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Lincoln County Leader

Wednesday, November 19, 2025

Lincoln County, Oregon

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'It is a big blow to the community,' Rogue Brewery abruptly shuts down

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

A shocking, but not unexpected economic blow to Newport, as Rogue Ales & Spirits abruptly closed its operations and all of it restaurants Friday, Nov. 14.

Rogue officials told the Port of Newport Friday morning of their intentions to shut down operations, according to Port Executive Director Paula Miranda.

"They told us that unfortunately they are shutting down

operations and letting the staff go, except for three employees that will make sure to properly shutdown the facility," she said. "Meanwhile we are working with our attorney to make sure we have a plan of action ourselves."

Miranda said Rogue's closure isn't surprising.

"They have been behind in their rent for a while," she said. "We have been talking to them quite a bit trying to come up with a plan on how they

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Rogue officials told the Port of Newport Nov. 14 of their intentions to shut down operations. (Courtesy photo from the Rogue brewery Facebook)

Stranded whale washes ashore at Yachats



People parked along Highway 101 and walked onto the beach to see the stranded whale. See more photos and video with this story at the Lincoln County Leader website. (Photos by Jeremy C. Ruark)

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A young humpback whale became stranded along the Oregon Coast at Yachats Saturday evening, Nov. 15.

"This is probably a yearling," Oregon State University Marine Mammal Institute Director and Executive Director of the Hatfield Marine Science Center Lisa Ballance told the Lincoln County Leader

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As waves wash over the whale stranded on the shoreline, one woman raises her arms as if to help push the whale out to sea. See more photos and video with this story at the Lincoln County Leader website.



This humpback whale washed ashore at Yachats late Saturday, Nov. 15. See more photos and video with this story at the Lincoln County Leader website.

Emotional testimony against an ICE facility at Newport

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

One after another, dozens of Newport residents and others stepped up to voice their concerns about having Oregon's first Immigration and Customs Enforcement detention facility sited in Newport.

The city council had called a special evening informational meeting Nov. 12 to update the community on what it knows about the federal government's plans and

See **ICE**, page A4



A woman addressed the Newport City Council during the special informational meeting that allowed two hours for public comments. See more photos with this story at the Lincoln County Leader website. (Photo by Jeremy C. Ruark)

Contractor backs out of potential Oregon Coast ICE facility

SHAANTH NANGUNERI
Oregon Capital Chronicle

A defense contractor with a history of providing housing for military operations withdrew its inquiry seeking land at the Newport Municipal Airport, a city official said Wednesday, Nov. 12, as growing evidence suggests the Trump administration intends to use the site for Oregon's first Immigration and

See **FACILITY**, page A4



The Yaquina Head lighthouse sits on the Oregon coast near Newport. The city has been swept up in speculation over the past few days over reports of a potential ICE facility. (Courtesy photo from the Bureau of Land Management)



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PM Showers

Sunday: High-54/Low-47
Showers

Monday: High-54/Low-43
Showers

Tuesday: High-52/Low-40
Showers

Past Weather

On the Coast

	Rain	Low	High
November 11	0.00.....	49.4°F	61.4°F
November 12	0.08.....	51.9°F	63.2°F
November 13	0.19.....	53.4°F	61.3°F
November 14	0.05.....	49.4°F	59.4°F
November 15	0.06.....	52.1°F	61.6°F
November 16	0.32.....	50.4°F	56.0°F
November 17	0.05.....	49.6°F	55.4°F
Total rainfall from Jan. 1		47.49"	

Tides Tables

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Low	4:48 a.m.	3.4
High	10:48 a.m.	8.8
Low	5:51 p.m.	0.4

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

High	12:38 a.m.	6.8
Low	5:22 a.m.	3.8
High	11:17 a.m.	8.8
Low	6:24 p.m.	0.6

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 21

High	1:18 a.m.	6.8
Low	5:56 a.m.	4.0
High	11:47 a.m.	8.8
Low	7:00 p.m.	0.6

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 22

High	1:58 a.m.	6.8
Low	6:32 a.m.	4.2
High	12:20 p.m.	8.7
Low	7:37 p.m.	0.4

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

High	2:41 a.m.	6.7
Low	7:09 a.m.	4.3
High	12:55 p.m.	8.4
Low	8:17 p.m.	0.3

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

High	3:27 a.m.	6.6
Low	7:51 a.m.	4.4
High	1:34 p.m.	8.1
Low	8:59 p.m.	0.1

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

High	4:16 a.m.	6.5
Low	8:42 a.m.	4.6
High	2:18 p.m.	7.7
Low	9:44 p.m.	0.1

Sunrise/Sunset

November 19	7:18 a.m.....4:45 p.m.
November 20	7:19 a.m.....4:44 p.m.
November 21	7:20 a.m.....4:44 p.m.
November 22	7:22 a.m.....4:43 p.m.
November 23	7:23 a.m.....4:42 p.m.
November 24	7:24 a.m.....4:41 p.m.
November 25	7:26 a.m.....4:41 p.m.
November 26	7:27 a.m.....4:40 p.m.
November 27	7:28 a.m.....4:39 p.m.
November 28	7:29 a.m.....4:39 p.m.
November 29	7:30 a.m.....4:38 p.m.
November 30	7:32 a.m.....4:38 p.m.

Lottery

Friday, November 14

Mega Millions

1 • 8 • 11 • 12 • 57 • PB-7

Saturday, November 15

Powerball

6 • 7 • 12 • 47 • 53 • PB-21 • x4

Saturday, November 15

Megabucks

11 • 12 • 18 • 26 • 31 • 39

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Two hospitalized following Lincoln City crash

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

Two people are hos-
pitalized following a
traffic crash at NW 6th
Street and Highway 1010
in Lincoln City early
Sunday morning, Nov. 16

According to Lincoln
City Police Department
(LCPD) Sgt. Torin Liden,
the crash occurred at
approximately 3:26 a.m.
and involved a Jeep.

“The vehicle appeared
to be going southbound
at the time of the crash
and struck the light pole
at the intersection,”
Liden said. “The two
occupants of the vehi-
cle were transported



The traffic crash occurred at NW 6th and Highway 101 in Lincoln City. Two people were hospitalized following this cash at NW 6th and Highway 101 in Lincoln City. The cause of the case was still under investigation as of Sunday, Nov. 16. (Photos by Jeremy C. Ruark)

to Samaritan North
Lincoln Hospital for
treatment and have since
been transported out
of the area for further
treatment.”



Liden said the cause
of the crash was still
under investigation as of
Sunday, Nov. 16.

The identities of
those involved were not

immediately available.

Oregon State Police,
Lincoln County Sheriff’s
Office, and the Lincoln
County Interagency
Major Crash team

assisted at the scene of
the crash. North Lincoln
Fire and Rescue and
PacWest Ambulance ser-
vice were the medical
teams on scene.

Protect Our Kids Human Trafficking 101 Training

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

The Chapel By The
Sea Presbyterian Church
invites parents to learn
the basics of protecting
children from sex traffick-
ing and tips to keep them
safe during “Protect Our
Kids Human Trafficking
101 Training. The class
is scheduled from 1 p.m.
to 2 p.m. on Wednesday,
Nov. 19 at the Church of
Nazarene, 1462 NW 19th
Street in Lincoln City.

The Lincoln County
Sheriff’s Office (LCSO)
has urged parents to
closely monitor their
children’s social media
activity.

“It is crucial for parents
to discuss the potential
dangers associated with
communicating with
strangers online. The
LCSO resulting inves-
tigations aim to reduce
criminal activity and
enhance the safety of our
community,” the LCSO
has stated in releases

Recognizing Sex Trafficking

This list focuses on indicators you might observe when interacting with youth. It does not include every indicator of sex trafficking. Most of these indicators are ones that you might see the first or second time you meet with a youth.

A single indicator may or may not mean that sex trafficking is occurring. You should report any reasonable suspicion of sex trafficking.

Report suspected trafficking of a youth to the Oregon Child Abuse hotline:
1 (855) 503-7233

Physical Indicators

• Bruising and burns

• Communicable and noncommunicable disease (e.g., TB, Hepatitis)

• Dental issues, mouth injuries

• Frequent treatment for sexually transmitted infections and injuries

• Multiple pregnancies/terminations

• Physical and sexual abuse/sexual assault

• Substance use

• Tattoos

• Unexplained injuries or unaddressed medical issues

Environmental Indicators

• Accompanied by another person who answers for them

• Changes in school attendance and/or behavior (e.g., falling asleep in class)

• Experiencing homelessness

• Lacking access to weather-appropriate clothing

• Living in a car, motel, or homeless camp

• Living where they work

• Multi-system involvement

• Not living with relatives or foster parents

• Recruited for different work than currently doing

• Required to provide sexual services to co-workers and/or employers

Behavioral Indicators

• Being forced to commit crimes (e.g., theft, assault, fraud)

• Confusing or contradicting stories

• Exchanging sexual acts or performances for money, basic needs (e.g., shelter, food) or anything of value (e.g., drugs, transportation, alcohol)

• Fear of appointments taking longer than expected

• Frequently checking in with family member, friend, or significant other

• Inability to focus or concentrate

• Multiple occasions of running away from home/placement

• Protecting the person who hurt them or minimizing abuse

• Providing limited information

• Unaware of location, age, and/or the date

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about child endangerment
investigations.

The Chapel By The
Sea Presbyterian Church
End Human Trafficking
education program lead is
Gae Linfoot, who said the
church has accomplished
several significant events
in its educational effort.

- Lincoln County schools
are now teaching about
sex trafficking issues in
our schools.
- In mid 2024 the Lincoln
City Council passed
Resolution No. 2024-
22 A Resolution of the
City of Lincoln City
Regarding Human

Trafficking and
Allowing Informational
Signs to Be Posted on
City Property.

- In February we will be
presenting our fourth
annual Hotel Training
for the Hospitality
Industry.

“All services are free
and open to the commu-
nity to support keeping
children safe from preda-
tors,” Linfoot said.

BACKGROUND

County Media, Inc., the
parent company of the
Lincoln County Leader,
published a report in
November 2023 about
human sex trafficking.

Human trafficking
exploits the most vulner-
able in society without
regard to age, gender, race
or religious background.
Women are often used for
sexual exploitation, while
men are usually used for
forced labor, the report
states.

“They use their vulner-
abilities against them,”

said Lizzie Martinez,
Trafficking Intervention
Task Force coordinator
of Lincoln County. “They
prey on dreams.”

Abduction not in the
form of snatch and grab
off the streets where vic-
tims end up being shipped
overseas to live out their
lives in a Saudi palace.

Chat rooms, social
media, targeted hash tags
and emails are the tools of
the trade, luring the young
and impressionable into
what often leads to prosti-
tution or migrant workers,
domestic, restaurant, or
factory workers with little
or no pay.

Over the years, County
Media, Inc. has presented
various human sex traffick-
ing stories. See previous
coverage at the Lincoln
County Leader website.

If you suspect human
trafficking, or are a vic-
tim of human trafficking,
call the National Human
Trafficking Hotline, at
1-888-373-7888, or text,
BEFREE (233733).

ROGUE

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would pay us. We have

all intentions to help the
process because they are a
big employer of Newport.
We want to make sure
they are successful in

getting through this diffi-
cult time.”

Rogue is drastically
behind on rent and taxes
– owing \$545,000 to the
Port of Newport and up
to \$30,000 in taxes to
Lincoln County, according
to a Lincoln Chronicle
report.

According to Miranda,
Rogue’s beer sales have
dropped.

“We actually did a bit
of research and sales in
general nationwide are
down about 30% and
about 35% in Oregon,
so we knew that there is
some difficulty in that
business,” she said.

ECONOMIC BLOW

Miranda said the loss of
Rogue will be felt com-
munity wide.

“Absolutely, because
you’re talking about 60
employees will be out of

jobs,” she said. “And of
course this is hard on the
Port because this is one of
our large tenants, therefor
it will impact our opera-
tions and in having funds
to continue future proj-
ects, so we would prob-
ably have to modify our
budget. It is a big blow to
the community.”

The Rogue Brewery
occupied a 47,000 square
foot building at the Port
on Newport’s south beach.

“It’s going to be a diffi-
cult cite to lease because
they have three facilities
there,” Miranda said. “We
have three different lease.
One for the brewery. One
for the distillery, and
one for the Sunset Bar,
which is the closest to the
marina.”

Miranda said the Port
has already been working
with subtenants at the
distillery.

“Because they have
they told us their desire
to start removing some
of the equipment for dis-
tilling whiskey and they
want to let go of that,
so we have found two
tenants to take half of
the building, and we are
going to look for another
tenant for the remainder
of the building. But it will
be more difficult to find a
large-scale tenant.”

While Miranda could
not reveal the specific
value of the Rogue prop-
erty, she said the Port has
spent “a lot of money”
to fix the seawall at the
building site so that the
building would not be
lost.

“So for course, we want
to retain the building and
try to fill it,” she said.

Rogue has been in
Newport since 1989.
Rogue also has operations
at Astoria.

The Leader has reached
out to Rogue Brewery
and to the Newport
Chamber of Commerce
for comments. We had not
received responses as of
press time Monday after-
noon, Nov. 17.

Follow developments
online at the Lincoln
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print editions of The
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4	2	9	8	1	6	3	5	7
9	7	4	1	6	3	2	8	5
1	6	8	5	4	2	7	9	3
2	3	5	9	8	7	1	6	4
5	9	2	3	7	8	6	4	1
7	4	1	6	5	9	8	3	2
6	8	3	4	2	1	5	7	9

Alert issued following EBT card skimming incidents

Oregon Attorney General Dan Rayfield has issued a consumer alert following reports of widespread theft of Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) card funds affecting residents in the Coos Bay area.

Since November 8, the Coos Bay Police Department had received reports from 41 residents whose SNAP benefits were stolen and fraudulently spent outside of Oregon.

“On the heels of a federal administration that’s already been willing to strip food assistance from working families, we’re now seeing criminals steal what little support people have left,” Rayfield said. “It’s outrageous. Oregonians went without benefits for far too long, and to have those dollars stolen the moment they hit

someone’s card is unconscionable. These scammers are preying on the most vulnerable people in our communities — it’s like yanking groceries out of someone’s hands at the checkout.”

The Oregon Department of justice (ODOJ) has reported on an increase in the skimming devices being used in recent months to steal EBT benefits around the state.

Investigators say suspects will install a small device or overlay on a store point of sale machine or card reader that captures magnetic stripe data and the PIN when an EBT card is swiped. With that data and PIN, thieves can clone cards and make remote purchases, often using SNAP benefits at stores in other states, before victims notice



The Oregon Department of justice (ODOJ) has reported on an increase in the skimming devices being used in recent months to steal EBT benefits around the state. (Courtesy photo)

their benefits are wiped out.

The Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS) is urging EBT cardholders to take immediate steps to protect their accounts and report suspicious activity.

Tips to Protect Your

EBT Card and Benefits

Only use the official ebtEDGE website and mobile app for Apple or Android. ODHS does not guarantee the safety of any other EBT management apps or websites.

Check card readers. Avoid using machines that look tampered with or loose.

Keep your PIN private. Don’t share or write it down; cover the keypad when entering it.

Change your PIN often. Call 888-997-4447, log in to ebtEDGE, or visit an ODHS office.

Monitor your account. Report unauthorized charges and request a replacement card at 1-855-328-6715 or through ODHS

Freeze your card when not in use. Do this through ebtEDGE under “Account Services.”

Block risky purchases.

Limit out-of-state and online transactions in ebtEDGE under “Protect My Account.”

Ignore scams. ODHS will never ask for your card number or PIN by text or social media.

For detailed instructions, including a video and step-by-step guide on how to secure your EBT card, visit:

Oregon Department of Human Services: Protect Your EBT Card and Benefits

“Reporting these thefts helps us identify patterns and work with law enforcement to stop them,” Rayfield said. “The faster people speak up, the better chance we have to limit the damage and protect others.”

If you believe you’ve been a victim of EBT fraud, contact the ODOJ Consumer Hotline at 1-877-877-9392.

LCPD K9 assists OSP with capture of felony suspect

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

A Salem man wanted by law enforcement on felony charges was captured with the assistance of a Lincoln City Police K9.

The Lincoln City Police Department (LCPD) received a request from the Oregon State Police at the Cape Lookout Ranger Station for tracking a fleeing felony suspect Wednesday, Nov. 12, according to LCPD Sgt. Erik Anderson.

“A LCPD K9 handler,



This LCPD body cam photo shows K9 Nix assisting in the capture of the felony suspect. (Courtesy photo from the LCSO)

along with K9 Nix, responded to the area. They were familiar with the area due to a response the previous day to the same park,” Anderson said. “K9 Nix successfully tracked the suspect, 34-year-old Alexander Eaton who was hiding in the nearby forest.” Once cornered, Eaton surrendered to law enforcement.

Eaton was transported to the Tillamook County Jail and lodged on felony charges including Criminal Mischief, Theft of Services and probation Violation, according to

Tillamook County Jail records.

“We would like to express our thanks to the Citizens of Lincoln City for their ongoing support of our K9 Program,” Anderson said in a release. “We have experienced many peaceful surrenders based on the presence of our K9 partners and are pleased to support our neighboring Agencies with their hard work.”

The LCPD employs two K9s, Nato and Nix. Both K9s are trained tracking dogs.

WHALE

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on scene of the incident.

The whale was still alive as of Sunday morning, Nov. 16.

“I had heard it was entangled in fishing gear,” she said. “Apparently someone cut that off last night. I am sorry to say I don’t believe it will survive.”

Ballance said she believes the whale likely was entangled at sea and either floated ashore or attempted to swim close to the shore.

“One of the take-home messages along our pristine coast is that entanglement in fishing gear is huge problem for marine mammals,” she said. “It is a global problem. It is probably the single most significant problem for marine mammals in the world.”

Ballance said she is a staunch advocate for the Newport commercial fishing industry, particularly the Dungeness crab fishing industry.

“They have been

working with scientists to find a specific solution to this problem,”she said. “One of the best things we can do is understand more about where the whales are and when they are there. The hot spots. The fishing community can than actively avoid those hot spots and that has been a real success story here with the Dungeness crab fishing industry in Oregon.”

According to Ballance, another solution would be to use revised gear.

“It would be pots that sit on the bottom of the ocean, where they fish, without being attached to the float at the surface of the line. It is that long line that entangles whales. Instead, the alternative gear is using a remote trigger device that allows the pot itself on the bottom and the trigger allows the float to come to the surface when you are ready,” she said.

Ballance added that those concerned about whales and other marine mammals need to be aware that the federal government program,

called the Prescott Program, that funds responders to such incidents is in trouble under the current government administration.

“People can write their representatives and tell

them to please support the Prescott Grant Program that will provide additional help for stranded mammals like this,” she explained.

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

Park Manager Brian Fowler said its likely that the whale would be buried on the beach.

“That would depend on when it does pass, and where it makes its final resting place,” he said.

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Gomberg also addressed



There was standing room only at the Newport City Council meeting. Dozens of people watched the session from the hallway adjacent to the City Council Chambers. See more photos with this story at the Lincoln County County Leader website. (Photo by Jeremy C. Ruark)

"If, in fact, the helicopter is gone and an ICE complex is planned, it means that somewhere, someone is more interested in detaining lives than in saving lives," Gombberg said, later adding in his latest news letter that he had renewed his demand that the federal government share its plans "so that Newport can decide its own future."

The City of Newport has received confirmation that the rescue helicopter that has been stationed at the Coast Guard Newport Air Facility located at Newport Municipal Airport was recently relocated to the U.S. Coast Guard Base in North Bend. The U.S. Coast Guard operates under the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. The City has been unable to confirm if this move is intended to be temporary

We recognize that even the possibility of such a facility being erected here has caused understandable alarm. I want to make it absolutely clear that City staff is working alongside our legislative leaders at

Kaplan expects a battle

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

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City Manager Nina Vetter confirmed the

Texas-based Team Housing Solutions informed Newport officials of the decision Wednesday afternoon, setting the tone for a two-hour special city council meeting filled with emotional testimony and

applause. Local residents urged Newport leaders to amass all the tools they have to block any plans for an ICE facility in the area. “Maybe somebody thought ‘Oh it’s a small place, it’s rural, they’re

“The federal government continues to refuse to share their plans with the public,” Gov. Tina Kotek said in a Wednesday statement. “While information is limited at this time, I

Those developments lit a fire in the liberal coastal

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COMMENTARY

Marks on the Calendar
Two Years into Eradication of a Peoples So Move on

PAUL HAEDER
Leader Guest Column

Ahh, the banned books week passed (it should be a daily reminder that freedom of speech and thought are illusory in Capitalism). That was Oct. 5 through 11, and you can Google what intense censorship has always occurred in USA and is going on now with the new brownshirts in office.

You can call school and library administrators, school board and library board members, city councilpersons, and your elected representatives to ask them to support the right to read! But most of them are running scared and are completely cowed by their own shadows.

Imagine California, running this House Bill and it passing with the Ray-Ban governor's signature –

The law no longer references Israel's war in Gaza, but critics have said it could still have a chilling effect and prevent open discussion on contentious issues in the classroom.

“Teacher discourse on Palestine or the genocide in Gaza will be policed, misrepresented, and reported to the

antisemitism coordinator,” Theresa Montañó with the California Faculty Association said in a statement.

So, no need to burn books or ban them since K12 students will be policed and brought before boards of inquiry if they dare talk about the Nakba and how that ethnic cleansing that started in 1948 (earlier, really, but don't tell our representative Gomberg that!) relates to another passing October critical thinking milestone – Indigenous People's Day.

That was October 13, and with the fanfare of stormtroopers hitting Portland's streets and even our own backwater county seeing ICE masked raiders taking a citizen away, forget about finding deep discussion about that day of infamy – celebrating for ONE 24-hour period our own legacy of indigenous culture and wisdom.

The schools might not even be able to put up posters stating the following with this new regime of Stephen Miller and his Gestapo infecting the great shining city on the hill: “We honor the Native American people

for their culture including art and many crafts, their food, their clothing, their grit and endurance, their goodness and influence. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, there are about 4.5 million Native Americans and Alaska Natives in the United States today. That is about 1.5 percent of the population in the United States. There are ten main areas of North America where the Native Americans have lived over the last 2,000 years.”

The jig was up more than 250 years go, throughout the enslavement of Africans, but recall that we had politician after general after newspaper editor repeating in variations of a theme these racist but highly American statements in regard to our Native People:

• In 2021, Rick Santorum claimed there was “nothing” in America before colonization and little Native American culture present today.

• Trump's boy, Andrew Jackson, signed the Indian Removal Act of 1830, which forced many eastern tribes, such as the Cherokee, Choctaw, and

others, off their ancestral lands. This policy led directly to the “Trail of Tears.” Jackson's own words often framed Native Americans as uncivilized and an obstacle to American progress.

• “The only good Indian is a dead Indian” is a racist proverb originating from General Philip Sheridan.

Maybe schools will allow coursework -- now that we have National Day of Remembrance or Sorrow -- to include American Indian scholars questioning the origins of Thanksgiving.

“Almost any portrait that we see of an Indian, he is represented with tomahawk and scalping knife in hand, as if they possessed no other but a barbarous nature. Christian nations might with equal justice be always represented with cannon and ball, swords and pistols,” states Elias Johnson, A Native Tuscarora Chief.

I doubt this book has been banned from public libraries: Let's Play Indian, is a children's book by Madye Lee Chastain. It's one of countless examples

of “playing Indian,” a practice engaged in by outsiders who appropriate, or take on, American Indian identities and cultural ways. Chastain's main character transforms herself into “a really truly dressed-up painted Indian,” who runs, whoops, and waves her tomahawk.

Forget about K12. I believe OCCC would get pushback if, say, I taught writing and communication including an amazing young Lakota's Red Nation broadcast Nick Estes is a Lakota activist, writer, and scholar whose work delves into settler-colonialism, indigenous history, and decolonization. He is the author of Our History Is the Future: Standing Rock Versus the Dakota Access Pipeline, and the Long Tradition of Indigenous Resistance. I'd be highlighting Nick's on-line advocacy for Palestinian liberation, wherein he highlights the ongoing genocide in Gaza by exploring the intersection of the struggles faced by Palestinian and Indigenous peoples in America.

Drill down into Native American perspectives

and unmask almost all myths perpetrated in this country. But as you pass the gravy on Nov. 27, remember it's not all a bed of pumpkins and cranberries:

Federal agents kept the Dakota-Sioux from receiving food and provisions. Accordingly, on the brink of death from starvation, some fought back, resulting in the Dakota War of 1862. In the end, President Lincoln ordered 38 Dakota men to die from hanging, but he too was spinning PR, so he felt that the first Thanksgiving (1863) offered an opportunity to bridge the hard feelings amongst Natives and the federal government.

“It was propaganda,” Dr. Kelli Mosteller, Citizen Potawatomi Nation's Cultural Heritage Center director explains. “It was to try and build this event so that you could have a deeper narrative about community building and coming together in shared brotherhood and unity.”

Paul Haeder is a novelist, journalist, educator and author of “Wide Open Eyes: Surfacing from Vietnam,” Cirque Press.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

COLUMNIST HAEDER RESPONDS

Recent attacks (Nov. 5 commentary and letter to the editor) on my integrity as a writer and as an educator, plus the inane label of “antisemitism,” just don't hold water. The thing about going after someone's credentials and lifework is called ad hominem attack. Kill the messenger is also a term I could deploy with two personal attacks on my Oct. 15 Commentary.

Learning curves are steep in a country of people who have been miseducated, propagandized, and drawn and quartered by an elite media, whether right or left of some imaginary middle.

For real journalism on Gaza and the Jewish genocide, as well as just general news, try Drop Site News (dropsitenews.com). Try heading over to Monthly Review On-Line for deeper analyses of USA the Empire, and its insane and perverted hatred of socialism, as well as its relationship with an apartheid and

genocidal state called Israel, the Occupied Land of Palestinians (monthlyreview.org). Then, of course, The Intercept, theintercept.com, will get you more news.

Again, steep learning curves are present when one comes out of K12 and college in this Empire of Chaos, War, Pain, and Terror. Try Tricontinental: Institute for Social Research -- thetricontinental.org. I could list five dozen sites here that easily counter the narratives cooked up in the minds of Americans who have been colonized by one-sided narratives and bizarre takes on US and Global history.

Lifetimes of work and research and ground-truthing easily shoot holes into what most Americans and Westerners have come to

believe are their “truths.” Paul Haeder, Waldport

CAUSE FOR SUSPICION

My parents moved to Oregon in 1964 when i was just 3 months old. A large part of my life has been our family coming to the coast, specifically Newport, and I consider it a second home. I'm here as much as I can be and currently am here Nov-Jan for the King Tides.

I've just learned about the leasing of property at the airport by ICE as a possible storage, office space facility and other uses.

The vague verbiage is cause for suspicion due to the secrecy and operations of said organization that is currently being seen across the country. The wheels keep turning while the questions about it go unanswered.

Once a foothold situation occurs, its near impossible to weed out the full extent of its intended purpose. It could be as benign as a storage facility for equipment or cancerous as a storage facility for humans.

How much money is it going to take for a city to accept the latter? Do you know for certain their intent will be honored? Once the 12 foot privacy fence is up, how can the city be assured they didn't just allow a prison to be built that will soon house residents of Newport based on skin color?

Regardless of the intended purpose of this facility, as a city, you should be more concerned with the stigma involved and if Newport will remain a tourist destination or pariah to avoid.

Andrew Fkath
Corvallis

SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT

It was disappointing to read The Leader's coverage of the petition drive to recall Claire Hall and the citation of remarks by the initiator and chief stewardess of that petition characterizing the effort as “nonpartisan.”

The very statistics that she cited contradict the notion that this effort is anything other than a MAGA-led right-wing power grab.

In a county in which over 33% of the 39,961 voters (13,490) are registered Democrats, the petition mustered only 13% Democratic signers. There are only 8,830 registered Republicans in the county—22% of the electorate-- yet registered

Republicans made up over 45% of the petition's support. This recall effort can hardly be characterized as “non-partisan.”

In the days prior to your publication of that story, the Leader was provided with input from the Lincoln County Democrats expressing the party's support of Claire Hall and the great work she has accomplished for our county. Sadly, that input was ignored in the Leader's coverage.

Please set the record straight: Democrats consider the recall effort to be a partisan, right-wing power grab. We continue to support Claire Hall and the exemplary work she continues to do on behalf of the people of Lincoln County.

Eliot Sekuler
Gleneden Beach

ONLINE POLL

Previous Poll

Do you believe the current federal ICE enforcement is necessary and justified?

33.5..... Yes %
66.5..... No %

New Poll

What will be the main course for your Thanksgiving dinner?

- Turkey
- Ham
- Fish
- Vegetables



Poor air quality linked to more emergency visits

OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY

New Oregon Health Authority (OHA) data show that when air quality worsens in Oregon, more people visit emergency departments and urgent care clinics for breathing-related illnesses and mental health conditions.

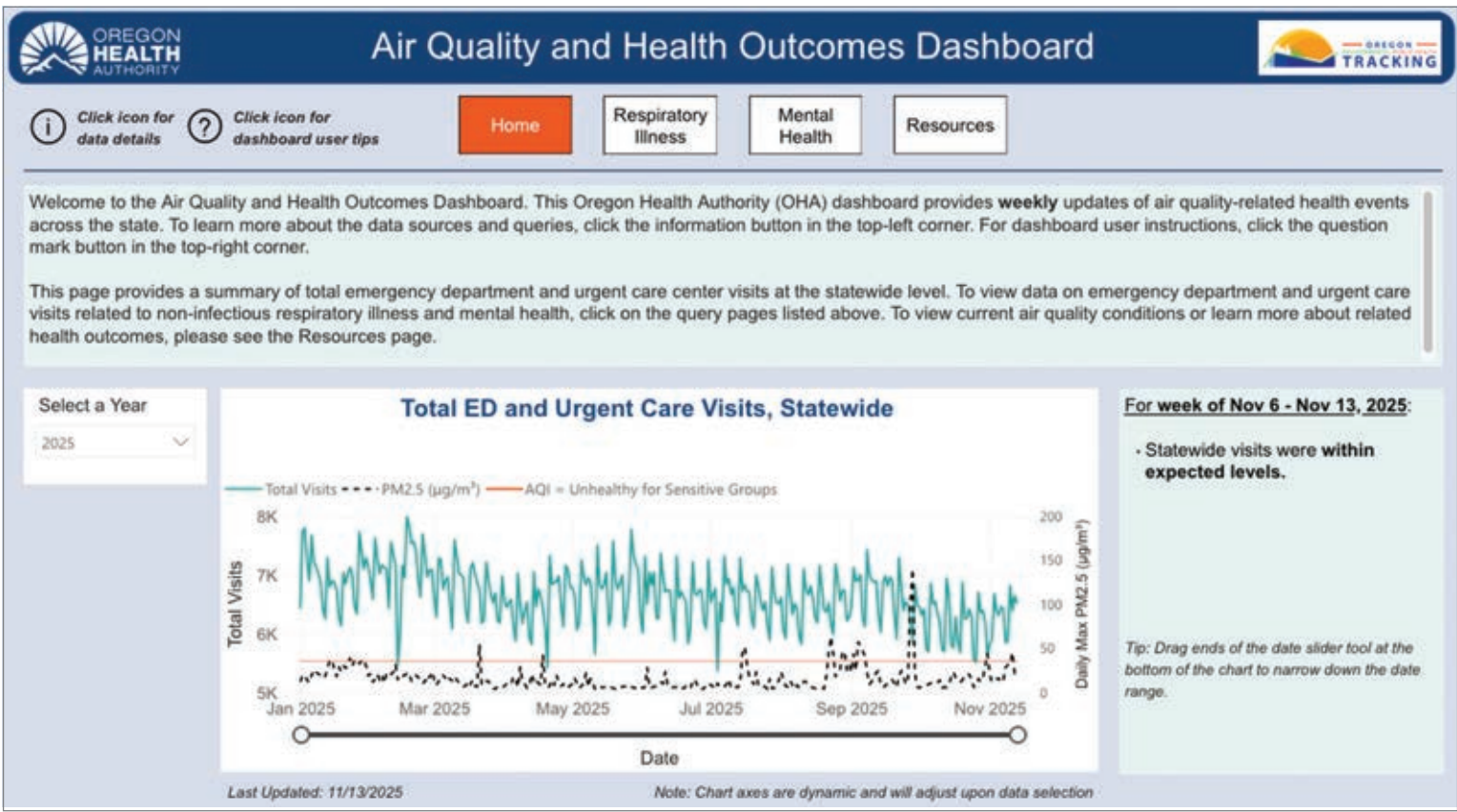
The findings come from OHA's newly updated Air Quality & Health Outcomes data dashboard, which tracks near-real-time health trends across the state.

The data reveal clear connections between days with high levels of smoke or pollution and spikes in visits for asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), anxiety and other respiratory or stress-related symptoms.

"Oregon's near-real-time data show us what we've long suspected—that poor air quality affects not just our lungs, but also our mental well-being," Data and Epidemiology Unit Manager Jen Seamans. "This insight helps local health partners and hospitals prepare for the health impacts of smoke and other air pollution events as they happen."

EMERGENCY VISITS RISE DURING SMOKE EVENTS

- During the 2020 wildfire in Oregon, the statewide increase in asthma-like illness visits was about 25% compared to the preceding four-week period.
- For the tri-county (Clackamas, Multnomah, Washington) region, emergency department visits for air quality-related respiratory



The findings come from OHA's newly updated Air Quality & Health Outcomes data dashboard. (Courtesy photo)

illness in 2022 were 44% greater in Washington County compared with the 2016-2019 average, 35% greater in Clackamas County and 7 % greater in Multnomah County.

SOME GROUPS ARE MORE AFFECTED

Hispanic/Latino communities experienced about a 30% increase in asthma-related visits during major smoke events—higher than other groups (about 22%).

MENTAL HEALTH EFFECTS ALSO INCREASE

- On days with poor air quality, visits related to

anxiety and stress are higher statewide.

- Data finds associations between exposure to wildfire smoke and increased self-reported symptoms affecting mental health among adults. Data for the dashboard come from Oregon's Electronic Surveillance System for the Early Notification of Community-Based Epidemics (ESSENCE) and the National Syndromic Surveillance Program (NSSP), which summarize emergency department and urgent care data across the state. Data are refreshed weekly, offering a timely picture of how environmental conditions affect health.

SUPPORTING STRONGER PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSES

- OHA and local health departments are using this information to:
- Plan for resource surges during wildfire smoke and other pollution events.
 - Target public health messages to people most at risk from poor air quality.
 - Integrate air quality data into climate resilience and emergency preparedness planning.
 - Advance health equity by identifying communities disproportionately affected by air pollution.
- OHA officials note that while the data show strong correlations between poor air quality

and increased health care visits, they do not establish direct cause and effect. Patterns may also reflect factors such as care-seeking behavior or reporting delays.

NEXT STEPS

OHA will continue expanding its air quality and health monitoring efforts. Future updates will include additional years of data, new health measures (such as hospitalizations and mortality data), and expanded analysis of pollutants. Visit the Oregon Environmental Public Health Tracking website for downloadable datasets, maps and guidance materials.

ECONOMIC UNCERTAINTY

Oregon private companies adjust plans, 'tread carefully'

Oregon's private companies are adopting a cautious yet agile approach as they navigate slowing growth, workforce challenges, capital constraints and the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA), according to the Q4 2025 Aldrich Uncertainty Report released Nov. 10.

The report is based on a survey of more than 60 leaders of private companies in the Western U.S., including 20 Oregon owners and executives representing construction, healthcare, real estate, manufacturing and professional services. It reveals a business environment defined by guarded optimism, operational adaptation and renewed focus on resilience.

The report has been published by Aldrich, a leading accounting and advisory firm headquartered in Portland, Oregon that provides the Western U.S. with a full suite of integrated financial, tax, accounting, wealth, corporate retirement and business transition services.

"Oregon's business leaders are not standing still—they're recalibrating," Aldrich CPA, CEO, and Partner John Lauseng said. "They're responding to economic uncertainty by making proactive changes to their supply chain, growth and employment strategies. This agility will be critical to long-term success."

OUTLOOK IS GUARDED, BUT LEADERS ARE TAKING ACTION

Only 20% of Oregon business leaders feel optimistic about revenue growth in the year ahead, and nearly one-third (30%) are more pessimistic than they were six months ago. Rising costs, high interest rates and persistent workforce challenges are fueling a cautious approach.

Still, Oregon companies are taking decisive steps to preserve financial health and operational stability:

- 45% have slowed or delayed capital investments to maintain liquidity, while 30% are considering doing this going forward
- 35% have made supply chain changes, with another 45% considering them
- 70% are adjusting talent strategies, from slowing hiring to reducing headcount and hours
- While only 20% have passed increased costs on to customers, and additional 45% are considering doing this in the future.

"We're seeing Oregon leaders act early rather than react late," Lauseng added. "They're protecting core operations and adjusting their strategic plans where needed, while maintaining flexibility and looking for ways to operate more efficiently."

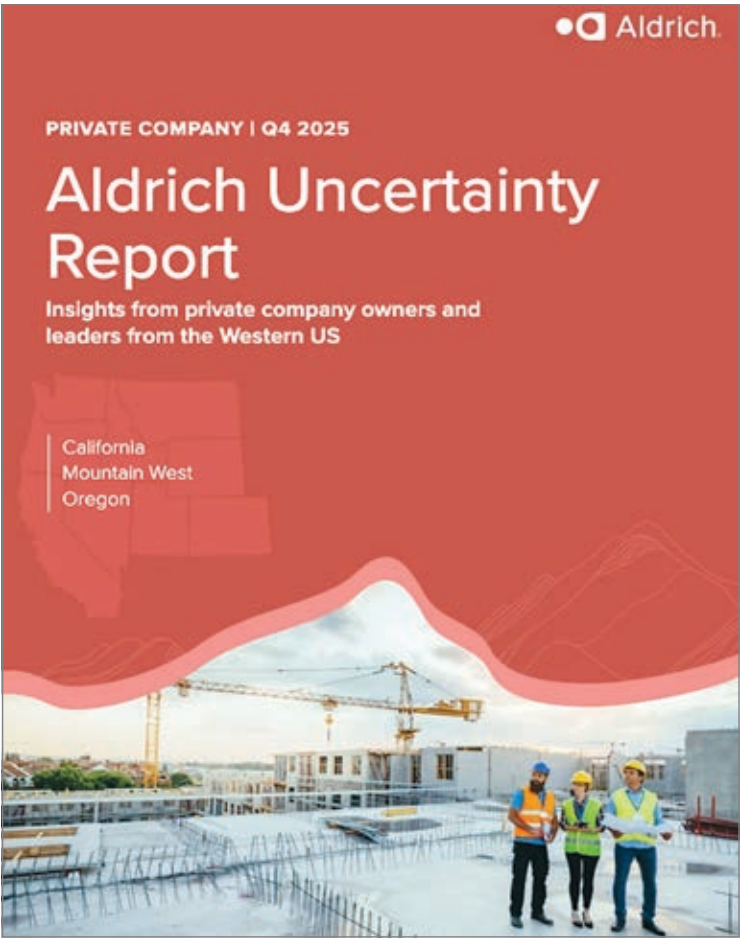
LEADERSHIP GAPS IN TECHNOLOGY AND FINANCIAL INSIGHT

Oregon companies acknowledge room for improvement in how they leverage data and technology. Only 30% of leaders are confident in their team's ability to implement the right technology, and just 10% rate their financial data utilization as excellent.

"Strengthening these capabilities presents an opportunity for businesses to gain real-time insight and sharpen decision-making amid ongoing uncertainty," Lauseng noted.

CONTINUITY IS THE TOP PRIORITY FOR BUSINESS TRANSITIONS

Among Oregon business leaders planning for succession, continuity for employees and clients (55%) and finding the right buyer or successor (55%) ranked as the top focus areas. By comparison, only 40% prioritize maximizing sale value and 35% identified minimizing taxes on the sales or transfer, revealing that most Oregon leaders value legacy,



relationships and cultural fit over financial return.

At the same time, 75% of owners reported receiving at least one unsolicited offer to sell in the past year. This high level of interest highlights the market demand for well-run private companies, but it also raises the stakes, the report notes.

"The most successful transitions often begin five to ten years in advance," Lauseng said. "Starting early allows business owners to explore all transition options, identify the right successor and ensure continuity for employees, clients and the business."

"ONE BIG BEAUTIFUL BILL" OPENS STRATEGIC PLANNING OPPORTUNITIES

While most Oregon leaders have a general understanding of the OBBBA, few have applied its provisions to strategic planning. The legislation includes significant

tax updates, including permanent full expensing, restored Research & Development (R&D) deductions, enhanced pass-through flexibility and targeted incentives for domestic manufacturing.

Lauseng stressed that early evaluation of these opportunities and thoughtful planning can turn tax code changes into a long-term competitive advantage, especially for businesses considering expansion or ownership transition.

ADDITIONAL TRENDS SHAPING OREGON'S MID-MARKET OUTLOOK

The Q4 2025 Aldrich Uncertainty Report also revealed several broader themes:

- Confidence in managing disruption is low:** Only 25% of leaders feel prepared to adapt to external shocks such as tariffs or economic volatility
- Financial visibility needs**

improvement: Just 10% rate their company's use of financial data as excellent

- Credit conditions are tightening:** 45% report greater difficulty accessing outside capital compared with six months ago
- Tariffs and supply chain challenges are pressuring margins:** 60% say disruptions have negatively impacted financial health, particularly in manufacturing and construction
- Workforce adjustments under review:** While 25% have already reduced hiring or hours, another 45% are considering adjustments as part of a broader workforce strategy

"This year's data shows that Oregon companies are pragmatic and resilient," Lauseng said. "They're balancing near-term caution with forward-looking planning—and that's a powerful combination in uncertain times."

ABOUT THE Q4 2025 ALDRICH UNCERTAINTY REPORT

The Q4 2025 Aldrich Uncertainty Report provides a snapshot of how private mid-market companies are responding to ongoing economic and legislative change. It reflects survey responses collected by GLG, a financial and global information services consulting company, in August 2025 from business owners and executives representing Oregon's core industries.

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‘The SpongeBob Musical’ now playing at the PAC

Porthole Players’ production of “The SpongeBob Musical” opened Friday, Nov. 14, in the Alice Silverman Theater at the Newport Performing Arts Center. “The SpongeBob Musical” is based on the beloved animated series created by Stephen Hillenburg and features a book by Kyle Jarrow. Set in the sub-marine

habitat known as Bikini Bottom, and featuring irresistible characters, elaborate high-volume costumes, and magical music, this deep-sea pearl of a show is set to make a splash with audiences young and old. When the citizens of Bikini Bottom discover that a volcano will soon erupt and destroy their humble home, SpongeBob and

his friends must come together to save the fate of their undersea world. With lives hanging in the balance and all hope lost, a most unexpected hero rises up. Conceived by Tina Landau, the dynamic all-dancing, all-singing production was nominated for twelve 2018 See **MUSICAL**, page B2



Community theatre group Porthole Players rehearses The SpongeBob Musical. The cast of local actors brings this bright, hilarious musical to the stage - live - at the Newport Performing Arts Center, through Nov. 30. (Courtesy photo)

Waldport Artist Festival Fall Show Nov. 22



Fifteen artists from Waldport will be featured in the Waldport Artist Festival Fall Show from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 22, at the Waldport Community Center, 265 NW Hemlock, in Waldport. Artists are selected by a

panel of judges for this show. Artists include: • Marie-Lise Best, Fiber Arts • Patti Beyer, Agates, Jewelry • Anna Biszantz, Fiber Arts • Jana Boutwell, Fused Glass • Carol Cassidy, Watercolor • Donna and Gary Claggett,

Pottery • Juli Dahl, Gemstone Jewelry • Judy Deam, Small Sculptures, Paintings • Chuck Franklin, Stained Glass See **WALDPOR**T, page B2



Toledo Tree Lighting Celebration

TOLEDO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE Join the city of Toledo on Saturday, Nov. 29, for a parade down Main Street with decorated umbrellas to the annual lighting of the Christmas tree in front of Cobblestone Pizza. Toledo Jr/Sr High School choir will be part of the parade, leading everyone in holiday songs. The fun continues after the tree lighting to the community Christmas party at the Toledo Elks Lodge, 123 Alder St. Santa will be there, along with holiday face painting, cookies, hot cocoa, and cookie decorating for the kids.

Participants in the Umbrella Parade will gather at the top of Main Street in front of Advertree’s, located at 363 N. Main St. — no pre-registration required. Main Street will be closed for the event starting at 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome to bring a decorated umbrella and participate in the parade. Umbrella Decorating Kits, while supplies last, are available at the Toledo Library for anyone who needs supplies. Last minute decorating/supplies will be available free the day of the event, from 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, Nov 29, at Whimsy on Main Street.



Participants in the Umbrella Parade will gather at the top of Main Street in front of Advertree’s, located at 363 N. Main St. — no pre-registration required. (Courtesy photo) Arrive early and enter the decorated umbrella drawing - winning tickets will be drawn at the community Christmas party at the Elks. Must be present to win. • 4:45 p.m. Arrive early to enter decorated umbrella drawing • 5 p.m. Parade down Main Street begins • 5:15 p.m. Christmas tree lighting in front of Cobblestone • 5:30 p.m. Community Christmas Party at the Elks Thank you to all who contribute to make this free annual event a huge success: • Weyerhaeuser for the donation of the beautiful town Christmas tree. • Table Mountain Forestry and Dahls Disposal for placing and Decorating the tree. • City of Toledo Public Works. • Toledo Library. • The Elks. • Toledo Jr/Sr High

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Folks take a look during a previous Gleneden Beach Holiday Market. (Courtesy photo)

Yule Love: Gleneden beach Holiday Market Fun Nov. 22

Kick off the holiday season at the Gleneden Beach Holiday Market from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 22 at the Gleneden Beach Holiday Market, held at Gleneden Beach Community Hall, 110 Azalea Street in Gleneden Beach. This annual

community event features more than 25 local vendors offering a wide variety of handmade items, including baked goods, wood crafts, sewn creations, pottery, jewelry, yard art and much more — perfect for unique holiday gifts and seasonal treats. Enjoy a festive

atmosphere, meet local artisans, and support small businesses while finding something special for everyone on your list. Admission is free. Bring a non-perishable food item for Food Share of Lincoln County. For more information, visit www.glenedenbeach.org.

The Empty Train Band to perform Nov. 22

The Empty Train Band is scheduled to perform Nov. 22 at Primaltones Venue, 2925 S.E. Ferry Slip Road in Newport. The free event

is described as a night of live local music with three bands perfuming rock, funk, and roots of infused music. Doors open at 7 p.m. with the

show starting at 8 p.m. All ages are welcomed until 10 p.m. For more information, visit www.primaltones.com

Swing into the holidays with Lincoln Pops Big Band at Newport PAC

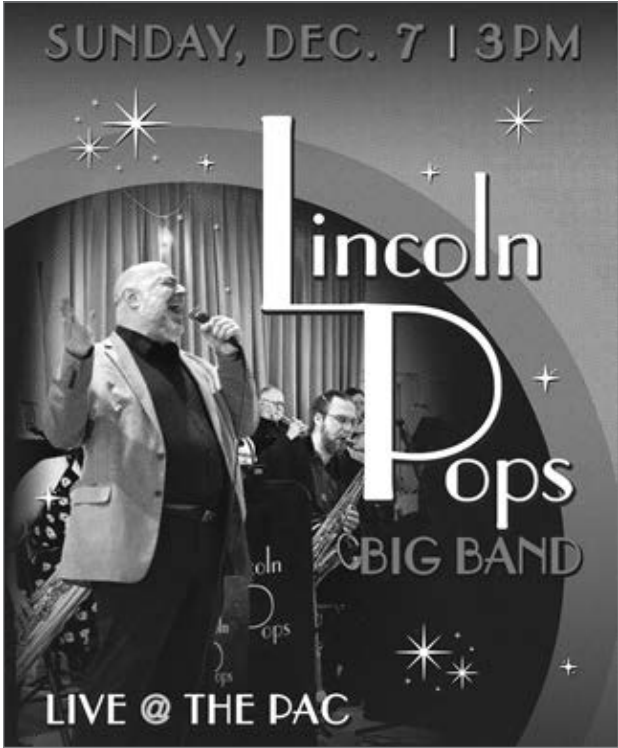
SUBMITTED

In what’s sure to be a very merry toe-tapping experience, the acclaimed Lincoln Pops Big Band will perform live at the Newport Performing Arts Center at 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7, in the Alice Silverman Theatre.

All seats for this performance are \$10.

For over 30 years, the “Pops” (also known as Lincoln Pops Orchestra) has been a cornerstone of the Oregon coast music scene, delighting audiences with their energetic performances and dedication to preserving the rich heritage of the big band era.

The orchestra boasts a dynamic lineup of current



and retired professional musicians, band directors, and gifted local students. It features a repertoire

spanning genres, including swing, standards, and stellar big band fare.

Music lovers of all ages are invited to swing into the season with this joyful, high-energy concert featuring timeless tunes and holiday favorites brought to life with that signature Lincoln Pops flair.

Tickets can be purchased by calling 541-265-2787 or in person at the box office (Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.– 3 p.m.) at 777 W Olive Street in Newport. Online ticketing is also available (additional fee applies).

BACKGROUND

The Lincoln Pops Orchestra, also known as the Lincoln Pops Big

Band, has been performing in Lincoln County for more than 30 years. The band has evolved into one of the finest big bands in Oregon. A nonprofit organization, the Lincoln Pops is dedicated to preserving and passing along the heritage of the big band era.

- Matt White: Musical Director and lead alto saxophone
- Jason Nelson: Assistant Musical Director and lead tenor saxophone
- Raleigh Bartholomew: second alto saxophone
- Kyla Palmer: second tenor saxophone
- Irene Barajas: baritone saxophone
- Kevin Hohnbaum: President and trombone
- Terry Voss: trombone

- Jason Pace: trombone
 - Lee Stromquist: bass trombone
 - Greg Hilfiker: lead trumpet
 - Tyler Walters: trumpet
 - Brad Capshaw: trumpet
 - Verokina Piukkula: trumpet
 - Bill Hartsell: guitar
 - Milo Graamans: piano
 - Barb Le Pine: vibes and percussion
 - Cameron Locklear: bass
 - Rick LeDoux: drums
 - Patty George: vocals
 - Megan Walters: vocals
 - Marc Montminy: vocals
 - Morgan Locklear: Master of Ceremonies and vocals
- To learn more, visit www.coastarts.org/events/pops

Oregon state parks \$50M bond projects completion

OREGON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) celebrates the completion of three GO Bond projects this year: Beverly Beach and Nehalem Bay upgraded vital infrastructure, and Fort Stevens restored the exterior of the historic Guard House.

The work is part of the one-time general obligation bonds (GO Bonds) approved by the legislature in 2021 for Oregon State Parks.

The goal of the \$50 million GO Bond projects was to help update aging infrastructure and add capacity at several state parks.

Silver Falls also completed a portion of its GO Bond project last year with the North Canyon trailhead and parking lot, which eased parking congestion and added a new accessible trail.

Fort Stevens will complete its campground utility upgrades as part of GO Bonds in May 2026.

Two more projects, safety upgrades at Cape Lookout and visitor center updates at Silver Falls, will break ground in 2026.

The remaining GO Bond projects at Kam Wah Chung, Smith Rock, Champoeg and the campground expansion at Silver Falls will be placed on hold until additional funding is available. OPRD will allocate the approximately \$15 million in remaining GO Bonds to higher priority backlog maintenance projects including existing utility systems, infrastructure and facilities.

“When projects were initially identified 2021, we could not have anticipated the substantial increases in costs of materials, staffing and consultants or the significant reduction in revenue,” OPRD Deputy Director for Field and Community Services Matt Rippee said. “None of these were easy decisions, but at this time it is vital we focus on projects that will extend the life of existing facilities rather than expanding. Without this change, we would not

be able to complete maintenance needs essential to protect and preserve our state parks.”

OPRD is projecting a \$14 million operations budget shortfall this biennium due to a projected decrease in Lottery revenue, increasing costs and a long-standing need for more sustainable funding. Staff are reviewing all OPRD’s costs to help build a more sustainable funding future.

COMPLETED PROJECTS:

- Beverly Beach Campground: Upgraded electrical systems, moved power lines underground, paved and campsite improvements, rehabilitated sewer lift station.
- Nehalem Bay Campground: Upgraded existing utilities, added restroom and a restroom/shower building, renovated and added additional accessible campsites, repaved and added traffic calming to the park entry road.
- Fort Stevens’ Guard



Crews upgraded electrical systems, moved power lines underground, paved and campsite improvements, rehabilitated sewer lift station Beverly Beach State Park. (Courtesy photo from the OPRD)

House: Replaced roof and repaired roof structure, repaired brick, stonework, windows and doors, improved landscaping to stop leaks, upgraded electrical connections for lighting, heating and climate controls.

- Silver Falls: Built North Canyon trailhead and parking lot

PROJECTS IN 2026:

- Fort Stevens Campground: updates to electrical, water and wastewater

- PROJECTS ON HOLD:**
- Kam Wah Chung: Build new interpretive center with classrooms, restrooms, collection processing, archive storage and office space for staff.
 - Smith Rock: Build a new welcome center, improve parking and traffic flow, improve the main day-use parking lots, develop more accessible trails and improve visitor flow.
 - Champoeg: Add additional RV sites, cabins and a restroom/shower building.
 - Silver Falls: Build North Gateway campground and restroom/shower facilities.
- OPRD will continue to review and update services, fees, projects and operations to keep providing high-quality visitor experiences and sustain parks now and in the future.
- In addition to pausing these GO Bond projects, OPRD is also streamlining costs and looking for new partnerships and sponsorships to help build a more sustainable funding future.

MUSICAL

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Tony Awards, including Best Musical, and was the winner of the 2018 Drama Desk Award for Outstanding Musical. The modern-day soundtrack includes original songs by Yolanda Adams, Steven Tyler and Joe Perry of Aerosmith, Sara Bareilles, David Bowie, Jonathan Coulton, Alexander Ebert of Edward Sharpe & The Magnetic Zeros, The

Flaming Lips, Tom Kenny, Lady A, Cyndi Lauper, John Legend, Andy Paley, Panic! At the Disco, Plain White T’s, They Might Be Giants and T.I. Additional lyrics are by Jonathan Coulton, with additional music by Tom Kitt.

The local production is directed by Morgan Locklear, who most recently directed 2024’s sell-out hit, “Spirits of Sylvia Beach”. He has an extensive list of theater credits and has appeared in Porthole

Players productions since the 1980s. As a student, Locklear was active in the renowned Missoula Children’s Theater, as well as Newport’s Summer Stock ’89. He currently serves as president of Porthole Players.

“This show is by far the biggest challenge I have undertaken as a director,” Locklear said. “In fact, it is one of the most ambitious productions in Porthole Players fifty-year history. “The SpongeBob Musical tells a timeless story of community, camaraderie, and tenacity. The production also succeeds in reinventing itself every four

minutes. Rest assured, the audience will be absolutely thrilled with the humor and undersea wonders.”

Locklear began work on production a year and a half ago, recruiting an experienced yet innovative production crew, a team willing to experiment with music, costumes, choreography, lighting, make-up, sound, sets, and props. Producer Jennifer Locklear, Assistant Director Rebecca Sorensen, Music Director Cameron Locklear, and Stage Manager Brian Robrecht have worked alongside Locklear throughout the entire process.

Leading the cast of forty are Andrew Hester as SpongeBob SquarePants, Gary Herd as Patrick Star, Kyle Bertness as Squidward Tentacles, Sydney Meister as Sandy Cheeks, and Layla Wells as Plankton.

“There are more props, lights, and sounds than a traveling circus, and the huge cast exudes pure talent and joy on stage from beginning to end. I’m extremely proud of our whole team and how they’re representing Porthole Players, the theatre company that raised me,” Locklear said

“The SpongeBob

Musical” will continue for three weekends through Nov. 30, including Thanksgiving weekend. Friday and Saturday shows will begin at 7 p.m., while Sunday matinees will begin at 2 p.m.

There will also be an “Arts-For-All” performance on Wednesday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m., where tickets will be available at any donation amount attendees are able to make.

Tickets and more information are available through the Newport Performing Arts Center box office at 541-265-ARTS (2787), or online at www.coastarts.org.

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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.

WALDPART

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- Dan Kelleher, Pen and Ink in Frames
- Beth Kattleman, Altered Books and Pottery
- Sharon McCrum, Bold Acrylic
- Kelly Nine, Photography
- Lorrie Owens, Watercolor and Acrylic
- Ricki Peterson, Jewelry

“The Waldport Artists Festival is a vibrant celebration of creativity showcasing the extraordinary talents of local artists from Waldport,” Festival Co-Creator Marie-Lise Best said.

“Here, you’ll find a diverse array of unique, juried fine art, ranging from stunning stained glass and captivating photography to exquisite pottery, jewelry, paintings, and fiber arts. This festival not only offers a platform to showcase and sell their work but also aims to highlight Waldport as a thriving artist community. Join us in honoring and recognizing the remarkable creativity that our city has to offer!”

The Waldport Artist Festival Fall Show is made possible thanks to support from the City of Waldport and The Waldport Chamber of Commerce.



Courtesy Photos

Waldport Christmas Tree Lighting Festival Dec. 6

Waldport will celebrate the holidays with a Tree lighting Festival Saturday Dec. 6 from noon to 6:30 p.m. at the Alsea Bay Bridge Visitors Center and Museum.

The events begin at noon with free hot cocoa, coffee and treats with Gift Shop Museum tours. Free area information will also be available.

At 3 p.m. Community Carolers are scheduled. Santa arrives at 3:30 p.m. Oregon Coast Chorus preforms around the community Christmas tree. The official tree lighting is scheduled for 5:30 p.m. The tree is provided by Starker Forests, Inc.

Following the tree lighting, community members and others are invited to join the Lights on the Bay Community Bridge



The Historic Alsea Bay Bridge Visitor Center. (Courtesy photo from the Waldport Chamber of Commerce)

Walk presented by the Crestview Heights School

Boosters and national Junior Honor Society.

Walkers will receive a candle, and volunteers

will safely escort everyone from the Visitors Center across the Alsea Bay Bridge. Dogs are welcome.

BACKGROUND

The Historic Alsea Bay Bridge Visitor Center, depicting all the bridges along the Oregon Coast, from Astoria to Brookings, opened in 1991 in conjunction with the opening of the new Alsea Bay Bridge.

The original bridge, built in 1936, carried travelers over the Alsea Bay for more than 50 years. Photos, archives and even parts of the original bridge are inside The Center. A full-scale model of the new bridge is featured. The Center also features a gift shop and a collection of maps, brochures and resources spanning the Oregon coast.

The Center is now also the home of the Waldport Heritage Museum. Celebrating Waldport’s rich history, The Museum showcases artifacts, stories, photos and many of the tools used to create and sustain life along the bay, the Pacific Ocean and throughout the Siulsaw National Forest.

The Center is also the home of the Louis Southworth bronze sculpture created by Pete Helzer. The sculpture was created to celebrate Oregon Black Pioneer Louis Southworth who settle in Waldport and donated land for Waldport’s first school.

For more information, call 503-789-9686.

Public invited as Yachats Winter Festival returns Dec. 6

SUBMITTED

The Yachats (say: YAW-hots) Area Chamber of Commerce invites the community and visitors to celebrate the holiday season with a weekend of holiday cheer, local shopping, and cocoa by the sea at the Yachats Winter Festival, Dec. 6 and 7.

This festive weekend brings together local artisans, cozy treats, and twinkling lights for a joyful celebration in the heart of Yachats. The Holiday Vendor Fair will fill the Yachats Commons, 441 Highway 101, and surrounding areas with handmade crafts, art, gifts, and seasonal décor.

Shoppers can explore exhibit booths from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sunday, offering a perfect opportunity to support local businesses while finding unique holiday treasures.

On Saturday, from 2 to 5 p.m., families can sip their way through town

during the Hot Cocoa Trail—a sweet self-guided tour of participating shops and cafés serving creative cocoa concoctions and special treats. Maps will be available at the Commons and participating businesses.

As dusk falls on Saturday, the town gathers for one of Yachats’ most cherished traditions—the Tree Lighting Celebration. Around 5:00 p.m., the community will light up the town tree, marking the official start of the holiday season on the coast. Throughout the weekend, visitors can also enjoy wreath-making workshops and other family-friendly activities scattered throughout Yachats.

To gain extra savings on holiday shopping, visitors to the fair can receive a 10% off coupon for participating local businesses in December, supporting local shopping for the holidays!

“The Winter Festival is all about connection—bringing neighbors

and visitors together to celebrate the season, shop local, and enjoy the simple magic of Yachats in winter,” Yachats Area Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Nichole Lippincott said. “It’s a special time to slow down, enjoy a warm drink, and take in the beauty of our coastal community.”

For more details, call 541-547-2345 or visit Infor@yachats.org



For more details, call 541-547-2345 or visit Infor@yachats.org (Courtesy photo)

TOLEDO

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Choir.

- The Homie House.
- All the volunteers who help to make this event happen.

This event is sponsored by The Toledo Chamber of Commerce and the Toledo Public Library.

For more information, contact the chamber at 541-336-3183.

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limits in the manner outlined in the statute; at least one public hearing by the governing body is held on the subject for which notice has been mailed to each record owner of real property in the territory proposed to be annexed; and annexation by the city is undertaken by ordinance or resolution subject to referendum, with or without the consent of any owner of real property within the territory or resident in the territory. For property that is zoned for, and in, residential use, the Planning Commission is recommending that the effective date for the annexation be deferred for 10 years after the date the city proclaims the annexation approved. The applicable criteria for Zone Map Amendments (as per Newport Municipal Code Section 14.36.010): Findings that the proposed zoning is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan Map, furthers a public necessity, and promotes the general welfare. OAR 660-012-0060, the proposed zoning map change will not significantly affect existing or planned transportation facilities. The applicable criteria for the Comprehensive Plan Map Amendments: Minor amendments to the Newport Comprehensive

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sive Plan (ref: pg. 419) must satisfy at least one of the following criteria (a) A change in one or more goal or policy; or (b) a demonstrated need to accommodate unpredictable population trends, housing needs, employment needs or changes in community attitudes; or (c) the orderly and economic provision of key public facilities; or (d) the ability to serve the subject property(s) with city services without an undue burden on the general population; or (e) the compatibility of the proposed change with the surrounding neighborhood and the community. Testimony and evidence must be directed toward the criteria described above or other criteria in the Newport Comprehensive Plan and its implementing ordinances that a person believes applies to the decision. Failure to raise an issue with sufficient specificity to afford the city and the parties an opportunity to respond to that issue precludes an appeal (including to the Land Use Board of Appeals) based on that issue. Testimony may be submitted in written or oral form. Oral and written testimony will be taken during the course of the public hearing. Letters to the Community

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Development (Planning) Department (address below in "Reports/Application Material") must be received by 2:00 p.m. the day of the hearing or must be submitted to the City Council in person during the hearing. The hearing will include a report by staff, testimony (both oral and written) from the applicant, those in favor or opposed to the application, and questions and deliberation by the City Council. Pursuant to ORS 197.797 (6), any person prior to the conclusion of the initial public hearing may request a continuance of the public hearing or that the record be left open for at least seven days to present additional evidence, arguments, or testimony regarding the application. The staff report may be reviewed or purchased for reasonable cost at the Newport Community Development (Planning) Department (address above) seven days prior to the hearing. The application materials, applicable criteria, and other file materials are available for inspection at no cost or copies may be purchased for reasonable cost at this address. Contact Derrick Tokos, Community Development Director, (541) 574-0626; d.tokos@newportoregon.gov (address above).

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LC125-570 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN robate Department. In the Matter of the Estate of: CAROLINE MAY ZINSERLING, Deceased. Case No.: 25PB09829. NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Brian Zinserling has been appointed personal representative of the estate of Caroline May Zinserling. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative, Ryan M. Johnson, Johnson & Taylor, 1193 Liberty Street, SE, Salem, OR 97302, 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, or the attorney for the personal representative, Ryan M. Johnson, Johnson & Taylor, 1193 Liberty Street, SE, Salem, OR 97302. Date and first published: November 19, 2025. 11/19/25

LC125-565 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 98B Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 11/25/2025. The sale will be held at 10:00am by COAST TOWING INC 110 NW 55TH ST NEWPORT, OR. 2018 FORD ISATA MH VIN = 1FDXE4FS6H-DC60337 Amount due on lien \$18690.00. Reputed owner(s) > WINFRIED ALESSI NARR 11/12/25 11/19/25

LLC125-567 LINCOLN CITY STORAGE 3796 SE Hwy 101, Lincoln City, OR 97367, 541-996-3555. The following unit will be sold at Public Auction. Starting 12/2/2025 at 9:00am, Ending 12/9/2025 at 9:00am for non-payment of rent and other fees. Auction to be pursuant to Auction Rules and Procedures for Trux Holdings. Rules are available at the facility office. All bidding will take place ONLINE at bid13.com. Unit# B262, Steve Allen; Unit# LA16, Jennifer Tougas; Unit# LC08, Jennifer Tougas; Unit# LD04, Robert Self; Unit# LE09, Robert Self; Unit# LG03, Robert Self 11/12/25 11/19/25

LC125-563 OREGON STATE CREDIT UNION V. NICK A. MCBETH. SUMMONS - CASE NO. SCV40127

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN. TO: NICK A. MCBETH, the above-named defendant. You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action within thirty (30) days from the date of the first publication of this summons, and in case of your failure to appear and answer, plaintiff for want thereof will apply to the above entitled court for the relief prayed for in its complaint, to-wit: A FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF: 1. For the principal sum of \$16,611.53, plus late fees in the amount of \$125.00, plus accrued interest in the amount of \$1,044.21 through July 8, 2025, plus interest accruing on the principal balance at the contract rate of 14.34 percent per annum (\$6.526 per diem) from July 9, 2025, until the date judgment is entered (the amount owing may be reduced by the net proceeds, if any, following repossession and sale of the Vehicle); 2. For Plaintiff's reasonable attorney fees, costs and disbursements incurred herein; and 3. For interest on the sum of paragraphs A1 and A2 above at the contract rate of 14.34 percent per annum, from

the date judgment is entered until paid in full. B. SECOND CLAIM FOR RELIEF: 1. For recovery of the 2012 Ram 1500 Quad Cab, VIN 1C6RD-7JT5CS241789 (the "Vehicle"), by seizure and sale of the property through replevin; and, alternatively, for value of the Vehicle if Defendant fails to surrender it; 2. For Plaintiff's reasonable attorney fees, costs and disbursements incurred herein; and 3. For interest on the sum of paragraphs B1 and B2 at the contract rate of 14.34 percent per annum, from the date judgment is entered, until paid in full. C. ALL CLAIMS FOR RELIEF: 1. For such other relief as the court deems just and proper. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ 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 "ANSWER" TO THE MOTION. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU SHOULD SEE AN ATTORNEY IMMEDIATELY. IF YOU NEED HELP IN FINDING AN ATTORNEY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE OREGON STATE BAR'S LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE ONLINE AT WWW.OREGONSTATEBAR.ORG OR BY CALLING AT (503) 684-3763 (IN THE PORTLAND METROPOLITAN AREA) OR TOLL-FREE ELSEWHERE IN OREGON AT (800) 452-7636. This summons is published by order of Circuit Court Judge Lindsay Partridge of the above-entitled Court made on the 18th day of November, 2024, directing publication of this summons once each week for four consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Marion County, Oregon. Date of first publication: November 12, 2025 Date of last publication: December 3, 2025. Michelle M. Bertolino, OSB #912130 Of Attorneys for Plaintiff, FARLEIGH WADA WITT, 121 SW Morrison, Suite 600, Portland, OR 97204-3136, (503) 228-6044, mbertolino@fwwlaw.com 11/12/25 11/19/25 11/26/25 12/3/25

LC125-560 TS NO. OR05000039-25-1 APN R19234 II 08-11-28-CB-10900-00 TO NO 250260740-OR-MSI TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by, OVERTON L HALLFORD, A SINGLE PERSON AND GERALDINE M HALLFORD, A SINGLE PERSON, as Grantor to FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INS CO as Trustee, in favor of WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. as Beneficiary dated as of June 18, 2012 and recorded on June 20, 2012 as Instrument No. 2012-05926 and the beneficial interest was assigned to NEWREZ LLC DBA SHELLPOINT MORTGAGE SERVICING and recorded February 6, 2025 as Instrument Number 2025-00743 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Lincoln County, Oregon to-wit: APN: R19234 II 08-11-28-CB-10900-00 PARCEL: 1: LOT 5, PACIFIC PALISADES, IN LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON. EXCEPTING THEREFROM THAT PORTION DEEDED TO THE STATE OF OREGON, BY AND THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION,

HIGHWAY DIVISION BY DEED RECORDED MAY 7, 1990 IN MICROFILM VOLUME 216, PAGE 1561, LINCOLN COUNTY RECORDS. PARCEL 2: THE SOUTHERLY 1/2 OF EVEN WIDTH OF LOT BLOCK 5, PACIFIC PALISADES, IN LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON. EXCEPTING THEREFROM THAT PORTION DEEDED TO THE STATE OF OREGON, BY AND THROUGH ITS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, HIGHWAY DIVISION BY DEED RECORDED MAY 1, 1990 IN MICROFILM VOLUME 216, PAGE 1030, LINCOLN COUNTY RECORDS. Commonly known as: 3740 SEA MIST AVENUE, DEPOE BAY, OR 97341 Both the Beneficiary, NewRez LLC DBA Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing, and the Trustee, Nathan F. Smith, 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 Monthly Payment(s): 5 Monthly Payment(s) from 10/01/2024 to 02/01/2025 at \$626.40 1 Monthly Payment(s) from 03/01/2025 to 03/01/2025 at \$564.81 7 Monthly Payment(s) from 04/01/2025 to 10/01/2025 at \$612.89 Total Late Charge(s): Total Late Charge(s) at \$41.76 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 \$22,858.33 together with interest thereon at the rate of 3.50000% per annum from September 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 February 17, 2026 at the hour of 01:00 PM, Standard of Time, as established by Section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, Public Entrance, Lincoln County Courthouse, 225 West Olive Street, 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 methamphetamine, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers

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1 Covered decoratively, as walls
8 Info to input
12 Bygone rival of Delta
15 Widespread
19 More foam-filled
20 "My turn now"
21 Wrestler Flair
22 English prep school
23 "Assuming this is relevant ..."
25 Very angry
27 "Illmatic" rapper
28 Large burden
29 Farthest down
30 Chop to bits
33 Far enough not to be in danger
38 Unlock, in verse
39 Rocket interceptor, in brief
41 Truncates
42 Corp. VIPs
43 Covert org.
44 Easy victory
46 Beer barrel
47 Heats a little
48 Pricey plane section

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PUBLIC NOTICES

DOWN
52 "Yes, that's what I said"
56 Figure skater
Kulik
57 Boston basketballer
59 Beginner, in slang
60 Jazz wailer
61 "Maintain self-control!"
66 "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" actress Georgia
67 Brides
68 1924 Edna Ferber novel
72 Become a queen, as a princess
79 Commercials
82 Kingdom in Genesis
83 "The Mary Tyler Moore Show" character
Nivens
84 German city on der Rhein
85 Test the suitability of
89 Advice that may calm someone
91 Clingy wrap
92 Pro at CPR

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ACROSS
2 "— Wiedersehen"
3 PalmPilot, e.g., in brief
4 Channel for college sports
5 Split to bits
6 Wiggly fishes
7 Soft & —
8 Singers Ross and Krall
9 Attack from hiding
10 City south of Topeka, KS
11 Gibbon, e.g.
12 Old TV tube
13 Beneficial to both sides
14 Entry
15 Patronize
Hertz or Avis
16 TGIF's "I"
17 Enemy
18 Terminate
24 Military bed
26 Virginia hrs.
29 Terminate
30 Trust (in)
31 20th Greek letter
32 Splitting
33 Magic charm
34 Glenn of the Eagles
35 Quiz whizzes, perhaps
36 Key next to a period

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PUBLIC NOTICES

DOWN
37 Newark's county
40 Lawn bowling variety
45 Soft mineral
47 Indiana river
49 Fills totally
50 Gawk
51 Fathered
53 Linking word in Leipzig
54 "Hath — sister?"
Shakespeare
55 "That's icky!"
58 Detailed evaluations, in brief
62 Affix with paste
63 Bidirectional, as a door
64 Tartrate, e.g.
65 Thom of Radiohead
69 Using logical operators
70 Using Nero's language
71 Kids of boomers
73 Nav. officer
74 Bus. firms
75 Bygone U.K. record label
76 Old Hollywood's — Code
77 Whole

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ACROSS
78 Fed. bond
79 Sailing
80 Partner of Sturm
81 Iraq neighbor
86 Appearing gradually, as a film scene
87 Sixth Greek letters
88 Arab chief
90 Flee fast
93 Torn clothes
97 "True indeed"
98 More prying
99 Cold brew, informally
100 "But wait, — more!"
101 Really vexes
105 Japanese dance-drama
106 "No kidding!"
108 Violinist
Stern
111 "Whip It" rock band
112 TV brand
113 Granola tidbit
114 Party card game
115 Mushy food
116 Ryder vehicle
117 To the — degree
118 Iowa college
119 Trauma ctrs.

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sons 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: 10/02/2025 By: Nathan F. Smith, OSB #120112 Successor Trustee Malcolm & Cisneros, A Law Corporation Attention: Nathan F. Smith, OSB #120112

c/o TRUSTEE CORPS 17100 Gillette Ave, Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 NPP0479656 To: LINCOLN COUNTY LEADER 11/12/2025, 11/19/2025, 11/26/2025, 12/03/2025

REBELS

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season, Barker said there were plenty of successes in other areas.

"They played so hard, they learned so much, and they were the smallest team number-wise," Barker said. "They worked so hard."

BUILDING A PROGRAM

About 48 kids are participating at all levels, and the Rebels are the only youth tackle football program in the county. The Rebels have drawn kids from around Lincoln County, including athletes from Toledo, Newport, Siletz, Lincoln City, Eddyville, and Waldport.

The Lincoln County Rebels play in their own league, but Barker said the program joined Pop Warner to compete with other teams around the state. The Rebels bring kids together from around the county to compete on the gridiron.

"We are just one collective. We are the Lincoln County Rebels. We bring in kids from all over Lincoln County; we're not affiliated with any schools, we're just our own separate entity," Barker said.

Barker and Rebels Vice President Keri Garcia created the Lincoln County league to offer youth football, as there hadn't been any organized opportunities to play until middle school. The organization's

roots are in the Lincoln County Legends football team, but Barker and Garcia created the Rebels when they took over administration in the past year.

In the early going, Barker said the team has been seeing solid support from the community. As a non-profit, the Rebels are constantly seeking donations to help fund operations for the three teams. Though the community has backed the Rebels this season, Barker is trying to get the word out more so they can offer more to the kids, like new equipment.

One of Barker's goals is to create more opportunities for youth to play tackle football, as it has been declining in the

county in recent years.

"We've been accepted very, very well. Obviously, we'd like to get more youth involved and bring back tackle to Lincoln County like it used to be," Barker said. "Many years ago, our schools had tackle for younger kids, and then they've kind of done away with that."

Barker said she's not sure why those chances disappeared, but part of the reason she needs to revive the sport in the county is to improve safety as kids move on to middle school and high school.

"We feel it's so important for our kids to learn it at a young age: to learn how to properly tackle, and do it safely, so by the

time they get to middle school and high school, they know what they're doing, and it reduces a lot of those injuries," Barker said.

Barker and Garcia are heavily involved in all aspects of Rebel football, from practices to administrative work. Garcia and Barker's kids played, and both of their husbands helped coach.

Something Barker finds very valuable about the experience of bringing these players together is that it instills a sense of familiarity and camaraderie among the kids at a young age.

"With all of the other sports, baseball and football, everybody is so divided between our

schools, even though are kids are so close in proximity of where everybody lives," Barker said. "This gives them a chance to actually play together, rather than against each other."

Barker said she sees kids who have played together form relationships and friendships with teammates, which shows through when they line up across from each other in a different sport. Creating a sense of sportsmanship is a big drive for Barker.

"It's definitely a motivation. We want all these kids to come together and play well together," Barker said. "We want to teach them at a young age that we're all playing together."

TAFT

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received plenty of individual awards, a testament to the program's talent. Taft received 14 All-League awards this fall.

AWARD RECIPIENTS WERE:

- Co-Offensive Player of the Year
- Kol Tolan - Quarterback

OFFENSIVE

- Kol Tolan - First Team - Quarterback
- Zack Hankins - First Team - Wide Receiver
- Alejandro Hernandez - First Team - Offensive Line
- Riley Gilbreath - Second Team - Running Back
- Corban Smith - Second Team - Wide Receiver
- Logan Burt - Second Team - Offensive Line
- Blaik Gray - Honorable

Mention - Offensive Line

DEFENSIVE

- Riley Gilbreath - First Team - Linebacker
- Logan Lovell - First Team - Linebacker
- Jorge Cruz - First Team - Defensive Back
- Alejandro Hernandez - Second Team - Defensive Line
- Zack Hankins - Second Team - Defensive Back

Kol Tolan - Second Team - Defensive Back

Marcos Bickford - Honorable Mention - Defensive Back
Tolan said that having so many first-team selections speaks volumes about Taft's team and its competitiveness this season. Among the players recognized were many of the team's top seniors: Kol Tolan, Zack Hankins, Blaik Gray, Riley

Gilbreath, Logan Lovell, and Marcos Bickford have all given years of dedication to the program.

Taft had eight seniors on the roster this year, and Tolan credited them with shaping the team into the winning program it is today.

"I couldn't be more proud of our seniors. Their leadership, commitment, and daily example have shaped the identity

of this team—not just this season, but over their entire four-year journey," Tolan said. "They've helped guide this program to two playoff appearances and an overall 25–14 record during their time here. Their efforts on and off the field have left a legacy that will strengthen the teams that follow, and we're grateful for everything they've poured into this program."

Rebels succeeding at all levels

WILL LOHRE
Lincoln County Leader

The Lincoln County Rebels got a chance to play on the big stage, and they captured a state championship in the D1 MidValley Pop Warner Big Smash on Oct. 25. The 32-6 win over Mazama saw kids from around Lincoln County play on the vaunted OSU Reser Stadium grass and walk away with a win.

But it wasn't just the Division 1 fifth- and sixth-graders who had successful seasons; Rebels President Kandi Barker said the Rookies (K-2), Division 2 (grades 3-4) teams also played well.

The Division 1 team was undefeated all season and capped that perfect year with a championship under the lights. Barker said the kids played well, the coaches did amazing, and "everyone learned a lot."

"That was awesome. It was really great to see that team excel the way they had all season. These kids who have never played together came together," Barker said. "It was such a fun experience for the kids to play on a field of that level. Whether you're a Duck fan or a Beaver fan, you being there is just a whole different experience."

Barker also said the Rookie team grabbed a win at Reser Stadium, marking a gratifying end to their season. Though the D2 team didn't win a game this



One of the Rebels hitting the endzone against the Warriors in October. The Lincoln County Rebels' D1 team won the Pop Warner Big Smash on Oct. 25. (Courtesy photo from Amber Brown)



The Lincoln County Rebels D2 team at Reser Stadium. (Courtesy photo from Kandi Barker)



The Rebels Rookies after playing in the Big Smash on Oct. 25. (Courtesy photo from Kandi Barker)

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Lincoln County fall sports playoff results

WILL LOHRE
Lincoln County Leader

The fall sports season is officially over in Lincoln County, as the remaining teams that were in the playoffs have been defeated. Let's look at the quick hits from the schools that made the playoffs, and where they ended up.

EDDYVILLE CHARTER FOOTBALL

For the fourth season in a row, the Eddyville Eagles' season on the football field has ended in the state quarterfinals. This year's defeat was a hotly contested one-possession loss at the hands of Sherman. The final score was 19-26, and Eddyville battled until the bitter end. Though it was not the end they had hoped for, the Eagles had a tremendous season, ending with an 8-2 record.

TAFT HIGH SCHOOL

The boys' soccer team was the lone Taft squad to qualify for the postseason this year, finishing the season with an 8-8-1 record. Taft entered the 20-team 3A/2A/1A Boys Soccer State Championship as the 19-seed and was eliminated by Crosshill Christian/Jefferson 3-1 on Nov. 1. This was the first time the Tigers boys soccer team has been in the state playoffs since the 2019-2020 season.

NEWPORT/WALDPORT

Newport/Waldport's boys soccer team put together a stellar season this year, finishing the year with a 10-5-1 record and bowing out in the state quarterfinals. The Irish and Cubs put their heads together and entered the playoffs as the 6-seed, and put their skills on display with a



The Eddyville Eagles lost a hard fought game in the quarterfinals of the 1A 6-man Football State Championships. (Photo Courtesy photo from Amber Brown)

5-2 win over Gladstone in the first round on Nov. 5. In the quarters, they faced off with #3 Henley, and lost a tightly contested game 2-0.

The Newport girls soccer team also had its season ended

by Henley High School, though they lost in the first round of the OSAA 4A Girls Soccer State Championship. Newport entered as the 13-seed, a solid underdog against the #4-ranked Henley Hornets. In

the end, Newport would lose 8-0 playing away. Despite the big defeat at the end, the Cubs put together a good season, with a 7-6-2 record, and their fifth consecutive playoff appearance.

Taft football had a season to be proud of

WILL LOHRE
Lincoln County Leader

The Tigers may have missed the playoffs, but for Head Coach Jacob Tolan, this season still was one to be proud of for Taft Football. Only 16 teams qualify for the state tournament, and at the end of the year, Taft found themselves sitting at #17, just missing the cut.

"Overall, this season was one filled with pride, growth, and competitive football," Tolan said. "Finishing 6-3 with all three losses coming to playoff teams says a lot about the level we played at week in and week out."

Taft's first win of the season came against Kennedy on Sept. 5, a statement in the early going. Kennedy ended the season as the #7 team in the state, and the Tigers showed they could hang with anyone from the jump. The three losses



The 2025 Taft Tigers football team. (Courtesy photo)

on Taft's record game against Sisters, Dayton, and Santiam Christian, who ended the year as the #8, #13, and #10 teams.

Throughout the year, Taft was firmly in the playoff mix, and that's what made missing out

on the tournament such a cruel twist.

"We opened the year with a strong win over Kennedy—a playoff team—and throughout the season consistently showed that we belonged in the

postseason conversation. That's why missing the playoffs was such a disappointment for all of us," Tolan said. "We believed we were a top-16 team in the state, and our body of work reflected that."

The chance to play in the 3A Football State Championship ultimately came down to the last day. If Taft beat Santiam Christian on Halloween, the Tigers would have secured a playoff spot as the second-place team in Special District 2 (PacWest Conference). Playing on the road, the Eagles proved a difficult matchup, and the Tigers ended up on the wrong side of a 38-8 scoreline. Despite the tough loss, Tolan was proud of how the players comported themselves throughout the fall.

"After our final game, my message to the team was simple: hold your heads high," Tolan said. "They competed with heart, represented our program with toughness and class, and should be proud of what they accomplished."

While the season ended at Santiam Christian, the Tigers

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