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By Alysha Beck, The Umpqua Post

A team from Orca Divers Industrial Diving and Marine Construction took a boat out on the Umpqua River Oct. 11 to fix a break in the sewer line connecting Gardiner with Reedsport. The team had to spot the break and then dive down to cap it.

Tons of sewage enter river

BY JESSIE HIGGINS
The Umpqua Post

GARDINER — An estimated 50,000 gallons of raw sewage poured into the Umpqua River last week after the sewer line that connects Gardiner with Reedsport broke.

The Gardiner Sanitary District shut off the line, and sewage is being re-routed through a temporary pipe.

"It was a significant spill," said

Alex Manderson, a shellfish specialist at the Oregon Department of Agriculture. "Fifty thousand gallons of raw sewage is a lot. But apparently the leak was taking place over a day or two, and the volume of water going through there does dilute it down a little."

As a precaution, Manderson asked local oyster farmers to delay harvesting for a few days. He said the other fish should not be affected.

Recreational river users should

practice basic sanitation, he said.

The broken line carries Gardiner's sewage beneath the Umpqua River to the Reedsport sewage treatment plant. This is not the first time it has broken.

"They know the pipe is old and needs to be replaced," said John Gasik, a water quality specialist at the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality. "It is old and in bad condition."

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Highland math program does not add up

BY SARAH HAASE
The Umpqua Post

REEDSPORT — Highland Elementary School is not performing to state standards and was targeted as a focus school by the state Department of Education.

A focus school is identified as a school in a high-poverty location that needs additional support and intervention to help improve student performance.

District Superintendent and Highland Elementary Principal Jim Thomas said since the elementary school was identified as a focus school, staff has been working to address the inadequacies.

The department identifies schools that perform low in math and reading.

"The state has established certain goals and standards for schools that have not made adequate yearly progress in areas of reading and math," Thomas said. "They have identified areas we need to start working on in order to improve the

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By Alysha Beck, The World

The Mast brothers are opening their new gym, The Body Shop, in Reedsport on Wednesday.

Get ripped in Reedsport

BY SARAH HAASE
The Umpqua Post

REEDSPORT — A new body shop is in town, but this one targets arms, legs, midsections and rears.

The Body Shop, a new, 24-hour, fitness center, operated by Mast Brothers Towing and Recovery will hold its grand opening today.

Perspective members are encouraged to stop

by and check out the new facility at 115 South 20th Street, Suite 4.

The gym is equipped with a variety of cardio and strength training machines including spin cycles, treadmills, ellipticals, machine and free weights and row machines, all furnished from Fitness Equipment of Eugene. Motivation quotes are painted on the orange and gray walls, encouraging workouts.

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Harbormasters celebrate WB

BY SARAH HAASE
The Umpqua Post

WINCHESTER BAY — Salmon Harbor, one of the smallest ports on the Pacific Coast, impressed more than 30 harbor masters and port managers with facilities geared especially for this area.

During its first major convention, Salmon Harbor Marina dazzled visitors with an unforgettable experience during the 38th semi-annual conference of the Pacific Coast Congress of Harbormasters and Port Managers. The meetings are usually held in larger cities but Bud Shoemaker, president of the PCC said the Salmon Harbor Marina is a real asset to the area and was a location that other members wanted to see.

"We knew it would be challenging, but we voted unanimously to hold the convention here because we didn't want to be near a big city or airport," he said, "You guys have to be really proud of what you have here. The RV Park is a real economic engine."

It wasn't all work, while the visitors were in town.

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Reedsport readies for city elections

Voter ballots will be mailed out on Friday.

In an effort to provide as much information to the community about the nine candidates running for office, The Umpqua Post has provided candidate profiles the last couple of weeks.

Below is brief summary of the candidates who are running for mayor and three council positions. Basic information was asked of all the candidates in the form of a questionnaire. Not all candidates returned the questionnaire, though, so some answers are shorter than others.

On Monday, Oct. 15, a candidate forum was held and seven of the nine candidates attended. In next week's edition of The Umpqua Post there will be an in-depth article about that meeting.

Linda McCollum

Education: Two years of college
Occupation: Twenty years with Sears, the last 13 in management
Government/civic experience: Member of the Reedsport chapter of Philanthropic Education Organization

What are the biggest opportunities for the city?

Tourism is obviously a very important opportunity for Reedsport. We need to work with the Chamber of Commerce and other sources to increase the popularity of Reedsport as a destination for tourists.



Linda McCollum
City council No. 3

Frank Barth

Occupation: Worked in a variety of businesses in various capacities.

Government/civic experience: I lived in my house 30 years. I'm not a politician. I'm a worker. But I've always tried to do the best job I could. That's what you have to do, you have to step up and make it work.

What are the biggest opportunities for the city right now?

Opportunities for Reedsport are what we make of them. If we pursue those opportunities, reality will happen and something will come of it. If you just sit there and look at it go by, they're not going to wave, they're not going to stop.

There are some things that need to be taken care of. To list everything that needs to be addressed you're not going to do that today. I don't think enough discussion goes into some of the projects and problems that we face.



Frank Barth
City council No. 1

Ed Spalione

Education: Served in the U.S. Marine Corp.

Occupation: More than 20 years working in the supply side of the construction industry, local businessman with a shop in town.

Government/civic experience: Present commander of the American Legion Post 62, member of the Old Town Merchants Association

What are the biggest opportunities facing the city?

Right now I don't see too many. We've got to do something to bring in some tax base so this community doesn't shrivel up and die.



Ed Spalione
City council No. 2

Ed O'Carroll

Education: attended a number of universities and advance studies

Occupation: U.S. Congress, lobbyist, legal research and writer, representative for special education, government and business development

Government/civic experience: City of Burns Councilman, political strategist and city development.

What are the biggest opportunities for the city?

The city is blessed with national beauty, low crime rate, a good location and a good workforce. Businesses are looking for places like Reedsport to bring their businesses. We are lacking in public relations; we have not told our story to the world.



Ed O'Carroll
City council No. 1

Merv Cloe

Education: Served as a combat engineer for the 162 Engineer Combat Battalion of the 41st Infantry Division

Occupation: Self employed general contractor in Reedsport,

Government and civic experience: Served as Port of Umpqua Commissioner, member of the Gardiner/Reedsport Lions Club, involved with rebuilding the Lions War Memorial and installing the flagpole in honor of 9/11.

What are the biggest opportunities for the city right now?

Restoring affordability can restart a migration to the area. We must become a friendlier community and stop inhibiting business investment. We need to keep the present business investment and welcome new opportunities. Reedsport still has resources that can be an advantage to create in partnership with the Port of Umpqua, who are chartered and tooled to do economic development.



Merv Cloe
Mayoral race

Keith Tymchuk

Education: BA: Telecommunications from the University of Oregon, MA of Education, Oregon State University

Occupation: Educator for 32 years

Government/civic experience: Elected five times as Reedsport's mayor, 17 years as a Port of Umpqua Commissioner, member of the Oregon Wave Energy Trust Board of Directors, Convener of the Governor's Regional Economic Solutions Advisory Board, selected by Oregon Business Magazine as one of Oregon's 50 Greatest Leaders.

What are the biggest opportunities for the city right now?

The most immediate opportunity for Reedsport is making sure they elect a mayor and council that wants to do what's right for the city. The next best opportunity are those economic development chips we have, the NNMREC site, the IP site, the OPT project, the Coos Bay rail line.



Keith Tymchuk
Mayoral race

A'eron Blackman

Education: Business Administration specializing in Marketing

Occupation: Marketing Consultant

Government/civic experience: Two years on the Reedsport Budget Committee, two semesters as the communications executive for ASEOU. One year as senator.

What are the biggest opportunities for the city?

Reedsport is a port city and we really should be exporting something. The Umpqua/Smith is a significant river system that is under utilized. If elected I will use my position to promote and encourage international trade and try to make Reedsport a notable maritime destination for tourism.



A'eron Blackman
City council No. 2

Charles Wade

Education: Completed high school, some college at Chabot College, Hayward, C.A. Attended Operating Engineers Trade and Electrical Training schools.

Occupation relevant experience: Retired, operating engineer, Local #3 superintendent over jobs, service manager for two electrical firms, service station owner, self employed, C&K Auto electric, U.S. Air Force

Government/civic experience: Key player in the Measure 10-119 initiative process, caretaker of the BLM property, 2010 Census taker. Also coordinated with the county, state and railroad to fix the railroad tracks on Highway 38 and Winchester Ave.

What are the biggest opportunities for the city right now?

Attracting new businesses to help make Reedsport a more livable place. Building on tourism and making the community more RV-friendly. The opportunity for coal trains to travel on the railroad through Reedsport is another opportunity. Re-evaluating the use of city property is also an opportunity.



Charles Wade
City council No. 3

DeeDee Murphy

Education: Three years of college, majored in marine biology, oceanography, geology.

Occupation: System consultant, customer support for computer software specializing in radio and television software.

Government/civic experience: Current city planning commissioner, Urban Renewal committee member.

What are the biggest opportunities for the city now?

The wave energy project could be a big opportunity for our area. I would like to do more research on the project and see where we are as far as getting the railroad back through Reedsport. Seeking grants for small businesses could be a real opportunity for revitalization. Learning about what other small communities have done regarding improvements could help us get ideas.



DeeDee Murphy
City council No. 2

ELECTION
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County's reservoir fit for the big screen

By JOHN SOWELL
The News Review

AZALEA — Two men on personal watercrafts zoomed across Galesville Reservoir on Monday afternoon, getting a feel for the layout of the reservoir and dam before next week's filming for the movie "Night Moves." Another group crossed the reservoir in a jet boat. Two pontoon boats that will be used by environmental terrorists in the movie were also out on the water.

"We're trying to scout out the area," said producer Neil Kopp, one of about a dozen

people at the reservoir.

Kopp declined to provide any details about the locations to be used in the movie. He said his company, Portland-based Tipping Point Productions, prefers to shoot first and seek publicity later.

"I'd like to say more, but I just can't," Kopp said.

Director Kelly Reichardt, whose "Meek's Cutoff," "Old Joy" and "Then a Year" were filmed in Oregon, will begin filming Monday and continue for several days.

There will be some daytime scenes, but most of the action will take place at

night, said Tom Manton, director of Douglas County's Natural Resources Division in the Public Works Department.

"They will show the dam being blown up and will have boats on the water and people climbing up to the road," Manton said.

Douglas County will be paid \$2,000 a day for use of the dam, reservoir and the surrounding area. Other filming will take place in the Medford area.

Extras were hired through a Portland casting company and no additional people will be needed, Kopp said.

The movie stars Dakota Fanning, who appeared in the 2001 film "I Am Sam" with Sean Penn and Michelle Pfeiffer. She played a leukemia survivor in the recently released "Now Is Good."

She will be joined by Jesse Eisenberg, who appeared in 2010's "The Social Network," and Peter Sarsgaard from 2011's "Green Lantern."

The story revolves around a crazed Marine veteran (Eisenberg) and his accomplices intent on blowing up a dam.

Fanning plays a wealthy young woman who finances

the operation and falls for Eisenberg's character. Sarsgaard plays the bomb maker.

A competing film company, Edward R. Pressman Film Co., has filed suit against "Night Moves," claiming the movie stole the plot and characters from Edward Abbey's 1975 novel "The Monkey Wrench Gang," which follows four environmental saboteurs who target a dam, clear-cutters, strip miners and road builders.

The novel inspired the Earth First! movement and led to use of the term "monkeywrench" for acts of eco-

terrorism. Abbey's widow, Clarke Abbey, assigned the book's film rights to Pressman.

The lawsuit, filed in Los Angeles, asks that Reichardt and her partners be prohibited from producing, promoting and selling the film.

No action has been taken to prevent Tipping Point Productions from filming at Galesville Dam.

"It's a good thing for Douglas County. They will be spending money in town," Manton said.

The completed movie is expected to be released next year.

Commissioner cited for traffic violations

County Commissioner Joe Laurance was involved in several traffic violations late last month.

Laurance was pulled over

by a sheriff's deputy who pulled a gun on the commissioner after he reportedly stopped his motorcycle nearly seven miles after the deputy

began his pursuit of Laurance.

The commissioner was cited for reckless driving, passing in a no-passing lane and speeding—he was allegedly driving 80 mph on his 2005 Harley Davidson. Laurance was driving east on Highway 42 near Quarter Horse Lane, west of Winston when the deputy, coming from the opposite direction spotted Laurance speeding at 12:10 p.m. on Sunday Sept. 29.

It was reported that the deputy pulled out his pistol and told Laurance to keep his hands in plain sight. After Laurance removed his helmet, the deputy recognized the commissioner and put his gun back into its holster.

Jackson County District Attorney Mark Huddleston's office was asked to review the case because of a possi-

ble conflict of interest if heard in Douglas County. Jackson County Deputy District Attorney recommended that the reckless driving charge be downgraded to careless driving because of the totality of the circumstance.

Reckless driving is considered a Class A misdemeanor and is defined as consciously disregarding a substantial and unjustifiable risk. Careless driving is a Class B violation and is defined as driving in a manner that endangers or would likely endanger a person or property.

If Laurance contests the charges, he will appear before a Jackson County judge.

Coast Guard to host group run

By SARAH HAASE
The Umpqua Post

WINCHESTER BAY — Our local U.S. Coast Guardsmen and women are up to all good again.

In honor of breast cancer awareness month, the men and women from Station Umpqua River have spearheaded a 4.8 mile group run, Underway for the Cure. The idea was sparked earlier this month and with a little team work BM1 Ben Snider is finalizing plans for the Oct. 24 event.

"All in all, it's for a great cause, and that's the reason we're doing it," he said. "Every dollar donated is going back into raising

awareness and the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation."

The run started off as just a "coasties only" run, but "the more I thought about it, the more it makes sense to invite anyone and everyone to participate," Snider said. "The worst that could happen is we just run out of shirts, and fruit at the end."

The race begins at the Coast Guard Air Station in North Bend and travels to U.S. Highway 101 then south to the Safeway parking lot in Coos Bay.

The event is not a race, Snider said, but more of a run at a comfortable, slow and steady pace.

"There's no trying to hurry, while gaining this sort of attention," he said.

Runners are asked to donate \$10 to participate. The race begins at 10 a.m.

For additional information contact Snider at 541-271-2138 or by email: Benjamin.D.Snider@uscg.mil.

Donations can be made online at <http://tinyurl.com/9g5y6pn>.

The Station Umpqua River Guardsmen and women are still collecting canned food for the third annual Thunderwater 3000 Canned Food Drive. The drive began on Aug. 15 and for every can of food donated the Coasties would run a mile. To date, station crew members have logged 1,438 miles, but not nearly as many cans have been collected. The drive ends on Nov. 15. Donations can be dropped off at the guard station in Winchester Bay.

Oldtime Fiddlers in W.B. Oct. 20

WINCHESTER BAY — The Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers, District 5, will be making music on Saturday, Oct. 20, at the Winchester Bay Community Center, 635 Broadway Ave. The association is a non-profit organization which tries to perpetuate oldtime fiddling and oldtime music by having performances and giving lessons in oldtime fiddling, with instruments to loan. All the music is played on acoustic instruments.

The performance is from 1-3 p.m. followed by a circle jam from 3-4 p.m. There will be a meeting for members only at 11 a.m.

For more information, call 541-759-3419.

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October 2012 Community Calendar

17 Wednesday

- Blood pressure clinic — 10-11 a.m., Gardiner Fire Hall, 208 Marsh St., Gardiner. Free.
- Winchester Bay Sanitary District — 6 p.m., district conference room, 936 Salmon Harbor Dr.; regular meeting.
- Reedsport Wave Energy Testing Center meeting — 7 p.m., Port of Umpqua, 364 N. Fourth St.
- Port of Umpqua — 7 p.m., Port of Umpqua Annex, 1841 Winchester Ave., Reedsport; regular meeting.

18 Thursday

- Blood pressure clinic — 10-11 a.m., Timber Ridge Retirement Center, 660 Ranch Road, Reedsport., Gardiner. Free.
- Gardiner Reedsport Lions Club — 6:30 p.m., Bedrock's Pizzeria, 2165 Winchester Ave.
- Gardiner Sanitary District — 6:30 p.m., Gardiner Fire Hall, 208 Marsh St.; regular monthly meeting.
- Friends of 10-119 — 7 p.m., 2284 Longwood Ave., Reedsport. Meet and greet with New Majority candidates. Coffee and cookies will be served.
- Douglas County Planning Commission — 7 p.m., Room 216, courthouse, 1036 S.E. Douglas Ave., Roseburg; public meeting.

19 Friday

- Fall book sale — noon to 4 p.m., Reedsport Branch Library, 395 Winchester Ave.

20 Saturday

- Fall book sale — 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Reedsport Branch Library, 395 Winchester Ave.
- Oregon Old Time Fiddlers, District 5 — 1-3 p.m., Winchester Bay Community Center, 635 Broadway Ave.

21 Sunday

- Fall book sale — 1-4 p.m., Reedsport Branch Library, 395 Winchester Ave. \$2 bag sale starts.
- Safeway's Annual Breast Cancer Fundraiser Lasagna Dinner — 4:30-7:30 p.m., Leona's Restaurant, 1501 Highway Ave., Reedsport. Cost is \$6.75.

23 Tuesday

- Hospice volunteer training — 1-3:30 p.m., Family Resource Center, 5 St. John's Way, Reedsport. Cost is free.

Weekly events

Mondays

- Al-Anon meeting noon, United Presbyterian Church, 2360 Longwood Drive.
- Overeaters Anonymous 4-5 p.m., United Presbyterian Church, 2360 Longwood Drive.
- Take Off Pounds Sensibly 5:30 p.m., Foursquare Church, 2900 Frontage Road.
- Entertainment Night 6:30 p.m., Covenant United Methodist Church, 3520 Frontage Road.
- Bingo 6 p.m., Winchester Bay Community Center, 635 Broadway Ave.

Tuesdays

- SAFE Drug/alcohol recovery support group 6:30 a.m., Highlands Baptist Church, 2500 Longwood Drive.
- Instructor available at the Computer Learning Center 9 a.m., Covenant United Methodist Church, 3520 Frontage Road, Reedsport.
- Bingo 6 p.m., Eagles, 510 Greenwood Ave.
- Coast Toasties Toastmasters Club 7:15 p.m., Reedsport Branch Library, 395 Winchester Ave.

Wednesdays

- Preschool Story Time 11 a.m., Reedsport Branch Library, 395 Winchester Ave.
- Soup's On noon, Covenant United Methodist Church, 3520 Frontage Road, Reedsport. Free lunch open to the public.
- Bingo 1-3 p.m., Lower Umpqua Senior Center, 460 Winchester Ave.

Thursdays

- Rotary noon, The Club, 1 Country Club Drive.
- Bingo 6:30 p.m., Lakeside Lions Hall, 890 Bowron Road. Doors open at 5 p.m.

Fridays

- AA women's meeting 10-11 a.m., United Presbyterian Church, 2360 Longwood Drive. Use High Street entrance. For information, call 541-361-6152.

4-DAY SCHOOL CALENDAR

OCTOBER

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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REEDSPORT & COUNTY POLICE LOG

REEDSPORT

- Oct. 8, 5:42 a.m., burglary, 100 block of Greenwood Avenue, report of items stolen from garage.
- Oct. 8, 8 a.m., theft, 100 block of Laurel Avenue, report of item stolen from vehicle, under investigation.
- Oct. 9, 7:12 a.m., theft, 300 block of S. 21st Street, report of vehicle stolen, under investigation.
- Oct. 9, 8:46 a.m., attempted unauthorized entry into motor vehicle, 500 block of S. 22nd Street, report of a male attempting to enter vehicle during the night.
- Oct. 9, 9:23 a.m., unauthorized entry into motor vehicle, 2000 block of Alder Avenue, report of unauthorized person entering vehicle, under investigation.
- Oct. 9, 12:31 p.m., burglary, 2000 block of Fir Avenue, report of property stolen from a residence and vehicle, under investigation, property recovered and returned to owner.
- Oct. 9, 4:41 p.m., theft, 1300 Highway Avenue, report of shoplifting, officer investigating.
- Oct. 11, 10:19 a.m., 22nd Street and Frontage Road, report of a child being bitten by a dog.
- Oct. 12, 8:40 a.m., theft, 600 block of Thornton Oar Lane, report of theft and cashing of checks.
- Oct. 12, 2:05 p.m., distur-

GARDINER

- Oct. 10, 9:03 a.m., domestic problem, 77000 block of U.S. Highway 101, report of female screaming for a male to leave her alone, possibly pregnant, child present.
- Oct. 12, 5:29 p.m., motor vehicle accident, U.S. Highway 101 at milepost 201, semi wrecked and diesel spilled onto all four lanes of travel, injury.
- Oct. 13, 4:31 a.m., unauthorized entry into motor vehicle, 2300 block of Longwood Drive, report of unauthorized person in vehicle, under investigation.
- Oct. 13, 9:33 a.m., domestic problem, 700 block of Mill Avenue, person reporting has been asked to leave location and he is concerned a disturbance will occur while gathering his property.
- Oct. 13, 2 p.m., suspicious circumstance, 2800 block of Bowman Road, report of theft of money from residence.

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- Oct. 13, 7:14 p.m., suspicious circumstances, report of male walking the docks, told person reporting that he had a gun.

OSU presents Gifts from the Kitchen on Nov. 3

Looking for just the right gift for that special family member, friend or teacher? Gifts from the Kitchen will be presented by the OSU Extension Master Food Preservers on Saturday, Nov. 3. A wide variety of ideas for homemade food gifts from sweet to savory, as well as various wrapping and

presentation ideas, will be presented. Some samples will be provided and participants will make one or two small gift items to take home.

The class will run from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 3 at UCAN, 280 Kenneth Ford Dr., Roseburg. Cost is \$15.

Pre-register by Oct. 29 through OSU Extension at 541-672-4461 or visit <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/douglas/food> to print out a registration form.

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LOCAL

Spelling contest requests volunteers

Oregon Spellers, which runs the Statewide Spelling Championship, is looking for volunteers in Douglas county to organize written spelling contests at the school, school district, and county levels. The top speller in each division, elementary, middle, and high school, of the county level contest will proceed to the Oregon Statewide Spelling Championship which is held at the Oregon State Fair in Salem.

Local contest organizers can be school administrators, teachers, parent volunteers, or even community service organizations.

More information about how to organize a spelling contest can be found at www.oregonspellers.org or by contacting Oregon Spellers at 541-401-9780 or oregon-spellers@kaynor.net.

Harbormasters

FROM PAGE 1

Live music, Coast Guard mock rescue and local dining

The U.S. Coast Guardsmen and women from Station Umpqua performed a mock water rescue, complete with repelling guardsmen from a helicopter.

Live music, followed by a comedian entertained guests who were served local cuisine prepared by Lauree Serang of Harbor Light and Neuman Humble of The Schooner Cafe.

Some of the harbormasters and port managers found some free time to check out the more popular tourist destinations on the south coast.

"We're going out on the sand dunes," said Lon White, harbormaster from the Port of Kodiak, in Alaska. "We also want to try some crabbing while we're here and some oyster shooters."

This was White's first visit to the are, and it wasn't just the recreation that made an impression. The hard work by Harbormaster Jeff Vander Kley and the rest of the Salmon Harbor staff is commendable he said.

"I love Winchester Bay. Salmon Harbor is a really great facility," he said. "Jeff really does everything on a pretty tight budget with not a lot of help from government money. If I didn't live on an island 250 miles from the nearest road network, I'd definitely put in an RV park. There are more land yachts here than anywhere else. It's really unique."

These meetings are held twice a year, and provide an opportunity for harbormasters to share experiences, talk about problems and solutions, and provide hands-on education and important networking opportunities.

The next PCC conference will be held in Seattle, Wash.

Highland

FROM PAGE 1

Staff works diligently to compensate for math program

academic achievement of the students. Our math scores are exceedingly low, depending on which grade level we're talking about, passing is about 30 percent. Reading ranged from low to mid-70 percent. They were not pretty so we have to develop a plan as to how we are going to address those deficiencies."

Additionally, Thomas cited several areas that were identified, by staff, as areas to improve. They include: administration, instruction, curriculum, student relationships and parent/staff communication.

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proactive in raising student achievement," he said. "There are over 160 indicators that our staff has gone through here at Highland,

determining priorities in terms of what we need to do to improve the overall achievement. The staff is working hard because they have the same desire to improve student achievement. That's why we're here."

Highland is required to establish a committee that is focused on getting the school back on track. A coach, provided by the state, has been assigned to work with the committee and the rest of the school to help improve performance.

"We have a coach who is coming in and working with us, giving us the, focus, if you will, in terms of where we are, what we need to be doing and prioritizing what are needs are," Thomas said.

School and district report cards are available on the department's website at: <http://www.ode.state.or.us/data/reportcard/reports.aspx>

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Body Shop

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The Body Shop will feature a Finlandia inferred sauna for members to relax and detox. The sauna is expected to be installed in December. A trainer will be hand in two-week intervals to help new gym goers establish a workout routine geared to the individual.

"A lot of people just need a little guidance at first," said Josh Mast, one of the co-owners of the gym. "We want them to be able to have that here."

Lindsay Vitek, a certified ACE health and wellness coach, personal trainer and group exercise instructor, will also teach aerobic workout classes. Zumba, pilates, yoga and kickboxing are just some of the ideas being tossed around, but Mast said, Vitek will gauge member interest to find out what people want.

Mast said the idea to build a gym started with the name. From there, the goal became to provide a safe convenient fitness center for people who want to promote healthy habits and lifestyles.

Safety is high on the list. A live security camera feed to both the front and rear parking



By Alysha Beck, The World

The Mast brothers (left to right) Rodger, Josh and Randy are opening their new gym, The Body Shop, in Reedsport on Oct. 11.

areas is broadcast on one of the five television screens inside the gym. There are four additional 32-inch flat screen televisions with DirectTV service.

There is also a nine-speaker sound system with a USB connection. All the cardio equipment also have USB connections installed. Group rate discounts are available for groups of five or more.

The gym is open 24 hours, and access is by a key fob system. Staff will be on hand from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

For more information visit the gym's Facebook page, <http://www.facebook.com/h>

Gym rates

Monthly rates: \$36 for an individual, \$58 for a couple, \$77 for a family

Six-month rates: \$34 for an individual, \$54 for a couple, \$72 for a family

12-month rates: \$32 for an individual, \$48 for a couple, \$64 for a family

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6-month: \$27
12-month: \$25

ome.php#!/TheBodyShopPhysicalFitness or email, thebodyshop@live.com

Sewage

FROM PAGE 1

The line was built in the late 1960s, said Ray Davenport, the Gardiner Sanitary District's manager. It is buried about 10 feet beneath the river bed, which is shallow for current standards, Gasik said.

The sanitary district is working on a proposal to build its own sewage treatment plant in a lagoon owned by International Paper, thus negating the need for a new line to Reedsport. But progress has been slow. If Gardiner cannot build its own treatment facility, it will need

to replace the line to Reedsport, burying it deeper beneath the river bed, Gasik said.

Orca Divers Industrial Diving and Marine Construction, in Winchester Bay, will head out Oct. 11 to repair the old pipe. Workers will locate the break by pressurizing the line and watching for bubbles at the surface, said Roger Hermansen, Orca Divers' owner.

Divers will then follow the bubbles to the pipe and assess the damage.

"Then, depending on what we find will determine how it is fixed," Hermansen

said. "If it is just a hole in the pipe itself, it will be a couple hours. Anything else, we'll have to take one step at a time."

Gardiner's sewage is currently flowing through an abandoned water line that also runs beneath the Umpqua between Reedsport and Gardiner.

The DEQ required Gardiner to establish an alternative sewer route last year in case of an emergency.

Sanitary personnel discovered the leak Monday, Gasik said. They believe it began about 1 p.m. Oct 7.

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Hunters will be penalized for failing to report hunt results

SALEM — The Fish and Wildlife Commission adopted a rule that will penalize hunters \$25 if they fail to report deer and elk hunt results.

The penalty will begin with the purchase of 2014 hunting licenses. Hunters who fail to report their 2012 deer and elk tags by the Jan. 31 deadline (will have to pay the one-time \$25 fee to purchase a 2014 hunting license. The 2014 licenses go on sale Dec. 1, 2013.

Hunters can report online <<https://or.outdoorcentral.us/or/hunterreport>> or by calling 1-866-947-6339. The automated system used for hunters who report by phone will soon be replaced by customer service representatives who can take hunt results over the phone. The representative is expected to make things easier for hunters that have trouble with the automated system.

Reporting hunt results for all

deer, elk, pronghorn antelope, cougar, bear and turkey tags purchased (even when tags go unfilled or the buyer never went hunting) has been mandatory for several years. ODFW needs the information to determine harvest and effort levels, estimate populations and set tag numbers. But last year, the fourth year of "Mandatory Reporting" with no penalty, results were reported on only 41 percent of tags purchased.

Deer and elk tags are some of the most under-reported and information from these hunts is critical for setting tag numbers and seasons. Despite heavy promotion of the requirement and incentives for reporting, the reporting rate still isn't high enough for ODFW to use the data. Another problem is that hunters who are successful are more likely to report than those who didn't fill

their tag, which skews harvest numbers.

In other changes to the 2013 Big Game Regulations, the Commission:

- Cut antlerless elk hunting on national forestland on the west slope of the Cascades and in the Ochoco Unit, due to declining elk numbers on National Forest lands. Archers, muzzleloader hunters and hunters with disability permits will no longer be able to take any elk—the bag limit will be a legal bull.

- Offer two types of archery tags for the Ochoco Unit, one with a one elk and one with a bull-only bag limit. The total number of archery tags in each category will be determined next June but antlerless harvest on National Forest land will be reduced, again to help boost populations.

- Change spike-only archery tags from general season to con-

trolled in three premier elk units, Mt. Emily, Walla Walla, and Wenaha. The purpose of the rule change is to close a loophole that allowed spike-only tag holders with general season tags to poach trophy elk in these units but pretend to have shot the elk elsewhere. Bowhunters who choose to hunt one of these trophy units will be limited to these units.

- Require an archery elk tag to archery hunt deer in the Mt. Emily, Walla Walla, and Wenaha units, again to reduce poaching.

- Limit camping to designated sites and end cross-country motor vehicle travel on the White River Wildlife Area.

- Reduce size of bowhunting closure area in the Columbia Basin unit.

- Clarify the definition of "spike only" and proof of sex requirements. The Commission also amended

the state's wildlife integrity rules to make it easier for people to raise tilapia for personal consumption. The new rules specify that a fish propagation permit is not required to raise tilapia indoors for personal use and list the four tilapia species that can be reared – Mozambique, Nile, Wami and Blackchin. Individuals must still purchase a fish transportation permit from ODFW to move live fish from the point of sale to their home.

The Commission heard the annual progress report from the Salmon and Trout Enhancement Program and a briefing on the Mule Deer Initiative and the Oregon Sage-Grouse Conservation Strategy.

The Commission is the policy-making body for fish and wildlife issues in the state. The seven-member group usually meets monthly but their next meeting is not until Dec. 7 in Portland.

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Braves stay perfect with two volleyball wins

THE UMPQUA POST

Reedsport's volleyball team had an eventful week that included two league road wins and an impressive third-place finish in the North Bend Invitational, which included five larger schools.

In league play, the Braves topped both Coquille and Gold Beach.

Reedsport topped the Red Devils 25-15, 25-17, 25-17 as Lara Zetzsche had nine kills, Taylor Lewis had 17 assists and Kayla Doane had four blocks. Miranda Mitchell had four straight aces in

the third game.

Later in the week, Reedsport beat the host Panthers 25-21, 25-21, 25-23.

Reedsport is narrowing in on the league title, but Glide still has just two losses. The Braves are 8-0 with four matches to go, including a home match against Bandon Tuesday night (results weren't available by press time) and a home contest against Glide on Thursday.

"Hopefully we can have as big a crowd as we did in our last home game," Reedsport coach James Hixenbaugh said.

Reedsport's week was more impressive considering the team played the Gold Beach match and the tournament without senior outside hitter Monica Vaughn, who was on a golf recruiting trip.

"Alicia Osorio played in Mo's spot and did really well," Hixenbaugh said. "It was good for her to play all day."

The Braves also had good passing as they won their pool in the tournament by taking both sets against Brookings-Harbor, Pleasant Hill and North Bend.

That gave Reedsport a bye directly into the semifinals, but

the Braves weren't able to get past Creswell, a nemesis this season, falling 25-19, 25-22.

"Once again, Creswell played better than us," Hixenbaugh said. "They are a good team, and it is good for us to play that caliber of a team."

In the third-place match, the Braves topped Pleasant Hill, 25-14, 23-25, 15-9.

The district playoffs also were finalized. The competition between the top two teams in the Sunset and South Cascades League will be held Oct. 27 at St. Mary's High School in Medford.

The champions of the two leagues will meet at 1 p.m., with the winner advancing to the state playoffs. The second-place finishers meet at 2:30, with the loser eliminated.

The winner of the second-place game faces the loser of the first-place game for the second playoff spot at 4 p.m.

Reedsport has dropped to No. 2 in the Oregon School Activities Association's Class 2A volleyball power rankings, behind Culver. The Braves remain in good shape to host a playoff game if they make it through the district playoffs.

Golfer Vaughn commits to ASU

BY JOHN GUNTHER
The Umpqua Post

Reedsport golfer Monica Vaughn will be spending her college years in the desert.

Vaughn gave an oral commitment to play for Arizona State University during a visit to the campus over the weekend.

She said the school, ranked fourth in the most recent poll, gave her the best chance to improve as a golfer.

Vaughn also took official visits to San Diego State University and Brigham Young University.

While she liked both of those schools and the players on the two teams, she said Arizona State felt like the right fit.

"I just knew the moment I got there that it was the place for me to be," she said.

As far as golf goes, Arizona State has great weather year-round.

Brigham Young has a huge indoor practice facility and great academic reputation, but also restrictions that all student-athletes have to follow, including not practicing on Sundays even if they aren't members of the Mormon religion.

Vaughn was recruited extensively by about 21 schools from across the country and had unofficial

visits to both Oregon and California, as well as to Duke during a summer junior tournament.

But none of those schools offered what Arizona State did as far as scholarship aid. The Sun Devils will give Vaughn nearly a full ride.

During the recruiting visits, Vaughn got a chance to meet the teams at the three schools and spend time with the golfers, as well as attending a class and visiting the various facilities.

She even went for a swim in the ocean while visiting San Diego State.

Before her trip to Arizona State, she was nervous because she knew both the BYU and San Diego State coaches would be calling, asking about her decision.

"I don't know if I'll know by then," she said early last week. "It's going to be a tough decision."

But Arizona State felt right from the moment she arrived.

"The golf team was like a family, and they wanted me to be included," she said.

Vaughn will be joining an international group. The team currently includes players from Colombia (two), France, Spain and Australia.

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Wade Hutchinson takes the handoff from his quarterback, Haden Sams, during the first half of their game Friday night in Bandon. Hutchinson scored three touchdowns in Reedsport's win.

Braves beat Bandon in football

BY JOHN GUNTHER
The Umpqua Post

BANDON — Reedsport's football team erased several weeks of losing performances with a great game Friday night at Bandon.

The Braves spoiled the Tigers' homecoming with a 46-22 win, scoring the final three touchdowns in the road victory on Friday night.

Reedsport used a combination of a punishing running game and opportunistic

defense for a win that was several weeks in development.

"Everybody came together and just played their hardest," said Reedsport's Wade Hutchinson, who had a big night running the ball.

The improvements started during Reedsport's bye week, when the Braves were able to heal some nagging injuries and got quarterback Haden Sams back from a preseason injury for

the first time.

The Braves lost to Gold Beach the following week, but made strides on offense and defense, and put everything together Friday night.

"I felt like on offense, we were able to control the line of scrimmage, which was crucial," said Reedsport coach Shane Nelson, adding that he liked the swarming effort of the defense.

Bandon scored first Friday, getting a touchdown by Tim Hunter on the

game's opening drive.

But the Braves responded with the next three scores — a 19-yard burst by Matthew Rohde on the team's first drive, an 8-yard run by Hutchinson on the next and a 9-yard run by Hutchinson midway through the second quarter.

Bandon rallied to tie the game early in the second half, but the Braves quickly went back in front.

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Cottage Grove angler catches jumbo lingcod in ocean near Port Orford

The biggest lingcod reported so far is the one taken recently by Bobby Brown who is a Cottage Grove resident, but spends about half the year in Winchester Bay. His fish was taken at Port Orford in approximately 100 feet of water and weighed a whopping 41 pounds, 8 ounces. The jumbo ling had swallowed a smaller ling that weighed about 5 pounds as well as several rockfish weighing up to about a pound and a half. Ironically, that giant lingcod was the only fish Brown and his fishing buddies hooked in that area — possibly because the toothy behemoth had scared away the smaller fish it had not already eaten. Brown reported that the water they were fishing was shallow enough that they were able to safely release several of the protected rockfish species they caught that weighed as much as 20 pounds.

Among the jumbo lingcod caught recently off what is commonly called Tenmile Reef, was a 27-pounder that was caught by Charlie Lemeire of Winchester Bay. His lingcod had managed to swallow a salmon that appeared to be about 2 feet

long and the salmon had been in the lingcod's belly just long enough to not have its skin, but that appeared to be all that was missing from what might have been a legal to keep

Chinook salmon or a possible reason for a ticket if it was a coho and it was removed from the lingcod's stomach prior to returning to a point inside the Umpqua River Bar.

Salmon fishing out of Winchester Bay did not undergo any noticeable improvement after last weekend's rain. The fish did appear more active, but any benefit to fishing success appears to be somewhat delayed.

There do appear to be plenty of salmon hanging off the mouth of Winchester Creek in Winchester Bay's East Basin and the bank anglers are still consistently catching early morning salmon at Half Moon Bay

and Osprey Point. Boat anglers are still targeting the Umpqua River Bar when they can and are marking lots of salmon, but have to fish hard to catch many.

Fair numbers of salmon are now scattered throughout the entire mainstem Umpqua River. Smith River, which is only open for Chinook salmon, has provided some very good, if inconsistent, fishing.

Many local anglers have recently tried fishing the Coos and Coquille rivers and they have enjoyed mixed success as the fishing has been very inconsistent, but occasionally very good.

Anglers are still repeatedly asking if our region's rivers are still open for wild or unclipped coho salmon and the answer is a strong YES! The only river even approaching its quota is the Siuslaw, which through Sunday, Oct. 7 had given up about 61 percent of its 1,700 wild coho quota. No other river in our region is even close.

Some of the salmon trapped by our local STEP people were found to have a clipped rear left ventral fin, but retained an unclipped adipose fin. These fish were believed to be smaller adult

Chinook that were released three years ago by a hatchery at Rock Creek, a tributary of the North Umpqua River.

Boat crabbers are still doing well at Winchester Bay, but the dock crabbers are starting to have to work a little harder for their catch. Two different crabbers came into the Stockade Market to announce that they had caught tagged crabs this last week. I was sorry to have to inform them that the contest ended on Oct. 1 and someone had already been awarded the \$1,000 grand prize. Boat crabbers need to be aware that the last day of legal crabbing in the ocean was Oct. 14.

Although our three local lakes with coho salmon seasons on them are technically open for salmon fishing, Siltcoos Lake is the only one that may start producing salmon at any time. The dam on Siltcoos River is about three river miles below the lake and is actually located in tidewater, so salmon could conceivably enter the river on a high tide and ascend the fish ladder and continue upstream into the lake. The river portion of Siltcoos Lake's coho fishery only extends downstream from the lake to the U.S. Highway 101 bridge.

Successful coho salmon fishing on Tahkenitch and Tenmile lakes is most likely going to start several weeks in the future.

Local STEP volunteer Bill Taylor reported that he and his wife enjoyed good fishing for yellow perch at Tahkenitch Lake recently with several of the perch they caught measuring just short of 12 inches in length. A few other anglers fishing at Tahkenitch reported fair fishing for perch in the 8- to 10-inch range.

The jumbo rainbow trout planted last month in Lake Marie are still providing good fishing. An example of just how good was evidenced by a couple of San Diego anglers, Chuck and Cheri Mills, who enjoyed tremendous fly fishing on the lake after switching to plain olive wooly buggers. Between 10 a.m. and 1:30 p.m., they had strikes from about 50 trout and landed 35 — all of which measured between 14 and 19 inches. They released their entire catch and even removed a treble hook from the side of one trout and a plastic worm and trailing leader from the mouth of another. They were fishing last Thursday, Oct. 11.

The ODFW seldom

announces trout plants involving trout measuring more than 16 inches in length. Other possibilities for similar-sized trout would be Butterfield Lake, which was stocked the first week of October, and Saunders and Empire lakes which were planted last week.

It is kind of ironic that lampreys were re-introduced into central Oregon's Miller Lake in 2010. The lake was originally treated because of the lampreys many years ago and now the lampreys are protected and not even legal to use as striped bass or sturgeon bait. Although access can become a problem at any time, Miller Lake is probably furnishing Oregon's best brown trout fishing right now and the lamprey introduction probably explains why anglers using dark leech patterns during periods of low light or darkness are enjoying good success on some sizable brown trout. Miller Lake is open to trout fishing 24 hours per day and in the late evening and at night large browns, including some that will weigh 10 or more pounds, often approach the shoreline looking for food.

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Vaughn

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The team is expected to add another player from

Spain and one from England next year, said Monica's mom, Renee.

The Reedsport standout will be one of just a few from the United States.

She is the second

Reedsport athlete to commit to an Arizona school this year, following in the footsteps of Lindsey Wright, who started this fall at Grand Canyon University competing in track and field.

Football

FROM PAGE B1

Hutchinson had his third touchdown, then Sams gave Reedsport the ball by recovering a Bandon fumble and capped the ensuing drive with a touchdown on a quarterback keeper. Rohde capped the scoring with an 80-yard interception return and Bobby Allen clinched the win with another interception, Reedsport's third forced turnover of the second half.

The players said one lesson in the victory was clear.

"There's been lots of progress," Hutchinson said. "We worked hard all week in practice and it paid off."

The improvements in practice have included better blocking and better tackling, Hutchinson said.

The team's downfield blocking was important Friday. Both Hutchinson and Rohde had big nights running the ball, each breaking several long runs while combining for 286 of the Braves' 338 rushing yards. That meant Sams didn't have to try to pass



By Lou Sennick, The Umpqua Post

Matt Rohde gains some yards for the Braves during their visit to Bandon on Friday night.

the ball much on a wet and windy night — he completed one of his two attempts for 11 yards.

Reedsport will try to continue the success this week, when the Braves visit Glide.

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Junior high team wins shootout

THE UMPQUA POST

The Reedsport combined seventh- and eighth-grade football team bounced back from its first loss of the season with a wild win over the Powers squad last week.

After a shutout loss to Coquille, the Braves had just two days to prepare an eight-man scheme to face Powers, but responded with a 39-37 win.

Coach Todd Harrington called it: "Probably the most entertaining game I've ever coached in."

Joe Hixenbaugh had six touchdowns for the Braves, on runs of 10, 16, 47, 46, 27 and 39 yards, countering a fabulous game from Jackson Stallard of Powers, who scored nearly all the points for Powers.

Hixenbaugh scored and added the extra point with 5:05 to go in the first quarter to give Reedsport the lead,

but Stallard returned the kickoff for a touchdown.

Mark Chaney completed passes to Ray Wilson and Hixenbaugh to set up Hixenbaugh's second score, but Powers responded again.

The teams traded two more touchdowns before Hixenbaugh scored and Alex Pearson added the extra point for a 27-18 lead. Stallard again scored to cut Reedsport's halftime lead to 27-24.

Wilson forced a Powers turnover on the opening possession of the third quarter. That started a stretch of two quick turnovers by each team, with Wayde Doane intercepting a pass for the Braves. Powers finally capitalized and took a 31-27 lead into the final quarter.

Chaney had a pass to Hixenbaugh to set up a score that put Reedsport ahead again and the Braves came up with a big stop on a fourth-and-eight play. Hixenbaugh

scored again to put the Braves up 39-31 with 3:58 to go.

Powers scored again, and attempted an extra-point kick (the only way to score two points in junior high football) to tie the game, but missed, giving Reedsport the win.

Harrington said Powers suffered its first loss.

The Braves won despite multiple turnovers and despite playing without a few key team members.

"We really struggled with blocking much smaller and quicker kids, but we didn't have any trouble scoring when we held onto the ball," Harrington said. "Joe Hixenbaugh did a really nice job running the ball, finding holes that weren't where they were supposed to be and breaking several tackles along the way to his six touchdowns. Mark Haney once again mastered the offense and completed all five of his passes."

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