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Showgoers browse the Dahlia clumps at Old House Dahlias booth.

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## Residents prepare for spring and summer at Home and Garden Show

### STAFF REPORT

Crowds amassed at the Tillamook County Fairgrounds on April 26 and 27, for the Tillamook Headlight Herald's 36th annual Home and Garden Show. The show featured a wide as-

sortment of vendors selling goods to prepare the home and garden for the summer, while other community organizations also took advantage of the event to spread their messages. Tillamook County Solid Waste, who cohosted the show,

was on hand to teach residents about forthcoming changes to the county's recycling system and answer any questions about disposing of materials. The Tillamook Beekeepers hosted the 2025 Bee Days at the show, bringing their demonstra-

tion hive and raffling off a hive, while the Kiwanis Club of Tillamook hosted a raffle to support scholarships for local youths. Old House Dahlias and Monkey Business 101 brought plants to the show while Pacific Restaurant served food.

## 100,000 fins clipped at 36th annual Tillamook Anglers Fin Clipping Day

**WILL CHAPPELL**  
Citizen Editor

Two to three hundred Tillamook County residents assembled at Whiskey Creek Fish Hatchery on April 12, for the annual Tillamook Anglers Fin Clipping Day. By the end of the day, the volunteers had removed around 100,000 adipose fins from Spring Chinook salmon, which will be released in the waters of the Trask

River in July. "That's our future," said Tillamook Anglers President Jim Skaar, "the kids that are doing this, someday they're going to catch these fish." The Tillamook Anglers were born in 1987, when Jerry Dove and other local fishermen were looking for ways to support local salmonid populations after the closure of hatch box programs run by the state of Oregon. Two years later, a friend mentioned a disused University of Oregon hatchery that had operated on Whiskey Creek along Netarts Bay, that could help with the group's efforts. But when Dove went searching for the hatchery it took him several passes along Netarts Bay Road to find the property, which had become completely over-

grown with blackberries. After finding the hatchery, Dove requested permission from the state to take over the property, and after receiving it, the anglers set to work removing overgrowth, rehabilitating the fish rearing ponds and building a new maintenance shed and structure around the ponds. Even as the property underwent maintenance, repairs and additions, the anglers hosted their first annual Fin Clipping Day in 1989, welcoming members of the community to clip the adipose fins from young salmon fry, marking them as hatchery-bred fish that can be kept if caught. Fish for the hatchery come from the

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Volunteers manned the fin clipping line throughout the day, removing adipose fins from anesthetized Spring Chinook salmon fry.

## Garibaldi council delays decision on water, sewer rate bumps

**WILL CHAPPELL**  
Citizen Editor

Garibaldi's city council delayed action on proposed increases to the city's water and sewer utility rates on April 21, electing to wait until their May meeting to give the city's budget committee a chance to weigh in. The proposed water rate increase would see the city's base water rate for customers with three-quarter-inch pipes jump from \$37.62 to \$48.91 for 4,000 gallons and would be the third increase in as many years. The proposed sewer rate increase would see the base rate rise from \$62.71 to \$81.52. Council also delayed a decision on a proposed street maintenance fee of \$19 per month per property. The proposed new fee and fee increases were brought forward by City Manager Jake Boone as part of the city's budgeting process to match the projected costs to the city of each of the infrastructure systems.

In the case of the proposed street maintenance fee, Boone explained that the city currently replenished its street maintenance fund from a franchise fee on the Tillamook Peoples' Utility District and transient lodging tax revenues, but that the income was insufficient to meet the city's needs. Boone said that historically, the city had relied on awards from the Oregon Department of Transportation's small city allotment program, but that these grants were only awarded every few years to each city, and recent successes meant that Garibaldi was unlikely to see major funding from the program soon.

The proposed fee increases were calculated based on the needs of the water and sewer systems, and Boone explained that failures to raise rates in the past had led to insufficient collections and deferred maintenance, making the large increases necessary. The city's base water rate, for example,

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## Weber concerned by transportation proposal

**WILL CHAPPELL**  
Citizen Editor

As the long legislative session in Salem passes the halfway mark, State Senator Suzanne Weber is apprehensive about the proposed transportation package put forward by Democrats in Salem last week. Weber said that she was uneasy about the impacts of tax and fee increases on her constituents, and the absence of benefit for the heightened costs, while taking Democrats to task for their lack of transparency and bipartisanship in developing the bill. "It's been said that we're going to sit down and we're going to negotiate several things in this structure. So far, no one has been approached to work on that," Weber said. "It needs to be a team approach because it's got to be more than just the Democrats deciding this, it's got to be a concerted effort between both sides." Weber is a member of the legislature's joint transportation committee but said that as of last week she had only received the four-page document released to the public describing the proposed package. In the document, Democrats proposed a 20 cent in the state's gas tax, from 40 to 60 cents, implemented in four phases by 2032, increasing title and registration fees, as well as the

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# Voters' Guide

In preparation for the upcoming May 20 election for school and special districts, the Citizen reached out to candidates for each of the Neah-Kah-Nie School Board, as well as the board of the Tillamook County Transportation District and Tillamook Bay Community College, with an opportunity to participate in a voters' guide.

We asked candidates to respond to the following questions in 300 words or less:

What is your name, how old are you and how long have you lived in Tillamook County?

What is your work background and what professional, volunteer or personal experiences do you feel make you qualified for the position you are seeking?

What is the biggest issue facing the district you are running to represent? How would you address this issue?

What would your priorities be if elected?

## Neah-Kah-Nie school board

**Zone 3: Randy Schultz:** 66 years old. I've lived in Rockaway Beach for five years.

My career has been devoted to education. My path started as a classroom aide, then I became a teacher, school site administrator, teacher education professor, and eventually dean of a university satellite campus. These experiences gave me a deep appreciation of the

education system and the needs of students, teachers, and school communities. I've worked closely with parents, educators, and the public, and I remain a strong advocate for public education and the opportunities it creates. I believe every student deserves a high-quality education—one that challenges them, supports them, and empowers them to reach their full potential.

One of the biggest issues facing our district is the sharp decline in timber revenue, which has a direct impact on our schools' budgets. This funding loss threatens essential programs, staffing, and student services. Fortunately, there's a solution. Measure 29-184 would close much of the funding gap and allow the district to avoid severe cuts while we plan for a sustainable future. Supporting this measure is critical to protecting the quality of education in our community.

If elected, my priority will be keeping the district healthy for students. Every board decision should be viewed through the lens of its impact on student learning and well-being. The board must be stewards of district finances. I've seen firsthand—through past budget crises—the importance of thoughtful, student-focused decision-making. I believe my experience will continue to be an asset to the board.

We must support and retain our excellent staff and maintain safe, welcoming school facilities. These are

key to student success. My goal as an active member of the board is to ensure long-term stability, transparency, and a strong future for our schools.

**Zone 4: Don Allgeier:** My name is Don Allgeier, and I am running for the seat in zone 4 for the Neah Kah Nie School Board. My family moved to Rockaway Beach in 2001 to own and operate an ice cream and gift shop. Two of our three daughters have attended school in the district. My family is grateful for what the schools here have provided for our family, and I hope to give back to the school district. For the past three years, I have worked for the Tillamook County Library, and I have spent 20 years working in libraries, from shelving books to balancing budgets. I have various experiences with the public education system, including as a student, a parent, and a PTA member. I have also volunteered in schools and in a learning garden that served students. My experience in these areas and my educational background in public administration qualify me for the Neah Kah Nie School Board position.

The most significant issue facing our school district is the uncertainty of funding. Between diminishing timber revenues, federal uncertainty, and a limited property tax system, the school system has multiple fiscal risks. I hope that the current levy campaign will have the support of voters and will fend off the most dangerous cuts to our school system that could result in significant layoffs and restructuring. The coming years will require the school board to be strategic in the oversight of the school system budget to make sure we are in the best place possible to serve our kids and families. My priority, if elected, will be to support teachers in their work to provide the best possible education to our children.

## Tillamook Bay Community College board of directors

**Zone 2: Andrea Goss:** I am Andrea Goss. I have lived in Tillamook County for about 20 years. While here, I have been active in many organizations, helping to make Tillamook County a better place for all of us to live. For 15 years I was a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for Tillamook children in the foster care system. I was the ears and eyes for each of the children I was appointed to work with and made recommendations to the court for how to minister for the best interests of the child. I was a Victims' Advocate within the District Attorney's office for two years. I am currently the Administrator for Tillamook Urban Renewal Agency and on the Board of CARE, which provides support ser-

vices for vulnerable County residents by providing housing programs, homeless prevention, and emergency services.

I have served on the Tillamook Bay Community College Board since 2021. During that time I have witnessed amazing growth in student numbers and student success. The staff, faculty, staff are all about student success. They have an unwavering commitment to each individual student regardless of age, color, gender, economic status, immigration status, and provide support to each and every one of them. TBCC is an open access campus providing educational services to all students, whether they are pursuing a 4-week certificate, or a 2-year degree, or even a GED.

TBCC partners with the community to provide programming that will not only help students get jobs that pay enough to support their families, but help local businesses have a pool of employees skilled in the needs of the company, keeping the talent local.

The new Health Education Building and the nursing program are turning out nurses that can work locally and support Tillamook's health community. These are very exciting opportunities for the community.

I want to continue to be part of what has made TBCC so successful. Please get out and vote for me on May 20th.

**Zone 3: Jim Heffernan:** I'm Jim Heffernan and I have lived in Tillamook since 1979. I moved here because I could find work at the Creamery. I loved the job and retired after 30 years.

I fell in love with this place immediately and my 46 years here has not diminished my affection. I am very willing to give back to this county.

I am running for a position on the Tillamook County Transportation Board and for a position on the Tillamook Bay Community College Board.

It may seem strange running for two positions, but both positions involve reviewing a board packet agenda and attending a monthly meeting. The crucial part is listening to the community and voting to always put the interests of the community first.

Tillamook County Transportation District is not properly serving the community. Our only Sunday service is two trips to Portland. Dial-a-Ride service is sharply restricted. Management wants to blame the extra burden of dialysis trips, but that situation has existed since March of 2024. Changes are needed in training and retention by management.

One of seven board members cannot effect change, All I can offer is an open ear to the community and an unwillingness to blindly accept what management chooses to spoon-feed the board.

Tillamook Bay Com-

munity College is performing wonderfully for the community. I have a long association with the college as a student (in 1996 and in 2025), a volunteer ESL tutor, and as an adjunct instructor. I question Suzanne Weber's true devotion to the college in light of her sponsorship of SB 381 which reduces the Corporate Activity Tax that is meant to support education.

**Zone 6: Pat Ryan:** My name is Pat Ryan. I have lived in Rockaway Beach/Tillamook County for the past 32 years.

My work career includes time with International Harvester Tractor Works as well as a carpenter and construction foreman. My family moved to Rockaway Beach in 1993 where I served as the Facilities Manager at Camp Magruder in Rockaway Beach. I was hired by Tillamook Bay Community College in 2009 when the College moved to the new campus on Third Street. My last 12 years with TBCC I served as the Director of Human Resources, Facilities, and Campus Safety.

During my employment with Tillamook Bay Community College I was able to be part of the visioning and planning for much of what is currently in place to serve the residents of Tillamook County. I look forward to the opportunity to support the continued development of the College and educational opportunities to meet the diverse needs and goals of the students the College serves.

## Tillamook County Transportation District board of directors

**Position 1: David McCall:** My name is David McCall, I'm 56 years young and have lived in Tillamook County since 2012.

After graduating from college, I was sent to Central Eastern Europe with a Peace Corps-backed organization in 1990, just after the end of the Cold War. After serving three years, I moved into the private sector, working in the waste management field. I was based in Hungary but worked throughout the region for 22 years. I relocated to Tillamook in 2012, where I ran the county's Solid Waste & Recycling program for eleven years. During this time, I was also president of the Tillamook Farmers Market, elected City Councilor in Bay City in 2016, Mayor in 2020 and 2022. I have been the City Manager since 2023. I serve on the Executive Committee of the Columbia-Pacific Economic Development District, the Northwest Area Commission on Transportation, and Position #1 on the Transportation District.

The district's mission is to provide reliable transportation to individuals throughout Tillamook County who need such services. Last year the district stepped up

to provide transportation for dialysis patients who needed transport three times a week to facilities outside the normal service area. As more drivers are brought on and trained, and the need for such transports hopefully decreases, the district will be able to restore some of the services that were previously cut back. This needs to be done in a smart way, ensuring not only quality, but also consistent service to the public. As a board member I will support those efforts and ask the questions necessary so that it will be reliable and successful.

I thank you for your support so I can continue to serve on the Transportation District!

**Jim Heffernan: see response in Tillamook Bay Community college Board section.**

**Position 3: Vern Ressler:** My name is Vern Ressler; I am 68 years old. I have lived in Tillamook County since 2008 till 2013 as a wastewater supervisor and from 2017 till present as retired.

I served 4 years in the navy in communication at shore and on a ship. My main career was 30 years in wastewater operations, 10 as a supervisor. I volunteered to drive elderly and handicapped in Roseburg from 1992 until 1994. In retirement, starting in november 2017 for 5 years, I drove for the Tillamook County Transportation District. I have learned a great deal about the district and the passengers.

The biggest issue is the loss of critical routes. No Sunday service is available except 2 Portland runs.

**Position 5: Eric Sappington:** My name is Eric Sappington. I'm 56 years old and have lived in Tillamook County for 29 years. This is my home, and I care deeply about its growth, safety, and accessibility.

I worked in construction for over 20 years, taught social-emotional skills at Wilson River High School, and for the last four years, I've been the Youth Engagement Director at the Tillamook YMCA. I'm also the President of the Fairview Grange, a role I've held for 12 years. These roles have taught me how to lead, work with the community, and find practical solutions to real challenges.

Access to reliable transportation in rural areas is a major issue. Many people rely on it for daily needs. I would work to improve services by building partnerships, finding funding, and supporting creative solutions like flexible routes and better senior transit options.

My priorities would be to make transportation more accessible, safer, and more efficient for everyone. I also want to plan for long-term growth, so our systems keep up with the needs of the community.

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**FIN CLIPPING**  
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Trask River Hatchery run by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, representing a quarter of the 400,000 Spring Chinook raised by the hatchery each year, according to Skaar. The fish are hatched from eggs gathered from returning female fish each fall and hatched and kept until they develop eyes at the Trask River Hatchery, when 100,000

are transferred to the Whiskey Creek Fish Hatchery.  
On the day of the fin clipping, volunteers began arriving at 8:30 a.m. and were welcomed by coffee and donuts, before taking up positions for clipping.  
Volunteers lined both sides of a long trough that runs adjacent to the hatchery’s fishpond and manned trays filled with fresh water where members of the anglers brought fish that had been dipped in a Novocain-derived anesthetic for clipping. After removing the superfluous adipose fins, volunteers placed the fish in the

trough, which returned them to the pond. The fin-clipping line has space for 96 clippers at a time and volunteers rotated in and out for breaks throughout the day.  
When three quarters of the fish had had their fins clipped, the volunteers broke for a free barbecue lunch provided by the anglers, before returning to clipping, with work wrapping up around 2 p.m.  
All ages were represented at the event, with many families participating together, and Skaar estimated that 250-300 people attended throughout the day.



A volunteer expertly clips the fin from a fry.

**US Poet Laureate Ada Limón Coming to Oregon**

**The US Poet Laureate will give the Sitka Spring Keynote in a reading at a rural public school on the Oregon Coast**

The Sitka Center for Art and Ecology will host US Poet Laureate Ada Limón as the featured speaker for its Spring Keynote on May 20 at Nestucca K-8 School in Cloverdale, Oregon. Unlike many literary events that take place in urban centers and require costly tickets, Sitka is bringing Limón to rural Oregon for a free, community-focused celebration of poetry and nature. This in-person event offers community members the opportunity to hear Limón read from

her work and discuss the role of poetry in connecting people to the natural world. A book signing will follow.  
Sitka Spring Keynote Free, in-person event, Reservations required  
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Doors open 5:30 p.m.  
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followed by a book signing.

**About Ada Limón**

Ada Limón is the author of six books of poetry, including The Carrying, which won the National Book Critics Circle Award for Poetry. Her most recent book of poetry, The Hurting Kind, was shortlisted for the Griffin Poetry Prize. She is the 24th Poet Laureate of The United States, the recipient

of a MacArthur Fellowship, and a TIME magazine woman of the year. As the Poet Laureate, her signature project is called You Are Here and focuses on how poetry can help connect us to the natural world. Her first books for children include In Praise of Mystery and And, Too, The Fox.

**About the Sitka Center**

Now entering its 55th year, the Sitka Center champions art and nature access for all. Sitka Center’s growing youth program, K-8 Create, now serves 5,000 students in 17 Oregon schools. Sitka is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit located in Otis, Oregon at Cascade Head. For more details visit sitkacenter.org.



Poet Laureate Ada Limón

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weight-mile tax, almost doubling the state’s payroll tax, instituting a road-user charge for electric vehicles, implementing a 1% fee on new vehicle sales and creating a 3% tax on tire sales.  
In total, the proposed new and increased fees and taxes would generate at least \$1.9 billion biannually for the state’s highway fund, Oregon’s main transportation funding source. The revenues from the tire tax would go to support rail, wildlife crossings and salmon recovery.  
Weber said that the sweeping proposal had been developed without input from Republicans, lamenting the fact and saying that it marked a change from the process around amending Measure 110 last year when Democrats participated in bipartisan discussions.  
While recognizing that funding the state’s high-

ways was going to necessitate increasing tax and fees, Weber had doubts about the equity of some of the proposed measures, particularly the tire tax. Weber pointed out that Tillamook did not have rail projects that could benefit from the funding and worried that the lack of consideration for returning value to rural taxpayers, who travel longer distances than their urban counterparts, would play out in other aspects of the package as well.  
“That is going to burden, especially rural Oregon, especially where we live,” Weber said. “Our gas is higher in price where we live on the coast, and we have to travel farther in order to get services and so we are paying more money in taxes than just about any other place other than eastern Oregon to be able to maintain our transportation system and what are we getting out of it?”  
Weber said that she would like to see funding devoted to problematic highways around the dis-

trict, mentioning 6, 26 and 30, as well as 101 between Rockaway Beach and Wheeler.  
As of April 15, Weber said that no hearings had yet been scheduled on the proposal and that she hoped there would be more collaboration on the process moving forward. “This can’t be the final solution,” Weber said, “there has to be some ability to bargain on this, not necessarily for the party but for the people, because this is a huge package.”  
In the education committee, Weber said that she is more pleased with the work being done on Governor Tina Kotek’s proposed reforms to accountability, put forward in Senate Bill 141. Earlier in the session, Weber had concerns about how the state would intervene in struggling districts and how those districts would be identified through testing, but she said that many of those concerns have now been addressed, though work is ongoing, with even more clarity needed on testing.

“I’m feeling much better about 141,” Weber said. “I think that it is also going to have to be one of those issues that is a work in progress.”  
Weber said that she was still hoping to work on legislation to address student and teacher absenteeism and that she wanted to see instructional time increased for students, who

end up with a year less of instructional time between kindergarten and high school graduation than their peers in Washington and California.  
Weber also mentioned that she would like to see more counselors provided to help support students and cut down on classroom interruptions.  
Outside of transportation

and education, Weber is promoting bills on a variety of other subjects that are still moving forward. They include funding for a study of Highway 30 in Columbia County, a bill to support the children of military families, a tax credit for childcare workers and an exemption from the corporate activity tax for healthcare businesses.

**RATES**  
Garibaldi  
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remained steady at \$24.50 from 2010 until 2023, when it was increased to \$36.14, before being increased again last year to \$37.62.  
The proposed fee increases drew considerable concern from the public at the meeting, with former Mayors Tim Hall and Judy Riggs and other commenters questioning them. Riggs encouraged the council not to enact all three revenue-generating proposals at once, while Hall encouraged them to wait until the city had a better picture of its financial footing before passing the increases.  
When councilors began discussing the proposed fees, it became clear that they too had reservations about the package.  
Councilor Norm Shattuck said that he was concerned about the road maintenance fee and wasn’t clear about why the franchise fees were not sufficient to cover maintenance needs.  
Councilor Linda Bade said that she was worried about the lack of communi-

cation about the proposals with citizens. Bade continued that she knew the city needed money but that she would like to see more information about the city’s budget before moving forward and that she was worried about people being able to afford the increased fees.  
Bade said that while it was hard to believe the city was that much in the hole financially, they had been spending money for years while in an unclear financial situation leading to the current predicament.  
Mayor Katie Findling

suggested that the council delay action on the proposed new fee and fee increases until their May meeting, which would give the budget committee time to consider other ways to trim the budget and alleviate the need for the new revenue.  
The other councilors agreed and voted to table the item until their May meeting.  
At the April meeting, the council also voted to assign responsibility for sewer lateral lines to property owners.

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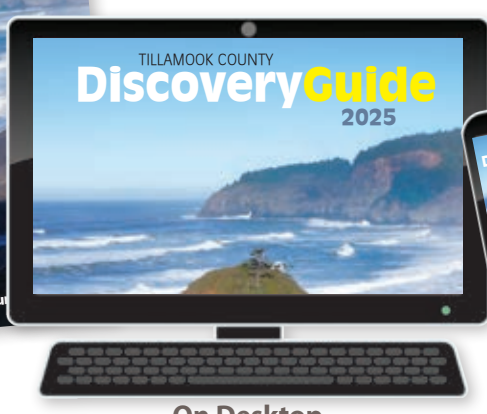
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6 Sop up

12 Fez or beret

15 General —  
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19 Preface

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border river

41 Three,  
in Paris

42 H.G. Wells'  
Doctor  
Moreau, e.g.

46 Penetrating

47 Get older

50 Give off

51 Shaggy's  
nickname for  
his dog

52 Pollen lover

53 Actress  
Perlman

54 "Life Is Good"  
rapper

55 Letter  
after pi

56 212 degrees  
Fahrenheit,  
for water

61 "Yup"

63 Big Apple  
sch.

66 Alpha Sig.,  
e.g.

67 Speaks from  
a soapbox

68 Right after  
being baked

72 Fake: Prefix

75 Stalagmite  
site

76 Camera type,  
in brief

77 Acting  
award

81 Brand of  
hard cider

84 Google Play  
download

86 Tokyo sash

87 Prefix with  
byte or ton

88 Suffix with  
Euclid

89 An ex-Trump

92 Fix typos, say

93 Plus more:  
Abbr.

94 \$5 bills,  
in slang

96 Intense  
controversy

99 "That doesn't  
ring —"

101 Regressed

102 — -la-la

103 Group of  
warriors in  
"Kung Fu  
Panda"

106 Church part  
for the clergy

110 Chant

111 Boxing great

112 Flummoxed

115 Suffix with  
Motor

116 British  
prep school

117 Oxidizer in  
liquid rocket  
propellants

122 Swedish  
soprano  
Jenny

123 '50s prez

124 — Mae  
(HUD corp.)

125 Yo-yo part

126 Lucy's guy

127 Toon  
Flanders

128 Villains'  
looks

129 What nine  
key words in  
this puzzle  
are syn-  
onyms of

DOWN

1 Panorama

2 Entomb

3 Navigate

4 A Gershwin  
brother

5 Male tabby

6 Eve of old TV

7 — one's time

8 Missile in the  
Gulf War

9 "Heavens!"

10 Shred

11 — Stakes  
(horse race)

12 Kayak cousin

13 "Gemini Man"  
director Lee

14 Grazing land

15 "Proud Mary"  
star — P.  
Henson

16 Makes the  
Billboard  
Top 40, e.g.

17 Of a resis-  
tance unit

18 Artery insert

24 Like Brits

25 Pertaining to

31 Black, to Poe

33 Aide: Abbr.

34 U.S. "Ltd."

35 Female sib

36 Dutch artist  
Jan

38 — -Cat

39 From — Z

40 Lettuce type

42 Option list

43 East Asian  
nanny

44 Platter

45 — Lodge  
(motel chain)

46 Actor Harvey

48 Heredity unit

49 Wolfs down

52 Malaise,  
with "the"

53 Horse colors

55 Little — (the  
Ocean State)

57 Proposal

58 Original NYC  
subway line

59 State exec.

60 Before  
surgery,  
in brief

62 "Star Trek"  
lieutenant

64 Agave plants

65 Salt Lake City  
native

69 Additionally

70 Fertilizable  
gametes

71 Chimp's kin

72 Book  
division

73 Vexed state

74 Dairy case  
containers

78 Musical finale

79 Somewhat

80 Act of liturgy

82 Film units

83 Uses a  
trowel

85 Noodles in  
peanut sauce

90 Battle (for)

91 Additionally

92 Israel's Abba

94 Vast stretch

95 Large tuna

96 Wild rants

97 Gorilla, e.g.

98 Historic time

100 Olympic  
swimmer  
Matt

101 Actress  
Taylor

103 Grazing land

104 De-knot

105 Renowned

106 Asteroid  
found in 1801

107 Chocolate  
drink

108 T-man Ness

109 Big dipper

112 Comic  
Meara

113 Rake prong

114 Mix, as paint

118 Luau guitar,  
for short

119 Martini liquor

120 Longtime  
CBS series

121 30-day mo.

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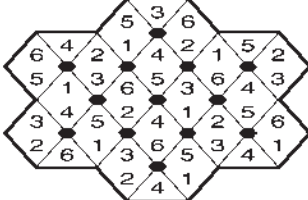
CryptoQuip

answer

Being that my son's wife  
borrowed a large amount  
of money from me, is she  
my debtor-in-law?

SNOWFLAKES

solution



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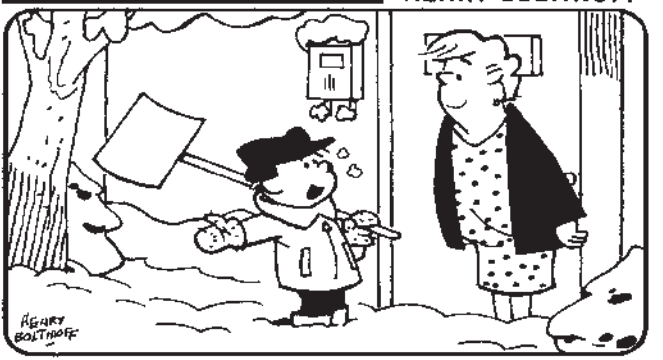
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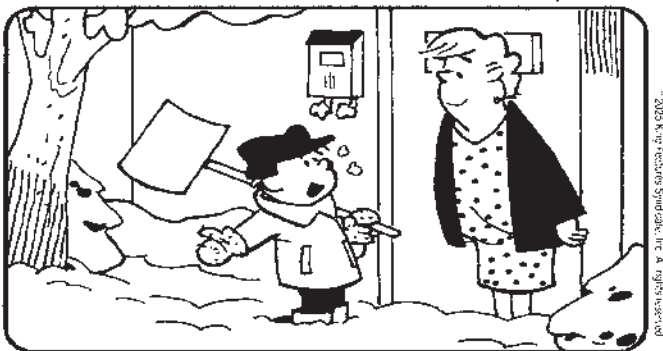
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY  
HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Shovel is shorter. 2. Arm is lower. 3. Snow is  
missing from mailbox. 4. Doorknob is missing. 5. Zipper is  
missing. 6. House is not as wide.

Weekly SUDOKU

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9			5	2				6

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

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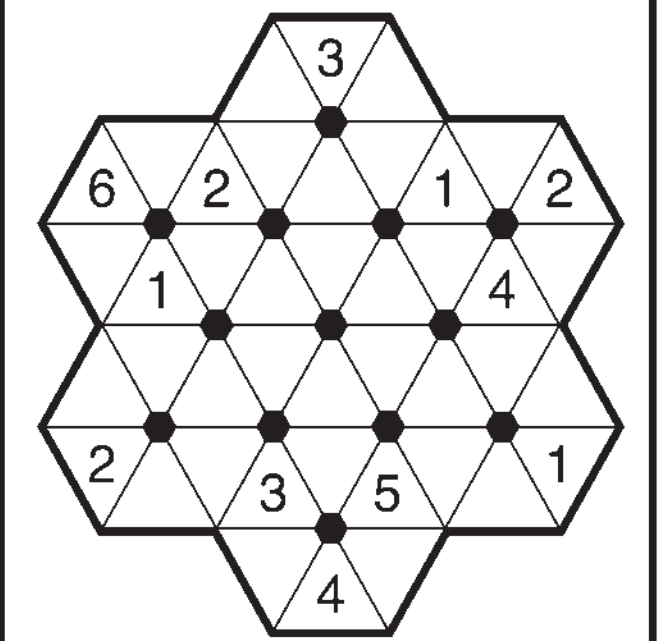
♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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SNOWFLAKES

by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the  
puzzle. Place the numbers 1 - 6  
around each of them. No number can  
be repeated in any partial hexagon  
shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

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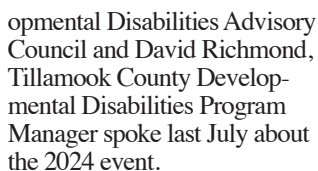
Super Crossword

Answers

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On several occasions, Rockaway Beach Mayor Charles McNeilly has said that awarding community grants is one of his favorite official duties. The April 9 City Council meeting saw a number of grants awarded, supporting everything from a party in the park for people with developmental disabilities to improved access to the Rockaway Beach Library.



opmental Disabilities Advisory Council and David Richmond, Tillamook County Developmental Disabilities Program Manager spoke last July about the 2024 event.

“Last year we had 133 people. This year we had 165,” said Hiller about the 2024 event. “And they want to do it every six months!” Hiller went on to say about last year’s picnic: “We spent the \$1000 you gave us to rent the park and feed the people.” The event, which features face

**WILL CHAPPELL**  
CITIZEN EDITOR

Oregon's Board of Forestry met on April 23, in Salem, and began discussions about the process of recruiting a new state forester as well as desired attributes for candidates.

Board members agreed that the search should be conducted in a way that kept candidates' names private until the final stages to encourage a wider pool of applicants and will adopt a formal recruitment process at a meeting in the coming weeks.

The search for a new state forester to lead the Oregon Department of Forestry comes following the resignation of Cal Mukumoto from the position in January.

At April's board meeting, Kylen Stevens, an executive recruiter from the state's Department of Administrative Services who will be assisting in the search, presented on the general form recruitments for executive officers take at state agencies.

Stevens said that the process typically began with recruiters gathering input from various interested parties, including staff, partner agencies and tribes, and using that feedback to develop a list of qualifications and desired attributes for the role.

With that in hand, the agency's governing board determines whether to hire an outside recruitment firm to help with the process, where to advertise the position and approves funding for those items. The board then develops a recruitment plan that includes the number of interviews, who will be involved in them, whether the interviews are virtual or in-person, how long the recruitment will take and other specifics.

Members of the public are given an opportunity to comment on both the recruitment plan and desired attributes before the board adopts them. Stevens said the discussion, comment and adoption of the plan and desired attributes could take place at the board's next meeting.

Typically, agencies opt to use a recruiter when searching for an executive and salary is developed based on the salaries of top deputies who have state-mandated wages.

Stevens said that boards usually appoint a subcommittee to lead the next stages of the process, with a first review of applications occurring in an executive session of the subcommittee to identify five or so applicants for interviews. The committee then announces their list of candidates in a public session before interviewing them in another executive session and winnowing the list down to three finalists.

Finalists are then interviewed by agency staff, interested partners, tribes or whomever the board thinks should provide input, before a final decision is made and contract negotiated.

Stevens said that it was also possible to delegate an individual to make the initial decisions on which applicants would be interviewed. This would allow those applicants' names to remain confidential, whereas

painting, games, a photo booth, and a community cookout, is scheduled for July 3 this year.

Next, the International Police Museum was awarded \$4931.58 to support furniture and displays for the Community Room. This resource will be available to all members of the community. Call (503) 457-6056 for more information.

The Rockaway Beach Business Association (RBBA) received \$4999 to support fundraising projects. These projects include an Easter Egg hunt, which includes a by-donation pancake breakfast at the fire station, and a scavenger hunt with prizes for adults and children.

Other RBBA events include the Trunk or Treat on Halloween weekend. Last year's event took place at the new Anchor Street Park parking lot. In spite of a cold, wet Saturday, the event was packed with

costumed partygoers. (I was dressed as a pirate, though with all the rain I looked more like the survivor of a shipwreck.) Mayor McNeilly and his wife, Sue, were present, as was Fire Chief Todd Hesse. More than 20 booths ringed the parking lot, with volunteers giving out candy.

Probably the biggest RBBA event is the annual Christmas Tree Lighting in the Wayside, held in conjunction with the Santa Claus Express from the Oregon Coast Scenic Railroad. The OCSR's prized steam locomotive, the McCloud #25, is expected to pull Santa and Mrs. Claus again, but with a special twist: the engine will celebrate its 100th birthday this year.

The Friends of the Rockaway Beach Library asked for \$1864 to support two important efforts. First, the entrance railings for the library need replacement. Last year, the

Justice said that hiring an applicant with relevant experience was critical, as whoever was hired would need to balance science, departmental values and political pressures to be successful in the job.

Kelly said that he wanted to lean heavily on the work

done in the 2021 search, which had been substantial, while also keeping in mind the issues that had made Mukumoto's tenure short.

The board then discussed the next steps, with some confusion arising about the need to make public the decisions of a subcommittee and

Friends funded replacement of portions of the ADA-accessible ramp, as well as a few other items. This year the railings need attention.

In addition, the Friends plan to purchase a Square payment device. The biggest anticipated use of this will be at the annual used book sale, scheduled for July 3 this year. This will also help year-round with donations and purchases of used books, DVDs and CDs.

The Neah-Kah-Nie Coast Arts Music & Cultural Foundation (NCAM) received \$4999 to support the third annual Rockaway Writers Rendezvous. This event supports scholarships for Tillamook County high school students pursuing arts-related studies. The funds will go towards site rentals at the Rockaway Community Church and the Lions Club, plus printing an anthology of content submitted for

the event and cash prizes for students.

The grant application process this year was new and involved coordination between the planning commission and city council. Mayor McNeilly commented, "I'm very pleased with how the process worked with the scoring that was used. I think we have exceptional grants in the final resolution, and my thanks to the planning commission for the work that they did that got us to this point."

Finally, the North Coast Communities for Watershed Protection is holding their April Community Meeting to discuss ongoing efforts to protect the wetlands and drinking water in the Nedonna Beach area, as well as concerns about challenges to the watershed in Nehalem. The meeting runs 6—7:30 p.m. at St Mary by the Sea parish hall, 257 S Pacific.

a subcommittee would be required to name the applicants chosen for interview in a public meeting following their executive session, which could deter some potential applicants.

Stevens said that the length of the recruitment process would depend on the number of steps the board included in its plan, but that recruitments involving one board typically took six to eight weeks.

Board Chair Jim Kelly started the discussion after Stevens's presentation and said that he was concerned about a public process dissuading qualified people from applying, noting that in the last search for a state forester in 2021, only seven applications had been received. Kelly said that he wanted to have a process where information was closely guarded by the board to promote a nationwide pool of applicants. Board Members Joe Justice and Brenda McComb both agreed with Kelly.

A department staffer then shared the results of an internal survey of staff about desired attributes for the new state forester with the board. Just over 10% of the agency's workforce of just over 1,000 responded to the survey, which provided the list of desired attributes from 2021 and provided respondents an open-ended opportunity to make recommendations for changes or additions to the list.

The survey found that respondents wanted to see a new state forester with experience in the forestry industry, at a department of forestry or in fire response, and who has an understanding of the department's operations, divisions and programs. Respondents said that they wanted someone with strong communication and leadership skills, who would prioritize in-person engagement with staff, accountability and integrity, to help improve the agency's public perception.

After a lunch break, the board heard public feedback on desired attributes for the next forester, with seven commenters weighing in.

Michael Lang from the Wild Salmon Center said that his organization hoped to see a candidate selected with a grounding in the ecological impacts of forests who could rebuild public trust in the department.

Representatives from the Oregon Loggers and Society of Foresters, as well as a forestry student and Tillamook County Commissioner Erin Skaar, speaking on behalf of the Forest Trust Land Advisory Committee, echoed staff sentiments, saying they hoped to see an applicant selected with experience in the industry who would appreciate and respect the communities and industries that depend on forests.

Before concluding the meeting, members of the board discussed the next steps of the recruitment process and desired attributes.

**Board Member Ben**  
Deumling said that he hoped whoever was hired would be able to take the vision put forward in plans developed by the board and department in recent years into action.

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through May 15<sup>th</sup>

Best Food and Drink

- Atmosphere \_\_\_\_\_
- Baked Goods \_\_\_\_\_
- Breakfast \_\_\_\_\_
- Brew Pub \_\_\_\_\_
- Burger \_\_\_\_\_
- Chinese \_\_\_\_\_
- Clam Chowder \_\_\_\_\_
- Coffee \_\_\_\_\_
- Dessert \_\_\_\_\_
- Dinner \_\_\_\_\_
- Fish & Chips \_\_\_\_\_
- Food Cart \_\_\_\_\_
- Grilled Cheese \_\_\_\_\_
- Happy Hour \_\_\_\_\_
- Ice Cream \_\_\_\_\_
- Lunch \_\_\_\_\_
- Mexican \_\_\_\_\_
- Patio Dining \_\_\_\_\_
- Pizza \_\_\_\_\_
- Sandwiches \_\_\_\_\_
- Seafood \_\_\_\_\_
- Steak \_\_\_\_\_
- Sushi \_\_\_\_\_
- Tasting Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Thai \_\_\_\_\_
- Vegan/Vegetarian \_\_\_\_\_
- Waterfront Dining \_\_\_\_\_

Business - Best Local Place For

- A Fun Time \_\_\_\_\_
- Accountant \_\_\_\_\_
- Annual Event \_\_\_\_\_
- Appliances \_\_\_\_\_
- Art / Gallery \_\_\_\_\_
- Auto Body \_\_\_\_\_
- Auto Service \_\_\_\_\_
- Boutique Shopping \_\_\_\_\_
- Cannabis Dispensary \_\_\_\_\_
- Catering \_\_\_\_\_
- Clothing \_\_\_\_\_
- Computer Sales & Service \_\_\_\_\_
- Car / Truck Purchase \_\_\_\_\_
- Cultural Experience \_\_\_\_\_
- Customer Service \_\_\_\_\_
- Date Night \_\_\_\_\_
- Entertainment \_\_\_\_\_
- Electrician Service/Install \_\_\_\_\_
- Family Attraction \_\_\_\_\_
- Family Night \_\_\_\_\_
- Financial Institution \_\_\_\_\_
- Fishing & Hunting Equipment \_\_\_\_\_
- Fitness / Well Being \_\_\_\_\_
- Florist \_\_\_\_\_
- Gardening Supplies & Plants \_\_\_\_\_
- General Contracting / Construction \_\_\_\_\_
- Gifts \_\_\_\_\_
- Groceries & Sundries \_\_\_\_\_
- Health Spa / Fitness \_\_\_\_\_
- Heating & Air \_\_\_\_\_
- Home Furnishings / Decor \_\_\_\_\_
- Home Improvement \_\_\_\_\_

- Jewelry \_\_\_\_\_
- Kayak Rentals \_\_\_\_\_
- Kids Activities \_\_\_\_\_
- Landscaping & Lawn \_\_\_\_\_
- Live Entertainment \_\_\_\_\_
- Marina \_\_\_\_\_
- Museum \_\_\_\_\_
- Mental Health Therapy \_\_\_\_\_
- News \_\_\_\_\_
- Organic / Locally Sourced \_\_\_\_\_
- Outdoor Recreation \_\_\_\_\_
- Overnight Camping \_\_\_\_\_
- Overnight Lodging \_\_\_\_\_
- Parade \_\_\_\_\_
- Park \_\_\_\_\_
- Pet / Livestock Supplies \_\_\_\_\_
- Plumbing \_\_\_\_\_
- Real Estate Office \_\_\_\_\_
- Roofing \_\_\_\_\_
- Repairman / Handyman \_\_\_\_\_
- Senior Living \_\_\_\_\_
- Support Groups \_\_\_\_\_
- Supplies \_\_\_\_\_
- Veterinarian Services \_\_\_\_\_

People - Best At What They Do

Include first and last names of individuals and place of business

- Bartender \_\_\_\_\_
- Boss / Manager \_\_\_\_\_
- Coach \_\_\_\_\_
- Esthetician \_\_\_\_\_
- Financial Advisor \_\_\_\_\_
- Fishing Guide \_\_\_\_\_
- Food Server \_\_\_\_\_
- Hair Stylist \_\_\_\_\_
- Health Professional \_\_\_\_\_
- Insurance Agent \_\_\_\_\_
- Instructor \_\_\_\_\_
- Manicurist \_\_\_\_\_
- Massage Therapist \_\_\_\_\_
- Mortgage Agent \_\_\_\_\_
- Non-profit \_\_\_\_\_
- Pharmacist \_\_\_\_\_
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- Property Manager \_\_\_\_\_
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