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Toledo city manager candidates to meet the public July 29

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

Four finalists have been selected for the position of Toledo City Manager.

John Craig
Richard Huebner
Phil Lewis
Benjamin Marchant

Toledo community members are invited to meet the finalists at a facilitated meeting from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 29, at Toledo Fire Department, Training Room, 285 NE Burgess Road in Toledo.

Participants should plan to

attend the entire meeting to meet all the finalists and have an opportunity to give their input. Contact Emily Rehder at Jensen Strategies (emily@jensenstrategies.com) for additional language or accessibility accommodations.

JOHN CRAIG

John Craig most recently served as Deputy County Manager for the County of Los Alamos, NM. He previously served as Director of General Services for the

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John Craig



Phil Lewis



Richard Huebner



Benjamin Marchant

Pro Tem city manager dismissed

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College president on the run



Clackamas Community College President Tim Cook during his run. (Courtesy photo)

Tim Cook running across Oregon

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Tim Cook is running across Oregon with a vision and a purpose.

Cook, the president of Clackamas Community College, set off on his 1,500-mile journey June 16 from Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, with plans to connect all 17 of the state’s community colleges, including Oregon Coast Community College (OCCC) in Lincoln City.

Cook is running to raise funds and awareness for student basic needs.

“I wanted to do something that was audacious enough to grab people’s attention and really help them understand the issues around basic needs for community college students,”

The Lincoln City City Council has voted to terminate the contract of David Benson, the City Manager Pro Tem, without cause.

The Council is prepared with a new policy to move forward with their hiring process(es) and will be addressing the immediate needs associated with this unexpected change within the coming weeks, according to a release from the city of Lincoln City.

“As an acting city manager, the Chief of Police takes over,” Lincoln City City Mayor Susan Wahlke told the Lincoln County Leader following the council’s decision July 14. “We will hold a special council meeting to determine the next steps. I believe we will probably search for another pro tem while we search for a full-time city manager.”

The Lincoln City City Council was expected to conduct the special session Monday, July 21. Wahlke said she could not reveal the

State of Emergency declared due to imminent threat of wildfire

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Gov. Tina Kotek has declared a State of Emergency due to the imminent threat of wildfire.

The declaration was issued July 16 and is scheduled to be in place through the calendar year.

Oregon is already experiencing a devastating wildfire season that will have lasting consequences, according to Kotek.

“The summer is only getting hotter, drier, and more dangerous – we have to be prepared for worsening conditions,” Kotek said. “I am declaring a

State of Emergency to access state resources for communities across Oregon as we respond to this year’s escalating wildfire season. All Oregonians should follow local instructions and evacuation levels issued by emergency officials, subscribe to emergency alerts on ORAlert.gov, have an evacuation plan, prepare a go-kit, and stay aware of changing conditions.”

Following ORS 401.165 et seq., Kotek said she determined

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The Cram Fire in Central Oregon has burned across 95,000 acres and the cause was under investigation as of July 20. (Courtesy photo from the Oregon State fire Marshal’s Office.)





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Partly Cloudy

Sunday: High-61/Low-50
Mostly Sunny

Monday: High-63/Low-51
Sunny

Tuesday: High-63/Low-52
Partly Cloudy

Past Weather

On the Coast

	Rain	Low	High
May 17	0.01	52.5	60.0
May 18	0.00	50.4	58.7
May 19	0.27	49.5	59.9
May 20	0.12	48.1	59.1
May 21	0.00	43.2	59.4
May 22	0.00	51.1	59.3
May 23	0.00	46.8	57.7
Total rainfall from Jan. 1	32.20		

Tides Tables

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

Low	6:02 a.m.	-1.7
High	12:54 p.m.	6.8
Low	5:37 p.m.	3.4
High	11:39 p.m.	9.6

THURSDAY, JULY 24

Low	6:49 a.m.	-1.8
High	1:36 p.m.	7.1
Low	6:31 p.m.	3.1

FRIDAY, JULY 25

High	12:29 a.m.	9.5
Low	7:31 a.m.	-1.7
High	2:15 p.m.	7.3
Low	7:21 p.m.	2.8

SATURDAY, JULY 26

High	1:17 a.m.	9.2
Low	8:11 a.m.	-1.4
High	2:52 p.m.	7.4
Low	8:09 p.m.	2.6

SUNDAY, JULY 27

High	2:03 a.m.	8.7
Low	8:47 a.m.	-0.9
High	3:27 p.m.	7.6
Low	8:58 p.m.	2.3

MONDAY, JULY 28

High	2:48 a.m.	7.9
Low	9:22 a.m.	-0.2
High	4:01 p.m.	7.7
Low	9:47 p.m.	2.2

TUESDAY, JULY 29

High	3:35 a.m.	7.29
Low	9:55 a.m.	0.6
High	4:34 p.m.	7.7
Low	10:40 p.m.	2.1

Sunrise/Sunset

July 23	5:53 a.m.	8:53 p.m.
July 24	5:54 a.m.	8:52 p.m.
July 25	5:55 a.m.	8:51 p.m.
July 26	5:56 a.m.	8:50 p.m.
July 27	5:57 a.m.	8:48 p.m.
July 28	5:58 a.m.	8:47 p.m.
July 29	5:59 a.m.	8:46 p.m.
July 30	6:00 a.m.	8:45 p.m.
July 31	6:01 a.m.	8:44 p.m.

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Saturday, July 19

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Saturday, July 19

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911 Operations Manager Honored



Lincoln City 911 Operations Manager Paul Compton, right, has been recognized as a Patriot Employer and presented with a certificate from Greg Malkasian, left, with the Office of the Secretary of Defense Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve. Former Telecommunicator Kevin Casey, who was an active member of the US Army while employed with LCPD agency, nominated Compton to show his appreciation for the exceptional support he received during his absence from work for prolonged periods of time to attend mandatory military training. Malkasian also presented LCPD Chief Dave Broderick with a Statement of Support for the Guard and Reserve, recognizing LCPD's pledge to recognize, honor, and comply with the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act. The presentations were conducted July 17 at LCPD headquarters. (Courtesy photo from LCPD)

Oregon to receive \$10 million in new nationwide opioid settlement



Buprenorphine is among three medications used to treat an opioid addiction. (Courtesy photo from Edward Murphy)

MIA MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregon will receive \$10.1 million for drug prevention and treatment services as part of a nationwide settlement with eight opioid manufacturers.

Opioid manufacturing companies including Mylan, Hikma, Amneal, Apotex, Indivior, Sun, Alvogen and Zydus agreed to pay a total of \$720 million to Oregon and eight other states.

The settlement adds to the \$700 million Oregon

secured since July 2021, including a \$66 million settlement from the Sackler family and Purdue Pharma in June.

Of the funds, 45% will go toward the state's opioid settlement fund and 55% will go toward prevention and recovery programs in counties and cities.

Oregon's Settlement Prevention, Treatment and Recovery Board has plans to distribute the funds through 2038.

Attorney General Dan Rayfield said in a news release that opioid makers must be accountable for

the harm they've caused to families.

"No amount of money can rewind the clock, but this money will allow us to continue building a future free from this crisis by investing in drug treatment, prevention and recovery support across our state," he said in the release.

The other states involved in the settlement are California, Colorado, Illinois, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee, Utah and Virginia.

<https://oregoncapitalchronicle.com/briefs/oregon-to-receive-10-million-in-new-nationwide-opioid-settlement/>

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Oregon woman scammed out of \$600K in Gold Bars

ODOJ urges public vigilance

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

The Oregon Department of Justice (ODOJ) is warning Oregonians about a fast-growing and deeply concerning scam after an Eastern Oregon woman was defrauded out of \$600,000—nearly her entire life savings.

After a call to the ODOJ Consumer Protection Hotline, local law enforcement intervened just in time to prevent the woman from handing over an additional \$300,000, according to ODOJ officials.

The scammers convinced the woman that they were federal agents and that her financial accounts were at risk of being frozen or hacked. They told her the only way to protect her assets was to convert them into gold bars and turn them over for “safekeeping.” She followed their instructions, purchasing and handing over \$600,000 worth of gold.

When the woman mentioned her plans to give the scammers even more money, her sister called the ODOJ Consumer Hotline. Advocates quickly alerted local law enforcement, who visited the woman and were able to stop the final transaction.

“This is a heartbreaking example of how sophisticated and predatory these scams have become,” Oregon Attorney General Dan Rayfield said “No one—especially not a government agency—will ever ask you to buy gold or hand over your money to a stranger. If something feels off, trust your gut. It could save your life savings.”

HOW THE SCAM WORKS
Federal and local law

enforcement have been warning about the rise of “gold bar scams” across the country. Here’s how these schemes typically unfold:

Initial Contact: Scammers call, email, or text, often claiming to be from a government agency, a bank, or a tech company.

False Urgency: They create panic by saying your financial accounts are compromised or under investigation.

Asset Conversion: Victims are told to withdraw large sums of money and convert it into gold or other valuables to “protect” it.

Courier Pickup: A courier is dispatched to the victim’s home to collect the gold, promising it will be stored safely.

Theft: Once the gold is handed over, it’s gone—the scammers disappear, leaving victims with nothing.

WHAT YOU CAN DO
ODOJ reminds

Oregonians that no legitimate government agency will ever ask you to buy gold or send someone to your home to collect money. To protect yourself and others:

Hang up immediately if someone pressures you to withdraw or transfer money.

Call local law enforcement to report immediately.

Don’t click on suspicious links or respond to unsolicited texts or emails.

Never give out personal or financial information to someone you don’t know.

Verify claims by calling your bank or the agency directly using official contact information.

Report suspicious activity to the ODOJ Consumer Hotline at 1-877-877-9392.

File a complaint at OregonConsumer.gov Report to the Federal Trade Commission at ReportFraud.FTC.gov



Local citizens conducted the Good Trouble rally along Highway 101 at NW 25th Street in Lincoln City. (Courtesy photo from Anthony Freeman)

Good Trouble rally held in Lincoln City

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

To honor Congressman John Lewis, Indivisible Lincoln City conducted a rally, Good Trouble Lives On, along Highway 101 at NW 25th Street Thursday evening, July 17.

Organizers said the demonstration was designed to uphold democracy and speak out against autocracy.

After a dinner break, a free screening of Good Trouble, an inspirational documentary about Lewis, was presented at the nearby Congregational Church. Lewis, a civil rights icon, was a proponent of peaceful resistance.

“We had a great discussion about his legacy and his concern about the survival of our democracy,”

organizer Shar Walbaum said. “We focused on the importance of choosing action over despair. John Lewis spent his life dedicated to the fight for civil rights. As a peaceful warrior, he made a lot of what he called good trouble, necessary trouble. He inspired us to do the same.”

The event is one of hundreds that were held in cities and communities across the country, marking Lewis’ passing five years ago and upholding his legacy. The Lincoln City organizers said they honored Lewis by standing together against injustice and followed the advice he dispensed in one of his most famous quotes: “Get in good trouble, necessary trouble, and help redeem the soul of America.”

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Sudoku answers

Farm season is rolling—are you ready to share the road?



ODOT, Oregon Department of Agriculture, and Oregon Farm Bureau urge drivers to stay alert around slow-moving equipment during Oregon's peak harvest season. (Courtesy photo from ODOT)

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

From July through September, Oregon’s rural roads and highways become busier with more than just regular traffic—they’re filled with tractors, combines and other slow-moving farm equipment essential to the state’s agricultural economy.

A small number of crashes, with serious consequences

In the last five years, Oregon has averaged 32 crashes involving farm equipment annually, resulting in about four serious injuries each year. Fatal crashes occurred in both 2020 and 2022. These numbers may seem small, but each one represents a person, a family and a community impacted, according to a release from the Oregon Department of Transportation, (ODOT), Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), and Oregon Farm Bureau (OFB).

The OFB, ODA, and ODOT are teaming up to remind drivers: stay alert, slow down and share the road.

Sharing the road starts with awareness

“As we move deeper into farming season, you’ll see more farm machinery on our roads as farmers harvest crops and deliver their products to market,” ODA Director Lisa Charpilloz Hanson said. “It’s crucial to remember that even though you may spot the farmers, they may not spot you. Large equipment comes with considerable blind spots, especially when backing up or navigating tight turns. Let’s prioritize safety on our roads, be vigilant and give them the space they need.”

Farm vehicles often travel under 25 mph, may take up more than one lane, and can make wide turns into fields or farm driveways. For many drivers, sharing the road with these vehicles is unfamiliar and that inexperience can increase risk, according to ODOT Public Information Officer Mindy McCartt.

“Even though the number of crashes involving farm equipment each year is relatively low, the outcomes can be serious—and avoidable,” McCartt said. “These are preventable incidents, and a little caution goes a long way.”

Tips for drivers during farm season:

Drive defensively. Stay alert for equipment entering or crossing the road.

Slow down. Most farm vehicles travel under 25 mph—start braking early.

Stay back. Maintain at least 50 feet behind large farm equipment.

Pass only when safe. Wait for clear sightlines and legal zones; avoid passing near curves, bridges or field entrances.

Watch for wide turns. Equipment may veer unexpectedly to enter fields or driveways.

Yield when needed. Large vehicles may not be able to pull over—give them space.

Keep calm. Delays are temporary. Aggressive driving isn’t worth the risk.

Be extra cautious at intersections. Tall crops or unmarked field access points can reduce visibility.

Know the signs
Look for the orange triangle emblem on the back of farm vehicles. It signals a slow-moving vehicle—reduce your speed and pass only with care.

“As harvest picks up, more tractors and equipment will be on the road,”

OFB President Angi Bailey said. “Remember these are not only your neighbors on the road, but also our husbands, wives, sons, daughters and valued employees. We want everyone to come home safe at the end of the day. Please give farmers the space they need to do the job of growing food and fiber for Oregon and beyond.”

“Everyone wants to get where they’re going safely, whether that’s to the market or back to the barn,” McCartt added. “A few extra seconds of patience could save a life.”

With Oregon’s farms in full swing, ODOT, ODA, and the OFB encourage all drivers to keep safety top of mind.

“Let’s all do our part to share the road this season—with patience, awareness, and respect,” the release states.

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Federal funds coming to Newport Airport

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

U.S. Representative Val Hoyle along with, U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley, and Reps. Andrea Salinas and Maxine Dexter have announced \$5.15 million combined in federal infrastructure investments at airports in Newport, Brookings, Aurora, Portland, Salem, and John Day.

The \$5.15 million in grants from the Federal Aviation Administration will be distributed as follows:

\$650,000 to the Newport Municipal Airport to acquire and install a new automated weather observing system to provide site-specific weather information.

\$99,286 to Brookings Airport to install a new airport rotating beacon to

enhance safety, rebuild a precision approach path indicator system and runway end identifier lights, and acquire and install a new wind cone navigational aid.

\$3.3 million for Aurora State Airport to rehabilitate 5,003 feet of existing paved runway to maintain its structural integrity and extend its useful life.

\$696,721 to Portland International to rebuild 550 feet of existing east curtain wall in the main terminal entrance, including six revolving doors.

\$244,500 to McNary Field in Salem to rehabilitate 1,350 feet of existing paved taxiway to maintain its structural integrity and to extend its useful life.

\$162,640 to the Grant County Regional Airport in John Day to acquire 9.34 acres of land to protect a runway approach.



The Newport Municipal Airport will receive \$650,000 to acquire and install a new automated weather observing system. (Courtesy photo)

Newport City Manager Nina Vetter said her city is thankful to be awarded an FAA grant to help fund a vital upgrade of the automated weather observing system (AWOS) at Newport Municipal Airport.

“Weather conditions on the Oregon coast can change within minutes, and it is essential that our airport is able to continue to provide accurate data and information that

keeps pilots and passengers safe on their journey to and from Newport,” Vetter said. “We are also grateful for the continued support of our Oregon legislators in helping us to secure funding for critical infrastructure and safety projects and equipment to support the needs of our community and the over 2 million annual visitors to Newport.”

“Reliable, modern airport infrastructure is essential for the safety and economic vitality of our coastal communities,” Hoyle said. “These grants provide almost \$750,000 in federal funding for the Newport and Brookings airports to input a new weather monitoring system, lighting upgrades, and essential safety equipment that will improve operations for pilots, emergency responders, and travelers alike. These investments are a win for public safety, regional connectivity, and the long-term resilience of Oregon’s South Coast.”

“Airports big and small are critical to keeping communities across the

state connected and prepared to respond to natural disasters that include wildfires, winter weather and more,” Wyden said. “These federal investments will help bolster local economies, improve service and enhance safety. I applaud these investments and will continue to fight for similar investments for Oregon airports in the future.”

“Oregon’s regional airports serve as vital hubs for our communities and economies – supporting local businesses, connecting travelers to world-class recreational opportunities, and providing essential lifelines during natural disasters,” Merkley said. “This federal funding will allow Oregon regional airports to make critical infrastructure improvements that will benefit our communities and economy. I’ll fight to protect the efficiency and safety of Oregon’s airports and the folks who rely on them for business, travel, and so much more.”

“As the Willamette Valley continues to grow and economic

opportunities expand, we must ensure Oregon has alternative and safe transportation routes,” Salinas said. “I’m proud to have helped secure this federal grant funding, which will improve the structural integrity of the tarmac so that the airport can continue safely serving our local community for years to come.”

“Investments in airport infrastructure are investments in public safety, regional resilience, and economic vitality,” Dexter said. “Portland was recently named the top airport in the nation and this funding will only further help keep Oregonians safe and our communities connected.”

Wyden, Merkley, Hoyle, Salinas and Dexter have all consistently supported airport infrastructure across Oregon.

ADDITIONAL FUNDING

In June, Wyden, Merkley and Hoyle announced \$9.7 million for rural airports across Oregon, in addition to another \$1 million for airports on the Oregon Coast and Willamette Valley including Brookings and Aurora. In May, the Oregon delegation announced \$22 million for airport infrastructure investments across the state. In September 2024, Wyden and Merkley announced \$10 million in federal grants for airports in Medford and Prineville. In July 2024, Merkley, Wyden and Hoyle announced \$17 million from the federal Airport Improvement Program for airports across Oregon.



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CORRECTION

The following has been issued by Oregon State Police. The Oregon State Police learned on the morning of July 14, that Logan James Irwin did not succumb to injuries sustained from being struck by a vehicle on Sunday, July 6, 2025, near Tangent. Mr. Irwin is currently receiving medical care at a local hospital. OSP has contacted Mr. Irwin’s family to express our deep regret for the reporting error and any additional pain it may have caused. We sincerely apologize for this error.

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Wildlife Action Plan to address Oregon’s ‘biodiversity crisis’

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) has completed a final draft of the 2025 State Wildlife Action Plan (SWAP), and the plan is now available online for public review.

The public can view, download and comment on the draft plan at ODFW SWAP Revision webpage.

OVERVIEW

Oregon is facing a biodiversity crisis. More than one-third of our native fish, wildlife, and plant species are at risk of further declines.

The SWAP provides a science-based roadmap to address this crisis by identifying key threats—such as habitat loss, climate change, and invasive species—and outlining voluntary, proactive conservation actions across the state, according to a release from the ODFW.

The SWAP must be updated every 10 years, and the plan identifies key conservation issues, voluntary actions, and opportunities for agencies, organizations, landowners, and communities to work together to support Oregon’s native wildlife.

- WHAT’S NEW IN THE 2025 UPDATE:**
- A new plan name (previously the Oregon Conservation Strategy)
 - Updated species and habitat priorities
 - A stronger emphasis on climate resilience
 - Clearer pathways for public and partner involvement

THE SWAP REVISION PROCESS

ODFW began updating the SWAP in 2023 with an internal review, followed by public outreach and



The final draft of the Oregon’s State Wildlife Action Plan is now available for public review. (Courtesy photo)

engagement. Staff conducted a public survey to gather input on the current plan and suggestions for improvement. Based on that feedback, staff spent the latter half of 2024 drafting updates to key sections of the SWAP, according to the release.

From January to May 2025, technical work-group sessions were held. Recordings and documents from those meetings are available on the SWAP Revision webpage.

ODFW officials said they will incorporate public comments and submit a final draft SWAP to the Fish and Wildlife Commission for review and approval at the commission’s Aug. 15 meeting in Salem.

The Commission-approved draft will be submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for their review by Oct. 1, 2025. Once the draft revision is approved by the Service in early 2026, an updated version of the current website will go live to make information accessible and navigable.

During a virtual public meeting Wednesday evening, July 16, ODFW staff as scheduled to present highlights from the plan and answer questions.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help your community by volunteering at the Wooden Boat Show.

I am looking for volunteers to help the Chamber at the Wooden Boat Show Lunch under the gazebo. I have 3 shifts available, Saturday August 16 from 11a.m. to 1 p.m. or 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday, August 17 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Duties would be working in the kitchen or taking money.

If you are interested call Kathy Crane, 541-336-3183 or email director@toledooregon.org.

Thank you!

Kathy Cane
Toledo

DEAR LEADERS OF GSA TROOP 10143:

We read with sadness in the local newspaper about your recent experience with St Peter the Fisherman Lutheran Church after what seems to have been a positive one for many years. Your decision to sever your relationship with the church, while admirable and completely understood, must be heart-breaking for your troop.

We want to assure you that we are Lutherans

who are very different from those who have caused such turmoil and pain for you. St Peter the Fisherman is part of the Missouri Synod which has a very different attitude toward many of the issues your letter describes. We at Atonement are members of a different branch, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America [ELCA] which is inclusive and consistently expresses the love and mission of Christ which you celebrate in your letter.

We have endorsed our mission for many years with a message of welcome to all in the following commitment:

“We at Atonement Lutheran Church reach out with the good news of God’s love through Jesus. Christ. As Christ’s ministry includes everyone, we too welcome persons of any ethnicity, gender identity, race, sexual orientation, marital status, age, economic situation and physical or mental ability. We celebrate the gifts each one brings to the life and ministry of this community of faith.”

Newport may be a

bit far for you to travel [though we do have members who live in Lincoln City], and you may be reluctant to trust a different Lutheran Church. But on behalf of our congregation, we would be honored to have you use our meeting space at no charge. You will find Atonement a warm congregation who embrace and welcome all, recognizing that each of our differences is a miracle of life, worthy of love and part of the human family. Indeed, we know that God loves all of us.

While we recognize that this invitation can’t erase the pain and distress that led you to terminate your

relationship with St Peter the Fisherman, we would love to support your mission of loving God and our neighbors. After all, this is the greatest commandment of our Lord Jesus Christ, to “Love the Lord your God with all your heart, mind and soul and love your neighbor as yourself.”

If you have any interest in using our meeting spaces, please feel free to call our office or my [Pastor John’s] cell number 425-923-8558

Peace,

Pastor John Smithies
Pete Kraack, President of the Congregation Council
Atonement Lutheran Church

Online Poll

Previous Poll

What’s your ideal summer climate?

- 25% A foggy, coastal 50 to 65 degrees
- 50% A clear and breezy 65 to 75 degrees
- 16.7% A partly cloudy inland day of 75 to 85 degrees
- 8.3% I like it hot- give me 85 and up

New Poll

How would you rate your community’s overall livability?

- EXCELLENT
- GOOD
- NEEDS WORK
- POOR

The real housing crisis

RANDY STAPILUS
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregon has a housing crisis. And with it, good reason for establishing the state Housing Accountability and Production Office, which Gov. Tina Kotek launched on July 1 after it was first authorized in 2024 legislation.

In announcing the new housing accountability office, Kotek remarked, “My North Star is for every Oregonian to be able to afford a home. Our economic prosperity depends on it. I believe that we can get this done.”

If that is to happen, the target should be clear: There is no large crisis in the raw amount or supply of housing. The crisis lies in its price.

In this current decade, Oregon’s population increased only slightly, from about 4.2 million at the decade’s start, to about 4.3 million now, and there’s been no mass destruction of housing. Not a lot of houses are needed to service the population growth, since before the price explosion a half-decade

ago, at a time when housing wasn’t widely seen as in notably short supply.

Legislative Republicans this April complained that in the last three years only about 43,000 building permits for residences had been issued in the state, well below the governor’s plan for 108,000. But the state’s number of households rose by about the same amount during that time. The new construction that happened should, in theory, have been enough to keep up with it.

In 2023 (the most recent year available), Oregon had about 1.75 million “households” with the average household comprising 2.4 people, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

That same year, the Census counted in the state 1.88 million “housing units” — over 100,000 more housing units than the number of households — including “a house, an apartment, a group of rooms, or a single room occupied or intended for occupancy as separate living quarters.” It doesn’t include some other residential places, such as trailer and mobile home parks.

The upshot is that Oregon, like most states, has more residential units than households.

And there is no crisis for people of sufficient means. Anyone who can afford to plunk down a half-million or so (which includes many existing homeowners, in or out of state) will not have much trouble finding a house. People below that level, a large part of the population, may find that a house (or in some places apartment rentals, too) are simply out of reach.

The problem with Oregon’s housing crisis is affordability. The median house value in Oregon (which reflects purchase prices) as of May was \$540,300, according to online real estate market platform Zillow. One home-buying calculator estimates that if a purchaser puts down 18% for the home — the median down-payment of home buyers in the U.S., according to the National Association of Realtors — they would need to have more than \$97,000 saved, and earn more than \$120,000 per year to afford their mortgage payments. That

means fewer than a fifth of Oregon households could afford a median-priced house based on income. (Sales by owners of currently owned houses could expand that number.)

Despite the limited pool of buyers, prices have climbed and stayed high. Why?

Oregon’s notably strict laws on land use are often mentioned as a cause of the problem. They may contribute to it, but many other states — such as next-door Idaho — have far fewer building restrictions but still have house pricing problems as bad, or worse, as Oregon’s.

High priced homes can be more profitable for builders and developers, so they build more of them.

But the key explanation for why so many more houses are purchased, compared to the number of local residents who can buy, seems to be that relatively wealthy investors — individuals and especially businesses — are buying large numbers of houses and apartments in Oregon, and around the country.

Many national studies have found as much.

Redfin News, which tracks home sales nationally, said last August that investor home buying has been rising steadily in recent years — about 3% annually — and bought one of every six U.S. homes that sold — purchasing \$43 billion worth of properties — and one of every four low-priced homes that sold.

Redfin found that during the 2nd quarter of 2024 in Portland, 13% of homes sold (valued at \$511,419,529) were bought by investors, an amount rising in recent years. Many homes are then flipped and resold for still higher prices. All of that activity places upward pressure on sales prices of other homes as well.

A variety of buyers have been among the mass purchasers. Oregon Sen. Jeff Merkley has for several years focused on the role of hedge funds in home buys, and with U.S. Rep. Adam Smith, a Democrat from Washington, introduced in 2023 the End Hedge Fund Control of American Homes Act.

Merkley called hedge-funds, “a contributing factor that has made it

more difficult for middle-class Americans to become homeowners and is contributing to America’s twin crises of housing unaffordability and wealth inequality.”

Others have disagreed about how large a role the finance organizations have played. But someone can afford to buy all those houses — in many cases well beyond the asking price — and less-wealthy wage earners cannot compete.

That would be a real and pertinent, albeit sensitive, topic for the new state agency to address. Until someone does, the housing shortage for most Oregonians will go on.

<https://oregoncapital-chronicle.com/2025/07/10/the-real-housing-crisis/>
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WILDFIRES

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that Oregon is in a critical fire danger situation, threatening life, safety, and property because of extreme high temperatures.

The largest Oregon wildfire, the Cram Fire northwest of Madras in central Oregon, has burned 95,769 acres was 49% contained as of July 20. The cause of the Cram Fire remains under investigation. There are 775 personnel assigned to the incident. The Jefferson County Sheriff's Office has confirmed that six structures have been lost to the fire, including four homes and two other buildings.

Firefighters were working to contain 40 other active wildfires across the state as of Sunday afternoon, July 20. See the locations at the state's fire dashboard at <https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/6329d5e4e13748b9b9f7f-33f06a3c376/>

The state has already experienced wildfires this season resulting in six state conflagration declarations and two federal Fire Management Assistance Grant (FMAG) declarations, several community evacuations, threatened and damaged structures, and critical infrastructure.

Oregon's neighboring states of California, Idaho, and Washington continue to experience similar fires and weather, according to a release from Kotek's office. The extended weather forecast for Oregon



Firefighters are battling the Cram Fire in Central Oregon on the ground and in the air. (Courtesy photo from the Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office)

predicts ongoing warm and dry conditions, creating an imminent fire threat across a large portion of the state, a release from Kotek's office states.

WHAT THE DECLARATION DOES

The governor's declaration directs Oregon state agencies to support access to and use of personnel and equipment of all state agencies, including the deployment of the National Guard, necessary to assess, alleviate, respond to, lessen, or recover from conditions caused by this emergency and to meet requests by the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF), the Oregon Department of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM), and/or county and sovereign tribal nation emergency management to support response needs to respond to or lessen the effects of, the wildfire emergency as described in the state's Emergency Operations Plan.

Those who believe they have been charged excessively high prices for essential consumer

goods during this emergency are encouraged to report violations to the Oregon Department of Justice Consumer Protection Services, which has the authority to investigate unlawful trade practices, the release states.

BE READY

In a published interview in the June 11 editions of The Lincoln County Leader, Oregon Department of Forestry Wildland Fire Supervisor Isaak Post urged anyone who living in Oregon's rural areas, to be prepared for the wildfire season.

"Have a plan in the event of an emergency," Post said. "Know where you are going to go and what you are going to take at a moment's notice. Pay attention to the rules and regulations during the regulated closures. Watch the weather."

According to the Oregon Emergency Management Wildfire Response and Recovery website, residents and visitors should visit their county emergency management website. Follow local emergency services on social

media. Have a battery-powered AM/FM emergency radio. Create community by talking to your neighbors about emergency plans. Exchange contact information and ask for help if you need it or offer help if you can provide it during an emergency.

The state website emphasizes the urgency of having an escape plan.

"Identify evacuation routes from home, work or school. Establish a Family Communication Plan that designates an out-of-area contact, a family meeting place outside of the hazard area, and how you'll contact each other if you are separated during an emergency," the site urges. "Discuss the plan with your household, loved ones, friends and neighbors. Plan for pets and large animals such as horses and other livestock. Practice the elements of the plan so you'll be ready when disaster strikes."

In Oregon's 2024 fire season, regardless of jurisdiction, the state had a record-breaking year with 1,956 fires that burned more than 1.9 million acres.

HOW OREGON IS PROTECTED

The state's fire protection system is administered through two primary agencies, the ODF and the OSFM, who coordinate closely with federal partners, sovereign Tribal nations, state and local partners, landowners and the contract firefighting community.

ODF is charged with the wildfire protection of 16 million acres

across Oregon and is responsible for the state's complete and coordinated wildfire protection system. With early detection systems like the Multi-Mission Aircraft and Wildfire Detection Camera Program, ODF responds quickly and efficiently to new fire starts. Using these early detection tools and aggressive initial attack tactics, ODF kept 93 percent of ODF fires at fewer than 10 acres in 2024.

ODF relies on more than 700 permanent and seasonal firefighters to staff over 300 engines, operate heavy equipment and serve on fire crews. Through call-when-needed contracts, the agency provides firefighting aviation assets to wildfires. Additionally, ODF works with the Oregon Military Department and out-of-state partners for additional firefighting resources.

OSFM is charged with supporting statewide community and structure protection against wildfire, through the partnerships with over 300 local fire departments. OSFM oversees the state's Oregon Fire Mutual Aid System (OFMAS) which mobilized to a record 17 urban wildfire conflagrations last year.

The agency and its partners have completed nearly 4,500 defensible space assessments. These assessments are critical to give home and property owners the knowledge to give them added protection against wildfire, according to the OSFM.

For more information about wildfire safety, contact your local fire district or fire department.

CANDIDATES

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City of Albuquerque, NM; Assistant County Administrator for Mono County, CA; Deputy City Manager for the City of Rio Rancho, NM; County Manager for Talbot County, MD; and City Manager for the City of Barre, VT.

Craig holds a Master of Public Administration from Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs and a bachelor's degree in psychology from Belmont University.

"I am honored to be named a finalist for the City Manager position in Toledo," Craig said. "This is a community with a rich history, a deep sense of pride, and tremendous

potential. I look forward to the opportunity to meet with community members, learn more about their hopes for the city's future, and explore how I can use my education and experience to contribute to Toledo's continued growth and success through collaborative, transparent, and responsive leadership."

RICHARD HUEBNER
Richard Huebner most

recently served as City Administrator for the City of Selah, WA. He previously served as Assistant City Manager for the City of Moses Lake, WA; Management Analyst for the City of Monroe, WA. And Tourism Promotion Coordinator for the Snohomish County Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Huebner has a Juris Doctor from Seattle University and a bachelor's degree in communications from Washington State University.

"Lincoln County has been a regular vacation destination for me, from family vacations of my childhood and continuing today," Huebner said. "I'm honored and thrilled to be selected as a candidate for the position of City Manager of Toledo, and I'm excited by the prospect of living in and contributing to the vibrancy of this wonderful region."

PHILLIP LEWIS

Phillip Lewis currently serves as CEO/General Manager for Cosumnes Community Services District in Elk Cove, CA. He previously served as Parks and Recreation Administrator for Cosumnes Community Services District; Parks and Recreation Director

for the City of Rocklin, CA; Community Services Director for the City of Oregon City, OR; and Executive Director for Northern Wasco County Parks and Recreation District in The Dalles, OR.

Lewis holds a Master of Parks, Recreation, Tourism Management from North Carolina State University and a bachelor's degree in politics, Philosophy Economic from Eastern Oregon University.

"I am incredibly honored to be selected as a finalist for the Toledo City Manager position," Lewis said. "I am excited for the opportunity to work with Council, staff, and the community to keep growing as a friendly, strong, and future focused City."

BENJAMIN MARCHANT

Benjamin Marchant most recently served as the City Manager for the City of Fernley, NV. Mr. Marchant has previously served as Town Manager for the City of Coventry RI; Township Manager of Springettsbury Township in York, PA; City Manager of the City of Coquille, OR; City Administrator for the City of Jerome, ID; and Assistant to the City Administrator for the City of Maryland Heights, MO.

Marchant holds a Master of Public Administration from Northern Illinois University and a bachelor's degree in political science from University of California, San Diego.

"I am thrilled to explore this exciting opportunity with the City of Toledo and learn how our shared vision for the management and leadership of the city may shape its future for the best," Marchant said.

The search for a new city manager began earlier this year following the Toledo City Council's approval to terminate City Manager Doug Wiggins Feb. 5.

The City of Toledo operates under the Council-Manager form of government.

The Toledo City Manager is appointed by the City Council, The City Manager's responsibilities include acting as the Chief Executive Officer charged with overseeing the daily operation of the city. The City Manager advises the City Council on policies and implementing Council goals and directives. The City Manager also serves as the Budget Officer, See the full list of the City Manager's duties at the City of Toledo's website.

For more information, contact Toledo City Hall, at 541-336-2247.

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RUN
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he said. “I wasn’t entirely sure it would, but I knew it was just crazy enough that people would take a second look at it and want to know more.”

The Oregon Coast Community College Foundation invites the public to welcome Cook during a brief celebration at 9 a.m. Thursday, July 24, at the College’s North County Center in Lincoln City.

Cook will be joined for the first leg of his run that day by OCCC President Dr. Marshall Mease Roache, as the pair heads north toward Tillamook Bay Community College.

“Dr. Cook is running to raise awareness about the many challenges faced by Oregon’s community college students. And he’s also running to raise funds to help overcome those same challenges,” OCCC Foundation Director of Advancement Jeanette Campagna said.

THE CHALLENGES

The most challenge part of his run, is the heat, the elevation, and the road and terrain, Cook said, as he arrived for a brief visit at Lane Community College in Eugene Friday, July 18. “There is some pretty dramatic mountain passes I’ve had to go through,” he said. “I knew that was going to happen but combined with the heat that we’ve had, the last few weeks has made for some challenging days.”

To navigate through those challenges, Cook said he is taking it day-by-day.

“That’s exactly what I am doing. Day-by-day is what I focus on,” he said. “I get up and say I need to do 25 to 30 miles today. I am going to focus on the next few miles and get it done. When I think about the whole thing, it becomes a little daunting. So, I stay really focused.”

While his long run is grueling, Cook said there have been rewards as he journeys across the state.

“The most exciting part for me is really running through communities all

over Oregon, meeting people, and really hearing about their experiences with community colleges and telling me about their local community college,” he said. “Meeting great people all over the state has been really the great reward that I’ve gotten out of it”

COMMUNITY COLLEGE FUTURE

Cook also expressed his “real concerns” about the future of the community college system given state and federal budget cuts and policies.

“Particularly with some of the federal policies, and what that will mean to student financial aid, and what it may mean for state funds while they make choices that impact our budgets,” he said. “I know that there is a lot of competing interests, but I am hopeful we can find a state solution for basic needs, but I am concerned about funding for community colleges and colleges state-wide and nationally.”

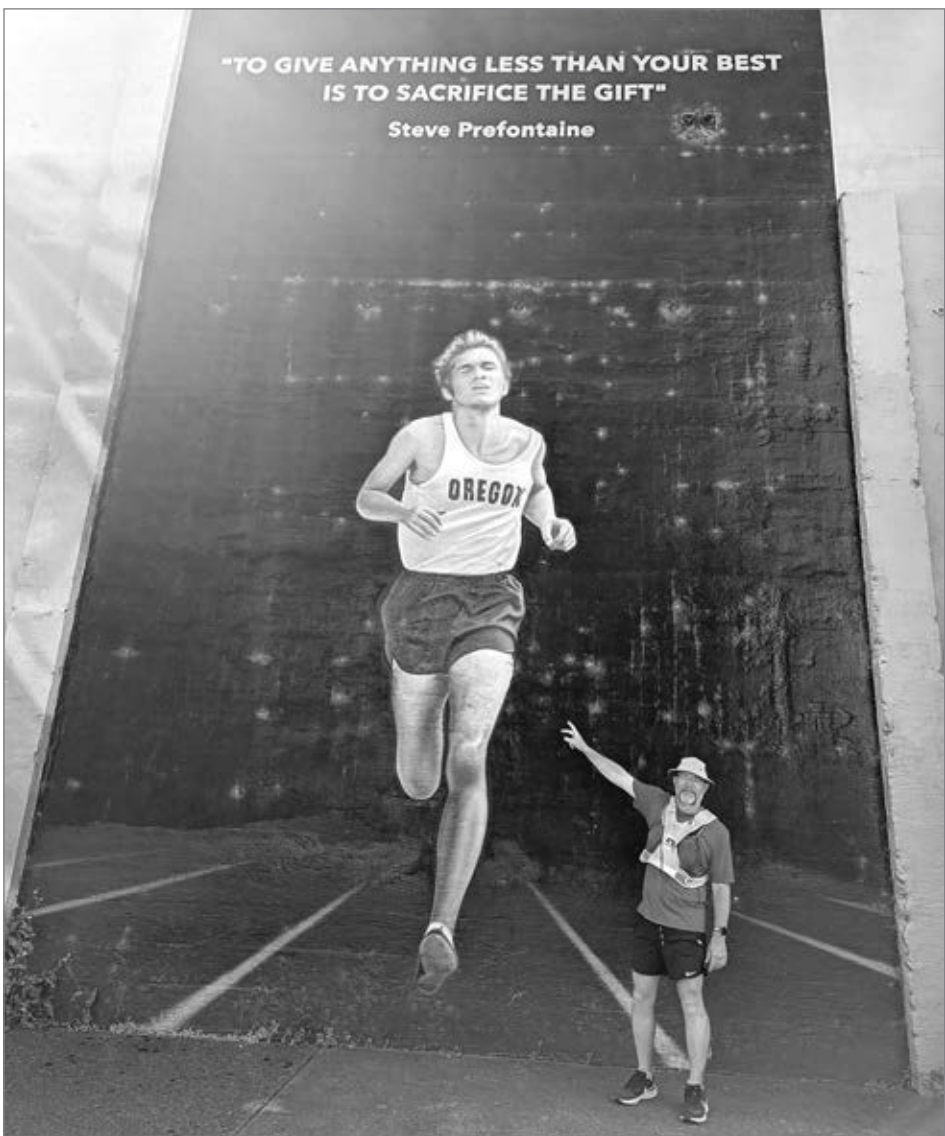
Cook’s recommendation is not to take community colleges for granted. He describes them as “jewels of our communities.”

“We should all be in touch with our legislators and help them understand and remind them of the importance of community colleges in our local communities,” he said. “We are really the economic engines in communities throughout Oregon and people tend to forget or take for granted their local community college, but we are a great value. There are 200,000 community college students in Oregon. It’s important to remember that we are here and we really need community support of local community colleges.”

RUNNING SUPPORT

During his across Oregon journey, others have briefly joined Cook, running alongside him to show their support.

“People have run a few miles here and there with me,” he said. “I’ve had one of my board members and some faculty members actually run with me. I’ve had some college students run with me. I had a



As he arrived to visit Lane Community College last week, Clackamas Community College President Tim Cook points to a large sign of legendary track and field athlete Steve Prefontaine. (Courtesy photo)

legislator run with me.”

Cook said as of July 19, he has gone through three pairs of running shoes and he anticipates using three more pairs before the run is complete.

A support car, driven by his wife follows Cook along the running route. Family and friends join the run at various points to assist Cook making sure he has fluids and food. Community members have also offered their homes for overnight stays for the couple.

“We’ve stayed in the van. We’ve stayed at motels, he said. “Every night it is kind of a different situation depending on where we are at.”

Sponsors are helping cover the expenses associated with Cook’s journey across Oregon. Donations are also accepted.

We’re raised about \$84,000 so far and every cent goes back to students,” Cook said. “People can choose what community college they want to support, and all the money goes to that college”

OREGON PERSPECTIVE

Cook said he’s developed a perspective about Oregon as he runs from community to community.

“How diverse it is,” he said. “I spent the first couple of weeks running through farmland, with really beautiful wheat fields on the side, and you can almost see the

transition into the trees and the woods. Coming into Central Oregon, getting onto the high desert, getting to Coos Bay and seeing the coast. The geographical diversity of our state is something I think everyone knows, but to really see it on foot, you can almost see the transition as I am coming

through these places. It is phenomenal.”

As of July 18, Cook said he has averaged about 29 miles a day and run 925 miles.

Asked if he would make such a run again, Cook replies: “Absolutely not! It is hard,” he said. “It is not an easy task. I knew it would be challenging, but it has been 8-hour days, every day in the heat. Some of the roads are challenging with cars on the road, so it is a tough event. I am glad I am doing it. I am exciting about it, but no, I would not do it again.”

Following Cook’s Oregon Coast Community College visit, he plans to run up the coast, come back down to Portland Community College, then run to Clackamas Community College, over to Mount Hood Community College, and end his journey at Columbia Gorge Community College Aug. 6.

Cook has a 35-year history in higher education starting in community college as a faculty member and counselor.

“Community college has been my career,” he said. “I am excited to get back to my day job at Clackamas Community College. I look forward to that. Much less running!”

Cook turns 57 this month. He and his wife have three children, now in their 20s.

MANAGER
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specific reason why Benson was dismissed.

“It just didn’t work out,” she said.

Despite the transition, Wahlke said she remains encouraged that the city will continue to move ahead with business as usual.

“We have a very strong staff, and they are ready to work together and move forward,” she said.

BACKGROUND

The Lincoln City City Council instructed staff during the council’s April 14 public session, to start

a recruitment for a City Manager Pro Tem to fill the gap while a full recruitment is underway for a permanent City Manager.

The city council had selected Benson in May to serve as the city manager pro tem to help bridge the gap and lead the city staff during the transition period and search for a new city manager following the resignation of Daphnee Legarza, who had served as city manager since April 2022. Her last day on the job was June 9.

Benson begin his role as city manager pro tem in early June.

The pro tem salary

comes out of the budgeted salary for the city manager. The budgeted salary for the city manager for the fiscal year 25/26 is \$167,319, according to Lincoln City Public information Officer Kevin Mattias.

The city manager’s duties include serving as the city’s chief administrator, planning and directing the activities of all the city’s departments, provide information to the Lincoln City City Council, and act as the council’s policy advisor and budget officer.

Follow developments at the Lincoln County Leader website and in the Wednesday print editions of The Leader.

DEATH NOTICES

KAREN LEE CHRISTIANSEN SCHLEIGER

Karen Lee Christiansen Schleiger, Born on 10/20/53, passed on June, 8, 2025. Memorial service will be at the Hallmark in Newport, OR on September 7, 2025 at 1pm.

RANDY QUETSCHKE

Randy Quetschke of Burnt Woods, Oregon passed away July 8,2025. There will be a graveside service on July 26, 2025 at 11am Eddyville Cemetery and will be followed by a “Celebration of Life” at the Eddyville Charter School.

OBITUARY POLICY

Country Media offers several options for submitting obituaries, each catering to different needs and preferences:

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Duncan Jones

April 28, 1992 - July 4, 2025

Duncan Baxter Jones died at home on July 4, 2025 following a long illness. Born on April 28, 1992 in Newport, Oregon, he lived a life full of a variety of activities and fun. He was a talented athlete and participated in youth sports including soccer, baseball and basketball. At Newport High School he was a varsity soccer goalkeeper and swimmer. He swam in age group competitions from age 5 and was a star at every level. At age 9 he swam across the Columbia River. He danced with the Newport School of Artistic Movement and acted in numerous Theater and Shakespeare Camps’ performances.

After graduation from Newport HS in 2010 he moved to Portland where he worked as a server and bartender. He continued to work in the service industry in Eugene, and Newport until his death. During these years he enjoyed socializing, spending time with girlfriends, attending concerts and events, and playing video games. He was an avid fantasy novel reader and enjoyed playing retro games like Dungeons & Dragons and



Magic. He was proud of his Seneca heritage. He was a devoted fan of the London-based soccer team Chelsea Football Club.

Duncan will be remembered as a person that was fun-loving, creative, clever, loyal, talented, a great cook, stubborn, funny and one that liked to laugh out loud. He had a heart of gold.

He is survived by his parents, Dennis Jones of Newport Oregon and Melinda Baxter of Toledo Oregon, stepfather Robert Fuller of Toledo Oregon, sisters Amity Jones, Mariah Jones, and Joël Miles, and an extended family. He leaves behind his constant cat companion, Toulouse.

There will be a celebration of life on July 27, 2025 from 2:00-4:00 at the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club, 750 SE Bay Blvd, Newport OR, 97365. Contact Mindy at minnowb26@gmail.com for more info.

In lieu of flowers please make a donation to the Lincoln County Animal Shelter on the Lincoln County website or donate items to Pick of the Litter Thrift Store.

Virginia Marylyn (Ginger) Thompson

November 11, 1939 - June 24, 2025

Virginia Marilyn Fieber Thompson, lovingly known as Ginger, was born on November 11, 1939, in Toledo, Oregon, at the home of her parents, Herman and Myrtle Fieber. On June 24, 2025, Ginger passed peacefully among her flowers at her home in Toledo.

Ginger is survived by her sons, Kenneth Thompson (Kimberly) of Toledo, OR, and Thomas Thompson of Toledo, OR; her daughter, Cynthia Pankey (Buster) of Waldport, OR; her grandchildren, Christina McCord, Kenneth Thompson, Katie Thomas, Ryan Pankey, Cassandra Thompson, and Jessica Thompson; as well as eight great-grandchildren.

She grew up in Toledo, attending Toledo High School, where she later met George Thompson. Virginia and George were married on April 27, 1957, and together they had three children before separating in 1971. On February 14, 1985, she married RL Quillen at the Toledo Olalla Golf Course, where they shared a loving life together until his passing.

Those who knew Ginger knew she had a gift—an eye for turning the ordinary into the extraordinary. Whether it was decorating, gardening, painting, or ceramics, she



brought beauty and creativity into everything she touched. Where others saw a table, she saw a canvas of imagination and potential. Her artistic spirit allowed others to witness the world through her vision of beauty.

Though she stood just 5’1”, Ginger had the presence of someone six feet tall. A determined and powerful woman, she never hesitated to speak her mind or stand her ground—especially when raising her lively children. Her toughness was matched only by her fierce love: for her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, partners, family, and friends. She carried herself with quiet strength, but was a loud and loyal advocate when needed.

Ginger worked hard her entire life, from growing up on a farm to roles as a receptionist, interior decorator, and at both GP and PUD. She passed doing what she loved most—surrounded by the flowers she so tenderly cared for.

“She made the ordinary beautiful, saw magic in the mundane, and loved with her whole heart.”

A celebration of Ginger’s life will be held on July 25, 2025 at 11 AM, at Bateman Funeral Home.

Oregon’s Forestry and Logging Industry: From Planting to Harvest

BRIAN ROONEY
Leader Guest Article

Oregon is one of the world’s great tree-growing areas. The state’s soils and climate provide ideal conditions to grow such commercially viable species as Douglas fir and ponderosa pine. Forests cover more than 30 million of Oregon’s 62 million acres – almost half of the state’s landmass. The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) estimates logging harvests totaled 3.6 billion board feet in 2022. While much of this timber feeds Oregon’s wood products industry, creating jobs and income, many jobs are also created planting, growing, and harvesting this resource.

Forestry and Logging Industry Employment
Firms in forestry and logging grow and harvest timber on a long production cycle, generally of 10 years or more. Timber production requires natural forests or suitably large areas of land that are available long term. Oregon’s often mountainous and remote terrain, both publicly and privately owned, provides that land base. The forestry and logging subsector is made up of three industries:

TIMBER TRACT OPERATIONS

Forest nurseries and gathering of forest products
Logging
According to the Oregon Employment Department’s covered employment statistics, forestry and logging’s 681 establishments employed 8,787 workers statewide and added \$717 million in payroll to Oregon’s economy in 2024. Employment was in decline between 2005 and 2009 and has since leveled off. It is currently varying seasonally in a band between 8,000 and 10,000 jobs, although the logging portion has slowly declined since 2019. Of the 2024 annual average total, 4,652 were employed in the private sector while 4,136 were employed in government. Most of the government employment is in federal government at 3,948 while the rest is in state government. Covered employment is a count of workers covered by Oregon’s unemployment insurance (UI) program. Self-employed individuals are generally not included in the program and, therefore, not counted. However, the U.S. Census Bureau produces non-employer statistics. A non-employer business is one that has no paid employees, has annual



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business receipts of \$1,000 or more, and is subject to federal income taxes. In addition to covered employment, forestry and logging had 1,418 nonemployers in Oregon in 2023. Gross income for these companies was \$123 million. Although there is no further industry breakout, it is likely that many of these self-employed are involved in timber tract operations and the gathering of forest products. Forestry and logging is a highly seasonal industry. Employment generally grows throughout the spring and peaks in August. Employment then stabilizes for a month or two in the fall before dropping off as winter rains begin. The largest industry of employment in forestry and logging is timber tract operations, employing 4,471 on an annual average basis in 2024. Timber tract operations employment is largely government employment. In 2024, 3,948 federal workers and 172 state workers managed government forestlands. The remaining 351 were in the private sector. In addition to forest workers, many occupations in this industry are managerial or professional and require a high level of experience and education. Wages, therefore, are relatively high – \$97,670 in 2024. The second largest industry in the forestry and logging subsector is logging, which totaled 553 reporting units and 4,083 jobs in 2024. The logging industry, with a statewide annual average wage of \$65,530 in 2024, pays a little less than the statewide average wage of \$71,318 for all industries. Major occupations in this industry include loggers, equipment operators, truck drivers, and fallers and buckers. Logging shows a similar seasonality to the overall sector, except with less volatility. The industry with the least employment in the forestry and logging subsector is forest nurseries and gathering forest products, with only 15 establishments and covered employment of 233 in 2024. Much of the work in this industry is sporadic or seasonal, which contributes to the relatively low annual average wage of \$55,621. The covered employment numbers for this industry may be low since many of the entities that gather forest products are sole proprietors or family operations that are not covered by UI law.

LONG-TERM DECLINE BUT STABILIZATION AFTER THE GREAT RECESSION
From 1990 to 2000, forestry and logging employment declined from 15,774 jobs statewide to 12,887, a loss of 2,887 jobs or 18%. During that period, timber harvests in Oregon declined from 6.2 billion board feet to 3.9 billion board feet. The decline was due largely to environmental concerns and the resulting decrease of harvests from public lands. In 1990, the Oregon Department of Forestry reported that 48% of timber cut for the lumber and wood products industry came from public lands. Over time, restrictions took a toll, and the harvest from public lands in Oregon dwindled to 18% of the total in 2007. Due to low interest rates along with a record level of housing starts and an increase in lumber prices in the western U.S., the 2004 timber harvest

level of 4.5 billion board feet was the highest since 1993. A few years later, housing starts declined due to a nationwide recession. Timber harvest levels also declined to 3.8 billion board feet in 2007. Correspondingly, employment in forestry and logging dropped 1,898 jobs, or 15% from 2004 to 2008. With the end of the Great Recession in 2009, the industry stabilized. Since then, forestry and logging employment has been relatively stable compared with previous periods, going from annual average employment of 9,329 in 2009 to 8,787 in 2024. Some of the long-term decline in employment in forestry and logging was due to increased mechanization. A simple way to look at the efficiency created by mechanization is to look at the volume of timber harvested per logging worker. Harvests averaged 550,400 board feet per logging worker in 1990. By 2022, that figure had risen to 804,922 board feet per worker. Support Activities for Forestry
The high level of forestry activity in Oregon also creates demand for a support activities industry. In 2024, support activities had covered employment of 6,024 and provided \$457,125,903 million in payroll. In addition, there were 510 nonemployer businesses with gross income of \$36 million in 2023. Included in this industry are firms that replant forests, fight forest fires, thin forests, and provide information to the timber industry. Employment in support activities has been stable through time generally staying between 3,500 and 4,500

over the past 20 years on an annual average basis. It has increased somewhat in recent years, likely due to firefighting and replanting from busy fire seasons. At \$75,884 in 2024, the annual average wage in this industry was above the all-industry average of \$71,318. In the past, seasonal, sporadic, and part-time work were prevalent and often brought down the annual average but like employment, annual average wages have increased, likely due to busy fire seasons. Like forestry and logging, the support activities industry is highly seasonal. The year usually starts with tree planting in the late winter and into spring, depending on the slope and elevation. Firefighting then picks up in the summer, usually peaking around August. The support activities industry has become very mobile and flexible, with Oregon companies planting trees, thinning brush, and fighting forest fires throughout the Pacific Northwest and beyond. Some Oregon companies in this industry take part in more than one of these activities, often far from Oregon. As Cassandra Moseley of the University of Oregon’s Ecosystem Workforce Program points out, “A company can do all three in an area once they have the transportation and people that are willing to work hard.” Another major portion of the support activities industry is replanting forests after logging. In 1971, Oregon enacted the Oregon Forest Practices Act, making it the first state in the nation to set rules to ensure a continuous harvest of timber. As a result, according to the Oregon Forest Resources Institute, about 40 million seedlings are planted in Oregon each year.

OUTLOOK FOR LOGGING IN OREGON
Employment Department projections show that the logging industry in Oregon is expected to lose about 200 jobs, or 5% between 2023 and 2033 partly due to continued mechanization. Other industries within timber production, such as timber tract operations and support activities for forestry do not have published Oregon Employment Department forecasts. Brian Rooney is an Oregon Employment Department Regional Economist in Douglas and Lane counties. He may be reached at brian.t.rooney@employ.oregon.gov or at 541-359-9546.

Oregon employment drops by 4,300 jobs

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

Oregon’s seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment declined by 4,300 jobs in June, according to the latest Oregon Employment Department report. The job reductions follow a revised loss of 2,100 jobs in May. **JOB LOSSES**
June’s losses were largest in other services (-1,400 jobs); manufacturing (-1,200); leisure and hospitality (-1,000 jobs); professional and business services (-700); and retail trade (-700). Manufacturing cut 1,200



The Oregon Employment Department report shows 2,108,229 employed and 114,683 unemployed in June. (Jeremy C. Ruark / Cottage Grove Sentinel)

jobs in June, continuing its decline of the past three years. Since June 2024, manufacturing has lost 7,700 jobs, or -4.1%. Durable goods manufacturing (-5,500 jobs, or -4.2%) and nondurable goods (-2,200 jobs, or -3.9%) have cut substantially. Construction dropped 400 jobs in June, following a revised loss of 2,000 in May. After averaging close to 117,000 jobs in 2022 through 2024, construction employed 111,600 as of June 2025.

Losses during the past 12 months were concentrated in specialty trade contractors (-2,600 jobs, or -3.5%) and construction of buildings (-1,800 jobs, or -5.5%). Retail trade continued its slow jobs decline. After averaging 210,600 jobs in 2022, the industry steadily declined to 201,600 jobs as of June 2025, a drop of 9,000 jobs, or -4.5%. Nearly every retail subsector dropped jobs during that time. The primary exception was food and beverage retailers, which, at 47,400 jobs in June 2025, added 200 jobs since June 2022. **JOB GAINS**
Health care and social assistance added 900 jobs in June

and 1,600 jobs, as revised, in May. In the past 12 months it gained by far the most jobs of the major industries (+15,800 jobs, or 5.3%). During that time, its two fastest growing components were social assistance (+6,500 jobs, or 8.4%) and nursing and residential care facilities (+3,300 jobs, or 5.8%). Oregon’s unemployment rate was 4.9% in June and 4.8% in May, after rising gradually over the past year from 4.1% in June 2024. Oregon’s 4.9% unemployment rate was 1.3 percentage points higher than the recent low of 3.6% during spring 2023. The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.2% in May and 4.1% in June.



The third annual Surf & Sun Virtual Walk & Run will take place from Aug.1-10. (Courtesy photos)

Oregon Shores' Surf & Sun Virtual Walk & Run

The Oregon Shores' third annual Surf & Sun Virtual Walk & Run fundraising event is scheduled from Aug. 1 through Aug. 10. Organizers said tis initiative offers friends of the Oregon coast an opportunity to participate in a challenge and solicit support from their friends and family.

During the event, participants will be encouraged to walk or run as many miles as possible, embracing the spirit of adventure and the satisfaction of making a difference. What

sets this event apart is the chance for our supporters to rally friends, family, and colleagues who may be unfamiliar with Oregon Shores. By securing donations, participants can amplify their impact and provide essential support to Oregon Shores' critical conservation work.

Participants will walk, run, or hike to raise awareness and funds for Oregon Shores' work to empower citizens through education and conservation action to

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Brazilian Guitar Duo to perform in the Central Oregon Coast

Guitarists Ben Graves and Nat Hujlskamp have two performances on the coast the weekend of Saturday July 26, in Newport and Sunday, July 27, in Lincoln City.

The guitar duo met and began playing together in 2006. Their music. They perform sambas, choros, and bossa novas from legendary Brazilian composers and Spain will also be featured in both performances. Together, their performances are full of beautiful melodies, rhythms and guitar interplay, covering a variety of styles from their experiences in jazz, flamenco, middle eastern and South American music.

THE MUSICIANS

Ben Graves studied, shared the stage, and toured with national and internationally known artists including Rick Zunigar (Stevie Wonder), Tony Dumas, Leon Russell, Dick Berk and Charles McPherson.

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Ben Graves and Nat Hujlskamp (Courtesy photo)



Courtesy photo

Terry Robb to perform at the Lincoln City Cultural Center

Acclaimed fingerstyle guitarist, singer, composer, arranger and record producer Terry Robb is scheduled to perform at 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 1, at the Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Highway 101 in Lincoln City.

Robb's work is featured in Hollywood films, documentaries and biographies, such as Game of Thrones, The Horse Whisperer, and Dance of Death: The Life of John

Fahey, American Guitarist. He is associated with the American Primitive Guitar genre through his collaborations with Fahey and is regarded as a virtuoso of acoustic blues guitar. In his multi-decade career, Robb has released 15 acclaimed albums as a solo artist and performed at festivals and concert halls across the United States, Canada and Europe.

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Newport Public Library Music Series: The CoastalAires and Sweet Adelines

The Newport Public Library invites the community to enjoy a free outdoor concert featuring The CoastalAires and Sweet Adelines from 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. Thursday, July 31, at Literacy Park, 370 W Olive Street located next to the library.

This special performance is part of the Newport Public Library Music Series and is proudly sponsored by the Newport Public Library Foundation. Attendees



are encouraged to bring chairs or blankets and enjoy an evening of

lively a cappella harmony in a beautiful setting.

For more information,

call 541-265-2153 or visit newportoregon.gov/dept/lib.

Seminar to show how to give meaning to your dreams

The Samaritan Center for Health Education will host a free wellness seminar on Friday, Aug. 15, from noon to 1 p.m. at 740 SW Ninth St. in Newport.

The topic of dreams will be presented in a free seminar by Oregon author David Rivinus.

After years of studying the phenomenon of dreams, Rivinus has discovered that the dreaming process does not stop when we awake. Dreams have meaning that offer

helpful, gentle insights into one's life direction.

"Do you remember your dreams? Did you know that your dreams have meaning? Were you aware that they can easily be understood and interpreted? Even if you only recall a small part of one, or they appear to be nothing more than the invention of your imagination, they offer helpful, gentle insights into the dreamer's life direction

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2025 Art, Oysters & Brews

ART Toledo in partnership with the Economic Development Alliance of Lincoln County is excited to welcome you back to Art, Oysters & Brews—a lively celebration of creativity, community, and coastal flavor—right on Toledo’s Main Street! Mark your calendars for Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 2 and 3, from 12–5 p.m.

This family-friendly weekend event offers something for everyone: explore booths featuring talented local and regional artists, enjoy live music, savor fresh oysters and cold craft brews, and keep the kids entertained with fun activities like chalk art and a petting zoo.

Discover the heart of Toledo’s vibrant arts scene with a wide range of visual art—from painting and photography to sculpture and mixed media. Be sure to check out the First Weekend Art Celebration at the Yaquina River Museum of Art, including a self-guided mural walk and visits to local galleries.

Live Music All Weekend

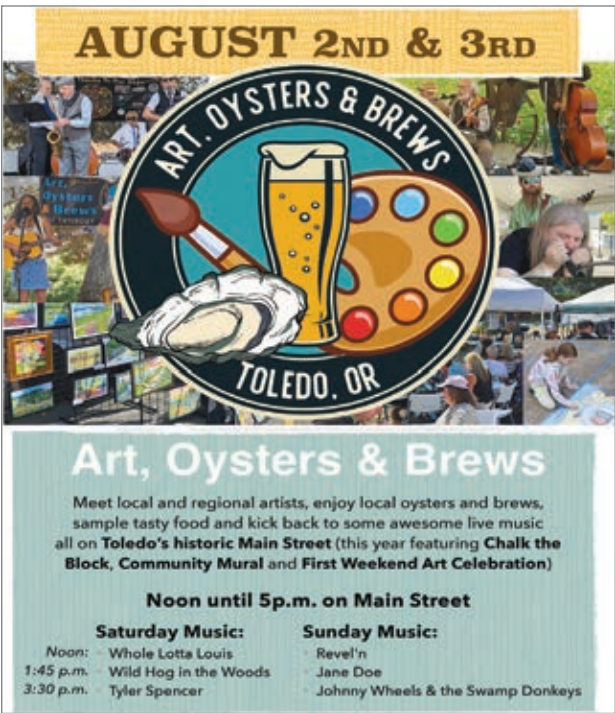
The stage will be rocking both days with a fantastic lineup:

Saturday: Whole Lotta Louis, Wild Hog in the Woods, and Tyler Spencer with his didgeridoo.

Sunday: Revel’n, Jane Doe, and the always crowd-pleasing Johnny Wheels & the Swamp Donkeys.

Beer, Wine & Local Bites

Raise a glass in our beer and wine garden featuring regional craft brews, fine wines, and ice-cold drinks. Treat yourself to fresh locally-sourced oysters from our friends



at Timbers Restaurant & Lounge, and grab something tasty from local food trucks and restaurants.

“Chalk the Block” – Free & Fun for All Ages

Join us for our annual Chalk the Block art experience! Whether you’re a kid, a grown-up, or somewhere in between, pick up your supplies at the ART Toledo booth and add your own masterpiece to the sidewalks of Main Street.

We’re not just celebrating artistry; we’re also rewarding it! Judging takes place at 5pm on Sunday, with cash prizes awarded for 1st and 2nd place in four categories: Ages 0–11, 12–18, Adult, and Group/Family. Participation is free—we just ask that you bring your creativity and community spirit!

Art, Oysters & Brews is a testament to Toledo’s thriving art community and the ART Toledo committee’s commitment to fostering creativity, community engagement, and cultural appreciation. This event would not

be possible without the generous support of our sponsors, volunteers, and the entire Toledo community. Come for the art, stay for the music, food, and fun—Art, Oysters & Brews is the perfect way to spend a summer weekend in Toledo. We look forward to seeing you on Main Street August 2nd & 3rd!

In 2021, Toledo launched the Arts Revitalization of Toledo initiative to support the economic development and rejuvenation of downtown Toledo. ART Toledo is a multi-sectoral collaborative aimed at creating a thriving cultural district and celebrating our city’s industry and history. The

ART Toledo committee includes community members, nonprofit partners, artists, and local businesses all working together to revitalize Main Street and the business district of Toledo to serve the needs of current residents and breathe new life into the community.

For more information visit ArtToledo.com.

Recreation Center offering Aira for enhanced accessibility

The Newport Recreation Center is proud to announce a new partnership with Aira, a service that provides real-time assistance for individuals who are blind, have low vision, or require American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation.

Through this initiative, patrons can now access on-demand visual interpretation and ASL services to help navigate the facility, participate in programs, and engage with staff—all with greater independence and ease. Whether it’s finding their way around the building, reading signage, or participating in a fitness class, Aira’s trained agents are available via smartphone or smart glasses to offer immediate visual and communication support.

“Our goal is to make the Recreation Center as

inclusive and welcoming as possible,” Newport Parks and Recreation Director Mike Cavanaugh said. “By incorporating Aira, we are taking another step toward breaking down barriers and ensuring that all members of our community have equitable access to our programs and facilities.”

This service is available free of charge to users while on-site at the Newport Recreation Center. Guests simply need to download the Aira app and connect while working with a live agent or interpreter.

What is Aira?

Aira offers two powerful accessibility apps designed to enhance independence and communication.

Aira Explorer provides on-demand, remote visual interpreting for

individuals who are blind or have low vision. By using the app—available on the iOS App Store, Google Play, or via web—users can connect with a highly trained visual interpreter who, through the phone’s live camera stream, can describe surroundings, read signage, and assist with navigation.

Aira ASL, also available on iOS and Android, offers remote sign language interpreting, allowing users to instantly connect with a professional interpreter through their phone’s camera and speaker. Both services are secure, easy to use, and designed to support users whenever and wherever they need assistance.

The Newport Recreation Center is located at 225 SE Avery Street in Newport and may be reached at 541-265-7783.

Brownsville Antique Faire Trip Attention Treasure Hunters!

The 60+ Adventure Van will hit the road Saturday, Aug. 2, to spend the day at the Brownsville Antique Faire.

Treasure hunters and antique enthusiasts should not miss this annual event, held in Brownsville’s Pioneer Park. No matter what you’re searching for, you’re sure to find it. Browse goodies and wares from around the world as more than 70 antique vendors set up booths for shoppers taking to the park to find special pieces. This event is put on by the Brownsville Chamber of Commerce.

Lunch will be available for purchase, or bring a picnic lunch, and there’s plenty of shade and tables to relax for a while. You’ll enjoy live music in a beautiful park setting and maybe

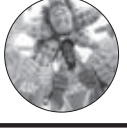
go home with that item you’ve been searching years for. Be sure not to miss the vintage car show, which brings in vintage cars and admirers from all over the state!

The van will depart from the Newport 60+ Activity Center at 8:30 a.m. and return around 5 p.m. Standard fee for this trip is \$20; 60+ Activity Center members receive a \$5 discount.

To register for this fun trip, sign up online at <https://secure.rec1.com/OR/newport-or/catalog?filter=c2Vhcm-NoPTM4MDEwODY=>, call the office at 541-265-9617, or stop by at 20 SE 2nd Street in Newport.

Visit us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/NewportSeniorActivityCenter

Support these Local Nonprofit Organizations!





Samaritan House envisions a community where all families can live together in safe, affordable, and sustainable housing; and all generations are able to thrive.
715 SW Bay St., Newport OR 97365
Phone: 541-574-8898
Sam House
samfamshelter.org

501(c)(3) nonprofit organization

WALK

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learn about, enjoy, and protect our ecosystems, landscapes, and communities along the Oregon coast.

Here’s a breakdown of what participants will do:

Walk or run a minimum of 3 miles (just under 5 kilometers) on

the coast or other natural public lands, getting your steps in and enjoying the outdoors while supporting coastal conservation.

Encourage friends to honor their walk or run by donating to Oregon Shores in support of the miles they run or walk. Participants will join our Givebutter campaign page as team members, making it easy for

supporters to contribute to them directly.

Complete the registration form, including a \$25 donation, to join. As a token of appreciation for everyone’s commitment to preserving our coastal ecosystems, participants will receive an exclusive Surf & Sun Virtual Walk & Run long or short sleeved athletic t-shirt, which will serve

as a reminder of their accomplishment and dedication to the cause.

Full Links
Event Information: <https://oregonshores.org/programs-campaigns/surf-sun-virtual-walk-run/>
Registration Form: https://givebutter.com/Surf_Sun/join
Givebutter Campaign: https://givebutter.com/Surf_Sun

DUO

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Ben has performed in music festivals all over the U.S and performed with regional jazz greats.

He holds a Bachelors of Music in Jazz Studies degree from Portland State University focused on orchestration, composition, jazz arranging and jazz piano. Ben currently resides in Portland, OR where he performs regularly in jazz, chamber music and Latin ensembles. He leads his own jazz quartet, and performs regularly with Bossa PDX, Gordon Lee Quintet, Annette Lowman and The Brazilian Guitar

Duo.

Nat Hulskamp was born in Portland, OR. He began studying guitar with guitarist/composer Paul Chasman at age seventeen. He was soon introduced to flamenco guitar by Jose Solano. His interest in the influence of Arabic music on flamenco led him to study oud in Morocco.

After returning to the US, he moved to Seattle to study ethnomusicology at the University of Washington. There he worked with the groups ranging in style from jazz to flamenco. In 2004 he returned to Portland. In 2010 he formed the trio Caminhos Cruzados with jazz guitarist Dan Balmer

and Ghanaian percussion virtuoso Israel Annoh. In 2012 Nat received a grant from the Regional Arts and Culture Council to travel to, Spain to record a collaboration with several renowned flamenco artists..

THE VENUES
Zurita is a Spanish themed restaurant at 711 NW 2nd Court in the historic district of Nye Beach. Featuring an in-season Spanish and Mediterranean cuisine with specially paired regionally appropriate wines and house sangria. Their menu changes depending on what’s available fresh and local.
INHOUSE Jazz is a concert series hosted by vocalist Annie Averre, featuring regional jazz musicians July’s concert is the first of the

INHOUSE Jazz @ in Lincoln City. The INHOUSE JAZZ atmosphere is informal; an opportunity for audiences to enjoy an intimate performance, free from the noise and distractions in a restaurant or bar.

Music will be Sunday afternoons 2:30–5:30 p.m. Seating is limited. Admission is free and by donation. \$15-\$30 is suggested. Proceeds exceeding expenses are donated locally in support of music education. INHOUSE Jazz, an official member of The Folk Alliance International

For concert reservations, call 360-606-7136, or email aaverre@hotmail.com. Location and directions provided upon confirmation.

For more information visit www.inhousejazzz.org

SEMINAR

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and the motivations that led to that life course,” Rivinus explains in the seminar description.

Rivinus will share his method for simple dream interpretation and how to work with your dreams in your waking hours – and perhaps change your whole perspective on life.

The author of the book, “Always Dreaming,” Rivinus hosts a monthly dream group and teaches both individuals and groups, including an upcoming 10-week course planned in Newport. Learn more at teacherof-dreams.org.

To reserve your seat for the wellness seminar, email Amy Conner at aconner@samhealth.org or call her at 541-574-4952.

ROBB

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Tickets: \$20/\$25. Visit <https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?show=289264>
For more information, visit www.terryrobb.com or call the Lincoln

City Cultural Center at 541-994-9994.

TERRY ROBB SOLO
7 p.m. Friday, August 1
Lincoln City Cultural Center
540 NE Highway 101
Lincoln City
541-994-9994

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

SUDOKU

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers.
The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

Sitka spruce partially stands for wildlife habitat

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

A Sitka spruce tree that has been a popular landmark at the Yaquina Bay State Recreation Site has been partially removed.

“The park removed the majority of the tree’s limbs, but they were able to leave the trunk and a few limbs to create a snag for wildlife habitat,” Oregon Parks and Recreation representative Stefanie Knowlton said.

The removal project took place June 23.

The tree is estimated to be more than 150 years old and has become what is described as the gatekeeper to the Yaquina Bay Lighthouse, since visitors drive by it in the park.

“There has been some attachment just because of the tree’s location,” Yaquina Bay State Park Manager Burke Martin said. “Traditionally, people have taken family photos at the tree. It has become a special place in their lives.”

The spruce stands in the median near the entrance to Yaquina Bay State Recreation Site and had been declared a hazard due to widespread decay throughout the tree.

The Sitka lost a large limb during a winter storm, which prompted a physical inspection. The results showed there was significant decay



The Sitka spruce stood in the median near the entrance to the Yaquina Bay State Recreation Site. This photo is before the remove project. (Courtesy photos from the OPRD)

throughout the tree, the Lincoln County Leader reported last spring. An Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) forester found substantial evidence of *Phaeolus schweinitzii*, a fungus that is known to weaken tree structures and cause failure, according to OPRD representative Stefanie Knowlton.

A resistograph was used to analyze the decay pockets within the tree, and it revealed widespread decay. The recommendation was to remove the tree to avoid potential hazards.

Removing the tree was to avoid potential hazards including damage to vehicles and physical injuries to park visitors.

“It was a difficult decision to make especially with this iconic Sitka Spruce that has become a friend to us all over the years as the gatekeeper to the Yaquina Bay Lighthouse, but we have to balance between the beauty of nature and the safety of our visitors,” Martin said. “We know that this tree is not only

special to us but to the local community as well.”

Following the decision earlier this year to remove the tree, the OPRD staff reached out to the community asking for people to share their memories of the tree, and for potential ideas on how to honor what the staff called an “amazing gift of nature.”

About 50 comments were submitted, many suggested leaving the remains as an environmental tree where wildlife could use it as a habitat.

“If there is any usable wood, we might be able to use it in the commemoration, or as a historical point reference of the area,” Martin said.



This is the spruce tree at Yaquina Bay State Recreation Site following the removal project.

The 25th Pathways to Transformation Holistic Health, Psychic & Crafts Fair

The 25th Annual Pathways to Transformation Holistic Health, Psychic & Crafts Fair is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 2, and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 3.

The Pathways Fair is being welcomed to a new venue, the Yachats Community Presbyterian Church, at 360 W 7th Street in Yachats. The best entrance for the Fair is on 6th Street. The 25th year is a milestone for any event, and this Fair is the largest and longest running event of its type on the Oregon Coast, according to organizers.

Over 30 booths, in three areas of the church and outside, feature exhibitors showcasing rocks and minerals, jewelry, health & wellness products and services, psychics and mediums offering different kinds of readings, handmade crafts, authors with their books and much more.

Twelve seminars during the two-day event will enlighten and educate on a wide variety of topics. The popular Free

Book Table offers books on health and wellness, gardening, spirituality and other topics, please feel free to take as many as you like. The Free Info Table has news you can use to enlighten yourself.

The Spirit Cafe in the Fellowship Hall is being run by Chubby Lil’ Mermaid of Seal Rock who will be offering up their delightful goodies including soups and bagel sandwiches along with pastries, cookies, coffee and other beverages for sale.

This is a family friendly, handicap accessible event with free parking. The \$5 Weekend Pass donation includes all the seminars.

Look for the bright pink Event Program around town or go to www.chucklingcherubs.com and find the Event Program on the site with a listing of all exhibitors and the titles of the seminars.

For more information, call 541-270-3669.



The Port of Toledo Wooden Boat Show, a celebration of Toledo’s maritime heritage, will take place on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 16-17, at the Port of Toledo’s Waterfront Park and Marina on Depot Slough, one block away from Toledo’s historic Main Street, 127 NW A St. (File photo)

20th Wooden Boat Show 2025

The Port of Toledo is celebrating its maritime heritage at our 20th annual Toledo Wooden Boat Show August 16-17.

As a free community event, this celebration of maritime heritage and craftsmanship draws enthusiasts and families alike, offering a unique experience while showcasing the rich maritime culture of our region, according to the Port of Toledo.

Through captivating demonstrations, educational exhibits, and engaging activities, attendees will have the

opportunity to immerse themselves in the fascinating world of wooden boat craftsmanship.

An assortment of boats will be displayed including classic vessels, unique owner-built boats, as well as the Port’s trio of Teak Ladies. Attendees can admire the craftsmanship of the wooden boats, take a supervised splash in a kayak or rowboat, meet exhibitors, enjoy live

music, and observe boat building in action.

The featured and crowd favored event, the Georgia Pacific Containerboard Boat Contest, challenges families and community groups to design the best and fastest water-worthy boat from cardboard.

For more information, visit <https://www.portoftoledo.org/20th-wooden-boat-show-2025> or call 541-336-5207.

Stones and agates from Oregon’s coastline

The Newport 60+ Activity Center is pleased to host a free Listen & Learn Lecture with author KT Myers at 11:30 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 5. Also known as the Rock Doc, Myers is the author of “Agates of the Oregon Coast.”

Myers will discuss the most desirable stones commonly found along the Pacific coastline, from agates to zeolites and everything in between, and she will include a display of

some of her findings that people can see and feel up close. People are also encouraged to bring a sample found along the beach that they would like to have identified.

To register for this event, sign up online at <https://tinyurl.com/senior-activity> In the catalog, you may view a listing of additional events, trips, classes, and educational presentations.

For additional information, call the office at

541-265-9617, or stop by at 20 SE Second St., Newport.

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LCL25-0337 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

File No. 24-00568OR Reference is made to that certain deed of trust made by Glen Stowers

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and Shauna Stowers, as grantor, to Western Title & Escrow Company, as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as designated nominee for InterCap Lending Inc., beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as beneficiary, dated November 8, 2023, recorded November 13, 2023, in the records of Lincoln County, Oregon, under instrument No. 2023-07908, and subsequently assigned or transferred by operation of law to Freedom Mortgage Corporation, covering the following described real property situated in the above-mentioned county and state: The land referred to in this Guarantee is situated in the County of Lincoln, State of Oregon, and is described as follows: Unit 2, INLET SUNRISE CONDOMINIUM, in Lincoln County, Oregon; TOGETHER WITH the

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25-1605 \$485,000

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undivided interest in and to the general and limited common elements appurtenant thereto, as more fully set forth and described in the Declaration of Unit Ownership recorded October 14, 1997 in Book 345, page 1044, Lincoln County Film Records, which description is incorporated herein and by reference made a part hereof. APN: R509380 Commonly known as: 885 NW Inlet Ave., Lincoln City, OR 97367 The undersigned hereby certifies that based upon business records there are no known written assignments of the trust deed to the trustee by the beneficiary and no appointments of a successor trustee have been made, except as recorded in the records of the county or counties in which the above described real property is situated. Further, no action has been taken to decide to recover the debt, or any part thereof, now remaining secured by the trust deed, or, if such action has been instituted, such action has been dismissed except as permitted by ORS 86.752(7). Both the beneficiary and the trustee have agreed to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. There is a default by grantor or other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, or by the successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of such provision. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sum: TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$42,796.00 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$429,954.15 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day-to-day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to-wit: 1. The installments of principal and interest which became due on May 1, 2024, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. Whereof, notice hereby is given that Affinia Default Services, LLC, the undersigned trustee will on October 27, 2025 at the hour of 10:00 AM (PST), as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, At the front entrance to the Lincoln County Courthouse located at 225 West Olive, in the City of Newport, OR 97365, County of Lincoln, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.778 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. For Sale Information, contact Xome at (800) 758-8052 or www.xome.com. In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to this grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by Affinia Default Services, LLC. If any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, the trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been

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discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamine, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. NOTICE TO TENANTS: TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY HAVE CERTAIN PROTECTIONS AFFORDED TO THEM UNDER ORS 86.782 AND POSSIBLY UNDER FEDERAL LAW. ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE OF SALE, AND INCORPORATED HEREIN, IS A NOTICE TO TENANTS THAT SETS FORTH SOME OF THE PROTECTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO A TENANT OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY AND WHICH SETS FORTH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH BY ANY TENANT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE AFFORDED PROTECTION, AS REQUIRED UNDER ORS 86.771 Pursuant to the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, you are advised that Affinia Default Services, LLC may be deemed to be a debt collector and any information obtained may be used for that purpose. File No.: 24-00568OR Date: 06/11/2025 Affinia Default Services, LLC By: /s/ Natalie Mattera Name: Natalie Mattera Title: Foreclosure Processor Trustee's Mailing Address: Affinia Default Services, LLC 16000 Christensen Rd., Suite 310 Tukwila, WA 98188 Phone Number: (503) 836-3799 Trustee's Physical Address: Affinia Default Services, LLC 10151 SE Sunnyside Road, Suite 490 Clackamas, OR 97015 Email: inquiries@affiniadefault.com NPP047544 No.: LINCOLN COUNTY LEADER 07/23/2025, 07/30/2025, 08/06/2025, 08/13/2025

LCL25-0338 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN PROBATE DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of the Estate of KAREN SCRIMA, Deceased. Probate Case No. 25PB03784 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative at 17040 Pilkington Road, Ste 200, Lake Oswego, Oregon 97035, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published July 23, 2025. Jordan Grant Levy, Personal Representative. Jeffrey A. Demland OSB #140767 DEMLAND LAW GROUP 17040 Pilkington Road, Suite 200, Lake Oswego, Oregon 97035 (503) 420-5708.

LCL25-0339 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN PROBATE DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of the Estate of KAREN SCRIMA, Deceased. Probate Case No. 25PB03784 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to Mark P. O'Donnell, attorney for Personal Representative, at O'Donnell Law Firm LLC, 1 Centerpointe Dr., Ste 505, Lake Oswego, OR 97035, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorneys for the personal representative. Mark P. O'Donnell. Dated and first published July 23, 2025. Diane J. Scrima, Personal Representative. ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Mark P. O'Donnell, OSB No. 681192, O'DONNELL LAW FIRM LLC, 1 Centerpointe Dr., Ste 505, Lake Oswego, OR 97035, (503) 274-1155, email: mark@odf.net

LCL25-0340 PUBLIC NOTICE

The Lincoln City Police Department has in its physical possession the unclaimed personal property described below. If you have any ownership interest in any of that unclaimed property, you must file a claim with the Lincoln City Police Department within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, or you will lose your interest in that property. The personal property is described as: 6-foot utility trailer and a boat. Contact: Lincoln City Police Department; 1503 SE East Devils Lake Rd; Lincoln City, OR 97367; 541-994-3636 to submit a claim. Published July 23, 2025. This notice is published in accordance

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with ORS 98.245.

LCL25-0341 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to ORS 113.155 that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the ESTATE OF KAREN JO DOBSON, DECEASED, Lincoln County Circuit Court Case Number 25PB05078. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the personal representative at PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365 or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative or the attorney for the personal representative. Date first published: July 23, 2025. David Thomas Dobson, Personal Representative of the Estate of Karen Jo Dobson, Garl Lynn Lovejoy, Attorney at Law, Attorney for Personal Representative, PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365.

LCL25-0342 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION CASE NO.: 25CV15397 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN. WILLBER, INC., Plaintiff, vs. COLIN P. COLEMAN, Defendant. To: Colin P. Coleman You are hereby required to appear and defend the Complaint filed against you in the above entitled

cause within thirty (30) days from the date of service of this summons upon you, and in case of your failure to do so, for want thereof, Plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal paper called a "motion" or an "answer." The "motion" or "answer" (or "reply") must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days of the date of first publication specified herein along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have any attorney, proof of service on the plaintiff. If you have questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684-3763 or toll-free in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. If you are a veteran of the armed forces, assistance may be available from a county veterans' service officer or community action agency. Contact information for a local county veterans' service officer or community action agency may be obtained by calling the 2-1-1 information service. Additionally, contact information for a service officer appointed under ORS 408.410 for the county in which you live and contact information for a community action agency that serves your

area can be found by visiting the following link: https://www.oregon.gov/odva/services/pages/country-services.aspx and selecting your county. You can also access a list of Veterans Services for all Oregon counties by visiting the following link: https://www.oregon.gov/odva/Services/Pages/All-Services-Statewide.aspx. The relief sought in the Complaint is the foreclosure of the real property and improvements located at 3705 Sea Mist Avenue, Depoe Bay, Oregon 97341. Date of First Publication: July 23, 2025. Blackwell Law, PC, Michelle A. Blackwell OSB No. 002070 PO Box 10326, Eugene, OR 97440 Phone: (541) 345-8800 mblackwell@blackwell.law Attorney for Plaintiff IDS Pub # (387700) 7/23/25 7/30/25 8/6/25 8/13/25

LCL25-0335 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN Case No. 24CV48017 NOTICE OF RECEIVERSHIP BRENDA KINDRED, Plaintiff, v. BARBARA J.M. WHEELER-HOTCHINS and KEITH WHEELER Defendants. To: All Creditors of Barbara J.M. Wheeler-Hotchins and Keith Wheeler (referred to herein as "Owner"). NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on June 3, 2025, the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the Lincoln County entered an Order Granting Motion for Appointment of Receiver (the "Order") in the above-captioned case. This Notice is provided pursuant to ORS 37.330(1). The Order appoints Kenneth S. Eller as receiver (the "Receiver") over the real property

commonly known as 510 SE Beech Street, Toledo, OR 97391, and more particularly described on Exhibit A attached hereto (the "Estate Property") which comprises the "Receivership Estate"). The Receiver shall serve until further order of the Court for the purposes described in the Order. Notice of Automatic Stay. The entry of the Order imposes an automatic stay against most collection activities. This means that creditors generally may not take actions to collect debts from the Owner or the Estate Property, or attempt to exercise control over assets of the Receivership Estate. Creditors who violate the stay may be required to pay actual damages, costs, and reasonable attorney fees incurred as a result of the violation. Do Not File Claims at This Time. No claims may be submitted until a claims process is first established by the Receiver. Unsecured creditors will receive further notice of a claims filing deadline and instructions how to file a claim once the Receiver fixes such claims process. The Name and Address of the Owner is: Barbara J.M. Wheeler-Hotchins, 510 SE Beech St., Toledo, OR 97391. Barbara J.M. Wheeler-Hotchins, c/o Transformations Wellness Center, 3647 Highway 39, Klamath Falls, OR 97603. Keith Wheeler, 12913 Delamar Avenue, Murphy, ID

83639. The Name and Address of the Receiver is: Kenneth S. Eller, 515 NW Saltzman Road, PMB 810, Portland, Oregon 97229. Email: kenneth.eller7@gmail.com The Name and Address of the Receiver's Attorney is: Ballard Spahr LLP, Attn: David W. Criswell / Andrew J. Geppert, 601 SW 2nd Avenue, Suite 2100, Portland, Oregon 97204. Email: criswell@ballardspahr.com, gepperta@ballardspahr.com Procedures for Notifying Receiver for Notice Recipients Represented by Counsel. If you are a creditor or interested party who is represented by counsel, you must notify the Receiver and the Receiver's attorney of such representation and provide contact information for your counsel. Such notifications may be sent to the Receiver and the Receiver's attorney by first class mail and/or by email using the contact information and addresses shown above in Section D. Parties Requesting Special Notice. If you desire further information regarding the receivership, or wish to receive special notice of actions taken or proposed in the receivership, you must provide your name, contact information and the post office and email addresses of the creditor/interested party and attorney (if any) to the office of the Receiver's attorney as follows: Andrew J. Geppert, Ballard Spahr LLP, 601 SW 2nd Avenue, Suite 2100, Portland, Oregon 97204. Email: gepperta@ballardspahr.com Please note, you may not receive notice of further proceedings unless you specifically request to be placed on the spe-

cial notice list. EXHIBIT A Legal Description Tax Lot No.: 11-10-17-BD-17101 Account No.: R32802 Beginning at the Northeast corner of Lot 11, Block 2, JONES ADDITION TO TOLEDO, in the City of Toledo, Lincoln County, Oregon thence south along the east line of said Lot 11, a distance of 17.2 feet to an iron pipe thence southwestly in a straight line across Lots 11 and 12 to a point on the west line of Lot 12, said point being 61.9 feet south of the Northwest corner of Lot 12 thence north along the west line of Lot 12, 61.9 feet to the Northwest corner of Lot 12 thence East along the north lines of Lots 12 and 11, a distance of 110 feet to the point of beginning. TOGETHER WITH that portion of vacated Fourth Street adjoining that would attach thereto by Ordinance No. 921, recorded April 6, 1973 in Book 40, page 1626, Film Records.

LCL25-0334 SELF-STORAGE PUBLIC SALE

On Tuesday 7/29/25 ending at 12:05pm an auction will be held online at StorageTreasures.com by Safe & Sound Storage 833 NE 3rd Street Newport OR 97365 for unit A26-Rebekah Reid

LCL25-0333 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE PORT OF NEWPORT

claims a lien in the amount claimed below, pursuant to ORS87.152, for the reasonable and agreed charges for labor and materials, storage or services provided at the request of the owner or lawful possessor of the following described personal property: Per-

Super Crossword

“WHERE’S THE BEEF?”

ACROSS

- 1 Predicaments
9 Metallic car trims
16 Sporty German cars
20 Cosmos
21 What a flushed person has
22 Uncommon
23 Start of a riddle
26 Advance, as money
27 Japanese pond fish
28 Bad with musical pitches
29 Letter-shaped girder
33 Feared fly
37 Wine barrels
38 Riddle, part 2
44 Before now
45 Indent keys
46 Poodle, e.g.
47 Org. fighting trafficking
48 Particular mag. edition
51 Letter following
36-Down
52 Supports for broken arms

- 55 Supersonic speed unit
57 Scissor cut
58 Fetuses-to-be
60 Riddle, part 3
64 BLT offerer
65 Listen (to)
67 Post-workout discomfort
68 Swelled head
70 Queued up
72 Comedic sort
73 Like the pope
77 Trattoria
80 Wee bits
83 Riddle, part 4
85 Ottawa’s province
87 Seoul soldiers
88 “A little dab’ll —”
89 Noisy napper
91 Marina —
Rey
92 Corrosive cleanser
93 Place to input a PIN
94 Frat party dispenser
97 Language of Pakistan
98 — Fridays (restaurant)
99 End of the riddle

- 104 Father of Hector and Paris
107 Ready to go, as a car
108 Actor Dick Van —
109 Reaps
112 Spunk
114 Use a keypad
118 Riddle’s answer
125 Beef cut
126 Attacked with a jump
127 Refrigeration slows it down
128 Paquin of “The Piano”
129 Intertwists
130 Tinkered (with)
DOWN
1 Two-in-one
2 Facts or stats
3 — fire under (roused)
4 No matter whether
5 Sea, to Jules
6 “Rocky III” actor
7 Bat wood
8 Try to find
9 Sailing outing
10 “You! Look over here!”

- 11 Nutrition fig.
12 Frequently, poetically
13 Lusterless photo
14 Cave sound surfaces
15 Not hidden
16 Like many white gowns
17 Features of zebras’ necks
18 Inflict, as havoc
19 Medieval menials
24 Cousin of emo
25 Joe causing no jolt
30 Itsy- —
31 Like a clock with hands
32 Giovanni of “Avatar”
34 Roush of baseball
35 Albeit, for short
36 18th Greek letter
38 Abhorred
39 Best competitive effort, slangily
40 Surprised second look
41 IRS datum

- 42 Like Popeye and Rambo
43 Former anesthetic
48 Apropos of
49 Knights, e.g.
50 1974 CIA spoof flick
53 Pop’s Stefani
54 Big scissors
56 “Plus” point
57 Hyundai model
59 The “R” of ERA
61 College “Eli”
62 Bracelet sites
63 Hem, e.g.
66 French spa city
69 “Nice one!”
71 Twelve p.m.
73 Key near Alt
74 Cry on a ship
75 Samsung or LG product
76 “Where — from ...”
78 Really hot
79 In the future
81 San —
Padres
82 Not at all iffy
84 Made of a certain sturdy wood
86 Place for a car jack

- 90 “— Lips Are Sealed”
93 “Bibleman” star Willie
95 Nest nugget
96 “Aw, shucks”
99 Cuban capital
100 Sight-related
101 Simple putts
102 Greek Mars
103 In fine — (doing well)
104 Big city in Penna.
105 Betray by blabbing
106 Novelist Shaw
110 Store lure
111 Subsequently
113 “You! Look over here!”
115 Calendar unit
116 Calendar unit
117 — out a living (barely scraped by)
119 H.S. transcript stat
120 & so forth
121 “The Simpsons”
tavern keeper
122 Fed. cleanup group
123 DeLuise of “Silent Movie”
124 Drink a little

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sonal property: Albabross; Official number: 980072; Reputed owner: Shawn Dewar Albatross - 980072; Last known address:12881 Elderberry Lane, South Beach, OR 97366; Security interest holder: Justin Porter, 115 McNally Lane, Port Angeles, WA 98363; Amount of claim of lien: \$ 14,762.89 (which includes storage of property and accrued late charges until sale date, and costs of lien foreclosure). The Port of Newport has retained the property for at least 60 days from the date when the charges for ser-

vices provided were due. Notice is hereby given that unless the lien is paid prior to the date set forth for sale below, said property will be sold to the highest bidder. The successful bidder must pay 10% of the bid price in cash or certified check immediately upon being declared the successful bidder. The balance of the bid price is to be paid in cash or certified check within 24 business hours of offering the successful bid. The lien claimant may bid part or all of the lien amount claimed, plus storage and foreclosure sale expenses, which will

be an offset against the lien amount. Minimum bid is \$14,762.89. Bids accepted until: August 6, 2025; Email bids to: mbrown@portofnewport.com OR drop bid off at: Port of Newport, 600 S.E. Bay Blvd., Newport, OR 97365. Bid forms can be found online at www.portofnewport.com or at the address listed above. The sale of the property will be "as is, where is" and there are no representations by the lien claimant as to the condition of the property or its title. Any person wishing to inspect the property prior to the sale may do so during normal business hours, by contacting the Harbormaster at 541-270-5557.

LCL25-0332 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE

Port of Newport claims a lien in the amount claimed below, pursuant to ORS87.152, for the reasonable and agreed charges for labor and materials, storage or services provided at the request of the owner or lawful possessor of the following described personal property: Personal property: Sammy Rae; Official number: OR 352 WC; Reputed owner: Alex Morrow RE: Sammy Rae; Last known address: None on File; Security interest holder: Daniel and Melinda Blackwell, 741 South Low Road, Seal Rock, OR 97376; Amount of claim of lien: \$ 4,046.04 (which includes storage

of property and accrued late charges until sale date, and costs of lien foreclosure). The Port of Newport has retained the property for at least 60 days from the date when the charges for services provided were due. Notice is hereby given that unless the lien is paid prior to the date set forth for sale below, said property will be sold to the highest bidder. The successful bidder must pay 10% of the bid price in cash or certified check immediately upon being declared the successful bidder. The balance of the bid price is to be paid in cash or certified check within 24 business hours of offering the successful bid. The lien claimant may bid part or all of the lien amount claimed, plus storage and foreclosure sale expenses, which will be an offset against the lien amount. Minimum bid is \$4,064.04. Bids accepted until: August 13, 2025; Email bids to: mbrown@portofnewport.com OR drop bid off at: Port of Newport, 600 S.E. Bay Blvd., Newport, OR 97365. Bid forms can be found online at www.portofnewport.com or at the address listed above. The sale of the property will be "as is, where is" and there are no representations by the lien claimant as to the condition of the property or its title. Any person wishing to inspect the property prior to the sale may do so during normal business hours, by con-

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LCL25-0322 TS NO. OR07000003-24-3 APN R322969 TO NO 250157337-OR-MSI TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by RACHEL MARIE MARRIOTT, MICHAEL DANE PALMER as Grantor to WESTERN TITLE & ESCROW COMPANY as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., as designated nominee for EVERGREEN MONEYSOURCE MORTGAGE COMPANY, Beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, dated as of August 31, 2020 and recorded on September 3, 2020 as Instrument No. 2020-09063 and re-recorded on September 4, 2020 as Instrument No. 2020-09168 and the beneficial interest was assigned to Evergreen Moneysource Mortgage Company DBA Evergreen Home Loans and recorded March 26, 2025 as Instrument Number 2025-01860 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Lincoln County, Oregon to-wit: APN: R322969 THE EAST ONE-HALF OF LOT 5, BLOCK 26, RAYMOND, IN THE CITY OF LINCOLN CITY, COUNTY OF LINCOLN AND STATE OF OREGON, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF RECORDED

SEPTEMBER 3, 1924 IN PLAT BOOK 7, PAGE 2, PLAT RECORDS. Commonly known as: 1523 NE 12TH ST, LINCOLN CITY, OR 97367 Both the Beneficiary, Evergreen Moneysource Mortgage Company DBA Evergreen Home Loans, and the Trustee, Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112, have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said Trust Deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. The default for which the foreclosure is made is the Grantor's failure to pay: Failed to pay payments which became due Total Payment(s): Total Payment(s) from 11/01/2024 to 04/15/2025 at \$7,786.08 Total Late Charge(s): Total Late Charge(s) at \$156.60 By this reason of said default the Beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to-wit: The sum of \$163,467.61 together with interest thereon at the rate of 3.25000% per annum from October 1, 2024 until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all Trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the Beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said Trust Deed. Wherefore, notice is hereby given that the undersigned Trustee will

on August 20, 2025 at the hour of 10:00 AM, Standard of Time, Original sale date has been postponed to a future date, as established by Section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, At the front entrance to the Lincoln County Courthouse located at 225 West Olive, in the City of Newport, OR 97365 County of Lincoln, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the Grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said Trust Deed, together with any interest which the Grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Trust Deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the Trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.778 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the Beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, Trustee's or attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance

required under the obligation or Trust Deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the Trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the Trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a Trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing, methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the Trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "Grantor" includes any successor in interest to the Grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, the words "Trustee" and "Beneficiary" includes their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 04/03/2025 By: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 Successor Trustee Malcolm & Cisneros, A Law Corporation Attention: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 c/o TRUSTEE CORPS 17100 Gillette Ave, Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 NPP0474833 To: LINCOLN COUNTY LEADER 07/09/2025 07/16/2025 07/23/2025, 07/30/2025

Super Crossword

Answers

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A G O T A B S D O G A T F I S S

T A U S L I N G S M A C H S N I P

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A N N A E N L A C E S T A M P E R E D

Calendar of EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23 LINCOLN CITY CRIBBAGE CLUB The Lincoln City Cribbage Club meets at 4 p.m. every Wednesday at Pioneer Joe Coffee Co. in the Marketplace at Salishan, 7755 Highway 101, Gleneden Beach. \$9 entry, six games. Forget the rest, come play with the best. Info: Jack Shumate, 541-574-7668. CLAY TARGET/TRAP SHOOTING AT VFW RANGE Open to the public. Clay Target/Trap Shooting at VFW Post, 268 Pioneer Mountain Loop, Toledo. 9am-Noon. \$8/game. Shotguns and ammo available for rent/purchase. For more information, voicemail/text 702-816-8331 or 541-270-5811 LIVE MUSIC BY BOX AND BUCKET Box and Bucket, featuring renowned Nashville guitarist Porter McClister and electric washtub bass player Barbara LePine, performs from 5:30 p.m. to close every Wednesday at Luna Sea Fish House, 10111 Pacific Coast Highway 101, Seal Rock. Info: www.lunaseafishhouse.com TRIVIA NIGHT Enjoy Trivia Night from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Beachcrest Brewing, located in suite E5 at the Salishan Marketplace, 7755 Highway 101, Gleneden Beach. Free. Show off your knowledge for the chance to win prizes. Teams of up to six allowed.	DRIFTWOOD ART DAY 10 a.m.-noon. Make a birdhouse or other sculpture from local driftwood. Skilled artisans on-site to help with tools and design ideas. All supplies provided or you can bring your own driftwood. \$7 per person. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Snacks served. Gleneden Beach Community Hall, 110 Azalea St. FMI, visit glenedenbeach.org. ARTISAN FAIRE AT SALISHAN The Artisan Faire at Salishan, 7755 Highway 101 in Gleneden Beach, features a large assortment of vendors offering fresh produce, self-care products, and quality handmade crafts including housewares, decor, and jewelry. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Info: www.artisanfaireatsalishan.com NHS CLASS OF '72 SUMMER PICNIC The Newport High School Class of '72 will hold its annual Summertime Picnic, Saturday, July 26, 2025, Agate Beach Wayside, Newport. The potluck gathering will begin at 10 a.m. All members of the Class and those adjacent, are welcome to attend. For more information call Matt Jarvis (541) 290-9365 or Vicki Daniels (541) 270-3344. CHRISTMAS IN JULY AND OTHER HOLIDAYS AND UNEXPECTED ELEPHANT 10 a.m.-2 p.m., 3710 Crestline Drive. Crafts and treasures. Supporting Waldport food share and Adventist Clothing Share. SUNDAY, JULY 27 YACHATS FARMERS MARKET The Yachats Sunday Farmers Market is open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. every Sunday through October at West Fourth Street just off U.S. Highway 101. Produce, plants, meats, cheeses, arts and crafts and more. LINCOLN CITY SUNDAY MARKET Located at Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Highway 101. Get fresh produce, grab a bit to eat, shop for one-of-a-kind treasures. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Info: www.lincolncityfarmersmarket.org. ARGENTINE TANGO Learn Argentine Tango at Newport Tango's weekly Sunday lesson and practice. 5 to 8 p.m., South Beach Community Center, 3024 SE Ferry Slip Road. Info: www.newportdancetango.com or newportdancetango@gmail.com MONDAY, JULY 28 PERFORMING AT THE DRIFT INN Chris Baron performs live music in a variety of styles from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at The Drift Inn, located at 124 Highway 101 N in Yachats. For information, call 541-547-4477.	TUESDAY, JULY 29 SILETZ GRANGE MARKET The Siletz Valley Grange hosts its Tuesday Market from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the grange, 224 Gaither St. Plant starts, garden products, glassware, pottery, handmade items, baked goods, jams and more. BRINGETTO JAZZ DUO AT THE DRIFT INN Classic jazz favorites from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at The Drift Inn, located at 124 Highway 101 N in Yachats. For information, call 541-547-4477. WEDNESDAY, JULY 30 LINCOLN CITY CRIBBAGE CLUB The Lincoln City Cribbage Club meets at 4 p.m. every Wednesday at Pioneer Joe Coffee Co. in the Marketplace at Salishan, 7755 Highway 101, Gleneden Beach. \$9 entry, six games. Forget the rest, come play with the best. Info: Jack Shumate, 541-574-7668. LIVE MUSIC BY BOX AND BUCKET Box and Bucket, featuring renowned Nashville guitarist Porter McClister and electric washtub bass player Barbara LePine, performs from 5:30 p.m. to close every Wednesday at Luna Sea Fish House, 10111 Pacific Coast Highway 101, Seal Rock. 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FUN

From Page B8

best settings on a phone or camera are for night photography. Then the group will head out to a dark site to put their new skills to use, shooting pics of the night sky.

The final celestial summer event will be an overnight visit to Central Oregon to see Oregon's darkest skies Aug. 23-24. Transportation from Newport to Prineville Reservoir State Park will be available to ensure that travel isn't a barrier. Likness will again be in

attendance to coach folks up on their nighttime photography skills, and will also give a presentation with a park ranger.

"It should be really fun," Remillard said.

Remillard recruited Likness to offer programs to the community after she found some of his photos in a local Facebook group. She's very appreciative of his involvement. Spots are filling up fast for the overnight trip, so folks should hurry to sign up at the community center or online.

Another event Remillard wants to bring

attention to is the performance of Monmouth Taiko on July 26 at 1 p.m. at the Performing Arts Center parking lot.

"Taiko is Japanese drumming with the big drums. It's really cool to watch because it's like movement, it's drumming, it's chanting. It's really fun," Remillard said.

"And our sister city is Mombetsu, Japan. So, it's kind of fun we'll have a cultural thing."

It's special because 2026 will mark the 60th anniversary of Newport's sister city relationship, so Remillard said Newport will try to use the Taiko

concert as a reminder of the bond between the two and raise a bit of awareness about the anniversary.

FOR KIDS

While the overnight astronomy trip is 21+, Remillard and Newport Parks and Rec want to ensure the adults aren't the only ones having fun.

One upcoming camp is the Adventure Paddle Camp Aug. 5-6. Campers will learn the basics of kayaking and paddleboarding in a safe and enjoyable environment, with ample time on the water each day. The camp

is for kids nine and above and is presented in conjunction with Ossies Surf Shop.

A big addition to programming for kids this year is day trips. Thanks to the acquisition of a van, Parks and Rec are now offering day trips to youth 10 and up. The trips have been happening throughout July and into August.

UPCOMING TRIPS INCLUDE:

July 29 - Get Air Trampoline Park

July 31 - Sandland Adventures

Aug. 7 - Enchanted Forest

Aug. 12 - Tree to Tree Adventure Park

Aug. 13 - Wings and Waves Waterpark

An interesting trend Remillard has noticed since COVID is a lack of participation in after-school and summer programs. While she said it may be slightly rebounding recently, she's unsure what the cause of the fall in numbers is.

With so many things coming up, Remillard encourages folks to follow Newport Parks and Recreation on Facebook or at their website so they can stay up to date and not miss out!

SWIMMERS

From Page B8

first or second fastest 12-year-old out of the 30 entries in those events.

She swam in finals in the 200 IM (20th place), 200-Meter Backstroke (12th place), 50-meter Back (18th) and the 100-meter butterfly (23rd place).

"It was a great preparation for State Champs, racing against high school and college aged swimmers," the release states.

Gwynn - Competed in

6 prelims and made finals in all 6.

50-meter Breast, 4th place and broke her own NST team record

50-Meter Free 14th place

200-meter Free - 13th place with a personal best time

100-meter Breaststroke, 7th place and broke the NST team record of Katie Chapman from 2003

200-meter Breaststroke, 6th place and a PR, just 0.02 off the NST team record also set by Kate Chapman

100-meter Free - 9th place, with a PR

Amber Waves



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



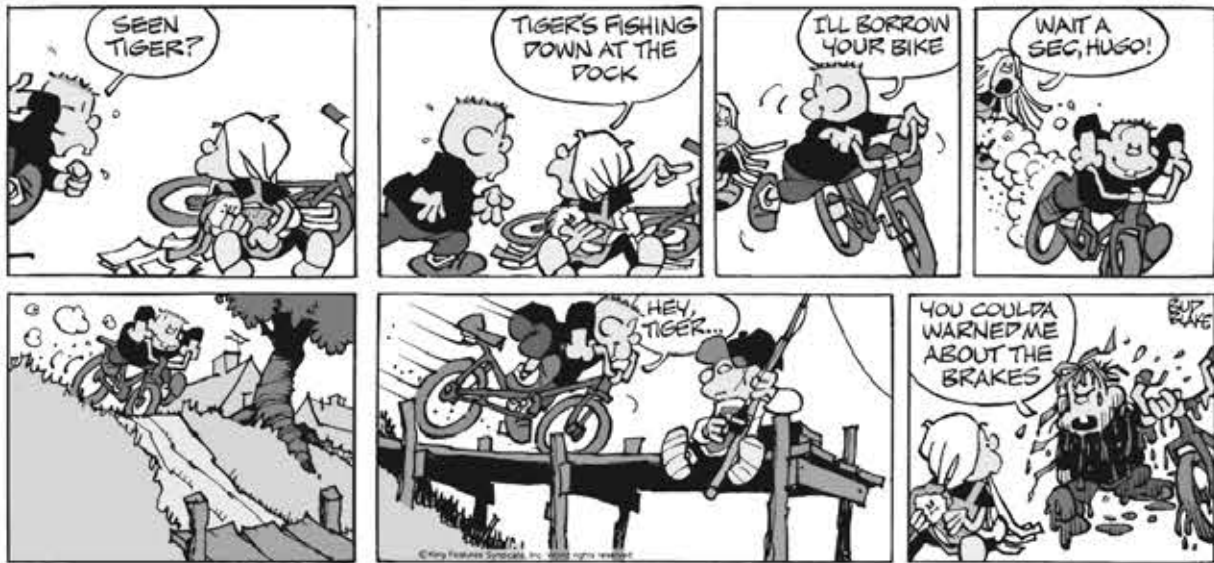
The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

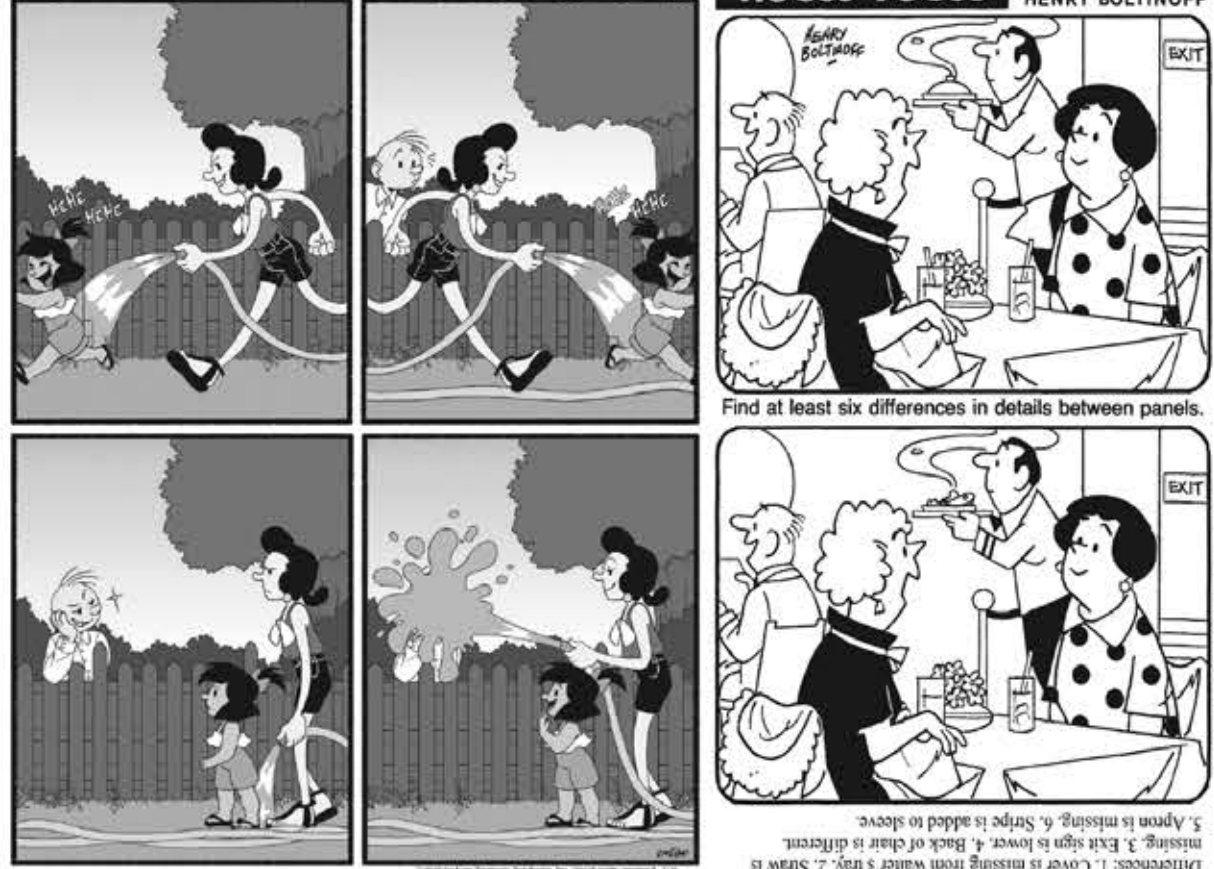


OLIVE

By Emi Burdge

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINGOFF



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



CryptoQuip

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

Clue: Z equals P

EG MUJ ZAJZOA KWA ZOKIIEIP
K VJIXZEWKVT UDEOA PJOGIEP,
KWA MDAT JI K VJOOSXEJI
VJSWXA?

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CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

FPACA TM YU AAB MU
MEQBB HNF TF PUWAM FU
HAVUEA Q SPQBA.
- ZACEQY WCUJACH

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Trivia
test by Fifi Rodriguez

- MOVIES: How many dream levels does the crew enter in the film "Inception"?
- U.S. STATES: Which state's nickname is "Treasure State"?
- LITERATURE: Which 1969 novel begins with the line, "All this happened, more or less"?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a baby horse called?
- ACRONYMS: What does the acronym GIF stand for?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president served the shortest term?
- TELEVISION: In which fictional town is "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" set?
- GEOGRAPHY: What international city's nickname is "The Eternal City"?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many time zones exist on Earth?
- SCIENCE: Who is known as the father of medicine?

Answers

- Five (four dream levels and limbo).
- Montana.
- "Slaughterhouse-Five" by Kurt Vonnegut.
- A foal.
- Graphics Interchange Format.
- William Henry Harrison, who died 32 days after taking office.
- Sunnydale.
- Rome, Italy.
- 24.
- Greek physician Hippocrates.

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If two people are planning
a conspiracy while golfing,
are they on a collusion
course?
answer
CryptoQuip

There is no eel so
small but it hopes to
become a whale.
— German proverb

Cryptoquote
answer

ARGUE
Today's Word
3. Margin; 4. Avenge
1. Nudge 2. Lance;
solution
SCRAMBLERS

SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Poke
DEGUN
Piece
CLEAN
Border
ARMING
Repay
VEEGAN

TODAY'S WORD



"We're going over to the Holloways' tonight.
You've got an hour to eat and dress and
_____ about it."



The Newport Junior American team pictured from left to right: Back- Coach Kryspin Rozewski, Coach Eddie Anderson, Reed Anderson, Bandon Whitaker, Coach Allen Hatman, Madden Rozewski, Coach Eddie Townsend; Front- Caleb Winton, Greyson Morris, Eli Townsend, Tayvin Purdom, Hudson Keesee, Porter Hutchinson, and Miles Vandersloot. (Courtesy photos)

Newport Junior American claims third straight JBO State Title in walk-off thriller

STAFF REPORT

Lincoln County Leader

Newport Junior American team members, representing the Valley District in the Junior Baseball Organization (JBO), secured their third consecutive state championship in electrifying fashion on Sunday, July 13, walking off Wells in a dramatic 9-8 extra-inning victory at Hawks View Elementary in Sherwood.

The game was tied in the bottom of the 7th when Tayvin Purdom laced a single to bring home the winning run, setting off a dogpile celebration for the ages and sealing another unforgettable title run.

Led by Head Coach Eddie Townsend, Newport has now claimed championships at two different levels — minors and juniors — over the past three years, solidifying its place as a true JBO powerhouse.

“This is a wild ride to be on. Three state titles in three years is not a fluke — and it’s been at two different levels: minors and now juniors,” Townsend said. “This group of boys and their families are so special and they are dear to me. All the coaches included pour



Sportsmanship Award winner Porter Hutchinson and Head Coach Eddie Townsend holding the trophy.

countless hours into this ride and it’s been unbelievable. I’m so thankful for the opportunity to coach them. These are the good old days — this is the best day ever.”

A CHAMPIONSHIP RUN FOR THE AGES

First Round – vs. Putnam: Newport opened the tournament with a 9-0 shutout, powered by Miles Vandersloot and

Tayvin Purdom home runs, and a dominant combined pitching effort from Porter Hutchinson and Reed Anderson. The Cubs racked up 12 hits and stole 11 bases, setting the tone for the weekend.

Second Round – vs. Gladstone: A nine-run fourth inning blew the game wide open as Newport rolled to a 12-2 victory. Hudson Keesee, Reed Anderson, and Porter Hutchinson each drove in multiple runs, while the team ran wild on the base paths with 15 steals.

Semifinals – vs. Oregon City: Newport exploded for nine runs in the second, cruising to a 13-3 win. Miles Vandersloot homered, and Reed Anderson struck out six in relief. Tayvin, Eli Townsend, and Greyson Morris added key hits as Newport played error-free defense once again.

Championship – vs. Wells: In a back-and-forth battle, Newport overcame multiple lead changes and a late-game tie. In extra innings Hudson Keesee was placed at 2nd base then Greyson Morris was hit by pitch. Next, Eli Townsend advanced the baserunners with a single up the middle.

Tayvin Purdom hit awalk-off single that brought Keesee to win it. This capped a game that featured clutch hits from Caleb Winton, Porter, Reed, and Bandon Whitaker, and a shut-down relief effort from Madden Rozewski in extra innings with bases loaded no outs.

TOURNAMENT HONORS

- Porter Hutchinson was awarded the 2025 JBO Sportsmanship Award, exemplifying leadership and class throughout the tournament.
 - Newport’s defense was near-perfect, going three of four games without a single error.
 - The team combined for over 40 stolen bases, double-digit hits in every game, and a pitching staff that overwhelmed opponents from start to finish.
- “This squad didn’t just win — they dominated,” Townsend said. “They played fast, smart, and together — and now, they’ve earned their place in the JBO record books. No other team in JBO history has won 3 straight state championships. Newport Junior American: 3-Peat State Champs. Believe it.”

Newport Parks and Recreation offering summer fun

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Summer has been flying by, but there are still plenty of fun opportunities to come for Newport residents, offered by Newport Parks and Recreation.

Jenni Remillard has been the Recreation Specialist for Newport Parks and Rec since 2017 but is transitioning to a new position as the 60+ Center Supervisor. In the meantime, she’s been balancing both roles.

But that doesn’t mean there haven’t been a host of cool programs available to the community.

OUTDOOR FUN

With the rugged Oregon Coast being a prominent feature of Newport, it makes sense to take full advantage. The Parks and Rec department has several outdoor opportunities to get folks out to the craggy coastal tide pools to learn a thing or two. One of the programs is called “Low Tide Learning.”

“It’s focusing on edible seaweeds mostly. But it’s like foraging. We go to Seal Rock for that one because it’s a great place for seaweed identification. There are tons of different species there,” Remillard said. “We can learn about lots of different species of edible seaweed on the Oregon coast. We talk a little bit about the edible



One of the tidepool excursions bringing folks out to the coast. (Courtesy photo from Newport Parks and Recreation)

animals that we have in the intertidal zone.”

Additionally, Remillard led two “Tidepool Excursions” along the central coast at Otter Rock and Neptune State Park. Remillard emphasized that Newport Parks and Rec try to ensure transparency about accessibility to the beach on the excursions, so nobody has unwanted surprises when getting out to the destinations.

While the tidepool trips are done for the season, Remillard hopes to continue leading them in the future, even when she moves to the position at the 60+ Center.

UPCOMING EVENTS

While there aren’t more opportunities to explore the

tidepools with Newport Parks and Rec, there are still some fun outdoor events to come.

The edible berries Woods Walks are a chance for folks to get out and hike and taste the fruits (or berries) of their labor. The first one was July 19, but there is another one coming up in August. They’re about two hours, and open to everyone.

“We go on easy trails so anybody can do it, they’re really accessible,” Remillard said.

For astronomy enthusiasts, or amateur stargazers, Newport Parks is offering events as part of a “Celestial Summer.” The first event is a “Starr Party” with local astrophotographer and host of SkyWatch Jeremy Likness. The party will be hosted at Frank Wade Park on

July 25 at 9 p.m.

“[Likness] is going to bring his telescope, and he has a friend who was an astronomer at the observatory on Maui at Haleakalā. She’s going to bring a telescope as well,” Remillard said. “Jeremy’s telescope can hook up to a projector, and we can project it onto a screen so everybody can see, which is pretty cool. So he can do a presentation. He did one last year, too. It was pretty cool.”

Likness will also be lending his expertise for the Astrophotography Workshop in Newport on Aug. 16, from 8-10 p.m. The workshop will start at the Rec Center, with Likness teaching folks about what the

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Newport swimmers to compete at State

The Newport Swim Team will send 12-year-old Zoey Chappell, and 15-year-old Gwynn Postlewait, to the 2025 Oregon Swimming Long Course State Championships, July 24-27.

To prepare the ladies for that meet, both travelled to Mt. Hood, both travelled to Mt. Hood to compete in the Seth Dawson Invit July 11-13.

Thirteen Oregon swim teams competed in the prelim/finals meet with no break-out by age group. All girls, regardless of age, where in one group. The meet attracted a number of college swimmers down to 11-year-olds.

Both Zoey and Gwynn did very well, making a number of finals, according to a release from the Newport Swim Team.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Zoey - Achieved 4 finals out of her 6 prelim races, in a majority of each being the

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