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'Banzini' Dave Franzen talks about his inventory to Kerri Hiebenthol, of Perrydale, looking for parts for her 1966 Ford Mustang at the Rickreall Auto Swap Meet at the Polk County Fairgrounds on June 13. Longtime Dallas vendor Ron Garrison (below) chats it up with another vendor at the swap meet.

PHOTOS BY DAVID HAYES

Rickreall is home (for now) of annual auto swap meet



By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

Amanda Brenneman is in just her second year as owner and organizer of the Rickreall Auto Swap Meet.

Outwardly, she's not showing any worry for the host location of her signature, branded event. Inwardly, Brenneman has been concerned over the future of the home of the swap meet, the Polk County Fairgrounds and Event Center. If voters do not approve a \$5 million operations levy on Nov. 3, county officials have said the fairgrounds will close at the end of the year.

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County to send \$5 million levy to voters to keep fairgrounds open

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

Many community members from Polk County have lent their voices in support to keep the fairgrounds and event center open.

At the latest round of public hearings hosted by the County Commissioners June 10, Kim Cummings, a teacher in West Salem, spoke in support of the leadership sending voters a levy in November that would keep the facility running. She said while she takes the summers off, the local youth do not and rely heavily upon the county fairgrounds to participate in popular FFA and 4-H programs.

"If we were to lose those important organizations, simply because we do not have a space for them, it would be a detriment to our community, a detriment to our youth," Cummings said. "We would see problems increase because they don't have places to belong, to learn, to work hard, to have fun, to be a part of the community."

After weighing all of the latest input from recent public forums, the commissioners approved asking voters for a property tax increase in the Nov. 3 election of 12 cents per \$1,000 of assessed value. According to staff reports, if the operations levy fails, the administration will no longer be able to fund the fairgrounds and events center, forcing the entire facility to close at the end of the year.

Craig Pope was absent from the evening vote, which passed 2-0 by the other two commissioners. However, he did express his support for the levy

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The Shinkle Band brings their country harmonies to Dallas Nights

By DAVID HAYES
I-O Editor

Every generation, a family seemingly produces enough musical prodigies that they couldn't help but form a band, including The Jackson 5, the Bee Gees and the Beach Boys, to name a few.

While not as internationally acclaimed, the Shinkle Band has garnered quite the reputation here in the Willamette Valley. The group is fronted by brothers Aaron Shinkle, Byron Shinkle and Roger Shinkle. Brother

Joe Shinkle splintered off years ago to forge his own path with 99West.

Since 2005, The Shinkle Band has been entertaining crowds from the local fairs, casinos, and festivals. They can also boast they've opened for the likes of Reba McEntire, Neal McCoy and Joe Diffy, just to name a few.

Their 2026 touring schedule is non-stop, with performances up and down the Willamette Valley and the Oregon Coast. They make their Dallas

Nights debut at 6 p.m. June 22.

To think, their legacy started years ago with a simple purchase.

"Back in the 50s, (our father) bought one of those cheap ukuleles from the Montgomery Wards catalog, and so he would play at home and we'd play along with him," Roger said in a previous interview. "We started playing guitars, and so we've been a singing family for a long time."

With the band rounded out by bassist

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The Shinkle Band performs at 6 p.m. June 22 at Dallas Nights.

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Slip Kid Presents slate of opening acts for summer concert series

IO STAFF REPORT

In late 2024 Joseph Connolly started Slip Kid Presents to create a space for singers, songwriters, and bands to have a place to create and play music. Using existing venues, like the Dallas Event Center and the Monmouth City Park Amphitheater, he created an opportunity for those new to the music scene to get a taste of playing live to a small crowd.

In the past 1 1/2 years there have been a few kids and adults that have taken advantage of the opportunity. However, the event space goes mostly unused. To fill the time of the booked venue, Joseph DJs with a great selection of music and his inflatable tube figures (air dancers) dancing the night away.

This summer, Slip Kid Presents has a regular booked event space at Dallas Event Center and the Monmouth Amphitheater.

He has now teamed up with local emcee and talent show coordinator Vidal Peña, who is also a member of multiple community programs and performing arts groups. Together, the hope is to fill those events with local talent.

“Joseph has a T-shirt to promote his events that

says ‘Your 1st original song will be bad. Good! Make it anyways!’ That caught my attention,” said Peña. “The first song I ever made was when I was 10 years old. It was about a Jack London book I read in the fourth grade, ‘My wolf, my friend.’ It was pretty much a book report and was terrible, but I felt pretty accomplished and will always remember that.

Peña said in the past 15-20 years of being a part of talent shows – whether being in them, as a judge, or now as coordinator – he meets many talented kids, teens, and adults who are great singers, songwriters and are in bands.

“I know there are many in this community that want to share their music with the world, they just haven’t had a way to,” he said.

Until now. Slip Kid Presents has regular reservations at Monmouth Amphitheater June 20, July 11 and 23, and Aug. 20 and 27 from noon to 5 p.m. Most have headliners already booked, and need opening acts. The 2027 calendar is also being prepared.

The performers at every event will be paid for their performances from the generosity of Joseph Connolly’s Slip



PHOTO BY VIDAL PEÑA

The Central High Jazz Band performs at the Monmouth City Park Amphitheater at 1:30 p.m. June 20.

Kid Presents. Vidal has already booked the Brass & Horn show for June 20 at Monmouth Park Amphitheater, featuring the Central High School Jazz Band at 1:30 p.m., opening up for local favorites DTW, who will start at 3 p.m.

DTW has performed at the Monmouth Amphitheater and Independence Riverview Park plenty of times. The Street team has a more Nola style rendition of their popular funk and jazz style.

“It should be a lot of fun,” Peña said, adding, “there are so many great places to get food close to the Monmouth City Park. My hope is that people will grab a bite nearby or bring their food, a chair, their friends, family to watch and listen to some kids just learning their way into jazz, who could advance like the members



PHOTO CONTRIBUTED BY DTW

DTW performs at the Monmouth City Park Amphitheater at 3 p.m. June 20.

of DTW have. Then tour the nation doing what they love.”

Connolly added he’s expecting a lot of fun.

“Our reward is seeing and hearing the ones that progress. Practice your

scales is an emphasis. Jazz Band is a good start,” he said.

There is also a Halloween night live band show being created by Vidal at the Dallas Event Center. If you are

interested in being a part of that show or any of the upcoming events, contact him at (503) 999-0501 or vidalpena1973@gmail.com. For more information, go to www.Slipkidpresents.com.

Local students receive Maps Community Foundation Awards

Several students from Polk County were recipients of Maps Credit Union and the Maps Community Foundation 2026 Maps Scholarships. This year, scholarships ranging from \$2,500 to \$3,500 were awarded to 28 students across the region who are pursuing higher education and career training.

In total, the Maps Community Foundation awarded more than \$70,000 in scholarships to support students attending universities, community colleges, and trade schools. The awards include both graduating seniors and non-traditional students continuing their college education later in life.

“Supporting education is a key part of how we invest in the long-term strength of our communities,” said Kim Hanson, Executive Director of the Maps Community Foundation. “When students of all ages are given the opportunity and support to pursue their goals, the impact reaches far beyond the classroom.”

Maps Scholarships are awarded based on academic achievement, community involvement, financial need, and a demonstrated commitment to making a positive impact. This year’s recipients represent a wide range of academic interests, including healthcare, engineering, environmental studies, business, public policy, and the arts.

In addition to supporting traditional high school graduates, the Maps Community Foundation also awarded scholarships to non-traditional students

balancing school with work, family, and other responsibilities. These recipients reflect the Foundation’s belief that educational opportunities should remain accessible at every stage of life.

For more information about Maps Credit Union’s scholarship program and other community initiatives, visit mapsctu.com.

The students honored were:

- Phil Frey Memorial Scholarship (\$3,500)
- Emily Harris, West Salem High School, Chemical Engineering, Oregon State University
- Dan Penn Scholarship (\$3,500)
- Madelyn Miller, West Salem High School, Finance & Criminal Justice, Western Colorado University
- Maps Credit Union Scholarships (\$2,500)
- Savannah Carpenter, Central High School, Nursing, Chemeketa Community College
- Kiyora Dorres, Central High School, Theater/Japanese, Portland State University
- Seoyun Park, West Salem High School, Neuroscience, University of Oregon
- Jacob Kimsey, West Salem High School, Business Administration, University of Oregon
- Miryana Newman, West Salem High School, Nursing, Westmont College
- Non-Traditional Scholarships (\$2,500)
- Marina Frolov, Sociology, Western Oregon University

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This year's 10th annual Peter Sears Poetry Prize winners were (from left) Jandika Borden, Richard Loos and Elizabeth 'Lizzie' Saager.

WOU 2026 Peter Sears Poetry Prize winners announced

Western Oregon University's English Department recently announced the 10th annual 2026 Peter Sears Poetry Prize winners. This competition received over 60 poem submissions. A committee of English faculty and past Peter Sears Prize recipients selected 10 poems that were forwarded to the final judge, acclaimed poet Michael McGriff.

First prize went to Richard Loos for his poem "He Might Wake Everyone." Loos is from Monmouth, studying English and education and serves in the U.S. Navy. Second prize was awarded to English major Lizzie Saager from Newberg for her poem "Opossum." Third prize was awarded to history major Jandika Borden, from Sherwood, for her poem "Even the Road."

All winners received a

cash prize with the first-place winner receiving a \$200 top prize. They also read their work at the English session of the Academic Excellence Showcase on May 28.

The final judge, Michael McGriff, an

acclaimed author who directs the creative writing program at the University of Idaho, wrote that "He Might Wake Everyone" is a "poem of uncommon understatement, control, and irreconcilable complexity."

He Might Wake Everyone

By Richard Loos

Corporal Smith leans against the gunner's nest window;
his pocketknife strips the empty Monster while his fellow watchmen sleep, twisted, in opposite corners.
No call-outs on the chirping radio.
The chain must be slack today.
Smith ties a bootlace around folded aluminum and threads his makeshift hook through an uneaten Rice Krispie.
It's not long before a seagull sees the bait by the door.
What else would a hungry bird do?
It swoops down, snaps it up, and flies — a white body jerks midflight, grey wings beat listless in the air, yellow bill glassing on the atomic tether.
Smith couldn't laugh; he might wake everyone.

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WOU renames student leadership conference

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Western Oregon University has renamed its annual student leadership conference, which was formerly named the Cesar E. Chávez Leadership Conference. In March, the university removed Chávez' name from the conference due to the troubling reports of abuse as reported by

the New York Times that came out regarding the former migrant rights leader.

The new conference name is Conferencia Voces de Cambio y Liderazgo, which translates to Voices for Change and Leadership Conference, which was decided upon using feedback from current WOU students and

votes from students who attended the May leadership conference. Along with the new name, this conference will now permanently move to fall term instead of the spring term, to provide high school seniors with better access and more time for applying to college and for funding opportunities. The inaugural Conferencia

Voces de Cambio y Liderazgo will be held at Western on Oct. 23.

Cristian Mendez Garcia, assistant director of Hispanic Serving Institution Initiatives, said that while the name and timing of the conference are changing, the mission remains the same, "to provide transformative

opportunities for Latino and all high school students in Oregon and to instill in them the value of education, which nurtures the mind, body, and spirit, in order to develop a social consciousness that empowers them as leaders for social justice, civic responsibility, and positive change within their communities."

OBITUARIES



Maxwell Garrett
June 4, 1935 - Jan. 20, 2026

Maxwell Lee Garrett began his life adventure on June 4th, 1935, in Columbus, Ohio. He grew up in the nearby town of London, Ohio, where he met fellow high school classmate Patricia (Patty) Andrews. Patty became his partner, adventurer, and true love for the remainder of his long life. His deep love of the outdoors led him to the Pacific Northwest, where he was hired by the Forest Service to work in Idaho's Nez Perce-Clearwater National Forest for the summer following his graduation from high school in 1953. He was stationed at the Lochsa Ranger Station, where he worked maintaining trails and manning fire lookouts. Upon returning to London, he purchased the family refrigeration business, which he operated while Patty completed her training as a nurse.

In 1957, the couple married in London and began their life together. But Max never forgot his time in Idaho, and in 1962, they sold the refrigeration business and headed west in search of a place to settle, enjoying

great camping on the way. Patty grew to miss their family and friends back in Ohio, and they decided to return home. But fate intervened when their dog Snuffy was hit by a car while driving through Salem. During Snuffy's convalescence, Max found a job with a local refrigeration company, cementing their future in Oregon. Later, he co-founded his own refrigeration company and moved the family to a new home in rural South Salem.

The outdoors continued to figure largely in his life. He enjoyed many hunting, hiking and camping trips, as well as a couple of circuits around the US and a trip to Alaska with Patty in their faithful Dodge van.

His life was marked by an attitude of selflessness and a desire to be of service to others, participating in his children's activities and lending his time and expertise to the upkeep and maintenance of the churches he attended. Max so greatly enjoyed meeting new people and learning about their background and interests. His openness and caring towards others led to many wonderful relationships with the people he met throughout his life.

Max is survived by Patty, his wife of 68 years, sons Todd, David (Janet), Philip (DeAnne) and, grandchildren Corinne, Hannah, Justin (Serrina), James (Christina), Miranda (Thomas), Alicia, great-grandchildren

Cameron, Makyla, Aiden and Julian as well as great-great granddaughter Adalynn.

A Celebration of Max's life will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 27th, 2026, at St. Hilda's Episcopal Church, 245 Main St. W, Monmouth, OR.



Thomas Lee Balcom
May 30, 2026

Thomas Lee Balcom, age 84, passed away on Saturday, May 30, 2026, at his home surrounded by family, after a courageous battle with cancer. Tom believed in the value of hard work and led by example throughout his life.

After retiring, he embraced new adventures. He learned to play the banjo— later building several. He and his wife found great joy in playing music and shared a great love for dogs. Tom also fulfilled a longtime dream of hiking the entire Pacific Crest Trail, appreciating the beauty of nature and the challenge of the journey.

He will be remembered for his dedication, determination, and the care he put into everything he

did. His legacy lives on in the homes he built, the lives he touched, and the memories he created with family and friends. He will be deeply missed.



Craig Robert Anderson
Oct. 5, 1959 - May 4, 2026

Craig Robert Anderson, 66, passed away on May 4, 2026, in his hometown of Dallas, Oregon.

Craig was born on October 5, 1959, in San Diego, California to Alvin "Andy" Anderson, and Lorraine Woodruff Anderson. The majority of Craig's childhood and upbringing was spent in Salem, Oregon and The Dalles, Oregon, but he and his family eventually moved to Washington where he attended Klickitat High School. Craig joined the workforce after high school and eventually began his long and fruitful career in the sales industry. Early on in his professional journey, Craig was crowned as the top salesman on numerous occasions in the automotive and appliance industries. Eventually, he came to own his own retail store in Corvallis, Oregon, which he and

his wife have operated together for the last 16 years. Craig was the life blood of the business, and his family and peers commonly joke that "he could sell ice cubes to an Eskimo". Corvallis Sewing and Vacuum is still open for business.

Although Craig had many career and work accolades to be proud of, he would without a doubt profess that his greatest achievement was raising a beautiful family in the love of Christ. It was during the precious early years of fatherhood that Craig's relationship with Jesus began. Craig took his faith seriously and participated in missions trips, and serving at his church. Craigs' most notable expression of love for his Savior was how he would regularly evangelize and pray for complete and total strangers whom he instantly considered as friends. He would do this anytime, anywhere. Craig always enjoyed golf, traveling, eating skillfully crafted food, looking at cars, and visiting with friends—these social activities gave him a venue to encourage and preach to friends, family, or even restaurant staff when he would dine out. The family observed Craig sharing his faith everywhere they went, even in uncomfortable settings, which was actually the most common type of setting for Craigs' timing. His fearless spirit of evangelism is admired and will be missed.

Craig will be lovingly remembered by his

mother-in-law and father-in-law, Linda and Melvin Staudt; his brother, Mike Anderson; his sister, Lisa Freauff; his sister-in-law, Joyce Anderson; his sister-in-law, Susan Peterson; his brother-in-law, Eric Peterson; his brother-in-law, Doug Staudt, and his ten nieces and nephews as well as his two great nephews. Additionally, Craig leaves behind his loving wife Annette, his sons Sam and Jack, his daughters and their husbands Grace (Zane) and Mary (John), and his six grandchildren. His family will mourn the loss of a counterpart, a masculine example, their first true-love, and a "Papa". Craig treasured every moment as Papa and embraced his grandchildren with a love that ran deep and an energy that filled every room he entered. His childlike spirit made him a safe and relatable companion to his grandchildren.

Craig is preceded in death by his eldest brother, Tony, his mother, Lorraine, and his father, Alvin.

Craig would be so proud of how his community has come together to care for his family in his absence. His family expresses their deepest gratitude for the meals, resources, and love they have received during this difficult time.

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Investigating the Bible: A Very Good Father

By DAVE PASTOR

Erma Bombeck was a syndicated humorist, writing thousands of columns from 1965-1996. Here's one from 1973: "When the good Lord was creating fathers, he started with a tall frame. A female angel nearby said, 'What kind of father is that? If you're going to make children so close to the ground, why have you put fathers up so high? He won't be able to shoot marbles without kneeling, tuck a child in without bending, or even kiss a child without a lot of stooping.' And...God smiled and said, 'Yes, but if I make him child-size, who would children have to look up to?'"

The first man that Jesus looked up to as father was Joseph. It's

no surprise that in the Bible Joseph is overshadowed by Jesus' heavenly Father. However, Joseph's quiet life demonstrated qualities of character for all who are fathers for a child.

COMPASSION

Joseph was engaged to Mary when he discovered she was pregnant. "And her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly." (Matthew 1: 19, English Standard Version used throughout).

His first reaction to this shocking discovery is extraordinary. Men of his day and ours would be angry and want revenge. Instead, Joseph's first thought was concern for Mary and the difficulties

that life would give her as an unwed mother.

OBEDIENCE TO GOD

God soon explained Mary's pregnancy to Joseph, when "...an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, 'Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit. She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.'" (Matthew 1:20-21).

He did not hesitate to obey.

"When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took his wife, but knew her not until she had given birth to a son. And he called his name Jesus."

(Matthew 1:24-25).

ACCEPTANCE AND LOVE

The last mention of Joseph in the New Testament is indirectly by his wife when Jesus was a boy 12 years old. Mary and Joseph traveled to Jerusalem for the Passover, and returning to Galilee, they assumed their son was in the large caravan. After a full day's journey, they looked for Jesus and were alarmed when they couldn't find him. Hurrying back to Jerusalem, they searched the city three days before they finally found him in the temple.

"And his mother said to him, 'Son, why have you treated us so? Behold, your father and I have been searching for you in great distress.' And

he said to them, 'Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?'" (Luke 2:48-49).

The silence of scripture here speaks loudly: No fatherly reprimand, only acceptance of God's role in the life of Jesus.

Acceptance and love for children should continue into adulthood. Chip and Joanna Gaines are successful entrepreneurs, founders of the Magnolia Market in Waco, Texas, and hosts of the television show, Fixer Upper. However, as a youth, Gaines and his father had worked thousands of hours together for the goal of professional baseball.

In college, a new coach came and he got cut from the team. His father

wanted him to transfer to a different school. Gaines realized he was good, but not at a professional level. And he dreamed of starting his own business. He didn't want to tell his father, after all those years of his faithful support at games and in practice.

When he finally told his dad, his father looked at him and said, "Son, I love you. If you're telling me baseball is out, then it's out. It's okay."

Gaines wrote he knew, "...that my dad loved me no matter what."

**[Brief bio: Dave Pastor (Yes, that is his last name, not his profession) lives in Oregon and graduated from Bethel Theological Seminary in Minnesota (M.Div., M.Th..)]*

Your Environment: The Slow Burn

"Drown, Stir, Drown, Feel"
— *Smokey the Bear on putting out campfires*

By PHILIP S. WENZ

As an elementary school kid and Cub Scout in the idyllic mountain town of Durango, Colorado, I heard a lot about what was then called "conservation" issues. (Now called "environmental" issues, with conservation — preserving natural resources — being a subset of the larger, holistic concept that includes pollution reduction, waste management and so on as

components of environmental stewardship.) Because nature pressed close to Durango's edge, hunting, fishing and camping were part of many people's lives. So, our school teachers and Cub Scout leaders often talked about protecting the natural world we enjoyed. That included never taking more than the legal limit while hunting or fishing, leaving your campsite clean, and, of course, being careful with fire. Don't build wildfires near trees or shrubs, or build large fires on windy days, we were told, and put out campfires properly

and thoroughly. To do that, you had to follow Smokey the Bear's formula of pouring water on the embers, stirring them with a stick, pouring on more water, then passing your hand over the remains to make sure there were no warm spots. When I asked why one couldn't just smother the fire with dirt, as I had seen people do, I learned that "dirt" is actually soil, full of organic material. Hot embers can smolder underground for days or even months, slowly spreading through that material, then bursting into flames at the surface.

I thought of this when contemplating how many Americans seem to have lost their concern about climate change. Recently, much of our national conversation centered on creating a new "green economy" that would significantly reduce or end our need to burn fossil fuels, the primary driver of global warming. It would also end our dependence on the Middle Eastern oil markets, which has given us ongoing problems, while creating millions of new jobs and significantly reducing the cost of energy.

Now, climate change

seems to be far down the list of ordinary people's concerns. This is partly because it is mostly off the list of the federal government's concerns. Not only has the current administration cancelled or cut back much of the country's alternative energy development, it has also seriously curtailed or eliminated most climate research and scrubbed the government's climate websites.

That, in turn, has made it more difficult for the press to access authoritative source material for its reporting on the climate issue. Answers about what we can expect the climate to do in the near future, even what the weather will be in a week, are harder if not impossible to find. This has led to a paucity of relevant stories, and thus a reduction in the public's discussion of the issue.

Also, the nonstop, rapid-fire drumbeat of disturbing current events — from the war in Iran to inflation to the reappearance of long banished diseases — dominates

so much of our attention that we have little mental space or energy to think of anything else. We lose sight of the biggest, most important crisis of our time while we're trying to cope with all the lesser, albeit more immediate ones.

Meanwhile, the climate crisis is spreading like an underground fire, erupting at myriad, unpredictable times and in seemingly random places. The frequency and severity of deadly heat waves, destructive storms, floods and wildfires are on the upswing. We can't know exactly where and when disaster will strike, only that it will, and the less prepared we are for it, the worse it will be for us. Perhaps it's time to revive the national climate conversation so we can properly extinguish the menace.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

IT'S TIME FOR CONGRESS OR THE CABINET TO ACT

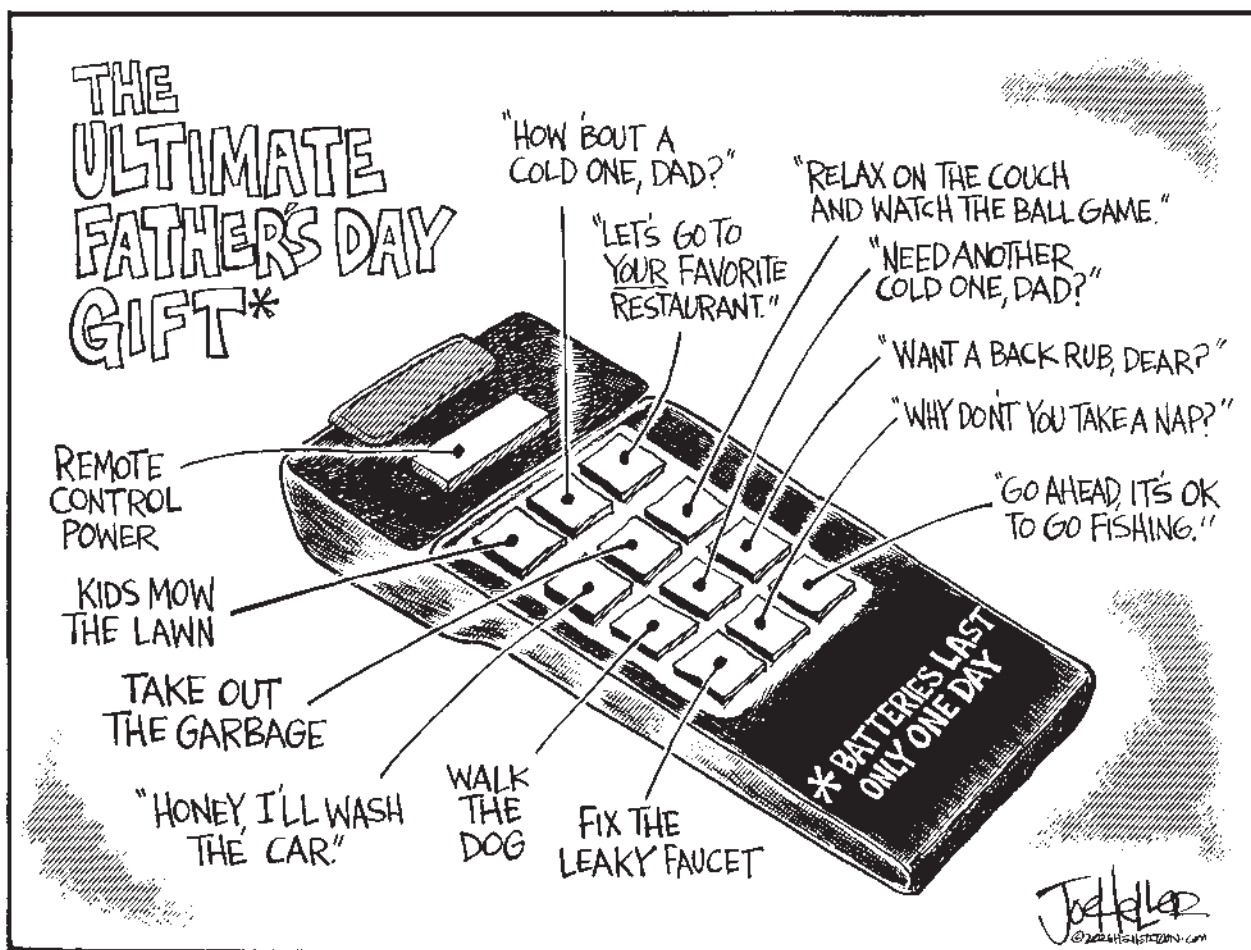
It is clear to me that the person currently occupying the office of President of the United States is not competent to perform the functions required by the position. He denies the reality of global warming, in spite

of the overwhelming scientific evidence and then proceeds to dismantle the scientific structures which provide the evidence. He dismantles nearly any government program which provides assistance to people in need while building monuments to himself without

any authorization. He destroys our country's relationships with allies while cozying up to other dictators. He seeks every opportunity to use his office to enrich and aggrandize himself and his family and friends. Because of his confused state of mind, we are either going to sign

an agreement with Iran, destroy their civilization, or maybe seize their oil infrastructure, depending on what time it is. Both Congress and the cabinet have the power to remove him from office. It's past time for one of them to do their job.

Dale Derouin, Dallas



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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: NOT NEGATIVE.

Caring	Funny	Protective	Supportive
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Devoted	Handy	Special	Wise
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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Differences: 1. Box is larger. 2. Hat is larger. 3. Hatting is longer. 4. House is wider. 5. Jacket sleeve is longer.

Americanisms

"Sometimes the very thing you're looking for is the one thing you cannot see."
 — Vanessa Williams

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Super Crossword "LO AND BEHOLD!"

ACROSS

- Police dept. alert
- Celtics on scoreboards
- Like messy beds
- Beard go-with, for short
- French department head
- Got ready, with 'up'
- Epithets at the disco?
- Refreshing a web page that has detailed contract wording?
- Half a quart
- Meadowland
- Navigate
- It might make you red in the face
- Annual bebop music festival in Sri Lanka's capital?
- Discontinue
- That girl
- It might make you red in the face
- Unbroken
- Basketball-stuffing pros taking part in a zigzag in ski race?

DOWN

- Spring mo.
- Got ready
- Native of Belpoman
- Officer patrolling an area
- Condition with rituals, in brief
- Ben and Jerry of comedy
- 'Roots' address
- Leslie
- After-tax
- Strauss
- War god
- Masterful
- Falco of TV
- Breastbone
- Gratuity
- Razor option
- Trite phrase
- 'Taxi' actress
- Acid-alcohol compounds
- 'Happy Days' cool guy, with 'the'
- Natal lead-in
- Requirement
- Agree (with)
- Yoko of art
- Deli classic
- Rowing blade
- Genetic ID
- Strauss
- Pizza cooker
- Very valuable vase
- Ray of McDonald's
- Vanzetti's old partner in crime
- Address
- Thompson
- Israeli airline
- '— happy to'
- Second-century pope
- Map extra
- 'By Jove!'
- Kind of wave
- Japanese watch brand
- Olive of old comics
- 'Which Up?' (1977 comedy film)
- Orderly lineup
- '— ordo seclorum' (phrase on a dollar bill)
- Break to bits
- Venzon, e.g., in brief
- Pseudonym
- Salary limits
- Depot: Abbr.
- Trendy
- Aussie boots
- Bards
- Did nothing
- Toy brick brand
- Galleria
- 2004 Chevy debut
- Football Hall of Famer Junior
- Military units
- Mexican miss
- Mine railway
- Tennis star Arthur
- Unfold eras
- Voled in
- Boise-to-Vegas dir.
- Witch's spell
- Gore and Hit
- Heat-vs.-Suns matchup, e.g.
- Wall plaster
- Drive-in restaurant server
- Cry from a town crier
- Sunlight ray
- Hair parlors
- Cartoon pic
- Tardy
- Jungle cat
- Put in a role
- Regarding
- Stench
- Holy Mole.
- Raised rails
- Co. bigwig
- Cheering cry
- Many an intl. charity

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆
 ◆ Moderate ◆◆ Challenging
 ◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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Moments in time

- On June 29, 1967. Rolling Stones guitarist Keith Richards faced charges stemming from the raid of his Redlands estate five months earlier. No drugs were found but he was sentenced to a year in prison, spending just one night there, however, as he was granted bail the next day. His conviction was later overturned.
- On June 30, 1908, a fiery explosion flattened 800 square miles of forest in Siberia's Tunguska region, believed to have been caused by an asteroid or comet. It remains Earth's biggest recorded cosmic collision.
- On July 1, 2003, a female employee at a Colorado resort filed sexual misconduct charges against basketball star Kobe Bryant. Bryant was questioned by authorities, provided a DNA sample and eventually admitted to what he insisted was a consensual encounter. In early March 2005, he and the accuser settled her civil lawsuit for an undisclosed sum.
- On July 2, 1977. Hollywood composer Bill Conti, a relative unknown in Hollywood, scored a No. 1 pop hit with the single "Gonna Fly Now" (the theme from "Rocky"). The film went on to launch both his and Sylvester Stallone's careers.
- On July 3, 1988, during U.S. naval operations in the Persian Gulf, the U.S. Navy cruiser Vincennes shot down an Iranian passenger jet that it mistook for a hostile military aircraft, killing everyone aboard. The U.S. Navy report blamed crew error caused by psychological stress on men in combat for the first time, and in 1996 the U.S. agreed to pay \$62 million in damages to the families of those who died.
- On July 4, 1965, more than two dozen LGBTQ activists showed up in front of Philadelphia's Independence Hall for the first "Reminder" gay rights demonstration. While it drew little media coverage, it is now considered a precursor to the wider gay liberation movement.
- On July 5, 1937, George A. Hormel & Company debuted a canned luncheon meat called Spam, which not only gained rapid popularity for its convenience and affordability, but eventually launched annual festivals such as the wittily named Spam Jam and Spamarama.

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 F

RE F QFQ BZEBFRIX EBJA
 AFYRIO F HRO XPRIY FHJKP
 F PFX Y, UJN RX RP QJIZ?
 NRPUIJKP EFPUZB FQJ.

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Puzzle answers on page B2

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- U.S. STATES: Which state has the most national parks?
- ANATOMY: Which blood type is considered to be a universal donor?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which three signs of the Zodiac are considered to be Earth signs?
- ROYALS: What was Queen Elizabeth's favorite dog breed?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which continent has a mountain range called The Great Rift Valley?
- MONEY: What is the basic currency of Russia?
- TELEVISION: Which long-running TV sitcom features a dog named Comet?
- MUSIC: How many strings does a standard violin have?
- GAMES: How many title deeds does the Monopoly game have?
- SCIENCE: What is the main cause of ocean tides?

Answers

- California.
- Type O negative.
- Capricorn, Taurus and Virgo.
- Corgis.
- Africa.
- The ruble.
- "Full House."
- Four.
- 28.
- The gravitational pull of the Moon.

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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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-	■	+	■	÷	■	=	7	
=	■	=	■	=	■			
4	■	9	■	6	■			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

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Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps

WELCOME TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD. IF YOU NEED TO BORROW ANY TOOLS I'VE GOT PLENTY FROM THE LAST GUY WHO DECIDED TO MOVE.

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

WOULD ANYONE LIKE MAPLE BUTTER ON THEIR CRABCAKES? OR SOME BLUEBERRY SYRUP ON THEIR CRABCAKES? OR POWDERED SUGAR ON THEIR CRABCAKES? OR FRUITY PATOOTY SWEET N' SHABOOTY ON THEIR CRABCAKES?

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

HEY, FELLAS, I GOT A NEW FOOTBALL AND WILL BE PUTTING A TEAM TOGETHER.

NOW, LET'S SEE... OBVIOUSLY I'LL BE QUARTERBACK AND MIGHT AS WELL BE RUNNING BACK.

FOR SURE I'LL BE WIDE RECEIVER, I JUST GOTTA FIGURE OUT HOW THE HECK TO THROW TO MYSELF.

COME ON, GUYS, ODDS ARE I'LL STILL NEED A WATERBOY AND MASCOT!

Public comment sought for Pacific Marten recovery plan

By **NATE SCHWARTZ**
Special To The I-O

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) has recently released a draft recovery plan for the Pacific Marten, and is seeking public input on the proposed efforts which aim to one day de-list the marten from the federal threatened species list as part of the Endangered Species Act. This plan focuses on the coastal distinct population segment (DPS) which calls our area home.

An emblematic species for our region, the marten is a cat-sized member of the weasel family. Researchers at the USFWS have identified seven distinct but isolated populations as a part of their range during a Species Status Assessment (SSA). An SSA is the foundational study through which most decisions around species protected by the department are informed. They contain the crucial scientific and commercial information about a species' history, biology and necessary conditions needed to help recover their populations.

The report's lead authors are Tia Adams, Peter (Bjorn) Erickson, Jenny Hutchinson and Frank Weaver who represent the Klamath Falls, Sacramento, Arcata and Roseburg USFWS offices respectively.

Recovery plans like this include a strategy, criteria and estimates of time and

costs needed to achieve non-threatened status for a particular species. The Pacific Marten was designated as a threatened species in October of 2020, following a long decline in population due to fur trapping, habitat loss and fragmented populations. Reports are created through collaboration with local organizations, industries and tribes.

"The Service works closely with tribes and industry partners to prioritize marten recovery in a way that aligns with the ecological value and economic contributions of forest habitats. This recovery plan demonstrates the Service's commitment to supporting wildlife and habitat while ensuring that America's lands remain open for responsible economic use and outdoor recreation," stated official USFWS communications.

Currently the USFWS has defined the marten's range from Sonoma County, California to the Columbia River in Oregon. In our region, they inhabit shore-pine forests in and around coastal dune habitats. Those seven extant populations are all within the species' historical range and show distribution below historical levels. They are described as still having many ongoing threats.

"Ongoing threats from catastrophic wildfire, vegetation management, manmade barriers, and predators continue to act upon the species. The



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population-level effects of disease and rodenticides are unknown; however, evidence suggests this species may be detrimentally impacted," states the recovery plan.

The main way that the USFWS plans to help recover the population is by increasing the resiliency of its known population areas and restoring the habitat outside of those currently occupied areas.

In particular, the focus is on recovering the female marten demographics, as studies show that female martens have a larger impact on the population's resiliency. The hope is that as the population grows, so will the extent of population

projections for 2026.

"There are multiple partners invested in the conservation of this species including Tribal, state, federal and non-governmental organizations. We anticipate that research will provide insights into nuances and strategies related to coastal marten habitat management and as research is developed, we intend to use the best available science to inform and adapt implementation of recovery activities," write the lead authors.

If the recovery plan is to be successful at recovering the population and de-listing the species it will have to meet four distinct criteria.

The first is to maintain the seven distinct population areas, or EPAs, minimum. The second is for each of those EPAs to be of suitable quality to support the range of at least 100 female martens for a five-generation period, or about 25 years.

The third criteria requires that each EPA demonstrate successful and stable dispersal and increasing genetic diversity, including connectivity with other EPAs.

The fourth is for populations in each EPA to reach or exceed "moderate" levels, with at least three of them reaching "high" levels of population.

Finally, the report covers how the USFWS plans to facilitate this recovery, and how much it is expected to cost.

This begins with the aforementioned research, which involves studying the species itself, as well as refining models of its habitats.

Using that information, the service will help them develop and implement vegetation management plans with the hopes of restoring habitat. They will investigate and mitigate manmade barriers to the species' movements throughout the various EPAs, as well as whatever pesticides, diseases and other threats may be identified. Hopefully this will lead to the establishment of new EPAs and allow for the preservation of genetic material for future rehabilitation.

The authors of the plan estimate that a full implementation of the plan would improve the DPS of the Pacific Marten with hopes to remove it from the threatened species list in the next 30 to 35 years. Current estimated costs over that three-decade period were calculated at over \$12 million.

This is just a draft recovery plan and the USFWS is seeking feedback to help refine it. You can find the full plan on the official website at, www.fws.gov. You can submit your comments in writing to fw8_afwo_comments@fws.gov or by U.S. mail to Field Supervisor, Arcata Fish and Wildlife Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1655 Heindon Road, Arcata CA 95521.

LEVY

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at the morning session.

"I'm sad that we're in a place today based on our economy. That's where we are in Polk County. We've seen this train coming for a long time," Pope said. "All of the other tax problems that we have, which includes, of course, our cost of doing business

and nothing gets cheaper. We're in a place now this board and the future board has to make choices, have to make decisions. They have to make decisions on where to prioritize your property tax dollars."

He added that the next phase in support of the levy has to come from the community members themselves.

"I hope that you will bring some of that energy (of support) to the

campaign because that's where we need the most help," Pope said.

According to the staff report, if the levy is approved, about \$3.4 million would be used for overdue fairgrounds maintenance projects.

Broken down, the levy would be distributed as follows:

- \$1.25 million to electrical work
- \$750,000 for improvements on the interior of

buildings and parking lot

- \$150,000 on the floor of the main building
 - \$150,000 in HVAC
 - \$500,000 on the exterior of the main building
 - \$500,000 on the roof in the main building
 - \$100,000 in technology
- An additional \$350,000 would be used in the levy's first year to pay for operations, which would increase to \$409,000 by

the final year.

Staff estimates the levy will raise \$1 million the first year and \$5.4 million over its five-year run. They also estimate for a typical homeowner with an assessed value of \$250,000 they would pay an additional \$30 per year.

Commissioners said deferred maintenance and rising costs have eaten into the county's general fund dollars, which they

can no longer afford to do. For Commissioner Lyle Mordhorst, the bottom line is simple.

"We're going to pass this levy or the fairgrounds is going to close," he said.

Mordhorst added that the fairgrounds generates an estimated \$3 million into the community annually.

"If it closes, businesses and people will feel that impact," he said.

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MEET

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“It definitely has caused concern over this last year. I just can’t worry about it until the decisions are made,” Brenneman said. “And if for some reason, this doesn’t continue here at this location, I’ll be scrambling to look and see where else we can run it and see what we can do. But I’m just doing my best not to worry about it until the final vote is counted.”

Longtime Dallas vendor Ron Garrison was more blunt.

“It’s called the Rickreall Auto Swap Meet, you know? Where else in Rickreall are we gonna find to set it up?” Garrison said.

The Rickreall Swap Meet has been ongoing for the last 27 years at the fairgrounds. Brenneman replaced the previous owner, Tom Pryor, who was retiring and ready to sell. She figured she was the right person for the job.

“I’m someone that grew up as a gearhead with my grandpa and my dad, and my dad told me about it and I said, ‘Why not?’” Brenneman said.

Currently residing in Kaiser, Brenneman admitted her daily driver is a 2003 Toyota Camry.

“I still have the very first car that my dad and my grandpa and I all restored together, and that’s a 1967 Mustang Coupe,” she said.

She explained that the Rickreall Swap Meet has successfully stayed around for 27 years because it’s a lifestyle.

“The people that are into cars, they like the history of them, they like the challenge of restoring them, they like beefing them up and just making them their own,” she said.

Classic car owners are going to find parts at the swapmeet that can’t be found online. “That’s because a lot of these vendors, they’re not selling their stuff on eBay, they’re not selling it on Facebook Marketplace, and so if you’re looking for specific things, this is a great treasure hunt to come through and come up with stuff,” she said.

Garrison said he has been swapping for 50 to 55 years and used to do 115 swap meets a year. Now 62, due to health concerns from a devastating injury, he picked just eight so far this year.

Garrison’s booth



PHOTO BY DAVID HAYES

Three generations of gearheads eye wheels and tires at the Rickreall Auto Swap Meet, including Steve Rampershad, Colt, 2, and Valerie, 19.

features an eclectic inventory.

“We concentrate on diverse automobiles. You see taillights, you see stereo speakers, you see a coil, you see center caps, you see a shifter, you know, you see a stereo, you see fire extinguisher, but we do, you know, cams, aluminum intakes, carburetors, wheels. I’ve got a set of center lines over there from the 60s that I got for sale. But it’s kind of diverse,” Garrison said.

Brenneman said a lot of

the inventory the vendors offer are like unearthed barn finds or from estate sales getting liquidated. Shoppers can find rare car parts, collectibles, toys, tools, and even whole cars.

“There was one whole car that sold earlier today, and they just drove it out. So it’s a variety, but it’s all auto-related,” Brenneman said.

Many of her vendors have been with the Rickreall Swap Meet since its inception.

“It’s definitely like a

part of who they are and what they do and what they like. And it’s a really big social thing, too,” Brenneman added.

This year’s turnout was just shy of last year’s numbers, she said. More than 100 stalls were assigned, with some vendors taking up more than one and as many as four.

Brenneman has also set aside an area between buildings for classic car drivers to park and show off their hot rods.

“And so that’s been fun. We had probably about

10 different vehicles here early this morning,” she said.

Whether the meet itself draws a big crowd of shoppers or not, for vendors like Garrison, the swap meet is more than a marketplace to sell their wares.

“These are old school, car-related guys that just like to get together. Some of these guys we won’t see again until next year. Some of these guys are at every swap meet with us, so it’s unique,” he said. “It’s just, it’s either in your blood or it isn’t. And most of the old guys here have a respect for what we do. Like I say, 99 percent of us, it’s not about the money.”

Brenneman said for more information and to keep abreast of developments, go to www.rickreallautoswapmeet.com is the website. She’s already planning for next year, regardless of the looming November outcome.

“And as soon as the contracts are signed for the following year, the dates and all the information will be put up there. And once applications are open, you can actually sign up online and pay for everything online, even pick out your own booth spot online,” she said.

BAND

From Page A1

Kevin Hamler-Dupras and Bill Stapleton on keyboards, the Shinkle Band’s music set is a mix of classic country songs by such stars as Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard and Waylon Jennings. They also have quite a catalog

of their own originals they turn to during their two-hour set.

The Shinkle Band recorded their well received self-titled album in Nashville’s renowned Dogear Studios with master guitarist and producer, Jamie Laritz, in 2010. Most recently, they’ve added new single releases from their LP “Taxman” including

“Gone With the Wind,” “Light Inside,” “Taxman” and “Borrowed Time.”

For a song to make it to their performance set, they’ve said selected material must meet one criteria.

“Because we have so much vocal stuff going on, we tend to lean towards songs that focus on good harmonies,” Roger said.

That harmony developed naturally because they’ve performed together for so many years.

“Being brothers that get along and have been singing together forever ... a lot of the negotiation has already been figured out,” said Aaron. “We’ll run something by and ask, ‘Hey, how about this?’ We don’t have to

spend a zillion hours rehearsing to get the harmonies right. (We just) run through it a couple of times and it’s there. Typically our voices work together. Siblings do that a lot of times.”

While performing center stage at the bigger festivals and casinos is nice, being the focus of the local venues, such as amphitheaters in Dallas

or Monmouth’s Main Street Park, bring out the band’s ardent fans.

“The concerts in the park here are awesome. Being able to get on that stage in front of the community,” Aaron said. “Because friends can come, because family can come, half the people in the crowd we know. So it’s a really, really fun time.”

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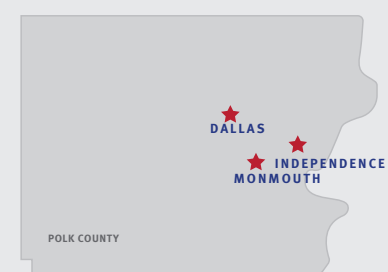
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SALEM HEALTH MEDICAL CLINIC

Legacy ensured, Panther runner prepares for elite challenges

By **LANCE MASTERSON**
 For The Itemizer-Observer

The name “Ty Cirino” appears six times in the Central High School record book.

Four of those marks came on the track – in the 800, 1,500, 3,000 and 5,000 meters. The other two came in cross country – in the 3,000-meter and 5-kilometer races.

That’s not all. “There are also a couple of unofficial records, the mile and 2-mile, in events we don’t officially run,” Cirino said. “But I’ve posted the fastest times at Central.”

As a youngster, Cirino never doubted those marks were out of his reach.

“When I first looked at those records, the old records, I never thought they were impossible,” he said. “I looked at them and thought, ‘I know I can get those.’ I expected to break them during my senior year.”

Instead, they were his earlier than expected.

“I ended up breaking most of them as a sophomore and junior,” he said, “which made breaking them even more special.”

His advice to younger athletes who see his records as reachable is simple.

“Don’t let people convince you something is impossible,” Cirino said. “If you trust yourself and commit to a plan, almost anything is achievable. Stick with the process.”

With high school behind him – Cirino graduated earlier this month – one of the most accomplished distance runners in school history is preparing for his next challenge at the University of Colorado in Boulder.

Eli Cirino sees his son’s record-setting legacy as being only part of the story.

“I can pull out pictures of Ty



Ty Cirino (front) leaves Central High as record holder in six different running events. After competing at this week’s Nike Outdoor Nationals, he will begin preparing for high-level college competition at the University of Colorado.

as a little kid running around this track. He grew up here,” said Eli, who is also head coach of the Panthers’ track program.

Leaving behind six school records is a feat that speaks for itself. But Eli noted Ty’s ability was present before he entered high school.

“Ty is naturally gifted,” he added. “You could see that in sixth grade.”

Ty grew up loving team sports. But he also knew early on that he was better suited for distance running.

“I’ve always had more of a distance runner’s frame and never really focused on sports that added bulk,” he said.

His first breakthrough came in middle school.

“The turning point was eighth-grade track when coach (Sawyer) Heckard helped me dial in a plan,” Ty said. “That’s when I started making huge jumps.”

Steady progress continued into high school.

“I saw massive gains and started believing in myself,” Ty said of his freshman and

sophomore years.

An injury hampered Ty’s senior season of cross country, though he bounced back to win a second consecutive Mid-Willamette Conference championship. A week later, he placed third at state.

“I wanted to win state,” he said, “but considering the injury, I wasn’t too hard on myself.”

At regionals, Ty placed seventh – one spot shy of qualifying for nationals, but high enough for first-team all-region honors.

With the injury behind him, Ty bounced back this track season, setting personal bests in the 800 and 1,500 meters while matching his best time in the 3,000. He was fifth in the two longer races at the Class 5A state track and field finals.

This week, Ty competes at the Nike Outdoor Nationals at the University of Oregon’s Hayward Field. Then he starts training for the University of Colorado and Big 12 competition.

“I’ll probably get a training plan from my college coach before I arrive in Boulder,” he said. “I expect to move there in early August and start training with the team before official practice begins.”

For now, focus is on preparing for the next level while enjoying his final summer before college.

“It’s really about preparing mentally and physically for the next step,” he said.

Another adjustment will be Boulder’s elevation, at roughly 5,200 feet.

“I’ve done altitude training before through Stevens Mountain Running Camp and the Bowerman Camp in Bend, so I’ve had some exposure to altitude,” he said. “But most of the acclimation will happen once I’m there. It will be a new challenge, but I think the body adapts quickly when you’re training consistently.”

The goal for his freshman year extends beyond competition. It’s about laying a successful foundation.

“I’ll redshirt cross country, and honestly, success is staying healthy and adapting to the training. College coaches talk a lot about getting athletes healthy and responding well to volume,” he said.

There’s more uncertainty

See **LEGACY**, page B8

Central steeplechaser seeks second national title, U20 bid

By **LANCE MASTERSON**
 For Trammart News

Aidan Wendring is in the midst of a remarkable run.

The Central High senior has not lost a 2,000-meter steeplechase race in the past two seasons.

He is the defending Nike Outdoor Nationals champion and a two-time Oregon Relays winner, an event that attracts many of the West Coast’s top runners.

Now, Wendring has his sights set on an even bigger stage: the U20 national championships at the Nike Outdoor Nationals June 18-22 at the University of Oregon’s Hayward

Field, which comes with a chance to compete internationally.

Wendring believes the goal is within his reach based on his early-season form. He opened the outdoor season at the Linfield Erik Anderson Invitational, winning the 3,000-meter steeplechase in 9:11.35 despite feeling less than 100 percent.

“I was fit, but I didn’t have my racing legs yet,” Wendring said. “By June, I know I’ll be in much better shape.”

His success comes in one of track’s most demanding events.

The steeplechase began as a cross-country horse race in Ireland, where riders traveled from one church steeple to another.



PHOTO BY LANCE MASTERSON

Steeplechaser Aidan Wendring (in white) defends his national title when he competes at the Nike Outdoor Nationals this week.

In their paths were stone walls, streams and other obstacles.

Centuries later barriers still exist, though they are far less rustic than those found in the race’s ancestral home of Ireland.

“It’s basically a long-distance race mixed with barriers,” Wendring said. “There are five barriers per lap, and one includes a water jump.”

Lack of water jumps is one reason steeplechase races are not found at many high school meets. High school runners also compete in the shorter 2,000-meter version of the event.

The barriers present their own challenges.

Unlike traditional hurdles, they do not tip over. Each one weighs roughly 300 pounds, leaving little room for mistakes.

“They’re not like hurdles. They don’t fall over. They’ll absolutely destroy you,” Central coach Eli Cirino said. “The barriers disrupt your rhythm, especially when runners are already dealing with fatigue and stress. They still have to find the energy to clear them. It’s a huge challenge, and most people don’t want to do it.”

The barriers are sturdy enough to serve as a launching pad, however.

“You can step on them and push off, especially on the water jump,”

Wendring said. “For the others, you try to hurdle them. They’re the same height as the 300-meter hurdles, 36 inches.”

Fluidity is essential when approaching and clearing hurdles and jumps.

That challenge, and the way Wendring is built for it, is what drew him to the event.

The former sprinter, hurdler and all-around athlete has developed into one of the state’s top distance runners. Only one Panther in school history, fellow senior Ty Cirino, has recorded faster times in the 1,500 and 3,000 meters.

Wendring also excels in cross country,

finishing second at the last two Mid-Willamette Conference 5K finals.

His path toward a national title began his sophomore year when assistant coach Sawyer Heckard recognized his combination of speed, hurdling ability and endurance that made him a natural for steeplechase. He also played basketball and other team sports.

“It all just came together,” Wendring said. “I was a natural at it, the water jump, the athleticism from basketball. It all fits together.”

There was a learning curve, however.

“I was not good right away,” he said. “The water jumps were alright. For a first-timer, I was pretty good because of the athleticism, but I was nowhere near where I am now. It’s taken a lot of training, dedication and hard work to get here.”

Time and effort dedicated to navigating water have reaped huge dividends, Eli Cirino noted.

“They’ve got to jump the water barrier, ideally across the water. But it’s sloped. So if you don’t jump far enough, you end up in deep water. If you jump far, there isn’t very much water,” the coach explained. “Aidan

See **TITLE**, page B8

Local athletes competing at the Nike Outdoor Nationals at Hayward Field, University of Oregon Dallas High School

- Championship Division
- Elizabeth Walker - High Jump
- Emerging Elite Division
- Bertram Latta - Shot Put, Discus
 - Amber Green - 800m
 - Tanya Green - 100m Hurdles
 - Xander Hammill - 400m Hurdles
 - Harlow Nelson - 100m, 200m

Central High School

- Championship Division
- Ty Cirino, 1 Mile, 2 Mile
 - Aidan Wendring, 2000m Steeplechase
- Emerging Elite Division
- Anna Cole, Hammer Throw
 - David Rice, 100m
 - Ryan Perkins, Long Jump
- Freshman
- Ava Sanchez, 100m

PAGES OF THE PAST

40 YEARS AGO

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 1986
Principal search back to step one

The search for a high school principal topped the agenda Monday night at the Dallas School District meeting.

The board had planned to appoint a principal at the Monday meeting, but as it turned out, there were no candidates to select.

The district received 41 applications for the position, 26 of which were qualified as far as paperwork was concerned. Of those 26, the screening committee selected seven to interview. It then selected two candidates to recommend to the school board.

One of those two candidates accepted another position as principal and the other withdrew his application for personal reasons.

Salem man fatally injured in crash
A Salem man died Sunday from injuries suffered when the tractor he was driving collided with a log truck on Ellendale Road Thursday.

Oswald Jantzen, 78, was fatally injured in the 1 p.m. collision that left him pinned under the rear right wheel of his tractor in a ditch.

His death was the fourth

automobile fatality in Polk County this year.

Dallas trio ready for China trip

Three Dallas athletes are looking forward to the competition of a lifetime next week when they leave for China as part of an International Sports Exchange program.

Jeff Jones, Mark Kroeker, and Greg Byrne are expected to leave Monday or Tuesday on the 10-day trip. They are part of a 75-member delegation from Oregon and 75 more from Ohio that were selected for the competition based on last year's marks.

Jones and Kroeker are both 1986 graduates of Dallas High School, while Byrne will be a senior next year.

50 YEARS AGO

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16, 1976
Reactions vary to Polk budget

County department heads have had a variety of reactions to the proposed 1976-77 County Budget as presented last week by the budget committee. But most seemed to agree that the budget committee had spent more time than ever before and had made conscientious decisions in trimming budget requests to within the confines of the 6 percent limitation.

Probably the strongest

criticism came from the Sheriff's Department, which had more than \$85,000 trimmed from a requested \$641,416. One of the main disappointments to the Sheriff's Office was denial by the budget committee of funds for a microfilm reader and printer.

District awards contract

A short business was on the agenda as the Dallas School Board met on Monday night. Major action taken by the board during the evening was the hiring of a school management service to take over the district lunch program.

The board had previously heard proposals from ARA, Interstate and SAGA school management services and had also received a recommendation from the district school kitchen staff to hire SAGA. Following board member discussion it was decided to accept the proposal from ARA, as the offer was more suited to the needs of a one-year basis with option to renew.

Legion gets 3-2 league win

Area III Northern Legion play got underway Sunday as Dallas won their opener at home with a 3-2 decision over the visiting Silverton Giants.

Pitcher Terry Walz went all the way for the win but

FLASHBACK



This week's Flashback is from Wednesday, June 4, 1986: CARNIVAL RIDE - Billed as the "world's most exciting ride," this device was one of several carnival rides that were located on Main Street in downtown Dallas last week as part of the Funtastic Travelling Show. The carnival, sponsored by the Dallas Area Chamber of Commerce, drew scores of people - both those who participated and those who preferred to watch, including a little girl who found more exciting things to look at in another sector of the affair. The second annual event was held Thursday through Sunday. (File I-O photo.)

received defensive help from center fielder Mark McGlathlin and offensive leadership from Stan Russell.

In the third frame McGlathlin threw a perfect strike to home plate to nail Ken Blankenship. Had he scored, the game would have been tied at the end of seven innings of regulation play.

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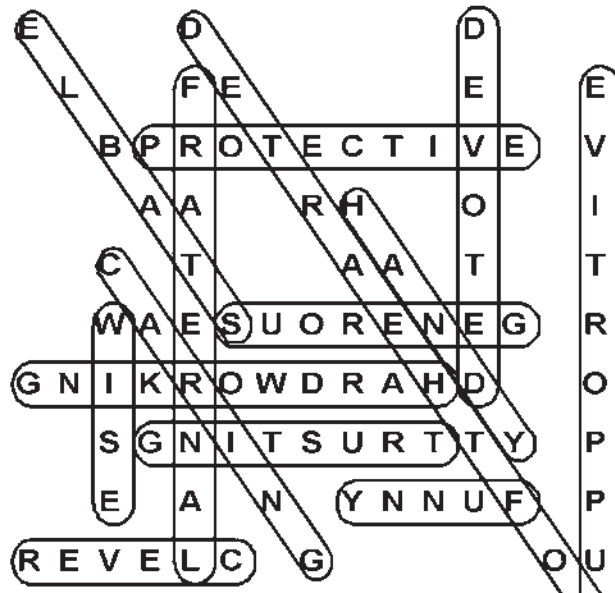
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Weekly SUDOKU

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WORDS ASSOCIATED WITH FATHER'S DAY



Super Crossword

Answers

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CALENDAR

From Page B3

Dallas City Park

11 a.m. - Blood pressure check, Dallas Area Senior Center

11 a.m. - Lunch w/ Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center

11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center

11 a.m. - Live Music: Unit Souzou Taiko, Main Street City Park Amphitheater, Monmouth

11:30 a.m. - Messy STEM in the Park, a Summer Reading Program Event, Dallas City Park

11:45 a.m. - Better Together, Monmouth Senior Community Center

12 p.m. - Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior

Community Center

1 p.m. - Walking Group, Dallas Area Senior Center

1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center

1 p.m. - Wii bowling, Dallas Area Senior Center

1 p.m. - Summer Reading Kickoff Carnival, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.

4 p.m. Connecting

Loose Threads for Charity, Monmouth Senior Community Center

5:30 p.m. - Parks Advisory Board Meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.

6 p.m. - Open Mic Night, Brew Coffee & Tap House

7:10 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Newcomers Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas

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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Seniors Trip to Portland Art Museum, meet at Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Tai Chi with John/Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10:30 a.m. - Summer Reading Kickoff Party, all ages, Dallas City Park
 11 a.m. - Blood pressure check, Dallas Area Senior Center
 11 a.m. - Lunch w/Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 11 a.m. - Mah-Jongg, Dallas Area Senior Center
 11:45 a.m. - Better Together, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 12 p.m. - Watch Repair & Knife Sharpening, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1 p.m. - Walking Group, Dallas Area Senior Center
 1 p.m. - Ten Minute Writing, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1 p.m. - Wii bowling, Dallas Area Senior Center
 1 p.m. - Summer Reading Kickoff Carnival, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
 4 p.m. Connecting Loose Threads for Charity, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 6 p.m. - Open Mic Night, Brew Coffee & Tap House
 6:30 p.m. - Music Jam, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 7:10 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Newcomers Meeting, Trinity Lutheran Church, 320 SE Fir Villa Road, Dallas

THURSDAY, JUNE 18

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Chari Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Age Cafe, Monmouth Senior Community

Center
 10:15 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10:30 a.m. - Children's Storytime, for ages 0-5, Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
 10:30 a.m. - Bounces and Rhymes: Spring Series, for ages 0-2, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
 11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
 11:30 a.m. - Lunch Bunch, Dallas Area Senior Center
 12 p.m. - Pinochle, Monmouth Senior Community Center, City Hall, 555 South Main St.
 12 p.m. - Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center
 3 p.m. - Friends of the Monmouth Senior Center Board Meeting, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 6:30 p.m. - Connecting Loose Threads, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 6:30 p.m. - Monmouth Arts & Culture Commission meeting, City Hall, 151 Main St. W.
 6:30 p.m. - Author Talk: Laura Stanfill discusses her book "Singing Lessons for the Stylish Canary", Dallas Public Library, 950 Main St.
 7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Back to Basics, Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas

FRIDAY, JUNE 19

Happy Juneteenth: City Offices and Public Libraries are closed
 8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Stretch exercise 1, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Art Workshop/Card/Table Games/6 Handed Pinochle, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Writer's Workshop, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Gardening Class, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Pottery Class with Elinor, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10:30 a.m. - Storytime, Independence Public Library
 11 a.m. - Jewelry Making, Monmouth Senior Community

Center
 12 p.m. - Watch repair clinic, Dallas Area Senior Center
 1 p.m. - Tai Chi with Chery, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1 p.m. - Munchies & Melodies, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1:30 p.m. - 10-Minute Writing, Dallas Area Senior Center
 6:30 p.m. - Live Music: Syco Billy's String Band, Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
 6:30 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Friday Night Meeting, Salt Creek Baptist Church, Dallas
 6:30 p.m. - Acoustic Music Jam, Guthrie Park, 4320 Kings Valley Highway S.
 7:30 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Speaker Meeting, Dallas Church, 450 SE Washington St.
 8 p.m. - Live Music: Chicano Funk & Souldies, Court Street Pub & Grub, 186 SW Court St., Dallas

SATURDAY, JUNE 20

9 a.m. - Independence Riverview Farmers Market, top of Riverview Park
 9 a.m. - Yoga in the Park, Riverview Park, Independence, free
 9 a.m. - Independence Farmers Market, Umpqua Bank parking lot, 302 S. Main St.
 10 a.m. - Community Craft Day, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1 p.m. - Bingo at the Independence Elks Lodge, 289 S. Main St.
 6 p.m. - Live Music: Schwing (90s tribute), Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
 7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Saturday Night Live, Faith Lutheran Church, 200 Monmouth-Independence Highway, Monmouth

SUNDAY, JUNE 21

1 p.m. - Live Music: Rich Swanger, Elysium Botanicals Wines and Vineyard, 8175 Buena Vista Road, Independence
 7 p.m. - Alcoholics

Anonymous Monmouth Big Book Study, Faith Lutheran Church, 200 Monmouth-Independence Highway, Monmouth

MONDAY, JUNE 22

7 a.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Serenity at 7, Life Center Foursquare Church, 437 D St., Independence
 8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Seniors Trip to Newport, meet at Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Rotating Pinochle/5-Crowns Game/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Stretch Exercise/Hand & Foot/Cribbage/ASL Class, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Accessibility Workshop, Monmouth City Hall, 151 Main St. W.
 11 a.m. - Lunch w/Meals on Wheels, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 12 p.m. - Bridge, Dallas Area Senior Center
 12 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Noon Step Study, Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas
 12 p.m. - Bunco Game, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1 p.m. - Walking Group, Dallas Area Senior Center
 1 p.m. - Tai Chi with Cheryl/Technology Help with Ian, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 4 p.m. - Karaoke, Dallas Area Senior Center
 4 p.m. - Dallas Public Safety Committee meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.
 4 p.m. - Dallas Public Works Committee meeting, City Hall, 187 SE Court St.
 5 p.m. - Independence Library Board meeting, 175 Monmouth St.
 6 p.m. - Trivia Nights, Forest Pass Brewing, 735 SW Maple St., Dallas
 6:30 p.m. - Live Music: New Horizons Orchestra Concert, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 7:30 p.m. - Alcoholics

Anonymous Old Guthrie Park, Guthrie Park Community Center

TUESDAY, JUNE 23

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Chair Yoga/Wii Bowling, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - Cards/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Age Café, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10:15 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10:30 a.m. - Circle of Friends, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10:30 a.m. - Summer Stories and Play, for ages 3-5, Monmouth Public Library, 168 Ecols St. S.
 11:10 a.m. - Low Impact Exercise, Dallas Area Senior Center
 12 p.m. - Pinochle, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 1 p.m. - Bunko, Dallas Area Senior Center
 3:30 - p.m. - Senior Advisory Board meeting, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 6 p.m. - Monmouth Historic Commission meeting, City Hall, 151 Main St. W.
 6:30 p.m. - Independence City Council meeting, City Hall, 555 S Main St.
 7 p.m. - Alcoholics Anonymous Tuesday Grace, Grace Baptist Church, 1855 E. Ellendale Ave., Dallas

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24

8 a.m. - Yoga, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 9 a.m. - Seniors Trip to Portland Art Museum, meet at Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10 a.m. - 4-Handed Pinochle/Card/Table Games, Dallas Area Senior Center
 10 a.m. - Tai Chi with John/Stretch Exercise, Monmouth Senior Community Center
 10:30 a.m. - Summer Reading Kickoff Party, all ages,

See **CALENDAR**, page A2

Community Briefs

MONMOUTH LIBRARY HOSTS SUMMER READING KICKOFF CARNIVAL JUNE 17

The Monmouth Public Library hosts a Summer Reading Kickoff Carnival from 1-3 p.m. June 17 at 168 Ecols St. S. Kids of all ages are invited to come enjoy games, snacks, face painting and more fun. Plus, check out a Polk County fire truck and register for the library's summer reading program.

INDY COMMONS HOSTS SIDE HUSTLE SUMMER CAMP JUNE 18

Indy Commons hosts Side Hustle Summer Camp from 5:30-7:30 p.m. June 18 at 154 S Main St, in Independence. This is a three-part, hands-on workshop series designed to help you turn your ideas into something real—and actually take action. Purchase tickets at <https://bit.ly/43jZDX4>.

BREAKFAST IN THE PARK TICKETS ON SALE AT DALLAS NIGHTS

Discounted tickets for Dallas Rotary Club's signature Breakfast in the Park fundraising event will be available during Dallas Nights on June 19, July 3 and July 17. Adults save \$2 per ticket

by purchasing tickets by July 26.

The breakfast is from 7-11 a.m. July 27 at Dallas City Park, 690 SW Brandvold Dr. The menu includes scrambled eggs, sausage, pancakes, coffee and juice. Proceeds benefit club community projects, grants to local nonprofits and student scholarships.

Tickets are \$13 for adults at the gate or \$11 in advance, \$6 for ages 6-12, children 5 and younger are free. A family ticket for two adults and three children is \$30 in advance or \$32 at the gate. Purchase tickets online at www.zeffy.com/en-US/ticketing/breakfast-in-the-park.

MONMOUTH PRAYER ROOM HOSTS 24 HOUR BURN JUNE 19

The Monmouth Prayer Room hosts a 24 Hour Burn, starting at 6 p.m. June 19 at 119 Main St E, Monmouth. A citywide worship and prayer event — 24 hours of declaring Jesus to be the one thing we love, need, and burn for.

BAMBINOS HOSTS DONUTS WITH DAD JUNE 20

Bambinos of Oregon presents their first ever Donuts with Dad event

from 10 a.m. to noon June 20 at 322 S Main St., in Dallas. There will be a "Dad & Me" craft to do, as well as coffee, juice and donuts.

PCL PRESENTS SUMMER SOLSTICE BENEFIT AUCTION JUNE 20

Partnership in Community Living presents Summer Solstice Benefit Auction at 5 p.m. June 20 at Eola Hills Wine Cellar, at 501 Highway 99, in Rickreall. Enjoy an evening of food and wine, silent and live auctions, and a string quartet, supporting people in shaping homes, lives, and family in all its forms. For tickets, go to <https://ssba2026.auctria.events>.

DALLAS EVENT CENTER PRESENTS 20S NIGHT JUNE 20

Dallas Event Center presents 20s Night, from 7-10 p.m. June 20 at 939 S. Main St., Dallas. The evening features dance lessons by Lora Michele Dance Studio and live music by David and the Dominos. Dress code is Fancy 20's. Tickets are \$39 and are now available at the door.

4-H HOSTS FAIR SEASON KICKOFF SOCIAL JUNE 20

Polk County 4-H Association hosts a Fair

Season Kickoff Social at 5 p.m. June 20 at the Polk County Fairgrounds Event Center, 520 S Pacific Hwy W, in Rickreall. There will be hotdogs to go with a potluck, club-sponsored games and activities, fair entry help for anyone who needs it, and more.

EOLA HILLS HOSTS PCL BENEFIT AUCTION JUNE 20

Eola Hills Wine Cellars hosts a Summer Solstice Benefit Auction for PCL - Partnerships in Community Living, Inc., at 5 p.m. June 20 at 501 Highway 99, in Rickreall. Enjoy an evening of food and wine, silent and live auctions, and a string quartet, supporting people in shaping homes, lives, and family in all its forms. Tickets are available at <https://bit.ly/3PXJ1RR>.

MONMOUTH HOSTS FREE NITRATE SCREENING JUNE 21

Oregon State University Small Farms Program hosts a free nitrate screening cultural harvest collective from 1-6 p.m. June 21 at Main Street Park, 245 Main St. W., in Monmouth. Bring 1/2 a cup of well water in a clean cup to be tested. Testing takes about 10 minutes. Nitrate has been

linked to various health conditions, including blue-baby syndrome.

DALLAS KIDS CRAFTS PRESENTS LITTLE GARDENERS JUNE 24

Dallas Kids Crafts presents Little Gardeners, at 11 a.m. June 24 in Dallas City Park. This craft is three parts, decorating the pot, filling with soil, and planting the seeds. Once the grass grows, your little gardener can practice using scissors to give it a hair cut. Signup is \$5 at Venmo @mad.d.i, Cashapp at \$maddi9614 or PayPal at maddisunb7@gmail.com.

FOREST PASS BREWING HOSTS BINGO FUNDRAISER JUNE 24

Forest Pass Brewing hosts a bingo fundraiser for Sable House from 6-8 p.m. June 24 at 735 SW Maple St., in Dallas. Signup is \$15 buy for 10 cards in 10 rounds and one black out round.

MONMOUTH PUBLIC LIBRARY HOSTS UNIT SOUZOU TAIKO JUNE 24

The Monmouth Public Library presents Unit Souzou Taiko at 11 a.m. June 24 at Main Street Park in Monmouth. Come to the Main Street Amphitheater to

experience the thunderous drumming, traditional costumes and choreographed movement of Japanese taiko. Admission is free.

FOREST PASS BREWING HOSTS MUSIC, CRAFT FESTIVAL JUNE 27

Forest Pass Brewing presents the inaugural Shaded Pines Music & Craft Festival, from 12-8 p.m. June 27 at 735 SW Maple St., in Dallas. Performers include Dante Zapata, Sora Schutt and Ty Curtis. Tickets are \$25 presale for a day pass or \$30 at the door. For more information, call (503) 837-1555.

DALLAS ARBORETUM HOSTS WITCH WALK JUNE 28

The Wild Witches of The Willamette host a Witch Walk at Debert Hunter Arboretum from 12:30-1:45 p.m. June 28. Meet at the front gate of the Delbert Hunter Arboretum and tour the grounds of this beautiful park together.

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PCIO26-307 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS NO.: 26-78621 Reference is made to that certain Deed of Trust (hereinafter referred as the Trust Deed) made by RICARDO ARCINIEGA PELAYO, A MARRIED MAN as Grantor to FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE COMPANY OF OREGON, as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as designated nominee for LOANDEPOT.COM, LLC, beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as Beneficiary, dated 2/14/2022, recorded 2/23/2022, as Instrument No. 2022-002374, in mortgage records of Polk County, Oregon covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to-wit: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT TWO (2), ELLENDALE HOMES ADDITION, DALLAS, IN POLK COUNTY, OREGON; AND RUNNING THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 12.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 56-1/2' WEST A DISTANCE OF 122.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH A DISTANCE OF 110.5 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 56-1/2' EAST A DISTANCE OF 122.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH A DISTANCE OF 98.5 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING, BEING A PART OF TRACT TWO (2) AND FOUR (4) IN SAID ADDITION. ALSO: BEGINNING AT A POINT 12.0 FEET SOUTH AND 122.0 FEET NORTH 89 DEGREES 56-1/2' WEST FROM THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF TRACT NUMBERED TWO (2), ELLENDALE HOMES ADDITION TO DALLAS, POLK COUNTY, OREGON; AND RUNNING THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 56-1/2' WEST 20.0 FEET; THENCE NORTH 110.5 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 56-1/2' EAST 20.0 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 110.5 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING. The street address or other common designation, if any for the real property described above is purported to be: 415 SOUTHWEST RIVER DRIVE, DALLAS, OR 97338 The Tax Assessor's Account ID for the Real Property is purported to be: 137164 / 07532-BA-02601 Both the beneficiary and the trustee, ZBS Law, LLP have elected to foreclose the above referenced Trust Deed and sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and a Notice of Default and Election to Sell has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). All right, title, and interest in the said described property which the grantors had, or had power to convey, at the time of execution of the Trust Deed, together with any interest the grantors or their successors in interest acquired after execution of the Trust Deed shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and the expenses of sale, including the compensation of the trustee as provided by law, and the reasonable fees of trustee's attorneys. The default for which the foreclosure is made is: The monthly installment of principal and interest which became due on 12/1/2025, late charges, and all subsequent monthly installments of principal and interest. You are responsible to pay all payments and charges due under the terms and conditions of the loan documents which come due subsequent to the date of this notice, including, but not limited to, foreclosure trustee fees and costs, advances and

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late charges. Furthermore, as a condition to bring your account in good standing, you must provide the undersigned with written proof that you are not in default on any senior encumbrance and provide proof of insurance. Nothing in this notice should be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the beneficiary under the deed of trust, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the loan documents. The amount required to cure the default in payments to date is calculated as follows: From: 12/1/2025 through 5/1/2026 Total of past due payments: \$7,938.72 Late Charges: \$205.20 Additional charges (Taxes, Insurance, Corporate Advances, Other Fees): \$757.50 Trustee's Fees and Costs: \$2,582.75 Total necessary to cure: \$11,484.17 Please note the amounts stated herein are subject to confirmation and review and are likely to change during the next 30 days. Please contact the successor trustee ZBS Law, LLP, to obtain a "reinstatement" and/or "payoff" quote prior to remitting funds. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the Trust Deed due and payable. The amount required to discharge this lien in its entirety to date is: \$247,291.17 Said sale shall be held at the hour of 9:00 AM on 9/8/2026 in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 187.110, and pursuant to ORS 86.771(7) shall occur at the following designated place: At the front entrance of the Polk County Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR 97338 Other than as shown of record, neither the said beneficiary nor the said trustee have any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the Trust Deed, or of any successor(s) in interest to the grantors or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: NONE Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation(s) of the Trust Deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Trust Deed, together with the trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by ORS 86.778. The mailing address of the trustee is: ZBS Law, LLP, 5 Centerpointe Dr., Suite 400, Lake Oswego, OR 97035 (503) 946-6558 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" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. IMPORTANT NOTICE: Starting March 1, 2026, Federal Law may prohibit ZBS Law from issuing a Trustee's Deed Upon Sale in connection with this trustee's sale until information about the winning bidder is reported to the U.S. Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.? See, 31 CFR § 1031.320 (https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-31/subtitle-B/chapter-X/part-1031-subpart-C/section-1031.320)? If this trustee's sale qualifies as a "reportable transfer" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(b), and you, as buyer, qualify as a "transferee entity" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(1) or "transferee trust" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(2), you will be obligated to provide information about the Beneficial Owner(s) of the transferee to ZBS Law or ZBS Law's designated representative.? If you qualify as an exempt entity or trust under 31 CFR § 1031.320(n) (10)-(11), you may be required

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to provide evidence of the exemption supported by a declaration under penalty of perjury.? If the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale cannot be issued due to a qualified transferee's failure or inability to provide the necessary reporting information, the qualified transferee will be responsible for all fees and costs to re-notice the trustee's sale. Dated: 4/23/2026, ZBS Law, LLP, By: Dirk Schouten, OSB#115153 ZBS Law, LLP Authorized to sign on behalf of the trustee EPP 47681 Pub Dates 06/17, 06/24, 07/01, 07/08/2026

PCIO26-306 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE T.S. NO.: OR-26-1037914-RM Reference is made to that certain deed made by, BILLY W BURR AND SHARON E BURR, AS TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETY as Grantor to WFG NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 6/8/2021, recorded 6/15/2021, in official records of POLK County, Oregon in book/reel/volume No. and/or as fee/file/instrument/microfilm/reception number 2021-009885 and subsequently assigned or transferred by operation of law to NewRez LLC dba Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing covering the following described real property situated in said County, and State. APN: 266769 / 07305-00-01401 Beginning at a point which is 24.775 chains South and 53.81 chains East from the Northwest corner of the Robert Hamilton Donation Land Claim No. 63 in Township 7 South, Range 3 West of the Willamette Meridian in Polk County, Oregon; thence South 180.15 feet; thence East 288.18 feet to the center of Wallace Road; thence North along the center of said Wallace Road 180.15 feet; thence West 289.61 feet to the place of beginning, SAVE AND EXCEPT the Easterly 30 feet of the above described tract of land lying within the boundaries of public highways. ALSO SAVE AND EXCEPT that portion of said property conveyed to the State of Oregon, recorded November 13, 1998 as Book 366, Page 1927, Book of Records Commonly known as: 3659 WALLACE RD NW, SALEM, OR 97304 The undersigned hereby certifies that based upon business records there are no known written assignments of the trust deed by the trustee or by the beneficiary, except as recorded in the records of the county or counties in which the above described real property is situated. Further, no action has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part thereof, now remaining secured by the trust deed, or, if such action has been instituted, such action has been dismissed except as permitted by ORS 86.752(7). Both the beneficiary and the trustee 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. There is a default by grantor or other person owing an obligation, performance of which is secured by the trust deed, or by the successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of such provision. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sum: TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$24,653.48 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$348,351.77 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day-to-day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to-wit: The installments of principal and interest which became due on 8/1/2025, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or payoff. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the

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Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. Whereof, notice hereby is given that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned trustee will on 10/6/2026 at the hour of 09:00 AM, Standard of Time, as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, At the Front Entrance to the Polk County Courthouse, located at 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR 97338 County of POLK, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations 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 and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Other than as shown of record, neither the beneficiary nor the trustee has any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the trust deed, or of any successor in interest to grantor or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: Name and Last Known Address and Nature of Right, Lien or Interest SHARON BURR 3659 WALLACE RD NW SALEM, OR 97304 Original Borrower BILLY BURR 3659 WALLACE RD NW SALEM, OR 97304 Original Borrower For Sale Information Call: 800-280-2832 or Login to: www.auction.com In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to this grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION. If any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, the trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. NOTICE TO TENANTS: TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY HAVE CERTAIN PROTECTIONS AFFORDED TO THEM UNDER ORS 86.782 AND POSSIBLY UNDER FEDERAL LAW. ATTACHED TO THIS NOTICE OF SALE, AND INCORPORATED HEREIN, IS A NOTICE TO TENANTS THAT SETS FORTH SOME OF THE PROTECTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO A TENANT OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY AND WHICH SETS FORTH

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CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH BY ANY TENANT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE AFFORDED PROTECTION, AS REQUIRED UNDER ORS 86.771. TS No: OR-26-1037914-RM Dated: 5/15/2026 Quality Loan Service Corporation, as Trustee Signature By: Jeff Stenman, President Trustee's Mailing Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 Toll Free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee's Physical Address: Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free: (866) 925-0241 IDSPub #0314933 6/17/2026 6/24/2026 7/1/2026 7/8/2026

PCIO26-304 Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice Downtown Storage and Warehouse located at 889 Liberty St NE Salem OR 97301 intends to hold a sale to sell the property stored at the Facility by the below list of Occupants whom are in default at an Auction. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.bid13.com on 7/09/2026 at 10:00AM. Alicia Luarda Unit #A3088; Kyle Kolb Unit #A4111; Leroy L Stockton Unit #A4153. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. 06/17/26, 06/24/26

PCIO26-303 Notice of Self Storage Sale Please take notice Downtown Storage and Warehouse located at 889 Liberty St NE Salem OR 97301 intends to hold a sale to sell the property stored at the Facility by the below list of Occupants whom are in default at an Auction. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.bid13.com on 7/8/2026 at 10:00AM. Jaime Decaney unit #A3116. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. 06/17/26, 06/24/26

PCIO26-305 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING A public meeting of the MINET Board of Directors will be held on Wednesday, June 24, 2026, at 5:00 pm at Monmouth Public Works, 401 N Hogan Road, and virtually at meet.google.com/pvo-judh-ubz . The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026, as approved by the MINET Budget Committee. A copy of the budget may be obtained at the MINET office at 405 N Hogan Road between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm or may be found on the MINET website at www.minetfiber.com. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year. 06/17/26

PCIO26-308 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CHANGE OF ROAD NAME On Tuesday, June 23, 2026 (at 6:30 pm), the Independence City Council will hold a public hearing to consider a potential change to the name of Madrona Street E. in Independence. The city proposes to rename the small portion of the road that is in Independence as "I" Street to avoid potential confusion in the addressing of future homes that are built along the street. Details about the change are available at www.ci.independence.or.us/ongoing-development-projects/. Location: The public hearing will occur at the Independence Civic Center at 555 S. Main Street, Independence, OR 97351. The meeting location is accessible to people with disabilities. A request for an interpreter for the hearing impaired, or for other accommodations, should be made at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting to Myra Russell, City Recorder, 503-838-1212 / TTY: 800-735-2900. The city is an Equal Opportunity Provider. Information Available: Information about the proposed change is available online. Paper copies of the materials are available for inspection at no cost at the Independence Civic Center. A staff report for the proposal will be available at least seven days prior to the hearing. Physical copies of the documents may be obtained from the city for a minimal cost. Submittal of the Testimony: Anyone wishing to present written testimony may submit the testimony up to and at the public hearing. Oral testimony may be provided at the hearing. Staff Contact: Individuals with questions about the change should contact Fred Evander, Community Planner, at the Independence Civic Center, 555 S. Main Street, Independence, OR 97351, (503) 837-1168, or fevander@ci.independence.or.us. 06/17/26

PCIO26-311 NOTICE OF MEASURE ELECTION AND RECEIPT OF BALLOT TITLE Polk County, Oregon Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, November 3rd, 2026 an election will be held

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within the boundaries of Polk County. The election will be conducted by mail. The following shall be the ballot title for the measure submitted to the electors thereof: This measure authorizes Polk County to levy a five (5) year local option tax of up to \$0.12/\$1,000 assessed value beginning in 2027 for the purpose of providing funding to the Polk County Fairgrounds & Event Center for operations, maintenance and improvements. Monies generated from the local option tax will be used for the operations and maintenance of the facility (approximately 35% annually), and the remaining monies will be utilized to make improvements to the electrical system, the resurfacing of the parking areas, replacing interior walkways and paths, interior/exterior improvements to the main building, HVAC upgrades for multiple buildings, replacement of main building roof and technological upgrades to the facility. The authorization of this measure will impact a property with an Assessed Value of \$300,000 (not Real Market Value) by increasing your current property taxes by \$36.00 in year one of the measure. The \$0.12/\$1,000 local option tax will generate \$1,020,000 in 2027, \$1,055,700 in 2028, \$1,092,650 in 2029, \$1,130,900 in 2030, and \$1,170,500 in 2031 for a total of \$5,469,750. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the County Assessor at the time of estimate and may reflect the impact of early payment discounts, compression, and the collection rate. Notice is hereby given that the ballot title for a measure referred by the Polk County Board of Commissioners has been filed with the County Clerk of Polk County on June 12th, 2026. The ballot title caption is POLK COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS & EVENT CENTER LOCAL OPTION TAX. An elector may file petition for review of this ballot title in the Polk County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m., June 23rd, 2026. Kimberly Williams Polk County Clerk 06/17/26

PCIO26-302 PUBLIC NOTICE hereby is given that the two-year period for the redemption of real properties in the 2022 delinquent tax lien foreclosure proceedings instituted by Polk County, Oregon on December 20, 2022, in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, case number 22CV29985, and included in the General Judgment: Foreclosure entered therein on December 20, 2022, will expire on July 1, 2026. All properties ordered sold under the General Judgment: Foreclosure, unless redeemed on or before July 1, 2026, will be deeded to Polk County, Oregon, immediately on expiration of the period of redemption, and every right and interest of any person in such properties will be forfeited forever to Polk County, Oregon. PUBLIC NOTICE hereby is given that the two-year period for the redemption of real properties in the 2023 delinquent tax lien foreclosure proceedings instituted by Polk County, Oregon on March 22, 2024, in the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Polk County, case number 23CV38646, and included in the General Judgment: Foreclosure entered therein on March 22, 2024, will expire on July 1, 2026. All properties ordered sold under the General Judgment: Foreclosure, unless redeemed on or before July 1, 2026, will be deeded to Polk County, Oregon, immediately on expiration of the period of redemption, and every right and interest of any person in such properties will be forfeited forever to Polk County, Oregon. Katlyn DAgostini, Tax Collector POLK COUNTY 06/10/26, 06/17/26

PCIO26-301 Notice of sale of personal property under Landlords Possessory lien. Personal property left in the following units have been seized for non-payment of rent and will be sold at The Storage Depot, 902 SE Uglov Ave, Dallas, Oregon 97338 on June 30th, 2026. The following units are available for viewing and sale at 2:00 pm. They will be sold to the highest bidder during live Public Sale: Heidi Bradford H30408, Kolten Linfor-Ellis A0061, Cody Stone A0010, Casandra Williams H30401, Melody Lotspeich H20233. 06/10/26,06/17/26

PCIO26-292 Notice of Proposed Final Order for Water Right Transfer T-13563 T-13563 filed by ACMPC Oregon 2, LLC, DBA Halls Ferry Farms, PO Box 717, Jefferson, OR 97352, proposes changes in additional point of appropriation under Certificates 37342, 79879, and 95332 and additional point of diversion under

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Certificates 14257, 49817, and 86655. Certificate 14257 allows the use of 1.83 cubic feet per second (cfs) from the Willamette River and a slough in Sects. 25 and 36, T7S, R4W, WM for irrigation in Sects. 25 and 36, T7S, R4W, WM. The applicant proposes an additional point of diversion in Sec. 1, T8S, R4W, WM. Certificate 37342 allows the use of 1.0 cfs from a well in Sec. 36, T7S, R4W, WM for irrigation and supplemental irrigation in Sects. 25 and 36, T7S, R4W, WM. The applicant proposes an additional point of appropriation in Sec. 36, T7S, R4W, WM. Certificate 49817 allows the use of 0.35 cfs from Hayden Lake in Sec. 2 T8S, R4W, WM for irrigation in Sects. 2 and 3, T8S, R4W, WM. The applicant proposes an additional point of diversion in Sec. 11, T8S, R4W, WM. Certificate 86655 allows the use of 1.76 cfs from the Willamette River in Sec. 1, T8S, R4W, WM for irrigation in Sects. 35 and 36, T7S, R4W, WM, and Sects. 1 and 2, T8S, R4W, WM. The applicant proposes an additional point of diversion in Sec. 1, T8S, R4W, WM. Certificate 95332 allows the use of 0.05 cfs from a well in Sec. 11, T8S, R4W, WM for irrigation in Sec. 11, T8S, R4W, WM. The applicant proposes an additional point of appropriation within Sec. 11, T8S, R4W, WM. The Water Resources Department proposes to approve the transfer, based on the requirements of ORS Chapter 540 and OAR 690-380-5000. Any person may file, jointly or severally, a protest or a request for party status. Protests must be received by the Department on or before 07/02/2026. Call (503) 986-0935 to obtain additional information. If no protests are filed, the proposed final order will become a final order 33 days after the protest period ends, without any further action by the Department. 06/10/26, 06/17/26

PCIO26-278 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE T.S. No.: OR-26-1037551-BB Reference is made to that certain deed made by, FRANCISCO CONTRERAS as Grantor to AMERITITLE, as trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS NOMINEE FOR ACCREDITED HOME LENDERS, INC., A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 2/24/2006, recorded 2/28/2006, in official records of POLK County, Oregon in book/reel/volume No. and/or as fee/file/instrument/microfilm/reception number 2006-003243 and subsequently assigned or transferred by operation of law to TOWD POINT MORTGAGE TRUST 2017-6, U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS INDENTURE TRUSTEE covering the following described real property situated in said County, and State. APN: 07316-DC-02100 243135 LOT 13, BLOCK 2, WESTHAVEN, POLK COUNTY, OREGON. Commonly known as: 1548 WESTHAVEN AVE NW, SALEM, OR 97304-2624 The undersigned hereby certifies

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that based upon business records there are no known written assignments of the trust deed by the trustee or by the beneficiary, except as recorded in the records of the county or counties in which the above described real property is situated. Further, no action has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part thereof, now remaining secured by the trust deed, or, if such action has been instituted, such action has been dismissed except as permitted by ORS 86.752(7). Both the beneficiary and the trustee 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. There is a default by grantor or other person owing an obligation, performance of which is secured by the trust deed, or by the successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of such provision. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sum: TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$15,211.45 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$227,758.12 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day-to-day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to-wit: The installments of principal and interest which became due on 9/1/2025, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due (if applicable) for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. Whereof, notice hereby is given that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned trustee will on 9/17/2026 at the hour of 1:00 PM, Standard of Time, as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, Inside the new lobby at the Jefferson Street entrance of the County Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon 97338 County of POLK, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured

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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 and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. Other than as shown of record, neither the beneficiary nor the trustee has any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the trust deed, or of any successor in interest to grantor or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: Name and Last Known Address and Nature of Right, Lien or Interest FRANCISCO CONTRERAS 1548 WESTHAVEN AVE NW SALEM, OR 97304-2624 Original Borrower For Sale Information Call: 855-882-1314 or Login to: https://www.hubzu.com/ In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to this grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION. If any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, the trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of

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PCIO26-274 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE T.S. No.: OR-25-1029794-RM Reference is made to that certain deed made by, SHERRI JOE'LYNN SULLIVAN AND KENNY DEWAYNE SULLIVAN, AS TENANTS BY THE ENTIRETY as Grantor to AMERITITLE, LLC, as trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS"), AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR CALIBER HOME LOANS, INC., BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 9/28/2021, recorded 9/28/2021, in official records of POLK County, Oregon in book/reel/volume No. and/or as fee/file/instrument/microfilm/reception number 2021-015327 and subsequently assigned or transferred by operation of law to NewRez LLC d/b/a Shellpoint Mortgage Servicing covering the following described real property situated in said County, and State. APN: 572073 07528-DC-06400 LOT 10, ELLENDALE ESTATES, IN THE CITY OF DALLAS, POLK COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON. (PLAT VOLUME 14, PAGE 16) Commonly known as: 478 SE PINE ST, DALLAS, OR 97338-3032 The undersigned hereby certifies that based upon business records there are no known written assignments of the trust deed by the trustee or by the beneficiary, except as recorded in the records of the county or counties in which the above described real property is situated. Further, no action has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part thereof, now remaining secured by the trust deed, or, if such action has been instituted, such action has been dismissed except as permitted by ORS 86.752(7). Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to

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satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. There is a default by grantor or other person owing an obligation, performance of which is secured by the trust deed, or by the successor in interest, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of such provision. The default for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sum: TOTAL REQUIRED TO REINSTATE: \$18,745.81 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$331,157.15 Because of interest, late charges, and other charges that may vary from day-to-day, the amount due on the day you pay may be greater. It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, those sums being the following, to-wit: The installments of principal and interest which became due on 8/1/2025, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premiums, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect and preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement, including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or pay-off. Nothing in this notice shall be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the Beneficiary under the Deed of Trust pursuant to the terms of the loan documents. Whereof, notice hereby is given that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned trustee will on 9/22/2026 at the hour of 09:00 AM, Standard of Time, as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, At the Front Entrance to the Polk County Courthouse, located at 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR 97338 County of POLK, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations 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 and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in

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FORM ED-1	NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING	PCIO26-309
A public meeting of the School Board of Polk County School District 13J will be held on June 22, 2026 at 4:30 pm at 750 Franklin Street, Independence, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 as approved by the Polk County School District 13J Budget Committee. (Public comments take via email to info@cedara.k12.or.us by 10:00 am on Monday, June 22, 2026.) A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at 750 S. Fair Street, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., or online at www.cedara.k12.or.us. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year.		
Contact: Cecelia K. Koontz, Director, Finance & Operations	Telephone: 503.696.2263	Email: ckoontz@cedara.k12.or.us

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES			
TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS	Actual Amount Last Year 2024-25	Adopted Budget FY Year 2025-26	Approved Budget Fiscal Year 2026-27
Beginning Fund Balance	5,032,500	56,068,698	57,611,624
Current Year Property Taxes, other than Local Option Taxes	5,996,546	7,740,800	8,407,083
Current Year Local Option Property Taxes	0	0	0
Other Revenue from Local Sources	251,984	1,828,758	1,780,846
Revenue from Intermediate Sources	171,106	0	1,500
Revenue from State Sources	38,359,076	41,396,242	41,661,111
Revenue from Federal Sources	5,629,184	5,183,621	4,208,359
Interfund Transfers	345,029	267,680	437,237
All Other Budget Resources	6,836	0	0
Total Resources	\$71,728,812	\$66,974,000	\$68,667,744

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS BY OBJECT CLASSIFICATION			
Salaries	\$27,449,395	\$28,202,919	\$26,785,236
Other Assessed Parcel Costs	15,995,201	18,825,431	19,660,214
Purchased Services	7,456,307	9,347,970	6,265,345
Supplies & Materials	3,798,623	3,486,343	4,411,723
Capital Outlay	748,038	945,237	877,290
Other Objects (except debt service & interfund transfers)	1,057,761	1,071,476	1,074,741
Debt Service	66,458	4,208,480	5,145,926
Interfund Transfers*	345,029	267,680	437,237
Unallocated Contingency	0	3,826,480	3,320,738
Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance & Reserves	0	0	198,250
Total Requirements	\$63,042,432	\$66,974,000	\$68,667,744

FINANCIAL SUMMARY - REQUIREMENTS AND FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT EMPLOYEES (FTE) BY FUNCTION			
3000 Instruction	\$31,205,154	\$32,252,762	\$33,784,133
FTE	254.26	255.93	254.32
2000 Support Services	77,946,074	73,804,201	77,179,617
FTE	388.61	377.72	375.40
3000 Maintenance & Community Service	1,901,259	2,273,156	2,274,547
FTE	16.74	16.79	16.60
4000 Facility Acquisition & Construction	31,753	824,250	867,250
FTE	0	0	0
5000 Direct Uses	6,611,582	4,134,480	5,136,020
FTE	345,029	267,680	367,202
6000 Contingency	0	3,858,480	3,730,250
7000 Unappropriated Ending Fund Balance	0	0	198,250
Total Requirements	\$63,042,432	\$66,974,000	\$68,667,744
Total FTE	409.63	410.45	395.21

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACTIVITIES AND SOURCES OF FINANCING **			
PROPERTY TAX LEVIES			
Permanent Rate Levy (Rate Limit 4.8834 per \$1,000)	Rate of Amount Imposed	Rate of Amount Imposed	Rate of Amount Approved
Local Option Levy	0	0	0
Levy for General Obligation Bonds	\$3,988,306	\$3,973,051	\$3,277,444

STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS	
LONG TERM DEBT	Estimated Debt Outstanding, End of July
General Obligation Bonds	\$76,591,812
Other Bonds	0
Other Borrowings	\$211,399
Total	\$76,591,812

FORM OR-ED-SBH Notice of Supplemental Budget Hearing PCIO26-310
Oregon Department of Revenue

* For supplemental budgets proposing a change in any fund's expenditures by more than 10 percent.

A public hearing on a proposed supplemental budget for _____ City of Independence _____ for the current fiscal year, will be held at City Hall, 555 S. Main Street, at _____ June 23rd, 2026, at 6:30 p.m. The hearing will take place on _____ at _____ between the hours of _____ 7:30 a.m. and _____ 5:30 p.m. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the supplemental budget with interested persons.

A copy of the supplemental budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after June 17th at _____ City Hall, 555 S. Main Street _____ between the hours of _____ 7:30 a.m. and _____ 5:30 p.m.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED BUDGET CHANGES				
AMOUNTS SHOWN ARE IN US DOLLARS AND CENTS				
FUND: Tourism & Events Fund	Resource	Amount	Expenditure Object Class	Amount
1. Independence Days Revenue		\$ 104,000	1 Personnel Services / Salaries	\$ 64,000
			2 Personnel Services / Benefits	\$ 40,000
			3.	
Revised Total Fund Resources	\$ 510,110	Revised Total Fund Requirements	\$ 510,110	

Explanation of change(s): Due to a change in planned personnel availability during the fiscal year Downtown Manager worked longer than originally anticipated when budget estimate prepared.

FUND:	Resource	Amount	Expenditure Object Class	Amount
1.			1	
2.			2.	
3.			3	

Revised Total Fund Resources _____ Revised Total Fund Requirements _____
Explanation of change(s):

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THAT SETS FORTH SOME OF THE PROTECTIONS THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO A TENANT OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY AND WHICH SETS FORTH CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH BY ANY TENANT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE AFFORDED PROTECTION, AS REQUIRED UNDER ORS 86.771. TS No: OR-25-1029794-RM Dated: 4/29/2026 Quality Loan Service Corporation, as Trustee Signature By: Jeff Stenman, President Trustee's Mailing Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 Toll Free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee's Physical Address: Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free: (866) 925-0241 IDSPub #0314680 6/3/2026 6/10/2026 6/17/2026 6/24/2026

PCIO26-277 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS No.: 146272-OR Loan No.: ***8528** Reference is made to that certain trust deed (the "Deed of Trust") executed by STANLEY STEEVES AND COLLEEN D. STEEVES, HUSBAND AND WIFE, as Grantor, to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE, as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR ROCKET MORTGAGE, LLC, FKA QUICKEN LOANS, LLC, BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 1/18/2022, recorded 2/23/2022, as Instrument No. 2022-002422, in the Official Records of Polk County, Oregon, which covers the following described real property situated in Polk County, Oregon: LOT 5, GENTRY ESTATES PHASE II, IN THE CITY OF DALLAS, COUNTY OF POLK, STATE OF OREGON. APN: 562295 / 07534-CA-09900 Commonly known as: 1642 SE CORTLAND AVE DALLAS, OR 97338-9225 The current beneficiary is: Rocket Mortgage, LLC f/k/a Quicken Loans, LLC Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the above-described real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and notice has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to pay when due, the following sums: Delinquent Payments: Dates: 9/1/2025 - 5/1/2026 Total: \$13,358.71 Late Charges: \$162.87 Beneficiary Advances: \$1,688.24 Total Required to Reinstale: \$15,209.82 TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF: \$240,167.03 By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by the Deed of Trust immediately due and payable, including: the principal sum of \$231,257.50 together with interest thereon at the rate of 3.25 % per annum, from 8/1/2025 until paid, plus all accrued late charges, and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs, and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust Whereof, notice hereby

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is given that the undersigned trustee, CLEAR RECON CORP, whose address is 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225, San Diego, CA 92108, will on 9/22/2026, at the hour of 9:00 AM, standard time, as established by ORS 187.110, AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE, POLK COUNTY COURTHOUSE, 850 MAIN STREET, DALLAS, OR 97338, sell at public auction to the highest bidder in the form of cash equivalent (certified funds or cashier's check) the interest in the above-described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time it executed the Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of the Deed of Trust, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than the portion of principal that would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorneys' fees, and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the Deed of Trust at any time not later than five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the Deed of Trust, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 5/13/2026 CLEAR RECON CORP 3333 Camino Del Rio South, Suite 225 San Diego, CA 92108 Phone: 858-750-7777 866-931-0036 Hamsa Uchi, Authorized Signatory of Trustee 06/03/26, 06/10/26, 06/17/26, 06/24/26

PCIO26-257 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS No.: 26-77443 Reference is made to that certain Deed of Trust (hereinafter referred as the Trust Deed) made by RICHARD BUCK as Grantor to FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as designated nominee for LOANDEPOT.COM, LLC., beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as Beneficiary, dated 9/21/2024, recorded

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9/27/2024, as Instrument No. 2024-007208, in mortgage records of Polk County, Oregon covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to-wit: LOT 176, PARK PLACE-PHASE 5, IN THE CITY OF MONMOUTH, POLK COUNTY, STATE OF OREGON The street address or other common designation, if any for the real property described above is purported to be: 1635 MADRONA ST E, MONMOUTH OREGON 97361 The Tax Assessor's Account ID for the Real Property is purported to be: 08429-CB-16400 / 566073 Both the beneficiary and the trustee, ZBS Law, LLP have elected to foreclose the above referenced Trust Deed and sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and a Notice of Default and Election to Sell has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). All right, title, and interest in the said described property which the grantors had, or had power to convey, at the time of execution of the Trust Deed, together with any interest the grantors or their successors in interest acquired after execution of the Trust Deed shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and the expenses of sale, including the compensation of the trustee as provided by law, and the reasonable fees of trustee's attorneys. The default for which the foreclosure is made is: The monthly installment of principal and interest which became due on 7/1/2025, late charges, and all subsequent monthly installments of principal and interest. You are responsible to pay all payments and charges due under the terms and conditions of the loan documents which come due subsequent to the date of this notice, including, but not limited to, foreclosure trustee fees and costs, advances and late charges. Furthermore, as a condition to bring your account in good standing, you must provide the undersigned with written proof that you are not in default on any senior encumbrance and provide proof of insurance. Nothing in this notice should be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the beneficiary under the deed of trust, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the loan documents. The amount required to cure the default in payments to date is calculated as follows: From: 7/1/2025 Total of past due payments: \$35,745.56 Late Charges: \$502.08 Additional charges (Taxes, Insurance, Corporate Advances, Other Fees): \$4,918.50 Trustee's Fees and Costs: \$589.00 Total necessary to cure: \$41,755.14 Please note the amounts stated herein are subject to confirmation and review and are likely to change during the next 30 days. Please contact the successor trustee ZBS Law, LLP, to obtain a "reinstatement" and or "payoff" quote prior to remitting funds. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the Trust Deed due and payable. The amount required to discharge this lien in its entirety to date

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is: \$533,269.89 Said sale shall be held at the hour of 11:00 AM on 8/21/2026 in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 187.110, and pursuant to ORS 86.771(7) shall occur at the following designated place: At the main entrance of the Polk County Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR Other than as shown of record, neither the said beneficiary nor the said trustee have any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the Trust Deed, or of any successor(s) in interest to the grantors or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: NONE Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation(s) of the Trust Deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Trust Deed, together with the trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by ORS 86.778. The mailing address of the trustee is: ZBS Law, LLP 5 Centerpointe Dr., Suite 400, Lake Oswego, OR 97035 (503) 946-6558 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" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. IMPORTANT NOTICE: Starting March 1, 2026, Federal Law may prohibit ZBS Law from issuing a Trustee's Deed Upon Sale in connection with this trustee's sale until information about the winning bidder is reported to the U.S. Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network.? See, 31 CFR § 1031.320 (https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-31/subtitle-B/chapter-X/part-1031/subpart-C/section-1031.320).? If this trustee's sale qualifies as a "reportable transfer"

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under 31 CFR § 1031.320(b), and you, as buyer, qualify as a "transferee entity" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(1) or "transferee trust" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(2), you will be obligated to provide information about the Beneficial Owner(s) of the transferee to ZBS Law or ZBS Law's designated representative.? If you qualify as an exempt entity or trust under 31 CFR § 1031.320(n) (10-(11)), you may be required to provide evidence of the exemption supported by a declaration under penalty of perjury.? If the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale cannot be issued due to a qualified transferee's failure or inability to provide the necessary reporting information, the qualified transferee will be responsible for all fees and costs to re-notice the trustee's sale. Dated: 4/9/2026, ZBS Law, LLP, By: Dirk Schouten, OSB#115153 ZBS Law, LLP Authorized to sign on behalf of the trustee EPP 47523 Pub Dates 05/27, 06/03, 06/10, 06/17/2026

PCIO26-261 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE Loan No: 0691254528 T.S. No.: 25-16106 Reference is made to that certain deed made by, RAUL MACIAS ARANDA, AND MARIA TRINIDAD MACIAS ARANDA as Grantor to LUCY E KIVEL, ATTORNEY, as trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. ("MERS"), AS BENEFICIARY, AS NOMINEE FOR COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC. ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 4/4/2003, recorded 4/17/2003, in official records of Polk County, Oregon as Instrument No. 2003-006998 (indicated which), covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to-wit: APN: 07316-AB-01300 LOT 3, BLOCK 1, WESTRIDGE ADDITION TO THE CITY OF SALEM, POLK COUNTY, OREGON. Proper-ty Commonly known as: 1044 HEMLOCK STREET NW, SALEM, Oregon 97304 Both the beneficiary and the trustee 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 86.735(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes: the default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's: The installment of principal and interest and escrow amounts, if applicable, which became due on 4/1/2025, and all subsequent installments of principal and interest and escrow amounts through the date of this Notice, plus amounts that are due for late charges, delinquent property taxes, insurance premium, advances made on senior liens, taxes and/or insurance, trustee's fees, and any attorney fees and court costs arising from or associated with the beneficiaries efforts to protect the preserve its security, all of which must be paid as a condition of reinstatement including all sums that shall accrue through reinstatement or payoff. By this reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said deed of trust immediately due and payable, said sums being the following,

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to-wit: The sum of \$51,281.73 together with interest thereon at the rate of 5.25 % per annum from 5/1/2025 until paid; plus all accrued late charges thereon; and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said deed of trust. Whereof, notice hereby is given that Ghidotti Berger, LLP, the undersigned trustee will on 10/6/2026 at the hour of 9:00 AM, Standard of Time, as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes, at Front Entrance, Polk County Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR 97338 County of Polk, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his succes-sors 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 86.753 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 and attorney's fees and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. The Trustee has authorized the undersigned attorney to sign this instrument on behalf of the Trustee. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representation or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. For Sale Information Call: (800) 793-6107 website: www.auction.com For further information, please contact: Ghidotti Berger, LLP 1920 Old Tustin Ave., Santa Ana, California 92705 Phone: 949-427-2010 Dated: 5/6/2026 Ghidotti Berger, LLP Signature By: Daniel Ross OSB #112979 PPP #26-005109 5/27/2026, 06/03/2026, 06/10/2026, 06/17/2026

PUBLIC RECORD

Editor's Note: Due to a technical problem with the regional server that compiles law enforcement reports, there will be no contributions this week from Dallas and the Sheriff's Office and limited input from Independence.

Independence Police Department

FRIDAY, JUNE 5
Two drivers had a disagreement about a near collision in a parking lot in the 1000 block of Monmouth Street. Both parties honked at each other and one of the drivers, Joshua Banninger, got out of his vehicle and approached the other vehicle with a knife in his hand. Witnesses said Banninger threatened to harm them with the knife. Banninger was arrested and charged with menacing and unlawful use/display of a weapon.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6
An officer conducting

an early morning park area check on Grand Street and observed two occupants in the backseat of a vehicle. Upon contacting the occupants to advise of park hours it was discovered that John Bravo had an outstanding probation violation warrant and was taken to the Polk County Jail. He was also excluded from the park for 30 days.

SUNDAY, JUNE 7
A 911 call was placed at an apartment in the 200 block of Deann Drive where several people were yelling. It was discovered that Matthew Allen had an outstanding warrant out of Dallas Municipal Court for trespassing. When taken into custody Allen informed officers that he had a firearm on him. The firearm was concealed under his sweatshirt and Allen was charged with unlawful possession of a firearm because he did not possess a concealed handgun license.

Multiple 911 calls were placed for a vehicle

swerving in the lane of travel in the 500 block of Hoffman Road and also missing a front tire. Upon contacting the driver, Tracey Blacksmith Tremli, the officer immediately identified signs of intoxication. Blacksmith Tremli was suspended at the misdemeanor level from driving and was on probation for driving under the influence of an intoxicant. Upon refusing to participate in the breathalyzer test, a search warrant was written for a blood draw. Blacksmith Tremli was charged with DUI, driving while suspended - misdemeanor, and a probation violation.

Monmouth Police Department

THURSDAY, JUNE 4
Intoxication: A resident reported that her 15-year-old daughter returned home highly intoxicated, fell down the stairs, and left on foot. An officer located the teenager visibly intoxicated on a

nearby street; she admitted to drinking at a park. After consulting with juvenile authorities, the teenager was released back to her mother to sleep off the effects.
Mental Health Incident: A report was received of a female customer at a pizza shop lobby demanding sauce while holding a knife. Upon arrival, an officer contacted the individual, who surrendered the knife. The officer also confiscated pepper spray and a replica firearm. The business did not wish to pursue charges and provided the requested food; the individual was given her items back.
Driving Complaint: A complaint was received regarding a silver sedan traveling south that nearly caused multiple head-on crashes and forced oncoming vehicles onto the shoulder while passing a semi-truck. An officer located the driver, who admitted to smoking marijuana earlier. The driver performed well on sobriety tests, acknowledged

the dangerous maneuver, and was released with a warning.
Suspicious Activity: An intoxicated individual was reported at a pizza shop asking staff to purchase beer for him after being refused service at a local market. The store clerk confirmed the individual caused no issues and left the premises willingly when requested by the assistant manager.
Hangup Call: Officers responded to a 911 hangup at an apartment complex. The resident explained that their phone screen was broken and they believed the call was accidental.
Suspicious Activity: A resident reported a small, two-seat brown couch dumped in their side yard near some bushes. The resident planned to review home security camera footage to identify who left it.
Intoxication: A citizen reported an intoxicated male running in the street and yelling at traffic. Before authorities arrived,

the individual boarded a trolley headed to a neighboring town.
Trespass: Staff at a convenience store reported a disturbance involving an individual who had been previously trespassed from the property for attempting to sell merchandise. The manager declined to press charges but requested the individual leave. The individual was warned that returning would result in an arrest.
Suspicious Person: A report was made regarding a female standing in front of a market appearing intoxicated and asking people for money. Authorities were unable to locate the person, although the description matched a known individual.
Domestic Disturbance: Residents reported a dispute regarding child custody. Authorities assisted in the situation, confirming the arrangement with a case worker and advising one party that further

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disruptive behavior could lead to criminal charges.

Suspicious Activity: A bicyclist reported that a passenger in a white hatchback vehicle flipped them off while passing. When the cyclist responded in kind, the passenger exited the vehicle, threatened to beat up the cyclist, and made verbal threats regarding property. The cyclist requested documentation of the incident.

Animal Complaint: A resident reported an aggressive, large lab-type dog barking continuously at a trailer park. Upon arrival, the officer could hear the animal moving in thick brush but could not reach it without trespassing on private property. The resident was advised to call back if the barking resumed.

Trespass: During an area check, an officer located an individual sleeping on cardboard against the side of a building. Because the property owner had requested that anyone found on-site be trespassed, the officer issued a warning and trespassed the individual from the location.

Fight: A physical altercation occurred at a local pub after an individual was disruptive and told to leave. The individual fought with another patron on the ground, resulting in one party biting the other's head and the other punching the individual in the face, causing a severe black eye.

FRIDAY, JUNE 5

Impaired Driving: While responding to a pub fight, authorities encountered a suspect vehicle returning to the scene. The driver exhibited indicators of impairment, refused voluntary testing, and became combative during the arrest. After obtaining a search warrant for a blood draw, the driver was processed and lodged at the jail where he was charged with impaired driving, reckless driving and resisting arrest.

Check Welfare: Authorities responded to a report of a possible struggle or disturbance in an apartment. They found the resident singing while drinking coffee and determined the situation was peaceful.

Suspicious Vehicle: A credit union reported a vehicle parked in front of their ATM. The driver was contacted, informed of parking ordinances and

local camping regulations, and agreed to move the vehicle.

Driving Complaint: A caller reported a vehicle failing to maintain its lane while traveling south. The officer contacted the driver after they arrived at a business. No signs of impairment were observed, and the officer counseled the driver on vehicle safety and driving habits.

Trespass: A local shelter program removed an individual after they violated safety policies. The individual initially refused to leave, but after management clarified regulations, they were formally trespassed and removed from the property.

Arrest: Authorities searched a room of an individual after responding to a related complaint and discovered a stolen handgun and a replica firearm. The individual was taken into custody and charged with theft and unlawful possession of a weapon. During apprehension, the subject resisted the officers and received the additional charge.

Civil Matter: A school reported a dispute between parents regarding a child custody pick-up. Because no formal custody agreement was in place, the parties were advised that the disagreement was a civil matter.

Domestic Disturbance: Officers responded to a report of a verbal argument between two residents. One party denied any physical altercation and left to cool down; the other refused to speak to officers at the door.

Theft: A resident reported that their unlocked vehicle was entered overnight and minor items — including body spray and a hairbrush — were stolen. The victim declined to pursue charges.

Disturbance: An individual was reported for aggressive behavior, including pushing a child off a bicycle at a skate park. The individual was trespassed from the area for 30 days.

Domestic Disturbance / Arrest: Authorities responded to a physical domestic disturbance. One involved party was arrested on an outstanding warrant and later confessed to identity theft and unlawful credit card use.

Check Welfare: A 911 call was received where a distant voice could be heard repeating “shut up.” Officers found a parent and child playing video games; the child had been playing on the phone and

the situation was safe.

Noise: A resident reported juveniles screaming near their home. When officers arrived, the area was quiet.

Follow-up: An individual was formally trespassed from university property regarding a separate, prior case.

Sex Offense: An individual reported a past sexual assault to the department. Although she later withdrew the report, officers provided support information and suggested a forensic examination should she change her mind.

Domestic Disturbance: A resident reported a past domestic incident where she was pushed to the ground, causing soreness and bruising. Officers attempted to follow up, but the caller did not answer.

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

Armed Person: Police received reports of an individual walking and screaming near an apartment complex, with witness reports indicating he racked a round into an AR-style rifle and threatened to “shoot up” the location. After a perimeter was established and the suspect fled, officers engaged in a foot pursuit and ultimately took the individual into custody after issuing force warnings. Officers recovered a stolen handgun, ammunition, and other stolen items.

Community Event: Authorities held an event to welcome back the Central High School baseball team following their state championship win.

Theft: Found packages were reported in a residential area. Officers contacted the owner and a friend of the owner arrived to return the items.

Animal Complaint: A report of a loose, large dog was received, but the animal was gone upon arrival.

Driving Complaint: Officers contacted a driver who had approximately seven juveniles in their vehicle, including some riding in the trunk. The driver was cautioned about the dangers and agreed to shuttle the passengers safely.

Suspicious Activity: A report of a bag left by a dumpster prompted concerns about illegal activity. Upon arrival, the bag was gone.

Domestic Disturbance: An individual forced their way into a home, damaged property, and threw their ex-partner's items into a toilet. The victim

declined to press charges but requested the individual be trespassed, which was granted for one year.

Mental Health Incident: Officers investigated reports of an individual expressing suicidal ideation and indirect threats. After coordinating with friends and family to secure the individual's medications and safety, the individual agreed to go to a safe location with friends.

Driving Complaint: A truck was reported weaving in traffic. The driver was stopped, and although not impaired, was cautioned about distracted driving.

SUNDAY, JUNE 7

Domestic Disturbance: A resident reported a domestic dispute where they were locked out of their home and property was broken. Officers attempted to contact the other party to retrieve belongings but were unsuccessful.

Impaired Driving: A pickup truck was reported performing burnouts in the street. The driver exhibited signs of impairment, performed poorly on sobriety tests, and was arrested for impaired driving.

Assistance: Officers assisted another agency in taking an individual into custody regarding a menacing case.

Arrest: An individual was arrested on a contempt of court warrant.

Driving Complaint: A report was made regarding two adults riding mopeds recklessly on the street. The area was searched, but the individuals were not found.

Citizen Contact: A resident reported seeing an individual riding a moped recklessly.

Citizen Contact: A parent reported concerns regarding a runaway child and requested assistance. The officer advised the child to remain home.

Domestic Disturbance: A report of a physical domestic disturbance prompted a response, but upon separate interviews with the involved parties, no physical injuries were found and no crimes were reported.

MONDAY, JUNE 8

Driving Complaint: A vehicle was reported driving slowly and swerving. Upon contact, the driver denied drinking and showed no signs of impairment.

Domestic Disturbance: Officers responded to a reported physical domestic disturbance.

One involved party was detained and interviewed, showing minor injuries. The other party did not wish to speak with officers that evening, and they were advised to remain separated.

Check Welfare: A resident reported noise and yelling from a nearby apartment, but officers received no answer at the door.

Citizen Contact: A parent and children visited the station to learn more about e-bike laws.

Crash: A resident requested a courtesy report for a minor vehicle crash that had occurred earlier for insurance purposes.

Civil Matter: A resident reported a dispute over a ladder that an ex-partner refused to return. Officers mediated the situation, and the parties agreed on a plan to return the property without further contact.

Overdose: A resident arrived home to find her boyfriend unconscious on the bathroom floor after consuming prescription medication. He was transported to the hospital by medics.

Suspicious Person: A report of a man carrying duffle bags and acting strangely near a school prompted a walkthrough. Authorities were unable to locate the individual.

Citizen Contact: A citizen inquired about the details of a domestic incident involving their child and another party.

Citizen Contact: A citizen provided an update that a hospitalized individual would likely remain there for a few days.

TUESDAY, JUNE 9

Suspicious Vehicle: A report of individuals having sex in a car resulted in a contact where the couple admitted to kissing but were not engaged in inappropriate activity.

Theft: A resident reported an unknown suspect entered their vehicle and stole a wireless FM transmitter.

Theft: A resident reported that their wallet — previously lost and turned in to campus safety — was missing a social security card and cash when recovered.

Suspicious Activity: A report was made regarding a social media post showing a parent with a vape pen near a child, but officers could not confirm the timeline or location.

Mental Health Incident: A welfare check was requested due to a concerning social media post. Authorities contacted the

individual's family, who confirmed the individual was safe and the post was related to relationship issues.

Animal Complaint: A loose dog was reported, but the animal was no longer outside upon arrival.

Domestic Disturbance: A resident reported a domestic dispute where a drink was thrown in their face. The report was documented.

Domestic Disturbance: A domestic dispute occurred in a vehicle regarding child custody. Officers mediated the situation, and the parties departed to resolve the issue privately.

Suspicious Activity: A report was made regarding bullying at a school, including allegations of physical force and verbal threats. Documentation was provided as requested.

Arrest: An individual was arrested and charged with property damage and trespassing.

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Found Property: A juvenile found a black replica Glock BB gun in the grass, which was taken by officers for safekeeping.

Alarm: A panic alarm was activated at a credit union, but no issues were found.

Property Damage: Utility equipment was found defaced with graffiti.

Property Damage: A resident requested a report for insurance purposes regarding damage to their vehicle that occurred two weeks prior.

Citizen Contact: Parents of a child with special needs provided information to assist officers in the event the child runs off, as they are prone to doing.

Driving Complaint: A vehicle was reported driving erratically, but upon contact, the driver explained they had pulled over to let the officer pass, and no impairment was found.

Trespass: Officers attempted to locate individuals reportedly rummaging through property to trespass them, but were unable to make contact.

Intoxication / Arrest: A mother reported her 14-year-old daughter was intoxicated at a park and refusing to go home. Officers located the teenager and two other juveniles, all intoxicated. The other juveniles were released to their parents, but the 14-year-old was placed in custody due to a probation detainer.

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glides right over it. He hits the top of that barrier, launches off it and clears most of the water, and then just keeps going.”

It's this leaping ability that is Wendring's super power.

“Guys who are faster than Aidan in the 1500 meters, he will beat them in the steeplechase, and he will beat them decisively. He gains ground at every barrier,” Eli Cirino said. “It's pretty obvious when you see him race other guys that he's a natural at it.” This two-year rise from novice status was fueled by rigorous training and consistency.

“I started investing my life into this,” Wendring said. “It's like anything, if you work hard for it, you'll get it. If you stay

consistent, you'll get it.”

Wendring practices steeplechase at least once a week during the off-season. Training ramps up as a race nears. Otherwise, running, and lots of it, is key.

“The biggest factor dictating how fast your race will be is just how fast you are. So being able to run a fast 2K is still the most important thing,” he said. “Getting better at hurdles will definitely shave off time. But hurdle technique will come.”

Focus is also critical. Brief lapses change outcome. Maybe even rob runners of elite accomplishments.

Wendring experienced his own lapse at this year's Oregon Relays. While challenging the meet record, he clipped the final barrier and fell to the ground. He recovered and still bested the runner-up by 10 seconds.

But hopes for the record disappeared.

“I was running good, feeling it, and lost my focus on one hurdle. Hit it, and banged my knee. I ate it, with one lap to go. I lost focus for like three seconds, and it changed the trajectory of my race,” he said. “In the big picture, the fall doesn't matter. I'll learn from it and get better.”

That moment reinforced the need to stay locked in. Wendring explained in the other races his focus is on his competitors. There's more going on in steeplechase.

“You always have to focus on the next hurdle, while staying smooth and relaxed in-between,” he added.

Wendring is headed to the University of Portland and its cross country and track teams next fall. He will red-shirt his

freshman year. But a less grueling schedule won't slow him down.

“Aidan understands what he needs to do to get better. He understands the technicalities of it. He has the grit, determination, competitiveness and

willingness to do hard things that hurt in order to be successful. There's not a lot of kids that have all of those characteristics,” Eli Cirino said. “It's hard enough getting kids to run distances, but steeplechase is another

compare performances directly,” he said. “But cross country probably fits me best. There's a mental and grit component in cross country that I really enjoy.”

“We've had really high-level competition in Oregon with guys from Crater and Summit, so this feels like the next step,” he said. “I'm excited to train and run (with and) against people who will push me.”

While Cirino excels in both track and cross country, he appreciates different aspects of each.

“Track is really fun because conditions are controlled and you can

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when it comes to the indoor and outdoor track seasons.

“I don't know what the plan is, but I think there's room for big improvements. Mostly, I want to see steady progress and no injuries,” he said.

When Cirino does compete, he'll face some of the nation's top distance runners. This challenge is by design.

“The Big 12 is arguably the strongest distance conference in the country.

beast altogether. Aidan is an animal.”

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