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BOEM finalizes Oregon wind energy areas

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Development of wind energy projects off the southern Oregon coast is one step closer to reality.

The Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) announced Feb. 12 that two proposed projects — one offshore at Coos Bay and the other off shore at Brookings — have been finalized.

BOEM said the projects support the Biden-Harris administration's goals for deploying 30 gigawatts (GW) of offshore wind energy capacity by 2030 and 15 GW of floating offshore wind energy capacity by 2035.

According to BOEM, the wind energy areas (WEAs) were developed following extensive engagement and feedback from the state, tribes, local residents, ocean users, federal government partners, and other members of the public. The final WEAs are based on reducing potential



More public discussion will take place as the proposed offshore wind energy projects move through the environmental review process. (Courtesy photo)

conflicts of ocean users, particularly on commercial fishing.

OPPOSITION SURFACES

But during public meetings in 2023 in Brookings and Coos Bay, locals voiced opposition and concern about the projects.

One of the biggest concerns is how the construction and placement of turbines

would impact the ecosystem and fishing grounds in the areas.

Charleston commercial fisherman Nick Edwards said the Oregon coast offers a great place to fish because of its abundance of species. He's worried that could be lost to floating offshore wind.

"We don't want the demise of our ecosystem to be the unintended consequences of offshore

wind," he said.

County commissioners from Coos, Curry and Douglas counties passed proclamations opposing the floating offshore wind turbines.

John Sweet, one of three Coos County commissioners, said although he helped pass a county proclamation opposing the potential for floating offshore wind, he is still undecided.

"I grew up right on

the coast," Sweet said. "I worked in the ocean transportation business for almost 40 years. So I'm aware of the ocean conditions here, and that gave rise to some concern that this might not work."

The two WEAs total approximately 195,012 acres, and they avoid 98 percent of the areas recommended for exclusion due to their importance as commercial fishing grounds, BOEM officials said. The Coos Bay WEA is 61,204 acres and is located 32 miles from shore. The Brookings WEA is 133,808 acres and is about 18 miles from shore. A map of the final WEAs can be found on BOEM's website.

"BOEM values its close coordination with the state of Oregon as we continue to work together to maintain a robust and transparent offshore wind planning process," BOEM Director Elizabeth Klein said in a

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Newport proposing gas tax increase 5 cents per gallon sought

STEVE CARD
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The Newport City Council will once again place a measure on the ballot asking voters to approve an increase in the city's gas tax.

Newport currently collects a gas tax of 3 cents per gallon from June through October, and 1 cent per gallon during the balance of the year. The proposal would increase the gas tax to 5 cents per gallon year-round.

Newport previously asked voters to approve a 5-cent increase in the gas tax. That measure was on the ballot in the November 2021 special election, but it, along with a proposed new tax on prepared food, was shot down by voters.

At a meeting last November, the city council expressed an interest in asking again for a gas tax hike. At the council's meeting on Feb. 5, members further discussed the proposed increase and considered an ordinance and resolution for placing the tax on May's primary ballot.

"If we want to do the May election, we'll have to have these documents ready to be approved by the council at the Feb. 20 city council meeting," said City Manager Spencer Nebel at the Feb. 5 meeting. "This would place this item on the ballot to provide a source of funding for some of the street improvements that we need to focus on."

Nebel pointed out the current gas tax is not affected by inflation. The fixed amount is added to each gallon purchased, as would be the proposed increase to 5 cents.

"We had some discussion at staff meeting that we should look at the possibility of maybe going with a higher gas tax for a fixed period, versus the 5 cents for an indefinite period," Nebel said. "I'm not sure I'm comfortable doing that, but it is an interesting concept that I think is worth discussing with council."

Nebel pointed out that studies show the city needs to spend around \$2 million each year to keep the streets in good repair. "This (5 cents a gallon) tax will provide about \$500,000 a year. We have about another \$100,000 coming from the state that's used specifically for construction. I think the important thing is that even with this gas tax increasing, it does not fill the entire dollars that we need to keep up with our streets," he said.

Because this tax is per gallon and does not get adjusted for inflation, the revenue the city receives from

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Sunday fire destroys Newport home



This photo, posted on Facebook Sunday by Melissa Frazier, shows the heavy black smoke from a burning home on Bay Boulevard in Newport, just east of the Embarcadero Resort. (Courtesy photo)

Cause is still under investigation

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Fire broke out in a manufactured home in Newport shortly before noon on Sunday, Feb. 18, and when firefighters arrived, it was fully involved in flames, which had spread into the trees overhead.

The home is located at 1190 SE Bay Blvd., just east of the Embarcadero Resort. Smoke from the burning structure was heavy and could be seen from the south side of the bay as well as the Yaquina Bay Bridge. Because the wind was pushing the smoke to the west, a number of spectators initially thought it was the Embarcadero that had caught fire.

Newport Fire Captain Tracy

Cole was one of the responders to the fire, and he said the Embarcadero was not threatened by the flames. "(The fire) was actually quite a ways from the Embarcadero. It was more of a threat to the house to the east of it."

Firefighters had the flames knocked down within 15 or 20 minutes, and then spent more than an hour and a half doing overhaul to ensure there was no longer a threat. The home was a total loss, but no surrounding structures were damaged, said Cole. A man who lived in the home was there when the fire broke out, but neither he nor any responders suffered injuries during the event.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation.



A manufactured home, located at 1190 SE Bay Blvd., was a total loss after it caught fire shortly before noon on Sunday. (Photo by Steve Card)

Providing mutual aid to the Newport Fire Department during this event were personnel and equipment from Depoe Bay, Toledo, Seal Rock and Waldport

fire departments. Central Oregon Coast Fire & Rescue stood by in Newport and actually responded to a fire alarm at Oceanview Senior Living in north Newport.



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This week in HISTORY

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This is a brief look back at what made the news in Lincoln County during this week in history.

25 years ago (1999)

COAST POUNDED BY HIGH TIDE, HEAVY SURF

The D River Wayside State Park in Lincoln City was pummeled by waves, logs and debris on Tuesday, the result of a 9-foot-high tide and 35-foot seas. Oregon State Parks officials closed the popular wayside around 11 a.m. Tuesday and kept curious storm watchers at a safe distance with assistance from Lincoln City Police.

RECOMMENDATIONS CALL FOR KILLING SEALS THAT PREY ON SALMON

The National Marine Fisheries Service and the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission have drafted recommendations for addressing the impacts of Pacific harbor seals and California sea lions on salmon. They include the killing of the animals where they prey upon salmon that are listed or proposed for listing under the Endangered Species Act.

YACHATS LOOKS AT OBTAINING TOLEDO WATER

"It would be a pretty long pipeline," Yachats City Recorder Nancy Otterson said, "but much of it is already in place."

The Yachats City Council recently agreed to fund a study to determine the feasibility of connecting its portion of south Lincoln County to Toledo for water delivery.

NESKOWIN THREATENED BY BEACH EROSION

Neskowin is fighting for its life. As high tides and heavy seas surged relentlessly toward the quiet little beach community just north of

Lincoln City this week, contractors were working round the clock to lay a protective barrier of rock and soil across a quickly eroding beach line.

Dump truck after dump truck navigated narrow, residential streets in a steady parade to the beach, where they spread load after load of material in front of threatened homes and motels.

50 years ago (1974)

HOW MUCH ADDITIONAL GASOLINE WILL WE GET?

The Newport City Council is meeting tonight to try to come up with an emergency gasoline supply plan, which might hopefully reduce the long lines at the local service stations.

Meanwhile, it is uncertain how much of the 3.4 million gallons of additional gas given Oregon by the Federal Energy Office will come to Lincoln County. The 3.4 million gallons will be distributed fairly and evenly throughout the state, a spokesman at the State Energy Office said.

AT LEAST GUNMAN SAID 'THANK YOU'

Local law enforcement officers are looking for a friendly, polite robber and companion, who took \$35 from the Ocean Edge Restaurant south of Waldport Jan. 16 while holding a gun on the owner. Both men were reported to be white and in their 20s.

The first suspect, described as cool and collected by the restaurant owner, smiled throughout the robbery and said, "Thank you," when he left.

TRAINING EXERCISE ALMOST ENDS IN TRAGEDY

A young Coast Guardsman from the Depoe Bay station is alive today because Chief Thomas McAdams didn't give him up for dead when his apparently lifeless body was retrieved from the ocean during a training exercise Feb. 14.

Michael VanVeen, 25, of Spokane, Washington, was resting comfortably at Pacific Communities Hospital in Newport early this week, recovering from the ordeal.

GAS HOARDING WARNING GIVEN

Hoarding of gasoline is not only reportedly prevalent, it is also dangerous.

No incidents of persons storing gas in houses or basements have been reported to the Newport Fire Department, according to Dennis "Mac" McManus, fire chief.

"If we would have received any reports, we would have checked them out," McManus said. "We know that hoarding exists, but a man's home is his castle," he added.

75 years ago (1949)

PHONE MAN ELECTROCUTED BY POWER LINE

Allyn Singleton, 21, was killed Tuesday morning when he was electrocuted by a power line as he worked atop a telephone pole at Agate Beach.

Coroner Franklin Parker said wires from the adjacent power line apparently blew over and touched his body, or the pole swayed in the heavy wind, bringing him into contact with a high-voltage line.

BLOCH TO CONDUCT HIS 'AMERICA'

Ernest Bloch, world renowned conductor-composer and resident of Agate Beach, will guest conduct the Portland Symphony Orchestra, playing his own epic rhapsody, "America," at a concert Monday evening in the Portland Civic Auditorium.

The Swiss-American's work will occupy the entire post-intermission part of the Portland concert.

NASHVILLE PARENTS FEAR FOR KIDS WHO RIDE OVER 'TERRIFIC' ROADS

The road condition between Nashville and Logsdon is getting terrific. The school bus went off the road by the lake due to the condition of the road and then one day got stuck and they had to work with it for half a day to get it out.

Parents are in constant fear for their children that have to ride on the bus with the road in such terrible shape.

GIRL SHOT THROUGH BOTH KNEES WITH .22 RIFLE IN SLUMBER PARTY MISHAP

The slumber party of three 13-year-old girls resulted in near tragedy Saturday night in Toledo.

One of the girls was shot through both knees with a .22-caliber rifle, according to Deputy Sheriff Jack Waterman. Her condition was described as not serious.

100 years ago (1924)

DRUNKS ATTEMPT BEATING UP OF CITY MARSHAL

Four men were out for a good time last Saturday evening and proceeded to get drunk. After taking on several drinks, the boys became noisy and were warned several times to keep quiet by City Marshal McBride, according to several different stories.

The four men left, but later returned and called out the marshal.

"All four of them started abusing me with vile names," McBride said. One of the men took off his coat and approached McBride, who had his billy club in hand. "All four of them rushed me," he said. "After considerable scuffling, the affair came to a sudden stop, and I rushed upstairs to phone for assistance."

The marshal showed no evidence of having been in the fracas, but it is known that considerable blood was spilled from evidence of same on the floor.

As of this writing, only one of the men had returned home, and the whereabouts of the others is not known. One is from Siletz, and the others are from Toledo.

ALLEGED BOOTLEGGER CAPTURED AT NEWPORT

D.E. Smith, alleged to be one of the "King Pin" bootleggers at Newport, was arrested there last Thursday by Newport officers and state agents.

An effort to find out what is being done with Smith produced no results. It is known, however, that the officers raided his place and are said to have found "great gobs" of evidence against the man.

TIRE DEMONSTRATOR HERE

Mr. Young, representing the Colby Compression Tube Co., of Portland, is here demonstrating the new punctureless tube.

He is holding demonstrations at the Toledo Electric Company today, Friday and Saturday.

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CenturyLink also participates in the Affordable Connectivity Program (ACP), which provides eligible households with a discount on broadband service. The ACP provides a discount of up to \$30 per month toward broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying Tribal lands.

For both programs, a household is defined as any individual or group of individuals who live together at the same address and share income and expenses. Services are not transferable, and only eligible consumers may enroll in these programs. Consumers who willfully make false statements to obtain these discounts can be punished by fine or imprisonment and can be barred from these programs.

If you live in a CenturyLink service area, visit <https://www.centurylink.com/aboutus/community/community-development/lifeline.html> for additional information about applying for these programs or call 1-800-201-4099 with questions.



Lunar New Year Celebration



In celebration of the Lunar New Year — 2024 Year of the Dragon — a family friendly event will be held from 3 to 5 p.m. this Sunday, Feb. 25, at The Driftwood, located at 644 SW Coast Highway in Newport. This celebration will include craft activities, giveaways, calligraphy, and Asian food treats and prizes. A Lion Dance performance will begin at 4 p.m. (Courtesy photo)

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Fin whale washes ashore at Sunset Beach

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The Seaside Aquarium has released details about the Feb. 12 stranding of a large fin whale at Sunset Beach along the north Oregon coast.

“As the whale was washing ashore, the surf was pushing it around making some people believe that the whale was still alive at the time of stranding,” a Seaside Aquarium official said in a Facebook post. “Unfortunately, before authorized responders had a chance to examine the whale, someone removed the entangling gear. While it may have seemed like a good idea at the time, this compromised the stranding and entanglement investigation.”

A necropsy was performed at the site of the stranding on Tuesday, Feb. 13, and the results were pending as of press time.

“What we do know is that the whale was

extremely underweight and had recent interactions with orcas, evidenced by fresh rake marks,” aquarium officials said. “The entanglement injuries appeared to be fresh and the abrasions noted were superficial.”

It is important to report strandings and to not interact or remove entangling gear from stranded animals. Analyzing removed entangling gear provides information that may reduce the risk of future entanglements, according to aquarium officials.

“By identifying the source of entangling fishing gear, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Fisheries can work with the fishing industry and coastal communities to identify geographic areas, times of year, fisheries, and gear configurations that have resulted in whale entanglements,” the aquarium officials said.

The data can help



This fin whale was discovered washed ashore at Sunset Beach. (Photos courtesy of Seaside Aquarium)

NOAA Fisheries better understand and minimize the risks of entanglement and ultimately aids in the conservation and management of many large whale species.

Seaside Aquarium officials also urge anyone finding a stranded whale along the coast to not disturb it.

Fin whales are the second largest whale in the world, after blue whales, and they are protected by law.



A necropsy was performed on Feb. 13 at the site of the whale stranding.

Southern Resident orcas listed as endangered



Courtesy photo

The Oregon Fish and Wildlife Commission last week voted unanimously to list Southern Resident orcas as endangered under Oregon’s Endangered Species Act (OESA).

Southern Resident orcas now number just 75 whales in three pods and have been listed as endangered under federal law since 2005. Their reproductive potential is in danger of failure due to their small population size, inbreeding, and other reproductive issues.

Scarcity of prey (especially chinook salmon, their preferred food), sound and vessel disturbance and exposure to high levels of contaminants are the primary reasons for their decline, according to a press release issued by the Fish and Wildlife Commission.

The Oregon coast is an important travel corridor for Southern Resident orcas in the K and L pods with the area near the Columbia River mouth

serving as a foraging hot spot. Oregon’s coastal waters (6-200 m depth) were federally designated as critical habitat in 2021.

The commission also adopted survival guidelines for Southern Resident orcas. These are required under OESA and apply to actions proposed on state lands or waters and help guide state agencies that play a role in conservation until the Commission approves a management plan for these agencies.

Guidelines adopted direct relevant state agencies to further monitor and address pollutants, especially those posing the highest risk for Southern Resident orcas and their prey; increase boater education on the current federal vessel buffer guidelines to reduce vessel and noise disturbance; enhance hatchery chinook salmon production if capacity and funding exists; and increase efforts to prevent oil and other hazardous material spills.

LCSD launches review for future facilities planning

The Lincoln County School District is embarking on an initiative to assess and plan for its future facility needs. During its regular meeting this month, the LCSD Board of Directors unanimously passed a resolution directing the superintendent to undertake a comprehensive information gathering process aimed at evaluating the potential for a replacement facilities bond. The district received voter approval in May 2011 for a \$63 million bond levy. The potential bond would renew the current bond levy that expires in June 2026.

This initiative will focus on several critical areas to ensure the district is prepared to meet the continued educational needs of its students. Key areas of investigation include:

- A complete assessment of facility needs, encompassing the requirement for new or replacement structures, long-term maintenance, and safety enhancements.
- A review of the

construction manager/general contractor processes utilized in the 2011 bond to promote local employment and ensure the efficient use of resources.

- Engagement with staff, students and community members through needs surveys to gather input and perspectives on facility priorities.

- The development of a decision-making matrix that outlines necessary timelines and information for the board to consider in deciding on pursuing a replacement bond.

- Evaluation of the district’s capacity to successfully implement a bond measure.
- A comprehensive population study to forecast future educational needs and infrastructure requirements.

The Lincoln County School District invites the community to stay engaged and informed as it moves forward with this critical planning effort. Watch for opportunities for public input throughout the spring.

Weather

Wednesday: High-51/Low-43
Showers

Thursday: High-58/Low-44
Cloudy

Friday: High-56/Low-41
Partly cloudy

Saturday: High-57/Low-43
Partly cloudy

Sunday: High-48/Low-40
Rain

Monday: High-45/Low-40
Showers

Tuesday: High-47/Low-43
Showers

Past Weather

On the Coast

	Rain	Low	High
February 13	0.01	38.3	53.7
February 14	1.31	40.7	50.6
February 15	0.81	46.7	54.0
February 16	0.02	44.0	49.4
February 17	0.15	44.0	48.6
February 18	0.06	43.3	58.6
February 19	0.05	45.9	55.1
Total rainfall from Jan. 1	20.87		

Tides Tables

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

	High	Low
February 21		
9:52 a.m. 8.5		4:01 a.m. 3.9
11:45 p.m. 7.0		4:57 p.m. -0.2
February 22		
10:38 a.m. 8.5		4:46 a.m. 3.5
		5:32 p.m. -0.3
February 23		
12:13 a.m. 7.2		5:25 a.m. 3.1
11:18 a.m. 8.5		6:03 p.m. -0.2
February 24		
12:39 a.m. 7.4		6:02 a.m. 2.7
11:55 a.m. 8.4		6:32 p.m. 0.0
February 25		
1:03 a.m. 7.6		6:37 a.m. 2.4
12:32 p.m. 8.1		6:58 p.m. 0.3
February 26		
1:26 a.m. 7.8		7:12 a.m. 2.1
1:08 p.m. 7.8		7:23 p.m. 0.8
February 27		
1:49 a.m. 7.9		7:49 a.m. 1.8
1:47 p.m. 7.3		7:49 p.m. 1.4
February 28		
2:13 a.m. 8.0		8:28 a.m. 1.6
2:29 p.m. 6.8		8:14 p.m. 2.0
February 29		
2:38 a.m. 8.1		9:10 a.m. 1.5
3:17 p.m. 6.3		8:41 p.m. 2.7

Sunrise/Sunset

Feb. 21	7:09 a.m.	5:51 p.m.
Feb. 22	7:07 a.m.	5:53 p.m.
Feb. 23	7:05 a.m.	5:54 p.m.
Feb. 24	7:04 a.m.	5:55 p.m.
Feb. 25	7:02 a.m.	5:57 p.m.
Feb. 26	7:00 a.m.	5:58 p.m.
Feb. 27	6:59 a.m.	5:59 p.m.
Feb. 28	6:57 a.m.	6:01 p.m.
Feb. 29	6:55 a.m.	6:02 p.m.ava

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Saturday, February 17
Megabucks
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Fatal crash reported near Waldport

A two-vehicle crash claimed the life of a 77-year-old Waldport man at around 5:50 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 7.

According to a press release issued by the Oregon State Police, Gordon Eugene Dale was driving a Toyota Prius and was attempting to turn left onto northbound Highway 101 near milepost 157 in

Waldport. The Toyota entered the path of a southbound Subaru Outback and was struck in the driver's side door.

Dale was transported and declared deceased at the local hospital.

The operator of the Subaru and two passengers reportedly suffered only minor injuries.

OREGON STATE POLICE REPORT

CAR CRASHES ONTO BEACH IN WALDPART

At around 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 12, a single-vehicle injury crash occurred on Highway 101 near milepost 156 when the driver of a silver Hyundai Tucson drove the vehicle over a sea wall, crashing onto the beach below.

According to an Oregon State Police report, the driver was transported to Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital in Newport for evaluation. The vehicle sustained heavy damage and was towed by Rowleys Towing.

The driver, identified as Stephanie Michell Hall, 39, of Waldport, was later found to be driving under the influence of intoxicants, according to the OSP report. She was booked into the Lincoln County Jail and was also issued citations for failing to drive within lane and open container of alcohol.

RECKLESS DRIVER ARRESTED FOR DUII

An Oregon State Police officer was traveling north on Highway 101 near milepost 139 in Newport when the officer observed a reckless driver in a Lexus RX 350. After making contact and conducting an investigation, the officer determined the person was driving under the influence of intoxicants.

The driver, identified as Annie Lynne Morris, 43, of Sparks, Nevada, was arrested and lodged at the Lincoln County Jail, where a breath test showed a blood-alcohol concentration of 0.19 percent.

DRIVER LEAVES SCENE OF TWO-VEHICLE CRASH

On Jan. 15 at around 4:40 p.m., an Oregon State Police officer investigated a two-vehicle crash that occurred on Highway 229 near milepost 28.

The driver of a Ford Ranger pickup had rear-ended a Ford F250 pickup as both vehicles were headed north on Highway 229. The driver of the Ford Ranger left the scene and was later located in Siletz. He was identified as Jeffery James Edwards, 66, of Newport, and was cited and released on charges of failure to perform duties of a driver and reckless driving.

DRIVER LEAVES SCENE OF CRASH, LATER CHARGED WITH DUII

A single-vehicle crash at Northeast Devils Lake Road and Highway 101 in Lincoln City occurred at around 8 p.m. on Jan. 21.

According to an Oregon State Police report, a northbound vehicle lost control, left the roadway, and struck a stop sign and a power pole. When a state trooper arrived, the driver had already left the scene.

A while later, the driver, identified as Jesus Vasquez, 43, of Lincoln City, was located and exhibited multiple signs of impairment, according to the OSP report. He consented to field sobriety tests and performed poorly.

Vasquez was placed under arrest for multiple crimes and transported to the Lincoln City Police Department, where he provided a breath sample showing a blood-alcohol concentration of 0.12 percent. He was medically cleared at Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital in Lincoln City before being lodged at the Lincoln County Jail in Newport.

TRAFFIC STOP LEADS TO DUII ARREST

An Oregon State Police trooper pulled over the driver of a Toyota Land Cruiser for a traffic violation at around 9:30 p.m. on Jan. 23 on Highway 101 in north Newport.

The driver, identified as Paul Frederick Zellman, 67, of Newport, exhibited multiple signs of impairment and admitted to consuming alcohol, according to the OSP report. He consented to performing field sobriety tests and performed poorly, the report stated.

Zellman was subsequently arrested for DUII and transported to the Lincoln County Jail, where he provided a breath sample showing a 0.21 percent blood-alcohol concentration.

The vehicle was towed for impound by Rowley's towing.

CRASH RESULTS IN ARREST FOR DUII

At around 1:30 a.m. on Feb. 3, a single vehicle, non-injury crash occurred on Highway 20 near milepost 2.

According to an Oregon

State Police report, the driver of an eastbound Subaru Legacy crossed into the westbound lane and crashed off the westbound side of the road into the embankment before bouncing back across to the eastbound shoulder of the road and coming to a stop.

After an investigation, the driver was found to be driving under the influence of intoxicants, according to the OSP report. The driver, identified as Jacob Arthur Jung, 37, of Toledo, refused field sobriety tests and breath/blood tests, the OSP report said. A search warrant was obtained, and blood samples were seized pursuant to the warrant. Jung also did not cooperate with the court ordered breath test. He was arrested for DUII and reckless driving.

The Subaru was impounded by Rowley's Towing.

MAN ARRESTED FOR MENACING, DUII

On Otis man was arrested for menacing and driving under the influence of intoxicants after an investigation into a vehicle driven into the ditch on Highway 18 near milepost 4 around 3 p.m. on Jan. 29.

An investigation by an Oregon State Police trooper revealed that Phillip Mark Sullivan, 65, had menaced the tow truck driver and was intoxicated at the time of the incident, according to the OSP report.

Sullivan was transported to the Lincoln County jail and lodged. He refused to consent to field sobriety tests or submit to a breath test. A search warrant was obtained, and blood, breath and urine samples were seized for analysis.

DRIVER ARRESTED ON WARRANT

An Oregon State Police trooper responded at around 4:50 p.m. on Jan. 14 to a report of a vehicle sliding off Highway 101 near milepost 112 in Lincoln City. The owner of the vehicle told the officer he had arranged for a tow.

A record check revealed the registered owner, identified as Jesus Mukil-William Mejia, 30, of Yachats, was wanted on a warrant for assault out of the Lincoln County Circuit Court. He was arrested and lodged in the Lincoln County jail.

LAW ENFORCEMENT TIP OF THE WEEK

LAWFUL PET OWNERSHIP IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY

Pet ownership comes with many responsibilities to keep you, your pet, and your community safe. Lincoln County requires all dogs hold a valid license pursuant to ORS.609.100. Cat licenses are optional but are encouraged because they can help reunite you with your cat if they are lost.

In addition to being required by law, licensing your dog can save their life and speed up the process of returning them to you. One of Lincoln County Animal Shelter's goals is to be able to reunite all lost pets with their families. You can help us reach that goal with licensing your pets. When Good Samaritans find stray dogs that are licensed, they can call the Lincoln County Animal Shelter or connect to DocuPet, a 24/7 licensing and HomeSafe partner, to find your information. With a current license, your pet may not have to come to the shelter to be reunited with you.

If happy reunions are not enough motivation, failure to obtain a dog license can result in a \$265 fine. All dogs in the county are required to be licensed within thirty days of residence. This is a requirement regardless of where you live in Lincoln County and whether your dog leaves your property or not. While cat licenses are not required, they help the animal shelter reunite families with their feline friends.

You may easily purchase or renew a license by mail, over the phone, at the Animal Shelter, or online. Applications and additional information are available online at: LincolnCountyAnimalShelter.org.

Why licensing is important:

- License tags allow us to contact you as soon as possible. This provides peace of mind, leaves space at the shelter for other animals in need, and saves tax-payer money.
- License fees support shelter pro-

grams and operations which provide over 1,000 animals with food, veterinary care, shelter, training, behavior enrichment, and adoption services each year.



Curtis Landers

• License fees support field services and investigations which address loose pets, aggressive dogs, and bite reports.

• License fees allow Animal Services to investigate, seize, and care for animals who are victims of cruelty and neglect.

• License fees support our pet retention programs which help people keep their pets. This includes the distribution of more than 1,000 pounds of pet food through Meals on Wheels each month.

• If your animal is found injured and wearing its license, it is much easier for us to obtain emergency medical attention for them and to contact you with the details.

• Identification is critically important for your pet in the event of a disaster.

• If your dog is impounded, current on their license, and spayed or neutered, the first \$30 impound fee is waived.

• License fees are an important way the community supports our policy of not euthanizing for time or space. These fees also support finding new homes for as many animals as possible.

Please keep your pets safe with a license, ID tag, and microchip. Remember to search for your lost pet at the Lincoln County Animal Shelter at 510 NE Harney St. in Newport and by calling 541-265-0720. You can help reunite lost pets by following the Animal Shelter's Facebook page at LincolnCountyLostandFoundPets.

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VIEWPOINT

Oregon Kids' Credit helps families in need

BY TYLER MAC INNIS

Tax filing season is upon us. And if you are a parent raising a young child, and your family is struggling to get by on low wages, you may have an extra incentive to file an Oregon tax return. That's because eligible families can now claim the brand new Oregon Kids' Credit, a refundable tax credit worth up to \$1,000 per child.

In the waning hours of last year's contentious legislative session, lawmakers came together to overwhelmingly support the creation of the Oregon Kids' Credit, a new state child tax credit targeted at Oregon's poorest families. The added cash for struggling families cannot come at a better time, as necessities like housing, child care, and groceries are not getting any cheaper.

The Oregon Kids' Credit takes a proven approach to addressing the economic insecurity of families: it gives them cash. There is a growing body of evidence showing the benefits of providing direct, unrestricted cash to struggling families.

Perhaps there is no better evidence than that produced by the temporary improvements to the federal Child Tax Credit, which was in effect for just one year in 2021. In its brief existence, the enhanced Child Tax Credit helped slash child poverty by half, while improving family economic well-being, reducing household stress, and reducing hunger. There is even evidence that the Child Tax Credit helped parents enter the workforce. After all, having cash on hand helps pay for transportation, child care, or other prerequisites for being able to work. But regrettably, Congress failed to renew the enhanced Child Tax Credit.

In the absence of congressional action, the Oregon legislature stepped up and created a state child tax credit. The Oregon Kids' Credit is a fully refundable tax credit worth \$1,000 per child aged 0 to 5. Families making between \$0 and \$25,000 can claim the full credit, before eligibility begins to phase out. A partial credit is available to families making up to \$30,000.

While the Oregon Kids' Credit is not as expansive as the federal Child Tax Credit, it will still deliver

some much-needed additional cash to families with young children who are struggling to get by. Across Oregon, nearly 55,000 Oregon kids are eligible for the new tax credit. If every eligible child in Oregon is claimed, some 5,000 kids could be lifted out of poverty.

So how can you claim the Oregon Kids' Credit if your family is eligible? To do so, you need to file an Oregon tax return. That, in turn, requires filing a federal tax return, because the Oregon tax return piggybacks on the federal one.

While filing a tax return is no one's idea of fun, the payoff can go well beyond the benefits of the newly created Oregon Kids' Credit. Families eligible for the Oregon Kids' Credit may also qualify for the federal Earned Income Tax Credit, the Oregon Earned Income Credit, and the Oregon Working Family Household and Dependent Care Credit. All of those tax credits can add up to a hefty chunk of change that can make a big difference in the lives of families.

And you may be able to find free assistance to help you prepare and file your tax return. One way to find out about free tax assistance is to call 211 Info by dialing 2-1-1. You can also text your zip code to 898211 (TXT211) or email help@211info.org.

All of us want to see our children grow up healthy and enjoy an opportunity to thrive. Unfortunately, our current economy — where low wage work is pervasive and child care costs are sky-high — makes it difficult for many parents to provide their children what they need. The Oregon Kids' Credit honors the dignity of all parents and responds to the needs of our state's most vulnerable children.

So, if you are a parent with a young child and are struggling to make ends meet, be sure to claim the Oregon Kids' Credit if you're eligible. And regardless of whether the Oregon Kids' Credit is for you, help the children of our state by spreading the word.

Tyler Mac Innis is a policy analyst with the Oregon Center for Public Policy (ocpp.org). The center's mission is to achieve economic justice for all Oregonians through research, analysis, and advocacy.



A group of men is pictured loading a large sawed tree trunk in Toledo in the 1970s. (Photo courtesy of the Lincoln County Historical Society, oregoncoasthistory.org and www.facebook.com/pacificmaritimeneportor)

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

THIS IS UNCONSCIONABLE

I cannot remain silent any longer. How can we, as citizens of this country, sit quietly while our tax dollars continue to flow into Israel as they annihilate the families of Gaza?

I grew up hearing the words "never again." I respected the reality that this horrendous attack on the Jewish people was beyond reprehensible, inhumanity at its highest form, beyond belief that the world stood by, oblivious, and allowed this tragedy to unfold. Yet, here we sit, enjoying our Super Bowl and Emmy celebrations, living our lives and ignoring the fact that our country is perpetuating another genocide with an additional \$14 billion to Israel. How many more innocent Gazans will face the trauma of their entire families obliterated by Israeli bombs?

To date, almost 30,000 Gazans — including 12,000 children — are dead, and now our tax money will be used to obliterate Rafah.

Think about it, Newport is a city of 10 square miles with a population of 10,250. Rafah is a town of 25 square miles and refuge for 1.65 million Gazans who have fled their homes in hopes of survival, living in tents with very little food or water. Now, Rafah is the target for Israel's newest assault. Israel drops leaflets from the air advising Gazans to leave before the bombs are dropped. But these innocent adults and

children have nowhere to go to survive.

This is unconscionable! Our voices must be raised, and President Biden and Congress must hear from us. Please take the time to contact Biden, Merkley, Wyden and your representatives. It was the people's voices that ended the Vietnam War, and it will take the people's voices to end this genocide.

Ginger Gouveia
Waldport

FUNDRAISER TO REPLACE DAMAGED TRANSMITTER

In December, KYAQ held a holiday party and silent auction, and its success helped the station pay its 2023 financial obligations.

Then came the terrible ice storm, and listeners may have noticed that the station was off the air (but not the internet). When the power returned, it was discovered that a major piece of equipment, the transmitter, had failed as a result. To broadcast its signal, a radio station relies on a number of electronic devices in good working condition to stay on the air. Among these electronics, the transmitter is the most expensive and the most crucial. Since the station has been on the air for over 10 years, many of its devices are at, or near the end of their working lives and are uninsurable. After some research, the cost of repairing such a crucial and aging piece of equipment, such as the transmitter, isn't financially feasible.

To respond to this recent need, the station is asking for donations to pay for a new transmitter at a cost of \$9,000. At this time, the station is renting a transmitter, but the cost is unsustainable for even another month.

KYAQ relies solely on donations from its listeners and does not receive any corporate or government funds. So once again, the board of directors is turning to you, its loyal listening audience, to help keep us on the air.

KYAQ 91.7 FM is Lincoln County's only community radio station broadcasting on the air and streaming live on the internet at KYAQ.org. KYAQ airs a variety of educational music and talk programs, many of which are locally produced in both English and Spanish. KYAQ has no paid staff and is entirely run by volunteers. An up-to-date program schedule is on the website at KYAQ.org.

Donations can be made online at KYAQ.org, or by mail at PO Box 1664, Newport 97365. All donations are tax deductible. For more information, call the station and leave a

message at 541-272-5200 or write us at comment@kyaq.org. Also, connect with us on Facebook at KYAQ Radio 91.7 FM.

Franki Trujillo-Dalbey
Newport

ELECTRIFY WITH HELP FROM INFLATION REDUCTION ACT

Electrify Lincoln County is holding a meeting in the Newport Library this Friday, Feb. 23, from 4 to 5 p.m. Linda Perrine, of Electrify Lincoln County, as well as Electrify Oregon and the Climate Reality Project, will inform the public on the large dollar incentives available through the Inflation Reduction Act.

The money is available through the act for people to go electric, which can help you upgrade to electric at home, for your vehicle, for solar.

If you are thinking of getting an electric car, heat pump, heat pump water heater or solar panels, Electrify Lincoln County can give you information on how to access money through the Inflation Reduction Act.

Dianne Eckstein
South Beach

LETTER POLICY

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All letters must be signed with the full name of the writer, and must be accompanied by a telephone number and address.

We request that letters be limited to 300 words, and that writers limit their letters and viewpoints to one every four weeks. Letters may be edited for length and clarity. Letters sent via email should clearly state that they are for publication.

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Newport city manager search officially underway

STEVE CARD

Lincoln County Leader

The search for a new city manager for Newport is officially underway with the position being advertised beginning Feb. 6.

Spencer Nebel has been serving as Newport's city manager since December 2013. About a year ago, he first informed the city council of his intention to retire in the not-too-distant future, and last fall he informed council members that he is planning to retire around

July 1.

To begin the effort to find Nebel's replacement, the city contracted with Jensen Strategies, LLC, of Portland, to conduct the recruitment and hiring process for a new city manager. The salary range for this position has been listed as \$150,000 to \$180,000.

Advertising for the city manager position will continue through March 11, after which there will be a review of the applications and preliminary Zoom interviews conducted

by Jensen Strategies. This information will then be shared with the city council during an executive session on April 1. Jensen Strategies will conduct background and reference checks on the finalists, with interviews scheduled for the week of April 15.

The decision to formally hire a new city manager will be done in public session, however, the review of applicants, interviews, and discussion of the applicants will be done in executive session. There will be staff and

community receptions and panel interviews by selected general public members, a panel of staff members, and a panel of professional public managers, prior to the interviews by city council.

The city council will interview the finalists on Thursday, April 18, in a daylong process in executive session. On the morning of April 19, the city council will meet in executive session to deliberate on the candidates interviewed for this position. A public meeting will

be scheduled on Friday, April 19, to consider making a job offer to one of the candidates or extending the search process, if necessary.

During a special meeting on Jan. 29, city council members approved a resolution adopting the standards, criteria and policy directives to be used in the city manager hiring process, and allowing for public comment. That resolution passed on a 6-0 vote, with Councilor Ryan Parker recusing himself, citing a potential conflict of interest.

Newport announces second round of grants

The city of Newport has announced a second round of competitive grants to help fund nonprofit social service agencies for their work within the city during the 2023/2024 fiscal year (July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024).

The Newport City Council allocated \$20,000 for grants to Newport's nonprofit social service agencies, with a grant cap of \$2,500 to any agency. At its Feb. 5 meeting, the city council authorized \$10,000 in grants, leaving \$10,000 available. In addition, running a second round of the program was authorized. Applications from an entity that was awarded a grant during the first grant application solicitation will be accepted. However, priority will be given toward funding applications from entities that did not obtain an award during the first round.

An organization qualifies to apply for these funds if it is a 501(c)(3) private, nonprofit agency that provides social services to either the general population of Newport or targeted segments of that population. Allocations can be made for ongoing operational

costs, equipment purchases, capital improvements and associated expenses, service improvements or expansions, or any combination. The application period runs from now until March 11, as verified by email time stamp. No applications will be accepted after the deadline.

The criteria that will be used in the award process include:

1. Record of service in the city of Newport.
2. Historical local support of agency's operations and activities.
3. Demonstrated sound financial and administrative capabilities.
4. Unavailability of services through other sources.
5. Accessibility of programs and facilities in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The application can be found on the home page of the city website at www.newportoregon.gov. Questions should be directed to Erik Glover, assistant city manager, at e.glover@newportoregon.gov

Newport City Hall now on four-day week



The public customer service hours at Newport City Hall were changed as of Jan. 22. Offices are now open from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and are closed on Fridays. (File photo)

To better serve Newport residents, the public customer service hours at Newport City Hall and administrative offices of the Newport Public Works department have been expanded.

For about the past four years, city hall has been open for public access Monday through Thursday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., with Friday's limited to appointments as necessary. However, a change in hours was authorized by the Newport City Council in December and took effect on Jan. 22. City hall is now open for customer service from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and is closed on Fridays.

Other facilities, such

as the Newport Airport, Newport Library, or Newport Recreation/Aquatic Center, and the Newport Senior Center/60+ Center, have not changed their hours.

City officials said one major component of this change is a push to remove barriers and ensure that the hours of city customer service are accessible to all. It is expected the change will give residents more time to come into city offices outside of normal working

hours to conduct city business.

These changes in hours do not affect the Newport Police Department, Newport Fire Department and the emergency response of the Newport Public Works Department, which will still be available to respond 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

For additional information, contact Erik Glover, assistant city manager, at e.glover@newportoregon.gov

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Joyce Hill
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Joyce Hill also known as Joyce Grogan March 30, 1951- February 10, 2024

We lost our beautiful Joyce on February 10th. She passed with her husband and twin sister holding and comforting her. Joyce was a Tall Girls model, school teacher, ski instructor, live blood analyst and



interior decorator. She was a private pilot, skydiver, scuba diver, talented silver smith artist and avid rockhound. She was many more things.

Joyce never wasted a day of her life and would have given anything for one more month, week or day. In lieu of a funeral or celebration of life, Joyce would ask that you go learn something new, do something new or enjoy something new. She will be very much missed by a large circle of family and friends!

Jean Olive (Longwell) Lundgren

Jean Olive (Longwell) Lundgren, 77, passed away on February 7, 2024, in Klamath Falls, Oregon, after being diagnosed with advanced metastatic cancer in June 2023. Jean fully retired in 2010 and moved to Lincoln City on the Oregon Coast, where she lived until her cancer diagnosis brought her to be near her daughter's family in Klamath Falls. During her retirement,



Jean traveled widely, both abroad and domestically. One of her favorite destinations was Yellowstone National Park. She was devoted to her many friends, some lifelong,

with whom she enjoyed traveling, corresponding, laughing, and drinking champagne. Jean was preceded in death by her parents, Paul and Edith, and her brother, James. She is survived by her children, Poul (Rachel) of Salem and Kari (Jessamyn) of Klamath Falls, along with her grandchildren and stepgrandchild. A celebration of life with family and friends will happen this spring.

City of Newport conducting beautification survey

The Discover Newport Committee is leading a campaign to gather resident feedback on beautification ideas and goals for the city.

The committee is a city council-appointed

advisory body that advises the city regarding the preparation of the advertising budget funded by the city's room tax, and makes recommendations regarding the placement of advertising, the hiring

of advertising consultants, and all other matters relating to advertising the city as a tourist destination.

To access the survey, go to <http://tinyurl.com/2ympnizr>

MEETINGS

Wednesday, Feb. 21

Lincoln County Board of Commissioners: 10 a.m., commission meeting room, county courthouse, Newport. For info, go to www.co.lincoln.or.us.

Yachats City Council: 1 p.m., Yachats Commons.

Lincoln County School District Board and Oregon Coast Community College Board: 5 p.m., joint work session and business meeting, LCS D Teaching & Learning Center, 1212 NE Fogarty St., Newport.

Toledo City Council: 6 p.m., council chambers,

city hall.

Siletz City Council: 5:30 p.m., city hall.

Thursday, Feb. 22

Port of Toledo Board of Commissioners: 1 p.m., work session, port office.

Waldport City Council: 4 p.m. city hall.

Monday, Feb. 26

Lincoln City City Council and Lincoln City Urban Renewal Agency: 5 p.m., followed by regular city council meeting at 6 p.m., city hall.

Tuesday, Feb. 27

Depoe Bay City Council: 5:30 p.m., work session, city hall.

Wednesday, Feb. 28

Depoe Bay Harbor Commission: 3:30 p.m., city hall.

Lincoln City Parks & Recreation Board: 4 p.m., Lincoln City Community Center, 2150 NE Oar



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23-1993.....\$625,000



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Study: Mid-coast trending toward greater reliance on retirees

The economy of mid-coast counties has become more reliant on retirement and other public benefit programs for income over the past nearly two decades, according to a recent study commissioned by the Oregon Coast Visitors Association.

Overall, transfers from public programs such as Social Security, medical benefits, income maintenance and other programs made up 36 percent of the population's total income in Lincoln County. Another 45 percent of the county population's income was derived from traditional employment. Identified industries in the employment category included commercial fishing, agriculture, timber, travel tourism and others. The other 16 percent of economic income in the county was derived from private investments. In coastal Lane County, the numbers were more pronounced, with 55 percent coming from transfers and 23 percent from employment.

The study, which investigates the drivers of coastal economies and economic benefit, uses 2021 data and compares it to numbers from 2003. Reports are available coastwide, as well as on a county-by-county basis. The research was conducted by Shannon Davis of The Research Group LLC, a Corvallis-based company, and assisted by Hans Radtke, Ph.D. from Yachats. The report is designed as a resource to help coastal communities with useful information that informs planning and recommendations to planners and policymakers.

The study updates the indicators and analysis first used in a 1994 study report sponsored by the Oregon Coastal Zone Management Association (OCZMA). That organization sponsored several updates to the original study ending with a 2006 report using 2003 data.

"Efforts for determining desired economic goals, objectives and programs, through the use of this report, can be more focused, rather than having to generate background information," Oregon Coast Visitors Association Executive Director Marcus Hinz said. "The information can support and help us understand the implications of change and how proper planning can sustain and acceptably grow coastal economies, protect coastal livability and manage human and environmental resources. Because this study replicates the methodology of previous OCZMA studies, it offers us all longitudinal perspective allowing us to see what has changed in the past two decades and it is comparable data across all coastal counties which will allow us to collaborate and

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— Marcus Hinz, Oregon Coast Visitors Association Executive Director

plan our future together." In the period from 2003 to 2021, the proportion of earnings from traditional employment in Lincoln County diminished, providing 8 percent less relative to total personal income. In the meantime, transfer income jumped from just over 23 percent of the county population's income in 2003 to 36 percent in 2021. This signals greater presence of retirees and potentially families receiving medical and public assistance benefits. The shift is even larger in coastal Lane County, where 30 percent fewer economic resources come from traditional work and 31 percent more income is derived from transfers.

"The growth of transfer payments income — particularly from retirees — represents a major and increasing source of purchasing power in many coastal areas," Radtke said. "Coastal areas that capture an increasing share of economic benefit from retirement income could see some employment stability. However, we don't know enough yet about these retirees' spending patterns, effects on infrastructure and public services, or living needs."

Coastwide, 44 percent of earnings came from work in one of the coastal industries in 2021, while 18 percent were derived from personal investments and 38 percent came from transfers. Between 2003 and 2021, income from Social Security, medical benefits and public assistance more than doubled, rising from \$1.8 billion in 2003 (inflation adjusted to 2021 dollars) to about \$4.8 billion in 2021. This is due to the increasing population as well as shifts in the sources of income.

Information for the report was gleaned from statewide studies authored by others and census data, in addition to unique industry category economic base modeling. The categories are particular to coastal local economies. Modeling results for each income measurement include multiplier effects, so that all economic contributions from household spending are taken into account. Results are interpreted for the challenges and comparative advantages the coast has for economic development.

"The study reports were well received, as they

showed the importance of industry categories displayed side by side," Hinz said. "This puts in perspective the business types that drive local economies. This is a crucial consideration when advocates are vying for scarce funds and priorities for their own projects and programs."

Report documents can be accessed online at <https://visittheoregoncoast.com/industry/industry-planning-documents>



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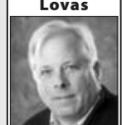

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Forecast shows up to \$1.7 billion available for projects

Housing, addiction and others could benefit

JULIA SHUMWAY
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregon lawmakers will have hundreds of millions of dollars to spend over the next year after another positive economic forecast released recently.

Lawmakers were eagerly anticipating the forecast, which came three days into the 35-day legislative session, as they fine-tune plans to spur housing production, boost homeless shelters and expand addiction treatment.

The forecast projects an ending balance of \$1.66 billion in June

2025 based on current figures, or \$1.34 billion assuming a transfer to the state's rainy day fund. Sen. Elizabeth Steiner, the Portland Democrat who co-chairs the budget-writing Joint Ways and Means Committee, told the Capital Chronicle via text recently that she was still parsing the numbers to determine just how much lawmakers can afford to spend in the current legislative session.

There are plenty of demands for that money. Gov. Tina Kotek is seeking \$500 million to spur housing production and help the state meet her goal of building 36,000 homes annually, nearly double the number it has built in recent years. Her plan will have its first public hearing on Thursday. She also wants another \$100 million for homelessness, including \$65 million

to keep existing shelters operating and \$35 million for rent assistance.

"It's harder than ever for Oregonians to afford to live here, which is why we must take bold action on affordable housing," Kotek said in a statement following the revenue forecast. "I look forward to working with legislators this session to make progress for Oregonians."

Steiner said lawmakers need to come up with a minimum of \$78 million for a low-income child care program that instituted a waitlist last fall, while advocates say the true cost may be as high as \$221 million.

Lawmakers working on expanding addiction treatment services haven't yet shared how much they hope to spend, but growing those services will easily reach tens of millions of dollars, if not



Oregon's latest economic forecast shows that lawmakers have hundreds of millions of dollars available to spend or save over the next year. (Photo by Ron Cooper, Oregon Capital Chronicle)

more. Just one aspect of the multifaceted plan, expanding transitional housing for people in recovery, carries a tentative price tag of \$30 million.

Legislative leaders responded to the forecast with bipartisan cries for using the available money to spur housing and address addiction, though Republicans raised alarms about stagnant population growth. Oregon's finances are stable now, but the state's economy relies on new workers moving to Oregon as older workers retire.

"Republicans and Democrats are united in our commitment to increase housing supply and homelessness supports, helping families and individuals struggling with addiction and investing in Oregon's future," House Speaker Dan Rayfield, D-Corvallis, said in a statement. "This stable forecast coupled with a decade of good budgeting gives us the certainty and resources we need to invest in the priorities Oregonians care

about most."

Senate President Rob Wagner, D-Lake Oswego, added that the legislature can and will allocate more money toward housing affordability, homelessness and the addiction crisis.

"There are never enough resources for all of the state's needs, but we are committed to using tax dollars wisely to address issues Oregonians are facing every day," he said.

Senate Minority Leader Tim Knopp, R-Bend, described the flat population as a warning sign for the future of the state. The forecast calls for about a 0.6 percent population increase annually over the next decade, lower than Oregon has had since the Great Recession.

"It is critically important that we leave behind status-quo policies and pursue pro-job policies that will make Oregon an attractive place to live, work and raise a family," he said. "We can do that this session by putting all our efforts into boosting housing

production, lowering the cost of living, and addressing drug addiction, homelessness and crime."

House Minority Leader Jeff Helfrich, R-Hood River, pointed to the slowing population growth as a sign current policies aren't working.

"Record revenues followed by record inflation is to be expected," he said.

"People leaving, or staying away from, Oregon isn't. It's no surprise; people want to feel safe in their communities, don't want to constantly deal with the effects of an unrestrained drug trade, and even if they could ignore all of that, our housing market is unaffordable for most. Oregon needs to reverse course, and fast."

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Artist talk at 'Turtle Wisdom' exhibit



Artwork by Betty LaDuke is being featured in a new exhibit called "Turtle Wisdom: Personal, Political, Playful." It is on display from now through mid-June in the Gladys Valley Marine Studies Building at 2030 SE Marine Science Drive in South Beach. (Courtesy photo)

A new exhibit called "Turtle Wisdom: Personal, Political, Playful," by artist Betty LaDuke, is now on display in the Gladys Valley Marine Studies Building on the Hatfield Marine Science Center campus in South Beach.

A reception will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. today (Wednesday), with LaDuke giving a talk at 3 p.m. The reception is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

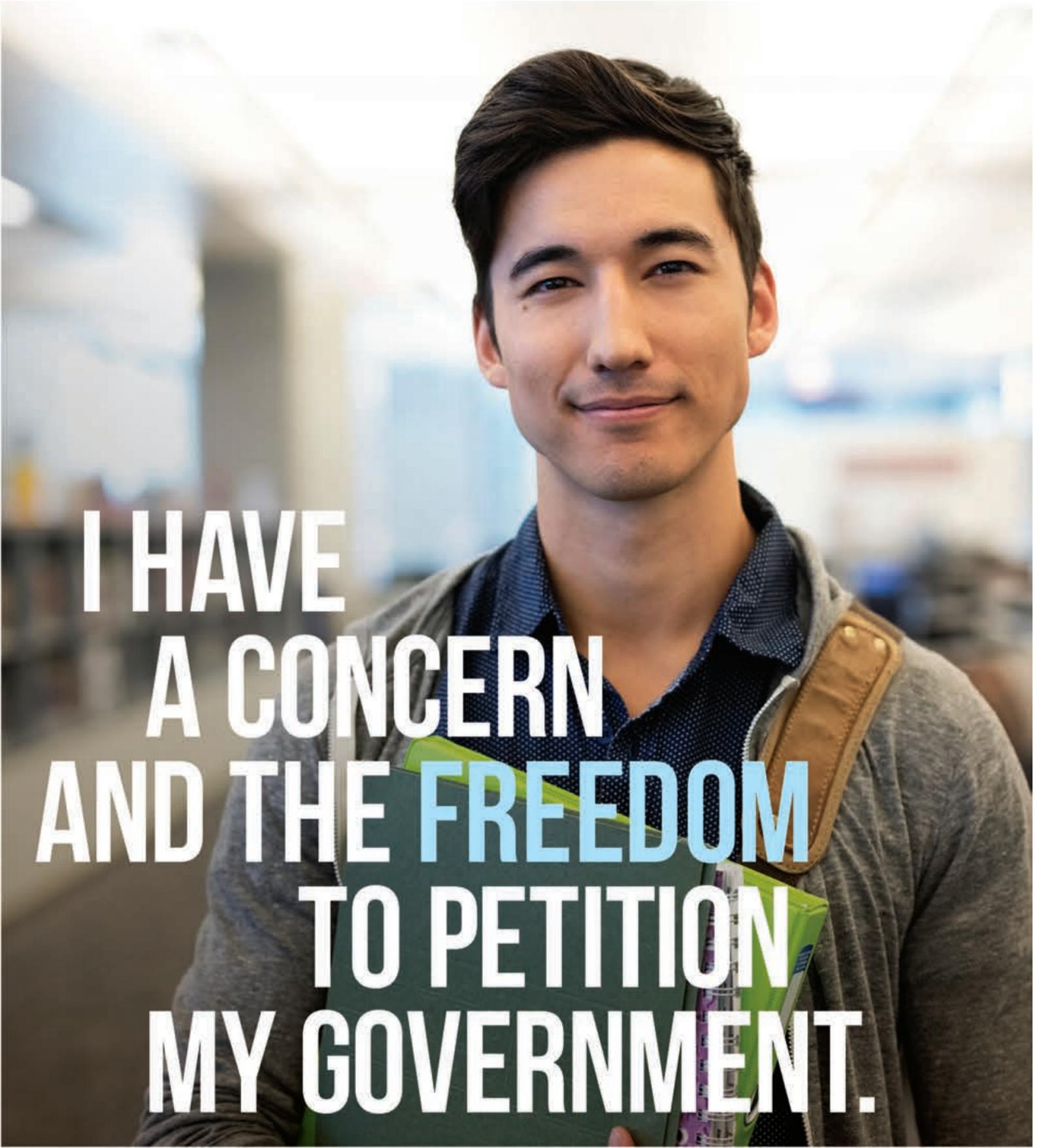
LaDuke writes on her website about how this exhibit evolved.

"Slowly, as we emerged from our COVID isolation (2021), my doorway opened and 20 turtles gradually appeared in my Ashland, Oregon studio. While some turtles have been waiting for me in sketchbooks created decades ago in Africa, Latin America, and Asia, new ones now evolved. Turtles became my symbolic storytellers, commenting on the events currently reshaping our lives."

LaDuke's paintings, books and numerous exhibitions draw inspiration from the immersive exploration of cultural diversity around the world, with an emphasis on women's creative contributions, women's work in food production, and social change.

Her work can be found in collections across Oregon, including the Portland Art Museum, Schneider Museum of Art, Jordan Schnitzer Museum of Art, Hallie Ford Museum of Art, Oregon State University, Medford Airport, and the Oregon State Capitol. Visit her website — bettyladuke.com — to view more samples of her work and learn about her prestigious career.

"Turtle Wisdom: Personal, Political, Playful" will be on display until mid-June. The Gladys Valley Marine Studies Building is located at 2030 SE Marine Science Drive, South Beach.



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Dungeness crab sushi bowl pays homage to top commodity

KATIE WILEY

For the Lincoln County Leader

The Dungeness Crab fishery is considered the most valuable single species commercial fishery in Oregon, with the value of the fishery ranging from \$33 million to \$74 million per season in the past 10 years. So it's no wonder fishermen like Brett Pankey from Waldport risk their lives every season for a chance to cash in on one of Oregon's



top 10 leading agricultural commodities.

It's not easy money though. Fisherman like Pankey work exhausting hours throughout

the season — which typically runs December to August — traversing the coastline hundreds of times, pulling in 300 commercial-size pots and yielding up to 6,000 pounds of crab per trip. Pankey and his crew will often times stay out on the open waters all night long, rapidly emptying and sorting thousands of pounds of crab, keeping only male crabs of legal size which requires the strength and sharpened focus from a seasoned crew.

Fishermen like Pankey have been risking their lives since 1848 when San Francisco fishermen first began the Dungeness crab fishery. Since 1995, the fishery has operated under a limited entry permit system which only allows 424 permits to be issued, capping the number of vessels allowed to participate in the fishery as well as implementing pot limits

SUSHI



Above: A bowl of freshly-made Dungeness crab sushi bowl.

Left: Crab fisherman Brett Pankey's Smith Bros. No. 2 on the water. (Contributed photos)

in 2006, which designated the amount of gear each permitted vessel could use (three tiers of 200, 300 or 500 pots).

I had the unique opportunity to follow Pankey's Dungeness crab from his 100-year-old historic fishing vessel "Smith Bro's No.2," from the Yaquina Bay where the Dungeness crab were offloaded at Port Dock 7 to Shrimp

Daddy's Bait and Tackle Shack in Waldport where more than 100 pounds of Pankey's Dungeness crabs will be kept in live tanks until they're sold to Shrimp Daddy's customers. Pankey not only works diligently to keep those tanks at Shrimp Daddy's Bait and Tackle Shack stocked with live Dungeness crab all season, he also supplies tens of thousands of pounds of live

crab to large distributors such as Living Pacific Seafood out of Newport.

Thanks to hardworking fishermen like Brett Pankey, the 2021-'22 commercial Oregon Dungeness crab fishery landed a total of 17.2 million pounds of Dungeness crab into Oregon ports which was the highest grossing season on record by more than \$17 million dollars. This

not only boosts Oregon's economy as a whole and is the backbone of many small local businesses like Shrimp Daddy's Bait and Tackle Shack but the Dungeness crab fishery also supports countless families within our community as well. So shop local, eat local, and thank those fishermen because what they do for our community is simply remarkable.

DUNGENESS CRAB SUSHI BOWLS

- 2 Dungeness crab, cooked and picked
- Diced cucumber
- Diced avocado
- Roasted seaweed cut into thin strips
- Sriracha Sushi Sauce

To assemble your Dungeness Crab Sushi Bowl, add sushi rice, top with cucumber, avocado, Dungeness crab, seaweed and drizzle with Sriracha Sushi Sauce. It's simple but guaranteed to be a hit!

Makes 2-3 sushi bowls

- 1.5 cups sushi rice (I use premium grade Nishiki rice found at Mai's Asian Market in Newport)
- 2 cups water
- ¼ cup rice vinegar
- 1-2 Tbsp. sugar
- 1 tsp. salt

Place rice in a fine mesh strainer and rinse under running water until water runs clear. Bring water and rice to a

SUSHI RICE

boil, reduce heat to a simmer, cover the pot with a lid, and simmer for 20 minutes or use a rice cooker or Instant Pot set on "rice" setting.

In a separate small saucepan combine vinegar, sugar, and salt over medium heat. Stir until sugar and salt have dissolved.

When rice is cooked, transfer it to a large bowl and then pour the seasoned vinegar evenly

over top. Toss until the rice is well coated using either a rice paddle or a silicone spatula. And be careful not to smush the rice, gently fold it until it's evenly mixed.

Cover the rice with a damp paper towel to prevent it from drying out and let it sit until it has cooled to room temperature.

Once cooled, add to sushi bowls.

SRIRACHA SUSHI SAUCE

- 1/2 cup Mayo
- 1/4 cup sweet chili sauce
- 2 tsp. Sriracha
- 2 tsp rice wine vinegar

Mix together until smooth. Refrigerate until ready to use.

Calendar of EVENTS

Wednesday, Feb. 21

ARTIST TALK AT 'TURTLE WISDOM' EXHIBIT

Opening reception from 2 to 5 p.m. of a new exhibit called "Turtle Wisdom: Personal, Political, Playful," by artist Betty LaDuke, in the Gladys Valley Marine Studies Building, 2030 SE Marine Science Drive, South Beach. Artist talk at 3 p.m. Free admission.

Thursday, Feb. 22

GAME NIGHT IN GLENEDEN BEACH

Game Night at the Gleneden Beach Community Club, 110 Azalea St., at 6:30 p.m. Bring your favorite game or play one of the club's games — there are board, dice and card games available. Bring your own beverage and snacks; bring a friend to challenge or meet someone there.

CELTIC SERIES CONTINUES

Le Vent du Nord performs in the next installment of Celtic Music Series. 7 p.m., Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Highway 101. Tickets, \$20-\$35, available at www.lincolncity-culturalcenter.org or by calling 541-994-9994.

Friday, Feb. 23

'The Music Man' at the PAC

Coastal Act Productions presents the award winning Broadway classic, "The Music Man," 7 p.m., Newport Performing Arts Center. Tickets: \$18 adults, \$16 for seniors and students. Purchase at the PAC box office or online at coastarts.org.

COMEDY ON THE COAST

Comedy on the Coast at Chinook Winds Casino Resort, 1777 NW 44th St., Lincoln City. Showtime is 8 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 — must be 21 or older to attend. For tickets or info, call 1-888-MAIN ACT (624-6228) or go online at chinookwindscasino.com/entertainment

Saturday, Feb. 24

TREE SEEDLING SALE

The Lincoln County Small Woodlands Association will host its annual native tree seedling sale at Table Mountain Forestry, 247 NE Highway 20, Toledo. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. A number of native tree seedlings and some native shrub species will be available, most for \$2. Info: Joe Steere at jsteere5050@yahoo.com.

FLOAT ID DAY

In tandem with Lincoln City's Antique Week, North Lincoln County Historical Museum, 4907 SW Highway 101, Lincoln City, is hosting a free Float ID Day. Bring in your glass fishing floats to talk with experts and learn how to identify these special treasures. Noon to 3 p.m.

'THE MUSIC MAN' AT THE PAC

Coastal Act Productions presents the award winning Broadway classic, "The Music Man," 2 p.m., Newport Performing Arts Center. Tickets: \$18 adults, \$16 for seniors and students. Purchase at the PAC box office or online at coastarts.org.

OWEN KORTZ AT BEACHCREST

Award-winning singer/songwriter Owen Kortz performs from 6 to 8 p.m., Beachcrest Brewing Company at Salishan, 7755 N. Highway 101, 541-234-4013.

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Sunday, Feb. 25

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Harbor Freight opens in Newport

STEVE CARD
Lincoln County Leader

Harbor Freight, offering “quality tools at the lowest prices,” is up and running in Newport. The store, located at 615 N Coast Highway, opened its doors at the end of January, and a grand opening was held on Saturday, Feb. 17.

For many years, this property was the site of a lumberyard, which operated under several different names and owners. The previous occupant was Builders FirstSource, which relocated to South Beach.

Extensive renovation was done to the building, both inside and out, and Kelly Valenzuela, Newport store manager, said that once the building was ready to move into, it only took about a week to install shelving and stock all of the inventory.

The company hired

Harbor Freight is open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. Information is available by calling 541-819-5696.

around 50 people for this initial setup, and they have around 20 permanent employees now that the store is up and running.

“We’re excited to be able to bring quality tools to Newport and the surrounding areas,” Valenzuela said, “but we’re also really excited to bring permanent jobs to people. It’s hard to find good people that want to work, and we’re very happy with the outcome of the people that we’ve found here. There’s a lot of talent here.”

Since the store first opened, response from customers has been good, said Valenzuela. “There’s been nothing



Harbor Freight has opened a store on the coast at 615 N Coast Highway in Newport. Hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Sunday. (Photo by Steve Card)

but positivity. We have a lot of people coming in who had been traveling to Corvallis or Albany, some even traveled to McMinnville. So a lot of people who are in Newport and the surrounding area say they’re super happy to be in Newport now. They don’t have to travel that distance. It’s awesome. We’re really happy that we

could provide quality tools at a low price to people.”

Harbor Freight has something for everybody, Valenzuela added. “We have everything, for the modern, weekend warrior to the skilled professional mechanic that’s got a shop, and everything in between. We also have a ton of garden tools, we have outdoor power

tools, we even have greenhouses. We sell the pop-up canopies, the portable garages, all kinds of different things. We also have lots of trailer accessories — trailer tongues, swiveling jacks, trailer light kits, all that stuff as well.”

Valenzuela said it’s kind of hard to describe what a Harbor Freight

store is like in just a few words. “It’s kind of just the shop for everybody. It’s a store where everybody can go into it and find something that they need. I tell people all the time to start out in aisle one and just go in a snaking motion down every aisle. You’ll find something you need, and things that you didn’t.”

Newport hospital leader appointed to national health care role

Jane Russell, PharmD, chief operating officer at Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital, was recently appointed to the Council of Regents, the legislative body of the American College of Healthcare Executives.

As a council member, Russell will provide advice and guidance to the ACHE Board of Governors and will help to elect the board of governors and its chair, enabling the national organization to carry out its mission to advance its members and health care leadership excellence.



Jane Russell

Western Governors University. She is board certified in oncology pharmacy and

Russell will represent ACHE’s membership in District 5, which includes the 12 westernmost states in the U.S. She earned a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from Creighton University and a Master of Business Administration from

is a Fellow with the American College of Healthcare Executives.

“Samaritan Health Services encourages its leadership to pursue membership in organizations that impact the quality of health care locally as well as nationally,” Russell said. “I am pleased to take on this important responsibility that advances Samaritan’s reputation as a leader in the profession while enhancing care for communities throughout our region.”

Russell has served as chief

operating officer for Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital since August 2018. In addition to her role as COO, she leads the laboratory service line for all of Samaritan Health Services.

Before joining Samaritan, she served 20 years in the United States Public Health Service detailed to the Indian Health Service and has worked as a clinical pharmacist. She progressed to her final position as vice president of medical and multi-specialty operations for the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium.

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release. “We will continue to work closely with tribal governments, federal and state government agencies, ocean users, coastal communities and all interested stakeholders as we move forward with our environmental review.”

NEXT STEPS

BOEM was scheduled to publish a notice in the Federal Register Feb. 14, announcing its intent to prepare an environmental assessment of potential impacts from offshore wind leasing in the WEAs. The notice will initiate a 30-day public comment period. Another public comment period would occur if BOEM decides to move forward with a lease sale in either of the WEAs.

In addition to engaging with the state, tribes, coastal communities and ocean users, BOEM partnered with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s National Centers for Coastal Ocean Science (NCCOS) to assess opportunities for wind energy development and reduce or avoid impacts on other important ocean uses in Oregon.

The agencies developed a comprehensive, ecosystem-based ocean planning model that

leverages the best available data on natural resources, ocean industries like fisheries and energy production, and areas of national security activities to identify areas with high wind energy resource potential and fewer potential impacts to other ocean users and sensitive environmental resources, according to a release from BOEM.

STATE PERSPECTIVE

Gov. Tina Kotek said floating offshore wind is likely to play an important role in meeting the state’s renewable energy goals by 2040. She said it also provides an economic opportunity for the Oregon coast.

Last year, Kotek, along with several state agencies, called on the federal government for more research on cultural, environmental and marine and land species impacts. She said the state is committed to developing a roadmap to inform offshore wind opportunities that will ensure communities and tribal nations are consulted throughout the process.

“We will continue to promote active engagement with tribal nations, local communities, and other ocean users in the state,” Kotek said. “We will ensure that all decisions are transparent and based upon the best available science

and knowledge.”

As a crucial climate benchmark in reducing greenhouse gas emissions and transitioning to renewable energy inches closer, offshore wind development has come as a top contender in helping the state achieve its climate goals.

But the federal government’s announcement of the potential of floating offshore wind off the southern Oregon coast prompted pushback from local community members, tribal members and the fishing industry last year. People from those groups called for a pause to better understand environmental impacts. They also felt that the federal government was not providing them with the answers they were seeking or opportunities for meaningful public engagement.

Now, Oregon lawmakers have put forward House Bill 4080, which would require the state to develop a roadmap defining standards for offshore wind energy. It would also support state policy to include extensive engagement between impacted communities and tribes, as well as developing labor standards.

Nicole Hughes, director of advocacy group Renewable Northwest, said HB 4080 would also allow

the Oregon Department of Land Conservation and Development to oversee broader stakeholder input.

“We feel like those are important things to establish before this process gets going,” she said. “Our desire is for that bill to pass and for the DLCD to start working on the road map so that we can have those conversations concurrent to the BOEM process.”

Hughes said she’s feeling excited that the governor is focused on putting resources toward developing a roadmap. But she said the state will need more funding, and she hopes to see some support from the federal government, as the process could take years before any steel makes it to the ocean.

“Oregon is looking at a diversity of different ways to decarbonize our electricity system, which is what we’ve been pushing for,” she said, referring to a shift from generating electricity from fossil fuel emitting sources like coal or natural gas to renewable energy, like wind and solar, that does not contribute to climate change.

Finalization sparks more concerns

But the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians said in a statement they are “extremely

disappointed” in BOEM’s announcement.

The tribes have provided written and verbal comments to BOEM expressing their concerns that the height and potential placement of floating wind turbines could destroy culturally significant viewpoints. Last October, the tribes passed a resolution opposing BOEM’s draft wind areas, saying the federal agency repeatedly failed to consult with the tribes.

Tribal council chair Brad Kneaper said the tribes only learned about the federal government’s decision through the Oregon governor’s office Monday night, Feb. 12.

“BOEM’s press release states that it has ‘engaged’ with the tribe, but that engagement has amounted to listening to the tribe’s concerns and ignoring them and providing promises that they may be dealt with at some later stage of the process,” Kneaper said in a statement. “BOEM has failed to recognize that wind development has impacted the tribe and has failed to assure that wind energy development will do good and not harm the tribe, its members, and the greater coastal community. The tribe will not stand by while a project is developed that causes it more harm than good — this is simply green

colonialism.”

Kneaper said the tribe will explore all options to ensure its concerns are addressed during this process.

Groups within the fishing industry are also disappointed with BOEM’s decision.

Heather Mann, director of Midwater Trawlers Cooperative, said in a statement that the final wind draft areas “remained unchanged” from earlier drafts, despite much opposition from the fishing industry, local communities and tribes.

Mann said authentic engagement with BOEM has been “non-existent,” and Oregon’s seafood industry and coastal communities are going to be negatively impacted.

“The final wind energy areas are in prime fishing grounds where millions of pounds of sustainable seafood have been harvested,” she said in the statement. “The areas are prime habitat for marine mammals and include nursery grounds for important fish species. BOEM is pitting renewable energy against sustainable food production.”

Oregon Public Broadcasting, a nonprofit public radio network, and the Oregon Capital Chronicle contributed to this story.

Grand marshal selected for Loyalty Day Parade

Lyle Mattson has been selected as this year’s grand marshal for the Newport Loyalty Day Parade, which begins at noon on Saturday, May 4, and travels down Highway 101



Lyle Mattson

through Newport. “I moved to Oregon in 1983 and went to work for JC Market in Newport,” Mattson said. “I worked there for 40 years and managed the store

for 35 years. I met my best friend there, Diane, who soon became my bride.”

Lyle and Diane have been strong supporters of community groups, schools, the hospital, 4-H and many others groups and activities, including the Loyalty Days Festival.

The Mattsons raised four children in Newport, who all still live in the area, along with 10 grandchildren and even one great grandchild.

Lyle has been a member of the Lincoln County Sheriff’s Mounted Posse for 30 years, where

he worked under four different sheriffs. Through the posse, he has been involved in many support events for the sheriff’s office and community events over those 30 years.

“I have been a member of the Lincoln County Search and Rescue for the

same amount of time,” he added, “and I operate the command trailer during search and rescue operations — I even get to make coffee for the search teams.”

Lyle and Diane recently sold JC Market and retired after 52 years of operation.

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LCL 97-21 CITY OF NEWPORT NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

The Newport Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 26, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers to consider File No. 3-Z-23, amendments to Newport Municipal Code (NMC) Chapter 14.03, Zoning Districts; Chapter 14.06, Manufactured Dwellings and Recreational Vehicles; Chapter 14.11, Required Yard, Setbacks, and Solid Waste/Recyclable Materials Storage and Access Requirements; Chapter 14.13, Density Limitations; Chapter 14.14, Parking and Loading Requirements; Chapter 14.33, Adjustments and Variances; and Chapter 14.52, Procedural Requirements, related to the implementation of the City's Housing Production Strategy, to reduce code barriers for housing development. Pursuant to Newport Municipal Code (NMC) Section 14.36.010, the Commission must find that the change is required by public necessity and the general welfare of the community in order for it to make a recommendation to the City Council that the amendments 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 Planning Commission. Written testimony sent to the Community Development (Planning) Department, City Hall, 169 SW Coast Hwy, Newport, OR 97365, must be received by 3:00 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 mate-

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rial in the file may be reviewed or a copy purchased at the Newport Community Development Department (address above). Contact Derrick Tokos, Community Development Director, (541) 574-0626, d.tokos@newportoregon.gov (address above). F21

LCL 98-21 Invitation to Bid

Sealed bids for the Water Storage Tank Recoating Project ("Project") will be received on behalf of City of Waldport ("Owner") by Christopher Brugato, Project Manager, of Westech Engineering, Inc. at 3841 Fairview Industrial Drive SE, Suite 100, Salem, Oregon 97302-1192, until the bid closing time of 2:00 p.m. local time on March 19, 2024. Bids will be publicly opened (at the above address) and the applicable information read aloud immediately after the bid closing time, and while bid totals and apparent low bidders will be available, formal written bid tabulations will not be finalized until after 4:00 p.m. (the submittal deadline for the "First-Tier Subcontractor Disclosure Form"). Bids shall be clearly marked "Bid for the Water Storage Tank and Recoating", showing the date and time of the public bid closing, as well as the Bidders name, and shall be delivered to the location specified above, by or before the above bid closing time. By no later than 4:00 p.m. local time on March 19, 2024 each bidder shall deliver to the same individual at the same address as the bids were delivered to, the "First Tier Subcontractor Disclosure Form" contained in the bidding documents. This form shall be submitted regardless of the bid total. Bidders who fail to submit the required disclosure form will be considered non-responsive, and their bid will not be considered for award. The disclosure form shall either be submitted in the same envelope as the bid, or shall be submitted in a separate sealed envelope clearly marked "Disclosure Form for the Water Storage Tank Recoating Project," showing the date and time of the disclosure submittal deadline, as well as the Bidders name. The work includes the full removal and replacement the interior coating system in an existing 2 million gallon steel potable water storage tank as well as the installation of cathodic protection system. A non-mandatory pre-bid open-house & site inspection for prospective bidders will be held at the project site (3536 SE Nelson Wayside Drive) between 12:00 PM and 4:00 PM local time on March 5, 2024. The work site is in secured area that will be open during this time for inspection. Bidders are welcome to arrive for inspection of the facilities at any time during the open house. Parking at the facility is very limited. Therefore, bidders are encouraged to stagger visitations rather than all arriving at 12:00PM. There will be no formal meeting

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that starts at 12:00 PM. Any prospective bidder not attending the pre-bid open house will be fully responsible for making separate arrangements with the City of Waldport for access to examine the project site. In the event that the prospective bidder fails to coordinate such separate access with the City of Waldport, the bidder will be fully responsible for any and all information affecting the cost, progress or performance of the work that could have been obtained by such a pre-bid inspection visit. Copies of the Bid Documents may be examined at the following location: Westech Engineering, Inc., 3841 Fairview Industrial Dr. SE, Suite 100, Salem, OR 97302 (phone 503/585-2474) City of Waldport, City Hall, 355 NW Alder St. Waldport, OR 97394 Paper sets of the bid documents will not be available for purchase from Westech Engineering for bidding purposes. Complete digital (pdf) copies of Bid Documents (including drawings) are available at http://www.westecheng.com (under the Currently Bidding tab). The digital Bid Documents may be downloaded for a non-refundable payment of \$25 by inputting QuestCDN eBidDoc Number listed on the project information sheet available through the website link above. Assistance with free QuestCDN registration, document downloading or working with the project information may be obtained at QuestCDN.com, at 952-233-1632, or via email at info@questcdn.com. This contract is for a public works project subject to ORS 279C.800 to 279C.870 (state prevailing wages). Publication Dates: February 14, 2024 & February 21, 2024. Newport News Times: February 21, 2024. Quest CDN Number 8974977. F21

LCL 12-21 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING DEPOE BAY PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 6:00 p.m. APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT TO PLANNED DEVELOPMENT DEPOE HILLS PHASE 1 CASE FILE #2-PD-PC-24 APPLICANT: Owner - Hills of Depoe Bay, LLC Agent - Same as owner REQUEST: The applicant requests approval of an amendment to Phase 1 of the Depoe Hills planned development to accommodate development of eleven (11) townhomes on Lots 9 through 19, inclusive, and Tract J. The proposed amendments would allow a zero-foot (0') property line setback along the interior side property lines between attached townhouse dwellings; and a minimum five-foot (5') garage entry setback from an alley. The proposed townhomes may be used as tourist accommodations (vacation rentals) in accordance with the approved provisions of the Depoe Hills planned development master plan. APPLI-

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CABLE CRITERIA: Depoe Bay Zoning Ordinance a) Section 152.026: Residential Zone R-2 b) Section 152.042: Planned Development Zone P-D Depoe Bay Comprehensive Plan LOCATION: The subject property is located at NE Seascapes Drive and NE Moonwake Lane, and is further identified on Lincoln County Assessor's Map 09-11-05AB as Tax Lots 00900 through 01900 (townhouse lots) and Tax Lot 02700 (alley). APPLICATION MATERIALS: Application materials, documents and evidence submitted by or on behalf of the applicant are available for inspection at City Hall and can be obtained at cost. Documents or evidence submitted by the applicant after 20 days prior to the hearing constitutes grounds for a continuance of the hearing if any party requests such a continuance. Copies of the staff report for this case are also available for review and may be purchased at Depoe Bay City Hall, 570 SE Shell Avenue, seven days prior to the hearing. TESTIMONY: Testimony may be submitted in written or oral form. Oral testimony will be taken during the course of the public hearing. Failure to raise an issue in a hearing, either in person or in writing, or failure to provide statements/evidence sufficient to afford the Planning Commission an opportunity to respond to the issues precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals on that issue. The comment period for written testimony expires Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 4:00 p.m. Send letters to Depoe Bay City Hall or email planner@cityofdepoebay.org. CONTACT: Kit Fox, AICP, City Planner (541) 765-2361 x15, planner@cityofdepoebay.org TIME/ PLACE: Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 6:00 P.M., Depoe Bay City Hall, 570 SE Shell Avenue, Depoe Bay, OR 97341. Mail comments to P.O. Box 8, Depoe Bay, OR 97341. Depoe Bay City Hall is accessible to the disabled. If special accommodations are needed, please contact the City Recorder at (541) 765-2361 forty-eight hours in advance of the meeting so that appropriate assistance can be provided. APPS PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS/2024/# 2-PD-PC-24 HILLS OF DEPOE BAY LLC/ NOTICE. F21

LCL 11-21 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING DEPOE BAY PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 6:00 p.m. APPLICATION FOR PLANNED DEVELOPMENT WHALE WATCH PHASE 2 PRELIMINARY PLAN CASE FILE #1-PD-PC-24 APPLICANT: Owner - Hills of Depoe Bay, LLC Agent - Same as owner REQUEST: The applicant requests approval of the Phase 2 Preliminary Plan for the Whale Watch Planned Development. Phase 2 is proposed to consist of forty (40) detached single-family

residences, a 4-unit multi-family building, and a 0.15-acre site for a future civic building. There are a total of 44 residential units proposed in this phase. Use of the residential units in this phase as tourist accommodations (vacation rentals) will not be allowed. NE Shoreline Drive is planned to be extended northward from NE Lillian Lane to access Phase 2, with additional streets (NE Sand Dollar Drive and NE Baleen Drive) to provide circulation within the phase. APPLICATION MATERIALS: Application materials, documents and evidence submitted by or on behalf of the applicant are available for inspection at City Hall and can be obtained at cost. Documents or evidence submitted by the applicant after 20 days prior to the hearing constitutes grounds for a continuance of the hearing if any party requests such a continuance. Copies of the staff report for this case are also available for review and may be purchased at Depoe Bay City Hall, 570 SE Shell Avenue, seven days prior to the hearing. TESTIMONY: Testimony may be submitted in written or oral form. Oral testimony will be taken during the course of the public hearing. Failure to raise an issue in a hearing, either in person or in writing, or failure to provide statements/evidence sufficient to afford the Planning Commission an opportunity to respond to the issues precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals on that issue. The comment period for written testimony expires Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 4:00 p.m. Send letters to Depoe Bay City Hall or email planner@cityofdepoebay.org. CONTACT: Kit Fox, AICP, City Planner (541) 765-2361 x15, planner@cityofdepoebay.org TIME/ PLACE: Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 6:00 P.M., Depoe Bay City Hall, 570 SE Shell Avenue, Depoe Bay, OR 97341. Mail comments to P.O. Box 8, Depoe Bay, OR 97341. Depoe Bay City Hall is accessible to the disabled. If special accommodations are needed, please contact the City Recorder at (541) 765-2361 forty-eight hours in advance of the meeting so that appropriate assistance can be provided. APPS PLANNED DEVELOPMENTS/ 2024/#1-PD-PC-24 HILLS OF DEPOE BAY LLC/NOTICE. F21

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LCL 10-21 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING DEPOE BAY PLANNING COMMISSION

Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 6:00 p.m. APPLICATION FOR MISCELLANEOUS REVIEW CASE FILE #1-MSC- PC-23 APPLICANT: Owners - Daniel J. & Vivian R. Harvey Agent - Melissa Munford/Simplicity Homes REQUEST: The applicant requests Miscellaneous Review of a wetland delineation for a new, single-family dwelling on SW Cormorant in the Little Whale Cove community APPLICABLE CRITERIA: Depoe Bay Zoning Ordinance a) Section 152.028: Residential Zone R-4, b) Section 152.042: Planned Development Zone P-D, c) Section 152.058: Off-Street Parking and Off-Street Loading, d) Section 152.072: Protection of Streams, Ponds, Wetlands, and Riparian Areas LOCATION: The subject property is located at 160 SW Cormorant, and is further identified on Lincoln County Assessor's Map 09-11-17BC as Tax Lot 07300. APPLICATION MATERIALS: Application materials, documents and evidence submitted by or on behalf of the applicant are available for inspection at City Hall and can be obtained at cost. Documents or evidence submitted by the applicant after 20 days prior to the hearing constitutes grounds for a continuance of the hearing if any party requests such a continuance. Copies of the staff report for this case are also available for review and may be purchased at Depoe Bay City Hall, 570 SE Shell Avenue, seven days prior to the hearing. TESTIMONY: Testimony may be submitted in written or oral form. Oral testimony will be taken during the course of the public hearing. Failure to raise an issue in a hearing, either in person or in writing, or failure to provide statements/evidence sufficient to afford the Planning Commission an opportunity to respond to the issues precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals on that issue. The comment period for written testimony expires on Wednesday, March 13, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. Send letters to Depoe Bay City Hall or email planner@cityofdepobay.org. CONTACT: Kit Fox, AICP, City Planner (541) 765-2361 x15, planner@cityofdepobay.org TIME/PLACE: Wednesday, March 13, 2024, 6:00 P.M., Depoe Bay City Hall, 570 SE Shell Avenue, Depoe Bay, OR 97341. Mail comments to P.O. Box 8, Depoe Bay, OR 97341. Depoe Bay City Hall is accessible to the disabled. If special accommodations are needed, please contact the City Recorder at (541) 765-2361 forty-eight hours in advance of the meeting so that appropriate assistance can be provided. APPS MISCELLANEOUS/#1-MSC-PC-23 HARVEY/NOTICE. F21

LCL 09-21 Notice to Interested Persons In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Lincoln Probate Department

Case No. 24PB00559 Notice to Interested Persons In the Matter of the Estate of Thomas L. Webb, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Janet Webb has been appointed as the personal representative of the above estate.

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All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned attorney for the Personal Representative at 10300 SW Greenburg Road, Suite 530, Portland, OR 97223 within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published February 21, 2024. Janet Webb, Personal Representative, J. Mackenzie Hogan, OSB #101081, HARRIS & BOWKER, LLP, Attorney for Personal Representative, 10300 SW Greenburg Road, Suite 530, Portland, OR 97223. F21

LCL 99-06 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN

Probate Department In the Matter of the Estate of Roderick D. Tuttle, Deceased. No. 24PB00417 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS Notice is hereby given pursuant to ORS 113.155 that the undersigned and has qualified as the personal representative of the estate. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the personal representative at: Jennifer Tuttle, 166 Whitney Ave., Portland, ME 04102 or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative or the attorney for the personal representative. Date first published: February 21, 2024. F21, F28, M6

LCL 01-21 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LINCOLN COUNTY

Probate Department In the Matter of the Estate of James Michael Simpson, Deceased. Case No. 24PB00382 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned Personal Representative at 767 Willamette Street, Suite 302, Eugene, Oregon 97401, within four months after the date of publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative, John C. Fisher. Dated and first published on February 21, 2024.

LCL 02-13 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS No. OR07000172- 23-1 APN R517808 TO No 230310604-ORMSO TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

Reference is made to that certain Trust

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Deed made by, LOUISE A. MCDEVITT, AS AN ESTATE IN FEE SIMPLE as Grantor to LENDERS FIRST CHOICE as Trustee, in favor of FINANCIAL FREEDOM SENIOR FUNDING CORPORATION, A SUBSIDIARY OF INDYMAC BANK, F.S.B. as Beneficiary dated as of December 17, 2007 and recorded on December 21, 2007 as Instrument No. 200717483 and the beneficial interest was assigned to Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust and recorded October 10, 2023 as Instrument Number 2023-07076 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Lincoln County, Oregon to-wit: APN: R517808 LOT 30, SHELTERED COVE ESTATES, IN LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON Commonly known as: 4289 SE HERON LOOP, LINCOLN CITY, OR 97367 Both the Beneficiary, Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. as Trustee for Mortgage Assets Management Series I Trust, and the Trustee, Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112, have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said Trust Deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. The default for which the foreclosure is made is the Grantor's failure to pay: Failed to pay the principal balance which became all due and payable based upon the death of all mortgagors, pursuant to paragraph (7)(A)(I) under the Note, and pursuant to paragraph (9)(A)(I) of Deed of Trust. 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 \$154,977.44 together with interest thereon from February 23, 2023 until paid; 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 May 28, 2024 at the hour of 10:00 AM, Standard of Time, as established by Section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, at the south entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 225 W Olive St, 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 per-

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formance required under the obligation or Trust Deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the Trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the Trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a Trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamine, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the Trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "Grantor" includes any successor in interest to the Grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, the words "Trustee" and "Beneficiary" includes their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 1/11/2024 By: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 Successor Trustee Malcolm & Cisneros, A Law Corporation Attention: Nathan F. Smith, Esq., OSB #120112 c/o TRUSTEE CORPS 17100 Gillette Ave, Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 NPP0445869 To: NEWPORT NEWS TIMES 02/21/2024, 0 2 / 2 8 / 2 0 2 4 , 0 3 / 0 6 / 2 0 2 4 , 03/13/2024

LCL 03-21 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN PROBATE DEPARTMENT ESTATE OF BELINDA H. WYMER

Case No. 23PB01348 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS Notice is given pursuant to ORS 113.155 that Susan E. Logan has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four (4) months after the date of the publication of this Notice, or their claims may be barred. Claims are to be presented at the address of the attorney for the personal representative, set forth below. All persons whose rights may be affected by this estate proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the Circuit Court, the personal representative or J.F. Ouderkerk, attorney for the personal representative. Date of publication: February 21, 2024. J.F. Ouderkerk, OSB# 752903, Attorney for Personal Representative, Ouderkerk & Hollen, P.O. Box 1167, 615 SW Hubert Street, Suite A, Newport, OR 97365, 541-574-1630 / 541-574-1638 fax. F21

LCL 04-21 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSON IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN PROBATE DEPARTMENT

Case No. 24PB10197 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSON: In the Matter of the Estate of Aaron K. MacPhee, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Serena Satyasai has been appointed as the personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required

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to present them to the undersigned personal representative in care of the undersigned attorney at: 888 SW 5th Ave Ste 1600, Portland, OR 97204, within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, as stated below, or such claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Date and first published February 21, 2024. Serena Satyasai, Personal Representative, Karen E. Hobson, OSB #083551, Tonkon Torp, LLP, Attorney for Personal Representative, 888 SW 5th Ave Ste 1600, Portland, OR 97204. F21

LCL 05-06 NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN PROBATE DEPARTMENT

Case No. 23PB09716 NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS In the Matter of the Kevin Glenn MacPhee Living Trust dated June 23, 2003, as amended, Serena Satyasai, Trustee, Kevin Glenn MacPhee, grantor of the Kevin Glenn MacPhee Living Trust dated June 23, 2003, as amended by Amendment No. 1 dated May 26, 2009 and by Amended No. 2 dated February 11, 2011 (the "Trust"), died on February 25, 2011. In order to assert a claim, you must present that claim in writing to the Trust within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. The name of the trustee: Serena Satyasai, Trustee. Address at which claims are to be presented: the Kevin Glenn MacPhee Living Trust dated June 23, 2003, as amended, c/o Karen E. Hobson, Tonkon Torp LLP, 888 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 1600, Portland, OR 97204. Dated and first published February 21, 2024. ATTORNEY: Karen E. Hobson, OSB #083551, Tonkon Torp, LLP, Attorney for Personal Representative, 888 SW 5th Ave, Suite 1600, Portland, OR 97204. F21, F28, M6

LCL 07-28 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 98

Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 3/4/2024. The sale will be held at 10:00am by LINCOLN CITY TOWING & RECOVERY, 5678 SALMON RIVER HWY, OTIS, OR. 2013 GMC TRN LL VIN = 2GKALME7K5D640568-7 Amount due on lien \$449.63. Reputed owner(s) > Keith De-mond & Patricia Diane Tutt, Fitzsimons Credit Union. F21, F28

LCL 96-21 NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION TO: ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

Description of Premises: 724 SW Ferry Ave., Space 8, Siletz, OR 97380 Description of Personal Property: Manufactured home and all other personal property at the premises. The personal property located at 724 SW Ferry Ave., Space 8, Siletz, OR 97380, is abandoned pursuant to ORS 90.675. The prior tenant of this space is Sarah Dauenhauer (aka

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Sarah Yukich). The current owner of the manufactured home is Danielle Brandenburg. Manufactured Structure Information: 1972 Skyline Home, Hillcrest Model, Home ID No. 162898. This sale will be conducted by public auction at 2:00pm on February 26, 2024, at Yaquina Law, LLC, 380 SW 2nd St., Newport, OR 97365. The landlord will not accept sealed bids. The minimum starting bid is \$12,871.69. To inspect the premises please contact Traci P. McDowall, Attorney for Landlord, at (541) 272- 5500. The personal property is sold as is. Landlord provides no warranties or guarantees and shall not be held responsible for any issue related to the personal property. If any bidder wishes to become a tenant at 724 SW Ferry Ave., Space 8, Siletz, OR 97380, upon successful purchase, the bidder must submit a tenant application. If the successful buyer is not approved as a tenant, the successful buyer will have ten (10) days to remove the personal property from the date the bid is accepted. Tenant applications can be obtained in advance at Yaquina Law, LLC, 380 SW 2nd St., Newport, OR 97365. If you have any questions, please contact Yaquina Law, LLC at (541) 272-5500. F14, F21

LCL 95-28 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN

In the Matter of the Estate of JANET LOUISE TRUEBLOOD, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative by and through their attorney at PO Box 1987, Newport, OR 97365, 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 lawyers for the personal representative, Traci P. McDowall. Dated and first published on February 14, 2024. /s/ Traci P. McDowall, OSB #184063, Attorney for Personal Representative. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Mercedes Iseri, PO Box 2351, Newport, OR 97365, (541) 961- 6115 LAWYER FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Traci P. McDowall, OSB #184063, PO Box 1987, Newport, OR 97365, (541) 272-5500, traci@yaquina.com F14, F21, F28

LCL 94-06 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN

Probate Department Case No. 23PB09809 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS In the Matter of the Estate of Karen Lea Rangitsch, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Broderic Lewis has been appointed as the personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to

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the undersigned attorney for the personal representative at 388 State Street, Suite 470, Salem, Oregon 97301, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published on February 14, 2024. Broderic Lewis, Personal Representative, 388 State Street, Suite 470, Salem, Oregon 97301, david@bearmanlawoffices.com Tel (503) 363-4459. Published February 14, 21, and 28, 2024.

LCL 93-28 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: CONSTANCE MAE HARVEY, A/K/A CONSTANCE HOEFELD, DECEASED.

CASE NO. 24PB00387 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT CHRISTINE STUBBS HAS BEEN APPOINTED PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE. ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE ARE REQUIRED TO PRESENT THEM, WITH VOUCHERS ATTACHED, TO PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, CHRISTINE STUBBS, AT THE ADDRESS BELOW, WITHIN FOUR MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE, OR THE CLAIMS MAY BE BARRED. ALL PERSONS WHOSE RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE PROCEEDINGS MAY OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM THE RECORDS OF THE COURT, THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, OR THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE. ADDRESS FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: C/O ATTORNEY JOSHUA D. ZANTELLO, OSB #121562, ZANTELLO LAW GROUP, 2941 NW HIGHWAY 101, LINCOLN CITY, OR 97367. DATED AND FIRST PUBLISHED: FEBRUARY 14, 2024. /S/ JOSHUA D. ZANTELLO, JOSHUA D. ZANTELLO, ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE. F14, F21, F28

LCL 88-06 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

TS No.: 112404-OR Loan No.: * **7522 Reference is made to that certain trust deed (the "Deed of Trust") executed by COLLEEN M. JORDAN, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Grantor, to CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR HURON VALLEY FINANCIAL, INC. D/B/A 1ST NATIONS REVERSE MORTGAGE, BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 9/24/2018, recorded 10/3/2018, as Instrument No. 2018-09845, in the Official Records of Lincoln County, Oregon, which covers the following described real property situated in Lincoln County, Oregon: LOT 299, BLOCK 17, CORONADO SHORES DIVISION NO. 3, IN THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN, STATE OF OREGON, APN: R73541 / 08-11-21-AB- 15000-00 Commonly known as: 315 EL PINO AVENUE LINCOLN CITY, OR 97367 The current beneficiary is: CARINGTON MORTGAGE SERVICES LLC Both the beneficiary and the trustee

LCL 89-06 PUBLIC NOTICE

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, County Lincoln DAVID GORTON, AND PAMELA INEZ RANDONE, TRUSTEE OF THE PAMELA RANDONE TRUST, Plaintiffs, vs. AHMED EL SHERBINI,

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STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES, All Other Persons or parties Unknown claiming any right, title, lien, or interest in the property described in the complaint herein. Lincoln County Circuit Court Case No. 23CV52905. The object of the complaint is to clear title from a recorded first right of refusal and the demand for relief is declaratory relief. You are hereby required to appear and defend the Complaint filed against you in the above-entitled action within thirty days (30) from the date of service of this summons upon you, and in the case of your failure to do so, for want thereof, Plaintiff(s) will apply for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE TO DEFENDANTS: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear": you must file with the Court a legal paper called a "Motion" or "Answer." The "Motion" or "Answer" must be given to the Court Clerk or Administrator within 30 days of the first publication specified herein along with the required filing fee. First date of publication is February 14, 2024. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the Plaintiff Attorney or if the Plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof upon the Plaintiffs. If you have any questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help finding an attorney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684-3763 or toll-free in Oregon at: (800) 452-7636. Gari Lynn Lovejoy, OSB# 023718 Of Attorney for Plaintiff(s) STATE OF OREGON) ss. County of Lincoln) I, the undersigned, attorney of record for the Plaintiff certify that the foregoing is an exact and complete copy of the Summons in the above-entitled Case. Gari Lynn Lovejoy, OSB # 023718 Attorney for Plaintiff(s). F14, F21, F28, M6

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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 due to the failure of the borrower to maintain the property as their principal residence. TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAY-OFF: \$190,196.45 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 \$135,353.73 together with interest thereon in the total amount of \$31,241.82, plus all accrued late charges, and all trustee's fees, 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 111 SW Columbia Street #950, Portland, OR 97201, will on 6/4/2024, at the hour of 10:00 AM, standard time, as established by ORS 187.110, AT THE OLIVE STREET ENTRANCE TO THE LINCOLN COUNTY 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 inter-

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est 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 performance required under the Deed of Trust at any time not later than five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any succes-

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sor 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: 1/18/2024 CLEAR RECON CORP 111 SW Columbia Street #950 Portland, OR 97201 Phone: 858-750-7777 866-931-0036 By: Name: Jessica Lopez Authorized Signatory of Trustee. F14, F21, F28, M6

LCL 84-21 FORECLOSURE SALE FORECLOSURE SALE

at The Storage Place, 4822 S Coast Hwy South Beach, OR. 97366. Starting at 11:00am on 2/22/2024 for unit #111 rented by Darrel & Carol Thrasher. F14, F21

LCL 83-21 PUBLIC SALE

On February 29th, 2024 at 11:00 AM, a public sale will be held at Ideal Storage, 134 NE Metcalf Ave Siletz, OR 97380: S056 - Neal Eley, S101 - Robert Bellis, S105 - Rebecca Goreham. On February 29th, 2024 at 2:00 PM, a public sale will be held at Ideal Storage, 5441 W. Hwy 20, Toledo, OR 97391: T0844 - Amy Watson. Minimum bid \$50.00 Cash only. * Special Auction* February 28th 2:00 PM, 235 SW Dahl AVE, Waldport, OR, Vehicle in unit. Auctioned as is with Lien title. \$500.00 bid call for limited information about the vehicle. F14, F21

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LCL 82-21 INVITATION TO BID

Abandoned property of The Estate of Helen Law and All Others. For Sale, a 1981 RXKZY, Serial #SF3877A, Home ID #235898. The mobile home is located at 5405 NW Pacific Coast HWY, #38, in Driftwood Village MHC, LLC. This will be a private sale with a minimum bid of \$22,100. Bids accepted until February 28, 2024. Send/submit bids to 18150 SW Boones Ferry Road, Portland, OR 97224, Attn: Audra. Please call Jonna at: 530-524-2048 for an appointment to see home. F14, F21

LCL 75-28 JLF 23-129057 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

A default has occurred under the terms of a trust deed made by Susan A. MacDonell and Rose MacDonell, not as tenants in common, but with the rights of survivorship, whose address is 820 Driftwood Lane, Yachats, OR 97498 as grantor to Fidelity National Title Company, as Trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for PennyMac Loan Services, LLC, its successors and assigns, as named Beneficiary, dated July 17, 2017, recorded July 19, 2017, in the mortgage records of Lincoln County, Oregon, as Instrument No. 2017-06866. PennyMac Loan Services, LLC is the present Beneficiary as defined by ORS 86.705(2), as covering the following described real property: Lot

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11, Block 2, OCEAN CREST, in the City of Yachats, County of Lincoln and State of Oregon. COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 820 Driftwood Lane, Yachats, OR 97498. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and a notice of default has been recorded pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 86.752(3); the default for which the foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: Monthly payments in the sum of \$1,424.40, from June 1, 2023 and monthly payments in the sum of \$1,469.11, from September 1, 2023 plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$200.64, plus the sum of \$55.00 for advances, together with all costs, disbursements, and/or fees incurred or paid by the beneficiary and/or trustee, their employees, agents or assigns. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation that the trust deed secures immediately due and payable, said sum being the following, to-wit: \$184,332.32, together with accrued interest in the sum of \$4,956.28 through December 26, 2023, together with interest thereon at the rate of 4.125% per annum from December 27, 2023, plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$200.64, plus the sum of \$4,233.87 for advances, together with all costs, disbursements, and/or fees incurred or paid by

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the beneficiary and/or trustee, their employees, agents or assigns. WHEREFORE, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee will on May 15, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 AM PT, in accord with the standard time established by ORS 187.110, at the south entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, located at 225 West Olive, in the City of 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 has or had power to convey at the time of the execution of 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 to any person named in ORS 86.778 that the right exists, at any time that is not later than five days before the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by paying to the beneficiary of the entire amount due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligations or trust deed, and in addition to paying said sums

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or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and trust deed, together with trustee's fees and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by said ORS 86.778. Notice is further given that reinstatement or payoff quotes requested pursuant to ORS 86.786 and ORS 86.789 must be timely communicated in a written request that complies with that statute, addressed to the trustee's "Reinstatements/Payoffs - ORS 86.786" either by personal delivery or by first class, certified mail, return receipt requested, to the trustee's address shown below. Due to potential conflicts with federal law, persons having no record legal or equitable interest in the subject property will only receive information concerning the lender's estimated or actual bid. Lender bid information is also available at the trustee's website, www.logs.com/janeway_law_firm. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Also, please be advised that pursuant to the terms stated on the Deed of Trust and

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Note, the beneficiary is allowed to conduct property inspections while property is in default. This shall serve as notice that the beneficiary shall be conducting property inspections on the said referenced property. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. The Fair Debt Collection Practice Act requires that we state the following: This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If a discharge has been obtained by any party through bankruptcy proceedings: This shall not be construed to be an attempt to collect the outstanding indebtedness or hold you personally liable for the debt. Dated: 12-28-2023 JANEWAY LAW FIRM, LLC, Successor Trustee 1499 SE Tech Center Place, Suite 255, Vancouver, WA 98683 www.logs.com/janeway_law_firm Telephone: (360) 260-2253 Toll-free: 1-800-970-5647 JLF 23-129057 NPP0445212 To: NEWPORT NEWS TIMES 02/07/2024, 0 2 / 1 4 / 2 0 2 4 , 0 2 / 2 1 / 2 0 2 4 , 0 2 / 2 8 / 2 0 2 4

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this source is decreasing. Nebel said, "The amount of gallons sold each year continues to kind of dwindle downward because of the other options people have with hybrids, with electric vehicles and with higher fuel efficiencies, which are great things to occur, but I think in the long run there's going to be some discussion about what's a better way to finance roads in the state of Oregon." During the council discussion, Mayor Jan

Kaplan said, "I have a real concern that we're starting out behind the 8 ball here. If we were asking for 5 cents and it wasn't going to do enough three years ago, and it's going to be fewer gallons, I feel like we should go for 7 or 8 cents." He added, "One of the things people consistently complain to me about is the streets. I keep trying to say we don't have the money. It's becoming more apparent to people that we have a serious problem with our city streets." Councilor Cynthia Jacobi said, "I think it's beyond dispute that we need to spend more money

on our streets before they deteriorate further. Why do we have 5 cents a gallon on here? If that's only a quarter of the money required in what the cost would be, I think we should at least kick it up a few cents, 10 cents even. Five cents is pretty negligible." Councilor Robert Emond said, "I would like to go 10 or 12 cents, but I think that would be very off-putting to many of the voters who are cash conscious, especially with inflation being so high and everyone complaining about that. It might be counter-productive to

getting it passed. Five cents is better than nothing." City Attorney David Allen said according to the Oregon Department of Transportation website, "There are 35 cities in Oregon that have a gas tax. Right now, the city of Coburg has 6 cents as a rate, Eugene has 5 cents as a rate, Portland has 10 cents as a rate, and everything else is less than 5 cents." Kaplan said, "My concern is you look at the numbers, you look at what we need. If we go for 5 cents, that's not to fix everything ... if we go out for 5 cents, we need to say

'here's what we'll do, and here's what we wouldn't be able to do.'" "I think this is one piece of the puzzle," Nebel said. "The nice thing about this piece is it's not just city taxpayers paying. It's anyone that buys gas in Newport that's sharing in that expense. So instead of charging city taxpayers 100 percent of the cost for the roads, it's allocating it among the users of the roads that buy gas here in Newport." After further discussion, the council voted to bring an ordinance and resolution back at the next meeting proposing

the 5-cent increase, which would be year-round and would not have an expiration date. This motion passed 5-2, with Kaplan and Jacobi voting in opposition. This item, as well as a public hearing on the matter, was scheduled for this week's city council meeting, which took place Tuesday, rather than Monday, due to the Presidents' Day holiday. Because the meeting was held after this week's press deadline, the Lincoln County Leader will provide an update on this issue in next week's edition.

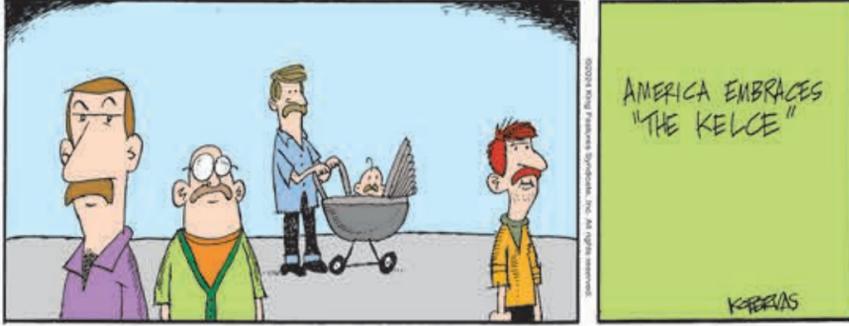
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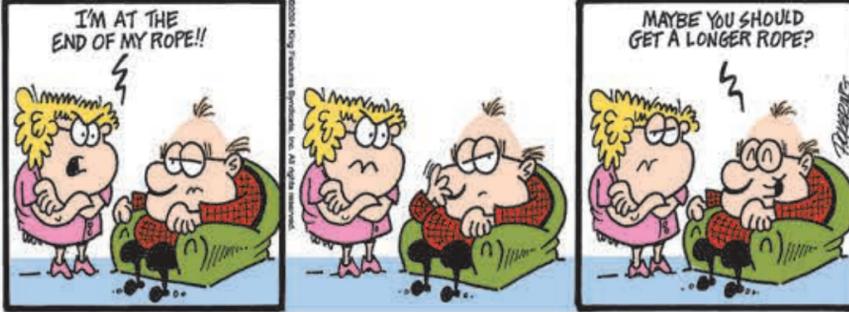
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CryptoQuip

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

Clue: Q equals F

SPG MY LTD OKLPTRZLE

TBSTGE EKKO XY MDZRJ

LYQQKK TX SYDJ? HKLTAEK

ZX'E HDKTJ QBZAM!

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SCRAMBLERS

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

Stash: CHEAC

Froth: HALTER

Deduce: FINER

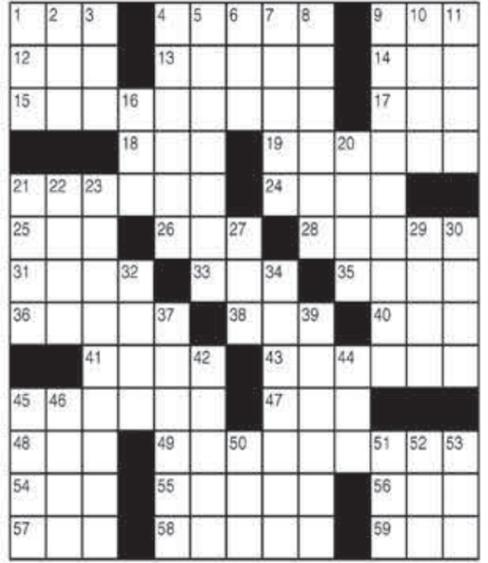
Lowly: MALINE

TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Pep
- 4 "Get Here" singer Adams
- 9 Opposite of "post-"
- 12 Equal (Pref.)
- 13 Jeremy of "Entourage"
- 14 Corn serving
- 15 Prepaid convenience for cell users
- 17 Texter's "Enough!"
- 18 Common verb
- 19 Spiritualist
- 21 Oliver Twist, for one
- 24 Cabinet dept. head
- 25 "Norma —"
- 26 Snake's warning
- 28 Mexican snacks
- 31 Actor Richard
- 33 UFO crew
- 35 Commanded
- 36 Enticed
- 38 Rep.'s rival
- 40 "Diamonds" singer
- 41 Goatee's spot
- 43 "O Pioneers!" author
- 45 Long recliner
- 47 Magic, on scoreboards
- 48 "A spider!"



- 49 Cell user's practical joke
- 54 Conk out
- 55 Dodge
- 56 Classic car
- 57 Hosp. areas
- 58 Opposite of most
- 59 Watch chain
- 7 Semesters
- 8 "Still ..."
- 9 Fund for minor expenses
- 10 Malek of "Bohemian Rhapsody"
- 11 Guitarist Clapton
- 16 "Unh-unh" type
- 20 Wound cover
- 21 Pitcher
- 22 Pasta sauce brand
- 23 Fruity baked goods
- 27 Norm (Abbr.)
- 29 Garfield's pal
- 30 Blacken
- 32 Classic soda brand
- 34 Extra helpings
- 37 Put to rest
- 39 Grocery store
- 42 Audacity
- 44 Patient's need, briefly
- 45 Give up
- 46 Estate recipient
- 50 Bond rating
- 51 Canine cry
- 52 Zodiac feline
- 53 Arced tennis shot

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

- ♦ Moderate
- ♦♦ Challenging
- ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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WORD LADDERS

Can you go from BEAST to BOOST in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

BEAST

BOOST

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the capital of Canada?
2. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What was the first animal to be cloned?
3. LITERATURE: In the children's book series "The Bobbsey Twins," what are the names of the two sets of twins?
4. CHEMISTRY: What is the symbol for the chemical element platinum?
5. MUSIC: What is the title of Elvis Presley's first commercial single?
6. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the first U.S. national park?
7. MEDICAL: What is a common name for xerosis?
8. FOOD & DRINK: What is a sommelier?
9. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Who was the first president to visit all 50 states?
10. HISTORY: What were the principal powers of the Axis in WWII?

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- Answers
1. Ottawa.
 2. A sheep.
 3. Nam, Bert, Flossie and Freddie.
 4. Pt.
 5. "That's All Right."
 6. Yellowstone National Park.
 7. Dry skin.
 8. Wine expert.
 9. Richard Nixon.
 10. Nazi Germany, Italy and Japan.

SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word: FATHER

1. Cache 2. Lather 3. Infer 4. Mental

ROAST, BLAST, BOOST

BEAST, BLAST, ROAST

Answer

WORD LADDER

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

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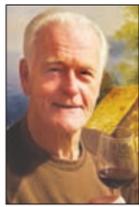
Answers

King Crossword

Why do car mechanics always seem to drink coffee at work? Because it's break fluid!

SWAFFORD ON WINE

NEWPORT FESTIVAL: GOLD, SILVER, BRONZE MEDALS AWARDED



Joseph Swafford

When the 47th annual Newport Seafood and Wine Festival opens this Thursday, Feb. 22, for its four-day-run, 84 of the 152 wines entered can display either gold,

silver or bronze medals won in the Commercial Wine Competition. Of the 15 gold, two each were awarded to a pair of Eugene area wineries: Capitello Wines for Non-Vintage Brut Oregon Sparkling Wine and 2021 Succession Cuvée Willamette Valley Pinot Noir; J. Scott Cellars for 2020 Rogue Valley Charbono and 2019 Rogue Valley Petit Verdot.

A gold medal was also awarded to Roseburg's Paul O'Brien Winery for their 2018 Umpqua Valley Malbec. The competition concluded with our five-judge panel voting the O'Brien Malbec as the Joseph H. Swafford Best-Of-Show. (The judges, several years ago, put my name on the BOS award, citing that I had founded the competition 37 years ago and that the names Oscar, Pulitzer and Nobel were already taken.)

The judges panel was again anchored by Brooks Tish, former wine writer for the Salem and Boise Statesman Journal newspapers. Brooks was the first judge I brought in and has been on the panel for all 37 years. His wine protégé Christina Ahlers and Mac McLaren, former Bay House Restaurant sommelier, also returned as judges. Two new judges joined the panel this year: Patrick Mcelligott, who has taught enology classes at Chemeketa Community College for the past 25 years, and Pilar Lemma Oun, whose family owned Lemma Wine Distributors for over 40 years in Portland.

Malbec is a grape varietal once very important in southwestern France, but it is now in decline in that country. However, Malbec was introduced into Argentina in the late 1860s and is today that country's leading red wine grape, garnering international acclaim. Noted for deep red color and plum flavors, rich and impressive versions have recently come from Oregon and Washington wineries. The Newport judges panel was almost equally impressed with Salem's Flourishing Palm Cellars' 2018 Horse Heaven Hills Malbec, which also won gold. One judge went so far as to rate the O'Brien as the best North American Malbec he had ever tasted.

Next time you are in Roseburg, plan to visit Scott O'Brien Winery, which is located in the historic old Hansen Chevrolet building in the downtown area not far off I-5. They are open 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. every day of the week. You won't find Paul O'Brien himself at the winery, however, because Paul O'Brien doesn't exist. Rather, he is two people: Dyson Paul DeMara and Scott O'Brien Kelley met 20 years ago when they both worked at the Robert Mondavi Winery in Napa Valley. The two friends later moved north and in 2013 released their first vintage from their Roseburg winery, which bears both of their middle names. Scott is the winemaker, and his co-founder, Dyson, also is the winemaker at nearby Hillcrest Vineyard, which he and his wife now own. Hillcrest is the oldest continuously operating Oregon vineyard and winery. It was founded in 1961 by the late pioneer of the modern Oregon wine era, Richard Sommer.

For the complete list of medals awarded — 15 gold, 30 silver and 39 bronze — go online to www.newportchamber.org, click on Seafood & Wine Festival, go to Information and drop down to Wine Competitions and 2024 results.

Cheers!
Joseph Swafford
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'Get Lit at the Maritime' on March 9

For its debut literary event, the Pacific Maritime Heritage Center in Newport will be hosting nine authors on Saturday, March 9, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event is free with museum admission. Donations are always appreciated.

Museum doors open at 9:30 a.m. The first presentation begins promptly at 10 in the museum's Doerfler Family Theater, with subsequent authors following in half-hour increments. A brief Q&A will take place after each reading.

Light refreshments will be available during breaks, but audience members are encouraged to bring their own brown bag lunches and water bottle.

Books by the featured authors will be available for purchase and signing. Some of the publications, such as keynote speaker Erin Litteken's "Memory Keeper of Kyiv" and "The Lost Daughters of Ukraine," will be available for advance purchase in the museum store.

The nine authors represent a wide range of writing styles and subjects. They include:

• **ERIN LITTEKEN** (St. Louis): third-generation Ukrainian-American who weaves stories she heard from her great-grandmother into historical fiction novels that portray the plight of the Ukrainian people.

• **DR. CANDICE GOUCHER** (Portland): Professor Emerita of History at Washington State University. Lead scholar on 28 films and author of 15 books on African history, archaeology, and food studies. Goucher will be speaking about her upcoming publication, "Picnics, Porcupines, and Photographs: My Grandmother's Picnic in 1911."

• **LEANNE GRABEL**



Nine authors will be featured during the "Get Lit at the Maritime" event, which takes place March 9 at the Pacific Maritime Heritage Center, located on Newport's Bayfront at 333 SE Bay Blvd. (Courtesy photo)

(Portland): writer, teacher, illustrator, and award-winning spoken word performer presenting her newest project, "Old With Jokes," plus a medley from past hits.

• **AMY LEONA HAVIN** (Portland): Israeli-born poet, essayist, arts journalist, filmmaker, and performance artist. Staff writer with The Oregonian/OregonLive, Litwatch columnist for Oregon ArtsWatch, and artistic director for The Holding Project, which is dedicated to movement language and choreographic creation.

• **DR. DAVID LEWIS** (Salem): Assistant Professor of Anthropology & Indigenous studies at Oregon State University and member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde. Ethno-historical consultant and educational presenter of regional Native history, and a culture researcher, scholar, educator, and writer of original histories of the peoples of Oregon and California.

• **KERRY NEWBERRY** (Portland): writer and journalist who chases stories about people through the lens of food,

wine, farming, and travel. Her feature story on Yaquina Bay Oysters appeared in Travel Oregon. Kerry co-authored "Oregon Food & Wine," which is a cookbook inspired by the wineries of Oregon.

• **CARLA PERRY** (Newport): founder and director of the Writers on The Edge and Nye Beach Writers' Series. The author of several books of poetry, and the novel, "Riva Beside Me," which was transformed into a full stage play. Recipient of the Stewart Holbrook Special Oregon Book Award and the Oregon Governor's Art Award for her outstanding contributions to Oregon's literary community.

• **JESS BONDY** (Newport): who traces her family roots to Russian and Eastern European Jews who emigrated to the Lower East Side of Manhattan in the late 1800s. Bondy recently retired after 30-plus years serving as senior planner for the Lincoln County Department of Planning and Development. Together, Perry and Bondy will read from "The Jew Girls Adventure Series: You Can Call Me Andy," a tale of sleuthing,

shenanigans, and romance as they attempt to solve livability challenges in a small town on the central Oregon coast.

• **DR. BRIAN TISSOT** (Depoe Bay): Professor Emeritus of Biological Sciences at Cal Poly Humboldt. A marine ecologist and surfer who has published scientific papers on kelp forest, coral reefs, and deep-sea communities. An avid blogger, "Dr Abalone" writes futuristic science fiction novels that focus on environmental philosophy, resource conflicts, and cutting-edge research. He will speak on his journey from science to science-fiction while writing his Songs of the Universe trilogy.

Event seating in the Doerfler Family Theater will be on a first come, first served basis. For more information, call 541-265-7509 or email director@oregoncoasthistory.org.

About the Pacific Maritime Heritage Center

The Pacific Maritime Heritage Center is located at Bayfront at 333 SE Bay Blvd., is operated by Lincoln County Historical Society (LCHS).

Tree seedling sale Saturday

The Lincoln County Small Woodlands Association will host its annual native tree seedling sale this Saturday, Feb. 24, at Table Mountain Forestry, located at 247 NE Highway 20 in Toledo (on the southwest side of the highway at the stoplight).

The sale begins at 10 a.m. and runs until 2 p.m., or until the supply runs out.

A number of native tree seedlings

and some native shrub species will be available. The annual event is designed to provide the public with affordable native tree seedlings, promote natural resource conservation awareness and increase forest owners' knowledge and abilities as stewards of their land.

Most seedlings will be \$2. For more information, contact Joe Steere at jsteere5050@yahoo.com.

Float ID Day in Lincoln City

The North Lincoln County Historical Museum will be hosting its popular Float ID Day from noon to 3 p.m. this Saturday, Feb. 24.

Community members are invited to bring in their own glass fishing floats to talk with experts and learn how to identify these special treasures. There is no

charge to participate in this event.

Dr. Nicklis Simpson, DMD, and other well-known float collectors and aficionados will be in attendance to help visitors learn the history of their floats.

The North Lincoln County Historical Museum is located at 4907 SW Highway 101 in Lincoln City.

GriefShare set for Waldport

For someone who is mourning the death of a loved one, no matter how long it has been, hope and healing can still be found. A 13-week program called GriefShare will be offered in Waldport from 10 to 11:30 a.m. on Thursdays, from March 7 through May 30, at First Baptist Church, 2620 East Alsea Highway.

This program uses video presentations

to share the advice of experts on grief, as well as the testimony of others who have survived such a loss.

Register for the program by griefshare.org/findagroup. There is no registration fee. Participant guides may be purchased at the first session.

For more information, contact Roger Keehn at FBCGSHARE@gmail.com

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WALDPORT, TOLEDO END WINTER SPORTS SEASON

That's a wrap

Both schools' boys and girls teams end regular season play

This sports update covers the end of the regular season for various high school teams from Waldport High School and Toledo High School, detailing their final games, meets, and competitions in basketball and wrestling.

WALDPORT HIGH SCHOOL:

- The boys' basketball team concluded their regular season with a game against Toledo on Feb. 8.
- The girls' basketball team finished their regular season by hosting Central Linn on Feb. 13.
- The Wrestling team participated in a District meet with 14 schools on Feb. 10, marking the end of their regular season.
- The girls wrestling team completed their season earlier at the Alsea Classic on Jan. 20.

TOLEDO HIGH SCHOOL

- Both the boys' and girls' basketball teams ended their regular seasons by hosting Waldport on Feb. 8.
- The boys' wrestling team concluded their regular

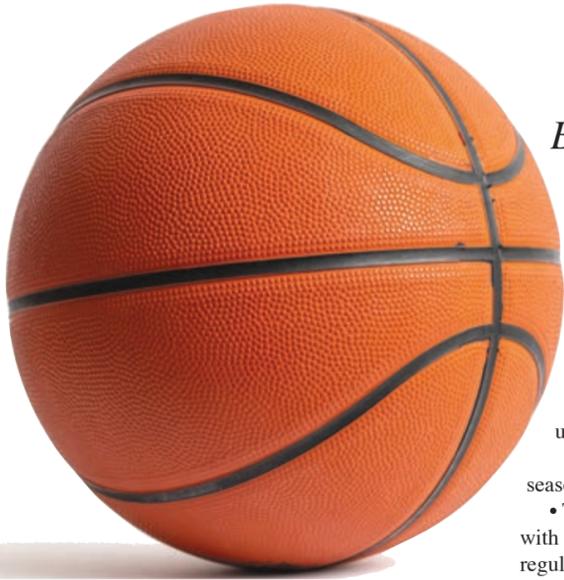


Waldport boys basketball team action. (Courtesy photo)

winter season by hosting the District meet on Feb. 10.

- The girls' wrestling team, similar to Waldport's girls' team, finished their regular season at the Alsea Bay Classic on Jan. 20.

For detailed results of these teams' participants at the State competitions go to osaa.org.



NEWPORT HIGH SCHOOL WINTER SPORTS ENDS



Newport's William Postlewait in the water during State competition. (Courtesy photo)

This sports update highlights the recent activities and achievements of Newport High School's sports teams, including basketball, wrestling, and swimming, as they wrapped up their regular season and competed in district and state meets.

- The Newport High School boys and girls basketball teams played their final regular season league game against North Marion on Tuesday, Feb. 20. For the outcomes of these games, checking the Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA) website at osaa.org.

- The school's wrestling team concluded its regular season on Jan. 27, participating in the Tod Surmon Classic held at South Eugene High School

- The boys and girls swim teams of Newport High School completed their regular season on Feb. 10, competing in a District meet against Astoria, Scappoose, and Taft at the Newport Aquatic Center. Following this, the team advanced to the State competition, which took place at the Tualatin Hills Aquatic Center in Beaverton on Feb. 17. To find detailed results of the State competition and more, visiting osaa.org.

TAFT TIGERS ACHIEVE GOALS

The Taft Tiger boys' and girls' recent achievements and upcoming events for Taft Middle/High School's sports teams, including basketball, wrestling, and swimming. In Basketball, the boys' varsity team played against Amity in the league playoffs on Saturday, Feb. 17, but lost with a close score of 48-54. Despite the setback, they are scheduled to face St. Mary's Medford on Feb. 20. On the same day, the girls' basketball team won against Santiam Christian, finishing with a score of 43-40 and making it to State. They are next set to play against Valley Catholic on Wednesday, Feb. 21. The Wrestling team also had significant events, with the boys' team completing their winter season at the Special District Championships on Feb. 10. The girls' wrestling team concluded their regular winter season earlier at the Alsea Bay Classic on Jan. 20. at the Newport Lastly, the Taft swim teams wrapped their winter season on Feb. 10 during the District Meet at the Newport Aquatics Center, marking the end of their competitive season.

WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS



Coastal Cheer Athletics Youth Black Traditional Team took home grand championship honors by winning their division in Roseburg this past January. (Courtesy photo)

The Lincoln City competition cheerleading squad Coastal Cheer Athletics made history this January in Roseburg by winning Grand Champions of their division, going up against 20 other teams in a fiercely competitive event that tested their skills and teamwork to the limit.

The Mini Rec team for CCA brought home second place in their division, the Youth Teal CCA team brought home second place in their division, and the Youth Black CCA team brought home first place.

"This is not just a win for our team, but a win for our entire community; these kids work day in and day out perfecting their routine; it's amazing to see their hard work acknowledged in such a big way!" head coach Amanda Gustafson said, reflecting the community's pride in the team's success.

With their tireless dedication and relentless practice sessions thrice a week for an hour and 45 minutes, CCA's Youth Black traditional team clinched the Grand Champion title. Their score towered above the rest, proving that their frequent travels and tireless efforts have borne fruit. Coastal Cheer Athletics etched their name in the annals of history this January in Roseburg. They emerged as the Grand Champions of their division, triumphing more than 20 other formidable teams.

"All of these kids in this program are talented; we focus on technicality

Wish these athletes luck on their road to the championships on Feb. 23 at the Salem Pavilion. Youth Black performs at 8:04 a.m., Minis perform at 9 a.m., Youth Teal performs at 10:20 a.m., and Junior Game Day performs at 2 p.m. For more information contact Amanda Gustafson at Director@coastcheerathletics.com.

and strengths as coaches. We focus on cleanliness and synchronization, which includes everyone. It is a team sport, and all our teams support each other. It's just really an amazing thing to witness," Gustafson said.

Coastal Cheer Athletics competed in the OE classics on Feb. 3, where the Mini squad got first place champions in their division. It was a massive win for our mini-squad! Youth Black got 3rd place in their division.

"Our program has kids ranging from 5- to 12-years-old, made up of 24 girls and three boys. Going from two teams last season to four teams this season, the program keeps expanding, and we could not be happier. We want a safe learning environment where these kids can reach their highest potential and feel good about themselves." Gustafson said.

Since Coastal Cheer Athletics was founded in 2022, its goal has always been to put Lincoln City on the map

in the cheer world in a positive way. They are teaching the values of teamwork, responsibility, dedication, loyalty, and integrity.

"When we are at competition, the respect these kids have for other teams is awesome. They always make sure to wish other teams good luck or tell them how good of a job they did, and they never expect a trophy and are always just as surprised as everyone else when they hear their name called. No matter what place they take, or if they don't take one, the smiles never fade. They love to compete!"

Coastal Cheer Athletics would like to thank their sponsors; they would have the necessary tools to compete with them. Game Over, Childish Tendencies, Left Coast Coffee Co, Ace Hardware, Meredith Lodging, D Sands, Sea Gypsy, Western Cascades Industries, Everywhere Construction, Travis Electric, Marsh Concrete, Les Schwab, Y. Wolfe Excavating LLC, The Go2Guys LLC, Zellers Bar and Grill, Wind Driven, Oregon Coast Aesthetics and Wellness, Side Door Cafe, Papa Murphys, South Beach Fish Market, Zantello Law Group, Nicole Johnson Realty One, Pacific Power, Professional Tire, and Thompson Sanitary.

With a new season right around the corner, you can get information on signing up your child for this competition cheer program at www.coastcheerathletics.com. Follow the team on Facebook .

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