

County moves to ‘extreme risk’

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS
The Pilot

COVID-19 roared through Curry County over the weekend as 20 new cases were reported Saturday, including a second outbreak at the Sea View Assisted Living Center in Harbor.

Curry County Public Health Administrator Sherrie Ward issued a press release that showed nine of the 20 cases were linked to staff and residents at Sea View.

Nine additional cases came from residents in the southern area of the county with two from the northern area.

Sea View Assisted Living Center had an outbreak earlier this year, and both deaths reported from Curry County were people living at Sea View.

Ward said the county reached out to Sea View to ensure they had a plan in place for isolating anyone who has COVID or COVID symptoms. Contact

tracing is working to find any other residents who might have had contact with the impacted individuals.

As of Dec. 14, there were 220 COVID cases in Curry County since the beginning of the pandemic, with 82 active cases.

With the increase in cases, Curry County will move to the extreme risk area effective Friday. In the extreme risk category, more restrictions will be added. Changes include:

- Restaurants may no longer offer indoor dining. Outdoor dining will be allowed, but with a limit of 50 people, a maximum of six people per table from two households.
- Indoor recreation and fitness establishments must close. This includes gyms, indoor recreational sports, indoor pools and indoor dance, among other things.
- Outdoor recreation and fitness establishments will still be allowed, up to 50 people.

- Outdoor entertainment establishments, like zoos, gardens and outdoor event spaces, will be limited to a maximum of 50 people.
- Long-term care centers will be limited to outdoor visitation only.
- Offices must close to the public and require remote work if able.
- Outdoor social gatherings will be limited to six people, with a maximum of two households.



Volunteers in Brookings unloaded 39 boxes of memorial wreaths into pickups Tuesday to move to the W.J. Ward Memorial Cemetery for the city’s first Wreaths Across America Ceremony.

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Wreaths arrive ahead of memorial event

BY ZACK DEMARS
The Pilot

As a truck driver, Robert Graves has plenty of time to think about what it means to live in America.

He crisscrosses the country all the time, and this week was no exception. But this time, he — and his puppy, Christopher Robin, who joined him in the cab of his truck along the way — was volunteering his time to deliver boxes upon boxes of wreaths.

“America is a wonderful, mys-

terious place, if you take the time to contemplate it,” Graves said.

On a soggy Tuesday morning, Graves had come all the way from his home in Georgia to take part in a nationwide event that’s found a home in Brookings.

He and a small group of volunteers from the Brookings chapter of the Vietnam Veterans of America unloaded 39 boxes from a semi-trailer and into pickup trucks to bring them to their final resting place, the W.J. Ward Memorial Cemetery.

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Robert Graves, left, delivered 351 wreaths to Debbie Salzman, center, and Don Bemis, the organizers of Saturday’s Wreaths Across America event.

Publisher picks up Billy Hartwicks’ story



After struggling with Tourette’s syndrome and depression, Billy Hartwick has found a second calling by using his book to help others.

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Former educator shares his story to help others

BY ZACK DEMARS
The Pilot

BROOKINGS — Billy Hartwick has found his next step.

In the past year, he’s been stopped on the street multiple times. People know him for his very visible backpack — it’s

got bright green and purple shapes all over — and for the book he wrote about his “Invisible Backpack.”

A year ago, the former Crescent City teacher and principal self-published the book, a collection of rhythmical writings telling his life’s story. Since then, he’d been traveling around the west, promoting it.

At the time he launched the book on Amazon, he didn’t quite know what his next step would be.

But one of those people

who stopped him, recognizing his backpack and gave him the inspiration to find it. After she’d stopped him and shown him that she was carrying a copy of the book, he decided to send the book to six name publishers and asked them to publish and market it professionally.

Within days, he got multiple offers — and one from the publishing house he was most excited about, Page Publishing.

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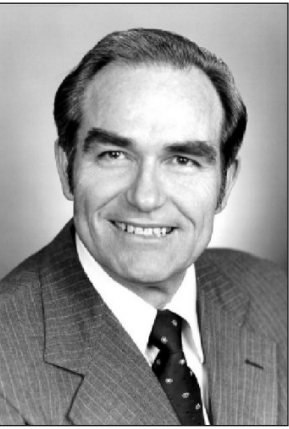
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Obituaries

William Richard Rogers Jr.

December 8, 1929 – December 4, 2020



William Richard Rogers Jr. (Bill), 90, passed away peacefully on Dec. 4, 2020 at his nursing home in McMinnville, Oregon. Bill was born Dec. 8, 1929 to William R. Rogers Sr. and Elva Rollins of Ben Wheeler, Texas. He was the oldest of 3 boys. Bill joined the US Marine Corp in February 1947 but was honorable discharged in April 1948. This was due to his request to enlist in the US Air Force. His reason was that he wanted to fly and the Air Force would be the place. He enlisted as an Airman to specialize as an airplane and engine mechanic. Bill met his sweetheart Mary Johnson while they both were serving in the US Air Force. They fell in love and on April 17, 1951 got married at one of her brother's home in Spanish Fork, Utah. They were separated not long after that due to Bill having to serve a tour in the Korean War. Bill wanted to be part of an air crew so he went

through Officer's Candidate school and graduated. He went through flight school and became a navigator on many different planes. He went into the Air Force as an enlisted person and later became an officer. There is a name they called these enlisted to officer persons: A Mustang. Due to the military, Bill and family were stationed at Amarillo AFB, Texas; Lackland AFB, Texas; James Connally AFB, Texas; McCellan AFB, Calif.; Mather AFB, Calif.; Forbes AFB, Kan.; Lincoln AFB, Neb.; Plattsburgh AFB, NY; Dyess AFB, Texas; and Norton AFB, Calif. Along the way Mary and Bill met and became friends with many wonderful people. His best experience was in Nebraska. He loved bird hunting and had a great bird dog. Many a weekend he and family would spend time on farms enjoying his passion. Upon retirement, the family moved to their property at Vida to raise filberts and cattle. Never wanting to sit around, Bill served 3 terms as an Oregon State Representative. He then served 8 years as the East Lane County Commissioner in Oregon. After 25 years at Vida, Bill and Mary moved to Brookings (Harbor). They bought an ocean-going boat and spent much time

fishing. During the time in Brookings, Bill worked with the Coast Guard Auxiliary and was a volunteer helper with the police department. After 15 years in Harbor, Bill and Mary moved to Corvallis to be near their children. After his wife's passing, Bill moved into several retirement-assisted living communities. Due to a fall and a broken hip, his final days were spent living in a caring nursing home near his son. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary; a son, Dennis Michael Rogers, who lived for 3 days; a brother, Jimmy Rogers, and his parents. Bill is survived by son Bill Rogers; daughters Kerrie Parrish and husband Kirk; Colleen Jager and husband Eric, and a brother, Ronnie Rogers and wife Gayle. He is also survived by three grandsons and granddaughters; Will Rogers, Troy and Melonie Parrish, Todd and Kim Parrish, and Roslyn Dutile; nine great grandchildren. Viewing will be 3-5pm, Monday Dec. 14 at McHenry Funeral Home, 206 NW 5th St. Corvallis. He will be buried with military honors beside his beloved wife, Mary at the Willamette National Cemetery, Portland, 11:30am, Tuesday, Dec. 15. Please leave condolences for the family at www.mchenryfuneralhome.com.

Charles Yancey Becker

Nov. 2, 1941 – April 28, 2020



Charles Yancey Becker loaded his raft and departed on his final river trip on April 28th, 2020. Family and friends, including Pastor Tim, were with him to pray for his safe journey. After Tim played "Red River Valley" on his harmonica, we sent him on his way with cheers and tears. CYB arrived in Ontario, Oregon, November 2, 1941, to Cotton Becker and Phyllis Chester Becker joining big sister, Sharon Becker Jarman. As an adventurous first grader, he discovered a garage with fun things to do on his way to school, until his mother caught him long after he should have been in school. A portion of his youth was spent on the Becker Ranch started by great-grandfather, Charlie Becker, a pony express rider. It was on the ranch where he "earned" the first scar on his head by disobeying his father who had reprimanded him for flipping burning embers in the air. CYB enjoyed a kid's idea of a great childhood in Vale, Oregon. Running away from home for adventure was almost a hobby; always returning in time for dinner. Athletics became important when he reached middle school and could play football; eventually as a Vale Viking playing with, among others, Jay Johnson, Dick Fulwyler and Dave Wilcox on three state championship teams during his high school career. He wrestled because he was too small for basketball as a freshman. As a sprinter, he missed the state track meet because of mono. With a football scholarship to Eastern Oregon College, he entered his college years. He learned a whole bunch his freshman year ending it on social and academic probation. Phyllis, his mom was not pleased. After meeting his future wife during his sophomore year, maturity set in. CYB graduated with a degree in elementary education, taught three years in Lagrande, Oregon, earning his first master's degree in education in 1966, before moving his family to Gold Beach, Oregon. Moving to the Beach was a whole new world. Fishing with Sam Sharp and Tim Timeus, joining the volunteer fire department with Chief Howard Hauschild and embarking on a teaching and coaching career that spanned three decades and impacted multitudes of young people. His many years of coaching middle school with

Sam Sharp, Pete Payne, Keith Fleshman, and Glenn Litterell gave Charles the opportunity to be a mentor, and be mentored. Basketball coaching at Riley Creek with Sam Sharp, Chris Thelin, and Glenn Litterell, (and with Russel Crook as bus driver) were a prelude to many years coaching J.V. at the high school with Brad Flanary that were all meaningful and memorable. As varsity basketball coach, he took his team to the state tournament spring of 1984. Because several of these young men had never experienced Mac Court (The Pit), he rented a black tux with a gold shirt to help them relax. Many years of coaching track with Brad Flanary and Terry Hoogester meant hours on the bus with driver Margret Hobson and many meets "enjoying" spring-on-the-coast weather; rain, wind, hail, etc. 1981 found Charles tearing down a wall at home. Jay Johnson arrived and invited Charles on his first rafting trip on the Rouge which led to many years of rafting. Rivers he rafted were, Colorado (3), Snake, Salmon, While Salmon, Grand Ronde, Deschuttess and the Green, along with many floats on the Rouge. These trips were responsible for forging lasting and special friendships with Allen Wilson, Ed & Tereasa Hirte, Beanie Moore, many Larssons, Tad & Jill Bell, Ben Winters and Mary Daniels. Thanks to Jill for making sure he was fed. Although he put in for a Rogue permit from 1981-2020, he was never drawn!! After a stint as principal at Riley Creek Middle School, Charles retired only to continue coaching for many years, often with Glenn Letterell. Yes, he was an excellent administrator. Departing this earth proceeding Charles Yancey: all grandparents, my parents, his parents, aunts, uncles and cousins. Remaining behind to remember a great guy; husband, dad, brother, grampy and friend, are Michael S. Becker, Gard & Vickie Becker, her children

Oregon has big jump in COVID-19 deaths

With a second straight high number of reported deaths Wednesday, Oregon's two-day total was over 100 as the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic continues to surge in the state. The Oregon Health Authority reported 48 deaths Wednesday after reporting 54 Tuesday. Prior to Tuesday, the daily high was 36. In addition, 34 of Oregon's 36 counties had at least one new confirmed or presumptive case and the state had 1,562 in all, bringing the total as of 12:01 a.m. Wednesday to 97,622. The state's death toll was 1,262. Prior to the two high-count days, the state had a better week, with a drop in overall cases and deaths from the previous week. Oregon Health Authority said every death is a sad reminder of the danger posed by the virus and of the need, even with vaccines now becoming available, for Oregonians to continue taking steps to stem the spread of the virus. The surge in the number of deaths was a result both of the steadily high daily case counts and also the manner of processing death reports. The counting of deaths from death certificates can take additional time because they are determined by physicians and then sent to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for further review and confirmation. The information is then reported back to the states. The weekly report released by Oregon Health Authority on Wednesday, which did not include numbers from Tuesday or Wednesday, showed a drop in weekly cases, deaths and hospitalizations.

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Manley Center to feature works of Christian Olsen

Christina Olsen will be our first featured artist at the Manley Art Center, showing from Jan. 4-Feb. 1. The center will have a winter second Saturday event for Olsen from 3-5 p.m. Jan. 9. Olson grew up in San Mateo, Calif. and Pescadero, Calif. Her background is in technical art and education. She divides her time between Brookings and Santa Cruz, Calif. Olsen has studios in Brookings and Santa Cruz and is well known for her colorful, whimsical paintings featured mainly in Brookings at the Brian Scott Gallery. She also has her studio open to guests by appointment. She has been a PBAA member since 2001, and in non-pandemic times, her work is featured in many festivals and events.

Death Notice

Brookings resident **Gorden C. Erickson** passed away at a local care facility on December 9, 2020, at the age of 73. He was born May 10, 1946 in Santa Barbara, California. No services are planned. Redwood Memorial Chapel is assisting the family.

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Ready to go fishing



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One day before Oregon crabbers were permitted to drop their first pots of the season, several boats at the Port of Brookings Harbor were packed up with crab pots and ready to venture to the crabbing grounds. Most of the crab boats will continue fishing through the spring.

Coast Guard urges crabbing safety

Marine Safety Unit has been busy responding to fatal incidents during 2020

The Coast Guard urges commercial fishermen to ensure vessel safety to prevent maritime emergencies before the opening of the Dungeness crab season that began this week.

Marine Investigators from Marine Safety Unit Portland have responded to over 95 marine casualties involving commercial fishing vessels so far this year. The term “marine casualty” is often misunderstood by mariners and is essentially any non-standard event that disrupts normal operations; like an emergency, accident, collision or damage involving a vessel that occurs upon the navigable waters of the United States.

Certain marine casualties are required to be reported to the Coast Guard and are identified in 46 CFR 4.05-1.

Immediately after addressing the resultant safety concerns, the owner, agent, master, operator or persons-in-charge of a vessel engaged in commercial service, shall notify the nearest Coast Guard Sector Office whenever a vessel is involved in a marine casualty, involving a loss of life, injuries requiring professional medical treatment (treatment beyond first aid), grounding, bridge collision, loss of main propulsion, reduction in the maneuverability of the vessel, an occurrence causing property damage in excess of \$75,000 or an occurrence involving significant harm to the environment.

In addition to the immediate notice requirement, a written report is also required. The owner, agent, master, operator or person-in-charge, shall, within five

days, file a written report on Form CG-2692 (Report of Marine Accident Injury, or Death). Failure to make an immediate notification or subsequently file the written report within five days could result in imposed fines not to exceed \$40,640.

The Coast Guard reminds all commercial fishermen that prior to crossing a restricted bar between sunset and sunrise, they must notify the Coast Guard on VHF-FM channel 16 or 22A to provide their vessel name, position, number of people aboard, destination and any vessel limitations. After crossing, they are required to report back a safe transit or otherwise.

Life jackets or immersion suits must be worn by all persons on deck or located in any open areas of the vessel while crossing a restricted bar. Life jackets or immersion suits are required to be readily accessible for all persons located in any enclosed spaces

of vessels when crossing a bar with restrictions in place. Life jackets are also required whenever a vessel is under tow or while being escorted across the bar by the Coast Guard.

Failure to comply with these requirements may result in a maximum civil penalty of \$25,000.

“Without a doubt, Dungeness crab fishermen are anxious to start the 2020-21 commercial crab fishing season,” said Lt. Carl Eschler, the assistant chief of the investigations division at Coast Guard Marine Safety Unit Portland. “Be it their first time or 101st time navigating over a bar, fishermen are encouraged to contact their local Coast Guard station to familiarize themselves with bar conditions and reporting methods. Contacting the Coast Guard prior to crossing a restricted bar between sunset and sunrise is more than just a good idea for commercial fishermen, it is a requirement.”

Emblem Club donates to Oasis House

Gift effort came together despite the pandemic

THE PILOT

The members of the Brookings Emblem Club 265 filled two cars of donated gifts to go to the Oasis House Shelter distribution center office in Gold Beach. The members did a great job filling the shelters wish list.

They gave quilts, towels, necessary cleaning and bath supplies and even a new computer. The representatives from the shelter, Board President Rose Gabrielson and Advocate Andrea Bonfiglio gratefully accepted the gifts from Emblem member Nani Rowland who spearheaded the gift drive.



Contributed Photo

Advocate Andrea Bonfiglio, Board President Rose Gabrielson, Sean Rucker and Nani Rowland (Emblem Club chairman) stand with the Emblem Club's donations for the Oasis House.

The quarantine has deterred most of the Emblem Club's fundraising events this year, but the members

still found a way to give to the many organizations such as Oasis House, who continue to be dedicated to

serving this community.

Marine Board honors Curry County deputy

Walter Scherbarth named officer of the year for state of Oregon

BY DAVID RUPKALVIS
The Pilot

A deputy with the Curry County Sheriff's Office recently received a major statewide honor.

Sr. Deputy Walter Scherbarth was recognized by the board of commissioners last week after being named the officer of the

“So, having someone like Walter who is out there pushing to educate people is going to save lives,” Henry said. “We’ve been pretty safe this year in Curry County, and we thank Walter for that.”

After receiving another award from Sheriff John Ward, this one an outstanding service award, Scherbarth said he is grateful to the people of Curry County for listening to his message.

“It seems to me over the last decade people are starting to buy into my spiel on public safety,”

“As one of Oregon’s most skilled jet boat operators, he has been a key part of the Marine Board training program for years. ... He’s always willing to assist others when needed.”

Randy Henry, Oregon State Marine Board

year by the Oregon State Marine Board.

Board member Randy Henry said Scherbarth was very deserving for the ongoing work he has done to keep boaters safe.

“This award goes to someone who has been a fixture in the marine community for more than two decades,” Henry said. “As one of Oregon’s most skilled jet boat operators, he has been a key part of the Marine Board training program for years. Sr. Deputy Walter Scherbarth has been a marine deputy for the Curry County Sheriff’s Office for close to 25 years. He’s always willing to assist others when needed.”

Henry said the best thing he could say about Scherbarth is he has saved lives, both in rescues and by spreading the message about wearing life jackets.

Henry went on to say wearing life jackets is extremely important. In 2020, 25 people have died in boat fatalities in Oregon, the vast majority were not wearing life jackets.

he said. “These guys are going to say, ‘You don’t write a lot of tickets.’ Well, I think there’s a reason we don’t write a lot of tickets. It’s because we’ve got people out there doing what people are supposed to do.”

Scherbarth said in his career, most of his effort has been talking to people boating on the Rogue River. After decades of preaching about safety, he is grateful people are paying attention.

“It seems to me we’re more about prevention now than saving lives, and that’s what I want to be known for.”

After hearing about the award, commissioners praised Scherbarth for the work he does.

“It sure is nice to have our sheriff’s office in here getting awards,” Board Chair Chris Paasch said. “That’s a plus for our community.”

“I’ve watched this guy grow up into possibly the best white-water cop in America,” Commissioner Court Boice said.

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Governor urges patience, responsible behavior

BY MONIQUE MERRILL
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As the first shipment of COVID-19 vaccines was expected to arrive in Oregon this week, Gov. Kate Brown urged residents across the state to continue to follow public health recommendations.

“As we wait for wide distribution of the vaccine, one of our most important challenges is to remind Oregonians to keep your guard up,” Brown said in a press conference last Friday. “We all need to keep wearing masks, limiting get togethers and maintaining social distance until we achieve community immunity.”

The question of when community immunity will be possible is still uncertain and depends largely on how many additional doses of vaccines the state will receive after this month. What is known is that by the end of December, the state is slated to receive 147,000 doses of both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines.

The first round of vaccine recipients will be certain to go to hospital staff and long-term care facility staff and residents. There are around 360,000 healthcare workers who will need the vaccine and, as of today, no information from the federal government on future vaccine dose allocation. The uncertainty

makes it difficult to predict when all residents will have the opportunity to be vaccinated, Oregon Health Authority Director Pat Allen said.

“The challenge is we’ve been given no distribution schedule or any idea of how many doses to expect on any regular basis, so it’s really impossible for us to put a specific timeline on that,” said Allen.

About 70% of the state needs to be vaccinated to achieve community immunity, Brown said. To accomplish that, she said more than 10,000 residents will need to be vaccinated per day.

“It’s a tall order, and we can’t do it without federal resources to deliver the doses and support our distribution and outreach efforts,” she said.

Vaccine details

Both the Pfizer and Moderna vaccines require two doses to be effective. The Pfizer vaccine doses need to be administered 21 days apart and the Moderna vaccines need to be administered 28 days apart.

The Pfizer vaccine requires ultra-cold storage (-94 degrees) and is good for five days after thaw. Most of the facilities with capability to store vaccines at that temperature are located along the Interstate 5 corridor, but cold storage hubs will be set

up across the state.

The Moderna vaccine will likely be used in more rural areas because it only requires standard freezing temperatures and is good for 30 days after thaw.

The initial number of doses each county will receive will depend on the number of hospital employees and long-term care facility residents and staff are in the area, and more specific details will be released as the vaccines arrive to the state.

COVID-19 status

COVID-19 case rates continue to climb across the state, said Dr. Dean Sidelinger, the state health officer and epidemiologist.

“Our situation remains precarious and concerning,” he said.

Over 10,000 new cases were reported in the last week, Sidelinger said, and COVID-19 hospitalizations are on the rise as well. As of Friday, there are 576 pandemic-related hospitalizations and as of Thursday, there were 127 people in intensive care units with COVID-19, he said. The number of people in the hospital with the virus is up 70% since mid-November.

Deaths have also risen, he said. The current statewide death toll is 1,138.

“Each death marks the anguish end of a lost battle against the virus; each death leaves a hole

in someone’s family,” he said. “Each death cuts short the love, laughter and memories of families and friends.”

The efforts made by residents to limit transmission of the virus, along with statewide restrictions, seem to be starting to make a small difference, Sidelinger said.

“There is good news: We haven’t observed a marked increase in cases following the Thanksgiving holiday,” Sidelinger said. “Our cases are still rising on average, but there’s evidence they’re not rising as steeply.”

Long lasting effects

In her plea to residents, particularly those under 40, to continue to follow safety measures, Brown said there is no way to know what effect COVID-19 may have on someone until it is contracted, and that youth doesn’t guarantee health.

Darrah Isaacson, a 40-year-old Portland resident, contracted the virus on her birthday in early March. In the nine and a half months that have followed, she said her symptoms have only worsened.

“I’m a COVID long hauler,” Isaacson said. “There’s thousands of us across the country. Many of those long haulers, like myself, were very active and healthy with no underlying

health conditions.”

Instead of hiking, biking, canoeing or participating in the active outdoor events like she usually likes to do, Isaacson said she can barely walk around the block now.

“Some people think that this is just like the flu. I can tell you from personal and horrible experience that that way of thinking is extremely dangerous,” Isaacson said. “This is an unpredictable and terrifying disease. It’s been almost 10 months since I contracted it. I’m still alive, but my life has been turned upside down.”

On her worst days, Isaacson said her muscle tremors and weakness prevent her from holding a computer mouse and she cannot stand up long enough to shower. She said the hardest part has been the effect it has had on her family and her 5-year-old daughter, who doesn’t understand why her mother can no longer play with her.

“I know it’s exhausting to be vigilant about mask wearing and keeping your distance, but I can tell you the alternative is way more exhausting,” she said. “This is not the time for blame or arguments, this is the time for sacrifice, so we can come together and keep this virus from harming any more families like mine.”

Hartwick

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Now, Hartwick’s splitting his time between Brookings — a place he says feels like home — and San Diego — a place he says he loves — as the book gets published and he launches a handful of other projects.

Once it’s re-published by the professional publisher in March, Hartwick hopes his life experiences

will encourage readers to be confident in themselves and to stop judging people they don’t know.

“When we judge people, we’re hurting them,” Hartwick said.

He would know — he’s been judged for a long time, he said. His Tourette’s syndrome, with involuntary body movements, means people have sometimes assumed he was intoxicated or otherwise disruptive.

That judgement he felt

in many areas of his life made it a challenge, he said. For years, that, coupled with reactions to his Tourette’s medication, left him with depression and anxiety, which culminated in numerous near-attempts to take his own life.

Those painful memories are the kinds of things Hartwick carries in his “invisible backpack.” Everyone has one, filled with the pain and trauma that we collect through life, he said.

But that’s the past, Hartwick said.

“Am I going to continue to be judged? No, I’m go-

ing to look at the seagulls going in and out,” he said, watching a flock of gulls land in the mouth of the Chetco River.

He hopes the book will help readers recognize what’s in their backpacks and try to take things out along the way.

“If you take something out of your backpack, and you don’t like it, you can crawl back in,” he said.

Now, he lives in Brookings with a friend, who’s helping him promote the book and launch several other projects they hope will help the community. Together, alongside

an artist and other team members, they’re launching a not-for-profit, so the proceeds from the book are shared with organizations like the Tourette Association of America.

There are other plans in the works, too: The group plans to sell custom-designed backpacks, and Hartwick’s developing an app to track and report police misconduct, inspired by times when he was profiled by police because of his mannerisms, he said.

Above all, Hartwick says he plans to keep teaching. Though he’s no longer in a school as

a teacher or principal, he hopes he can teach kids in the community his story and how he kept going through deeply challenging times.

He points to an important lesson he’s learned through his life as an example.

“If you’re alive, keep doing it,” he said.

The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline is a hotline for individuals in crisis or for those looking to help someone else. If you are a loved one are in need of help, it can be contacted by calling 1-800-273-8255.

Local Art Notes

Curry County

Brian Scott Gallery

Brian Scott Gallery, located at 515 Chetco Ave. in Brookings, is featuring all of its 32 artists for the entire month of December, displaying their work on the “Features” wall, with the theme of “Brookings: Home of Winter Flowers.” Their new winter hours are Wednesday - Saturday, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Call 541-412-8687 or 541-469-1241 for information or to schedule a private showing. Masks are required in the gallery.

Fog and Fine Art Gallery (repeat)

Located in Wright’s Custom Framing and Art Supply at 810 Chetco Ave. in Brookings, the Fog and Fine Art Gallery displays many local artists showing a variety of media including jewelry, pottery, painting and more. The gallery also has a dedicated classroom that inspires new and seasoned artists with workshops. The gallery is open from 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday. For information on class listings, painting demonstrations and featured artists, call 541-469-7900 or visit them on Facebook @WrightsCustom-Framing.

Manley Art Center and Gallery (repeat)

Manley Art Center and Gallery is located at 433 Oak St. in Brookings. The gallery is currently closed due to COVID-19 mandates. Visit pelicanbayartsassociation.org to learn more about the gallery. For information, call 541-469-1807.

Arts Listings

For community arts calendar listings, please visit www.dnaca.net. For inclusion in Arts Scene listings, items should be sent to the Del Norte Association for Cultural Awareness (DNACA) at office@dnaca.net by Tuesday of each week.

We need to return to the USA

There has been much concern and discussion regarding disruption of our electoral process with widespread accusations of election fraud, accusing people in this country of cheating, submitting false ballots, election machines rigged to change a vote from one candidate to another, our own government agencies accused of messing with the facts, and it goes on and on. What has this done to the view of our country by the remainder of the world, especially those countries that look to the United States as an example of a true democracy?

I believe we have demonstrated a true democracy because of the fact that investigations initiated based on those claims and votes recounted by hand found only marginal changes to the results. Courts, including the Supreme Court, have thrown out claims brought by attorneys for lack of evidence to support those claims. Note the Supreme Court stating one state cannot dictate the election rules of another state.

My spirits began to erode as I saw white supremacy support increase along with continued rantings against so many of our institutions; as I witnessed the inhospitable treatment of the press, the scientific community, other political parties, even those working in the current

administration, who chose to speak against the flow and the world at large as we proceeded to become isolated.

We cannot afford to be isolated from our allies, because we have many of the same enemies in this world and many of them are dangerous. We cannot fight climate change, or wars or world health crises successfully on our own — as we have seen during the Covid-19 pandemic. As large and powerful as we are as a nation, there are others who are larger, relatively mighty and they also have a button just like ours. We need to return to the USA.

PJ Estlund
Gold Beach

Putting everyone before himself

I lived and worked in Brookings, worked for a local company. A Good Tree Service and Construction Company is locally owned. I can’t say enough good things about my experience and skills this man gave me. Dream job, with a boss with integrity, knowledge and compassion for excellence. Eric Roberts is putting everyone before himself.

Steve Duffus
Shawnee, Oklahoma

Drilling in wildlife refuges is wrong

The Trump administration is rushing plans to auction drilling rights in the Arctic National Wild-

life Refuge. Well, I am old enough to remember the visuals streaming into our TVs from the Exxon Valdez oil spill, (1989), an occurrence that statistically wasn’t supposed to happen.

Amongst the groans and public anguish was a future silver lining promise, permanent protection of the Arctic Wildlife Refuge. That promise was because we could see what can happen despite assurances that that will never happen. “We will now permanently protect the Alaska Arctic National Wildlife Refuge from drilling, period.” Well, permanent doesn’t seem to mean the same thing Merriam Webster says it does.

In fact, just some 30 years later leases for drilling under the Trump administration are happening. Really? I am sure the same safety assurances are being promised. I mean really who would predict a tanker captain that couldn’t even drive his car because of DUIs would turn over the piloting task to his first mate of maneuvering through a narrows and that would cause this catastrophe? Oops, where did that reef come from? “Hard right rudder!” You cannot turn a tanker on a dime!

A wildlife refuge is a refuge for wildlife for a reason. Can wildlife at least have that area? Drilling for gas, oil, coal is not the direction this world needs to be taking. Steering this world in the right direction is a slow

methodical process much like steering an oil tanker. It won’t be turned once we hit the ‘reef.’ Let’s maneuver in the right direction.

Can we at least start by not drilling in an area that is supposed to be a refuge for wildlife?

Karol Simas
Gold Beach

Children need to be in school

We have seen this year how challenging and stressful distance learning can be, as well as how much children need to be surrounded by their peers. In the upcoming Oregon state legislative session in January, a bill will be introduced that will remove children from the school system and force them into distance learning or home-schooling.

The time is now to say enough is enough. Parents should be allowed to give their child the educational options that best fit their family. Please call or write to your Oregon state representative and senator and tell them you oppose LC 1701 and that it should not be brought to any committees as a bill during this or any future legislative session.

Visit <https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/Find-YourLegislator/leg-search.html> to find the name and contact information of your legislators. All of Oregon’s children deserve the right to an education as their families see fit.

Claire Young
Medford

Mailing: PO Box 700
Brookings, OR

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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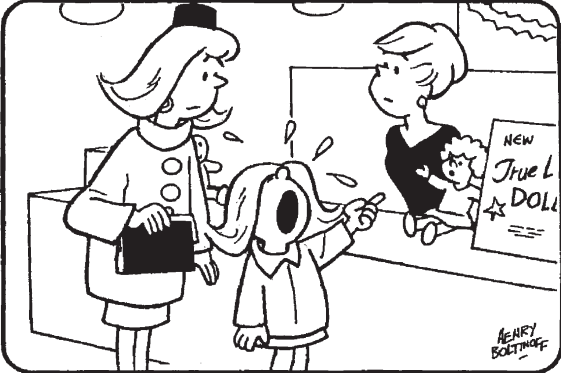
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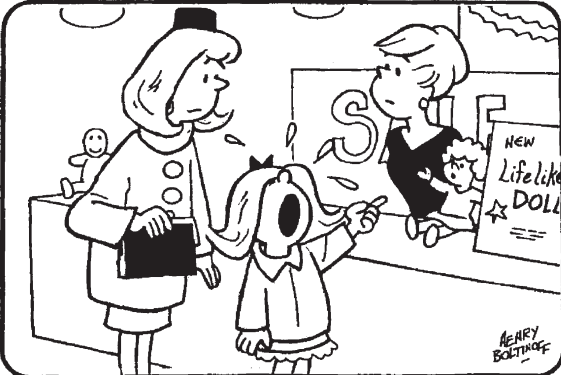
The solution for the Sudoku puzzle is on Page B3

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Mom's hair is different. 2. Doll on left has been moved. 3. "Sale" sign is added. 4. Girl's skirt has ruffle. 5. Doll is different. 6. Girl has hair bow.

December

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Worship Directory

Brookings

Christian Community Church

15138 McVay Lane, Harbor
Non-denominational
Sunday Morning Worship...10:30 a.m.
Sunday Fellowship...Noon
Thursday Eve. Bible Study...7 p.m.
Pastor Carl Smith
541-659-9352
Facebook: christiancommunity-church-harbor

Brookings-Harbor Christian Church

777 Fifth Street, Brookings
Sunday Service...10 a.m.
Weekly Communion
Small Group Ministries
Celebrate Recovery...6 p.m. Sunday
541-469-2531
Pastor Lance Knauss

Church of Christ

17222 Passley Rd., Brookings
Sunday Morning Bible Study 10 a.m.
Sunday Morning
Worship Assembly..11:20 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Class...7 p.m.
Evangelist: Michael Wilk
541-469-6453 or
541-469-0191

Trinity Lutheran Church

1200 Easy St., PO Box 1199
Brookings
Sunday Bible School
All Ages...9 a.m. (Sept.-May)
Sunday Worship Service...10 a.m.
Nursery Available
Pastor Matt Steendahl
541-469-3411
tlcbrookings.org

Brookings Presbyterian Church

Pacific Ave. at Oak St.
Worship and Sunday School..10 a.m.
Fellowship Hour after Sunday Worship
541-469-3725
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Brookings Church of the Nazarene

1600 Chetco Ave. (Hwy 101 N)
Join us
6:00pm on Saturdays
or
10:30am on Sundays.
For more information, call 541-469-2571
or go to www.brookingsnaz.org

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.cscbrookings.com
541-469-2398 or 469-3333

Safe Harbor Christian Fellowship

15786 Hwy. 101 South, Brookings
Pastor Pete Hernandez
541-469-0260 or
541-661-5557
Fellowship...9:30 a.m.
Worship...10 a.m.
Bible Study...Wed. 6:30 p.m.
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Calvary Assembly of God

518 Fir St., Brookings
541-469-2631
calvaryagbrookings.org
Sunday Adult Bible Study...9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship...9 and 11 a.m.
Children's Church...11 a.m.
Kingdom Youth Group...11 a.m.
Wed. Eve. Bible Study...6:00 p.m.
Adrian VanAswegen, Pastor

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First Baptist Community Church

607 Pacific Ave., Brookings
Sunday School-PreK-12th...9:30 a.m.
Adult Bible Study...9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship...10:45 a.m.
Thursday Evening Bible Study...6:15 p.m.
Awana Clubs...Wed. 6 p.m.
(Sept.-May) Grades Pre-K-8th
Youth Group...Sun. 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Dr. Ken Whitted 541-469-2014

New Life Community Church

465-1760
Meetings at: 424 2nd Street
Praise-Worship...10:30 a.m.
Sunday School (ages 5-10)...10:45 a.m.
Sunday Eve Bible Study...5:30 p.m.
Thursday Eve Bible Study...6:00 p.m.
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Thursday
Jr. High Youth Group 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.
Sunday
Bible Hour...9-10 a.m.
Sunday Worship...10:30 a.m.
Children's Church (during Church Worship)
Nursery Care
Sr. High Youth Group 4:30-7:00 p.m.
160 Blueberry Lane (Off Blackwell)
Email - office@pbefchurch.com

Grace Bible Church

302 North Hazel, Brookings
Sunday School Hour...9:30 a.m.
Sunday Morning Worship..11 a.m.
Sunday Evening Worship. 6 p.m.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting..7 p.m.
Thursday Bible Class...11 a.m.
Friday Fellowship...6 p.m.
Virgil Frazier, Pastor
541-469-3724

Lighthouse Assembly of God

15803 Hwy. 101 S., Harbor
Sunday School...9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship...10:30 a.m.
Below: Call for Locations
Monday Youth Group...6 p.m.
Wed Lighthouse Kids...6 p.m.
Wednesday Adult
Small Group Studies...6 p.m.
James Schultz, Pastor
541-469-3458

Star of the Sea Catholic Church

Father Justus Alaeto, Pastor
820 Old County Rd., Brookings
541-469-2313
Dec. 24th: Christmas Vigil Mass
English Mass...4:00 p.m.
English Mass...5:30 p.m.
Spanish Mass...6:30 p.m.
Dec. 25th: English Mass...8:30 a.m.
Dec. 26th: English Mass...4:30 p.m.
Spanish Mass...6:30 p.m.
Dec. 27th: English Mass...8:30 a.m.
Dec. 31st: Adoration...4:00 pm-7:00 pm
Jan. 1st: English Mass...9:00 a.m.
<https://staroftheseastcharles.org/>

St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

Fir St. at Old County Rd, Brookings
Sunday Adult Classes...9 a.m.
Sunday Service...10 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study...11 a.m.
Wednesday Holy Eucharist
with Healing Service...12 noon
The Reverend Bernie Lindley
541-469-3314
sttimothyepiscopal.org

Faith Baptist Church

Fundamental Independent
409 Hillside Ave. Unit C, Brookings
541-412-1070
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Evening Preaching...6 p.m.
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97900 Shopping Center Ave. Brookings, OR 97415
Sunday Worship...10:30 a.m.
Thurs. Bible Study...7:00 p.m.
www.calvaryheritage.org

3: "But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:"

4: "In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of CHRIST, who is the image of God, should shine unto them."

6: "For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, hath shined in our hearts, to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of JESUS CHRIST."

2 Corinthians 4: King James Version

Smith River United Methodist

121 Beckstead, Smith River (corner of 1st & Beckstead)
Sunday Worship...11 a.m.
Rev. Dr. Pamela Coy
707-487-3301

Calvary Chapel of the Redwoods

3180 South Fred D. Haight Dr. Corner of Hwy. 101 and South Fred D. Haight Dr. Smith River, CA • 707-487-2051
Sunday Services...10:30 a.m.
Thursday Evening Service...6:30 p.m.
www.ccredwoods.com

Smith River Baptist Church

340 Highland Avenue, Smith River
Just off Hwy. 101
(707) 487-5275
Pastor Steve Alexander
Worship Service...10:30 a.m.

To list your church's schedule call the Curry Coastal Pilot 541-813-1717 or the Del Norte TriPLICATE 707-460-6727



A “Happy Holidays” sign welcomes drivers to Brookings on U.S. Highway 101 alongside a lit-up lighthouse.

Pilot Photos by Zack Demars

Holiday spirit lights up Brookings



Santa’s elves work away before the holiday season in the yard of one Brookings home.



Glowing flowers and butterflies light up the Brookings Botanical Garden ahead of the holiday season.



Santas, snowmen and candy canes decorate this Brookings home.



Glowing flowers and butterflies light up the Brookings Botanical Garden ahead of the holiday season.



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Ready for the Parade

A boat from Jerry's Rogue Jets is all decorated and ready to take part in the Brookings Christmas Parade. The parade changed routes to allow residents to safely watch from inside their vehicles.

Photo by David Rupkalvis



Wreaths

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The wreaths — around 350 of them — are just a handful of the ones that Graves delivered throughout the week. And they're just a fraction of the millions delivered by drivers throughout the country. "It's just an incredible thing," Graves said. "It's mind boggling."

The wreaths are a key component of the annual Wreaths Across America effort, a day intended to "remember, honor and teach" about veterans across the country with wreath-laying ceremonies scheduled in tandem with one at the Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia.

This year, Brookings is joining the list of over 2,000 cities holding similar ceremonies. Each year, the goal is to place a wreath as a symbol of honor on the headstone of every military veteran.

Don Bemis, a Vietnam

War veteran, and Debbie Salzman organized the portion of the event to be held in Brookings.

"I want to honor veterans in the best way I can," Bemis said.

The pair had been involved in the events while they lived in Carson City, Nevada. But when they moved to Brookings, they found that the city didn't have its own version of the national event.

So, after a few years living in the area, they launched a local effort this year. With the help of volunteers from the Vietnam Veterans of America chapter, they got to work organizing sponsorships for wreaths and planning a local ceremony.

The reason he stays involved in the event is simple, Bemis said.

"It's simple," Bemis said. "Because I'm a veteran."

Graves, the truck driver, didn't serve in the military, but some of his family has. He's wanted to get

involved with the event for several years, but hasn't had the time and resources to do it until now.

"I knew about it by reading about it in trucking publications," Graves said.

Since he'd first heard about driving for Wreaths Across America, he met other truck drivers who'd participated. One had a handful of wreath-shaped decals on the side of his truck, from each year he'd delivered wreaths.

Talking to that driver inspired him to sign up for a delivery route himself, Graves said. He had options of routes, between the northwest and Arizona.

He chose the route that began with a pickup in Fife, Washington. His first delivery of wreaths was to Lynden, Washington, just a stone's throw from the Canadian border along Interstate 5. After his delivery in Brookings, he was headed to his last stop in Lakeview, east of Klamath Falls.

"This is my first year,

but it won't be my last," Graves said. "It's just amazing, the scope of this."

At one stop in Ocean Park, Washington, Graves took a walk through a cemetery that will soon be filled with wreaths. With a bit of time in his schedule before his next delivery was due, he'd stopped to pay his respects to the veterans buried there.

He came across one gravesite that moved him to tears: That of a 19-year-old who was killed in the Vietnam War.

"The sacrifice that this represents..." Graves said, adding that he'd been thinking of the families left behind by those casualties. "You just think about all the misery that all those markers represent."

The local ceremony will take place at the cemetery at 9 a.m. Saturday, simultaneous with the ceremony in Arlington, Virginia. Wreaths will be laid on headstones following the ceremony.



Zack Demars, The Pilot
Robert Graves' dog, Christopher Robin, joined him on his journey to deliver wreaths across western Washington and Oregon.

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Brookings Police Blotter

THE PILOT

The police blotter is 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. The Brookings Police Department provides emergency dispatch services for the City of Brookings as well as Southern Curry County 9-1-1 calls, dispatching for state, county, and local law enforcement, five fire departments, and Cal-Ore ambulance. Excerpts from the BPD call logs:

Wednesday, Dec. 9

- At 4:47 a.m., police responded to the Welcome to Brookings sign to investigate an animal complaint.
- At 5:14 a.m., police responded to Chetco and North Bank Chetco to help with a disabled vehicle.
- At 8:20 a.m., police responded to the 98000 block of Gerlach Lane to assist Cal Oregon Life Flight.
- At 8:51 a.m., a transient woman was trespassing from the post office.
- At 10:07 a.m., a suspect was arrested for forgery/fraud/bad check.
- At 12:54 p.m., a suspect was charged with misuse of 911.
- At 2:01 p.m., Harbor Fire responded to Smith River for mutual aid.
- At 2:52 p.m., police responded to the 800 block of Elk Drive after a vehicle crashed into the south side of city hall. The driver was transported to Curry Medical Center and the vehicle was towed from the scene.
- At 3:42 p.m., a person was trespassed from a neighboring property on Garvin Court/
- At 5:03 p.m., police investigated a bullying incident at Kid Town.
- At 5:43 p.m., a motorist on Hampton Road was given a warning for driving without lights when required.
- At 6 p.m., police responded to KFC/Taco Bell when an aggressive male in the drive through was demanding free items. The man left when police were called.
- At 6:09 p.m., a transient female refused to leave Pacific Sushi, but did so when police were called.
- At 10:28 p.m., police responded to the 16800 block of Salmonberry Road to investigate a fight.

Thursday, Dec. 10

- At 12:54 a.m., a motorist received a verbal warning for failing to obey a traffic device at Azalea Park and Old County Road.
- At 2 a.m., a woman was arrested for DUII after a routine traffic stop at Lilac and Memory. She was also found to be driving with a suspended license and charged with a misdemeanor. The woman was released from the PD after processing.
- At 9:56 a.m., a transient woman was arrested for a misdemeanor warrant at the Brookings Police Department was released

with a citation.

- At 11:38 a.m., police responded to Highway 101 near Indian Road to investigate a disorderly conduct call.
- At 12:03 p.m., officers responded to the 1300 block of Seacrest Lane due to a verbal dispute between spouses.
- At 3:52 p.m., officers executed a traffic stop and gave a motorist a verbal warning for an expired registration.
- At 4:08 p.m., officers assisted a motorist with a battery change on 5th Street.
- At 6:52 p.m., officers warned transients at McDonald's for disorderly conduct.
- At 8:08 p.m., a transient was warned for disorderly conduct in the 1100 block of Ransom Avenue.
- At 9:54 p.m., a woman was arrested for DUII on Chetco near Mill Street. After processing, the woman was released to a sober family member.
- At 10:06 p.m., a motorist received a verbal warning for driving without lights after a stop near Chetco and Center.
- At 11:33 p.m., transients having verbal dispute on Wharf Street were contacted by officers and warned for disorderly conduct.

Friday, Dec. 11

- At 7:03 a.m., a traffic stop was reported on Highway 101 and Pacific.
- At 8 a.m., officers responded to North Bank Chetco River Road to investigate a violation of a city ordinance.
- At 9:17 a.m., officers responded to the 600 block of 5th Street to investigate a disorderly conduct call.
- At 9:44 a.m., officers were called to the 400 block of Fir Street to investigate a criminal trespass report.
- At 12:11 p.m., a traffic crash with no injuries was reported at City Lot Center and Spruce.
- At 1:27 p.m., a fight was reported at the Grocery Outlet on Chetco Avenue.
- At 2:57 p.m., a hit-and-run accident was reported at the Curry Medical Center.
- At 4:27 p.m., officers responded to the area around the Chetco Bridge to a report of a fire.
- At 5:30 p.m., a caller reported a criminal trespass at Evergreen Bank.

Saturday, Dec. 12

- At 1:21 a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop at Easy and 5th Street.
- At 2:20 a.m., an accident with no injuries was reported approximately six minutes up northbound Chetco.
- At 2:23 a.m., officers responded to the 800 block of Limbaugh Way to investigate a harassment report.
- At 12:05 p.m., officers responded to the 1200 block of Collis after an alarm was reported.
- At 12:24 p.m., a caller reported a theft in the 700 block of 6th Street.
- At 12:35 p.m., a traffic accident with no injuries was reported at the Railroad Market.
- At 5:32 p.m., a fight

was reported near the bottle return at FM.

- At 6:38 p.m., officers responded to the 800 block of Chetco Avenue to a report of disorderly conduct.
- At 7:06 p.m., officers responded to the 200 block of Cypress Street to a report of disorderly conduct.
- At 10:20 p.m., officers conducted a traffic stop at Chetco and Center.
- At 10:57 p.m., a fight was reported in the 19900 block of Whalsehead Road.
- At 11:02 p.m., officers conducted a traffic stop at Chetco and 5th.

Monday, Dec. 14

- At 5:48 a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop at the rest area and gave a verbal warning for speeding.
- At 8:23 a.m., officers conducted a traffic stop at Highway 101 and Harris Beach and issued a verbal warning for failure to maintain lane of travel.
- At 11:27 a.m., officers responded to the skate park to investigate a report of criminal damage. The investigation is ongoing.
- At 11:36 a.m., officers took down a tent illegally set up in the gardens on North Bank Chetco River Road. The property was set out for public works to pick up.
- At 12:24 p.m., officers served misdemeanor warrant citations to one of two transients set up at Park Avenue Seventh Day Adventist Church. The two were asked to leave church property, and they complied.
- At 2:13 p.m., officers asked transients on private property on Meadow Lane to leave and not return.
- At 4:05 p.m., the Brookings Fire Department responded to a fire on the 900 block of Pioneer Road. The fire turned out to be a controlled burn and was not a threat to surrounding properties.
- At 5:16 p.m., officers made a traffic stop and warned the driver about a headlight being out.
- At 5:22 p.m., officers warned a juvenile cyclist for riding with no lights on bike at night.
- At 5:30 p.m., officers mediated a civil dispute between spouses on Myrtle Street.

Tuesday, Dec. 15

- At 3:42 a.m., officers responded to the 300 block of Mill Beach Road to investigate a burglary.
- At 7:01 a.m., officers responded to the 1100 block of Ransom Avenue to a report of a dispute in progress. A female and her children left for the night.
- At 7:59 a.m., officers responded to Rogue Credit Union after transients broke a lock box to use an electrical outlet. The bank declined to press charges, but the transients were removed from the property.
- At 8:49 a.m., officers responded to the 1100 block of Ransom Road after a male resident threw items through the

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The solution to the Crossword puzzle is on Page B3

front window and set an artificial Christmas tree on fire in the yard. The fire department put out the fire and policed located and arrested the man, transporting him to jail.

- At 8:57 a.m., a man who fled from police after lighting a fire in his yard ran to a residence on 2nd Street and attempted to hide in a hot tub. The residents saw the man and called police.
- At 3:28 p.m., officers received a harassment report from a resident on Marine Drive. Officers gave the resident a restraining order packet.
- At 6:33 p.m., officers reported to Fred Meyer after a caller said someone slashed a tire. A possible suspect denied wrongdoing and there was no video of the incident.
- At 11:18 p.m., a transient male was arrested on a valid misdemeanor warrant for criminal trespass and released with a court citation.

Curry County Sheriff's Office Log

Friday, Dec. 4

- At 3:18 a.m., dispute in progress reported on Coverdell Rd., Brookings. A 60-year-old male was arrested.
- At 11:03 a.m., criminal trespass reported on Peavine Estates Dr., Harbor.
- At 12:21 p.m., disturbance reported on Apple Blossom Ct., Brookings.
- At 12:52 p.m., disturbance reported on Carson Ln., Harbor.
- At 1:40 p.m., threats reported on Winchuck River Rd., Harbor.

- At 1:54 p.m., suspicious conditions reported on Hillside Terrace, Gold Beach.
- At 2:46 p.m., fraud reported on Greggs Creek Rd., Gold Beach.
- At 8:47 p.m., disturbance reported on Shopping Center Ave., Harbor.
- At 10:47 p.m., criminal mischief reported on Court St., Harbor.

Saturday, Dec. 5

- At 3:59 a.m., threats reported in the 16000 block of U.S. Highway 101 South, Harbor.
- At 9:12 a.m., deceased subjects reported on Sterling Heights Dr., Harbor.
- At 2:01 p.m., dispute in progress reported in the

- 16200 block of U.S. Highway 101 South, Harbor.
- At 4:54 p.m., cold assault reported on Camellia Dr., Harbor.
- At 10:02 p.m., criminal trespass reported in the 16200 block of U.S. Highway 101 South, Harbor.

Sunday, Dec. 6

- At 12:51 p.m., disturbance reported on Winchuck River Rd., Harbor.
- At 2:52 p.m., theft reported on Winchuck River Rd., Harbor.
- At 4:28 p.m., disturbance reported on Camellia Dr., Harbor.
- At 7:36 p.m., criminal trespass reported on Shopping Center Ave., Harbor.

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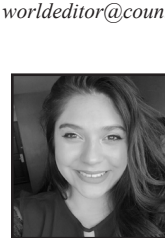


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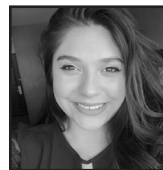


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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE Rural Development

City of Brookings, Oregon: Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact
AGENCY: Rural Utility Service, USDA
ACTION: Notice of Finding of No Significant Impact.
SUMMARY: The Rural Utility Service (RUS) has made a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) with respect to a request for possible financing assistance to the City of Brookings, Oregon for the construction of the Wastewater Facility Improvements Project in Curry County, Oregon.

FURTHER INFORMATION: To obtain copies of the EA and FONSI, or for further information, contact: Charlotte Bentley, Rural Development Community Programs Director, charlotte.bentley@usda.gov. The EA and FONSI are also available for public review at Rural Development Oregon State Office, 1220 SW 3rd Avenue, Suite 1801, Portland, OR 97204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed project consists of sewer collection improvements including within the city of Harbor and Lone Ranch, sewer main replacement and rehabilitation, pump station rehabilitation and wastewater treatment plant rehabilitation. Alternatives considered by RUS and the City of Brookings, Oregon include: No action; other technology; siting alternatives. The alternatives are discussed in the Wastewater System Improvements EA. The RUS has reviewed and approved the EA for the proposed project.

The availability of the EA for public review was announced via notice in the following newspaper(s): Curry Coastal Pilot on August 21 and 28, 2020. A 14-day comment period was announced in the newspaper notice(s). The EA was also available for public review at the USDA Rural Development office and website as well as the City of Brookings, Oregon offices. There were no comments received.

Based on its EA, commitments made by the City of Brookings, Oregon, and public comments received, RUS has concluded that the project would have no significant impact (or no impacts) to water quality, wetlands, floodplains, land use, aesthetics, transportation, or human health and safety.

The proposed project will have no adverse effect on resources listed or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The Agency has also concluded that the proposed project is not likely to adversely affect federally listed threatened and endangered species or designated critical habitat thereof. The proposed project would not disproportionately affect minority and/or low-income populations.

No other potential significant impacts resulting from the proposed project have been identified. Therefore, RUS has determined that this FONSI fulfills its obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 et seq.), the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations (40 CFR §§ 1500-1508), and USDA Rural Development's Environmental Policies and Procedures (7 CFR Part 1970) for its action related to the project.

RUS is satisfied that the environmental impacts of the proposed project have been adequately addressed. RUS's federal action would not result in significant impacts to the quality of the human environment, and as such it will not prepare an Environmental Impact Statement for its action related to the proposed project.

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treatment centers in Texas with children who were termed “emotionally disturbed” back in the ‘80s. They were children who had come from homes that were abusive.

She briefly worked in the Curry County Juvenile Detention Center and then took a job with Riley Creek School as their time-out detention room person where she acquired the title of “behavior specialist,” before returning to the juvenile department where she was laid off during funding cuts. She became a volunteer with Court Appointed Special Advocates and continued to advocate for children.

“When this came up, it was perfect,” she said. “I didn’t think it would turn into what it has, but it has kind of morphed into a county service.”

She went to directors’ trainings and meetings for the network, called Oregon Child Abuse Solutions.

“I saw other centers and I saw what a center was supposed to be,” she said.

During a Soroptimist’s trip, Jeri Honeycutt shared with Antunes she wanted to do something for the community, and one of those things was to create a child advocacy center. She bought the commercial property in December a few months after Wally died in summer 2014, and started to remodel the space by March 2015. By October 2015, they were moved in.

Honeycutt was willing to donate use of the building for the children, but refused to donate the building to the county, according to Antunes. Honeycutt charged Antunes with creating a nonprofit, and then once it was proven to be self-sustaining, she promised she would donate the building.

“It was a very smart thing,” Antunes said, “because I had someone who was sitting on a committee for the county some years later ask me, ‘Would it be a hardship on you if the county sold the building?’ I said, ‘Yeah it would be a huge hardship and they can’t because they don’t own the building.’”

The building was still owned by Honeycutt, and the county paid a dollar a month for rent.

Antunes has been on-board from the beginning and has continued to guide the organization toward greater independence from county government. A little over a year ago, Wally’s House became a fully independent Child Abuse Intervention Center with no ties to the county and funded solely through grants and private donations. At the end of that first year of independence in 2020, Honeycutt, in recognition of the work of Antunes and the board, signed over the title of the building to Wally’s House.

The organization has grown with grants from Oregon Community Foundation and Collins Foundation. They provided the necessary bank funding to operate their Victims of Crime Act, which reimburses the center quarterly for services to victims. They also operate with a Child Abuse Multi-Disciplinary Intervention Fund that provides the training for the multi-disciplinary team of child advocate, forensic interviewer and medical examiner.

Wally’s House operates on about a \$300,000 annual budget. They provide forensic interviewing services countywide for Port Orford Police, Brookings Police, Gold Beach Police, Curry County Sheriff’s Department, Oregon State Police and they have even assisted the FBI by providing use of their facility to FBI staff. The first year, Antunes conducted 17 interviews. A few years later, she had 54 cases. They average more than 40 cases each year. Antunes would like to grow further and

add a therapist to the staff.

In addition to forensic interviewing, the center provides victim advocacy, medical exams, case review, case tracking and prevention education to all ages.

When someone has reported child abuse or if a child has injuries, either law enforcement or the Department of Human Services contacts Wally’s House. If a child has physical injuries that are hard to explain, they do what’s called a Karly’s Law exam. The law was named after a 3-year-old Corvallis girl who died from abuse when allegations were not investigated.

“The training that I and other forensic interviewers have is through the Oregon Child Forensic Interviewing Training,” she said. Interviewers are awarded a nationally recognized certificate. “If it’s determined that something definitely happened, then law enforcement can go out and make an arrest, or DHS will work with the family to try to keep the child with the family if there isn’t a protective order or put the child in foster care if they can’t leave the child with the parent.”

The forensic interviews are used by the Department of Justice or in the hearings that happen for Department of Human Services or by the district attorney. They do not provide forensic interviews because of custody battles. They are only used for legal and DHS cases.

Antunes gave The Pilot a tour of the facility. A separate doorway for families opens from outside to a cozy reception area that is outfitted with a child’s table, chairs and toys. The warm and comfortable atmosphere is by design to put children and families at ease, looking more like grandma’s house. It’s a big improvement over the sterile, somewhat public facilities at the previous location in the courthouse.

When the family comes in, they fill out paperwork and meet the team. The child gets to see the whole building. They know who’s going to be watching, where all of the cameras are located and where people are watching the interview.

The interview process is open-ended and conducted in the interview room, which has cameras and microphones to record the interview. Two large overstuffed chairs face each other in the interview room, one for the child and the other for the interviewer. They used to have tables and chairs in the interview room, but the table was in the way of cameras being able to see if a child pointed to some parts of their body.

“A successful interview for me is where I’ve created a rapport with the child and they feel like they can talk with me about anything, whether they have something to disclose or just know that an adult is listening to them and can tell me about their favorite doll,” she said.

The cameras feed the information to an observation room where law enforcement, DHS case workers and the district attorney can watch the interview to determine whose jurisdiction, if any, the case falls under.

Dr. Raymond Harris provides Karly’s Law medical exams on site in their medical room, with an adjoining bathroom where speci-



Contributed Photo

Executive Director Jackalene Antunes (left) and Jeri Honeycutt smile after the title for Wally’s House was transferred to the nonprofit.



Linda Pinkham, The Pilot

The medical exam room at Wally’s House makes it easy to provide all the services needed under one roof for child abuse intervention.

mens can be collected and passed through. They have a special camera in the exam room that can detect subcutaneous injuries. The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints donated equipment that provides UV sanitizing to equipment, electronics and keys. Other equipment sanitizes the entire room with UV for both the medical exam room and the interview room.

The facility has a board room for meetings. Custom tables from a furniture maker in Brookings were donated by Dr. Harris and his wife Karen to replace the folding white Costco tables and lawn chairs they started with after moving over from the county. Another business donated the oak chairs. Nearly everything in the building has been donated, from changing tables to office equipment and furniture.

Having the house has made a difference in the number of services they can provide.

“It was a fitting and generous gift to the organization and the children of Curry County,” Antunes said. “It is with deep gratitude and appreciation Wally’s House staff and board wish to recognize Jeri’s understanding of what a Child Advocacy Center and its services should be. This knowledge has ensured every child in Curry County that requires specialized services provided at such facilities, will now have them.”

If you would like to take training, volunteer or make a donation, contact Wally’s House at 541-425-5502 or by mail at PO Box 1845, Gold Beach, Oregon 97444.



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Executive Director Jackalene Antunes stands on the front porch of Wally’s House in Gold Beach, which serves as a Child Abuse Intervention Center for all of Curry County.

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After our first child was born, my hubby made clear that it was unacceptable for me to leave my career or reduce my working hours. I never realized I would have the desire to be a stay-at-home mom or work part-time until I became a mom.

For the last several years, I have chosen to work swing shifts so I can be available for my children during the mornings. But this has taken such a toll on

DEAR ABBY

Abigail Van Buren



my health that I have had to get antidepressant prescriptions to cope with juggling all of this.

Recently, I told my husband I would like to work an earlier shift so my health can improve. Again he insists this is unacceptable because of the reduced pay I'd receive plus the high cost of child care.

He's a wonderful father to the children, and aside from this sole issue, we have no other problems. He makes me feel like a work mule, though, always trying to squeeze every last dollar out of me I can earn.

I don't want a divorce. I do love him. I'm considering telling him my job is requiring me to switch shift times, which isn't true. Is it ever appropriate and acceptable to be dishonest to your spouse?

-- WORK MULE MAMA

DEAR MAMA: Your husband's priorities appear to be out of whack, but I don't think you should lie to him. Repeat that the shift you are working is taking a toll on your HEALTH and that antidepressants aren't a cure for what's ailing you.

A husband is not supposed to be a dictator. As long as the two of you can make it financially, you should be able to set your own hours. Inform your doctor about everything you have told me and get off the medication. As much as you love your husband, you are not a "mule." If you continue on the path you're

on, you will weaken your immune system and risk becoming seriously ill. How will you parent your children (or work) then?

DEAR ABBY: For the past five years, I have been dealing with my aunt, who is convinced that the neighbors are coming into her apartment, hacking her phone, her refrigerator, threatening her, cooking in her kitchen and constantly talking about her. Everyone has tried reasoning with her, but she insists she's OK and nothing is wrong with her.

She has fixated on these neighbors ever since she had a run-in with them years ago. They don't even live there anymore, but she says they do. I'm trying to be kind, patient and understanding with her, but she is making me nuts. Please help. -- ALARMED IN INDIANA

DEAR ALARMED: I'll try. Your aunt's irrational behavior should be reported to her physician, if she has one, so she can be evaluated. None of what you have described about her behavior is rational or normal. She needs a physical and neurological examination by a medical professional who can guide you in how to handle this because it isn't going to get better on its own.

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Northern Spotted Owl's threatened status will remain unchanged

Conservation, timber rules won't change under 'warranted but precluded' decision

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service announced recently a "warranted but precluded" finding for the northern spotted owl. The decision means that a reclassification from threatened to endangered is warranted, but the service will not take any new actions at this time because listing as endangered is precluded by higher priority actions.

This decision is based on a rigorous scientific report that was peer reviewed by academic, industry and resource agency experts. The primary threat to the survival of the northern spotted owl is competition from the aggressive and invasive barred owl, while ongoing habitat loss, primarily from wildfire, constitutes an additional threat.

A change in status from threatened to endangered would not result in any additional regulatory restrictions under the Endangered Species Act nor substantively impact the conservation of spotted owls.

"Ongoing research tells us that northern spotted owls are in danger of disappearing in large parts of their range," said Robyn Thorson, regional director for the service's Columbia-Pacific Northwest Region. "Habitat conservation measures on federal lands have been working well, but increased competition from the invasive barred owl has severely impacted spotted owl populations. We're committed to continue working closely with federal and state agencies, timber interests and other stakeholders to conserve the spotted owl and support sustainable timber harvest and rural communities."

Through collaboration with the U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management under the Northwest Forest Plan, the service has success-

fully managed timber harvest on federal lands to conserve northern spotted owl habitat since 1994. However, loss of habitat from wildfire is ongoing, and the threat from the barred owls has greatly intensified. Barred owls have increased their range during recent years, encroaching on spotted owl territories and out-competing the smaller, less-aggressive spotted owl.

An experiment was initiated in 2013 to test whether the removal of barred owls from northern spotted owl habitat is a feasible management tool to conserve populations of spotted owl; preliminary results of that experiment have been promising, though final results are still a few years away.

For more than 20 years, federal and state agencies, communities and industry have collaborated to protect habitat for the owl. As a result of this hard work, the service has avoided needing to list other species, including the Siskiyou Mountain salamander.

The service endeavors to balance essential protections for the owl with critical economic activity provided by the timber industry in the Pacific Northwest and northern California. The service will continue to collaborate with federal agencies and partners on active forest management projects that promote forest health, support jobs and sustain local communities while protecting owls and other forest species. Consultation and coordination with other federal agencies will proceed under streamlined consultation procedures that result in reduced timeframes and redundancies.

The reclassifying the northern spotted owl will be included in the service's National Listing Workplan, which established prioritized workload for listing decisions based on the needs of the species and our review of scientific information.

The warranted but precluded finding will publish in the Federal Register on Dec. 15.

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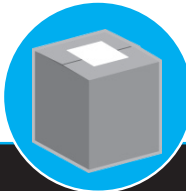
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The prevailing rates so determined are on file with the District and they are available for public inspection. They may also be obtained on the internet at: <https://www.dir.ca.gov/OPRL/PWD/index.htm>

Those prevailing wage rates hereby are incorporated in this Contract and made a part hereof.

Pursuant to California Public Contracts Code, any contract awarded pursuant to this invitation for bid shall obtain a provision permitting the substitution of securities for any moneys withheld to ensure performance under the contract. The terms of such provisions shall be according to the requirements of the Public Contracts Code Section 22300.

Each bid must be accompanied by security consisting only of cash, California Bank Cashier's Check, Certified Check, California Bank Money Order, or bid bond made payable to the "Smith River Fire Protection District" in the sum of ten percent (10%) of the sum of the proposal.

The right to reject any and all bids, or waive any informality in any bid received is reserved by the Board of Directors of the Smith

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Geoffrey Antill
Projects Administrator
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT Gracie's Care Coaching

The following person/s is/are doing business as:
**Gracie's Care Coaching
255 Lynch Rd.
Crescent City, CA 95531**
This Business is conducted by: **an individual**
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: **12/14/2020**

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this section that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Signed: **Amanda Toreson**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Del Norte County on: **12/14/2020**
Alissia D. Northrup
County Clerk-Recorder
Claire Landay, Deputy
File No. 20200146
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Notice of Public Meeting
The Harbor Sanitary District Board of Directors will hold a Special Meeting December 21, 2020 at 4:00 pm at the Harbor Sanitary District Building 16408 Lower Harbor Rd. Brookings OR. Subjects to be considered:

1. Review and Approval of 2019-2020 Audit

Anthony Burkett, Board Chairman
Published: Dec. 18, 2020
Curry Coastal Pilot P304171

Public Notice
Community & Family Services is accepting public comments for Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation's upcoming TANF Plan renewal for fiscal year 2021-2024.

Comment Submission Due February 1, 2021 by 5:00 pm
To Request a copy of the TANF Renewal Plan or to submit a comment, please contact us via:
Mail: **Community & Family Services 16299 Hwy 101 N., Smith River, CA 95567**
Email: teela.james@tolowa.com or tiffany.shannon@tolowa.com
Telephone: **707-487-9255**
Teela James ext. 1139 or Tiffany Shannon ext. 1128

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In the previous calendar year Seaqueake Brewing, 400 Front Street, Crescent City, CA 95531 an Industrial User was found to be in significant noncompliance per 40 CFR 403.8(f)(2)(viii) with their Industrial Waste Discharge Permit issued by the City of Crescent City. Seaqueake Brewing and the City of Crescent City have worked together on innovative processes and permit modifications to ensure we maximize future opportunities and resolve previous constraints.
Published Dec. 18, 2020
Del Norte Triplicate T304513

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT Babich Trucking LLC

The following person/s is/are doing business as:
**Babich Trucking LLC
200 Standard Veneer Rd.
Crescent City, CA 95531**
This Business is conducted by: **limited liability company**
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: **01/01/2016**

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this section that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Signed: **Babich Trucking LLC
Henry T Babich Jr., Managing Member**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Del Norte County on: **12/9/2020**
Alissia D. Northrup
County Clerk-Recorder

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Claire Landay, Deputy
File No. 20200145
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Babich Construction**

The following person/s is/are doing business as:
**Babich Construction
200 Standard Veneer Rd.
Crescent City, CA 95531**
This Business is conducted by: **an individual**
The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: **1/1/1989**

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this section that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Signed: **Henry T. Babich Jr.**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Del Norte County on: **12/9/2020**
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Claire Landay, Deputy
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Lien Sale
Lien for storage of vehicles owned by Leta Marie Pariseau, Donald E. Pariseau Jr. will be foreclosed on 12-28-2020 at 12:00pm at 97865 shopping Center Ave., Brookings, OR. Storage due is \$100 plus late fees and cost of the sale. Vehicle: 1998 Chev Blazer VIN:1GNDT13W7W2245042. Harbor Park & Sell owner: John Whitaker
Publish: Dec. 18 & 25, 2020
Curry Coastal Pilot P304140

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

The Curry County Soil & Water Conservation District will hold its **regular monthly meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, December 29.** Agenda topics include approving the draft 2019-20 annual report and audit of the financial statements, approving a COVID-19 Notifications policy, and approving revisions to the social distancing policy. Other matters may be discussed.
In keeping with the State's continued recommendations concerning social distancing, the meeting will be held electronically. Interested parties should contact Liesl Coleman for access information. The meeting will also be broadcast via speakerphone at the Curry Watersheds Partnership office located at 29692 Ellensburg Ave., Gold Beach. The location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired or for other accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made to Liesl Coleman at least 48 hours prior to the meeting. liesl.coleman@currywatersheds.org (541) 247-2755 ext 0
Published: Dec. 18, 2020
Curry Coastal Pilot P304523

Notice of Lien Sale
Hewitts Stor All
96650 DeMoss Rd
Brookings OR

Lien Sale will be held:
Date: Jan. 2, 2021
Time: Walk by 11:30 am, Sale at 12:00 noon.
Location: Hewitts Stor All 96650 DeMoss Rd, Brookings, OR

Household & Misc items Unit No. 93 Linda Harris 17200 Ferry Creek Heights Brookings, OR 97415

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Notice of Lien Sale
Hewitts Stor All
96650 DeMoss Rd
Brookings OR

Lien Sale will be held:
Date: Jan. 2, 2021
Time: Walk by 11:30 am, Sale at 12:00 noon.
Location: Hewitts Stor All 96650 DeMoss Rd, Brookings, OR

Household & Misc items Unit No. 120 Kathaleen Dowden PO Box 1517 Brookings OR 97415

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Julia N. Belcher has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate of Raymond B. Iida, deceased, Curry County Circuit Court Case No. 20PB0847. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four months from the date of the first publication of this Notice to the Personal Representative at Thorp, Purdy, Jewett, Urness & Wilkinson, P.C., 1011 Harlow Road, Suite 300, Springfield, Oregon 97477, or they may be barred.

Any person whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative or from the Personal Representative's attorneys.

DATED and first published: December 11, 2020

/s/ Julia N. Belcher
Personal Representative
Published: Dec. 11, 18, & 25, 2020
Curry Coastal Pilot P303769

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE T.S. No.: 2020-04944 A.P.N.: 110-201-74-000
NOTE: THERE IS A SUMMARY OF THE INFORMATION IN THIS DOCUMENT ATTACHED [PURSUANT TO CIVIL CODE 2923.3(a), THE SUMMARY OF INFORMATION REFERRED TO ABOVE IS NOT ATTACHED TO THE RECORDED COPY OF THIS DOCUMENT BUT ONLY TO THE COPIES PROVIDED TO THE TRUSTOR.] YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/6/2018. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A PUBLIC AUCTION TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, CASHIER'S CHECK/ CASH EQUIVALENT or other form of payment authorized by 2424h(b), (payable at the time of sale in lawful money of the United States), will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to a Deed of Trust described below. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Trustor: PAMELA ENGLISH, A MARRIED WOMAN, AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Duly Appointed Trustee: ENTRA DEFAULT SOLUTIONS, LLC 1355 Willow Way, Suite 115, Concord, California 94520 Phone: (925)272-4993 Deed of Trust Recorded 11/16/2018 as Instrument No. 20184766 in book , page of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of Del Norte County, California, to be sold: Date of Sale: 1/7/2021 at 11:00 AM Place of Sale: On the steps of the southwest entrance to the Flynn Administration Bldg. located at 981 H Street, Crescent City, CA 95531 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$161,510.56, Street Address or other common designation of real property: 3101 ENGLISH LANE CRESCENT CITY AREA, CA 95531 A.P.N.: 110-201-74-000 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address or other common designation, if any, shown above. We are attempting to collect a debt and any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to

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free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNER: The sale date shown on this notice of sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call 714-730-2727 or visit this Internet Web site www.servicelinkASAP.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2020-04944. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. NOTICE TO TENANT: You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 714-730-2727, or visit this internet website www.servicelinkASAP.com, using the file number assigned to this case 2020-04944 to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. Date: 12/2/2020 ENTRA DEFAULT SOLUTIONS, LLC Marisa Vidrine, Foreclosure Specialist A-4728201 12/11/2020, 12/18/2020, 12/25/2020 Published: Dec. 11, 18, & 25, 2020 Del Norte Triplicate T303729

Request for Proposal
The Port of Brookings Harbor is requesting proposals for Municipal Auditor for fiscal year ending June 30, 2021. For RFP material visit Port website: www.portofbrookingsharbor.com.

com or come into the Port Office 16330 Lower Harbor Rd, Brookings OR 97415. RFP deadline is December 31, 2020. Published: Dec. 11, 18, & 25, 2020 Curry Coastal Pilot P303717

Request for Proposal
The Port of Brookings Harbor is requesting proposals for Financial Consultants. For RFP material visit Port website: www.portofbrookingsharbor.com or come into the Port Office 16330 Lower Harbor Rd, Brookings OR 97415. RFP deadline is December 31, 2020. Published: Dec. 11, 18, & 25, 2020 Curry Coastal Pilot P303716

Port of Brookings Harbor is seeking Electrical labor rates on time and material basis for repairs to power pedestals, commercial and retail service work. Copy of RFP is available at the Port Office or go online to www.portofbrookingsharbor.com. Proposals must be submitted by 2pm on December 31, 2020 16330 Lower Harbor Road P.O. Box 848 Brookings, OR 97415. Published: Dec. 11, 18, & 25, 2020 Curry Coastal Pilot P303715

Port of Brookings Harbor is seeking labor and equipment rates on time and material basis for earthwork, clearing, and grading. Copy of RFP is available at the Port Office or go online to www.portofbrookingsharbor.com. Proposals must be submitted by 2pm on December 31, 2020 16330 Lower Harbor Road P.O. Box 848 Brookings, OR 97415. Published: Dec. 11, 18, & 25, 2020 Curry Coastal Pilot P303714

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
S6 - PACIFIC REDWOODS RV & CAMP LLC
The following person/s is/are doing business as: **S6 - PACIFIC REDWOODS RV & CAMP LLC** 4241 HWY 101 North Crescent City, CA 95531 This Business is conducted by: **limited liability company** The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: **6/21/2019**

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this section that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Signed: **S6 - PACIFIC REDWOODS RV & CAMP LLC, Travis Schneider**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Del Norte County on: **11/25/2020** Alissia D. Northrup County Clerk-Recorder Damon Fletcher, Deputy **File No. 20200137** Published: Dec. 11, 18, 25, & Jan. 1, 2020 **Del Norte Triplicate T303700**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
Horizon Realty Group
The following person/s is/are doing business as: **Horizon Realty Group** 243 Price Mall Crescent City, CA 95531 This Business is conducted by: **an individual** The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: **11/12/2020**

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this section that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed

one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Signed: **Thomas Barnes**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Del Norte County on: **11/12/2020** Alissia D. Northrup County Clerk-Recorder B. McCune-Sokoloski, Deputy **File No. 20200132** Publish: Dec. 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2020 **Del Norte Triplicate T303514**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
SIK-FISH CRAFTING
The following person/s is/are doing business as: **SIK-FISH CRAFTING** 1385 W. Washington Blvd. #23 Crescent City, CA 95531 This Business is conducted by: **an individual** The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: **5/1/2018**

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this section that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Signed: **Michael Dales**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Del Norte County on: **11/23/2020** Alissia D. Northrup County Clerk-Recorder Claire Landay, Deputy **File No. 20200134** Publish: Dec. 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2020 **Del Norte Triplicate T303302**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
The Witchery
The following person/s is/are doing business as: **The Witchery** 847 3rd Street Crescent City, CA 95531 This Business is conducted by: **a general partnership** The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: **not applicable**

I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to this section that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000). Signed: **Janae Monroe and William Schrader**

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Del Norte County on: **11/23/2020** Alissia D. Northrup County Clerk-Recorder Claire Landay, Deputy **File No. 20200135** Publish: Dec. 4, 11, 18, and 25, 2020 **Del Norte Triplicate T302754**

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF DEL NORTE
450 H Street Room 209
Crescent City, CA 95531

Petition of:
Florinda Marie Salcedo
CASE NO. CVPT-2020-1276

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
To all interested persons:
Petitioner: Florinda Marie Salcedo filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows:
Present name:
Florinda Marie Salcedo
to Proposed name:
Florinda Marie Salcedo - Rodriguez

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 no written objection is timely filed, the court may grant this petition without a hearing.

NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: 12/18/2020
Time: 10:00 am
Dept.: ONE
The address of the court is same as noted above.

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

Dated: Nov. 9, 2020
/s/ Darren McElfresh
Judge of the Superior Court

Published: Nov. 27, Dec 4, 11, & 18, 2020
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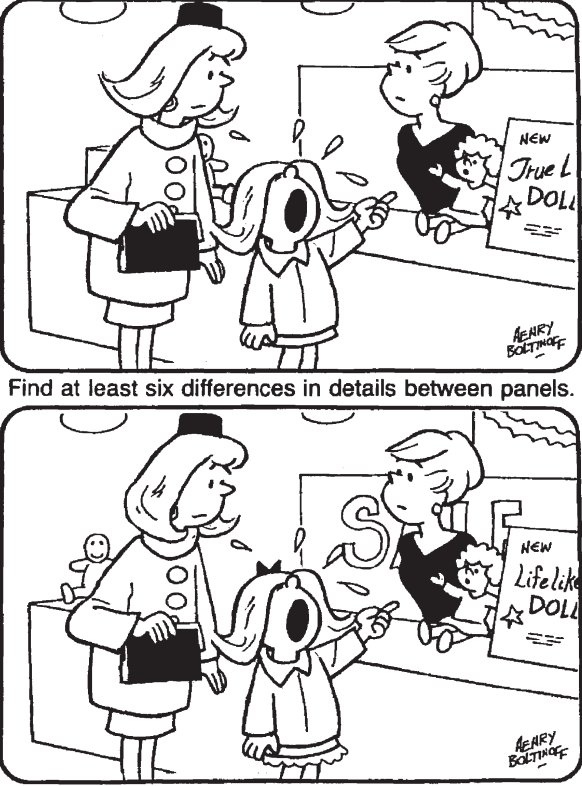
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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions forward, backward, up, down and diagonally
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Mom's hair is different. 2. Doll on left has been moved. 3. "Sale" sign is added. 4. Girl's skirt has ruffle. 5. Doll is different. 6. Girl has hair bow.

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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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Photos courtesy of the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

The migrating whales attract many to the Oregon ocean shoreline during whale watching week.

It’s whale-watching time again

JEREMY C. RUARK
Country Media

From mid-December to mid-January, a tradition takes place along the Oregon Coast that has intrigued and fascinated thousands for years. Nearly 20,000 gray whales make their migration south from Alaska to the warm lagoons of Baja, Mexico.

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department usually sets up its annual Whale Watching Week, utilizing volunteers at several key viewing points along the Oregon Coast to help people spot and learn the whales. But this season, Whale Watching Spoken Here is cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

In the following conversation, The Pilot gains insight about the 2020 whale migration from Oregon Parks and Recreation Department spokesman Chris Havel.

The Pilot: Give us the background of this popular event.

Chris Havel: Gray whales migrate along the Oregon coast twice a year. In winter (December–January), they head south from the Gulf of Alaska headed for the Baja peninsula to mate and take advantage of the calving grounds. We can expect 20-25,000 to pass by, peaking at about 30 an hour. Headed south, they tend to be 3-5 miles offshore.

In spring (March-May, even into June), adults and their young head north to feed in the Gulf of Alaska. They tend to travel a little closer to shore as they head north. We have 200-400 whales that more or less stay off the Oregon coast around year-round.

The Pilot: What changes have been made to this popular winter activity due to the pandemic and why?

Chris Havel: Whale Watch in Oregon usually involves 24 stations along the coast staffed by a big crew of volunteers guided by a few state park staff. We would set up spotting scopes and share binoculars and manage one visitor center in Depoe Bay to help people enjoy our marine friends. To reduce the risk of transmission between visitors and from visitors to staff and volunteers, the whale watch season is DIY this year: no staff, volunteers, shared equipment or indoor whale watch center.

The Pilot: Describe locations where folks should go, safely and following social distancing requirements, to get a good view of the whale migration?

Havel: First, travel only with a group of people who live with you in your household. Travel the shortest distance necessary to reach a good viewing spot (more on that below). If there



A whale rises out of the ocean along the Oregon shoreline.

are other people from outside your household at the viewpoint, wear a mask if you can’t keep six feet away from them. Check the weather and road conditions before you leave. Bring the food/drink, weather-appropriate clothing and personal cleaning supplies with you so you are as self-contained as possible.

If it’s sunny, the best viewing is before mid-day so you’re not staring into the sun. Wide binoculars or a spotting scope are useful, but you can also just go with your eyeballs. Most people who spot a whale are just looking around without magnification, they spot a plume and then they use binoculars or a scope to zoom in. Higher is better, so look for parking areas and viewpoints that are elevated, rather than down on the beach.

The Pilot: What should we look for as the whales swim by?

Havel: The first thing most people see is the cloud-like puff from a whale’s blow-hole as they surface and take a deep breath. It kind of looks like an old steam-engine train, except it just happens once or twice.

This time of year, you’ll see that plume, and then the whale dives again and keeps heading south, so start looking to the left for the beastie to emerge and take its next breath a couple minutes later. If you’re really lucky, the whale will jump out of the water, but seeing its breath is way more common.

The Pilot: From your insight, why is whale watching such a popular event in Oregon?



The near-shore migration of the whales has spawned a popular whale-watching industry along the Oregon coast that in 2009 was worth an estimated \$29 million – a figure likely higher today, according to researchers.

Havel: Most people are drawn to the wildlife they don’t get to see every day. When you see a wild animal that isn’t part of your daily routine, you feel like you’re traveling to a new, exciting world. It transports you out of your own, well-known routine life and into that exciting, dramatic and unknown existence.

Your imagination can kick into high gear. It’s wild and unpredictable and novel and you feel connected somehow to the greater whole. There’s a second, deeper level when we talk about whales. When we’re talking about 30 tons full-grown, you

can’t help but lose yourself in awe.

The other way to answer that question is, why do people like to see whales IN OREGON? Our public ocean shore makes it one of the best places on the planet to pick your front-row seat. You don’t need to get the key to a gate or buy a ticket on a cruise (those can be fun if you have the means). You need yourself and some patience. The same whales pass by Washington and California. They have some mighty nice stretches of coast there. Nothing rivals the ease-of-access to 363 miles of the Oregon coast. In our

humble opinion, of course.

What’s next?

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department also lists information on its website about spring whale watching, which begins in late March as the gray whales travel north on their way toward Alaska. The first surge swims by around the end of March and the migration continues until June.

Summer and fall brings whales that feed along the Oregon Coast from June to mid-November.

For information, visit the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department website.