked to bring greater discipline and stability to county finances. Balanced budgets, careful use of reserves, and long-term planning are essential if we want to maintain roads, public safety, and county services without placing un-necessary burden on taxpayers.

Financial stability takes steady leadership, honest accounting, and a com-

mitment to re-building strong financial practices year by year.

Third, we must support economic opportunity that fits our community. Curry County's future rests on sustainable industries—fishing, forestry, tourism, small business, and our working waterfronts. Protecting these industries means protecting the natural resources and coastal environment that define our way of life.

That is why I have worked alongside regional leaders to advocate for responsible forest management and to stand with coastal communities opposing offshore industrial wind development along our south coast.

My approach is straightforward: listen carefully, work collaboratively, and deliver practical results for my neighbors in Curry County.

Curry County has challenges—but also enormous potential. I would be honored to continue this work on your behalf.

Lynn F. Coker
County Commissioner

VETO 4177

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ernment transparency, and new confusion for OGEC in its role of enforcing the Public Meetings Law.

Ironically, it required a public records request to uncover the depth of public harm that would be imposed by enactment of HB 4177. Oregon's two joined laws – Public Records and Public Meetings – provide the core rights of Oregon citizens to open government.

The Public Meetings Law in ORS 192.620 states state policy unchanged since 1973: "The Oregon form of government requires an informed public aware of the deliberations and decisions of governing bodies and the information upon which such decisions were made. It is the intent of ORS 192.610 to 192.690 that decisions of governing bodies be arrived at openly."

HB 4177 is a violation of that 56-year-old open government policy.

We believe, in passing HB 4177 during a short session, that the Oregon Legislature did not have full access to legal analysis about its consequences. This is precisely the time – particularly by a governor who has championed open government through decades of Oregon public service – for a balancing veto.

Gov. Kotek, we offer our full support on behalf of the Oregon public for your consideration of a veto on HB 4177.

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Coastal Oregon conservative announces run for U.S. Senate

By: **SHAANTH NANGUNERI**
Oregon Capital Chronicle

A southern Oregon state senator announced Tuesday that he would seek the GOP nomination for U.S. Senate.

The campaign of Sen. David Brock Smith, a Republican from Port Orford, pointed to his long roots in southwest Oregon, describing him as a third-generation resident and former restaurant owner who led his family's business for 45 years.

Though it did not offer any specific policy positions, his announcement cited his experience before working in Salem as a former leader of Port Orford's Chamber of Commerce and in local governments at the city and county levels, saying he has worked to balance budgets and support residents and businesses.

"Oregonians are tired of partisan bickering, political grandstanding and headlines that produce nothing but noise," Brock Smith said in a statement. "I've never operated that way. As your next United States senator, I won't start now. My focus will be squarely on the people of Oregon. I'll fight to make everyday life more affordable for working families, restore safety to our streets, address addiction and homelessness with accountability, and ensure every Oregonian's voice is heard and respected in Washington."

The former state representative served in the Oregon House for about six years and reached the Oregon Senate when local county commissioners appointed him in 2023 to fill the coastal Senate seat of Republican Dallas Heard, who had resigned. Brock Smith appears to be the only elected official running for the GOP nomination, and he has developed a reputation in Salem for working across the aisle. He's a member of the bipartisan Oregon Legisla-

tive Sportsmen's Caucus, which advocates for protecting hunting, recreational shooting, trapping and fishing, and of the bipartisan Coastal Caucus.

But he faces an uphill battle if he ends up representing the GOP in November. U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley, who is running for another term, has held the seat since winning election in 2008. Oregon hasn't elected a Republican to the U.S. Senate since the 1990s, and only two members of the GOP have won statewide races since 2000. The upcoming midterm elections are expected to prove beneficial for Democrats nationwide hoping to capitalize on discontent with the White House and Congress, currently controlled by Republicans.

But there is little drawback for Brock Smith to run for the position. Since his state senate term ends in 2029, he wouldn't have to forfeit his position in the Legislature in order to try his hand at the U.S. Senate election. He did not immediately respond to a text message requesting an interview on Tuesday and walked into an elevator in the Capitol when asked about the top issues he was prioritizing as a candidate.

Oregon's 1st Senate District, which Brock Smith currently represents, encompasses Curry County as well as portions of Coos, Jackson and Douglas counties, and it heavily leans in favor of the GOP. Smith has sometimes taken positions to the right of his Republican colleagues in Salem.

For instance, he has claimed that human actions don't contribute to climate change, despite widespread scientific consensus that human activity is the phenomenon's principal driver. Brock Smith also signed onto a letter urging then-Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum to join the state of Texas in its 2020 lawsuit seeking to overturn the results of that year's presidential election in four battleground states,

though the U.S. Supreme Court rejected the suit the same day the letter was issued.

After now-House Speaker Rep. Julie Fahey, D-Eugene, accused the Oregon Republican lawmakers who signed onto the letter of complicity in the violence surrounding the Jan. 6 insurrection, Brock Smith clarified that he had "already accepted President-elect Biden." He told Willamette Week that he supports "any individual's right to peacefully protest" and condemns "unlawful riots and acts violence whenever and wherever they occur."

Thousands of Oregonians also excoriated his 2025 bill that would have asked voters to decide whether to repeal the state's decades-old mail voting law. Though the bill failed to pass, conservative activists are circulating a similar petition to end vote-by-mail in the state and establish an in-person voting day.

It remains to be seen whether they will gather the close to 160,000 signatures required by the July 2 deadline, given that Oregonians have voted by mail entirely since 2000 after voters in the state approved the switch to mail ballots in 1998.

But Brock Smith has also had to battle misinformation from his opponents on the right. He urged one of his fellow Republican primary opponents in 2024 to stop spreading false claims suggesting that he is tied to the Chinese Communist Party, threatening to sue under state law. His opponents in that race also seized upon his backing of a law that set in motion a state-backed study of the benefits and disadvantages of offshore wind production, claiming it was evidence he supports offshore wind turbines.

It's a theme that could continue into the upcoming GOP primary. Brock Smith's most prominent opponent for the Republican nomination is the perennial candidate



Jo Rae Perkins, who has publicly spread conspiracy theories from QAnon, a loose-knit right-wing political movement claiming that President Donald Trump is fighting an elite group of pedophiles. Perkins was the Republican nominee for Oregon's U.S. Senate elections in 2020 and 2022.

So far, Brock Smith's state Senate campaign has more than \$50,000 in cash in the bank. No official candidate filings for his U.S. Senate campaigns were immediately available on the Federal Election Commission's campaign finance database on Tuesday.

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Bills

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use. It was unanimous in the Senate, nearly unanimous in the House and awaits a signature from Kotek.

- Supporting homeless students: House Bill 4149 directs school districts to adopt for homeless students policies that ensure immediate enrollment, school placement and provision of critical services, such as transportation. It also directs the Oregon Department of Education to designate a state coordinator for the education of homeless students. Its passage was nearly unanimous in both chambers and awaits a signature from Kotek.

Housing

- Restoring damaged dwellings: Senate Bill 1561 requires local governments to approve the rebuild of a home damaged in a natural disaster, ensuring it is not considered a land use decision that is open to further regulation and appeals. It passed unanimously in both chambers and awaits a signature from Kotek.

- Oregonians over private equity: House Bill 4128 gives families, individuals and small real estate businesses a 90-day head start before private equity firms can purchase single-family homes for sale in Oregon. It awaits a signature from Kotek.

- Urban growth boundary expansion in rural areas: House Bill 4082 is a one-time expansion of urban growth boundary rules, with the condition that additional land be used for manufactured housing or housing specifically for

people more than 55 years old. It lets cities with populations of 25,000 or more to bring in 100 additional acres for development, and those with smaller populations to bring in up to 50. It awaits a signature from Kotek.

Other

- Moda Center & Abiqua Falls: Senate Bill 5701 allocates \$365 million to pay for renovations at the Moda Center, and \$2.1 million to acquire 200 acres of the Abiqua Creek area near Silverton, including the 92-foot-tall Abiqua Falls. It also allocates \$45.7 million for public university projects and \$100 million for affordable rental housing. It passed nearly unanimously in both chambers and is awaiting

the governor's signature.

- Campaign finance reform: House Bill 4018 would enforce by 2027 campaign finance limits first passed in 2024. It effectively doubles legal spending limits established in 2024 by applying them to calendar years rather than two-year election cycles, increases allowances for in-kind contributions and allows donors to create multiple LLCs to contribute money to a candidate as long as it's not for the "sole purpose" of circumventing the law. It allocates \$1.5 million to the Oregon Secretary of State's Office to enforce the contribution limits. Stricter disclosure requirements from big donors, however, would not be enforced until 2031. It awaits a signature

from Kotek.

- Liability for traffic violations: House Bill 4137 frees Oregonians from liability for traffic citations for vehicles if they are no longer the owner. The bill received unanimous votes in both chambers and is awaiting the governor's signature.
- AI chat bots: Senate Bill 1546 would require AI programs such as ChatGPT

to remind users more regularly that they are speaking to an artificial intelligence tool, not a human. It passed unanimously in the House, nearly unanimously in the Senate and awaits a signature from Kotek.

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Respect nesting areas to protect threatened snowy plover Mar. 15 through Sept. 15

Northern Curry County is among the protected nesting areas



FROM OPRD

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department and Siuslaw National Forest remind visitors to the Oregon Coast that western snowy plover nesting season begins March 15 and runs through Sept. 15. Beachgoers can help recovery efforts for the threatened shorebird by observing recreation restrictions at designated plover beaches.

Sensitive plover nesting areas are identified on maps for the northern Oregon Coast and southern Oregon Coast. Western snowy plovers nest in dry sand above the high tide line and are often difficult to see because they camouflage well. To help protect these tiny shorebirds, please stay on wet sand and leave your dogs at home or at your campsite, even if they are leashed. Visitors may notice signs at trailheads

with additional rules and limitations. There may be rope fencing in dry sand areas; this fencing delineates some, but not all, of the critical plover habitat that should be avoided.

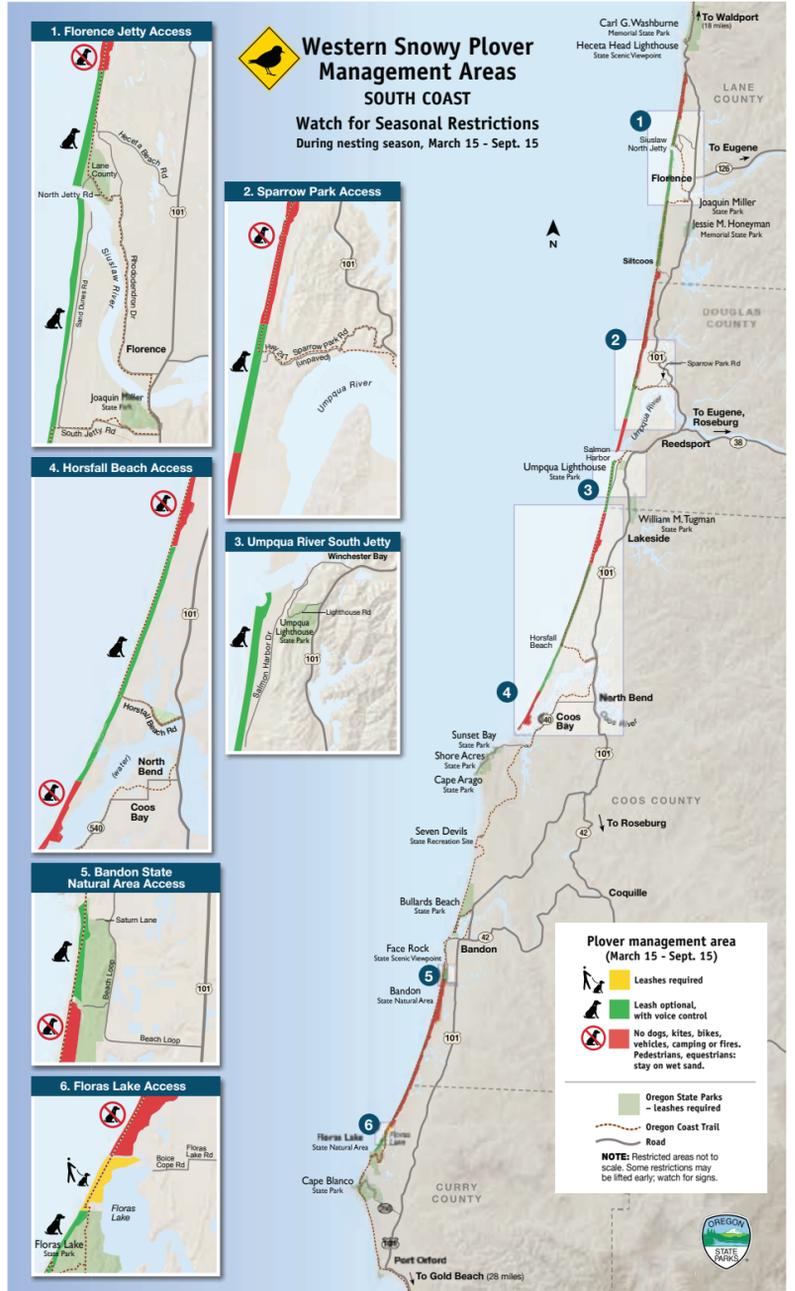
Seasonal recreation restrictions have helped protect and recover the western snowy plovers living on Oregon's beaches. Nests, and especially chicks, are well-hidden. During the nesting season, human disturbances can flush adult plovers away from their nests as they attempt to defend their young. Left alone too long, or too often, eggs or chicks can die from exposure and predators. Habitat loss from invasive plants and human disturbances—including litter and discarded food scraps that attract predators—also contribute to the birds' decline.

Recreation restrictions occur only in designated

plover management areas where plovers nest or might nest. These areas combined make up about 40 miles of Oregon's 362 miles of shoreline.

Reminders for recreation on designated plover beaches March 15 - Sept. 15:

- The following are not permitted: dogs (even on a leash), driving a vehicle, riding a bicycle or e-bike, camping, burning wood, flying kites or operating drones.
 - Foot and equestrian traffic are permitted below the high-tide line on wet, hard packed sand.
 - Respect signs and barriers to protect nesting habitat.
- The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service listed western snowy plovers as a threatened species in 1993 when officials counted only 45 breeding adults. Populations



have steadily increased since then due to ongoing efforts. Officials counted 546 during the breeding season survey in 2025.

"We appreciate visitors' support in keeping these shorebirds safe. We invite visitors to enjoy permitted recreation in sensitive areas or to recreate without seasonal restrictions on beaches not designated as plover nesting areas," said

Laurel Hillmann, ocean shore specialist for the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.

More information on the snowy plover, including detailed maps of nesting sites, can be found on the Oregon State Parks website (oregon.gov/plovers) and on the Siuslaw National Forest website.

Background on plover

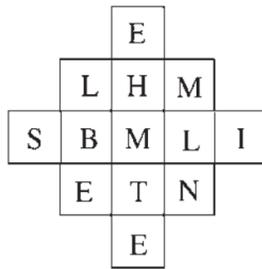
protections

Several land managers oversee beach activity for plover protection, primarily the U.S. Forest Service (USFS), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD). For more information on how plovers are managed in Oregon, the Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) is available online.

STICKELERS [sic]

by Terry Stickels

The letters below are randomly placed to make a scrambled word. Can you determine what the word is?



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The word is "embellishment."

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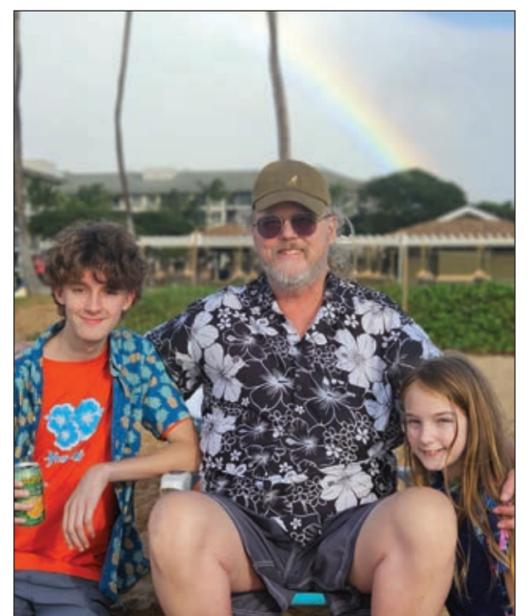
Anthony Marshall Tyler

April 11, 1963 - February 12, 2026

Anthony Marshall Tyler, age 62, of Smith River, CA, passed away very unexpectedly on February 12, 2026.

Born on April 11, 1963, in Madison, Wisconsin, he was a devoted husband to his wife of 23 years and a loving father, brother, son, and friend. Tony was known for his unwavering support for his loved ones, and his passion for music and politics. His warmth and wisdom will stay with us forever.

Tony is survived by his heartbroken wife, Sabine Tyler, his beloved children, Maximilian and Luna; his brothers Chris Engelstad (with Cheryl, Isabel and Haley); Scott Tyler (with Sheila, Scott and Slade); his sisters Julia Smith (with Ian, Presley, Colin and Rylan), Emily Grant (with Matt, Ethan and Madison); his mother Linda Engelstad (with Barry); and all his dear friends. He was preceded in



death by his father (Bruce Tyler) and stepmother (Karen), as well as their beloved cats Chaos, Okie, Pepe,

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The Towers, LLC proposes to build a 199-foot-tall monopole Communications Tower/Structure. Anticipated lighting application is medium intensity dual red/white strobes. The Site is located near the corner of Oregon Coast Highway and Grassy Knob Road, Sixes, Curry County, Oregon 97465. Lat: 42-48-9.93, Long: -124-28-56.47. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Antenna Structure Registration (ASR, Form 854) filing number is A1377165.

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS – Interested persons may review the application (www.fcc.gov/asr/applications) by entering the filing number. Environmental concerns may be raised by filing a Request for Environmental Review (www.fcc.gov/asr/environmentalrequest) and online filings are strongly encouraged. The mailing address to file a paper copy is: FCC Requests for Environmental Review, Attn: Ramon Williams, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554. **HISTORIC PROPERTIES EFFECTS** – Public comments regarding potential effects on historic properties may be submitted within 30 days from the date of this publication to: Trileaf Corp, Taylor Sims, t.sims@trileaf.com, 2121 West Chandler Boulevard, Chandler, Arizona 85224, (480)447-4895. CNS-4019218# 3/18/2026 Pilot 424549

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

In the Matter of the Estate of EDWIN JOSEPH LISZKA, Deceased.
Case No. 26PB01785
INFORMATION TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MARSHALL LISZKA has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate of EDWIN JOSEPH LISZKA are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative at 817 NE Garden Valley Blvd, Roseburg, OR 97470, or through his attorney, Nathan B. McClintock, at PO Box 1178, Coos Bay, OR 97420, or in person at 936 Central Avenue, Coos Bay, Oregon, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may

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be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyer for the personal representative, Nathan B. McClintock. Dated and first published on March 18, 2026. /s/ Nathan B. McClintock, OSB #841520 Attorney for Personal Representative 3/18/2026 Pilot 424417

Public Notice:

Agency: USDA - Natural Resources Conservation Service Meeting: Coos and Curry County Local Work Group Meeting Date: April 6th, 2026 Time: 4:00-6:00 p.m. Location: Bandon Public Library, 1204 11th St. SW, Bandon, OR 97411 For More Information or a Zoom link, contact: Katie Woodruff, 541-824-8091 or Katlyn.woodruff@usda.gov Purpose: NRCS is holding a Local Work Group Meeting to gather input from farmers, ranchers, state and federal agencies, agriculture and conservation organizations regarding natural resource conservation priorities and opportunities to invest collaboratively in Coos and Curry County. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider, employer and lender. A request for accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made 48 hours before the meeting. Please contact (Katie Woodruff 541-824-8091 or Katlyn.woodruff@usda.gov) for arrangements. This event is not sponsored or endorsed by the Bandon Library. 3/18/2026 Pilot 424284

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Curry County Soil & Water Conservation District is holding its regular monthly meeting at 5:30 p.m. on March 24, 2026. In addition to routine business, agenda topics include continued discussion about banking services and reviewing the draft 2024-25 Annual Report and audit of the financial statements. Other matters may be discussed. In accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(i), the Curry County Soil & Water Conservation District will hold an Executive Session following the regular meeting for purposes of conducting the District Manager's annual performance evaluation. Both meetings will be held at the Curry Watersheds Partnership office located at 29286 Ellensburg Ave., Gold Beach. The location is accessible to persons with disabilities. An option to join the regular meeting electronically is available. To access the regular meeting electronically, please contact Liesl Coleman at liesl.coleman@currywatersheds.org or (541) 247-2755 ext 0. To request an interpreter for the

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hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities, please contact Liesl Coleman at least 48 hours prior to the regular meeting. 3/18/2026 (online 3/16 - 3/23) Pilot 424401

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CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF CURRY PROBATE DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of the Estate of SUSAN CAROL TREVINO, Deceased.
CaseNo.26PB00173
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Shariene Davies, 2516 Ethan Way, Sacramento, CA 95821, 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 4th day of March, 2026. /s/ K.R. Olin, OSB #903547 Attorney for Personal Representative PO Box 7530, Brookings, OR 97415 (541) 469-2669 olinandassociates@gmail.com 3/4, 3/11, & 3/18/2026 Pilot 423905

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON,

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FOR THE COUNTY OF CURRY Case No. 25PB10927 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

In the Matter of the Estate of IRA P. TOZER, Deceased NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned Administrator or her attorney at the address below, 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 lawyer for the Personal Representative, David C Johnston. Dated and first published on March 4, 2026. /s/ Yvette Pierce Personal Representative Lawyer for Personal Representative: David C. Johnston, OSB #140957 Law Office of David C Johnston P.O. Box 4884 Brookings, OR 97415 (541) 373-8706 3/4, 3/11, & 3/18/2026 Pilot 424027

NOTICE OF SHERIFF'S SALE

On March 31, 2024, at the hour of 11:00 o'clock a.m. at the Curry County Courthouse, front steps, 29821 Ellensburg, Gold Beach, Oregon, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the real property commonly known as: 317 12th, Port Orford, Oregon 97465. The court case number is 24CV20550, where NEWREZ LLC D/B/A SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING is plaintiff, and THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF LORRAINE HERMOSILLO, A DECEASED INDIVIDUAL; LISA GUERRERO; PHILLIP GUERRERO; WELLS FARGO BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE FOR GMACM HOME EQUITY LOAN TRUST 2004-HE5; AND ALL OTHER UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, LIEN OR INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 317 12TH, PORT ORFORD, OR 97465 is defendant. The sale is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand, made out to Curry County Sheriff's Office. For more information on this sale go to: www.oregonsheriffs.com/sales.htm 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, & 3/18/2026 Pilot 423827

POLICE BLOTTER

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

Monday 03/02:

- 2:35 Seacrest Ln, fire
- 8:21 Pacific Ave, harassment
- 10:08 Pioneer Rd, harassment
- 15:29 Ocean Park Ct, dispute/fight
- 18:35 Chetco Ave, telephone harassment
- 18:59 Chetco Ave, alarm
- 19:04 Elk Dr, disorderly conduct
- 19:07 Long Acre Loop, alarm
- 20:10 Sunshine Cove, illegal camping

- 7:23 Oak St, violation of city ordinance
- 7:34 5th St, disorderly conduct
- 7:59 Park Ave, criminal trespass
- 8:26 5th St, criminal trespass
- 8:35 Chetco Ave, criminal trespass
- 8:53 Hwy 101 S, criminal trespass
- 9:15 Old County Rd, alarm
- 10:29 5th St, criminal trespass
- 14:08 Railroad St, fire
- 16:05 Railroad St, criminal trespass
- 21:46 Chetco and Oak, warrant service

- 2:57 Coverdell Rd, disorderly conduct
- 7:02 Railroad Ave, disorderly conduct
- 10:04 Fifield St, civil problem
- 10:18 Gardner Ridge Rd, criminal trespass
- 11:05 Moore St, theft
- 12:21 Chetco Ave, disorderly conduct
- 15:11 Hwy 101 Harris Beach Rest Area, illegal camping
- 15:18 Chetco Ave Dutch Bros, criminal trespass
- 22:47 Hwy 101 S, civil problem

- 16:22 Pioneer Ln, dispute/fight
- 17:30 5th St, criminal trespass
- 17:39 Spindrift Ln, alarm
- 18:31 North Bank Chetco and Gardner, traffic crash
- 19:37 Mill Beach, loud noise
- 19:48 Chetco and 5th, DUII

Friday 03/06:

- 0:22 Hwy 101 S, stalking
- 0:36 835 Chetco Ave, criminal trespass 2nd degree
- 9:51 17529 Longacre Loop, fire alarm
- 13:30 505 Pacific Ave, harassment

- 14:20 Chetco Bridge, illegal camping
- 18:59 1031 Chetco Ave, alarm
- 19:07 HWY 101 South side of Bridge, hit & run
- 19:17 120 Tila Ln, dispute/fight
- 21:30 Mill Beach parking lot, loud noise

Saturday 03/07:

- 4:14 Velopa Ct, open door
- 4:51 5th St, sex crime

Tuesday 03/03:

- 7:06 Foxglove, dispute/fight

Wednesday 03/04:

- 0:00 Old County Rd, fire alarm

Thursday 03/05:

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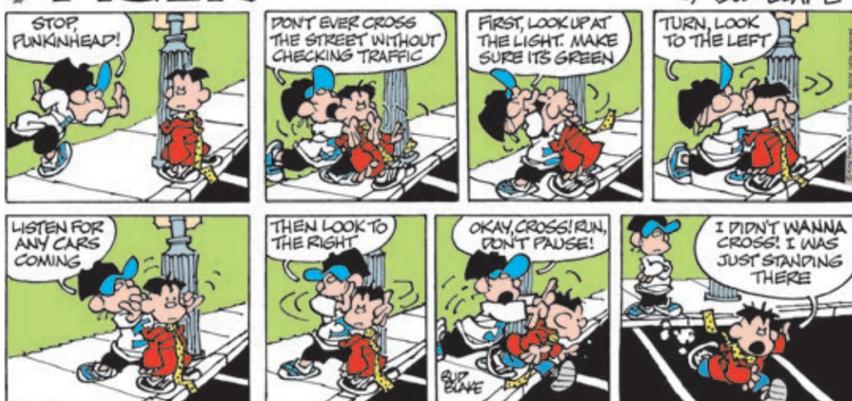
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CryptoQuip

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

Clue: S equals O

H ZQ RSSCNE SU JVPEWHUK
VRN RHJVSJLW ST STHBHZD
CHUKDW ENBLNNJ. H KPNJJ
H'Q ZU NEHBV ZEEHBV.

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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!

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Mature: PRINE
Smear: DUGEMS
Tend: RUNES

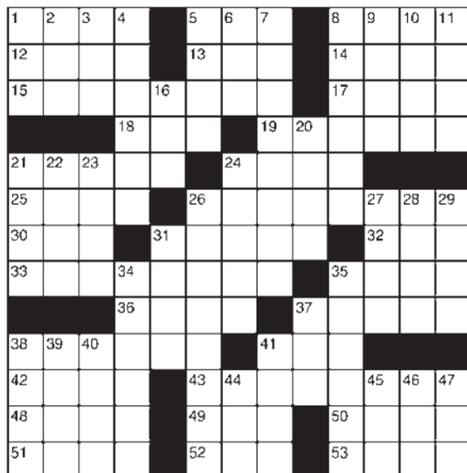
TODAY'S WORD: _____



King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Makes a choice
- 5 Pear-shaped fruit
- 8 "The Black Prince" author Murdoch
- 12 High point
- 13 Hostel
- 14 Central point
- 15 "Citadel" actress Chopra
- 17 Only
- 18 Brooch
- 19 Rappers' improvisations
- 21 Signaled "Hit"
- 24 — Bator
- 25 Battery fluid
- 26 Female royal
- 30 Roulette bet
- 31 Carried on, as war
- 32 Pickles on "Rugrats"
- 33 Inmate
- 35 Chorus syllables
- 36 "I dropped the fruitcake!"
- 37 How distant stars shine
- 38 Politico Nancy
- 41 Parcel of land
- 42 Latin 101 word



- 43 Archbishops, e.g.
- 48 Get overemotional
- 49 Slithery fish
- 50 Prime-time hour
- 51 Villa d'—
- 52 Tofu source
- 53 Bigfoot's cousin
- 5 Twain hero
- 6 Squid squirt
- 7 More knotted, as a tree
- 8 Harmonious
- 9 Leeway
- 10 Between jobs
- 11 Beholds
- 16 Help
- 20 Royal flush, e.g.
- 21 Get bent out of shape
- 22 Computer brand
- 23 Caesar's "I saw"
- 24 Implores
- 26 Primitive flutes
- 27 Wax-coated cheese
- 28 Ledge
- 29 Do in
- 31 Courts
- 34 Mollify
- 35 Lengthy list
- 37 — Perignon
- 38 Leaf
- 39 Flightless birds
- 40 Endure
- 41 Easter bloom
- 44 Classic car
- 45 Dead heat
- 46 Sinusitis doc
- 47 Six, in Sicily

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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.

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♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Solution time: 23 mins.
Answers
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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- MUSIC: Who composed the opera "The Magic Flute"?
- LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "Wuthering Heights"?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which sport uses a shuttlecock?
- MATH: What is the next prime number after 11?
- GEOGRAPHY: Where is Pearl Harbor located?
- INVENTIONS: Who is credited with inventing the World Wide Web?
- SCIENCE: What is the name for plants that live for two years?
- MOVIES: What is Jack-Jack's real name in "The Incredibles"?
- ACRONYMS: What does VPN stand for?
- ASTRONOMY: Which moon is the largest in our solar system?

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Today's Word

- 1. Snare; 2. Ripen
- 3. Smudge; 4. Nurse

Solution

SCRAMBLERS

D	N	A	S
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Solution

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

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I'm hooked on studying the history of official answer.

- Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart
- Emily Bronte
- Badminton
- 13
- Oahu, Hawaii
- Tim Berners-Lee
- Biennials
- John Jackson Parr
- Virtual Private Network
- Gany made of Jupiter

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Redfish Music Festival brings Piano Trio on spring tour to Southern Oregon Coast

Port Orford concert opens four-city tour featuring works by Bonis, Martin, and Schumann



Photos by Eric Feliciano
Redfish Piano Trio



PORT ORFORD, Ore. — The Redfish Music Festival returns this spring with a four-city piano trio tour along the Southern Oregon Coast, opening Thursday, March 26 at Zion Lutheran Church in Port Orford. The Redfish Piano Trio consists of violinist and festival director Fritz Gearhart, cellist Andrew Smith, and Grammy-nominated pianist Genevieve Feiwen Lee and will perform works by Mel Bonis, Frank Martin, and Robert Schumann.

The program opens with *Soir et Matin*, Op. 76 by Mel Bonis, a French composer whose work is experiencing long-overdue rediscovery. A graduate of the Paris Conservatoire who studied alongside Debussy, Bonis published over 300 compositions

largely under a gender-neutral pen name in order to be taken seriously in 19th-century France. Next, the trio performs Frank Martin's *Trio on Irish Folk Tunes*, a 1925 work by the Swiss composer that weaves ten authentic Irish melodies into something tuneful, rhythmically inventive, and entirely its own. The program closes with Schumann's *Piano Trio in F major*, warm, lyrical, and among his most enduring chamber works.

Tickets are 2-for-1 in advance on Eventbrite, or \$20 at the door. Children and students under 18 are always free. Free tickets are also available by request at redfishmusicfestival@gmail.com.

Tour dates:

- Thursday, March 26, 7:00 pm — Zion Lutheran Church, 2015 Washington St, Port Orford
- Friday, March 27, 7:00 pm — First Presbyterian Church, 2238 Pony Creek Rd, North Bend
- Saturday, March 28, 3:00 pm — Trinity Lutheran Church, 1200 Easy Street, Brookings
- Sunday, March 29, 3:00 pm — First Presbyterian Church, 592 Edison Ave SW, Bandon

A special reception follows the Bandon concert on March 29.

About Redfish Music Festival:
Founded in 2021, the Redfish Music

Festival is named after the Redfish Rocks Marine Reserve located off the coast of Port Orford, Oregon. The Festival presents concerts with internationally-recognized musicians all year, and a Young Artist Fellowship Program in the summer. In addition to concerts in towns such as North Bend, Bandon, Port Orford, and Brookings, Redfish is committed to community education, bringing classical music into local schools to inspire students and foster the next generation of musicians.

For tickets and more information, visit www.redfishmusicfestival.com.

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