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The Oregon SPIRE program supports local jurisdictions by providing essential response equipment to improve resilience and collaborative emergency response capabilities statewide, the release states. (Courtesy photo)

Sheriff's office gets high-water rescue vehicle

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (LCSO) has been awarded a

new highwater rescue vehicle funded through the Oregon State Preparedness Infrastructure Resource Equipment (SPIRE) grant

program.

The specialized vehicle enhances emergency responders' ability to

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Officers 'justified' in use of deadly physical force incident

On July 21, 2026, a Lincoln County Grand Jury unanimously found that Oregon State Police Lieutenant Joey Pollard and Newport Police Officer Jerimiah Mangum were each justified in their use of deadly physical force against Daniel Noonan, 50, on June 17, 2026.

The Grand Jury convened to hear testimony, review body worn camera, and examine scene diagrams. The following is presented by the Lincoln County District Attorney's Office's as a factual summary of the investigation:

On June 11, 2026, Lt. Pollard, Oregon State Police, received reports of a disturbance that had occurred at a fruit stand at the intersection of Highway 229 and Highway 101, Lincoln City, Oregon.

Evidence suggested that a male suspect had initially approached the fruit stand, yelled at a



The Grand Jury concluded unanimously that the actions of Oregon State Police Lt. Pollard and Newport Police Officer Mangum on June 17, 2026 was justified and lawful. (Courtesy photo)

Hispanic female operating the stand, before destroying the fruit stand and leaving on an e-bike. The same male suspect then returned shortly after and proceeded to make racially motivated derogatory comments. At one point in

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Lincoln City receives \$10,000 for waterway improvements



Devils Lake is a 3-mile-long body of water just northeast of Highway 101 in Lincoln City. (Courtesy photo from Frank Cavezza)

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

The Oregon Department of State Lands (ODSL) has awarded more than \$208,000 through the Submerged Lands Enhancement Fund to support five projects that will restore fish habitat, address invasive aquatic plants, and improve public access to Oregon's waterways.

Lincoln City will

receive \$10,000.

"The Submerged Lands Enhancement Fund reflects our commitment to reinvesting in Oregon's public waterways," ODSL Director Kaitlin Lovell. "By supporting projects led by local partners, we're helping ensure these shared resources remain healthy, accessible, and resilient for generations to come."

2025-27 Grant Awards

- **Recipient:** Benton Soil and Water Conservation District
- **Award:** \$61,090
- **Project:** Treat invasive aquatic plants, including invasive arrowhead (Sagittaria) and water primrose (Ludwigia) along a 16-mile reach of the middle Willamette River to improve habitat and water quality.
- **Recipient:** Willamette Riverkeeper
- **Award:** \$40,640
- **Project:** Treat established infestations of invasive water primrose (Ludwigia) across priority sites in multiple counties along the Willamette River and side channels.
- **Recipient:** West Multnomah Soil and Water Conservation District
- **Award:** \$10,178

- **Project:** Survey and remove priority aquatic and riparian invasive plants in Multnomah Channel, Scappoose Bay, Sauvie Island, and Linnton Harbor.
- **Recipient:** City of Lincoln City
- **Award:** \$10,000
- **Project:** Remove a deteriorated concrete structure at Devil's Lake to prepare the site for future installation

of an ADA-accessible kayak launch at Regatta Park.

- **Recipient:** North Clackamas Watersheds Council
- **Award:** \$86,446
- **Project:** Restore habitat in the Elk Rock Island backwater channel by installing large wood structures

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Cyclosporiasis cases reported in Oregon

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) is reporting two Oregon residents who developed Cyclospora infections that may be linked to the ongoing multistate

cyclosporiasis outbreak.

Both individuals traveled to other states involved in the recent nationwide recall of pre-shredded iceberg lettuce associated with the outbreak, according to a release from the OHA.

"The risk to the public remains low," the PJA stated in the release.

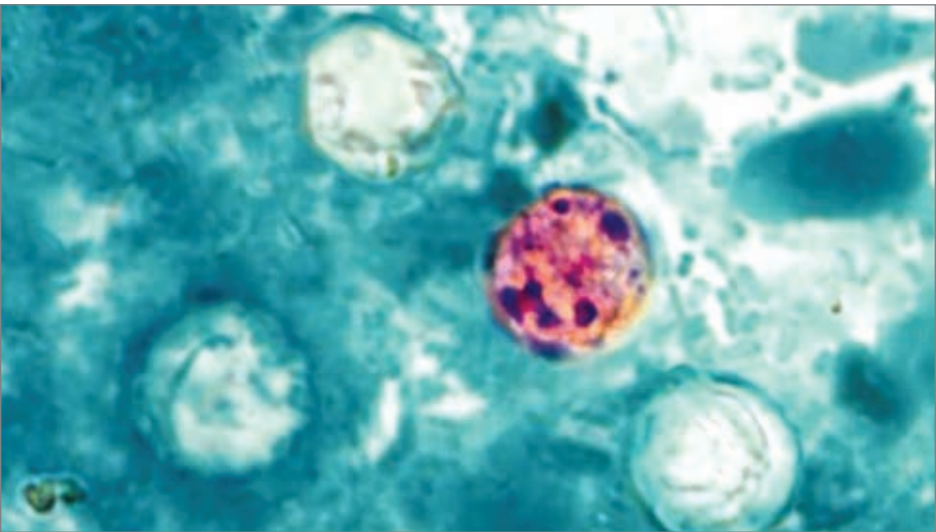
"The products, voluntarily recalled July 17, were not reported to have been distributed in Oregon. Cyclospora is not spread directly from

person to person."

Oregon has not detected an unusual increase in the number of cyclosporiasis cases. Cyclosporiasis is reported in Oregon each year, though they're not typically linked to a national outbreak and most cases report recent international travel.

So far in 2026, 23 cyclosporiasis cases have been reported in Oregon, which is consistent with

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As the federal outbreak continues, additional cases linked to the outbreak are expected among people who recently traveled to affected areas, or as additional products may be identified as part of the nationwide outbreak, according to the OHA. (Courtesy from the CDC)



Weather

Wednesday: High-63/Low-50
Partly Cloudy

Thursday: High-63/Low-50
AM Clouds/PM Sun

Friday: High-67/Low-57
Sunny

Saturday: High-62/Low-52
AM Showers

Sunday: High-64/Low-51
Partly Cloudy

Monday: High-67/Low-54
Sunny

Tuesday: High-67/Low-54
Mostly Sunny

Past Weather

On the Coast

	Rain	Low	High
21-Jul.....	0.....	52.99 °F....	66.29 °F
22-Jul.....	0.....	53.37 °F....	65.59 °F
23-Jul.....	0.....	56.22 °F....	68.44 °F
24-Jul.....	0.....	57.03 °F....	66.42 °F
25-Jul.....	0.....	53.99 °F....	68.7 °F
26-Jul.....	0.02.....	58.3 °F....	67.78 °F
27-Jul.....	0.....	56.04 °F....	68.01 °F
Total rainfall from Jan. 127.06"			

Tides Tables

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

WEDNESDAY, JULY 29

High.....	12:09 a.m.....	8.5
Low.....	7:13 a.m.....	-0.8
High.....	1:59 p.m.....	6.7
Low.....	6:54 p.m.....	3.2

THURSDAY, JULY 30

High.....	12:47 a.m.....	8.5
Low.....	7:44 a.m.....	-0.8
High.....	2:26 p.m.....	7.0
Low.....	7:34 p.m.....	3.0

FRIDAY, JULY 31

High.....	1:24 a.m.....	8.3
Low.....	8:13 a.m.....	-0.7
High.....	2:53 p.m.....	7.2
Low.....	8:15 p.m.....	2.7

SATURDAY, AUGUST 1

High.....	2:10 a.m.....	6.8
Low.....	8:48 a.m.....	-0.6
High.....	3:21 p.m.....	6.5
Low.....	9:07 p.m.....	1.7

SUUNDAY, AUGUST 2

High.....	2:52 a.m.....	6.4
Low.....	9:18 a.m.....	-0.2
High.....	3:49 p.m.....	6.7
Low.....	9:52 p.m.....	1.4

MONDAY, AUGUST 3

High.....	3:39 a.m.....	6.0
Low.....	9:49 a.m.....	0.4
High.....	4:19 p.m.....	6.9
Low.....	10:41 p.m.....	1.1

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4

High.....	4:33 a.m.....	5.5
Low.....	10:23 a.m.....	1.1
High.....	4:53 p.m.....	7.1
Low.....	11:39 p.m.....	0.8

Sunrise/Sunset

July 29.....	5:59 a.m.....	8:46 p.m.
July 30.....	6:00 a.m.....	8:45 p.m.
July 31.....	6:01 a.m.....	8:44 p.m.
August 1.....	6:02 a.m.....	8:43 p.m.
August 2.....	6:03 a.m.....	8:42 p.m.
August 3.....	6:05 a.m.....	8:40 p.m.
August 4.....	6:06 a.m.....	8:39 p.m.
August 5.....	6:07 a.m.....	8:38 p.m.
August 6.....	6:08 a.m.....	8:36 p.m.

Lottery

Friday, July 24

Mega Millions

2 • 5 • 42 • 44 • 60 • PB-1

Saturday, July 25

Powerball

3 • 4 • 24 • 36 • 47 • PB-17 • x4

Saturday, July 25

Megabucks

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Child luring suspect sentenced, search on for more victims

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

In a criminal case that began in Lincoln City, a 63-year-old Yamhill County man has been sentenced to 28 months in prison following his conviction of luring a minor.

On March 13, 2026, Richard Brotherton, of Amity, was arrested after initiating a sexually graphic conversation with an undercover officer posing as a minor,



The LCPD has released the photo of Richard Brotherton in an attempt to locate additional possible victims. (Courtesy photo)

according to the Lincoln City Police Department (LCPD). Brotherton was arrested and booked into the Lincoln County Jail for Luring a Minor. Deputy District Attorney Madeleine Boyle, of the Lincoln County District Attorney’s Office, argued the case on behalf of the State.

On July 1, 2026, following testimony by officers from the LCPD, a Lincoln County Jury found Brotherton guilty

of Luring a Minor. On July 16, 2026, Brotherton was sentenced to the Oregon Department of Corrections for a term of 28 months.

The LCPD has released Brotherton’s photo in an attempt to locate additional possible victims. If you recognize Brotherton and would like to speak with an investigator, you are encouraged to contact the LCPD or your local law enforcement agency. “The Lincoln City

Police Department encourages parents to monitor their children’s social media activity and discuss with them the possible dangers of communicating with strangers online,” the LCPD states in a release. “These investigations are conducted in a continuing effort to protect our children from predators who target children for sexual exploitation and to reduce crime and further enhance the safety of our community.”

Newport Police using ‘bait bikes’ to combat bicycle theft

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

The Newport Police Department is committed to protecting our community and reducing property crime. As part of that commitment, the department has recently been utilizing specially equipped “bait bikes” in areas where bicycle thefts have historically occurred.

The Newport Police Department “Bait Bike” Program was started by Officer Jack Grippin after he realized that traditional investigative methods were not having an impact. He developed a low to no cost method to start the program and got other department members on board.

The program, which has been in effect since June, began seeing immediate results and has produced multiple arrests. Officer Grippin has deployed a “bait bike” 9 times since starting the program and the “bait bike” has been stolen 7 of the 9 times



The program, which has been in effect since June, began seeing immediate results and has produced multiple arrests, according to Newport Police. (Metro Creative Connection)

during his operations. A bait bike is an unattended bicycle equipped with technology that allows officers to monitor its location in real time. Individuals who choose to steal the bicycle can be quickly identified, located, and arrested. The goal of the program is not only to apprehend offenders

but also to deter future thefts by increasing the perceived risk of being caught. Bicycle theft continues to be one of the most common property crimes in communities across the United States. Unfortunately, many thefts go unreported, and recovery rates remain low.

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the altercation, the male suspect was seen on video strangling a Hispanic male on scene. The male suspect could also be seen carrying a handgun on his right hip during the altercation.

Through a series of investigative means, Lt. Pollard identified the male suspect as Noonan, who was believed to be living in a residence off the Siletz Highway. On June 17, 2026, the Oregon State Police, accompanied by Officer Mangum of the Newport Police Department, responded to Noonan’s residence to arrest Noonan for the crimes of menacing, criminal mischief, assault in the

fourth degree, strangulation, and bias crime in the first and second degree. Law enforcement arrived at the property at approximately 3:50 p.m. While standing at the top of the path, Lt. Pollard observed Noonan, wearing full camouflage, walking up the path towards Lt. Pollard. It was apparent Noonan had drastically altered his appearance since the fruit stand incident by shaving his head and large beard. Lt. Pollard asked Noonan if he was Danny. Noonan responded in the affirmative before raising a firearm and opening fire on Lt. Pollard, as well as four other law enforcement officers in Lt. Pollard’s proximity. Lt. Pollard returned fire and Noonan quickly

retreated down the path towards his residence. Shortly after, Noonan reappeared again on the path and law enforcement instructed Noonan to show his hands. Noonan responded, “F... you, f... you, you N*** lovers” before Noonan fired again. Lt. Pollard and Officer Mangum returned fire but lost view of Noonan.

Lt. Pollard, Officer Mangum, and other members of the Oregon State Police proceeded down the path and located Noonan lying on his back. Noonan had a handgun in his right hand and held the gun to his chest. Noonan was also holding a second handgun in his left hand. Noonan did not respond to commands to drop either weapon but was still breathing. Law enforcement observed what appeared to be a gunshot wound to Noonan’s head and later located a gunshot wound to Noonan’s lower abdomen.

Additional law enforcement responded to the scene and rendered medical aid to Noonan. Noonan was transported to the Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital but was pronounced deceased upon arrival.

The Lincoln County Major Crime Team (MCT) was activated and conducted an investigation into the use of deadly force. Lincoln City Police Department Detective Bud Lane led the investigation. Detectives from the Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office, Lincoln City Police Department, Newport Police

Department, Toledo Police Department, Lincoln County District Attorney’s Office, and Oregon State Police Crime Lab participated in the investigation.

Pursuant to SB 111 protocol, Lt. Pollard and Officer Mangum were both placed on administrative leave pending the investigation. Lt. Pollard has approximately 29 years of police experience, including 26 years as a member of Oregon State Police SWAT. Officer Mangum has approximately 5 years of police experience and is a current member of the Lincoln County Tactical Response Team.

Noonan appeared to live alone. A search of Noonan’s residence revealed Noonan was in possession of a police scanner, additional firearms and ammunition, child pornography (child sexual abuse material), a small make-shift sex doll, as well as children’s underwear.

An autopsy was conducted by State Medical Examiner Dr. Henry McNett on June 18, 2026. Dr. McNett determined Noonan manner of death was a gunshot wound to the head. However, Dr. McNett noted a dark discoloration consistent with soot located at the entrance of the wound, consistent with a “contact” shot. This could be indicative of a self-inflicted wound. Noonan also sustained a gunshot wound to his lower left abdomen.

Noonan had no prior criminal convictions. The Grand Jury applied the facts of this case to the legal principles

dictating circumstances when deadly physical force can be used. Specifically, the Grand Jury found that, under the totality of the circumstances known to each peace officer, each officer reasonably determined that the use of deadly physical force was necessary as:

- Deadly physical force was necessary to defend a peace officer and/or another person from the use of threatened imminent use of deadly physical force;
- Under the totality of the circumstances existing at the time and place, the use of such force was justified.

The Grand Jury further found that no reasonable alternatives, such as verbal de-escalation, waiting or using other available techniques or resources were reasonable, safe or feasible to either officer at the time they used deadly physical force.

Under Oregon law, a District Attorney or Grand Jury, made up of Lincoln County residents, may make the final decision as to whether or not law enforcement officers were justified in their use of deadly force.

This case was presented to the Grand Jury by District Attorney Jenna Wallace. The Grand Jury’s decision required reviewing relevant facts and evidence available and applying them to the legal principles above. The Grand Jury concluded unanimously that the actions of Oregon State Police Lt. Pollard and Newport Police Officer Mangum on June 17, 2026 was justified and lawful.



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Initiative to ban most killing of animals fails

JULIA SHUMWAY
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregonians won't vote in November on whether to ban hunting, fishing, livestock farming and animal research after backers of a widely criticized initiative failed to gather enough valid signatures to make the ballot.

The Oregon Secretary of State's Office announced late Friday afternoon that it had determined Initiative Petition 28, an effort led by Portland-based vegan advocates to dramatically expand the state's animal cruelty laws, had less than 75% of the valid signatures it needed from Oregon voters to make it onto the November ballot.

Oregonians trying to pass laws through a state-wide vote need to collect signatures from 6% of voters who cast ballots in the last gubernatorial election. This year, that's 117,173 signatures.

Backers of the animal cruelty initiative, who did not immediately return a



Members of the Yakama Nation harvest Pacific lamprey at Wilumpt, or Willamette Falls, near Oregon City on June 24, 2026. The lamprey are an ancient and culturally significant species for many Northwest tribes. Fishing would have been banned under an initiative that failed to gather sufficient signatures to make the November ballot. (Alex Baumhardt / Oregon Capital Chronicle)

call for comment Friday, reported handing in 142,784 signatures. But through two statistical samples, state election officials determined that just 104,262 of those signatures matched individual Oregon voters' signature records. Election officials compare

signatures submitted to voter records and exclude duplicates.

Initiative Petition 28 would have banned nearly all harming or killing animals, with exceptions for self-defense and veterinary care. It would not have applied to insects, which aren't considered

animals under Oregon law, but would cover all other non-human creatures.

The initiative had widespread opposition from Democratic and Republican political leaders, the farming, ranching and fishing industries and Oregon's federally

recognized tribes, whose treaty-protected rights to hunt and fish in their traditional land would not have been exempted from the ban.

A coalition opposing the initiative welcomed the news. Lauren Kuenzi, government affairs director at the Oregon Farm Bureau and a coalition spokesperson, thanked Oregonians who raised alarms about the potential consequences of the proposed law.

"Today's announcement means Oregonians will not be faced with a ballot measure that would have made criminals out of law-abiding citizens, threatened family farms and ranches, increased food costs and undermined the science-based wildlife management that protects our state's natural resources," Kuenzi said.

This was the third election cycle that animal rights advocates have introduced a version of the initiative, and the closest they've come to

making the ballot. The campaign raised more than \$300,000 for its efforts this time around, state campaign finance records show, allowing it to pay petition circulators.

None of the other 88 initiatives Oregonians proposed this year submitted enough signatures, so this will be the first general election in decades without a citizen-led initiative on the ballot.

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'Not about improving elections'

Oregon secretary of state slams new Trump election threats

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Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregon Secretary of State Tobias Read on Monday rebuked the Trump administration's recent round of threats against state-run elections and urged Oregonians to educate themselves on how best to ensure their ballot is counted in November.

Read's comments at Portland Community College followed recent statements from Homeland Security Secretary Markwayne Mullin warning state officials could face potential criminal investigations and federal funding losses for failing to comply with the Trump administration's efforts to prevent noncitizens from voting.

President Donald Trump during his Thursday nationwide address also renewed his push to cast doubt on the 2020 election, without providing any evidence for his claims of fraud or foreign interference.

"This is not about improving elections. It's about putting political pressure on the people responsible for administering them," Read told reporters. "This is about making it harder for American citizens to vote, and it's about casting doubt on any election results that the president doesn't like."

The U.S. Constitution gives states the authority to conduct elections. Oregon's nearly three-decade history as the first state in the nation to vote entirely by mail system has made it a target for the federal government's efforts to cast doubt on the integrity of its elections, though data shows Oregon elections are secure. A 2020 review from Oregon's Legislative Fiscal Office found that the state obtained 38 criminal convictions related to voter fraud out of 60.9 million ballots cast from 2000 to 2019, or a rate of .00006%.

A series of clerical errors in recent years from the Oregon Driver and Motor Vehicle

Services division also led some noncitizens to receive ballots and cast votes.

The Oregon Secretary of State's office referred three individuals for prosecution to the Oregon Department of Justice last year, but the agency has declined to pursue any of the cases out of concerns of selective prosecution. The DMV has since added more safeguards to prevent errant registrations, including separating checkboxes for foreign and U.S. passports and requiring desk workers to confirm someone provided a document proving citizenship.

The U.S. Department of Justice, meanwhile, warned Read earlier this month that state election workers who facilitate noncitizens being allowed to vote could face criminal prosecution, though the agency has stopped short of claiming that is currently happening in Oregon. The federal government is also pushing states to run their voter rolls through a Homeland Security database that can make errors when it comes to newly naturalized citizens, but federal judges have offered conflicting orders that raise questions about the future viability of that database.

In the meantime, The Trump administration

has not won a single case against states in federal court so far to obtain sensitive voter registration data from states such as names, dates of birth, addresses and Social Security numbers. In a January decision rejecting the Trump administration's attempt to seize Oregon voter information, Eugene-based Judge Mustafa Kasubhai, an appointee of former Democratic President Joe Biden, wrote that the federal government's efforts were "chilling" and could "at very well lead to an erosion of voting rights and voter participation."

Oregon Attorney General Dan Rayfield also joined more than 20 other states in suing the federal government in April to block Trump's executive order promoting the creation of a nationwide voter registration list that could be used by the U.S. Postal Service to determine who receives a ballot.

A federal judge in June blocked major parts of that order, though the federal government has filed an appeal with the 1st Circuit Court of Appeals.

"We successfully defended Oregonians' private voter information in federal court, and we're working closely with county clerks across Oregon to strengthen

election security, to prepare for any credible threats we encounter, and to ensure that every county is ready for this November," Read said.

"Most importantly, we're making sure that voters know what to expect, so that misinformation doesn't fill the gaps."

Secretary of state points to best practices for ballots

Read said he was in touch with the Postal Service to ensure ballots are delivered to Oregonians without any interruption. He said he was in regular communication with their administration "because when someone puts a ballot in a mailbox, they have expectations."

However, he said he recognized that the Postal Service was in a "tough position" in light of its budget. He urged Oregonians who live more than 50 miles from Portland to consider using a dropbox, location information for which is published 21 days before each statewide election.

That's because of changes to Postal Service procedures that mean mail will be sent to a hub in Portland and postmarked, then sent to its destination. In recent

elections, Oregon voters have been able to trust that a ballot dropped in a mailbox before mail carriers pick up mail on election day would be postmarked that day and therefore counted, but that's no longer the case.

"There's hundreds of (dropboxes) across Oregon. That is an even safer, more reliable way because we don't have to worry about the post office," he said.

"That'll go directly to the elections office. We'll make sure that they get counted."

He said Oregonians who mail their ballots should put their mail in their mailbox by Oct. 27, one week before Election Day. Otherwise, someone can ask their local post office to apply a manual postmark if they aren't able to make it by then, he said.

State elections officials who receive ballots up to one week after the election will count them if they are postmarked by 8 p.m. on Election Day. Read said that while he understands that people may want to see results promptly, election officials must verify signatures, allow voters to correct signatures, conduct audits, publicly

test voting machines and perform hand counts when necessary. That process should be complete by Dec. 10, according to Read.

He compared the dynamic to prior elections when Oregonians were navigating wildfire season, when county clerks need to mail ballots to people whose houses have burned down.

"We'll pursue every legal authority that we have. We'll work with our Department of Justice. We'll make sure that our county elections officials have a clear understanding of their authorities and what they can do to respond," Read said. "We're not taking any of that for granted."

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No, Oregon elections are plenty secure

RANDY STAPILUS
Oregon Capital Chronicle

When Dennis Richardson was elected Oregon secretary of state, on the same day and party ticket as Donald Trump first was elected president, he moved quickly to look into a subject Trump talked about then and ever since: Voter fraud and election corruption.

The following February, Richardson reported what he found in the Oregon voting system: Some areas for improvement, but generally a system that works well and cleanly. Once a skeptic of the Motor Voter registration system, he had revised his view, saying it “actually has strengthened us in some ways.”

He warned against unfounded claims of voting problems because “it causes greater distrust of the government. ... I want to make sure that the citizens of the state can trust their (voting) system.”

Richardson did not stop looking for bugs in the system, however, and he found some. In September 2017, he reported his office had found 54 possible instances of voter fraud, across Oregon, in the previous year’s general election — in an election where 2,051,448 ballots were cast, or about 0.002%. And those were simply questionable votes. Upon investigation, nearly

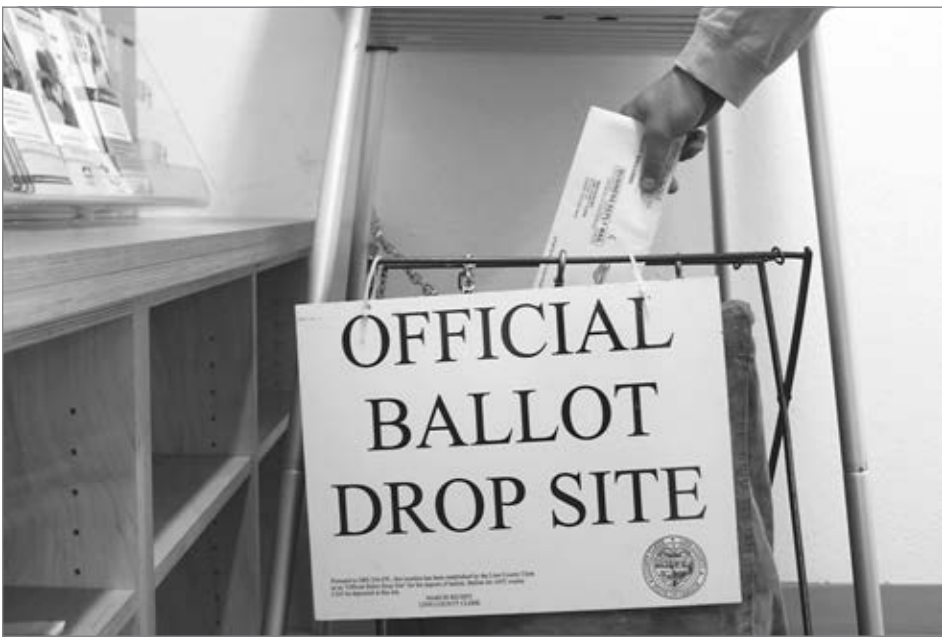
all cases were found not to merit criminal charges.

In 2020, the Legislative Fiscal Office reviewed vote by mail in Oregon and found the state attorney general’s office (which handles cases of voter fraud) “obtained 38 criminal convictions for voter fraud out of the 60.9 million ballots in Oregon elections cast over a 19-year period. That amounts to a rate of .00006%. These figures demonstrate that voter fraud is exceedingly rare in Oregon, and is no more widespread in vote by mail elections than it is in polling place elections.”

For some Oregonians — and other people around the country — all this still doesn’t feel quite right. Getting ballots through the mail, and sending them out that way (though many people, myself included, prefer to use one of the state’s ballot boxes) somehow intuitively doesn’t seem very secure, not in the same visible way filled-out ballots are when quickly dropped in a locked box at a polling place in front of poll workers.

The Trump administration has piled on, implicitly accusing many states, Oregon among them, of failing to keep people who shouldn’t be voting from casting ballots.

Across the border in Idaho, state officials like



A voter turns in their ballot at a dropbox located at the Albany Public Library. (Mia Maldonado / Oregon Capital Chronicle)

those in Oregon have declined to provide to federal officials some sensitive voter information. That has led to federal legal action, and as in Oregon threatening letters were sent from the Trump Department of Justice. In Trump-supportive Idaho the attorney general’s office replied with the rebuke, “Stop threatening your friends in Idaho.”

Evidently, threatening states which voted against Trump would be less objectionable, although Oregon (like many other states) has also objected strongly.

Intuitive or not, the Oregon voting process is secure.

Bear in mind that most election administration

happens at the county level. Clerks in Oregon’s 36 counties are most directly responsible for distributing ballots and counting those returned, and the process is handled by local people. The secretary of state, who does have responsibility for overseeing election processes, is mainly concerned with ensuring the counties are acting properly. That’s worth remembering: Any claim that elections have been corrupted is really an accusation that all our county clerks have been — and there’s no evidence of that.

The statewide system seems robust. Each ballot has a unique bar code, and they are tracked

through the system. (During election periods, voters can obtain notices from the state about when their ballot was received by county officials, and where it is in the system.)

The 2020 legislative audit said “There are numerous processes built into Oregon’s vote by mail system to ensure integrity, including unique barcodes to track ballots, signature verification to prove voters’ identities, and election security plans filed by county elections offices. Vote by mail also leaves a paper trail that can be audited. In fact, two academic studies have concluded that the election results in vote by mail elections are generally more accurate

than the election results in polling place elections.”

Cyberattacks are always a threat, but so far the system seems well protected (and regularly reviewed), and the core counting and related processes aren’t linked to the internet.

On the back end, the initially-reported election results are rechecked in several ways. Since 2008 the state has overseen after-election audits which include human hand counts to verify the accuracy of the machine counts. Many other states take similar steps, and around the nation the results have been generally the same: Mistakes are rare.

To be human-made and human-operated is to be less than perfect. But the babble from the beltway notwithstanding, Oregon’s mechanisms for voting come remarkably close.

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Commentary: An Open letter to Sen. Merkley and Sen. Wyden

JAY ROELOF
Lincoln County Leader
Guest Column

Is there any way for you to share with your Republican colleagues these words that President Eisenhower spoke to our nation in 1953?

It would seem to me that, especially today, these words from a respected Republican President should be reflected upon by his party (see first portion of

yesterday’s letter from Heather Cox Richardson to the American people below).

“I have been thinking lately about taxes and war and citizens and what the government should do for its people. In early March 1953, soon after Republican president Dwight D. Eisenhower took office, Soviet leader Josef Stalin died, giving the president a chance to reset the rising militarization of the United States. In mid-April, in a speech

to newspaper editors that he insisted on delivering although he was suffering acutely from inflammatory bowel disease, Eisenhower warned of diverting the nation’s tax dollars to war at the expense of the people.

“Every gun that is made, every warship launched, every rocket fired signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed,” he said. “This world in arms

is not spending money alone.

“It is spending the sweat of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, the hopes of its children.

“The cost of one modern heavy bomber is this: a modern brick school in more than 30 cities. It is two electric power plants, each serving a town of 60,000 population. It is two fine, fully equipped hospitals. It is some 50 miles of concrete highway. We pay for a single fighter plane with a half million

bushels of wheat. We pay for a single destroyer with new homes that could have housed more than 8,000 people.”

“This is not a way of life at all, in any true sense,” he said. “Under the cloud of threatening war, it is humanity hanging from a cross of iron.”

Eisenhower’s speech has been on my mind as the Trump administration slashes Medicaid, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits, foreign

aid, scientific and medical research, and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and yet is demanding more money for the Defense Department, bled out by Trump’s foreign adventures in Iraq, Nigeria, Somalia, Syria, Yemen, the Caribbean, Venezuela, and, of course, Iran...”

Heather Cox Richardson Thank you for all that you are doing for our democracy.

Jay Roelof is a Lincoln City resident.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“If you have any young friends who aspire to become writers, the second greatest favor you can do them is to present them with copies of The Elements of Style. The first-greatest, of course, is to shoot them now, while they’re happy.”

Dorothy Parker

ONLINE POLL

PREVIOUS POLL

Do you believe Oregon's Vote by Mail system is secure?

36.8%.....Yes
63.2%.....No

NEW POLL

Do you support President Trump's actions against Iran?

- Yea
- No

We want to hear your opinions.

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Lincoln County’s leisure, hospitality sectors add new jobs

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

Lincoln County’s seasonally adjusted unemployment rate was 5.9% in June, up from 5.8% in May. It was down from 6.0% the year before, according to the Oregon Employment Department.

Seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment was unchanged in June at 18,530 jobs.

Seasonally adjusted figures compare expected changes with actual changes. A gain of 270 jobs was expected for the month, and the county’s total nonfarm employment increased by 270, with a gain of 350 jobs in the private sector and a loss of 80 jobs in total government employment.

Leisure and hospitality added 270 jobs (+5.5%). Nondurable goods manufacturing added 50 jobs (+5.5%). Local government lost 90 jobs (-2.6%).

June’s total nonfarm employment numbers were down 300 jobs over the year (-1.6%). The largest gain occurred in food services and drinking places, which rose by 110 jobs over the year in June (+3.9%). Trade, transportation, and utilities lost 130 jobs (-4.0%). Local government lost 60 jobs (-1.8%).

The statewide unemployment rate was 5.2% in June, and the national rate was 4.2%.

Oregon’s unemployment rate remains at



The Oregon Employment Department report shows 20,279 employed and 1,276 unemployed in Lincoln County in June. (Metro Creative Connection)

5.2%

Oregon’s unemployment rate was 5.2% in June. That was unchanged from 5.2% in May, and also matched the 5.2% rate one year ago, according to the

Oregon Employment Department.

On a seasonally adjusted basis, Oregon employers cut 600 jobs from nonfarm payrolls in June. That follows a revised gain of 2,500

jobs in May. June’s gains were largest in private health care and social assistance (+2,000 jobs). Losses were largest in manufacturing (-1,700 jobs).

Total nonfarm payroll employment declined by 8,500 jobs between June 2025 and June 2026. That’s a loss of 0.4%.

Both the private and public sectors lost jobs over the past year. Private-sector employment fell by 5,400 jobs (-0.3%), and government employment declined by 3,100 jobs (-1.0%).

Private health care and social assistance continues to lead job growth in Oregon. The sector added 14,000 jobs over the past year, a gain of 4.5%. Over the past year,

growth within the sector was strongest in social assistance (8.6%) and nursing and residential care facilities (5.3 %). Ambulatory health care services (2.6 %) and hospitals (0.5%) also added jobs, but at slower rates.

Manufacturing employment continues to decline in Oregon. Manufacturers lost 10,000 jobs over the past year, a decline of 5.6%. Within manufacturing, employment in durable goods fell by 5,800 jobs (-4.6%). Nondurable goods manufacturing lost 4,200 jobs (-7.7%).

The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.2% in June, which changed little from the prior month (4.3%) or one year ago (4.1%).

Oregon for first time considers charging use fees for undersea cables

ALEX BAUMHARDT
Oregon Capital Chronicle

The Oregon Department of State Lands is proposing for the first time to charge multinational telecommunications and tech companies for using the seafloor off the state’s Pacific Coast for fiber-optic cables used to transmit internet data and international calls.

Since 1989, when Oregon got its first trans-Pacific fiber optic cable spanning from Pacific City to Alaska to Japan, the state lands department has only mandated companies pay an application fee that, since 2001, has been frozen at \$5,000.

Now, Oregon could join its West Coast neighbors in California and Washington in requiring companies also pay compensation fees based in part on the amount of cable extending along the states’ near-coast seabed. The proposal, which could bring in millions of dollars, comes as the tech industry has made Oregon a hot spot for data centers and among the top 10 states for housing massive server farms.

The Oregon lands department is proposing tripling new application fees from \$5,000 to \$15,000, increasing application renewals from \$5,000 to \$7,500 while extending the renewal period from 20

years to 25 years and charging a one-time compensation fee of \$3 per foot of fiber optic cable laid within the 3 miles of coastal, “territorial seas” that the state has jurisdiction over.

That could bring in more than \$1 million per new cable laid, according to Dana Hicks, a planning and policy manager at the department.

The application fees would help the agency cover the costs of technical reviews, surveys, inspections, public outreach and other coordination and administrative work while the compensation fees would flow to the Common School Fund and Oregon’s public K-12 schools.

The department is also proposing new rules requiring companies to submit more information in their applications, including plans for replacing or decommissioning the cable infrastructure and for responding to emergencies, such as the anticipated Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake.

The public can submit comments about the proposed fee and rules changes through Aug. 3, or attend one of two remaining in-person meetings held by the department in Newport and Seaside on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, or a virtual meeting Thursday. A meeting in North Bend took



Ten of the 16 undersea fiber-optic cables permitted off of Oregon’s Coast are in areas in Tillamook County, pictured here. (Mia Maldonado / Oregon Capital Chronicle)

place Monday.

The State Land Board, made up of Gov. Tina Kotek, Secretary of State Tobias Read and State Treasurer Elizabeth Steiner, will vote on the rules at one of its monthly meetings before the end of the year.

There are 16 active undersea cables off Oregon’s Coast, transmitting internet data and international calls via pulses of light through thin glass fibers packed in cords about 3 inches in diameter.

The bulk of the state’s undersea leases for cables were permitted in recent years. The state approved three new easements for cables in the 1990s, which grew to 13 in the last two decades and two in just the last few years, Hicks said. Most connect Asian countries with American

tech and telecommunications companies.

A boom in new data centers in Oregon spurred by the state’s lack of sales tax and enterprise zone tax incentives that have saved multi-billion-dollar companies like Amazon, Google and Microsoft hundreds of millions of dollars in property taxes during the last two decades are among the reasons for more cable in recent years. All three companies have an ownership stake in undersea cables off the Oregon Coast, and representatives from Google and Amazon were on the state’s committee tasked with providing input on the rules.

Other factors include Hillsboro being one of just two places on the West Coast where landing stations bring

the cables even further inland. The other is in Los Angeles, which has higher electricity prices and more regulatory burdens. California charges companies annual rent fees for their fiber-optic cables based on the value of the property and the length of the cable, with fees generally coming out to about \$5 per foot.

The new updates to Oregon’s rules and fees come in response to a 2020 incident in which a Facebook subsidiary executed a disastrous new cable construction project off the coast at Tierra Del Mar. Workers broke drilling equipment while boring into the seafloor and were unable to retrieve it, ultimately abandoning 1,100 feet of pipe and 6,500 gallons of drill fluid in the ocean. State regulators

didn’t find out about the incident until county officials alerted them two months later.

A year later, the drilling caused another leak, followed by two sinkholes along the cable route. The company paid \$250,000 to the state lands department for the earlier breaches and about \$135,700 for permission to leave the broken equipment in the ocean for 50 years.

In 2021, state lawmakers passed a bill requiring an advisory council propose updates to the Oregon Territorial Sea Plan, which governs regulations over Oregon’s seafloor. It had not been updated in more than two decades. Those updates came in 2023, which set off new rule-making processes, including the now-proposed updates to fees and rules for undersea cables.

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State forest management plan approved

The Oregon Board of Forestry has approved a new Western Oregon State Forests Management Plan (FMP).

The long-term plan, along with locally-focused, shorter-term implementation and operation plans, ensures state forests provide the social, economic and environmental benefits required of state forestlands.

The new plan is aligned with the expected approval of the submitted Western Oregon State Forests Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) by the federal services later this year or in early 2027. The

board’s approval stipulates that the new FMP is to become effective once ODF receives an approved HCP and incidental take permits from the federal services.

“This plan, when implemented along with the HCP, will provide economic certainty for timber harvests, environmental protections and enhancements, and continued recreational opportunities for all who depend on, use, and care about Oregon’s state forests,” ODF State Forests Division Chief Mike Wilson said.

The new FMP has been in development since

2018, and Wilson has been involved with the effort from the start.

“Developing a plan like this over such a long timeframe not only requires immense dedication from ODF staff, but an enormous amount of outreach and collaboration,” Wilson said.

“Our county partners, tribes, other state agencies, stakeholders and the general public have been essential in crafting a plan that would be compatible with an HCP and still provide decision space for the board and department to manage our state forestlands into the future.”

When effective, the new FMP will replace the 2010 Northwest and Southwest FMPs and the 2011 Elliott State Forest FMP. (The Elliott FMP still governs the management of Board of Forestry parcels adjacent to the Elliott State Research Forest.) While state forests management is still government by the current FMP and associated implementation and annual operating plans, the board’s decision gives ODF the clarity to move forward with crafting new plans for fiscal year 2028 that provide more specific management objectives and

operational details.

For more about the management of state forests see ODF’s website.

The Western Oregon State Forests Habitat Conservation Plan under review by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries, provides an integrated, collaborative, ecosystem-based approach to species conservation across the landscape and will ideally result in the department being issued incidental take permits (ITPs) for 15 species of wildlife and fish.

The conservation measures in the HCP are designed to offset

potential impacts from forest management, while the ITPs ensure compliance with the Endangered Species Act (ESA). Together, the plan and permits provide a more holistic, cost-effective approach to ESA compliance, while also creating more certainty around the long-term financial viability of managing state forests for economic benefits. Learn more about the HCP at:

<https://www.oregon.gov/odf/aboutodf/pages/hcp-initiative.aspx>

The Oregon Board of Forestry approved the plan in a 5-2 vote July 22.

Reggae legend returns to Lincoln City Beach Club

Debra Heesch and ZuhG Life Presents internationally acclaimed reggae artist Clinton Fearon who is scheduled to perform a special intimate solo show in Lincoln City at 5 p.m. Sunday, August 2 at The Beach Club.

A founding member of the legendary roots reggae band The Gladiators, Fearon has spent decades shaping the genre with his deeply soulful voice and powerful songwriting. His solo performances are known for their warmth and intimacy, offering audiences a rare opportunity to connect with one of reggae’s most influential voices in a close-up setting.

More about Clinton - Clinton Fearon is a composer, songwriter, singer, and player of instruments since his early teens, and a professional since the age of 19. He was born in



Jamaica and became the bassist, vocalist, and lyricist for the mythic Gladiators, as well as a session musician for Coxsonne Dodd in Studio One and Lee ‘Scratch’ Perry’s at Black Ark, two of the main producers on the island at this time. He also composed some everlasting bass lines for well-known artists like Yabby You, Jimmy Riley, Max Romeo, Junior Byles, and many others.

After leaving Jamaica in 1987, Clinton Fearon started a new career in Seattle. With other musicians of the Gladiators, he decided to stay in the US and founded The Defenders. The band built a nice following in the Northwest. After five years, the band split, and Clinton Fearon formed the Boogie Brown Band with local musicians in 1993. Clinton

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Robert Bayley. Brian Johnson and Travis Fox help with construction. (Courtesy photo)

Earth, Heaven Project

SUSAN ELIZABETH REESE PAINTER
Lincoln County Leader
Guest Article

A series of seven sturdy garden beds have arisen at the southwest corner of Atonement Lutheran Church’s parking lot, 2315 N Coast Highway in Newport.

Nearby, a vibrant tangle of peas has just delivered its crop of pods grown from seeds planted during the dark mid-winter. Across the way, healthy green leaves reveal potatoes taking root in the soil.

The gardens are part of what Atonement, an

Evangelical Lutheran Church in America congregation, calls the “Ecumenical Earth and Heaven Project.” It is an ambitious plan to address food insecurity in our community. The cooperative garden will

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Connecting creativity and nature



Oregon Coast Council for the Arts (OCCA) is partnering with the Yakona Nature Preserve & Learning Center to present a diverse lineup of four outdoor classes designed to immerse participants in the beauty of the Pacific Northwest. Ranging from hands-on printmaking and plein air oil painting to mindfulness in the woods, these community workshops will take place

throughout August and September. Thanks to generous grant funding and community support, all four events are being offered entirely at no cost to the public. While registration is free, space is limited for each session, and pre-registration is required to attend. Community donations are always welcome and help sustain affordable local arts programming. The series kicks off

on Thursday, August 20, from 11 am to 3:30 pm, with a plein air landscape oil painting class led by artist Khara Ledonne. Open to adults and youth ages 16 and older, this introductory workshop invites participants to embrace the unpredictable beauty of painting outdoors. Students will explore basic oil techniques by creating three small studies that capture diverse elements of the natural world, before



Above, The four outdoor classes designed to immerse participants in the beauty of the Pacific Northwest. Above left, The workshops range from hands-on printmaking and plein air oil painting to mindfulness in the woods. (Courtesy photos)

completing a final landscape panel of their own. No prior experience is necessary, and all materials are provided. The creative exploration continues on Tuesday, August 25, from 11 am to 2 pm, with a beginning gel plate

printing workshop taught by Jill Marks. Designed for adults and youth ages 12 and up, this highly tactile class uses synthetic gel plates and acrylic paint to create unique, layered prints. Participants will experiment with natural

botanicals to build their art, and students are welcome to bring plant clippings from their own home gardens to incorporate into their designs. In September, the focus shifts to relief

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Holistic Fair

The Holistic Health, Psychic & Craft Fair is scheduled from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, August 1, and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, August 2, at the Yachats Community Presbyterian Church, 360 W 7th Street. Enter on 6th Street in Yachats. This event offers 40 exhibitors with handmade crafts including drums, jewelry, authors with their books and

art; different divination styles including Tarot, astrology and psychic readings, stones and crystals, health and wellness products and services,12 seminars; free books and free information. Food available from Chubby Li'l Mermaid from Seal Rock. The cost is a \$5 donation for a weekend pass. For more information, visit www.chucklingcherubs.com or call 541-270-3669.



Amethyst. (Courtesy photo from Crystal Wizard in Glen Eden Beach)



Hand-painted drum head. (Courtesy photo from Lauralea McDonald)

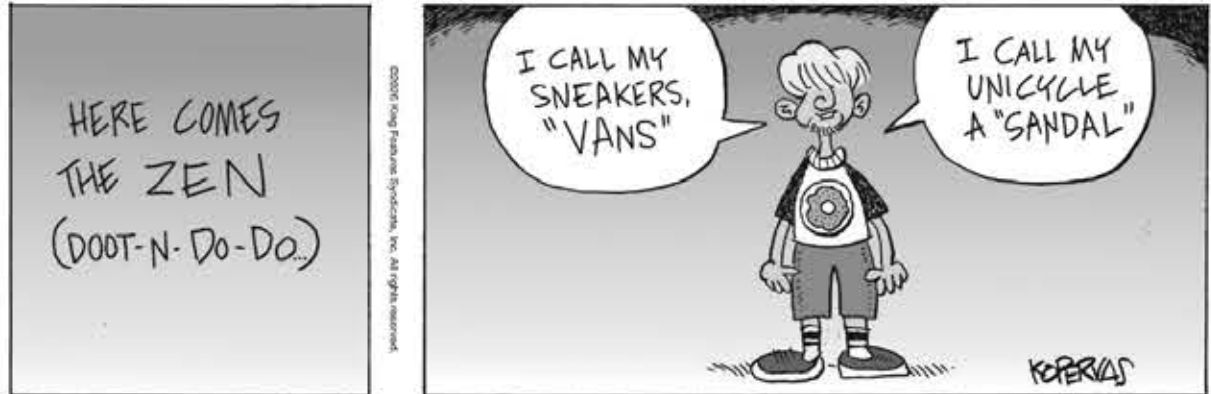
Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



TIGER

by BUD BLAKE



OLIVE & POPEYE

By Randy Milholland

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



CryptoQuip

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

Clue: E equals L

YCWI PKQCI DAB RWEE ICN
KUAENUI WUVYNV ICWI WON
QKXNU MD PKVMNCWXXUQ
RCKESONU? MOWIIKIBSN.

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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!

Meddle
SPOON
Seep
CHALE
Copy
ONCLE
Pile
PHEA

TODAY'S WORD

CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR
is LONGFELLOW

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

UZZKW VRMARMJ XEE ZTB
QXFU ZTXZ FKI NXM'Z AK
UKYBZTRMJ XMA VRMA XEE
ZTB QXFU ZTXZ FKI NXM.
— RUUX PXB

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Trivia
test by Fifi
Rodriguez

1. GAMES: What is the goal space in the board game Candy Land?
2. GEOGRAPHY: How many countries and territories border Spain?
3. TELEVISION: What are Captain Picard's two favorite catchphrases in "Star Trek: The Next Generation"?
4. FOOD & DRINK: What is brioché?
5. CHEMISTRY: Which metal has the highest melting point?
6. LITERATURE: Who is credited as the author of "The Odyssey"?
7. U.S. STATES: Which state is home to Acadia National Park?
8. MOVIES: What is the name of Dottie's team in "A League of Their Own"?
9. COMICS: Who is the archenemy of the Fantastic Four?
10. SCIENCE: What is the thickest layer of Earth?

Answers

1. King Kandy's Castle.
2. Five — Portugal, France, Andorra, Morocco and the British territory of Gibraltar.
3. "Make it so" and "Engage."
4. A rich French bread.
5. Tungsten.
6. The poet Homer.
7. Maine.
8. The Rockford Peaches.
9. Doctor Doom.
10. The mantle.

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CryptoQuote
answer
Stop finding all the
ways that you can't do
something and find all
the ways that you can.
— Issa Rae

What might you call the
insolent answers that are
given by misbehaving
children? Brattitude.

Cryptoquip
answer

SCRAMBLERS
solution
1. Snoop; 2. Leach
3. Clone; 4. Heap
Today's Word
CHEAP

Community Repair Fair set for Aug. 1

The third annual Community Repair Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, August 1, at Oregon State University’s Hatfield Marine Science Center in Newport.

Hosted by Oregon Sea Grant, the Hatfield Innovation Lab, and the HMSC Green Team, this free public event offers opportunities for coastal residents to get their broken household items repaired at no cost, as well as gain skills to make their own repairs.

Give your favorite things a chance for continued use instead of sending them to the landfill. Do you have a broken small appliance? Have you discovered a rip in your clothing or other fabric item? Did your lamp stop working? Does your bicycle need attention? Bring it to the Repair Fair!

How it works:

Members of the public are invited to bring in broken household items to the Repair Fair and get matched with a volunteer “Expert Fixer” who will attempt a repair. Most people stay with their item during its repair to learn about the process.

The event will also feature skills demos and DIY repair activities throughout the day, and community organizations will be on hand to share sustainability resources and waste reduction strategies.

Last year, more than 30 volunteers served as Expert Fixers, presenters, or general event helpers, and nearly three quarters of the 159 items brought to the Repair Fair were fixed at the event.

Repaired items included bicycles, vacuum cleaners, clothing, small appliances, chairs, computers, and more. What will you bring to the Repair Fair?

To learn more about the Community Repair Fair, see photos from past years, or sign up to volunteer, visit <https://bit.ly/RepairFairHatfield>.

Art Association features artist Gene Blackburn

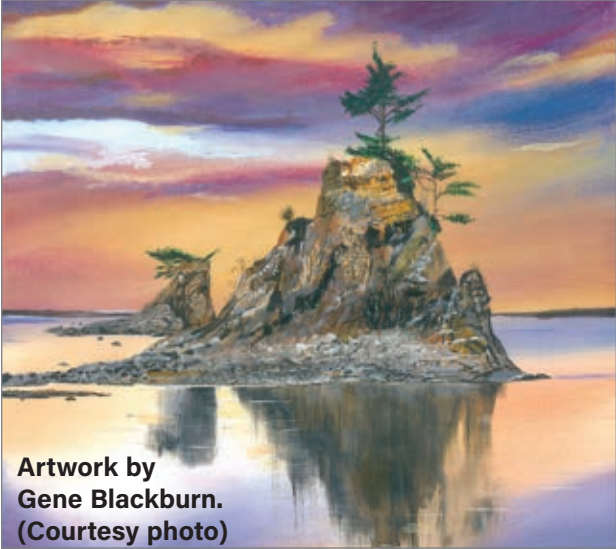
SUBMITTED

The Yaquina Art Association Artist (YAA) Showcase Artist for August is Gene Blackburn.

“I have been a resident artist in Lincoln County for the last five years and a member of the association for two years. I paint primarily acrylic on canvas and build my own custom frames. I find inspiration in the local landscape of the ocean and lighthouses. Additionally, I have been commissioned to paint fantasy paintings of dragons as well as for novel covers. I feel at home with the Yaquina Art Association,” Blackburn said.

The YAA which is a 501c3 non-profit organization located in Nye Beach at 789 NW Beach Drive. The YAA is operated by local volunteer artists and is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. seven days a week where they support the arts and offer free art classes.

“I welcome you to come and visit the gallery where my art will be showcased August 1-14,” Blackburn said.



Artwork by Gene Blackburn. (Courtesy photo)

Groovin’ in the Garden

SUBMITTED

Newledo Exploration Hub is hosting Groovin’ in the Garden, a celebration of underappreciated vegetables and farm-flavored cocktails.

Every Tuesday in August, we’ll be putting an under-loved vegetable under the spotlight and provide tastings of our preferred way to prepare it.

We invite others to join the weekly veggie challenge. Each Friday we’ll announce the featured vegetable for Tuesday’s gathering. Challengers can bring their tastiest vegan dish using that week’s selected vegetable to battle Newledo’s home team for veggie glory. (Vegan only—otherwise everything would mysteriously end up covered in cheese and bacon.) Attendees will get to taste them all and crown the winner.

Folks will also be invited to sample our seasonal farm-fruit mocktails and help decide which recipes earn a spot in Newledo’s 2026 lineup. And we’ll be offering all-you-can-eat kale. Yes, really. Attendees will be able to eat much as their leafy heart desires.

It’s free to attend. Donations are warmly welcomed

- Tuesdays through the month of August (August 4, 11, 18, 25)
- 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.
- Newledo 88 Fruitvale Road

Newledo Exploration Hub is a sustainable farm and community center located just east of Newport.

Visit NewledoHub.org for more information.

Otis community breakfast Aug. 2

The public is invited to the Panther Creek Senior and Community Center monthly community breakfast.

The event is scheduled to be held at 655 Wayside Loop, in the Panther Creek area of Otis from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sunday, August 2. The cost is \$5 for what organizers describe as a delicious and complete breakfast.

For more information or directions - markinotis@gmail.com

Art, Oysters & Brews Kid Zone

The Art, Oysters & Brews Kid Zone is back!

Fun for all ages. Seriously, we’ll let you play with the giant bubble wands even if you’re a grown-up - but you have to take turns!

Join us from 12 p.m. to 5 p.m. Aug.1 and Aug. 2 on Main Street in Toledo for sidewalk chalk art, the community mural, petting zoo and more.

NATURE

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printmaking with a botanical block printing workshop on Tuesday, September 8, from 11 am to 2 pm. Led by instructor Cheryl Horton, the class invites adults and youth ages 12 and older to use Yakona’s local flora and fauna as inspiration.

Students will learn the fundamentals of design as they sketch, carve, and ink their own custom “speedy carve” blocks, ultimately heading home with their reusable carving block and at least two completed prints.

The series concludes on Tuesday, September 22, from 10 am to 12 pm, with a forest therapy session guided by certified instructor Jaime Lee Hart. Grounded in the Japanese

practice of shinrin-yoku, or forest bathing, this workshop is open to adults and youth ages 12 and up.

Rather than a traditional hike, the experience focuses on slowing down and mindfully engaging all five senses. Through a series of structured sensory invitations, participants will immerse themselves in the forest atmosphere to reduce stress, cultivate mindfulness, and unlock creative energy.

Located in South Beach, Oregon, the Yakona Nature Preserve & Learning Center was created to restore native coastal forest on Yaquina Bay. It operates as a living laboratory dedicated to protecting central coast spruce habitats and wildlife while teaching cultural history and environmental stewardship through

education and the arts.

Because Yakona is a preserved natural habitat, the teaching site features an outdoor shelter and a bathroom, but has no running water, electricity, or garbage collection.

Attendees should plan to pack out their own trash and must bring their own water, lunch, or snacks. To ensure accessibility for those with severe allergies and environmental sensitivities, all participants are kindly requested to attend these events fragrance-free. It is also recommended to wear comfortable walking shoes and dress in warm layers to stay comfortable in changing coastal weather.

To register for a free spot or to learn more about the workshops and instructors, visit coastarts.org/yakona

PROJECT

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not only raise produce and pollinators, but also – as it expands – involve more neighborhoods in learning how to grow, nurture and harvest our own food.

Emily Johnston, who is clergy with Queen of Heaven Gnostic Church, Portland, and Patty Fox, Atonement Council Secretary, began the project by teaching members of the nearby ABC Preschool to plant seeds and nurture two kinds of peas. Next, Barb Ward, leader of the church Property Committee, continued the work by outlining a proposal for raised beds. She approached the Church Council and the congregation’s Endowment Fund for funding and support.

Next, she designed meticulous tiny models of the beds.

Meanwhile, Patty Fox encouraged Sunday School students to be good stewards of the earth, making seed paper with native seeds. Then the peas sprouted in small cups, and when the plants grew big enough, students helped transplant them to the garden. Eventually, they harvested the fruits of their labor – for the congregation and others.

Along the way, the youngsters learned about and cultivated Mason bees – a native, non-aggressive species which acts as a good pollinator for a garden. After the bees hibernated in the refrigerator, the students released them into bee houses.

As summer began,

Barb and her team started constructing the raised beds. An additional three will be completed in coming weeks. A dedicated group of workers including Brian and Joy Johnson, Robert Bayley, Dan Moore, Travis Fox and others joined Pastor John, Emily, Barb and Patty in erecting the structures. The beds are sturdy stainless frames with pvc piping arches to support cloches – coverings of plastic or netting designed to protect young growth from wandering wildlife and allow a year-round harvest. The beds are laid with a floor of landscape fabric covered by cardboard, wood chips and soil. Each is four by eight feet and either 26 or 32 inches deep. They are spaced for ADA compliant access between them.

After volunteers from the church and the wider community filled soil and composting inside the beds, seeds of radish and lettuce came in – soon to be followed with beets, chard, kale, carrots and other vegetables. A pollinator garden in the center has been planted with seeds of nasturtium, dahlia, zinna and other flowers – all topped with a layer of straw to help regulate the flow and duration of water for the plantings.

The project involves not just members of the congregation but also others who have donated time and resources to the effort. Local businesses have been the source of supplies, plants, seeds and support. Fruit trees are being fostered, grafted and maintained at other

locations. The Property committee and the larger Ecumenical Earth and Heaven team – including within it an interfaith cooperation – envision a comprehensive and ongoing series of gardens and gardeners to function in every season.

All will be united in providing healthy, organic produce for the congregation, local food banks, and outreach efforts such as the Stone Soup program. All are welcome to help with planting, weeding, harvesting – snacks for volunteers - and the myriad tasks a garden requires. The property is located at 2315 North Coast Highway, with a telephone number of 541-265-2554. Help is encouraged, regardless of background or skill level; it can be offered for a few minutes, a few hours, or even a few days. As Atonement’s congregation regularly promises, “All means all means all.”

Susan Elizabeth Reese Painter is the Atonement Council Vice President.



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recorded eight albums with Boogie Brown Band and two albums in a solo acoustic. Each song of Clinton Fearon is a strong message coming from the heart of a man who dedicates his life to help a better world come. With chiselled music and poetic lyrics, he opens reggae to a wider audience who simply love his beautiful songs.

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Motown artists, and Jamaican musicians who came before me all influenced my music. I write from my heart. The world is full of inspirations... nature, people, politics, love. I write about them all. My music is good for the soul - always with a message of hope and betterment for tomorrow. It’s good for dancing, good for listening, and I think it’s good for all.” - Clinton Fearon

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Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 8/10/2026. The sale will be held at 10:00am by ROWLEYS TOWING 4822 S COAST HWY S. BEACH, OR 9023 TOYT TAC LL VIN = 3TMAZ5CN1PM219720 Amount due on lien \$6675.70 Reputed owner(s) > MITCHELL, A & SHANNON M PARSONS TOYOTA MOTOR CREDIT CORP 7/29/26 8/5/26
LCL26-370 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN
Probate Department Case No. 26PB06094 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS In the matter of the Estate of EDWARD JAMES CATHERY, Deceased. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Geraldine Ann Cockreham, has been appointed as the personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them to the undersigned attorney for the personal representative at PO Box 1682, Estacada, OR 97023, within four months after the date of publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. Any 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 published on July 29, 2026. Geraldine A. Cockreham, Personal Representative Joseph Q. Kaufman, OSB No. 872702 Attorney for Personal Representative PO Box 1682 Estacada, OR 97023 Tel (503) 630-5359 Fax (877) 866-1876 joe@jqkaufmanlaw.com 7/29/26
LCL26-369 TS NO. OR060000002-26-1 APN R504599 II 08-11-21-AD-00501-00 TO NO 260001360-OR-MSI TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE
Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by SCOTT C. MUNDALE, AN UNMARRIED MAN as Grantor FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE as Trustee, in favor of U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION as Beneficiary dated as of May 1, 2020 and recorded on May 4, 2020 as Instrument No. 2020-04353 and recorded on April 29, 2026 as Instrument No. 2026-03002 of official records in the Office of

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the Recorder of Lincoln County, Oregon to-wit: APN: R504599 II 08-11-21-AD-00501-00 LOT 5, BLOCK 1, SEAGROVE, IN LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED ON JUNE 11, 1981, IN PLAT BOOK 13, PAGE 39, LINCOLN COUNTY RECORDS. Commonly known as: 75 SCHOOL HOUSE LOOP, LINCOLN CITY, OR 97367 Both the Beneficiary, U.S. Bank National Association, and the Trustee, Nathan F. Smith, OSB #120112, have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said Trust Deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. The default for which the foreclosure is made is the Grantor's failure to pay: Failed to pay payments which became due Monthly Payment(s): 8 Monthly Payment(s) from 07/01/2025 to 02/28/2026 at \$1,462.14 4 Monthly Payment(s) from 03/01/2026 to 06/30/2026 at \$1,494.81 Total Late Charge(s): Total Late Charge(s) at \$43.07 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 \$227,208.04 together with interest thereon at the rate of 2.99000% per annum from June 1, 2025 until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all Trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the Beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said Trust Deed. Wherefore, notice is hereby given that, the undersigned Trustee will on November 10, 2026 at the hour of 01:00 PM, Standard of Time, as established by Section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, Public Entrance, Lincoln County Courthouse, 225 West Olive Street, Newport, OR 97365 County of Lincoln, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash

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the interest in the said described real property which the Grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said Trust Deed, together with any interest which the Grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said Trust Deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the Trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.778 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the Beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of said principal as would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, Trustee's or attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or Trust Deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the Trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the Trustee to state in this notice that some residential property

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sold at a Trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the Trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "Grantor" includes any successor in interest to the Grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said Trust Deed, the words "Trustee" and "Beneficiary" includes their respective successors in interest, if any. Effective March 1, 2026, new federal regulations (89 Fed. Reg. 70,258) may impact residential real property (1-4 residential units) title transfers to covered entities trusts, with reporting requirements unless exempt. <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2024/08/29/2024-19198/anti-money-laundering-regulations-for-residential-real-estate-transfers> Dated: 06/18/2026 By: Nathan F. Smith, OSB #120112 Successor Trustee Malcolm & Cisneros, A Law Corpora-

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tion Attention: Nathan F. Smith, OSB #120112 c/o TRUSTEE CORPS 17100 Gillette Ave, Irvine, CA 92614 949-252-8300 NPP0491007 To: LINCOLN COUNTY LEADER 07/29/2026, 08/05/2026, 08/12/2026, 08/19/2026
LCL26-368 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN
Probate Department Case No. 26PB06349 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS In the Matter of the Estate of David Hy Roberts NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mark C. Roberts has been appointed Personal Representative of the Estate. All persons having claims against the Estate are required to present them undersigned attorney for the Personal Representative at 6400 SE Lake Road, Suite 440, Portland, Oregon 97222, within four months after date of publication of this Notice, as stated below, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in the Estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative or the attorney for the Personal Representative. Dated and Published on

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JULY 29, 2026. Mark C. Roberts, Personal Representative Thomas R. Graves, OSB #052710 Fitzwater Law Of Attorneys for Personal Representative 6400 SE Lake Road, Suite 440 Portland, OR 97222 (503) 786-8191 ThomasG@fitzwaterlaw.com 7/29/26
LCL26-367 REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ) FROM THE SOUTHWEST LINCOLN COUNTY WATER PUD:
This RFQ is a solicitation for consultant services related to water treatment expansion and system-wide SCADA upgrades financed through a USDA loan. The consultant services are to include but are not limited to (1) preparation of documents required to apply for USDA loan (including streamlined PER, BABAA requirements, sole-source documentation, etc), (2) Project Management including coordination with filtration system fabricator and Integrator of Record, (3) compliance with OHA standards and (4) Tasks-As-Assigned. Please find the full RFQ on the PUD website: swlwpud.org. Proposals are due by email (pdf format) on Sept. 1, 2026 at 3pm. Late proposals will not be considered. 7/29/26

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PRICE REDUCED

Siletz Riverfront Living. Along w/fishing, this home offers natural light w/ large windows, ductless mini split, bonus/flex.rm formerly garage, & finished flex basement area. Kit. remodeled in 2022. New roof & recent updates on flooring.
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CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN

Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff, vs. UNKNOWN HEIRS OF JOHN VARNER; STEPHANIE M. VARNER; PARTIES IN POSSESSION Defendants. No. 26CV14668 CIVIL SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANTS: Unknown Heirs of John Varner NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! A lawsuit has been started against you in the above entitled Court by Nationstar Mortgage LLC, Plaintiff. Plaintiff's claim is stated in the written Complaint, a copy of which is on file at the Lincoln County Courthouse. 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 along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service on the plaintiff. The object of the complaint is to foreclose a deed of trust dated February 3, 2004 and recorded as Document No. 200402025 given by John Varner on property commonly known as 425 Southeast Port Avenue, Lincoln City, OR 97367 and legally described as: LOTS 4, 5 AND 6, BLOCK 10, EACRE POINT, IN THE CITY OF LINCOLN CITY, COUNTY OF LINCOLN AND STATE OF OREGON. The complaint seeks to foreclose and terminate all interest of Unknown Heirs of John Varner and all other interests in the property. The "motion" or "answer" (or "reply") must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days of the date of first publication specified herein along with the required filing fee. The date of first publication of the summons is July 22, 2026. If you are in the active military service of the United States, or believe that you may be entitled to protection of the SCRA, please contact our office. If you do not contact us, we will report to the court that we do not believe that you are protected under the SCRA. If you have questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at www.oregonstatebar.org or by calling (503) 684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free elsewhere in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. Attorneys for Plaintiff, LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP By:

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CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY SUMMONS - CASE NO. 26CV18278 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN TO: ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MICHAEL M. CUTLER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY (collectively, "Defendant"), the above-named defendant. You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above entitled action within thirty (30) days from the date of the first publication of this summons, and in case of your failure to appear and answer, plaintiff for want thereof will apply to the above entitled court for the relief prayed for in its complaint, to-wit: A. FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF: 1. For judgment for foreclosure and sale of the Property located at 240 SE Whalesong Drive, Depoe Bay, OR 97341, and a declaration of amount owed and secured by plaintiff's Deed of Trust comprising of the unpaid principal balance of \$185,783.52, plus accrued interest in the amount of \$3,196.49 through March 27, 2026, plus interest accruing thereafter at the contract rate of 4.00 percent per annum (\$20.36 per diem), from March 28, 2026, until the date said judgment is entered; plus the title search cost of \$665.00; together with any additional sums required to be paid by plaintiff during the pendency of this suit for the protection of the Property and the plaintiff's interest therein; plus plaintiff's reasonable attorney fees, costs, and disbursements incurred herein; plus interest on the total on the total sum in paragraph 1 at the contract rate of 4.00 percent per annum from the date judgment is entered, until paid in full; 2. That plaintiff's Deed of Trust, dated May 24, 2007, recorded May 25, 2007, as Recording No. 200707650, Records of Lincoln County, Oregon ("Deed of Trust"), be declared a first lien upon the Property for the amount of the judgment prayed for herein. The Deed of Trust was modified by a Modification Agreement recorded on September 11, 2018, as Recording No. 2018-08976, Records of Lincoln County, Oregon. The Deed of Trust was assigned to Fibre Federal Credit Union by way of an Assignment of Deed of Trust recorded

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on February 17, 2026, as Recording No. 2026-01092, Records of Lincoln County, Oregon; 3. For judgment and decree that plaintiff's Deed of Trust upon the Property be foreclosed, and that the title, claim, interest, or demand of defendants in said Property, and every part thereof, except their statutory rights of redemption, be foreclosed; 4. For judgment and decree that the Property, with all of its appurtenances, rights, privileges, and easements be sold at execution by the Sheriff for Lincoln County, Oregon, after giving notice as required by law; that plaintiff may be and become a purchaser at said sale; that the Sheriff give the purchaser thereof a Certificate of Sale and, unless the Property is redeemed before the expiration of the redemption period, a deed; that said purchaser have immediate possession of the Property, and every part thereof; and that said purchaser be entitled to such remedies as are available at law to secure such position, including a writ of assistance, if defendants or any other parties or persons shall refuse to immediately surrender possession to the purchaser; and 5. That the proceeds of the sale be applied as follows: first, to pay the costs and expenses of said sale; second, to pay the judgment of plaintiff; and third, the surplus, if any, be paid to the Registry of the Court subject to further court order. WARNING: You may get offers from people who tell you they can help you keep your property. You may get offers from people who want to buy your "redemption rights" or "all rights under ORS chapter 18." You should be careful about those offers, as a sale of your rights to a property in foreclosure may include your right to claim any surplus funds arising from the foreclosure sale. Make sure you understand any papers you are asked to sign. If you have any questions, talk to a lawyer or one of the organizations mentioned below before signing. There are government agencies and nonprofit organizations that can give you information about foreclosure and help you decide what to do. For the name and telephone number of an organization near you, please call the statewide telephone contact number at 1 (855) 480-1950. You may

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also wish to talk to a lawyer. If you need help finding a lawyer, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at 503-684-3763 or toll-free in Oregon at 800-452-7636 or you may visit its website at: <http://www.osbar.org>. Legal assistance may be available if you have a low income and meet federal poverty guidelines. For more information and a directory of legal aid programs, go to <http://www.oregon-lawhelp.org>. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ CAREFULLY! YOU MUST "APPEAR" IN THIS CASE OR THE OTHER SIDE WILL WIN AUTOMATICALLY. TO "APPEAR" YOU MUST FILE WITH THE COURT A LEGAL PAPER CALLED A "MOTION" OR "ANSWER" THE MOTION OR ANSWER (OR "REPLY") MUST BE GIVEN TO THE COURT CLERK OR ADMINISTRATOR WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION SPECIFIED HEREIN ALONG WITH THE REQUIRED FILING FEE. IT MUST BE IN PROPER FORM AND HAVE PROOF OF SERVICE ON THE PLAINTIFF'S ATTORNEY OR, IF THE PLAINTIFF DOES NOT HAVE AN ATTORNEY, PROOF OF SERVICE UPON THE PLAINTIFF. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, YOU SHOULD SEE AN ATTORNEY IMMEDIATELY. IF YOU NEED HELP IN FINDING AN ATTORNEY, YOU MAY CONTACT THE OREGON STATE BAR'S LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE ONLINE AT WWW.OREGONSTATEBAR.ORG OR CALLING AT (503) 684-3763 (IN THE PORTLAND METROPOLITAN AREA) OR TOLL-FREE ELSEWHERE IN OREGON AT (800) 452-7636. This summons is published by order of the Honorable Marcia Buckley, Judge of the above-entitled Court made on the 1st day of July, 2026, directing publication of this summons once each week for four consecutive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation in Lincoln County, Oregon. Date of first publication: July 22, 2026 Date of last publication: August 12, 2026 Michelle M. Bertolino, OSB #912130 Of Attorneys for Plaintiff FARLEIGH WADA WITT 121 SW Morrison, Suite 600 Portland, OR 97204-3136 (503) 228-6044 mbertolino@fwlaw.com 7/22/26 7/29/26 8/5/26 8/12/26

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CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LINCOLN COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF UNIT OWNERS OF EMBARCADERO CONDOMINIUMS, INC., an Oregon Non-Profit Corporation, Plaintiff, v. THE HOWARD SISTERS LLC, an Oregon Limited Liability Company; and ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1000 SE BAY BLVD #M-136, NEWPORT, OR 97365. Defendants. CASE NO. 26CV17476 SUMMONS FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION (AS TO DEFENDANT ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY COMMON-

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LY KNOWN AS 1000 SE BAY BLVD #M-136, NEWPORT, OR 97365) TO: ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1000 SE BAY BLVD #M-136, NEWPORT, OR 97365 Via publication only Date of First Publication: July 8, 2026 ASSOCIATION OF UNIT OWNERS OF EMBARCADERO CONDOMINIUMS, INC. has filed a civil complaint asking the Court to foreclose its lien, consisting of \$5,707.70 plus continuing assessments, late fees, fines, attorney fees and costs on the real property commonly known as 1000 SE BAY BLVD #M-136, NEWPORT, OR 97365. You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above entitled

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action within thirty (30) days from the first date of publication of this summons, and in case of your failure to do so, for want thereof, Plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal paper called a "motion" or "answer." The motion or answer or reply must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days of the date of first publication specified herein along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on Plaintiff's attorney or, if Plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service upon Plaintiff. If you have questions,

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you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at www.oregonstatebar.org or by calling (503) 684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free elsewhere in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. STATE OF OREGON, County of Multnomah I, the undersigned attorney of record for Plaintiff, certify that the foregoing is an exact and complete copy of the original summons in the above entitled action. Dated: June 26, 2026 Allison S. Campbell, OSB No. 226036 ATTORNEY FOR PLAINTIFF Lepore Law LLC 1836 NW Overton Street Portland, OR 97209 w: www.lepore-law.com e: allison@lepore-law.com p: 541-897-8132 7/8/26 7/15/26 7/22/26 7/29/26

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27 Prefix with	83 Brilliant feat
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30 Gratian's "—	86 Pesto herbs
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48 Make distress	112 Atop, to
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17 "No kidding?"	designation	110 Having more
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19 Vast periods	71 Off-the-cuff	111 Best-suited
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LCL26-364 SELF-STORAGE PUBLIC SALE

On Tuesday, 8/11/26 ending 12:05pm auction will be held online at StorageTreasures.com by Safe & Sound Storage 833 NE 3rd St Newport OR 97365 for unit B5-Maurice Morales 7/22/26 7/29/26

LCL26-359 FIBRE FEDERAL CREDIT UNION V. MEL DAVID ROSE; MARY LOU ROSE;

NEIGHBORS FOR KIDS; STONEBRIDGE HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION; OREGON CREDIT & COLLECTIONS BUREAU, INC.; CREDITORS COLLECTION SERVICE, INC.; CAPITAL ONE BANK (USA), N.A.; ALL OCCUPANTS; and ALL UNKNOWN HEIRS OF MICHAEL M. CUTLER, PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦

SUDOKU

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers.

The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

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Kol Tolan battled it out for the West during the All Star game. (Courtesy photos from the Oregon East-West Shrine All-Star Football Game Facebook page)



Riley Gilbreath was a standout for Taft in 2025, a Second Team All-League running back, and First Team All-League Linebacker.

Tigers represent at the 2026 Oregon East-West Shrine All-Star Football Game

WILL LOHRE
Lincoln County Leader

The 75th Oregon East-West All-Star Shrine Football Game was held on July 25, and Tigers Riley Gilbreath and Kol Tolan battled it out on the field with some of the state’s best while Taft Head Coach Jacob Tolan patrolled the sideline. Seniors Gilbreath and Kol Tolan got one more chance to play for their longtime Tigers

coach, facing off in the all-star game, which is hosted year after year at Baker Bulldog Memorial Stadium in Baker City. Kol Tolan lined up at wide receiver during the game, and also kicked for the west on several of the kickoffs. Jacob Tolan coached the West team, which donned green against the East team in red. It was a tight game through the first half, though the East team took an eight-point 21-13

lead into the halfway mark. In the second half, the game became a defensive battle with a few penalties to boot. In the end, the East added one more touchdown and two point conversion, winning the game 29-13. Of course, the all-star game experience is about so much more than just the game. The players and coaches arrived at Eastern Oregon University on July 19 and spent the week

preparing for the big game and bonding with their teammates. For the players who get to take the field, it’s not only a celebration and recognition of all their hard work throughout high school; it’s also a chance to get in one more game under the bright lights as they move into their next chapter. A charity event, the East-West All-Star Game raises money for the Shriners Children’s Portland, which is

a non-profit pediatric hospital located in Portland. Since the start of the game 77 years ago, \$5 million has been raised for the hospital, according to the East-West Shrine Football Game website. While the West team did not end up pulling out the win, the real victory is the money raised for a good cause and the memories for the players and coaches who got to compete once more.

Taft seeking applicants for coaching positions

WILL LOHRE
Lincoln County Leader

The school year is coming up quickly, and Lincoln County School District has some coaching positions it is looking to fill as the calendar counts down to August! In a post on the Taft High 7-12 Athletics Facebook page on July 15, openings for Girls Wrestling Head Coach, Boys Wrestling Head Coach, and Middle School Head Football and Assistant Football Coaches were reported as still receiving applications. The wrestling openings were announced by the school in the spring, but

the school still needs to find the right candidates to fill the roles. All positions say they are needed for the 2026-2027 school year. Last season, Taft High School had four wrestlers qualify for the 2026 Oregon State Wrestling Championships, double the number they qualified for the tournament in 2025. None of the Tigers’ four qualifiers were seniors, and they will look to build on a successful season last year. The wrestling season typically gets underway in early December and lasts into February. To learn more about the



Taft 7-12 Middle and High School are seeking coaches for the upcoming season. positions, contact Taft 7-12 Middle and High School at

541-996-2115. The Middle School Football Coach position was originally posted in November of 2025, but has remained open and will remain open until it is filled. Requirements and responsibilities for the wrestling and football positions overlap, although the sports are obviously different. According to the listing, the responsibilities and qualifications for the job include: Planning and executing practices and meets Supervising student athletes to, at, and from events Communicating with school

personnel, student athletes, and parents Maintaining equipment and inventory Monitoring safety of all participants and following safety protocols Developing player fundamentals Overseeing assistant coaches Increasing athletic participation in the program Coordinating with the athletic director and others for facility usage Improving competitiveness Knowledge of the sport To apply, visit the careers page on the Lincoln County School District website.

TIPS AND CLICKS

What is a Good Photograph?

BOB GIBSON
Lincoln County Leader
Guest Column

I spend a lot of time talking and writing about the technical aspects of creating a photograph. To be sure, photography technique is important. The more we are comfortable with the fundamentals of exposure and sharpness, the better our results. Technical knowledge is essential. And it is not sufficient for creating a successful photograph. To paraphrase the great photographer, Ansel Adams. “I would rather have a fuzzy image of a sharp idea, than have a sharp image of a fuzzy idea.” The creative side of photography directs our



Using composition, exposure, light position, ISO, shutter speed and aperture we can create an image that does more than just provide evidence we were there. (Courtesy photos from Bob Gibson)

attention to the subject, the circumstances surrounding the subject, what it feels like to be close to the subject. In other words, what is the story?

Think about what emotions the image will generate with the viewer. Will the image draw the viewer into the scene? Many times, a successful image does not answer all

the questions. One technique is to slow down. Take the time to really experience the scene and come to terms with its story. Defining the story



Think about what emotions the image will generate with the viewer.

opens the door to utilizing our technical knowledge and skill to craft the image. Using composition, exposure, light position, ISO, shutter speed and aperture we can create an image that does more than just provide evidence we were there. The image will allow the viewer to develop the

emotional connection that we have created. Following this strategy, our photography becomes intentional. Until next time, make some photographs! Bob Gibson is a Lincoln County photographer. He may be reached at The Photography Studio, 4846 SE Highway 101, in Lincoln City.