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Charity founder indicted for allegedly stealing disaster relief funds

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

A Lincoln County grand jury has indicted Marcus Brooks, founder and executive director of the Cascade Relief Team, on two counts of Aggravated Theft in the First Degree.

Brooks is accused of stealing charity money meant to help tornado victims rebuild, according to the Oregon Justice Department (DOJ).

The indictment follows a civil lawsuit



The indictment follows a civil lawsuit the State of Oregon filed against Brooks in April, alleging he stole nearly \$837,000 in charitable funds meant for fire, flood, and tornado victims in Oregon and Kentucky. (Courtesy photo)

the State of Oregon filed against Brooks in April, alleging he stole nearly \$837,000 in charitable funds meant for fire, flood, and tornado victims in Oregon and Kentucky. That lawsuit paints a broader picture of the alleged scheme: lawyers for the state say Brooks ran donated and government grant money through 26 different bank accounts, and spent it on casino trips, strip clubs, a Disneyland vacation,

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Code to prevent unlawful development on Timber Conservation Land upheld

LINCOLN COUNTY

In an opinion filed on September 2, 2026, the Oregon Court of Appeals upheld Lincoln County's land use code to prevent unlawful development on Timber Conservation land.

In 2023, the Lincoln County Planning Department took action against property owners Linda Hetzler and Thomas Smith after discovering their timber conservation property had been developed without permits. Illegal dwellings had been constructed including yurts and recreational vehicles used as dwellings with illegal septic and



The decision by the Oregon Court of Appeals was handed down Sept. 2. (Metro Creative Connection)

electrical connections. In 2025, Lincoln County Circuit Court Judge Marcia Buckley ruled in favor of Lincoln County.

Hetzler and Smith appealed the Lincoln County Circuit Court

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Voters to decide fate of city hall



JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

Voters in Lincoln City will decide the fate of city hall.

The Lincoln City Council has placed a \$58 General Obligation Bond for the City Hall/Library, Measure 21-243, on the November 3, 2026, general election ballot.

The decision follows a citywide survey and town hall meetings over the past few months.

During the public meetings, a presentation was conducted showing several designs options from modernizing the current city hall, otherwise known as Lincoln Square, replacing the building on the existing site, or replacing the building on a new site.

The public engagement concerning city hall followed the closure of the ground floor where public parking is available. The closure

was conducted following deterioration of the parking space fire suppression system that hangs above the parking area. The parking area under city hall reopened late last week..

The current building totals 110,000 square feet. This exceeds the City's needed space for the Library and City offices by over 78,000 square feet.

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Annual People's Coast Summit to be held in Lincoln City

Community members are invited to learn from local leaders along the coast for the Oregon Coast Visitors Association's annual end-of-season tourism industry gathering, the 2026 People's Coast Summit, taking place Oct. 13-14 in Lincoln City.

The two-day event will bring tourism professionals, coastal leaders, business owners, and non-profit and

community partners together for keynote conversations, practical workshops, local seafood, entertainment and networking.

Each year, the Summit travels to a different coastal town for a campus-style gathering that allows attendees to meet local partners and experience the businesses and places that make the host community unique. In Lincoln City, keynotes and meals will be held at Chinook's Seafood Grill, with workshops hosted at venues around town.

"As we prepare to mark the People's Coast Summit's 10th gathering, we're proud of

the connections, ideas and collaborations this event has helped build across the Oregon Coast," Oregon Coast Visitors Association Deputy Director Arica Sears said. "Lincoln City offers an ideal setting for our partners to rest, recharge and get inspired after the busy season while experiencing the host community firsthand."

Program highlights
• *Honoring the Past, Restoring the Future:* The Siletz Tribe and the Return of the Elakha. Robert Kentta of the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and Chanel Hason of the Elakha Alliance will



The 2026 People's Coast Summit is scheduled for Oct. 13-14 in Lincoln City. (Courtesy photo)

connect Siletz history and cultural stewardship with efforts to restore sea otters to Oregon waters.

• *The State of the Industry and the Oregon Coast:* What the Data Is

Telling Us. Steve Halasz, founder and CEO of Blue Room Research, will examine travel trends, coastal performance and how better visitor-economy data can support local decisions.

• *From Stewardship to Stay:* How Guided Experiences and Events Can Change Visitor Behavior. A Central Coast panel will explore how tours, events and hands-on activities can encourage responsible behavior and give visitors more reasons to stay and engage.

• *Art and Culture as a Catalyst for Tourism.* Facilitated by Liora Sponko of the Oregon Arts Commission and

Oregon Cultural Trust, this conversation will examine creative place-making and how arts and culture connect visitors to community stories and place.

Across attendee surveys from past Summits, 94% of respondents rated the event's networking atmosphere outstanding, while 91% gave those ratings to keynote programming.

In addition to keynotes, participants can choose to attend workshop breakout sessions, focused on destination marketing, digital accessibility, itinerary building, partnership

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City of Lincoln City switches to YouTube

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

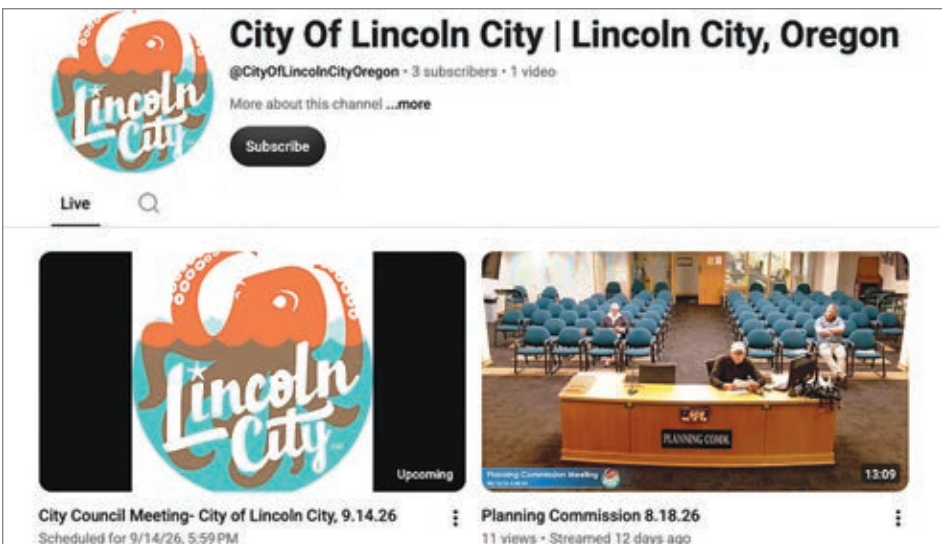
The City of Lincoln City will transition from Channel 4 to YouTube for City meeting broadcasts beginning September 14. Meetings will be streamed on the City’s YouTube channel at: www.youtube.com/@CityOfLincolnCityOregon Meetings will also be broadcast live and made available post-broadcast at the City website. www.lincolncityor.gov/government/public-meetings

Transition from Cable Channel 4 to YouTube

The City is transiting away from its traditional Cable Chable 4 broadcast and use YouTube as the primary platform for distributing City video

programming. Channel 4, the public access channel through Spectrum’s cable service, was established at a time when cable television was one of the primary ways residents received local information. As viewing habits and technology have changed, maintaining a dedicated cable channel provides increasingly limited value compared with modern online video platforms. Moving to YouTube provides several advantages:

- Greater public accessibility
- On-demand access
- Live streaming
- Broader reach
- Improve usability
- Reduced dependence on aging, specialized cable-broadcast equipment



The city’s website showing the broadcast systems. (Courtesy from the City of Lincoln City)

This change does not reduce public access to City information. Instead, it modernizes the method used to provide the access. The goal is to make City video programming available to more people, on more devices, and at the time they choose to view it.

The transition reflects the broader shift from scheduled cable television programming toward internet-based and on-demand video while continuing the City’s commitment to transparency and public access.

The Lincoln County Leader reached out to City of Lincoln City spokesman Kevin Mattias to

ask about the cost difference in the broadcasting systems.

“As of now, there is no cost for the City to use YouTube to broadcast our city meetings,” Mattias said. “In the future , YouTube may change how they do business and start charging a fee to use their service, but for now it is free. In using Channel 4, there was a cost for the City in that we had to purchase equipment to be able to broadcast on Channel 4.”

The City of Newport is not making a transition with its council broadcasts, according to spokesman John Fuller.

“The city currently uses Charter channel 190 and the public can also view the council sessions on the city’s website,” he said.

K-8 Create Program key to arts access in Oregon coastal classrooms

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

With a new school year just about to get underway, Sitka’s K-8 Create program is meeting growing demand for high-quality arts education in Oregon coastal communities with little to no arts access, according to a release from the Center.

During the 2026–2027 school year, K-8 Create will serve thousands of children each month in Title I public schools in Lincoln, Tillamook and Clatsop Counties.

The program is part of the Sitka Center for Art and Ecology’s youth program that provides arts and STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art and math) learning experiences, widely enhancing educational opportunities for rural and underserved children and expanding access for Oregon students.

Sitka Center for Art and Ecology Executive Director Alison Dennis said she is passionate about growing the program.

“By partnering with local schools, we’re able to reach thousands of students who might not otherwise have access to the arts, fostering curiosity and creativity among the next generation of rural artists and innovators,”



The Sitka Center’s K-8 Program brings free arts education for thousands of rural students in Title 1 Oregon schools. (Courtesy photos from the Sitka Center for Art and Ecology)

Dennis said.

In Sitka’s rural coastal community, all public schools are Title I and have limited or no arts education, according to a Center release. Sitka created K-8 Create to fill that gap, bringing high-quality art and ecology programming to local youth. 95% of participating students come from low-income families, qualifying for free or reduced school meals under federal guidelines.

The Title 1 schools participating in the program stretch from Astoria in the north to Waldport in the south. All nine school districts across the region participate, including Astoria, Warrenton-Hammond, Jewell, Knappa, Seaside, Neah Kah Nie, Tillamook, Nestucca Valley, and Lincoln County school districts.

“K-8 Create is now benefitting from a \$50,000 challenge grant from the Maybelle Clark Macdonald Fund—gifts to K-8 Create will be matched dollar for dollar, up to \$2,500 per gift—until the \$50,000 goal is reached. That means giving can go twice as far to support free, high-quality arts education, multiplying the program’s impact,” the release states.

About K-8 Create

The Sitka Youth Program’s K-8 Create provides arts and STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, and math) education for Oregon Pre-K through 8th grade students, with limited or no access to art programs.

By partnering directly with schools and educators to address barriers to arts education unique to



The Title 1 schools participating in the program stretch from Astoria in the north to Waldport in the south.

rural Oregon, the Sitka Center and K-8 Create are on a mission to close arts education access gaps across the coast and state. The Sitka Center for Art and Ecology is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to expanding the relationships between art, nature and humanity. The Sitka Center for Art and Ecology is located on Cascade Head in Otis, Oregon, just north of Lincoln City.

To learn more, visit www.sitkacenter.org

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Northwest Training and Testing

Draft Supplemental EIS/OEIS

Available for Review and Comment

The U.S. Navy and U.S. Coast Guard have jointly prepared a second supplement to the 2015 and 2020 environmental analyses of at-sea military readiness activities in the Northwest Training and Testing (NWTT) Study Area. The September 2026 Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS)/Overseas EIS (OEIS) is now available for review and comment through Oct. 19, 2026.

In-Person Open-House Public Meetings

In-person open-house public meetings will include informational poster stations staffed by project representatives who can answer questions about the Proposed Action and environmental analysis. Comments will be accepted in writing at the in-person public meetings.

Silverdale, Wash.

Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2026

4-7 p.m. PDT

Oxford Suites, Olympic Ballroom

9550 Silverdale Way NW

Everett, Wash.

Wednesday, Sept. 23, 2026

4-7 p.m. PDT

Carl Gipson Center, Cascade View Room

3025 Lombard Ave.

Live Virtual Public Meetings

Tuesday, Sept. 29, 2026: 5 p.m. PDT/4 p.m. AKDT

Wednesday, Sept. 30, 2026: 6 p.m. PDT/5 p.m. AKDT

The virtual public meetings will consist of a live presentation followed by a question-and-answer session. The public can submit questions in advance of the live virtual public meetings until Sept. 28, 2026, via the question form on the project website. Questions may also be submitted online in writing during the live virtual public meetings. Questions submitted as part of the question-and-answer session are not official comments. Participants dialing in via telephone will not be able to ask questions during the live virtual public meetings. Visit www.nepa.navy.mil/nwtteis to learn more about and attend the virtual public meetings.

Draft SEIS/OEIS Review and Comment

The public, stakeholders, and federally recognized tribes are invited to review the Draft SEIS/OEIS and provide substantive comments on the Proposed Action, the environmental analysis, and the project’s potential to affect historic in-water properties in line with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). Comments may be submitted at the in-person public meetings, on the project website at www.nepa.navy.mil/nwtteis, or by mail to:

Naval Facilities Engineering Systems Command Northwest

Attention: NWTT SEIS/OEIS Project Manager

1101 Tautog Circle, Room 102

Silverdale, WA 98315-1101

Visit the project website at www.nepa.navy.mil/nwtteis to learn more about the project, in-person and live virtual public meetings, and the NHPA Section 106 process; download the Draft SEIS/OEIS; view a virtual presentation about the project; submit questions for the virtual public meetings; and submit comments on the environmental analysis. The website also lists locations where you can view a printed copy of the Draft SEIS/OEIS.

Comments must be postmarked or received online by 11:59 p.m. PDT on Oct. 19, 2026, for consideration in the preparation of the Final SEIS/OEIS.

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Immigration arrests in Oregon under Trump 2.0 by the numbers

MIA MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Federal immigration agents have arrested more than 700 people in Oregon this year as of early August, according to new data.

Those arrests make up about a quarter of the more than 2,500 arrests federal agents have conducted in Oregon under the second Trump administration, according to the Deportation Data Project, a database run by lawyers and academics who collect national immigration arrest data from public records requests to federal agencies.

The Oregon Capital Chronicle analyzed the data, which recently expanded to include arrest numbers from Oct. 1, 2022 to Aug. 6, 2026, to understand what federal immigration enforcement has looked like in Oregon under Trump’s second term.

Immigration arrests in Oregon in 2025 and so far in 2026 combined are eight times higher than the number of Oregon immigration arrests during the final two years of the Biden administration, when federal agents

made nearly 300 arrests. Oregon hit its peak immigration arrests in the fall when the federal government late last year launched an operation targeting immigrants living across the Willamette Valley. Those actions resulted in more than 1,000 immigration arrests in the state between September and November.

Oregon Democrats with majority control of the state legislature responded by passing several laws in February aimed at increasing protections for immigrants, including issuing guidance to schools and hospitals on how to respond when federal agents appear on campus grounds and restricting federal agents from wearing masks. The latter has been tried in other states as well, though with little success standing up to federal court challenges.

Immigration arrests in Oregon in 2026 haven’t returned to peak levels seen last fall, but they’re still outpacing the number of arrests made during the first eight months of 2025 when agents arrested 462 people — 35% fewer than the arrests made so far in

2026. **Demographics of those arrested by immigration agents in Oregon under Trump 2.0**

The people immigration agents arrested over the last two years in Oregon came from at least 75 different countries. More than half of them were Mexican citizens, followed by Guatemalan and Venezuelan citizens.

Most of the people agents arrested — 85% — were male. Females made up 13% of those arrested, while the gender of the remaining 2% was listed as unknown.

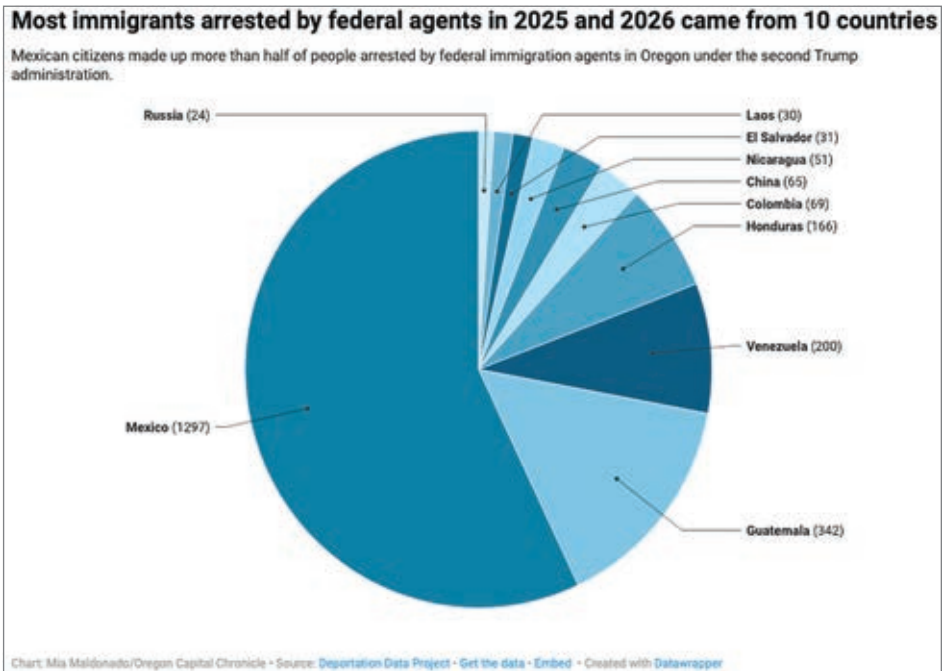
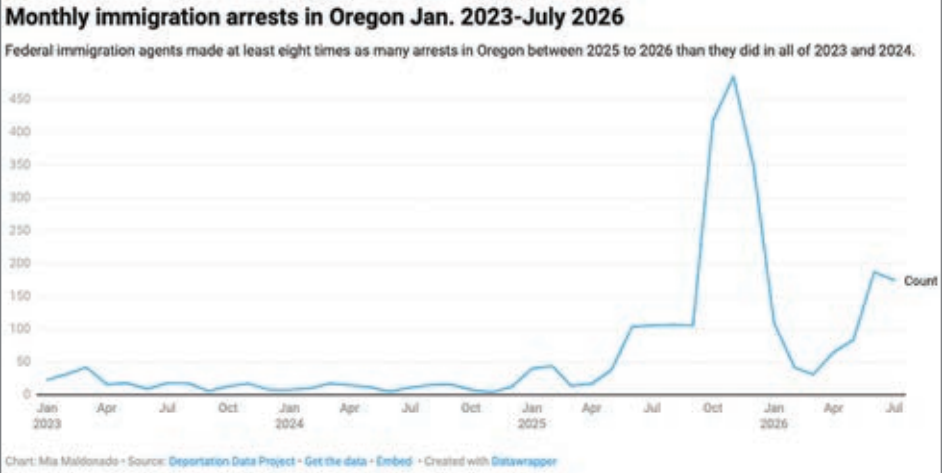
The oldest person detained was 83 years old. The youngest was 3 years old.

<https://oregoncapital-chronicle.com/2026/08/31/immigration-arrests-in-oregon-under-trump-2-0-by-the-numbers/>

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A masked U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agent knocks on a car window in Minnesota on Jan. 12, 2026. (Nicole Neri / Minnesota Reformer)



SHERIFF’S TIP OF THE WEEK

Scams

Here are common summer scams to watch for and tips on how to avoid them:

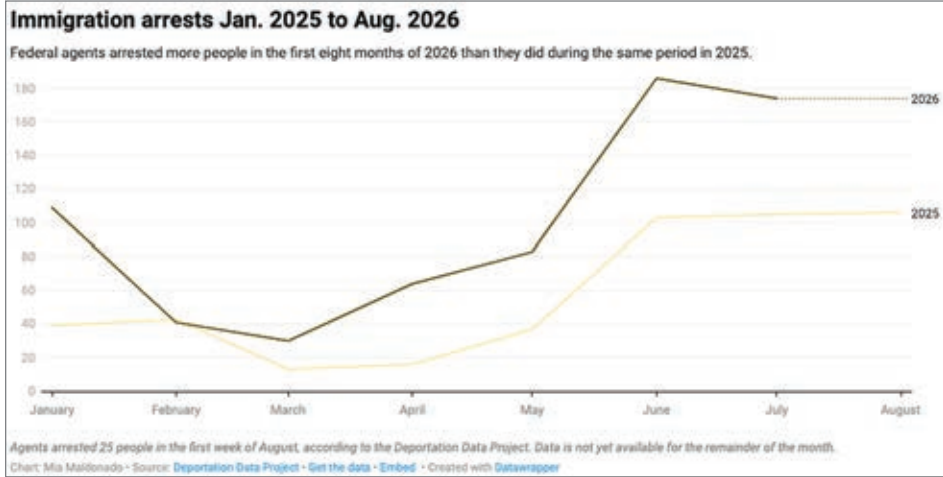
- 1. Law Enforcement Scams:**
 - Scammers pose as law enforcement agencies and claim you missed jury duty, owe fees, or someone needs bail money. They urge you to pay the “fees” quickly to avoid serious consequences and accept bitcoin, gift cards, or other non-traditional payment forms.
 - Scammers pose as animal shelters or rescue organizations and claim they can reunite you with your lost pet for a large fee.
- Prevent these by scams by**
 - Verifying information is coming from an official source. When in doubt, hang up, look up the agency’s contact information and call or stop by their office to verify

- someone is trying to contact you.
- Save our contact information to quickly verify information is coming from the Sheriff’s Office:
 - LCSO Website: lincolncountysheriff.net/
 - LCSO Main Office: 541-265-4277
 - LCSO Animal Shelter: 541-265-6610

- 1. Vacation Rental Scams:**
 - Scammers post vacation rentals online at enticing prices.
 - They ask for advance payment via wire transfer, but the rental either doesn’t exist or is not available.
 - Prevent this by using reputable rental platforms or companies.
- 2. Home Improvement Scams:**
 - Contractors offer very low-cost services such as driveway repaving, house painting, etc.
 - Contractors claim repairs are urgently

- needed and encourage you to act quickly to avoid further damage or before prices increase.
 - They may take your money without completing the work, work without proper permits, or do low quality work.
 - Prevent this by avoiding unsolicited offers, getting multiple referrals or bids, and researching companies and contractors.
- 3. Employment Scams:**
 - Scammers exploit job seekers by offering fake summer jobs.
 - Scammers post opportunities that promise high pay for minimal effort.
 - Prevent this by verifying job postings, researching organizations, and avoid sharing personal information until you have verified the company and posting is legitimate.
 - 4. Travel Scams:**
 - Beware of unsolicited travel deals or sweepstakes claiming you’ve won a free vacation.
 - Prevent this by verifying offers and information before sharing your personal information or payment.

- 5. Ticket and Event Scams:**
 - Scammers sell counterfeit tickets to concerts, festivals, sporting events, and other activities.
 - Prevent this by purchasing tickets from authorized sellers and verifying websites or vendors before purchasing.
 - Staying informed, being cautious, and helping family and friends learn how to spot scams can help protect everyone throughout the year.
 - For more information and tips visit www.lincolncountysheriff.net





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Only parents can make schools change

LEEANN BENNETT
Lincoln County Leader
Guest Article

As many as 15 school days are lost each year because student misbehaviors interrupt learning. That’s a total of three weeks of lost instruction for students ready, willing, and able to learn.

I encourage parents of school-age children to petition legislators to codify laws protecting their students’ rights to an education free of egregious disruption. Many laws protecting students were put on the books because parents advocated for them.

Decades of parent advocacy birthed the entire field of special education in public schools. As a result, a much more humane approach to those previously excluded from public education was built. Students with physical and cognitive impairments suddenly had greater opportunities that benefited them and society as well. Now, however, the time has come for parents to rise up and demand change as well for the benefit of their students who are held hostage to the awful behaviors of some students.

Unfortunately, the well-intentioned efforts to create greater inclusion have gone too far. Today schools are tasked with managing student behavior that threatens the well-being of behaving students. Schools are virtually hogtied when it comes to genuinely addressing distressing student behaviors because of laws that protect the few at the expense of the many.

A major source of

student stress at school is other student behavior. Stories abound of students who verbally abuse or threaten other students or someone they know. Or they blatantly defy reasonable requests. Or they engage in physical aggression. I’m referring to ongoing, habitual behavior, not the rare outburst. Sadly, schools have been forced to become increasingly tolerant of these behaviors and other students suffer as a result.

When teachers stop teaching, students stop learning. The focus turns to the misbehaving student. Even if that student is removed, they are often sent back to class, if not that same day then the next, and the behavior continues. This is not to blame school administrators. Their hands are tied as well. Few options for altering behaviors exist for schools. And this is why parents need to contact their legislators, to change the laws so that their students are free from these disruptions.

On occasion when challenging behaviors continue despite school and parental intervention, a specialist comes in to evaluate the student. Sometimes the student is diagnosed with a behavioral disorder, and it is at this point that they are protected by law. Schools must then adjust to the offending student’s needs without regard for the needs of the majority of students whose education is interrupted by these behaviors. The thinking goes that if the behavior is a symptom of a diagnosis, the student can’t help themselves, so other students must put

up with this behavior.

To safeguard the rights of students who are ready to learn, high levels of pro-social, acceptable behaviors must be clearly defined and enforced.

Even if the student cannot help themselves, they are clearly not ready to participate in a learning environment that other students are prepared for. If a student demonstrates a pattern of poor behavior and is unresponsive to incentives and opportunities for change, that student needs to be removed from the learning environment because they are putting other students at risk and robbing them of their right to a public education. Whether the student is making a conscious decision or struggles to control their behavior due to their disability is immaterial. The message needs to be the same: This is not acceptable and will not be tolerated.

Laws designed to protect the rights of some students currently work against the best interests of the school’s mission. For example, a law in special education requires that students with disabilities be educated in the “least restrictive environment,” that is, placed with peers who do not have disabilities as much as possible. So long as the students do not upset the classroom with ongoing troublesome behavior, that should be fully implemented. This should be true for any student, not just special education students. Tolerating misbehavior means that students who are present to learn will find themselves in an environment that

restricts their opportunity to learn. This ignores their rights to receive their education in the “least restrictive environment” free from deplorable behaviors.

Some may point out that all students have a right to a free public education. I’m in favor of that generally speaking. Nonetheless, I must point back that the rights of a student whose behavior is regularly disruptive or dangerous should never supersede the rights of all other students. Additionally, that student is clearly not prepared to learn and will not be until they can consistently demonstrate some modicum of pro-social, acceptable behavior. Until then, they should not be welcome in education classrooms.

If our country wants schools to be responsible for students with behavioral challenges or disabilities, it needs to provide the resources to do it and stop preventing schools from implementing effective consequences that safeguard other students. Providing a quality education to most of our students means refraining from this misguided notion that anti-social behavior should be borne by schools. Such behaviors risk harm to the entire school population and to society at large. Part of schools’ job, after all, is to prepare students to become productive members of society. If student behaviors are such that they impede the ability of other students to learn, then the offending student is clearly not fit to be in a public school classroom nor fit to join society as a good citizen. Schools

will have failed in their mission.

Rather than house disruptive students in education classes, they should be segregated to undergo intensive counseling and specific training on how to be productive students to the extent that they are able. Laws prohibiting segregation and isolation do a disservice to other students. Putting a child with behavior disorders into an academic setting when that student subverts the objective is folly.

That said, if they have a particular aptitude, such as music or science, that should be nurtured as much as possible and used as incentive for good behavior. The same should be true for socializing with students outside of academic time, such as at lunch time or recess. These should be seen as privileges to be earned, not rights. Once they have reached a point where they consistently demonstrate appropriate behavior, then they may be welcomed in a class for academic learning and/or in non-academic social time.

For those who cannot attain an acceptable level of productivity, this is truly unfortunate, but they should not be allowed to interact with other students. Other students’ safety and well-being should come first.

We cannot have behaviorally challenged students continue to misbehave and expect that they will magically figure out society’s norms by the time adulthood comes around. The real world will not put up with their anti-social behavior. It is stupid to

tolerate such behaviors in students throughout their time in public education only to release them into society at large and expect them to get by, much less thrive. They will not. Instead, they will find it difficult to find and keep work. They will be fired from a job the first time they pop off at their boss. This may lead to any number of unfortunate consequences, such as unemployment, homelessness, substance abuse, criminal behavior, and perhaps prison. This helps no one.

We need to set the bar high when it comes to acceptable social behaviors in schools. This includes respect for all, compliance with reasonable requests, and conduct free of physical aggression. Anything less than that diminishes the objectives of public education. It makes zero sense to protect the rights of the few students with anti-social behavior when doing so disregards the rights of the majority of students who are ready to learn. The majority of students miss out on quality education, and the disruptive student does not learn that they must abide by social norms.

Parents, organize and demand change! Contact your legislators. Make that call, write that letter, attend that meeting, occupy that office. Remember, it’s the squeaky wheel that gets the grease. Neither wishful thinking nor magic will make the problem go away. Bad laws can be rewritten. It’s up to you to force that change.

Leeann Bennett is a perforce retired educator and resident of Lincoln County.

National Preparedness Month and the Great ShakeOut

ERIN MCMAHON
Lincoln County Leader
Guest Column

Disasters and emergencies can happen anywhere,

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Contact your representatives in Washington and urge them to protect the congressionally mandated editorial independence of Stars and Stripes. Tell your readers, viewers and followers why this institution matters. One of journalism’s own needs our support—now is the time to speak up!”

Mike Blinder, Publisher, E&P Magazine

ONLINE POLL

PREVIOUS POLL

Are you ready for the change from summer to fall?

58.3%.....Yes, bring on the Fall Colors

41.7%.....No, I am still working on my tan

NEW POLL

What emotion is your child/children experiencing going back to school?

- Excitement
- Eagerness
- Apprehension
- Dread
- None

and without warning. In Oregon, we deal with wildfires, floods, heat domes, ice and snowstorms—along with the ever-present threat of a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake. It’s important for everyone to know what to do, and how to care for one another.

This is why FEMA and the Oregon Department of Emergency Management (OEM) observe National Preparedness Month in September and the Great ShakeOut in October. We want to empower community members to prepare together.

As director of OEM, helping people in Oregon get ready for disasters is a top priority. I’m excited to share the Be 2 Weeks Ready tool kit, which can be found online at Oregon.gov/oem/Be2WeeksReady. This digital toolkit is available in multiple languages and is designed to help individuals and communities build their emergency plans, practice their skills and share resources in meaningful ways.

Our goal is to foster a culture of preparedness within established community groups—faith organizations, neighborhood associations, local 4-H clubs, schools and workplaces. By working through the toolkit together, these groups can strengthen their collective resilience and help ensure everyone is equipped to handle emergencies.

A great opportunity for community practice is the Great Oregon Camp-In, held the weekend after the Great ShakeOut on October 15. You can find out more about these events under “community preparedness” at Oregon.gov/OEM. The Camp-In gives households and neighborhoods a chance to spend some time working on their emergency plan and practicing what it might be like to do day-to-day activities after a large disaster disrupts our daily lives.

Being two weeks ready doesn’t have to be expensive or happen all at once.

Many actions you can take today cost little or nothing:

- Visit ORAlert.gov to sign up for local emergency alerts.
- Make sure Wireless Emergency Alerts are enabled on your mobile phone.
- Understand Oregon’s evacuation levels (1-Ready, 2-Set, 3-Go) and know the routes in your area.
- Familiarize yourself with real-time road conditions by visiting TripCheck.com.
- Make go-bags with survival essentials for every member of your family, including pets.

Be Prepared If Cell Service Goes Down

Communication systems can fail during disasters. Create a PACE plan (Primary, Alternate, Contingency, Emergency) so your household knows how to communicate if cell service is disrupted.

Example PACE plan:

- Primary: Cell phones
- Alternate: Satellite-based service add-ons offered

- by some cell providers
- Contingency: Satellite communicator separate from your phone
- Emergency: Short-range communication radios and a hand-crank NOAA Weather Radio

Another critical part of preparedness is knowing how you will recover. Make sure your renter’s or homeowner’s insurance provides the coverage you need for hazards in your area. Standard policies may not include protection for events such as floods, landslides or fires. Recovery often depends on insurance, savings and loans, so talk with your agent to ensure you have the right coverage. Also consider making copies of your vital documents—scan or photograph them and store them in a secure, password protected online drive or in a waterproof container inside your go-bag.

Finally, look to your local leaders for guidance. Connect with your local emergency management

office, Community/Neighborhood Emergency Response Teams (C/NERTs), sheriff’s office or Tribal police, and follow them on social media to stay informed during rapidly changing emergencies.

In the end, what I most want for the people of Oregon is to feel empowered—not frightened—when thinking about how they will respond in an emergency. I believe the Be 2 Weeks Ready toolkit and connecting with local emergency preparedness groups will help individuals build strong community connections that lead to better outcomes for everyone when disaster strikes.

Erin McMahon was appointed director of the Oregon Department of Emergency Management in September 2023. She is a retired U.S. Army brigadier general, attorney and combat veteran with 24 years of experience advising state and national leaders on emergencies requiring operational and civilian support.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

CRIME STOPPERS PROGRAM ENDS

I have been involved with our Crime Stoppers Program since it was created in 1983. I’ve spent over half my life with Crime Stoppers.

Our tips and our rewards continue to

decrease. Over the years, the Program has gotten smaller, our Board is getting older, and we have been discussing dissolving for some time.

Managing our program data has also become more complex. We are aware that Navigate360, the

company that hosts data for all Crime Stoppers programs, experienced a data breach in March 2026. We are still awaiting a report from them as to the impact to Oregon Crime Stoppers data. Navigate360 has told us that after they complete their investigation, they

can send any notices that are required to be sent to individuals or regulators.

It’s actually a sad time for me, but times change. We want to celebrate and remember our contribution to public safety in Oregon over the last 43 years. We are grateful to have helped

families and helped solve crimes. It was a good program and our board members are all proud to have been a part of it for all these years.

Henry Groepper
Chairman
Crime Stoppers of Oregon

Lawmaker to propose financial support for small cities left in financial limbo

MIA MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

After a city in his district temporarily shut down several of its parks because it couldn't pay for their maintenance, a Democratic state lawmaker is proposing the Legislature create a fund that would provide small Oregon cities with emergency financial assistance to keep community spaces open.

Rep. Paul Evans, D-Monmouth, announced last week a plan to introduce during the 2027 Legislative session a proposed \$1 million fund housed at the state's economic development agency Business Oregon, which would allow cities with fewer than 20,000 residents to apply for a grant or low interest loan to maintain parks, libraries, museums and other essential community spaces when they face budget crises. The grants and loans would be available up to \$50,000, Evans said.

The proposal was



Riverview Park in Independence, Ore., pictured here, was nearly closed in August due the city's lack of maintenance funding. It was reopened after the nonprofit Friends of Community Parks provided an emergency grant. (Courtesy photo from the City of Independence)

inspired by the city of Independence earlier this month closing five of its parks, citing insufficient funding to maintain them, he said. Two have since reopened after receiving a \$30,000 grant from the nonprofit, Friends of Community Parks, the Statesman Journal reported.

The financial assistance, likely funded by the Oregon Lottery, would provide a temporary solution to a greater problem that needs solving, Evans

told the Capital Chronicle.

"The current property tax system is failing Oregon cities and counties," he said, citing ballot measures voters passed in the 1990s that set limits on property taxes and how they're assessed.

Before 1990, local governments had more flexibility to raise property taxes to address future funding needs. But between 1990 and 1997, voters passed three ballot measures limiting the property taxes local

governments could collect.

The first decade and a half of these laws cost the state \$41 billion in local revenues, Mark Henkels, a professor of public policy and administration at Western Oregon University, wrote in the Oregon Encyclopedia.

The property tax limits are pushing local governments to add new fees or taxes in order to supplement much needed revenue, Evans said.

For example, the Independence City

Council in June voted to impose new fees that will cost city residents about \$19 per month to pay for operations at the city's library, parks and a local museum. A referendum to repeal those fees has temporarily stalled the city from collecting the extra revenue until voters decide in the November election, resulting in the city to close some of those spaces.

"The underlying need for comprehensive, thoughtful revenue reform is long past due, and we're living with the consequences," Evans said, "and right now, I'm trying to put a Band-aid on a bleeding chest wound."

He added that he understands a proposal to divert revenue from the Oregon Lottery to a new emergency fund for small communities could be a difficult task to pull off during the 2027 legislative session because lawmakers "have so much work to do."

One of the most pressing issues Oregon lawmakers will face

come January is passing a transportation package that will generate new revenue to fund the Oregon Department of Transportation as it faces an impending \$200 million shortfall in the 2027-29 budget cycle.

Evans proposes calling his plan the "Burns-Horton Protection Fund," naming it after his mother, grandmother and his chief of staff's grandmother. All three depended on access to libraries and parks, he said.

<https://oregon-capitalchronicle.com/2026/09/02/oregon-lawmaker-to-propose-financial-support-for-small-cities-left-in-financial-limbo/>

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Health advisory issued for Siletz Bay

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has issued a public health advisory for unsafe levels of fecal bacteria in ocean waters at Siletz Bay in Lincoln County.

The OHA advisory urges people to avoid direct contact with the water in the Siletz Bay area until the advisory is lifted.

"Unsafe levels of fecal bacteria can cause diarrhea, stomach cramps, skin rashes, upper respiratory infections, and other illnesses," the advisory states/ "Children, elderly and those with a compromised immune system should use extra caution as they are more vulnerable to illness from waterborne bacteria."

Visitors should avoid wading in nearby creeks, pools of water on the beach, or in discolored water, and stay clear of water runoff flowing into the ocean. Levels of fecal bacteria tend to be higher in these types of water sources.

Unsafe levels of fecal bacteria in ocean waters can come from both

shore and inland sources including:

- Stormwater runoff
- Sewer overflows
- Failing septic systems
- Animal waste from livestock, pets and wildlife

"Even if there is no advisory in effect, avoid swimming in the ocean within 48 hours after a rainstorm," the advisory cautions.

Ocean waters will be re-tested after an advisory is issued. Once bacteria levels are at a safe level, OHA will notify the public that the advisory is lifted.

While this advisory is in effect at Siletz Bay, state officials continue to encourage other recreational activities, such as flying kites, picnicking, playing on the beach,

walking, etc., on this beach because such activities pose no health risk even during an advisory, the OHA said.

For the most recent information on advisories, visit the Oregon Beach Monitoring Program website at <http://www.healthoregon.org/beach> or call 971-673-0482, or 877-290-6767 (toll-free).

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Samaritan Health Services will be there, too, with information about:

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Visit samhealth.org/CHE to learn more.

Special thanks to Oceana for food and bag donations.

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Samaritan Health Services

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vehicles, and personal bills – all while wildfire and flood survivors in Oregon waited for help that never came. The civil case was pending as of press time.

"This man preyed on people at the worst moment of their lives," Oregon Attorney General Dan Rayfiel said. "He wore the badge of a disaster relief leader while gambling away the

money meant to rebuild people's homes and give them a new start. That's a debt he'll have to pay back in more ways than one."

The indictment centers on a \$326,000 grant from the American Red Cross, intended to help build tornado shelters for survivors in Kentucky. Brooks used a substantial portion of the funds to settle past debts connected to his company, effectively using the new grant money to shore up preexisting financial liabilities.

CODE

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framework. There are limited exceptions for dwellings.

Lincoln County Planning Director Onno Husing remarked, "I am gratified by this result. It is important that the county enforces its land use and other codes when it is warranted."

Read the Court of Appeals' full opinion here: <https://tinyurl.com/AppelsTC>



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DEATH NOTICES

Maria H. Brennan
Sept. 15, 1934 - Aug. 17, 2026

Maria Brennan, age 91, passed away following a battle of cancer. She lived a lot of her adult life in Otis, Oregon. In 2022 she moved to a memory care facility in Salem Oregon.

She was preceded in death by her husband Thomas Brennan.

She will be remembered for her love of the ocean, animals, children, watching race car driving, art and staying busy. We will miss her greatly.

We would like to thank the Springs at Willowcreek in Salem, Oregon for their excellent love and care they provided.

There will be no public funeral services.

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Sudoku answers

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“Daily operations and deferred maintenance costs have reached a level that we need to talk seriously about whether we can afford to stay in our existing space, or if we need to build something that will take us another 40+ years into the future,” the city’s website states. “Either way, we know that it will impact our community, and we want to hear from you about your great ideas and your serious concerns and of course, we want to answer your important questions as we make this once-in-a generation kind of decision.”

The website adds that it is costing taxpayers more than \$1 million annually to maintain and operate the city hall space.

“Deferred maintenance issues are compounding each year and include water intrusion, rusty window frames and other metal surfaces, and extremely outdated HVAC systems,” the city’s web site states.

Lincoln Square consists of Lincoln City Hall, Driftwood Public Library, and McKay’s Market on the west side of Highway 101.

The city council has selected the following three options:

OPTION 1 proposes to renovate existing City Hall/Driftwood Library. Required work includes the full renovation of the existing building to meet current building code standards, seismic upgrades, and needed site improvements. It also includes a Tsunami Evacuation Road.

KEY ISSUES:

- Building is significantly bigger than needed, so operating costs per square foot are very high.
- All current uses, including City Hall, Driftwood Library, and McKay’s grocery store would need to relocate to a temporary location.
- Parking deck on top of grocery store requires rebuilding.
- Current limitations on library programs will continue.

TOTAL BOND REQUEST: \$31.5 million

OPTION 2 proposes to build an all new City Hall/Library on our existing site. Required work includes demolition, site work, a new smaller building, and seismic upgrades for the McKay’s building. It also includes a Tsunami Evacuation Road.

KEY ISSUES:

- McKay’s building will need significant investment dollars for structural and mechanical renovations
- All current uses, including City Hall, Driftwood Library, and McKay’s grocery store would need to relocate to a temporary location.
- Cannot sell the site
- Inadequate parking area
- No resolution of parking and access issues

TOTAL BOND REQUEST: \$45.1 million

OPTION 3 proposes to all new City Hall/Library on a property to be acquired. Required work includes construction of a new building to house City Hall and the Driftwood Library and related site work. It also includes construction of a new public street to serve the area.

The alternate site is east of Hwy 101, between SE 23rd and SE 32nd, commonly referred to as Lincoln 44. This site was just purchased by Urban Renewal for a future water reservoir. The reservoir is in the Urban Renewal Plan.

KEY ISSUES:

- Fewer site limitations-- building can be “right-sized” and efficiently designed to meet community needs
- Project allows for future development of a north-south alternative to Highway 101, a high-priority emergency evacuation route
- Opportunity to co-locate needed water reservoir
- Opportunity for future private development for housing or commercial uses
- Existing property made available for desired

residential/commercial development

TOTAL BOND REQUEST: \$58 million

“The impact of this bond is estimated at \$1.07 per \$1,000 of assessed property value,” Lincoln City City Manager Daniel Hunter said. “Council was given the public survey results and approved the bond on July 27. If the bond is approved by voters, the council will decide on which option to develop.”

The public survey voting on which option for development is ongoing at: Engage Lincoln City. As of press time, Option One has 30%; Option Two had 14%; and Option Three had 56%.

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

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development, grant writing and other practical topics such as digital ad buying. Workshops are designed for coastal businesses, chambers, destination management organizations and community

partners to walk away with actionable skills they can apply to their own work immediately.

Registration

The 2026 People’s Coast Summit begins at 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 13, and concludes at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14. Tickets start at \$60. Registration options and

agenda details are available at Eventbrite.

Sponsors

The Oregon Coast Visitors Association thanks Travel Oregon, Explore Lincoln City, Oregon Coast Today, Cardwell Creative and MEDIAmerica for their support of the 2026 People’s Coast Summit.

Their sponsorship helps keep the event affordable for coastal tourism professionals and community partners.

About the Oregon Coast Visitors Association

The Oregon Coast Visitors Association (OCVA) is the official Regional Destination Management Organization

for the entire Oregon Coast as designated by the Oregon Tourism Commission (dba Travel Oregon).

OCVA inspires travel and strengthens collaboration to create and steward a sustainable coastal economy. OCVA works with coastal communities to align partnerships,

destination development projects and destination marketing with the vision of creating “a coastal utopia for all.”

This includes coastal stakeholders, new and returning visitors, and the natural resources that make these experiences possible.

Learn more at www.visittheoregoncoast.com.

HOUSING
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Roseburg will add 163 rental homes in communities affected by the 2020 Labor Day wildfires and straight-line winds, helping advance long-term recovery while expanding local housing supply.

- Garfield Commons will bring 59 new affordable apartments to Portland.

The location will provide residents with access to public transit, schools, and vital services, fostering a sense of community and promoting walkability and connectivity.

Taken together, the projects demonstrate that addressing Oregon’s housing needs requires more than a single type of housing solution. Affordable rental housing and homeownership, with

investments in both rural and urban communities, play an important role in ensuring Oregonians struggling to make ends meet and at all different stages of life can find homes that fit their needs.

“Thistle & Nest is honored and humbled by the support of Oregon Housing and Community Services through the Local Innovation and Fast Track (LIFT) for Homeownership program,” Board President

Amy Warren said. “This 2026 funding will allow us to continue creating much-needed homeownership opportunities in Central Oregon while expanding our work to the Oregon Coast. With Lincoln County being identified as an underserved area for owner-occupied housing, we are proud to help meet that need by creating high-quality, efficient homes that strengthen communities and fit

harmoniously within them.”

View the June and August Housing Stability Council meeting packets with this story at the Lincoln County leader website for more information.

About Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS)

OHCS is Oregon’s housing finance agency. The state agency provides financial and program

support to create and preserve opportunities for quality, affordable housing for Oregonians with low and moderate incomes.

OHCS administers programs that provide housing stabilization. OHCS delivers these programs primarily through grants, contracts, and loan agreements with local partners and community-based providers.

For more information, visit: oregon.gov/ohcs.

MARITIME
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activities for water transportation (-157); fishing (-87 jobs); and inland water transportation (-10). Although these industries are projected to have fewer jobs in the future than today, they will continue to need more workers due to replacement job openings as current workers change occupations or leave the labor force. The need for replacement openings is reflected in the

occupational employment data below.

Occupations in Oregon’s Maritime Industries

The workforce of Oregon’s maritime industries consists of many different occupations across the 17 industries that make up the core maritime sector. Information about maritime occupations helps to better describe Oregon’s maritime workers and the occupational needs that the sector will have moving into the future. Maritime occupations are expected to add 21

jobs due to economic expansion and have 8,579 replacement openings through 2034, totaling 8,599 total job openings during the 10-year period.

Replacement openings, the number of job openings created when workers change occupations or leave the labor force, are expected to total nearly 8,600 through the year 2034. This represents the need for workers with the training required to fill those openings. Replacements are a much larger source of workforce need than

jobs created due to sector growth. Through 2034, Oregon’s maritime sector will need 408 replacement workers for each new worker needed due to economic expansion. That’s a greater need for replacements than across the economy overall. Oregon projections show 17 replacement openings for every opening created due to economic growth. With an older workforce, the maritime sector is going to have openings to fill as current workers retire. The 14 occupations with the most jobs in

Oregon’s maritime sector are shown in the table.

Conclusion

Oregon’s maritime sector is widespread and plays a key economic role in many coastal and rural communities. With a workforce totaling nearly 14,000 in 2025 and average wages 14% higher than the state average, the maritime sector supports many family-wage jobs in Oregon. The sector is expected to continue adding new jobs, albeit at a much slower pace than the statewide average.

Oregon’s maritime

workforce is also aging. A large share of the current workforce will retire or change careers within the next 10 years, creating replacement openings for new workers. These workforce trends represent challenges for employers trying to fill their job vacancies, as well as more job opportunities for Oregonians in the maritime sector.

Shaun Barrick is a Oregon Employment Department Regional Economist for Clatsop, Columbia, Lincoln, and Tillamook counties.

Hugh McDonald “Don” Rackleff

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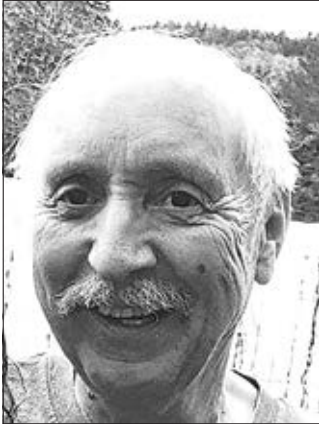
Hugh McDonald “Don” Rackleff, of Yachats, died August 13, 2026.

Don was a spirited storyteller, endlessly curious, brilliantly capable, and a creative problem solver who loved a challenge. He was a gardener, skydiver, free diver, a scientist. He will be deeply missed.

Don was born in Coos Bay, Oregon on May 25, 1940 to Hugh and Betty Rackleff. He joined the army at 18, then worked his way through college, earning his BA in Biology from San Francisco State College. Along the way, he began free diving and spear fishing along the Oregon, Washington, and California coasts, which became a lifelong passion.

He entered a Master of Fisheries program at the University of Washington, piloting vessels up to Alaska and conducting research there as well as Catalina island as dive master on the Te Vega.

Don then moved to Portland, where he worked as a chemist and began to develop an interest in gardening. By 1972, gardening had become more than just a passing hobby and he purchased land up



the Yachats river to pursue it full time. There he built a beautiful home using wood off the land and established Ortolan Gardens, one of the coast’s first organic market gardens. Beginning at farmers markets, he eventually delivered sustainably farmed vegetables and herbs to restaurants along the Oregon coast for more than 3 decades.

Don loved the oceans and forests of the Oregon coast and delighted in each day he spent outside in his garden. He also loved to travel and sharing his stories and his laugh with those around him.

Don is survived by his wife, Janet Rackleff, of Yachats, his daughter Emily Rackleff, son-in-law Chris Reid and two grandchildren, Rosa and Hugh, of Boston, and a sister, Sally Smith of Canby, as well as nieces, friends, and extended family.

His home and garden are his legacy and a celebration of life will be held at Ortolan Gardens on Sunday, September 27 at 1pm. Please bring a story to share.

Donations can be made to Friends of Family Farms or the Yachats library.

Jill Brandsberg Pridgeon

2/26/57-8/4/26

Jill Pridgeon died August 4, 2026; she was 69.

She was a Lincoln County resident since the late 70’s, well known as an artist, teacher and community activist. Jill loved music, art, nature, friends and family. Jill’s sand blasted glass installations are found in area homes, businesses, the Newport Library, and the SPCH Hospital. She submitted many banners to the Nye Beach banner project for auction to support art projects for kids. Always eager to learn, Jill was an Oregon State grad, held a Masters in Teaching from Pacific, certificates in aquarium science and medical assisting from our local community college, an advanced open water scuba certificate, even an equipment certificate to operate a fork



lift. Jill held many jobs over the years, notably as teacher of science and art at Toledo High School; she took great delight in seeing her students as successful grown ups. In recent years Jill served on the Board of the Oregon Coast Council for the Arts, actively worked with the Nye Beach Neighbors Association, played the ukulele with friends, gave nature walks for the Newport

Rec’s, gardened, made quilts, walked local trails with her Spaniel “Honey” and liked to travel. Jill was preceded in death by her son Bailey. She is survived by her sister Roxanne Nakamura of Vancouver, her brother John Brandsberg of Gresham and her husband Jeff of Newport.

A celebration of life will be held in the Fall.

OBITUARY POLICY

- 1. DEATH NOTICE:** This option includes basic information such as the deceased’s name, age, town of residency, and details about any funeral services. There is no charge for this service. If you wish to add a photo, there is a \$35 fee.
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SPECIAL REPORT

Oregon's Maritime 2025 Employment

SHAUN BARRICK
Lincoln County Leader
Guest Article

Oregon's maritime sector workforce totaled nearly 14,000 in 2025.

This includes Oregon residents and nonresidents who worked in Oregon as either covered payroll employees or as noncovered employees in maritime industries. Of those jobs, 11,881 were covered by Oregon's Unemployment Insurance program and 1,877 were nonemployers. Nonemployers are businesses that are subject to federal income tax and have no paid employees. Nine out of 10 nonemployers were found in commercial fishing (92%; 1,733 jobs).

Among covered payroll jobs in the maritime sector, 7,000 jobs were in a group of industries defined as the maritime sector with guidance from a 2017 maritime task force. All jobs in these industries are considered maritime employment. Another 4,800 jobs were identified in industries outside of the defined maritime industries but still serve an integral part in Oregon's maritime sector and are counted as additional maritime sector jobs. Data on noncovered employment came from the year 2023, which is the most current year of data available.

Twenty-three of Oregon's public ports support the maritime sector in multiple ways with employment counted in multiple industries, so port employment is not separated out from total covered employment. However, Oregon's maritime ports workforce accounted for 812 jobs in 2025.

Wages in Oregon's Covered Maritime Industries

Oregon's covered maritime industries paid a total of roughly \$990 million in wages in 2025. The average annual wage of covered jobs in Oregon's maritime industry was \$83,715. That was 14% higher than Oregon's average annual wage in all industries, \$73,716. Average annual wages vary depending on industry, ranging from a low of \$39,645 in water scenic and sightseeing transportation to a high of \$135,214 in coastal and deep sea freight transportation.

The average annual wage is based on the 11,881 jobs covered by the unemployment insurance program. Wage information is not available for commercial fishing, except for the small percentage of commercial fishing jobs covered



With a workforce totaling nearly 14,000 in 2025 and average wages 14% higher than the state average, the maritime sector supports many family-wage jobs in Oregon. (Metro Creative Connection)

Oregon's Covered Maritime Sector Jobs and Wages by Industry, 2025			
Industry	Jobs	Total Wages	Average Annual Wage
All Covered Maritime Jobs	11,881	\$994,623,582	\$83,715
Ship Building and Repairing	1,321	\$145,690,247	\$89,786
Support Activities for Water Transportation	1,485	\$163,683,674	\$110,225
Seafood Product Preparation and Packaging	1,178	\$61,102,058	\$51,869
Boat Building	562	\$36,998,084	\$65,833
Fish and Seafood Merchant Wholesalers	527	\$39,792,277	\$75,507
Boat Dealers	427	\$27,239,635	\$63,793
Scenic and Sightseeing Transportation, Water	277	\$10,981,544	\$39,645
Fish and Seafood Retailers	276	\$11,954,112	\$43,312
Marinas	214	\$10,410,060	\$48,645
Fishing	203	\$14,462,870	\$71,246
Aquaculture*	188	\$13,432,778	\$71,451
Inland Water Transportation	126	\$13,737,411	\$109,027
Coastal and Deep Sea Freight Transportation	92	\$12,439,654	\$135,214
All Other Identified Maritime Sector Firms	4,805	\$432,699,178	\$89,952

*Public employment only. Private aquaculture is included in total.
Source: Oregon Employment Department, Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages

2025 Covered Jobs Held by Workers Age 55 Years and Over in Maritime Related Industries, Oregon			
Industry	Employment All Ages	Employment 55 and Older	Share Age 55+
Total Maritime Industries	6,985	2,095	30.0%
Fishing	180	74	41.1%
Boat Dealers	442	156	35.3%
Deep Sea, Coastal, and Great Lakes Water Transportation	75	25	33.3%
Inland Water Transportation	128	42	32.8%
Seafood Product Preparation and Packaging	1,018	322	31.6%
Support Activities for Water Transportation	1,524	478	31.4%
Aquaculture	259	74	28.6%
Ship and Boat Building	2,087	589	28.2%
Marinas	209	58	27.8%
Fish and Seafood Merchant Wholesalers	541	144	26.6%
Scenic and Sightseeing Transportation, Water	252	66	26.2%
Fish and Seafood Retailers	270	67	24.8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Quarterly Workforce Indicators

by unemployment insurance.

Importance of Maritime Sector Jobs in Rural Communities

While maritime sector jobs are prevalent on the Oregon Coast, maritime sector jobs can be found in each of Oregon's 36 counties except Malheur. Data for Gilliam, Grant, Lake, Sherman, Wheeler, and Yamhill counties is suppressed for confidentiality.

Across Oregon, the maritime sector made up less than 1% of total employment in the state. In some communities, maritime sector jobs represented a larger portion of the total workforce. The counties with the largest portion of workforce in the maritime sector were Lincoln (5.9%), Clatsop (5.7%), Coos (3.3%), and Curry (3.1%). In total,

maritime sector jobs in coastal counties totaled 4,872 jobs. Multnomah County had the most maritime jobs of any county (5,299 maritime sector jobs), but these jobs were just 0.9% of the total workforce.

The number of maritime sector jobs by county is available from the covered employment data. Commercial fishers by county of residence is available from the U.S. Census Bureau's Nonemployer Statistics and is based on Internal Revenue Service income tax filings. Covered employment and nonemployers are combined for the map of maritime workforce by region.

The Aging of Oregon's Maritime Sector Workers

The maritime sector workforce tended to be older than Oregon's overall workforce

in 2025. About 30% of jobs in Oregon's covered fishing, maritime manufacturing, and transportation jobs were held by workers age 55 and over. That's a significantly higher share than the 25% of the overall workforce. At least some of these workers will be looking to retire within the next 10 years.

Maritime industries with the most workers nearing retirement were ship and boat building (589 jobs), support activities for water transportation (478 jobs), and seafood product preparation and packaging (322 jobs). The industry with the largest share of workers age 55 years and over was fishing (41%), where 74 covered jobs are held by workers age 55 years and over.

Information about the age of the workforce is from the U.S. Census Bureau's Quarterly Workforce Indicators. It is

based on covered employment that is combined with the age of individual workers from federal sources.

Employment Projected to be Steady through the Year 2034

The core maritime sector workforce is expected to remain steady between 2024 and 2034, according to projections from the Oregon Employment Department. That is a net increase of around 20 jobs. Ship and boat building is expected to add 81 jobs, the largest gain in the maritime sector. Seafood product preparation and packaging has the second largest gain, with 62 new jobs by 2034. On a percentage basis, marinas are expected to add the most jobs, growing 11% by 2034 (24 jobs).

Industries projected to have fewer jobs in 2034 are support

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State agency announces new housing in Lincoln City

The Oregon Housing Stability Council has approved funding for projects in Lincoln City, Bend, Phoenix, Roseburg, and Portland.

Oregon Housing and Community Services (OHCS) continues to expand housing opportunities, investing in the creation of 293 affordable homes, including 222 rental homes and 71 homes for purchase.

"Addressing Oregon's housing crisis requires more pathways to stable, affordable housing in communities throughout the state," OHCS Executive Director Andrea Bell said "These investments respond to distinct local needs — from helping communities recover from devastating wildfires to creating opportunities for more families to put down roots through homeownership."

Each development responds

to the needs of the community it will serve.

- **Makara Landing in Lincoln City** will expand its footprint by building 33 affordable homes for purchase, including five designed with universal accessibility features. The homes are nestled within a wooded neighborhood and offer convenient access to groceries, medical services, recreation, and public transit.
- Woodhaven Community Housing will create 38 new affordable homeownership opportunities in Bend. The project includes modern, energy-efficient homes, including six designed for accessibility, supporting long-term stability for Bend's essential workforce.
- Bennu Heights in Phoenix and Green Family Housing in

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Makara Landing in Lincoln City will expand its footprint by building 33 affordable homes for purchase, including five designed with universal accessibility features. (Metro Creative Connection)



This child joined a previous SOLVE beach cleanup effort along the Oregon Coast. (Courtesy photo)

Beach, Riverside Cleanup returns

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

From inland neighborhoods to rivers and the Oregon Coast, SOLVE is bringing communities together this September for its annual *Beach & Riverside Cleanup*, taking place September 18–27 across Oregon and Southwest Washington. Volunteer registration is now open for cleanup and restoration projects that help keep litter out of local waterways and protect the places communities love. For four decades, the *Beach & Riverside Cleanup* has connected volunteers across the region in a shared effort to remove litter, restore natural areas and protect beaches, rivers and public lands. This year, the event is joined by returning regional events including *Pick It Up, Milwaukie!* and *Pick It Up, Bend!*, both

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Local Bird Walks

SEVEN CAPES BIRD ALLIANCE

Seven Capes Bird Alliance welcomes residents and visitors alike to enjoy the start of fall birding!

Friday, September 11, 9-11 a.m.

Cascade Head Interpretive Wayside EXPLORIENCE

Cascade Head Interpretive Wayside, part of the Salmon River Estuary Restoration Area. We'll look for migrating warblers and other songbirds. The first part of the walk is on paved surfaces, followed by a short walk in the woods—about one mile in and back. Meet at the wayside on N. Fraser Rd just north of Lincoln City off Hwy 101. Sponsored by Explore Lincoln City

Saturday, September 12, 10 a.m.*-noon

Sitka Sedge State Natural Area

*Note starting time.

Sitka Sedge State Natural Area is 378 acres of diverse coastal habitat that is teeming with wildlife. The trail winds through tidal flats, saltwater marshes, and forested wetlands to the ocean. We'll look



Great Blue Heron and Great Egret. (Courtesy from Ruth Shelly)

for egrets and herons, songbirds, and migrating shorebirds. The walk begins on a wide path by the bay, then continues into the woods on a narrow, dirt path where walking sticks are recommended—a little over a mile in and back. Meet in the parking area off Sandlake Rd.

All Seven Capes Bird Alliance outings are free, family-friendly, easy to moderately easy, and open to the public; no pre-registration or experience is required. Dogs are not allowed.

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Dark & Stormy Nights at Driftwood Public Library

DRIFTWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Driftwood Public Library is delighted to announce the schedule of authors for its annual Dark & Stormy Night series. This will be the 23rd year in which the library invites authors of fiction from a range of genres to speak in Lincoln City. The series takes place at the library at 4:00 Thursday afternoons in October, beginning October 2nd.

Driftwood teamed with the late Marcy Taylor 23 years ago to bring Northwest mystery writers to the Oregon coast. That first year was so successful that the series has continued every October, with only one break while the library was closed for its renovation in the Autumn and early Winter of 2009. The series has expanded to include writers from other genres, including science fiction, fantasy, romance, westerns, and horror, sometimes all mashed together!

Meg Shaffer will open this year's series on September 24. Meg is the USA Today best-selling author of *The Wishing Game*, which was a Goodreads Choice Awards finalist, a Book-of-the-Month finalist for Book of the Year, a #1 Barnes & Noble best-seller, and a Reader's Digest Best Book of the Year. Her second novel was the instant national bestseller *The Lost Story* and her most recent book, *The Book Witch*, was released this Spring. Meg holds an MFA in TV and Screenwriting from Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri and is also a part-time creative writing instructor. Shaffer lives in Kentucky with her husband and two cats. When not watching Hitchcock films, she's reading *Star Trek* novels. When she's not reading *Star Trek* novels, she's napping. Her cats are not writers. She spent her Summer here in Oregon in sight of the *Goonies* house in Astoria.

The series continues

October 1 with a visit from Jeff VanderMeer. Jeff's bestselling, critically acclaimed novels include the *Borne* trilogy (*Borne*, *The Strange Bird*, and *Dead Astronauts*) and the *Southern Reach* series (*Annihilation*, *Authority*, *Acceptance*, *Absolution*, and the forthcoming *Abdication*). *Annihilation* won the Nebula Award and the Shirley Jackson Award and was adapted into a major motion picture by Alex Garland, starring Natalie Portman. The *Southern Reach* series has been translated into more than thirty languages and was a finalist for the Hugo Award. VanderMeer has given talks at MIT, Columbia, Yale, the Guggenheim, and Vanderbilt. He recently had the honor of delivering the John Hersey Memorial Address (Key West Literary Seminar) and the Walter Harding Lecture at SUNY Geneseo. Called "the weird Thoreau" by The

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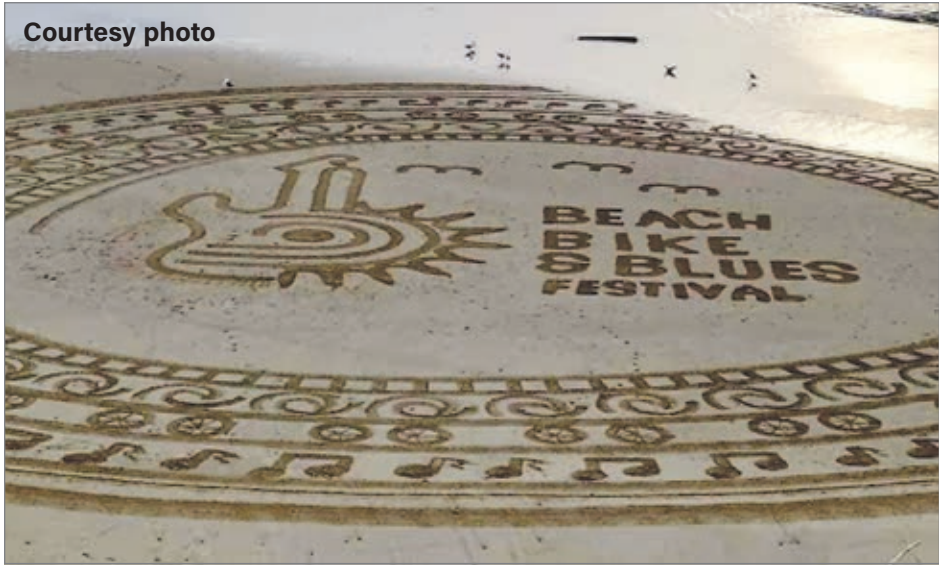
Driftwood Public Library Presents:

A Dark and Stormy Night

Thursdays at 4 PM

9/24: Meg Shaffer
10/1: Jeff VanderMeer
10/8: Laura Cranehill

10/15: Tammie Painter
10/22: Angela Sanders
10/29: Ken Pratt



Beach, Bike & Blues Festival

Beach, Bike & Blues Festival at Treasure Bay Resort is scheduled for Saturday, September 12 in Waldport. Come celebrate live blues music, coast-inspired food and beverages, a lively vendor fair, free pedi-cab rides, and a fun kids play area. Bring your dog, too!

Auditions for The Christmas Show



Red Octopus Theatre Company is reminding local actors and vocalists that they may take part in the community's upcoming holiday tradition The Christmas Show.

Open auditions for The Christmas Show will take place at 6 p.m. Monday, September 14, at the Newport Performing Arts Center, 777 W. Olive Street.

Written by Darcy Lawrence and co-directed by Lawrence and Richie Scott, this year's staging promises another festive,

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LIBRARY

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New Yorker, VanderMeer has had major environmental nonfiction appear in Time, The Nation, the Los Angeles Times, and Esquire, among other publications. Jeff splits his time between Oregon and Florida.

On October 8, we're delighted to welcome Laura Cranehill. Laura is an amalgamation of horrific faceless things living in the Pacific Northwest with their spouse and three children who they are raising to be amazing video game players. They were born in Michigan where they grew up on a haunted peacock farm, studied writing and neuroscience at UCSD, and were a Peace Corps volunteer in Morocco. Their prose and poetry has been published in Strange Horizons, Vastarien, ergot., Uncanny, and multiple award-winning anthologies. They

are a graduate of Viable Paradise and the Tin House Summer Workshop. Wife Shaped Bodies is their debut novel and was published to wide acclaim this spring.

Tammie Painter will be joining us on October 15. Many moons ago Tammie was a scientist in a neuroscience lab where she got to play with brains and illegal drugs. Now she takes wickedly strong tea and turns it into comic fantasy whodunits full of mythical misfits and magical mishaps that she hopes give you a giggle. Her tales run the gamut from the ever-expanding Cassie Black Trilogy with its wryly humorous paranormal mysteries to the comical fantasy whodunits in The Circus of Unusual Creatures, and from light-hearted novellas celebrating her love of books to short fiction in which she really flexes her myth-loving and humor-craving muscles! When she's not creating worlds or killing

off characters, she can be found gardening, planning her next travel adventure, concocting some sort of mess in the kitchen, or working as an unpaid servant to a very spoiled cat and a garden full of nut-addicted squirrels. Her most recent book is Death Takes a Holiday, published in August, and the first on a series which features a very bored Grim Reaper and an elderly detective who has no time for his nonsense.

On October 22 we welcome Angela Sanders. Before venturing into fiction, Angela was a congressional investigator focusing on nuclear waste and natural resource policies. Her interviewees ranged from fishermen off the Florida Keys to managers at chemical companies in the Czech Republic to workers at the heart of a nuclear reactor manufacturing weapons-grade tritium. Angela is the author of the bestselling Witch Way Librarian cozy

mysteries and the Joanna Hayworth vintage clothing mysteries. As Clover Tate, she wrote the Kite Shop cozy mysteries. Angela's nonfiction writing includes features articles for Culture, Portland Monthly, Portland, and Edible Portland magazines, among others. Her love of perfume earned her a long-running column in the popular blog Now Smell This and led to articles for Nez, a perfume magazine based in Paris. Angela's newest series, the Sixth Sense mysteries, debuted this year with A Whiff of Murder. Slay It by Ear follows in February 2027. When Angela isn't at her laptop, she's often lounging with a vintage crime novel at home in Portland.

The series will conclude on October 29 with a visit from Lincoln City writer Ken Pratt. Ken is a husband, father, and grandfather, and in his spare time, he writes Christian-based novels and

some children's stories too. Ken was raised in the small farming community of Dayton, where he learned the value of having a strong work ethic among other small-town values. Ken now lives in Lincoln City with his wife of twenty-nine years, Cathy. Together Ken and Cathy have raised five children and now have eight grandchildren. When it comes to Ken's philosophy about writing books, he says, "I don't think it takes a PhD or a doctorate degree to figure out life can be unfair." Simply put, Ken writes about real life issues in a western setting in the rough and wild Pacific Northwest. However, he never set out to be a writer. He worked full time and wrote late at night for seven years to complete his first book, Willow Falls. When Willow Falls was completed, he began writing the follow-up book, Sweethome. Those two books started Ken on an

unexpected journey toward being the full-time author of the best-selling Matt Bannister Series, which is now made up of eighteen titles. His most recent books are the Jessup County Chronicles, which includes The Gypsum Creek Massacre, Caustic October, and The Jester's Magician.

All events in the Dark & Stormy Night series are free to the public and made possible by ongoing generous support from The Driftwood Library Foundation and Looking Glass Inn, Pelican Shores Inn, and Shearwater Inn.

Questions about the series may be directed to Ken Hobson at Driftwood Public Library: 541-996-1242 or khobson@lincolncity.org. Driftwood Public Library is located at 801 SW HWY 101 in Lincoln City on the 2nd floor of the City Hall building, across the street from Burger King and adjacent to McKay's Market.

CLEANUP

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entering their second year, as well as SOLVE's *Clean & Green Series* in Vancouver.

"Protecting our waterways starts in the communities where we live, work and play," said Kris Carico, CEO of SOLVE. "Every piece of litter we prevent from entering a storm drain, creek or river is one less piece that can travel downstream. The Beach & Riverside Cleanup reminds us that our actions are connected, from inland communities to rivers and ultimately to the coast."

From Inland Communities to the Coast

Litter doesn't stay where it is dropped. Rain and runoff can carry trash from streets, parks and neighborhoods into storm drains, streams and rivers, eventually reaching the ocean. Protecting our waterways therefore requires action at every point along the way.

The Beach & Riverside Cleanup brings that source-to-sea connection

to life, with volunteer opportunities ranging from coastal beaches and riverbanks to neighborhood parks and community spaces. Together, volunteers remove litter, restore natural areas, and help protect the waterways that connect communities across the region.

The 2026 cleanup also aligns with several national and global efforts highlighting the importance of protecting waterways and public lands, including International Coastal Cleanup Day (September 19), National Public Lands Day (September 26) and World Rivers Day (September 27).

Regional Action, Close to Home

The Beach & Riverside Cleanup is part of SOLVE's broader network of opportunities for communities to take action close to home.

After successful inaugural events last year, *Pick It Up, Milwaukie!* and *Pick It Up, Bend!* are returning for a second year. These large-scale community cleanups bring residents, businesses and volunteers together to care for the

places they know and love, and help prevent litter from reaching local waterways.

In Vancouver, SOLVE's *Clean & Green* series brings cleanup and restoration projects to community-loved parks and natural areas. SOLVE is also making it easier for local leaders to organize their own volunteer projects through its Vancouver supply hub, providing access to cleanup supplies and resources closer to where community action is happening.

Together, these efforts reflect SOLVE's year-round approach to community action: connecting people with opportunities to care for their neighborhoods, natural areas and waterways while contributing to a cleaner, greener, and more resilient region.

KEY EVENTS ACROSS THE REGION

Coastal Cleanups

Communities in six Oregon counties, Tillamook, Lincoln, Lane, Clatsop, Curry and Benton, will participate in the *Beach & Riverside Cleanup*, with the majority of coastal cleanup

events taking place on International Coastal Cleanup Day, September 19. Volunteers will come together to remove litter from beaches and coastal areas, joining a global effort to protect waterways and prevent marine debris from reaching the ocean.

Pick It Up, Milwaukie! | September 19

In partnership with Bob's Red Mill, SOLVE is bringing back *Pick It Up, Milwaukie!* for its second year. Volunteers will clean up downtown streets, business corridors and Milwaukie Bay Park, including the river's edge, before joining the community's Sustainability Fair.

Clean & Green Vancouver | September 19

SOLVE's *Clean & Green* series will bring volunteers together at Vancouver's Waterfront Park, downtown and the Renaissance Trail to remove litter and care for community spaces. The event highlights SOLVE's continued commitment to bringing cleanup and restoration opportunities to communities across Southwest Washington.

Pick It Up, Bend! | September 27

Returning for its second year, *Pick It Up, Bend!* will bring volunteers together at the Old Mill District and Hayden Homes Amphitheater to clean up Bend's community spaces. The cleanup will lead into SOLVE's partnership with the Jack Johnson concert that evening as a Village Green partner, extending the day's focus on community and environmental action. (*Participation in the cleanup does not provide access to concert tickets.*)

Get Involved

SOLVE invites individuals, families, schools, businesses and community groups to join a Beach & Riverside Cleanup project, participate in a regional event or explore opportunities to lead their own cleanup or restoration project.

Whether volunteers are picking up litter along the coast, restoring a neighborhood park or cleaning up an inland community, every action helps protect the waterways that connect us all.

Registration and event information are

available at solveoregon.org/beach-riverside 2026 Beach & Riverside Cleanup Sponsors

SOLVE's *2026 Beach & Riverside Cleanup* is proudly supported by Clean Water Services, Metro, National Recreation and Park Association, Oregon State Park & Recreation, Owens Corning, Tillamook, Harper Houf Peterson Righellis Inc., and KOIN.

About SOLVE

SOLVE brings communities together to take care of our environment and enhance our waterways. Since 1969, the organization has grown from a small, grassroots initiative to a national model of volunteer action. Today, SOLVE mobilizes and trains thousands of volunteers of all ages across Oregon, and SW Washington, to clean and restore our neighborhoods and natural areas, while empowering a community of environmental stewards for our state.

Visit solve.org for more information or follow SOLVEPNW on Instagram, Facebook, LinkedIn.

Lincoln County Leader

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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.

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Binoculars and guide-books are provided.

Outings are held rain or shine; dress appropriately for coastal weather and muddy trails. Be sure to carry water. Look for the Seven Capes sign at the

Support these Local Nonprofit Community Organizations!



Samaritan HOUSE

501(c)(3) nonprofit organization

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



Please donate

meeting site. For details and any cancellations, check our website (sevendecapes.org) or Facebook (@sevendecapesbirds).

Seven Capes Bird Alliance was founded as Audubon Society of Lincoln City in 2005. A

SHOW

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family-friendly celebration of holiday-themed sketch comedy for audiences of all ages. The production will run for one weekend only, with performances scheduled December 18 through December 20, 2026, on the Alice Silverman Stage.

The directors are seeking actors and vocalists aged 14 and older. Performers of all experience levels are welcome, from seasoned stage veterans to those stepping into

the theatre for the first time. There is no need to prepare a monologue — everyone will be asked to read from the script.

Those who would like to be considered as a featured vocalist should come prepared to sing 30 seconds of one of the recommended songs (see website for details). Note: Local actors involved in other productions who have rehearsal at 6 p.m. are invited to audition at 5 p.m. instead.

For more information, please visit: coastarts.org/events/auditions-the-christmas-show

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'Friends for Life' aims to prevent overdoses among Oregon youth, young adults

OREGON HEALTH AUTHORITY

As students return to high school and college, Oregon and Washington state public health and education leaders are encouraging young people and their loved ones to look out for one another through Friends for Life, a new overdose prevention effort focused on teens and young adults ages 13 to 25.

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and the Oregon Department of Education (ODE), in partnership with the Washington State Health Care Authority, are bringing resources to Oregon to help young people and families talk about fentanyl and other drugs, prevent overdoses, recognize the signs of an overdose and use naloxone.

“Young people want to be there for their



Learn more and access resources at www.orfriendsforlife.com. (Courtesy photo)

friends, so we need to equip young people and the adults in their lives to talk openly about drugs, mental health and supporting each other,” said Tom Jeanne, M.D., MPH, deputy state health officer and deputy epidemiologist at OHA. “With Friends for Life, we’re recognizing the importance of relationships to keep our communities safe and healthy.”

The campaign offers practical, youth-focused

resources in English and Spanish at www.orfriendsforlife.com, including information on fentanyl, fake pills, overdose prevention, naloxone, treatment and recovery.

“Our schools play an essential role in helping students build the knowledge, skills and trusted relationships they need to make healthy, informed decisions,” said ODE Director Charlene Williams. “By partnering

with families, communities and public health leaders, we can give young people tools to recognize risks, support one another, and know what to do in an emergency.”

Why it matters

Oregon’s overdose deaths have declined over the past two years, reaching a four-year low in 2025. But fentanyl and methamphetamine remain major drivers of overdose deaths, with more than

90% of reported overdose deaths involving fentanyl, methamphetamine or both.

Young people ages 24 and younger accounted for 4% of Oregon’s overdose deaths in 2024. Although youth and young adults represent a small percentage of overdose deaths in Oregon, preventing substance use early in life dramatically reduces future risk of substance use disorder and other related health outcomes.

Fifty-nine youth and young adults died from drug overdoses that year, down from 106 in 2023.

Importantly, more than half of youth overdose events involved someone else being present, meaning a friend, family member or other bystander may have been able to call 911 and administer naloxone.

Resources for schools, families, communities

Friends for Life

includes:

- A free toolkit for schools and community organizations with materials in seven languages, including posters, wallet cards, rack cards and social media content.
- Technical assistance to help schools and community partners adapt the campaign for their communities.

Oregon’s Friends for Life campaign is supported by federal funding from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

“We hope Friends for Life can help us take care of each other by preventing addiction and drug use before it starts, as well as giving people the tools to stay safe,” Jeanne said.

Learn more and access resources at www.orfriendsforlife.com.

Ready Oregon Youth Art Contest for Preparedness Month

The Oregon Department of Emergency Management (OEM) invites young artists across the state to participate in the Ready Oregon Youth Art Contest and show us what community preparedness means to them.

Oregon youth in grades K–12 are encouraged to create an original piece of art showing how people can work together to prepare for emergencies and disasters such as earthquakes, wildfires, floods, winter storms and more.

Need some inspiration? Learn how you, your family and your community can prepare for emergencies through Oregon’s Be 2 Weeks Ready program.

Who can enter?

The contest is **free** and open to all youth in grades K–12 in Oregon.

Entries will be judged in four grade-level categories:

- Kindergarten–2nd grade
- 3rd–5th grade
- 6th–8th grade
- 9th–12th grade

Each category will recognize a First Place, Runner-Up and Honorable Mention.

Youth may submit one entry each.

Artwork Requirements

Artwork should creatively answer the question: What does community preparedness mean to you?

Whether preparedness means neighbors helping neighbors, families building emergency kits, communities practicing evacuation plans or people looking out for one another during a disaster, we want to see preparedness through the eyes of Oregon’s youth.

Submissions must meet the following requirements:

- **Medium:** Original two-dimensional artwork, including painting, drawing or mixed media.
- **Size:** Between 8" × 10" and 11"× 14".
- **Format:** Artwork must be created on a flat surface. Canvas, cardstock or poster board are recommended.
- **Original work:** Artwork must be 100% original and created solely by the student. AI-generated images and copyrighted

characters are not permitted.

How to Enter

Each submission must include the following information:

- Artist’s name
- Grade level
- Name of parent, guardian or other contact person
- Contact person’s relationship to the artist
- Contact person’s phone number
- Contact person’s email address
- A short description of the artwork

Artwork may be mailed to the Oregon Department of Emergency Management or dropped off at an approved local, county or Tribal emergency management office.

Approved Artwork Drop-Off Locations

Ready Oregon Youth Art Contest entries may be dropped off at any of the approved locations below. Please review each location’s hours and instructions before visiting.

Eastern Oregon

Malheur County Emergency Management

151 B St. W.
Vale, OR 97918
Please address or deliver artwork to the Malheur County Emergency Manager.

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) – Public Safety Building

46400 Timíne Way
Pendleton, OR 97801
Drop-off location: Public Safety Building lobby

Northwest Oregon

Grand Ronde Fire Station

28480 McPherson Drive
Grand Ronde, OR 97347
Hours: Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Willamina Fire Station

825 Main Street
Willamina, OR 97396
Hours: Monday–Friday, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

Please note: Emergency services staff may occasionally be away from the stations while responding to calls or emergencies.

Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office – Support Services

225 W. Olive Street,
Room 203
Newport, OR 97365
Hours:

Monday–Thursday 8 a.m.–noon and 1–5 p.m.
Closed noon–1 p.m. and Fridays.

Drop-off instructions: Enter through the courthouse public entrance and proceed through security. Once inside, go upstairs to the service window at Room 203 and provide the artwork to staff.

Willamette Valley
City of Eugene – The Atrium

99 W. 10th Avenue
Eugene, OR
Drop-off location: Reception desk
Hours: Noon–4 p.m.
Please route artwork to: Althea Sullivan
North Central Oregon

Wheeler County Sheriff’s Office

701 Adams Street
Fossil, OR 97830
Hours: Monday–Friday, 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
Mailing Option
Artwork may also be mailed directly to: **Oregon Department of Emergency Management**
3930 Fairview
Industrial Drive SE
Salem, OR 97302
Please ensure mailed entries arrive by the contest deadline: 5 p.m. Friday, September 25, 2026.

Important Dates

All entries must be received by 5 p.m. Friday, September 25, 2026.

Winners will be notified by Friday, October 2, 2026.

Get creative, get prepared and show us what a ready Oregon looks like to you!

Fraud Alert Community Presentation

A representative from Oregon Division of Financial Regulation will hold an informational meeting on How to spot, avoid and report scams, from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. September 12.

This public event is hosted by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, located at 1006 Range Drive, in Waldport. Members of the public are invited to attend.



Kanopy is a streaming service offering a diverse selection of movies, documentaries, independent and international films, classic cinema, and educational programming.(Courtesy photo)

Newport Public Library announces new Kanopy Streaming Service

The Newport Public Library cardholders now have access to Kanopy, a streaming service offering a diverse selection of movies, documentaries, independent and international films, classic cinema, and educational programming.

Kanopy provides patrons with a convenient way to enjoy quality video content from home or on the go. The service offers a variety of titles for adults, children, and families, including critically acclaimed films, documentaries, independent productions, and educational content.

Access to Kanopy is available at no additional cost to Newport Public Library cardholders. Patrons will need a valid

Library card and PIN to create an account and begin streaming. Kanopy can be accessed through a computer, smartphone, tablet, or compatible television device.

The addition of Kanopy expands the Library’s digital collection and provides another way for community members to access entertainment, cultural programming, and educational resources. The service supports the Library’s commitment to providing equitable access to information, learning, and cultural experiences for the community.

Digital resources such as Kanopy make it easier for patrons to access Library services beyond the Library’s physical

location, providing convenient opportunities to discover new content, explore different perspectives, and learn at their own pace.

Beginning September 1, patrons can access Kanopy through the Newport Public Library’s online catalog at <https://newportlibrary.aspendiscovery.org/kanopy>. Those who need assistance obtaining a Library card or setting up their PIN are encouraged to contact the Library.

For more information about Kanopy and other digital resources available through the Newport Public Library, please visit www.newportlibrary.org or contact the Newport Public Library at 541-265-2153.

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Creative Coloring

Color in this picture to create your own masterpiece.



1936: The first world individual Speedway World Championship is held at Wembley Stadium in London.

1960: Abebe Bikila becomes the first sub-Saharan African to win an Olympic gold medal.

2002: Switzerland becomes a full member of the U.N.

Holiday FACT:

This event celebrates the culture and contributions of people who trace their roots to Spain, Mexico, Central America, South America, and the Caribbean.

Answer: Hispanic Heritage Month

Double Word Puzzle

Unscramble the individual words to reveal letters for the phrase.

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Answers: custom, story, people, diet; History and culture

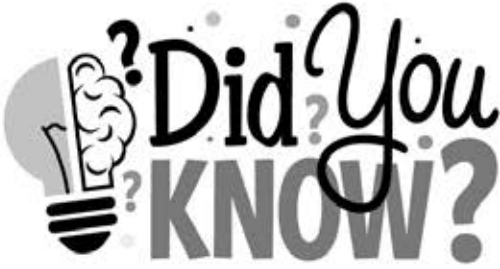


HISPANIC

people and cultures related to Spain and the Spanish language



English: Heritage
Spanish: Herencia
Italian: Eredità
French: Héritage
German: Erbe



National Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated each year from September 15 to October 15.



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

Answer: Pinata

MELODIOUS WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

ACOUSTIC
ANTHEM
BALLAD
CADENCE
CHORD
CRESCENDO
DYNAMIC
ENSEMBLE
HARMONY
IMPROVISE
LYRICS
MELODY
OCTAVE
OVERTURE
RHAPSODY
RHYTHM
SERENADE
SOLO
SONATA
STACCATO
SYMPHONY
TEMPO
TIMBRE
VIBRATO

Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

TONIGHT'S THE NIGHT, FELLAS. WE HAVE BRIGHT CLEAR SKIES AND REALLY GOOD VISIBILITY!

WE'RE BOUND TO SEE AN ALIEN. HECK, WE COULD BE THE FIRST TO WELCOME HIM TO EARTH.

UH... IF WE DO, WHAT WOULD WE DO WITH HIM?

I'M SORRY, WHOEVER THIS IS CAN'T SPEND THE NIGHT UNLESS I CAN SPEAK WITH HIS MOTHER.

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

SHOT THROUGH THE HEART AND YOU'RE TO BLAME. YOU GIVE LUH V VVE A BAD NAME...

OPEN MIC NIGHT ON MARS

A BAD NAME...

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

GULP.

OOPS...

...THERE GOES ANY SHOT I HAD AT GETTING PAROLE

TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

I GET THE CREEPS GOING BY OL' MRS. HEATH'S HOUSE

BEHIND THIS FENCE IS A BIG DOG THAT SCARES ME

EEEK! THAT LIMB COULD FALL ON ME!

YOU WALK ON THE SIDE NEAR THE EDGE, TIGER

TRAFFIC NOISE FRIGHTENS ME!

YOU GUYS COME TO SEE THIS NEW HORROR MOVIE, TOO?

OLIVE & POPEYE

By Randy Milholland

POPEYE AND POMEROY FELL DOWN THIS HOLE? IT'S SO FAR DOWN.

FAR ENOUGH DOWN THAT THEY ARE AT LEAST HURT AND YOU CAN'T GET TO 'EM!

WHY'D YOU TIE ME TO THIS ROCK?

STOP!

DON'T ASK QUESTIONS IF YE DON'T WANT 'EM ANSWERED.

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Hand is missing. 2. Paper on desk is missing. 3. Desk is not as wide. 4. Window is not as wide. 5. The is different. 6. Blinds are higher.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

THEY SAY, "IT'S THE THOUGHT THAT COUNTS." AT LEAST THAT'S WHAT TRAVIS AT THE TRUCKSTOP GIFT COUNTER SAID.

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: P equals S

PWAZGQH PTAAL WELQLEAP LXQL,
TXAB ZEBPKCAV, ZQKPA SEHMP
LE PWAQM CEFA SFQBMHJ:
ZQBVGV JQCP.

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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.

L DBBX ELVA OLU XUFPJUK
XBV'W VJJX KJLW QJNWK LK
EHOS LK WSJA VJJX
KWULFDSW RLOGJWK.
— KBHUOJ HVGVBVCV

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. LITERATURE: Which author published his only novel in 1890, "The Picture of Dorian Gray"?

2. GEOGRAPHY: What well-known scenic destination includes Horseshoe Falls and Goat Island?

3. MOVIES: Which animated movie features 10,297 balloons?

4. TELEVISION: What is Eleven's favorite food in "Stranger Things"?

5. LANGUAGE: What is a stannary?

6. ANATOMY: What is a pyrogen?

7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the fastest flying insect?

8. FOOD & DRINK: What is carpaccio?

9. SCIENCE: What is the warmest ocean in the world?

10. CHEMISTRY: What is a common name for sodium bicarbonate?

Trivia answers

1. Oscar Wilde.

2. Niagara Falls, New York.

3. "Up."

4. Eggo waffles.

5. Tin mining district.

6. A fever-inducing agent.

7. Horsefly.

8. Seasoned slices of raw beef or fish.

9. Indian Ocean.

10. Baking soda.

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Cryptoquote

answer

A good many car drivers don't need seat belts as much as they need straight jackets. — Source Unknown

SCRAMBLERS

Solution

1. Synonym; 2. Brief 3. Ghoul; 4. Sprain

Today's Word

FAMILY

Cryptoquip

answer

Special sweet potatoes that, when consumed, cause folks to speak more frankly: candied yams.

SCRABLERS

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!

Restore MYSONNY

Short FIBER

Fiend LOUGH

Injury ASPRIN

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LCL26-418 CITY OF NEWPORT NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING.
The Newport City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 21, 2026 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers to consider File No. 3-Z-26, amendments to Newport Municipal Code (NMC) Chapters 14.01, 14.11, 14.12, 14.13, 14.16, 14.17, 14.18, 14.31, and 14.46, addressing setbacks and required yards. The principal objectives of the amendments are to clean up terminology and internal consistency between setbacks, which are linear distances, and yards, which are spatial zones, and to update related provisions in response to recent state law changes involving mid-level housing and middle housing land divisions. Among other things, the amendments revise or add definitions for "Lot Line (Front)," "Setback," "Right-of-Way," "Street," and "Private Driveway" to align with state law changes allowing unconventional frontage; revise the garage and carport entrance setback standard (NMC 14.11.030); standardize the eave projection allowance to 24 inches; add savings clauses to the minimum lot size and density provisions; revise accessory building and accessory dwelling unit front yard placement rules; correct screening and buffering standards in Chapter 14.18 to use setback terminology; and add a setback measurement standard, illustrative graphics, and rule to NMC 14.11.010 for how setbacks apply to Middle Housing Land Divisions. Pursuant to Newport Municipal Code (NMC) Section 14.36.010, the City Council must find that the changes are required by public necessity and the general welfare of the community in order for them to be adopted. Testimony and evidence must be directed toward the request above or other criteria.

including criteria within the Comprehensive Plan and its implementing ordinances, which the person believes to apply 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 testimony and written testimony will be taken during the course of the public hearing. The hearing may include a report by staff, testimony from the applicant and proponents, testimony from opponents, rebuttal by the applicant, and questions and deliberation by the City Council. Written testimony sent to the Community Development (Planning) Department, City Hall, 169 SW Coast Hwy, Newport, OR 97365, must be received by 2:00 p.m. the day of the hearing to be included as part of the hearing or must be personally presented during testimony at the public hearing. The proposed code amendments, additional material for the amendments, and any other material in the file may be reviewed or a copy purchased at the Newport Community Development Department (address above). Contact d.tokos@communitydevelopmentdirector.com (541) 574-0626, d.tokos@newportoregon.gov (address above). 9/9/26

LCL26-419 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN
Probate Department In the Matter of the Estate of RUSSELL GLENN STARNES, Deceased, Case No. 26PB07550 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative of the above-captioned estate. The lawyer for the personal representative is Laura A. Laskey, OSB#202484, of LaLaLaw LLC. All persons having a claim against this estate are required to present to the undersigned personal representative at 2604 NE HWY 101, Ste B, Lincoln City, OR 97367, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyer for the personal representative. DATED AND PUBLISHED ON: September 9, 2026. /s/ Michael Kenneth Robinson, Personal Representative 9/9/26

LCL26-422 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819
Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 9/21/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by ROWLEY'S TOWING 4822 S COAST HWY S. BEACH, OR 97367 HOND CIV 4D VIN = 19XFC1F9XME06365 Amount due on lien \$6862.10 Reputed owner(s) > RIGOBERTO VALDIVIA BARRERA LENDBUZZ FUNDING

LLC 9/9/26 9/16/26
LCL26-423 SELF STORAGE PUBLIC SALE
Safe-Lock Storage 3639 SE Ash St. South Beach, Oregon 97366 Saturday, 9/26/2026 @ 10:00am. B15 - Andrew Tierney, M03 - KC Nichols. Sale Subject to Cancellation. Safe-Lock Storage reserves the Right to refuse any and all bids. 9/9/26 9/16/26

LCL26-420 PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC
NOTICE is hereby given that the two-year period for the redemption of real properties included in the 2024 delinquent tax lien foreclosure proceedings instituted by Lincoln County, Oregon on September 28, 2024 in the circuit court of the State of Oregon for Lincoln County, suit No. 24CV41691 and entered therein on October 03, 2024, will expire on October 03, 2026. All properties ordered sold under the judgment, unless redeemed on or before October 03, 2026, will be deemed to Lincoln County, Oregon, immediately upon expiration of the period of redemption, and every right and interest of any person in such properties will be forfeited forever to Lincoln County, Oregon. Jayne

Welch, Tax Collector Lincoln County, Oregon 9/9/26 6/16/26
LCL26-421 A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
of Central Lincoln PUD will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 17, 2026 at 2129 N. Coast Hwy, Newport, Oregon. In addition to regular business, an Executive Session will be held in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(e), (f) and (h) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by governing body to negotiate real property transitions, to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection and to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. To review the meeting agenda, please go to clpd.org. Customers interested in attending the meeting virtually can email info@clpd.org to make a request. 9/9/26

LCL26-427 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
Claims against the Estate of Ronald Wayne Collins, Deceased, Lincoln County Circuit Court Case No. 26PB07722 are required

to be presented to the Personal Representative, Josephine Benson, c/o Sandra G. Stone, 150 SE 80th Avenue, Portland, OR 97215 within (4) months from September 9, 2026 the date of first publication, or such claims may be barred. Any person whose rights may be affected by the proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the attorneys for the Personal Representative. Sandra G. Stone Attorney. 9/9/26

LCL26-426 THE PACIFIC COMMUNITIES HEALTH DISTRICT
Board of Directors will hold a Virtual meeting on Tuesday, September 15, 2026, at 1:00 p.m. by Microsoft Teams or in person at Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital. Conference room 1, 930 SW Abbey St., Newport, Oregon 97365. Persons interested in joining the Virtual meeting must have the Microsoft Teams downloaded on a personal computer or cell phone. To request a Teams Meeting invite please email kdkosum@samhealth.org or call 541-574-4674. To join by phone (audio only) option, directly call 1-971-254-1254, followed by Conference ID: 856 048 271#.

Agenda: Call to Order, Additions or Change to Agenda, Approval of Minutes from August 18, 2026, Invitation for Citizen Comments, Legal Counsel Report, Financial Reports, Hospital Update, Foundation Update, Construction/Facilities/Water Resiliency Update, Board Items, Adjourn. 9/9/26

LCL26-425 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN
Probate Dept. Case No. 26PB07224 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS In the Matter of the Estate of Toni L. Hearn, Deceased, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Gary Gurwell has been appointed as the personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned attorneys for the personal representative at 2850 SW Cedar Hills Blvd., #1403, Beaverton, OR 97005, 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 rep-

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PRICE REDUCED
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Ocean View Laurel Crest Home has beautiful sunsets, great living space, & level backyard. This 4BD, 3BA offers large fam. rm, bonus rm, abundant storage, & oversized garage, along w/RV parking. Interior highlights: granite counters + wood & tile flooring. 26-993 / Newport \$764,000
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representative, or the attorneys for the personal representative. Dated and first published on September 9, 2026. Lea A. Gifford, OSB No. 162881 Pacific North Law, P.C. Attorneys for Personal Representative 2850 SW Cedar Hills Blvd., #1403 Beaverton, OR 97005 Tel: (503) 387-3491 Email: lea@pacif-icnorthlaw.com Published: Sept 9, 16, 23. Gary Gurnwell Personal Representative 9/9/26 9/26/26 9/23/26

LCL26-416 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819

Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 9/15/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by ROWLEY'S TOWING 4822 S COAST HWY S, BEACH, OR 1969 CHEV CAM VIN = 124379L509596 Amount due on lien \$5340.00 Reputed owner(s) > MARTIN & JAMIE MORRIS CASCADE FOREST PRODUCTS CREDIT UNIO 9/2/26 9/9/26

LCL26-415 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819

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LCL26-413 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: Nomad; Official number: OR466MG; Reputed owner: Travis Collier F/V Nomad; Last known address: PO Box 131, Philomath, OR 97370; Security interest holder: Clint Henry Young, 1609 Talbot Rd SE, Jefferson, OR 97352; Amount of claim of lien: \$9,002.30 (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: \$5,538.32. BIDS ACCEPTED UNTIL: Wednesday, October 7, 2026, Email bids to: mbrown@portofnewport.com OR bid s.e 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. 9/2/26 9/9/26

LCL26-407 TS NO. OR07000003-26-1 APN R273190 II 07-10-03-A0-00700-00 TO NO 260004939-OR-MSI TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by, TAMMIE WEISGRAM AND STUART MCWILLIAMS, AS TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETY as Grantor to WESTERN TITLE & ESCROW COMPANY as Trustee, in favor of

ment, its successors and assigns, dated as of March 23, 2022 and recorded on March 25, 2022 as Instrument No. 2022-03184 and the beneficial interest was assigned to LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICE, LLC and recorded January 10, 2025 as Instrument Number 2025-00181 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Lincoln County, Oregon to-wit: APN: R273190 II 07-10-03-A0-00700-00 PARCEL 1, PARTITION PLAT 21-1996, RECORDED APRIL 10, 1996, PARTITION PLAT RECORDS OF LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON. Commonly known as: 215 N DEER DR, OTIS, OR 97368 Both the Beneficiary, Lakeview Loan Servicing, LLC, 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 09/01/2025 to 01/30/2026 at \$2,554.66 6 Monthly Payment(s) from 02/01/2026 to 07/25/2026 at \$2,564.26 Total Late Charge(s): Total Late Charge(s) at \$217.68 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 \$326,178.12 together with interest thereon at the rate of 4.62500% per annum from August 1, 2025 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 December 8, 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 of 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 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. Effective March 1, 2026, new federal regulations (89 Fed. Reg. 70.258) may impact residential

anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers Dated: 7/16/2026 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 NPP0492128 TO: LINCOLN COUNTY LEADER 08/26/2026, 09/02/2026, 09/09/2026, 09/16/2026

LCL26-406 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS NO.: 144814-OR LOAN NO.: *****1000

Reference is made to that certain trust deed (the "Deed of Trust") executed by JEREMY LOUIS BECKNER AND JENNIFER LEE BECKNER, AS TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETY, as Grantor, to OLD REPUBLIC NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR SUN WEST MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC., BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 12/17/2021, recorded 12/28/2021, as Instrument No. 2021-16148, in the Official Records of Lincoln County, Oregon, which covers the following described real property situated in Lincoln County, Oregon: LOT 21, NEWPORT UPLANDS, IN THE CITY OF NEWPORT, COUNTY OF LINCOLN AND STATE OF OREGON. APN: R508441 / 10-11-20-BD-01000-00 Commonly known as: 235 NE 71ST PL NEWPORT, OR 97365-9595 The current beneficiary is: SUN WEST MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the above-described real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and notice has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to pay when due, the following sums: Delinquent Payments: Dates: 6/1/2025 - 8/1/2026 Total: \$40,132.76 Late Charges: \$0.00 Beneficiary Advances: \$2,636.48 Total Required to Reinstate: \$42,769.24 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$488,067.82 By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by the Deed of Trust immediately due and payable, including: the principal sum of \$464,993.93 together with interest thereon at the rate of 2.75 % per annum, from 5/1/2025 until paid, plus all accrued late charges, and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs, and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust Whereof, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee, CLEAR RECON CORP whose address is 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225, San Diego, CA 92108, will on 12/17/2026, at the hour of 10:00 AM, standard time, as established by ORS 187-110, AT THE OLIVE STREET ENTRANCE TO THE LINCOLN COUNTEY COURTHOUSE, 225 W OLIVE STREET, NEWPORT, OR 97365, sell at public auction to the highest bidder in the form of cash equivalent (certified funds or cashier's check) the interest in the above-described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time it executed the Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of the Deed of Trust, 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 ORS 86.778 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than the portion of principal that would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorneys' fees, and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the

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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 the Deed of Trust, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 8/5/2026 CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, CA 92108 Phone: 858-750-7777 866-931-0036 Hamsa Uchi, Authorized Signatory of Trustee 8/26/26 9/2/26 9/9/26 9/16/26

LCL26-400 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE LOAN NO: 344517 T.S. NO.: 26-21031

Reference is made to that certain deed made by, ROBERT E. KELLY AND ALICE JO KELLY as Grantor, to LINCOLN COUNTY TITLE & ESCROW COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of SECURITY BANK, as Beneficiary, dated 10/2/1992, recorded 10/5/1992, in official records of Lincoln County, Oregon as Instrument No. 6086195 (indicated which), covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to-wit: APN: R318636 | 07-11-02-AD-04600-00 LOT 7 AND 8, BLOCK E, WABUSNA HEIGHTS FIRST ADDITION, IN THE CITY OF LINCOLN CITY, COUNTY OF LINCOLN AND STATE OF OREGON. Property Commonly known as: 4143 NE "C" Avenue, Neotsu, Oregon 97364 Both the beneficiary

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default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's: The installment of principal and interest and escrow amounts, if applicable, which became due on 12/1/2025, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest and escrow amounts through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premium, 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 the preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or payoff. By this reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said deed of trust immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to-wit: The sum of \$32,553.00 together with interest thereon at the rate of 8 % per annum from 11/1/2025 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 deed of trust. Whereof, notice hereby is given that Ghidotti Berger, LLP, the undersigned trustee will on 12/30/2026 at the hour of 10:00 AM, Standard of Time, as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, at At the front entrance to the Lincoln County Courthouse, 225 W Olive, Newport, OR 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

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. 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 or as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, the words "trustee" and ' beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. The Trustee has authorized the undersigned attorney to sign this instrument on behalf of the Trustee. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representation 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. For Sale Information Call: (949) 776-4697 website: https://prestigepostandpub.com For further information, please contact: Ghidotti Berger, LLP 1920 Old Tustin Ave. Santa Ana, California 92705 Phone: 949-427-2010 Dated: 8/3/2026 Ghidotti Berger, LLP Signature By: Daniel Ross OSB #112979 PPP #26-008483 8/19/26 8/26/26 9/2/26 9/9/26

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NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET HEARING

The City Council of the City of Lincoln City, Lincoln County, State of Oregon, will hold a public hearing to consider a supplemental budget proposal for the fiscal year July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2027 at its next regularly scheduled public meeting. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the supplemental budget with interested persons. The meeting will take place on Monday September 14th at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

FUND: GENERAL FUND			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1		1	Police 20,000
2		2	Contingency -20,000
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
23,591,522		23,591,522	
Comments:			
To increase appropriation for Police to fund purchase of software to manage evidence room items.			

FUND: STREETS CAPITAL			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance 552,707	1	Street Improvements 552,707
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
4,325,677		4,325,677	
Comments:			
To increase appropriation for Logan to Neptune 66th to 63rd rebuild by \$575,000 and reduce capital contingency by \$22,293.			

FUND: TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance 64,201	1	Capital Outlay 64,201
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
787,436		787,436	
Comments:			
To increase budget for Hwy 101 (SE 32nd to Theater) Sidewalk by \$20,000 and to increase budget for SE 48th Place Reconstruction by \$44,201.			

FUND: N HWY 101 IMPROVEMENTS			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance -5,164	1	Capital Outlay -5,164
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
137,329		137,329	
Comments:			
To reduce capital contingency by \$5,164.			

FUND: WATER CAPITAL FUND			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance 16,120	1	Water Improvements 16,120
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
4,372,522		4,372,522	
Comments:			
To increase capital contingency by \$16,120.			

FUND: WATER SDC REIMBURSEMENT			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance -267,653	1	Capital Outlay -267,653
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
553,150		553,150	
Comments:			
To reduce budget for NE 17th St Water Line Replacement by \$200,000 and reduce capital contingency by \$67,653.			

FUND: WATER SDC IMPROVEMENT			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance -108,894	1	Capital Outlay -108,894
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
507,610		507,610	
Comments:			
To change beginning fund balance to actual, to reduce budget for SE Mast Water Line by \$508,000, and to add budget of \$399,106 for WDLR (NE 28th to NE 26th Drive) Waterline project.			

FUND: SEWER CAPITAL			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance -1,581,257	1	Sewer Improvements -1,581,257
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
12,131,286		12,131,286	
Comments:			
To change beginning fund balance to actual and reduce capital contingency by \$1,581,257.			

FUND: SEWER SDC REIMBURSEMENT			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance -78,472	1	Capital Outlay -78,472
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
308,210		308,210	
Comments:			
To change beginning fund balance to actual, reduce capital contingency by \$386,682, and increase budget for Nelscott Force main phase 2 by \$308,210.			

FUND: SEWER SDC IMPROVEMENT			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance -14,800	1	Capital Outlay -14,800
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
199,703		199,703	
Comments:			
To change beginning fund balance to actual and reduce capital contingency by \$14,800.			

FUND: PARKS SDC			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance -84,577	1	Capital Outlay -84,577
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
847,555		847,555	
Comments:			
To change beginning fund balance to actual and reduce capital outlay by \$84,577.			

FUND: FACILITIES CAPITAL			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1	Beginning Fund Balance 232,383	1	Lincoln Square Maintenance -505,000
2		2	Building Improvements 555,000
3		3	Contingency 182,383
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
1,377,328		1,377,328	
Comments:			
To change beginning fund balance to actual, to correct budget classification from Lincoln Square Maintenance to Building Improvements, to increase the budget for two bus shelters on Hwy 101 by \$50,000, and to increase contingency by 182,383.			

FUND: PARKS AND RECREATION			
Resource	Amount	Requirement	Amount
1		1	Recreation Center -13,875
2		2	Debt Service 13,875
Revised Total Resources		Revised Total Requirements	
4,188,553		4,188,553	
Comments:			
To move GASB 96 debt service from Recreation Center to Debt Service.			

causing a machine to operate	52 "A Streetcar Named Desire" dramatist	with little crunchy bits	2 Fireside drink	35 Tummy muscles	73 Fig, on a new car sticker
9 Hindu religious retreat	57 Hair hider	89 Great risk	3 Implied but not stated	36 Hurry along	77 Rules, in brief
15 Mini-plateaus	58 Milkshake alternatives	91 Big blue body	4 Prenatal chambers	39 After-hours \$\$\$ sources	80 Give a visual once-over to
20 Regatta event	59 Was wearing	93 Chaotic state	5 Gentleman thief Lupin of fiction	40 Ragu product	82 "Beast" star
21 Cry before "No hands!"	60 Certain fitness chr.	94 Supermarket vehicle	6 Subdue with a stun gun	41 Like many vehicles on steep hills	83 Street rep
22 Best of the lot	61 Coconut tree, e.g.	97 A, in Spain	7 Phil of folk	42 Main dishes	86 Performed for
23 Long-running showbiz news program	62 Hurricanes, e.g.	99 Brain product	8 1910s-20s auto	44 Pfeiffer of "Cybill"	87 Yemen's capital
25 New Jersey's — Hall	64 "3022" co-star	101 Starts of some flashy combo shots in hoops	9 God of Islam	45 Like some thickish paper towels	88 Prior to 90 Salt for wintry roads
26 Evening galas	66 Diner fave	107 Reins in	10 Certain vegan frank	47 An arm and a leg	95 Decay
27 Tiny bit	67 "— cost yal"	112 1990s subcompact car model	11 With	49 "Not true!"	96 Twisting force
28 Some med. X-rays	68 Pleasant feeling after winning	113 See 11-Down	113-Across, DIYers' guides	50 Radio or TV station identifiers	98 Star-related
30 Stay home for a meal	73 Wizard, in fantasy fiction	114 Embark on a voyage	12 "Gunga Din" studio	51 Code for WWW pages	100 Opening opera section
31 Single-session legislative group	74 "Presence" co-star Lucy	116 Stoked	13 BP's merger partner	53 Squalor of Lemony Snicket books	101 Audibly stunned
34 The Old West's Wyatt	75 Where the Clintons met	117 Super-rare basketball feat ... or what each of six long answers in this puzzle contains	14 Sirs' counter-parts	54 Situated	102 "I wanna try!"
37 Slimy gunk	76 Windbag's output	121 Food fish	15 Awaited saviors	55 Human rights org.	103 Runs easily
38 Injury vestige	78 Litigates	122 Beyond belief	16 "Mourning Becomes —"	56 Tennis event	104 Scale unit
39 French gal pal	79 Plus-size supermodel	123 Open (to)	17 Occupy, as a table	61 Old Lutheran movement	105 Psyches
43 — cake (ring-shaped dessert)	81 Tepee-shaped	124 Tortellini topper	18 Make up (for)	63 Fifth-cen. pope	106 Seer's "gift"
46 Olive in comics	84 Ship wastewater	125 Ford bombs	19 Have a hunch	65 Sang alone	108 Typical
	85 Color TV pioneer	126 Menu section with reds and whites	24 Kin of "Inc."	69 Be overly doting, in slang	109 Shul official
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The 2026 Taft Tigers Volleyball squad. (Courtesy photo from OSAA)

Opening volleyball results around Lincoln County

WILL LOHRE
Lincoln County Leader

Volleyball season’s opening sets have been served around Lincoln County, and now that the first volleys have popped up over and around the net, let’s take a look at how the first bouts went.

NEWPORT HIGH SCHOOL
The Cubs cracked open the season with a competitive game against North Bend at home on Sept. 1. Playing at home, Newport secured their first win of the season, 3-2, against the Bulldogs.

The Cubs will look to crack on in their coming games, and results against Siuslaw on Sept. 3, and Sweet Home on Sept. 8 are unknown at the time of press. The next time they will be in action will be against Scappoose at home on Sept. 10, on home court for Senior Night.

TAFT HIGH SCHOOL
As of this writing, the Tigers already have four non-league games under their belts, starting the season 2-2. Taft played a doubleheader at home on Aug. 27, winning both matchups, beating Santiam Christian and Salem Academy 3-2 and 3-0, respectively.

In their following matchups, Taft faced Catlin Gable on Aug. 28 and Dayton on Sept. 1. Both games were settled by 3-0 scorelines in favor of the opposition, and the Tigers sought to bounce back against

Seaside on Sept. 3; the result is unknown at the time of press. They will next be back in action on Sept. 10 against Tillamook at home.

EDDYVILLE CHARTER
The Eagles opened their season away against Crow/Northwest Christian Acad. It was a tough matchup, and they ended up on the losing end, falling 0-3. Eddyville next played back-to-back games at home against Alsea and Siletz Valley on Sept. 3, and the results were not available at the time of press. Those matchups were followed by a game against Mohawk on Sept. 8, and that result is also unknown.

The Eagles will be back in action against Triangle Lake on Sept. 10. Unlike many of the teams around the county, the Eagles immediately jumped into league play in the 1A Mountain West League, and they’ll be hoping to string together some strong results.

SILETZ VALLEY
The Warriors opened their league schedule on Sept. 1, falling to Mohawk 0-3 away from home. Siletz Valley has a string of away games to start the season, and their second game, a non-league contest also on Sept. 1, saw them fall to Riddle 0-3 as well.

The Warriors also took part in the three-team round-robin at Eddyville on Sept. 3, and results from the games against Eddyville and Alsea on that



The 2026 Newport Cubs Volleyball team. (Courtesy photo from OSAA)

date are unknown. That is also the case with their Sept. 8 matchup with Triangle Lake.

The Warriors will be back in action against McKenzie on Sept. 10 in their final game of the road spell.

TOLEDO HIGH SCHOOL
The Boomers rebounded off an opening night defeat to win their first two games of the campaign. After losing to Nestucca 0-3 on Aug. 28, the Boomers brought the boom against Western Christian on Aug. 29, besting the Pioneers 3-2 in a hard-fought game. They followed that up with

a subsequent 3-0 win against Jefferson.

The final two of Toledo’s five non-league games were played on Sept. 3 against Gold Beach and Waldport. The results are unavailable at the time of press.

Toledo served up the first league action against Crosshill Christian on Sept. 8, and the result will be reported later. The Boomers will be back on the court on Sept. 10 when they face Central Linn at home in a league matchup.

Waldport High School
The Irish started the season with a slate of doubleheaders,

playing four games between Aug. 31 and Sept. 1. It was a whirlwind of games, with Waldport going 1-3 in that span, beating Pacific to open the season 3-1, and then losing to Bandon, Willamina, and Sheridan.

Each of those games was a non-league matchup, as was their 0-3 defeat to Reedsport on Sept. 2. Waldport also played Gold Beach and Toledo on Sept. 3, and Central Linn on Sept. 8, but results are not available at this time.

The Irish’s next chance to play will be against Oakridge at home on Sept. 10.

First match outcomes for Taft and Newport soccer

WILL LOHRE
Lincoln County Leader

Soccer season has kicked off, and the opening strikes have already found the back of the net for Taft and Newport. Let’s dive into the opening results for the Cubs and Tigers.

TIGERS SOCCER
The Tigers are making the leap to 4A this season, and their opening game gave them a look at the new level in a non-league game. Taft duked it out with Banks on Sept. 1, falling 7-3 to the Braves.

It was always going to be tough to jump in the deep end with the bigger schools, but getting some early goals will be a nice confidence boost as the Tigers get rolling this season.

Taft battled it out with De La Salle North Catholic on Sept. 8, but the results are unknown at the time of press. They now have a break before they take on Salem Academy in their first home game of the season on Sept. 19.

The Taft’s girls also faced off with Banks to kickoff the season. The Braves proved a



The Newport Cubs faced off with Klamath Union on Aug. 28. (Courtesy photo from the Newport High School Athletics Facebook page)

tough opponent in the non-league matchup on Sept. 1, and the Tigers ended up losing 8-0.

The Tigers’ second game took place on Sept. 3 against Tillamook / Neah-Kah-Nie,

but results aren’t available at the time of writing. Coming off that game, the Tigers will have a break from competition to work on the training ground before they play Stayton at home on Sept. 24.

NEWPORT
Newport’s boys took on Klamath Union to get their season underway, narrowly losing 1-2 on Aug. 28. It was a tight game for a Newport squad that made it to the state

quarterfinals last season, and they played a solid opponent in Klamath Union, who themselves made it to the semis in 2025.

Since the opening game, Newport has played twice, facing Lebanon/Central Linn on Sept. 3, and North Bend/Bandon on Sept. 8. Results from those non-league games are unknown at the time of press. The Cubs will be back on the pitch at home against Astoria on Sept. 10.

For Newport’s girls, Aug. 28 also marked a matchup with Klamath Union. The young Cubs’ squad couldn’t match the established Pelicans team, and they lost 7-0. Early in the season, these results won’t affect the playoff picture, and the Cubs will use these games to prepare for the league portion of the schedule, which kicks off in September. 24 against Philomath.

Newport also played against Lebanon on Sept. 3 and North Bend on Sept. 8. Results from those contests were not available. The next time the Cubs will play is against Tillamook/Neah-Kah-Nie in a non-league game on Sept. 10.

Find results at OSAA.org.