







Guests at the Soup Bowl fundraiser were invited to select a bowl among those made by the volunteer potters in Clatsop County and displayed on the bar at Pacific Restaurant.



Tides of Change Executive Director Valerie Bundy thanked supporters and volunteers for attending the event and shared an update on her organization's operations since the last event in 2019.

# A hearty fundraiser

## Soup Bowl supports Tides of Change

**WILL CHAPPELL**  
CITIZEN EDITOR

Supporters of Tides of Change gathered for the 14th annual Soup Bowl at Pacific Restaurant on the evening of October 26, raising around \$19,000



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More than a dozen restaurants and local individuals donated soups, bread and desserts to the event.

bar before beginning their meal. The bowls were made by a group of around 15 volunteer potters in Clatsop County, several of whom attended the event, along with volunteers who had helped with the firing process.

Guests could choose to use their bowl, or one provided by Pacific Restaurant to enjoy all-you-can-eat soup donated by 16 local businesses and residents. Soups on offer ranged from staid classics like chicken noodle and cheddar broccoli to more adventurous options like lentil coconut curry and Thai chicken peanut.

After giving attendees an opportunity to sample the offerings, Tides of Change Executive Director Valerie Bundy addressed the group after an introduction from Bell. Bundy thanked supporters for attending, Pacific Restaurant for hosting, the potters for donating the bowls, restaurants and community members for making the soup and volunteers for chipping in to make the event possible.

Bundy then gave a brief update on the organization's operations since the event was last held in 2019, before a covid-caused hiatus.

Bundy said that in the past five years, Tides of Change has served more than 1,800 survivors of domestic and sexual violence and offered more than 60,000 individual services to them. In that time, the organization has focused on bolstering their services for the Hispanic community, growing from one bilingual staff member in 2019 to six today, with around 30% of their clients coming from the Hispanic community.

Enhancing the organization's shelter offering for people escaping domestic violence has also been a focus since 2019, with the shelter becoming pet friendly in 2020 and undergoing modifications to become ADA-accessible.

Another point of pride for Bundy is Tides of Change's expanded direct assistance program, which has grown to offer more than \$100,000 annually in vouchers for rent, utilities, gas or "whatever a survivor might need to be able to move forward and to achieve safety," according to Bundy.

The organization is also in the final stages of starting a sexual assault nurse examiner program, with the goal of having it up and running by the New Year. Currently, survivors of sexual assault must travel to a neighboring county for an exam by a qualified nurse, but Tides of Change was awarded a \$500,000 grant to hire a nurse and start their own program. "We are really excited for that and just to continue to grow and step up and meet the needs," Bundy said, "but again, I'm so thankful that we got to bring the Soup Bowl back and that all of you came out tonight."

After Bundy's remarks, a second round of soups was presented to guests, before a raffle with items donated by local businesses capped off the evening.



Attendees patiently queue for soup as others enjoy their meal.





# Both U.S. 101 lanes reopen north of Manzanita after bridge repairs

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Both lanes of U.S. 101 are open four miles north of Manzanita after completion of emergency repairs to the Necarney Creek Bridge.

We had been flagging traffic through a single lane 24 hours a day for

over two months since the bridge was severely damaged on Aug. 29 in an apparent collision with the guardrail on the northbound side. The damage took out a section of original concrete guardrail on the bridge, which was built in 1937, and severely damaged the tubular steel guardrail we installed in

2008 to improve safety. We suspect that a vehicle struck the bridge sometime Aug. 29, but no one reported any incident to us or law enforcement. Anyone who may have witnessed a vehicle colliding with guardrail on U.S. 101 in Oswald West State Park, please contact Lt. Andy Hasenkamp at Oregon State

Police Astoria Area Command at 503-318-9917. We don't yet have a precise total cost for this repair but estimate it is around \$1 million. Thanks to the efforts of our crews, the damaged section of this nearly 90-year-old historic bridge has been repaired and is ready for vehicle traf-

fic. Unfortunately, we never learned the size and weight of the vehicle that caused the damage, so we're implementing extra precautions. These precautions include closing the sidewalks and installing a barricade to serve as a buffer between heavy vehicles and the bridge railing. We are actively working on a

more permanent solution, and drivers can expect to see additional work on the bridge in the near future. We appreciate the patience of north coast residents and travelers during the two months that the lane was closed, as well as the 36-hour full closure Sept. 21-22 for removal of the damaged guardrail.

# Speed limit lowered in Manzanita to 20 miles per hour

**WILL CHAPPELL**  
CITIZEN EDITOR

Manzanita's city council voted unanimously to lower the speed limit across the city from 25 to 20 miles per hour at their meeting on November 6, with the change to take effect in 30 days.

his department and public works would begin installing signs, which were included in this year's budget, first focusing on certain high traffic areas. Mayor Kathryn Stock said that the reduction was just the first step in increasing pedestrian safety in the community and that the council planned to take further action in the future. Council approved a

\$482,700 contract with Windsor Engineers to design and engineer a new water treatment facility that will be located on Classic Street. The city received a \$2.7-million grant from the state of Oregon to support the project last year and it will enable the construction of 120 units of affordable housing in the area. Aman said that with Windsor under contract,

the project would probably be able to get under way in early March, with an expected six-month construction window putting it on track for an opening in October. Aman said that the project team will host a public meeting for the community to inspect the design before the project begins, noting that it will impact traffic on Classic Street.

Council also approved a \$77,820 amendment to the contract for the new city hall and police station to pay for the installation of solar panels and electrical connections. Finally, council approved a new logo for the city, featuring two birds flying over the beach with Neah-kahnie Mountain in the background.



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Find the listed words in the diagram. They run in all directions: forward, backward, up, down and diagonally. Unlisted clue hint: KING OF THE ROUND TABLE.

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The therapy pool has a ramp that will allow individuals with limited mobility to access it for treatments.

# NCRD

## Pool Project

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a loan the district is considering as an alternate means of funding.

The project, which will replace the North County Recreation District’s (NCRD) nearly century old pool in Nehalem, has received more than \$16 million in support from numerous donors in the community as well as through a bond approved by district voters in 2020. However, cost escalations due to inflation have driven the project’s budget well over its initial estimate, leaving the district facing a \$2.5 million gap to complete the pool facility with the installation of equipment, commission the new facility and decommission the old facility.

Currently, construction crews are nearing completion on the second phase of the project and have dug the pools and finished much of the interior work, including the facility’s lobby and locker rooms. The new facility will feature two pools, one with six lanes that will be able to host interscholastic competitions and a second therapy pool, sponsored by Adventist Health Tillamook, that will be accessible to individuals with limited mobility.

Work on the second phase is set to conclude by January 15, and NCRD Board Member Michael Howes told commissioners that the project team hopes to have proof of funds for the next phase by December 13. This will allow the project to continue without demobilizing work crews between the phases or other delays, which would cause further price escalations.

Thomas Fiorelli, a consultant helping the district with the project said that the project team is continuing to look at a bevy of possible grants to support the project but that it was unlikely they would materialize in the condensed timeframe.

This led the team to start the ball rolling on a possible line of credit to keep the project moving forward.

Howes told commissioners that he had reached out to banks about the possibility and was confident that the district would be able to secure a loan but that he did not yet have more specifics. He also said that the district’s board would be discussing the possibility of taking a loan at their board meeting on November 14.

The next phase of the project, which will see the installation of pool equipment, will cost an estimated \$1.75 million and is planned to begin in February and be complete by April, putting the facility on track for a June opening.

The commissioning of the new pool will cost \$100,000 and decommissioning the old pool is expected to cost \$350,000. That process will include draining and filling the pool but does not include money for any repurposing of the space.

A further \$300,000 in work, including a water slide and interior acoustic tiling and finishes have been removed from the project’s scope. Fiorelli and McCann said that the team hoped to raise the funds for those items as part of the final fundraising push but that they and the old pool’s decommissioning were not necessary to get the project to the finish line.

Fiorelli and McCann said that the team is also working on updating the projected budget for the remainder of the project, noting that changes throughout multiple rounds of revisions and different plans for construction have led to some murkiness in the \$2.5-million figure.

Howes and Barbara McCann told commissioners that the district is planning large celebrations for both the closure of the old pool and the opening of the new facility and that a board member has already donated to be the first to swim in the new pool.

At a previous meeting, commissioners confirmed that the county had \$3 million in unallocated TLT funds that could be used to support the project and asked for the additional information provided on the 6th.

After the presentation, Tillamook County Commis-

sioner Mary Faith Bell said that she was impressed by the amount of support the project had already received and that when considering supporting a project with TLT funds, it was important that partners also had skin in the game.

County Commissioner Erin Skaar said that she loved the project and wanted to see it succeed but that her concern was the process of making the grant. Skaar said that there were many projects in the county that would like to receive funding from the board of commissioners and that there was a designated process, run by the Tillamook Coast Visitors Association, for making grants each year.

Skaar said that she was concerned that it might appear unfair to proponents of other projects, like the Salmonberry Trail or revitalizing Hangar B at the Port of Tillamook Bay, if the pool project received funding from the commissioners just because they asked.

County Commissioner Doug Olson said that he supported the project and was willing to consider financing at least part of the remainder but that the details need to be clear before commissioners commit taxpayer money. Olson also said that he shared Skaar’s concerns about equity among projects.

Bell responded that while the county had a process in place for making grants, the commissioners had also voted in the past to allocate funds to projects that they felt were deserving. She said that while she also believed in following processes, she did not feel that there needed to be a process developed for this specific situation.

Bell echoed Skaar and Olson’s concerns about being unfair to other projects but pointed out that TLT awards had not always been equitable in the past and that the board had acted expeditiously when other good opportunities came up, citing the purchase of the Jentzen property in Pacific City. She continued that the excess TLT funds would not be sufficient to support projects like the Salmonberry Trail or hangar rehabilitation in their entirety and that she favored using them to help leverage



The facility’s lobby, staff areas and guest changing rooms have been completed, with water and electricity both now active in the building.



The men’s changing room features private changing and shower stalls, with similar facilities available in the women’s changing room and family changing rooms also available.

other opportunities for big projects across the county.

In that vein, Bell said that she thought it would be a good approach to have the district take out a bridge loan and then award TLT funds to help offset some or all the debt payments, which would allow the county to support the project without emptying its savings account.

Howes said that was a great idea and would eliminate concerns about debt service obligations outstripping the district’s revenues.

Skaar said that she was open to the idea but that she would want to know more details before making a decision, including how much debt service would cost and how much the district could cover with its own revenues. She also said that she would want to consider other projects that could be in line for TLT funding to

make sure that a grant would not prevent supporting other projects.

Olson said that he also favored the idea of helping to service the debt over giving a lump sum, as it would allow the district to secure the loan and leave the county

more flexibility.

Skaar asked that the project team get specific numbers relating to a bridge loan and Howes said he would gather the data and return for further discussion at the commissioner’s next briefing on November 13.

## 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: **M** equals **S**

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ZVBRIM HZL FVBRYM?  
AURC'OR QIVA LRBYDRM.

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## Even Exchange by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

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|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1. Sunny day cap   | B _ _ _ _ _     | Bard’s poem     | S _ _ _ _ _     |
| 2. Goofy           | _ I _ _ _ _     | Who Harry met   | _ A _ _ _ _     |
| 3. Unadorned       | _ _ _ _ _ N     | Tartan print    | _ _ _ _ _ D     |
| 4. Brandish        | W _ _ _ _ _     | Concede         | Y _ _ _ _ _     |
| 5. Klondike driver | _ _ _ _ _ H _ _ | Assemble        | _ _ _ _ _ T _ _ |
| 6. Clothes room    | _ _ _ _ _ _ T   | Nearer          | _ _ _ _ _ R     |
| 7. Hut             | _ _ A _ _ _     | Electrical jolt | _ _ O _ _ _     |
| 8. Meddle          | _ A _ _ _ _     | Bad humor       | _ E _ _ _ _     |
| 9. Las Vegas bet   | W _ _ _ _ _     | Fervent         | E _ _ _ _ _     |
| 10. Law officer    | _ _ _ _ _ C _   | Gracious        | _ _ _ _ _ T _   |

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# NBHD

## Clinic

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sively windy or there is a snowstorm.

So far, McMurry said that the project has gone to plan and remains on track to open in September 2025. He also praised both the community and leadership at the health district for their high level of engagement and support for the

project.

“They’re very active in the project and every correspondence, every meeting with those folks has just been a breath of fresh air,” McMurry said. “They want this thing to work, they want this thing to go.”

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The first ever Gingerbread House Party is an open invitation to the community to come partake in the merriment and visit the Twin Rocks campus.

“We wanted to do something that really helps bring the community together and gives them a great family event,” Twin Rocks Development Director Liz Seume said. “We also want to give people the chance to see our camp and get to know us.”

Entry to the event is free with events planned for many of the camp’s build-

ings.

Setting the ambience will be live music performed by a family bluegrass band, classic Christmas hymns on the piano and Christmas carols sung by the Neah-Kah-Nie High School choir. Guests can participate in several no-cost activities such as: a stained-glass art project, hunt for glass ornaments around the camp, cocoa and popcorn snacks, a kids coloring activity and story time with Mrs. Claus. Santa will also be available for photos with a professional portrait photographer. Families will receive their free photos via a digital link.

“We’re providing families with a joyful Christmas event where they can spend time together in an interactive environment,” Seume said.

Guests can also reserve slots to participate in fee-



based activities including: a wreath making class and gingerbread house decorating.

“The gingerbread houses are real food with real ingredients: molasses, ginger, and all the spices. You’ll actually want to eat these when you’re done,” Seume said. “I’m working on a gluten-free version because they taste really good too.”

For more information about the event and to reserve your spot, visit [twinrocks.org/christmas](https://twinrocks.org/christmas). Payment will be collected at the event.

The Undertow (on campus coffee shop) will be open at the event with espresso drinks available for purchase. In the dining hall, German themed concessions like bratwurst and pretzels will also be for sale.

“This is a chance for families to interact together and focus on the joy of the

## Adventist Health Tillamook Partners with Dialysis Clinic, Inc. to Re-Open Local Dialysis Clinic

Adventist Health Tillamook, in partnership with Dialysis Clinic, Inc. (DCI), announces a soon-to-be reopened dialysis clinic located at 1000 3rd Street in Tillamook, Oregon. The clinic, formerly operated by U.S. Renal Care, will now operate under the name “Tillamook Kidney Center,” emphasizing its commitment to community-centered care.

In support of the clinic’s re-establishment, Adventist Health Tillamook has launched a philanthropy campaign to help DCI cover \$75,000 in equipment and supply needs to restart clinic operations. DCI has already committed eight newer dialysis chairs from one of their other locations, which will create a welcoming environment for returning patients.

Donations to support this essential community effort can be made at [AdventistHealthTillamook.org](https://AdventistHealthTillamook.org).

While an official opening date has not yet been determined, the goal is to have all necessary elements in place for a potential opening as early as late November or December, pending regulatory approval. All past patients will be directly contacted by DCI as soon as a confirmed opening date is available. Many local patients are currently traveling significant distances to the Willamette Valley for their dialysis treatments, underscoring the community’s urgent need for a local dialysis option.

DCI, a not-for-profit corporation founded in 1971, operates over 240 locations across 29 states, providing care for patients at various stages of kidney disease, including chronic kidney disease, dialysis and transplant services. “Naming the clinic Tillamook Kidney Center celebrates its importance to the community,” said Doug Johnson, MD, Vice-Chairman of the Board at DCI.

While the opening of the new Tillamook Kidney Center is tentatively scheduled, recruitment of clinic staff is well underway. Key staff, including Medical Director Dr. Nicole Kem-

per from Northwest Renal Clinic, have been secured to ensure high-quality patient care from the start.

“This fresh community solution restoring a dialysis clinic in Tillamook is exactly why I hold town halls in every nook and cranny of Oregon,” said Senator Ron Wyden. “Tillamook County residents came to my town hall earlier this year shortly after the existing clinic closed to advocate for the restoration of these much-needed rural healthcare services locally. They noted powerfully and poignantly how the local closure would force older community members to drive an hour or more three times a week for the dialysis they need to live. I’m glad the teamwork with them has led to this new clinic and grateful to Eric Swanson, the Adventist Health team, and DCI for stepping in to fill this vital local health care need.”

U.S. Renal Care, the previous tenant of the space, has generously donated equipment for the facility, highlighting their ongoing commitment to the community. Tillamook Kidney Center will be operated independently by Dialysis Clinic, Inc., which will lease the space from Adventist Health Tillamook at no cost. “We worked hard to find the right fit for

our community,” said Eric Swanson, President of Adventist Health Tillamook. He continues, “We’re only the landlord in this situation, but we were able to identify the perfect partner to deliver essential kidney care for the well-being of our community.”

For more information about Dialysis Clinic, Inc., and its services, please visit [DCInc.org](https://DCInc.org).

About Adventist Health Tillamook: Since 1973, Adventist Health Tillamook is a faith-based, nonprofit healthcare organization that includes: a 25-bed critical access medical center located in Tillamook, Oregon; the largest hospital-based ambulance service in Oregon with four stations located throughout Tillamook County; and rural health clinics and urgent care medical offices serving the northern Oregon coast as well as the communities of Vernonia and Estacada. Adventist Health Tillamook employs over 550 associates and healthcare providers and is part of Adventist Health, a faith-based, nonprofit integrated health system serving more than 100 communities in California, Hawaii and Oregon. For more information about Adventist Health Tillamook, visit [AdventistHealthTillamook.org](https://AdventistHealthTillamook.org)

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Standing together in strong support of returning dialysis care to Tillamook County, shown left to right at Adventist Health Tillamook, Kalyla Hogue, Area Operations Director for Dialysis Clinic, Inc; Eric Swanson, President of Adventist Health Tillamook; and Sharon Marti, Senior Operations Director for Dialysis Clinic, Inc.

## ELECTION Results

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secretary of state, a 11.1% lead over Republican Dennis Linthicum who had received 42.8%, while Progressive Nathalie Paravicini had tallied 3.1%.

Democrat Elizabeth Steiner held a smaller lead in the contest for state treasurer, with just 49.1% of the votes counted against 44.1% for Republican Brian Boquist and 6.7% for Mary King of the

Working Families party.

The attorney general’s race was led by Democrat Dan Rayfield, with 53.6% of votes counted against Republican Will Lathrop’s 46.3%.

Support for Ballot Measure 115, establishing a process for the legislature to impeach elected officials, had a commanding lead, garnering 63.2% of votes counted. Ballot Measure 119 also looked on pace to pass with 55.8% of the vote and would require cannabis retailers and processors to remain neutral regarding communications from labor unions.

Three other proposed ballot measures were all trailing in the early vote counting, with Measure 116, proposing an independent commission to set salaries for some state officials, receiving 53.1% opposition, Measure 117, proposing ranked-choice voting, having 58.9% opposed, and Measure 118, proposing an increase to corporate taxes to fund an annual payment to all citizens, drawing 78.4% of votes counted against.

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