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WHO WE ARE

Community comes together to fulfill every Tree of Joy wish

CINDY WEELDREYER Cottage Grove Sentinel

The 31st annual Community Tree of Joy donations filled an entire room at Trinity Lutheran Church with gifts purchased by generous community members.

The effort provided holiday presents for 536 youth in 225 Cottage Grove-area families.

The project's founder and organizer, Joyce Settelmeyer, has inspired individuals, businesses and organizations to sustain the tradition for more than three decades.

"It's easy to remember how many years it's been because I started it the year my son was born," she said.

Settelmeyer credits her husband, Jim, for his steady support and says she loves how faithfully the community responds each year. Staff at Community Sharing and the Early Learning Center and Family Resources collect the youth wish lists.

Volunteers type them up, attach them to red and green felt ornaments, and hang them on trees at Walmart, Bi Mart and PeaceHealth

"IT IS SUCH A **HEARTWARMING** COMMUNITY PROJECT." **JOYCE** SETTELMEYER, **ORGANIZER**

Cottage Grove Community Medical Center. Shoppers select ornaments, purchase the gifts and return them for distribution the week before Christmas.

December 15 was the deadline to return gifts. Individuals, families, organizations and proceeds from runCGrun's Jingle Run covered the cost of any unreturned ornaments to ensure every child's wishes were fulfilled.

Trinity Lutheran Church members played a key role in the project's success. They stored the gifts, hosted a wrapping party, and served as Community Sharing's distribution site for both food boxes and Tree of Joy presents.

Settelmeyer expressed gratitude to the Tree of Joy Team that includes students and

adult volunteers and the monetary donors who made the project possible. Supporters included: Walmart, Bi Mart, Trinity Lutheran Church, runCGrun, Cottage Grove Rotary, Cottage Grove High School Key Club, Coast Fork Kiwanis Club, Community Sharing, PeaceHealth Cottage Grove Community Medical Center, First Presbyterian Church and the South Lane School District's Early Learning Center and Family Resources.

"This holiday effort communicates the requests of families for holiday assistance with groups and individuals willing to purchase presents to help them out," Settelmeyer said. "Many warm hearted community members contributed time and energy in processing the presents, donated money for presents, or sponsored a child's wishes by shopping and returning a gift from a tag on a tree. It is such a heartwarming community project."

Who We Are is a Sentinel feature highlighting the people in our community.



Courtesy photo from Jim Settelmeyer

Gift wrappers of all ages volunteered to complete the final step to fulfill the specific holiday wishes of 536 youth and 225 local families.



Courtesy photo from Jim Settelmever

Trinity Lutheran Church provide a large room to store all the donated gifts that fulfilled the wishes of local children and families. Project Organizer Joyce Settelmeyer, way in the back, stands behind the wrapped gifts grateful for the generosity of Grovers who created it.

And the winners are...

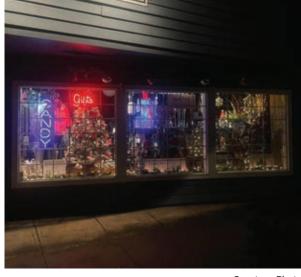
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First Place: The Bank Building, 609 Main Street.



Second Place (tie) Tattoo Nouvelle, 321 E. Main



Courtesy Photo

Second Place (tie) The Flower Basket and Gift Boutique, 119 S. 6th Street.

After devastating wildfires, watersheds surprisingly thick with fish and amphibians

STEVE LUNDEBERG Sentinel Guest Article

In the aftermath of historically severe wildfires in 2020, a study of Cascade Range watersheds found that stream vertebrates are doing surprising well, highlighted by flourishing fish populations.

"Our work looked at the three years following megafires in western Oregon and suggests that fishes are thriving and amphibians are persisting," said Oregon State University postdoctoral researcher Allison Swartz, who led the study.

Swartz and collaborators at OSU, the National Council for Stream Improvement, Inc., the

U.S. Forest Service's Pacific Northwest Research Station and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency examined 30 watersheds in moist conifer forests on the western slope of the Cascades.

Federal, state and private lands comprised the study area.

Unique aspects of the research were its focus on larger streams that host non-salmonid fishes like dace, sculpin and lamprey, as well as salamanders, frogs and crayfishes, omnivorous crustaceans important to understanding aquatic food webs; crayfish appear to be persisting too.

Previous ecological studies, the researchers note, have tended to mainly focus on economically and culturally important trout, salmon and steelhead.

The watersheds, among the nearly half-million acres burned by the Riverside, Beachie Creek and Holiday Farm fires around Labor Day in 2020, experienced

varying levels of burn severity and post-fire salvage logging and replanting.

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Courtesy from Allison Swartz / OSU College of Forestry Rainbow trout.



Courtesy from Allison Swartz / OSU College of Forestry Sculpin.

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Creswell barricade leads to arrest

At approximately 10:30 p.m. Dec. 17, LCSD deputies responded to a residence in the 82100 block of Davisson Road, south of Creswell, to contact 32-year-old Jose Donaldo DeLeon, of Creswell.

Several days before, DeLeon had entered a residence without permission and slashed the victim's tires, according to LCSO Sgt. Tim Wallace.

"Last night when deputies arrived, DeLeon barricaded inside his residence, a small shed," Wallace said. "Deputies spoke with DeLeon over the phone as an armored rescue vehicle and members of the Lane County Sheriff's Crisis Negotiation Team responded to assist."

After attempts at negotiation failed, an arrest warrant was granted by a Lane County Circuit Court judge, allowing entry to the residence, according to Wallace.

Deputies deployed pepper spray into the shed without effect," Wallace said. "Deputies then forced a door

open, and arrested DeLeon without further incident."

DeLeon was lodged at the Lane County Jail for Criminal Trespass in the 1st Degree, Criminal Mischief in the 2nd Degree, and Disorderly Conduct in the 2nd Degree.

On December 18 at 1 a.m., while deputies were still working through the Davisson Road call, a report of people stealing gas from a business in Glenwood came in.

"Deputies responding observed 59-year-old Kevin Raye Fanning, and 45-year-old Kristina Michelle Cole, both of Eugene, siphoning gas from a company vehicle," Wallace said. "Cole initially provided a false name, however deputies identified them and determined they both had warrants for their arrest. During a search of the vehicle belonging to Fanning, a felon, deputies located a firearm."

Cole was arrested and lodged at the Lane County Jail for:

 Criminal Trespass in the 2nd Degree

• Theft in the 3rd Degree

- Giving False Information to a Peace Officer
- A Marion County Circuit Court warrant for Theft in the 2nd Degree
- A Lane County probation warrant for Possession of Methamphetamine Fanning was arrested and lodged at

the Lane County Jail for:

• Felon in Possession of a Firearm • Theft in the 3rd Degree

• Eugene Municipal Court failure to appear warrants for Giving False Information to a Peace Officer, Trespass in the 1st Degree, and Failure to Report as a Sex Offender.

"Due to limited staffing, several deputies worked overtime well past the end of their shifts due to these calls,": Wallace said.

Oregon State Police assisted in the Davisson Road incident.



Courtesy photo

The two incidents occurred south of Creswell and in the Glewood area.

POLICE BLOTTER

The police blotter relates to the public record of incidents as reported by law enforcement agencies.

All individuals arrested or charged with a crime are presumed innocent until proven guilty. Information printed is preliminary and subject to change.

For specific details about cases listed, contact the appropriate law enforcement agency.

COTTAGE GROVE POLICE

MONDAY, DEC. 15

08:11: Illegal camping, 200 block N. 12th St. 09:18: Welfare check, 400

block S. 2nd St. 11:54: Trespass, 1200

block Gateway Blvd. 12:37: Unlawful entry into a motor vehicle, 900 block

Arthur Ave. 13:51: Motor vehicle crash, Hwy 99/Abbott Ln.

14:06: Welfare check, 700 block S. 6th St.

14:47: Barking dogs, 1300 block E. Van Buren Ave.

15:26: Fire, 900 block S. 4th St.

15:31: Dog at large, Riverwalk/2nd

16:30: Disturbance, 1700

block E. Main St.

16:52: Welfare check, Main/R

19:24: Alarm, 100 block Village Dr.

19:56: Disturbance, 200

block South M St. 21:19: Illegal camping, 600

block E. Whiteaker Ave.

21:58: Fire, 34000 block Meyer Rd.

22:14: Disturbance, 1800 block W. Main St.

22:32: Disturbance, 1600

block E. Main St.

01:30: Hit and run, 1500 block Hwy 99

block Gateway Blvd.

09:55: Trespass, 1200

33000 block Row River Rd. 14:26: Dog at large, 4th/

Village Dr.

18:52: Trespass, 700 block

Mosby Creek Rd.

Village Dr.

7th/Whiteaker

block E. Gibbs Ave.

Carnegie Way

North L St.

block Daugherty Ave.

22:43: Warrant service, 400

TUESDAY, DEC. 16

06:08: Theft, 700 block S.

08:47: Order violation, 1500 block Carobelle Ct.

block Gateway Blvd. 12:55: Illegal camping, 200

13:46: Motor vehicle crash,

18:13: ATL DUII, 100

Hwy 99

23:06: Criminal mischief. 100 block S. 10th St.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 17

00:33: Disturbance, 900 block W. Main St.

03:49: Trespass, 100 block

05:10: Agency assist, 1200

13th St.

block N. 12th St.

Taylor

15:44: Alarm, 100 block

block N. 9th St.

19:40: Fire, 78000 block

19:49: Alarm, 100 block

22:07: Illegal camping,

23:19: Illegal camping, 700

01:47: Alarm, 1700 block

02:40: Illegal camping, 800 block E. Main St.

09:29: Trespass, 500 block Hwy 99 10:21: Dog at large, S.

River Rd/Harrison 10:27: Mental subject, 1300 block Birch Ave.

11:18: Fraud, 1600 block Samuel Dr. 12:21: Trespass, 600 block

E. Main St. 13:38: Disturbance, 1300 block E. Main St.

23:08: Welfare check, 700 block Hwy 99

23:44: Disturbance, 100 block Gateway Blvd.

THURSDAY, DEC. 18

05:04: Disorderly subject, 900 block E. Main St. 08:21: Illegal camping, S.

River Rd/Main St. 08:34: Disorderly subject, 700 block E. Gibbs Ave. 09:03: Suspicious condition, 500 block Grant Ave. 10:18: Dog at large, 1200

block Birch Ave.

12:50: Assault, Oswald West/Gateway Blvd.

14:35: Disturbance, 700 block E. Gibbs Ave.

17:04: Disorderly subject, 200 block S. 6th St. 18:04: Welfare check, 400

block Holly Ave. 19:36: Motor vehicle crash, Harrison/River Rd.

19:42: Harassment, 1100 block S. 10th St.

20:54: Fire, 1100 block Bennett Crk Rd. 22:20: Warrant service, 400

block E. Main St. 22:22: Alarm, 100 block

Village Dr.

FRIDAY, DEC. 19 03:16: Suspicious vehicle, 1500 block Hwy 99 07:08: Fire, 500 block N.

River Rd. 08:34: Suspicious condition, 200 block Hwy 99 09:32: Mental subject, 100 block N. 6th St.

block Adams Ave.

10:20: Warrant service, 400 block E. Main St.

10:26: Trespass, 700 block E. Gibbs Ave. 10:40: Suspicious condi-

tion, 700 block South R St. 11:02: Illegal camping, 1800 block N. Douglas St. 11:51: Suspicious condi-

tion, 1300 block Birch Ave. 12:19: Criminal mischief,

E. Whiteaker/8th 13:46: Warrant service, 400 block E. Main St.

15:48: Suicidal subject, 200 block W. 8th St. 16:30: Welfare check, 2500

block E. Main St. 18:08: Trespass, 400 block N. 9th St. 23:00: Dog at large, 6th/

Quincy

SATURDAY, DEC. 20 02:42: Disturbance, 400 block E. Main St. 03:46: Wanted subject, 400

block N. 9th St. 05:38: Trespass, 700 block N. River Rd.

06:31: Found dog, 900

block W. Main St 07:27: Disturbance, 900 block S. 6th St.

09:51: Disorderly subject, 31000 block CG Lorane Rd. 10:42: Suspicious vehicle, 3200 block Row River Rd.

11:11: Suspicious vehicle, 1200 block Gateway Blvd. 12:52: Fraud, 300 block N.

14:02: Disturbance, 900 block S. 6th St.

block E. Main St.

14:52: Suicidal subject, 900 block S. 6th St.

17:07: Illegal camping, 100 block S. River Rd.

18:43: Nuisance, 200 block Gateway Blvd. 20:00: Suspicious vehicle,

1500 block Gateway Blvd. 20:25: Injured deer, 2000

block W. Harrison Ave. 21:06: Disturbance, 900

block Arthur Ave. 23:49: Suspicious vehicle, 200 block Gateway Blvd.

23:53: Suspicious vehicle, 1700 block E. Main St.

SUNDAY, DEC. 21

01:39: Trespass, 1200 block S. River Rd. 02:40: Warrant service, 700

block E. Main St. 08:56: Disturbance, 900 block S. 6th St.

block Lord Ave. 11:59: Warrant service, 9th/ Grover 12:39: Assault, 900 block

10:59: Trespass, 1100

12:56: Assault, 800 block South 1st St. 13:00: Criminal mischief,

400 block Kathleen Dr.

Arthur Ave.

13:05: Disturbance, 300 block N. 7th St. 13:43: Found property, 100

block N. 7th St. 16:26: Welfare check, 100 block S. 10th St.

18:12: Found dog, 1700 block S. 5th St. 21:27: Trespass, 700 block

E. Main St.



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Trinity Lutheran Church welcomes its newest pastor

JOHN WESTHAFER BRINGS DECADES OF MINISTRY EXPERIENCE AND A HEART FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE



Cindy Weeldreyer/Cottage Grove Sentinel

Trinity Lutheran Church Pastor John Westhafer (pictured with his fourlegged buddy, Chewy) is the church's newest pastor. He says he and his wife, Carol, appreciate the warm and friendly welcome they received earlier this year as they transitioned into being Grovers.

> CINDY WEELDREYER Cottage Grove Sentinel

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church formally organized in 1947, but Lutheran families in Cottage Grove gathered for worship decades earlier. Circuit riding pastors and ministers from Eugene provided occasional services in the early 1900s before a permanent congregation was established.

Today, the big brown church on the corner of Sixth Street and Quincy Avenue is known as Trinity Lutheran Church and earlier this year the 78-year-old church entered a new chapter of its history, welcoming Pastor John Westhafer. He brings decades of ministry experience, a deep commitment to service, and a personal story shaped by family, faith and community.

Westhafer grew up in Pennsville, New Jersey, after being born in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. As a Boy Scout, he earned both the Eagle Scout badge and the Pro Deo Et Patria award, a Lutheran religious emblem created in 1943 for Lutheran Boy Scouts to recognize faith development and service to God and country.

Working alongside his childhood pastor, Rev. Paul Wildgrube, he learned to read scripture publicly, visit the sick and pray with them. His father served as congregational president and elder, and his mother prepared Holy Communion and decorated the sanctuary with banners she made by

He graduated from Concordia College in New York with a degree in behavioral sciences and earned a Master of Divinity at Concordia Seminary in St. Louis. He married his wife, Carol, in 1985. He began ministry in rural Iowa, where they lived for five years, and later served churches in California and Oregon while balancing pastoral duties with work as a sales executive for Auto Trader Magazines.

Though he and Carol passed through Cottage Grove many times while visiting relatives in California, the town was little more than a stop for gas or lunch along I 5. Intrigued by Cottage Grove's covered bridges, Westhafer said he looks forward to visiting all of them.

In their first weeks as the newest Grovers in town, he and Carol embraced the community. They shopped locally to furnish their new home with appliances, furniture and decor, attended the Veterans Day celebration and joined the crowd for the lighting of the community Christmas

"It was wonderful to see so many people participating in these activities," he said. "Cottage Grove has been a very kind and welcoming community to us."

At Trinity Lutheran Church, he sees his role as supporting officers and members in living out their Christian callings. He expects to preach and celebrate Holy Communion most Sundays and encourages members to continue visiting one another, especially the sick and shut in.

"We will study God's Word together and serve within the community," Westhafer said.

TLC builds community through its chicken barbecue during Bohemia Mining Days, its Christmas Treasure Sale and its spring yard sale. Proceeds from these annual events support youth programs and nonprofit organizations in need. The church also offers Sunday Bible class at 9:15 a.m., worship with Holy Communion at 10:30 a.m., and a Monday morning Bible class.

On Tuesdays, the TLC Community Kitchen provides free takeout meals.

Beyond the pulpit, Westhafer has already become a familiar figure in the neighborhood. The 66 year old owns a nine year old Brussels Griffon, the "bearded dog," and enjoys taking Chewy on daily walks. His trademark brown Pendleton derby hat makes him easy to recognize when he is out and about around town.

Members of the pastoral search committee said the call process took two years and required prayerful discernment. "We reviewed candidates carefully and voted unanimously on each one," said committee member Ron Fenrich. "God directed the call, and we believe Pastor John will solidly lead the congregation according to God's Word."

Committee members described Westhafer as a pastor with strong knowledge of scripture, a sincere desire to shepherd and eagerness to support outreach. "We love how eager Pastor John is to know and support the community," Fenrich said.

Looking ahead, Westhafer said an adult instruction class will be offered during the Sunday Bible class hour in January. He sees the church's deeply rooted traditions and community ties as expressions of its mission.

"The goal of the church is to share the saving Gospel," he said. "We see Jesus Christ as God's only begotten Son who walked the earth as both a human and as God. Jesus was tempted as we are, and yet he remained sinless. TLC and I see the need to preach and teach God's Word and to serve all of humanity, especially those in need in body, soul or mind. I believe the church needs to show constant love and care."

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DEC 31

Final Night. Cottage Grove Speedway Walking in a Winter Wonderland Open from 5-9 p.m. 2150 N. Douglas St.

Axe and Fiddle New Years Eve Blast. 9 p.m. – 1 a.m. 657 E. Main St. DJ Treejay plays high energy immersive dancing music. No cover.

JAN 1

Happy New Year!

(Note some recurring weekly events may not happen today.) Oregon Aviation Museum. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 2475 Jim Wright

Cottage Grove Public Library Storytime. 11:30 a.m. 700 E. Gibbs Ave. All ages welcome.

Bohemia Gold Mining Museum Open. 1-4 p.m. 308 S.

Board Game Social 12:30 p.m.-3 p.m. Cottage Grove Public Library. 700 E. Gibbs Ave. Join South Valley Athletics at the Library to play board games and chess before the winter break movie. All skill levels welcome: bring your friends and family and have some fun with our collection of games.

Free Family Movie. 3 p.m. Cottage Grove Public Library. 700 E. Gibbs Ave.

Elio [2025/PG/98 min] Plot: Eleven year old Elio is accidentally beamed into the Communiverse, where aliens mistake him for Earth's ambassador. Co-Sponsored by The CG Public Library and South Valley Athletics during South Lane School District's winter break. Includes free popcorn.

American Legion Post 32 Bingo. 5-7 p.m. 826 W. Main St. Friday Night Live. 6-9 p.m.

Saginaw Vineyard. 80247 Delight Valley School Rd. 541-942-1364. Call for performer

Weekly Pool Tournament. 7 p.m. Bohemian Tavern. 48 N. 9th St. Entry Fee: \$5 and BCA Rules.

JAN 3

Share Fair USA 9 a.m. 1133 E. Main St. Covered parking area next to Urban Kitchen. Reserve a space and share from your abundance with neighbors who are in need. Load up your unwanted items to give away for free (no bartering). Details about the weekly event is on Share

Fair USA Facebook page or send email to eventsbyananda@gmail.

Bohemia Gold Mining Museum Open. 1-4 p.m. 308 S.

Cottage Grove Museum Open. 1-4 p.m. Corner Birch Avenue

Coast Fork Brewing. 6-9 p.m. 106 S. 6th St.

JAN 4

Veterans of Foreign Wars Fundraising Breakfast. 7:30-10 a.m. VFW Post. 3160 Hillside Dr. Info: 541-942-7099

Menu: Full Breakfast includes pancakes or French toast, sausage, biscuits & gravy, eggs (cooked to order), juice, coffee or hot tea Cost: \$10/plate. Also available: 2 Biscuits & Gravy and 2 sausage links for \$5.

Cottage Grove Museum Open. 1-4 p.m. Corner Birch Avenue

Coast Fork Brewing. 1-3 p.m. 106 S. 6th St.

VFW Post 3473 Bingo. 2-4 p.m. 3160 Hillside Dr.

CG Senior Center Bingo. 12:30 p.m. Community Center. 700 E. Gibbs Ave. Senior center members only.

Ukulele Club (free for adults of all skill levels) 9 a.m. Cottage Grove Public Library 700 E.

Oregon Aviation Museum Open. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. 2475 Jim

Trinity Lutheran Church Free Community Dinner. 5:15-6:15 p.m. Seventh amnd Quincy Avenue. Take-Out Only.

Trivia, Chess and Games with Gerald. 6-8 p.m. (Up to 7 trivia players on a team) Coast Fork Brewing. 106 S. 6th St.

Dementia Support Group. 6:30-7:30 p.m. Magnolia Gardens Senior Living. 1425 Daugherty Ave. Provides assistance to navigate through the dementia process with your loved one and connect you with other caregivers and spouses supporting their loved ones.

Acoustic Jam with Gregg Biller. 6-7:30 p.m. Coast Fork Brewing. 106 S. 6th St.

Elks Club Community Dinner. 5-6:30 p.m. 775 N. River Rd.

Info: 541.942.3554. Menu: Chicken Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Corn, Salad & Vanilla Ice Cream Cost: \$10.

Friday Night Live. 6-9 p.m. Saginaw Vineyard. 80247 Delight Valley School Rd. Call 541-942-1364 for performer info.

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Bohemia Gold Mining Museum Open. 1-4 p.m. 308 S.

Cottage Grove Museum Open. 1-4 p.m. Corner Birch Avenue and H Street.

Cottage Theatre Auditions for Cabaret. 6.p.m. 700 Village Dr. (Show runs four weekends from April 3-26). For more specific information or to pre-register for the audition go to: www.cottagetheatre.org

JAN 11

The Regulars (Americana). 1-3 p.m. Coast Fork Brewing. 106 S. 6th St.

Cottage Grove Museum Open. 1-4 p.m. Corner Birch Avenue and H Street.

Cottage Theatre Auditions for Cabaret. 2 p.m. 700 Village Dr. Show runs four weekends from April 3-26. For more specific information or to pre-register for the audition go to: www.cottagetheatre.org

South Valley Athletics Bingo Fundraiser. 3:30-5:30 p.m. Coast Fork Brewing. 106 S. 6th St. Cards/\$1 Play 10 games

JAN 12

CG Senior Center Bingo. 12:30 p.m. Community Center, 700 E. Gibbs Ave. Senior center members only.

JAN 13

CG Senior Center Bingo. 12:30 p.m. Community Center, 700 E. Gibbs Ave. Senior center members only.

JAN 14

Acoustic Jam with Gregg Biller. 6-7:30 p.m. Coast Fork Brewing. 106 S. 6th St.



Jeremy C. Ruark / Cottage Grove Sentinel

Blue sky and clouds over Cottage Grove.

JAN 15

LB & Friends (Americana). 7:30 p.m. – 8 p.m. Coast Fork Brewing. 106 S. 6th St.

JAN 16

Elks Club Community Dinner. 5-6:30 p.m. 775 N. River Rd. Info: 541.942.3554. Menu: Baked ham, scalloped potatoes, glazed carrots, salad, and ice cream. Cost: \$10/person.

Friday Night Live. 6-9 p.m. Saginaw Vineyard. 80247 Delight Valley School Rd. Call 541-942-1364 for performer info.

Elle Sallad (Pacific NW Americana). 6-9 p.m. Coast Fork Brewing. 106 S. 6th St.

The Gem Tones Concert. 7:30 p.m. Sunday. 2 p.m. Opal Center. 513 E. Main St. Suggested donation: \$15/person at the door or online at www.opalcentercg.org Family-friendly. Music styles include traditional, classical, musical theater and more.

JAN 17

Share Fair USA 9 a.m. 1133 E. Main St. Covered parking area next to Urban Kitchen. Reserve a space and share from your abundance with neighbors who are in need. Load up your unwanted items to give away for free (no bartering). Details about the weekly event is on Share Fair USA Facebook page or send email to eventsbyananda@gmail.

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JAN 18

Cottage Grove Museum Open. 1-4 p.m. Corner Birch Avenue and H Street.

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JAN 19

CG Senior Center Bingo. 12:30 p.m. Community Center, 700 E. Gibbs Ave. Senior center members only.

Gardeners Meeting. 5:30-7 p.m. Coast Fork Brewing. 106 S. 6th St.

JAN 20

History Pub. 5-7 p.m. Axe & Fiddle. 657 E. Main St. Topic: "Memories of the Road: Retracing my Ancestors Journey" by Bill Hoyt. CG Genealogical

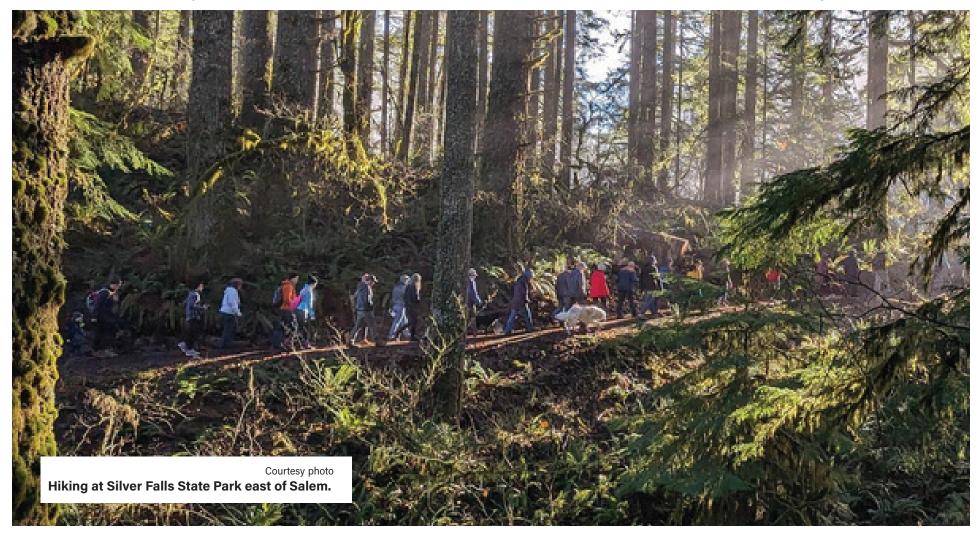
Trivia, Chess and Games with Gerald. 6-8 p.m. Up to 7 trivia players on a team. Coast Fork Brewing. 106 S. 6th.



The Flower Basket and Gift Boutique 119 South 6th St, Cottage Grove

541-942-0505 ${\it *Excludes candy, plants, fresh flowers. No adjustments for prior purchases.}$

First Day Hikes set for New Year's Day 2026



OREGON PARKS

Whether you prefer a moderate hike through a desert landscape or a paved wooded trail inside city limits, Oregon State Parks has a First Day Hike for you on New Year's Day, Thursday Jan. 1.

Rangers and volunteers will lead guided First Day Hikes at 25 parks around the state with distances ranging from a quartermile stroll to a 5-mile trek. Hikes are free, but a day-use parking permit is required at some parks. Permits cost \$10 per day for Oregon Residents or \$12 for non-residents;

annual permits are also sold online or at park offices.

America's State Parks sponsors the First Day Hikes program nationwide to encourage everyone to start the year outside and connect with nature. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) has participated since 2012.

"Across Oregon, First Day Hikes have grown into a beloved New Year's tradition for visitors and staff alike. On January 1st, park rangers and volunteers share stories of park history, geology, wildlife, and plants, as families and friends kick off the year together with an engaging outdoor adventure," Oregon Parks and Recreation Department Director Lisa Sumption said.

Visit the Oregon First Day Hikes web page to see the list of parks hosting hikes. Additional hike information such as hike times, meet-up locations and trail terrain are available via the park links on the web page. A few hikes require registration including Deschutes River, Elijah Bristow, Emigrant Springs, LaPine, Lukiamute, Oswald West, Sitka Sedge, and Smith Rock.

For any questions about accessibility or to request reasonable accommodations needed to participate in a hike, please see the contact information on each hike's webpage.

Remember to plan for winter weather, dress in layers, wear sturdy shoes, bring water and carry binoculars for viewing wildlife.

Share photos of First Day Hikes via X and Instagram by using the hashtag #ORfirstdayhikes or tagging "Oregon State Parks" on Facebook.

Unmanned aircraft systems at Oregon State Parks

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) is seeking public feedback on proposed rules governing unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) takeoff and landing in Oregon's state parks and along the ocean shore.

The proposed rules establish where and how UAS may take off and land on state park property, to balance recreational opportunities with protection of natural, cultural, scenic and recreational resources.

Public comments on the proposed rule changes will be accepted beginning at 8 a.m. January 1,. and can be submitted:

• Online:

o https://www-auth.oregon.gov/oprd/PRP/Pages/PRP-

Rule-2025-Drones-Take-off-and-Landing.aspx

o OPRD.PublicComment@oprd.oregon.gov

By mail:
 o Oregon Parks and Recreations Department

Attn: Robert Ellison 725 Summer St. NE, Suite C

Salem, OR 97301

A public hearing will be held to allow members of the public to provide testimony.

- Virtual hearing
- 5 p.m. January 20

Zoom: https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_X3ChSlJkTE-Y3FRh3WIy-Q

The draft rules focus on regulating takeoff and landing locations, which are within the department's authority, while recognizing that UAS flight is regulated by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA). Under the proposal, UAS use would generally be limited to designated areas for drone operations, with additional requirements for commercial or research purposes.

The proposed rules were developed in response to Senate Bill 109 (2021), which directed OPRD to create a regulatory framework that provides recreational UAS access while protecting sensitive park resources and minimizing conflicts with other visitors.

OPRD convened a Rule Advisory Committee made up of recreation user groups, conservation organizations, natural resource specialists, commercial operators and other stakeholders. The committee reviewed draft rules and provided recommendations that helped shape the proposal now open for public comment.

Once the public comment period closes, OPRD staff will review all feedback, revise the draft rules as appropriate, and present a final proposal to the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission for consideration later in 2026.



Courtesy photo

The proposed rules were developed in response to Senate Bill 109 (2021), which directed OPRD to create a regulatory framework that provides recreational UAS access while protecting sensitive park resources and minimizing conflicts with other visitors.

If adopted, the rules would be implemented in phases, allowing the department to adapt management strategies over time, based on resource conditions, visitor use and operational experience.

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The longest Night of the Year

JENNIFER FERRAEZ CHARTRAND

Sentinel Guest Column

We gathered on a chilly, clear evening in All America City Park to honor neighbors and friends who had lost their lives in a struggle on the streets.

We stood illumined by candlelight, encircled beneath the bell tower. Before us was a white board with the words, "We Remember..." and names of loved ones scrawled beneath.

A National Homeless Memorial has been commemorated in many cities around the country since 1990 on December 21st, the longest night of the year. At our gathering

people shared memories of friends, sisters, brothers, parents, and others they wished to honor. They also told stories of struggle with addiction, mental illness, physical disabilities, and other human challenges that had caused them to lose their homes - and eventually their lives.

Our town's desperate need for recovery resources and affordable housing was discussed. At one point during our time of reflection, I looked up at the mural of Opal Whitely. She loved this place and she too knew what it was like to feel like an outsider at times in her own town.

A family joined the gathering with their candles to stand in solidarity. The mother of the group said, "WE (looking around) are Cottage Grove." She shared a poem written by our town poet, Charles Mattoon, about grief, a familiar subject to most of us that know what it is to be human.

A gentleman who attended spoke about the power that trauma can have over a person. He stated the cure was to "alchemize" the trauma. He wisely realized that it has to eventually be transformed into gold, otherwise it will come to define you. Perhaps we were all standing here, looking for a place to put our pain.

December 21st is also the Winter Solstice, when we celebrate the coming of the light as we transition away from darkness. May we all bring light to what lies before us in the coming year. Summarizing Mahatma Gandhi, "Be the change we wish to see in the world."

Many thanks to the First Presbyterian Church Committee, Earth & Social Justice Committee and Hope Rides Again for making our gathering possible.

Jennifer Ferraez Chartrand is a Cottage Grove Resident.

Oregon Jobs Projected to Increase 6% by 2034

The Oregon Employment Department projects Oregon's total employment to grow by 141,000 jobs between 2024 and 2034.

These employment projections reflect modest job growth in the economy, although many additional job openings are expected due to the need to replace workers who leave their occupations.

In 2024, there were 2.2 million jobs in Oregon. The projected 6% increase in employment between 2024 and 2034 includes privatesector gains of 125,500 jobs, growth of 7,700 jobs in government, and an additional 7,400 self-employed Oregonians.

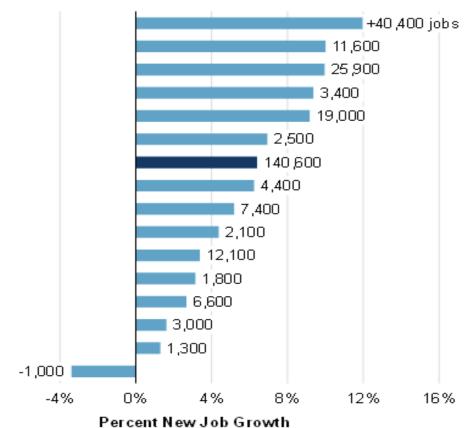
Beyond gains associated with the anticipated economic growth, another 2.4 million job openings will be created by 2034 to replace workers who retire, leave the labor force for other reasons, or make a major occupational change. Together, the number of job openings due to job growth and replacements will total nearly 2.6 million.

All broad sectors in Oregon are expected to add jobs by 2034, except for federal government, which is projected to decline by 3% (-1,000 jobs). The private health care and social assistance sector is projected to increase the fastest, growing by 13%. Private health care and social assistance is also projected to add the largest number of jobs over the next 10 years (+40,400 jobs). This growth is attributed to the aging of the state's population, longer life expectancies, and an expected rebound in the state's long-term population

The construction and professional and business services sectors are projected to grow at the second-fastest rate, gaining 10% each. Growth in construction can be attributed to construction of buildings (+11%) and specialty trade contractors (+11%), which includes establishments that perform specific construction-related activities such as site preparation, plumbing, painting, and electrical work.

Health Care and Social Assistance Leads Long-Term Employment Growth Oregon Industry Projections, 2024-2034

Private health care and social assistance Construction Professional and business services Private educational services Leisure and hospitality Information Total employment Other services Self-employment State government Trade, transportation, and utilities Natural resources and mining Local government Manufacturing Financial activities Federal government



Source: Oregon Employment Department

Growth in professional and business services is expected to be primarily driven by professional and technical services (+15%), which includes architectural and engineering services (+23%), computer systems design and related services (+10%), and legal services (-3%).

Many of the fastestgrowing occupations are associated with jobs in the health care industry. Nine of the top 15 fastestgrowing occupations by 2034 are in health care. They include nurse practitioners, physician assistants, medical and health services managers, and psychiatric technicians. Computer and mathematical occupations comprise three of the top 15 fastest-growing occupations, as demand increases for workers who can model, interpret, and analyze data in addition to demand for the development of AI solutions and their integration into business practices. They include data scientists, information security analysts, and operations research analysts.

A broad variety of career opportunities will be available across all sectors, as well as all job types. Four out of 10 job openings will require education

or training beyond high school, but applicants will require education beyond high school to be competitive in six out of 10 job openings.

Occupations with the most job openings that typically require a high school diploma or less include fast food workers, stockers and order fillers, retail salespersons, cashiers, and home health and personal care aides. Those requiring a postsecondary certification or associate's degree include bookkeepers, truck drivers, nursing and medical assistants. Occupations with the most job openings requiring at least a bachelor's degree vary from general and operations managers to registered nurses, other educational instruction and library workers, project management specialists, and all other business operations specialists.

All areas of Oregon are expected to see job opportunities in the coming years due to economic growth and the replacement of workers leaving the labor force. The two areas projected to grow faster than Oregon's rate of 6% are the Portland tri-county area (7%) and Central Oregon (7%). Slower growth is

expected in the Columbia Gorge, Northwest, South Central, Southwestern Oregon, and the Eastern Six Oregon counties with 5% growth each.

-8%

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

More information about 2024-2034 industry and occupational projections for Oregon and sub-state areas can be found at www.qualityinfo.org/projections.



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- No 44.4%

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Cottage Theatre offering an 8-week after school program

Cottage Theatre is offering an eight week after school program for young actors, ages 11 - 17.

The theatre is located at 700 Village Drive in Cottage Grove.

This program, helmed by Alana Merz, will culminate in two public performances of Junie B. Jones JR. The Musical. Rehearsals will be Wednesday and Thursdays from 4 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. beginning Jan. 7, with a full week of rehearsals preceding the public performances on Feb. 27 and 28. Registration is online at www.cottagetheatre.org.

This after-school program is designed for performers who are ready to dive into the world of theatre and take the stage. Students will focus on character development, improvisational skills, and how to prepare for an audition, all while learning and rehearsing their individual roles. Tuition for the program is \$250, and

partial tuition need-based scholarships are available.

At the end of the eight weeks, these young actors will perform onstage in two public performances of a fully-staged production of Junie B. Jones, JR, The Musical on Feb. 27 and 28. Performances are Friday evening at 7 p.m. and Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets to the production will be available starting Jan. 27 online at www.cottagetheatre.org or by phone at 541-942-8001. Tickets are \$10 for this youth production. All seating is reserved and advance purchase is recommended.

Cottage Theatre, founded in 1982, produces a year-round season of plays and musicals featuring talented Lane County performers. The theatre also offers educational programs for youth.

A member of the American Association



of Community Theatre (AACT), Cottage Theatre was one of just six theatres in the country selected to

produce a world premiere as part of the AACT 2024 NewPlayFest. The theatre is known for its strong

production values, in keeping with its mission of "engaging and enriching our community through the magic of live theatre."



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"Understanding the fire ecology of freshwater ecosystems is critical to our learning to co-exist with fire in ways that are socially and ecologically just," said co-author Meg Krawchuk, an associate professor in the OSU College of Forestry.

The scientists found that total vertebrate, total fish and trout densities were greater in streams draining more severely burned watersheds than those draining less burned or unburned watersheds. Channel reorganization events, such as landslides after wildfire, are known to affect fish and amphibian densities but had not occurred in the study

"Despite experiencing high-severity megafires, vertebrate assemblages and populations seem to be buffered from fire-induced changes if adequate physical habitat and food availability are maintained post-fire," Swartz said. "Sculpin, amphibian and crayfish densities did not appear to be influenced by burn severity. In areas with higher degrees of salvage harvesting and replanting, there were lower frog densities but greater densities of trout less than a year old."

The researchers note that a combination of increased temperatures, shifts in precipitation, higher fuel aridity and prior forest management practices is resulting in longer fire seasons and greater frequency, size and intensity of fires in many parts of the world, including the Pacific Northwest.

Wildfire can change the structure and function of riparian and freshwater ecosystems in a number of ways that can affect stream vertebrate populations, the scientists say.

"More research exists on connections between burn severity and streamflow, sediment and stream temperature," Swartz said. "Less work has been done looking at how burn severity and post-fire salvage harvest influence populations of all of stream vertebrates present and the overall assemblage."

The National Council for Air and Stream Improvement, the Pacific Northwest Research Station, the Environmental Protection Agency and Weyerhaeuser provided funding for the study, which was published in Nature Communications Earth and Environment.

Brooke Penaluna and Becky Flitcroft of the Forest Service, Ashley Coble of the National Council for Air and Stream Improvement and Joe Ebersole of the EPA also contributed to the research.

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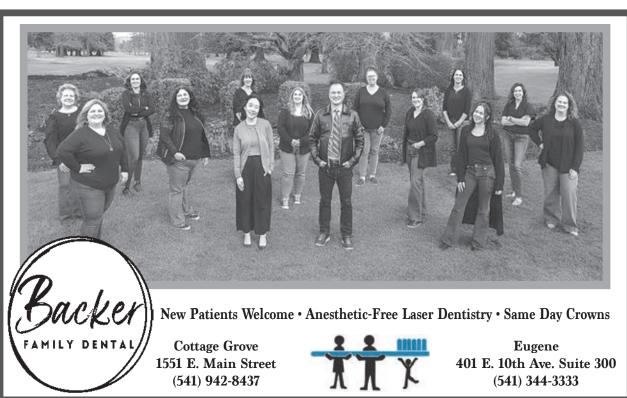
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IN THE CITY OF COTTAGE GROVE, AS PLATTED AND RECORDED
IN BOOK 13, PAGE 12,
LANE COUNTY ORE-GON. The street address or other common desor other common designation, if any for the real property described above is purported to be: 1160 GEER AVE COTTAGE GROVE, OREGON 97424 The Tax Assessor's Account ID for the Real Property is purported to be: 889962 / 20-03-28-13-03400 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 ODS 98 750/30 All right 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

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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 pecesthe 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 toyic Perspective. nents 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. Dated: 10/14/2025 ZBS Law, LLP By: Amber L. Labrecque, Esq.. ZBS Law, LLP By: Amber L. Labrecque, Esq., OSB#094593 ZBS Law, LLP Authorized to sign on behalf of the trustee EPP 45529 Pub Dates 12/17, 12/24, 12/31, 01/07/2026

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CGS25-192 \temdash \text{AMENDED \temdash \text{AMENDED \temdash \text{CMS25-192} \text{Vemdash \text{NOTICE OF NONJUDI-CIAL FORECLOSURE \text{SALE Reference is made to that certain trust deed dated August 5, 2021, and recorded on August 6, 2021 at reception number 2021-051547 of the Official Records of Lane County, Oregon, (the "Trust Deed")). 1. George L. Derr, the successor trustee, hereby gives notice of default and election to sell, and notice of sale pursuant to the terms of said Trust Deed. The mailing address of the Successor Trustee is George L. Derr, P.C., P.O. Box 2159, Eugene. OR 97402, Tel: (541)-683-7473, Email: george@gderrlaw.com. 2. The original Grantor of said Trust Deed is Jo Bond Principal, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company. The original and current Beneficiary is Corinne Bell. 3. The and current Beneficiary is Corinne Bell. 3. The subject property is commonly known as 4040 Barger Drive, Eugene, OR 97402 and is more particularly described, as follows: Lot 2, Block 1, ALEX - A PLAT, as platted and recorded in Book 70, Page 25, Lane County Oregon plat records.

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by said Irust Deed, Which payments are past due, (b) by failing to maintain insurance on the property as required by the Trust Deed, and (c) by failing to pay real property taxes when due. 5. As a result of Grantor's default(s),

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Beneficiary declares all sums secured under said Trust Deed immediately due and payable. 6. The due and payable. 6. The sum now owing on the obligation secured by the obligation secured by the Trust Deed is a principal balance of \$283,471.66, plus accrued interest in the sum of \$9,350.68 as of December 2, 2025, plus interest continuing to accrue at the rate of 4% per annum, plus accumulated late fee of 4% per annum, plus accumulated late fees of \$717.60 (as of November 1, 2025), plus \$200 escrow collection close fee, plus \$60.00 escrow payoff quote fees, plus \$61.00 in postage, plus \$61.00 in postage, plus \$494.50 for insurance required under the Trust Deed and paid for by the Beneficiary through December 1, 2025, plus property taxes for 2024 in the principal amount of \$2,514.54, plus accrued interest thereon in the amount of \$324.10 as of December 1, 2025, plus accruing interest at the rate of 16% per annum on the \$2,514.54 tax, until paid in full; plus property taxes for 2025 in the amount of \$2,579.57 (as of December 1, 2025) plus accruing interest thereon at the rate of 16% on the \$2,579.57 tax, until paid in full, plus the cost of the foreclosure guarantee title report \$1,200, attorney's fees in the amount of \$1,000, plus any and all sums advanced and other fees and costs incurred by the Beneficiary pursuant to the terms of the Trust Deed and Promissory Note; together with any other sums due or that may become due under the sums due or that may become due under the Promissory Note or Trust Deed or by reason of this foreclosure and any further advances made by Beneficiary as allowed by the Promissory Note or Trust Deed. 7. The Beneficiary has declared a default, accelerated the debt and elected to sell the property secured by the Trust Deed to satisfy the obligation and defaults noted above. 8. The sale will be held on Wednesday, January

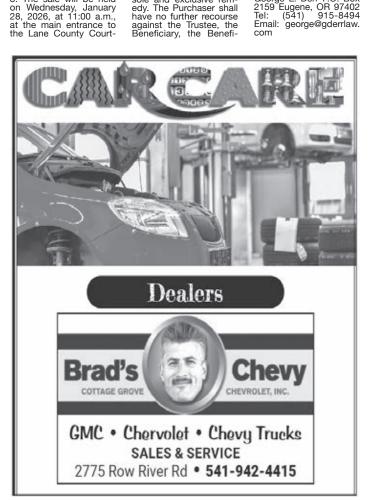
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house, 125 East 8th Avenue, Eugene, Oregon 97401, near the security station. 9. Pursuant to ORS 86.778, the Grantor, the Grantor's successor in interest to all or any part of the trust deed property, any Beneficiary under a subordinate Trust Deed, or any person having a subordinate lien or any person haven the procumbrance of record on the trust deed property has the right to have this non-judicial sale proceeding dismissed and the debt obligation and Trust Deed reinstated by payment of the and Trust Deed reinstated by payment of the entire amount due at the time of payment, in an amount to be determined at that time, other than such portion as would not then be due had no default occurred, together with costs, Trustee's and attorney fees, and by curing all other defaults specified herein at any time that is not later than five (5) days before the date last set for the sale: January 28, 2026 at 11:00 a.m. 10. The undersigned hereby certifies that no assignments of the Trust Deed by the Trustee or by the Beneficiary and no appointments of a Successor Trustee have been made event are no appointments of a Successor Trustee have been made, except as recorded in the records of the county in which the above-described real property is situated. Further, no action has been instituted to recover the debt or any part thereof 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 or rescinded except as permitted by ORS 86.735(4) 11. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by George L. Derr. 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 remodity. The Purchaser shall. sole and exclusive remedy. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Benefi-

ciary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. 12. In construing this notice the singular includes the plural. The word "Grantor" includes any and all assigns or successors in interest to the named Grantor as well as any and all other person(s) owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the Trust Deed. The words "Trust-ee" and "Beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest and all those person(s) claiming by or through them, if any, and all judgment creditors. Upon completion of the sale, the Beneficiary will treat the Trust Deed as foreclosed and terminate all recorded or unrecorded interests in the property subject to the Trust Deed, for all persons to whom notice is given pursuant subject to the Irust Deed, for all persons to whom notice is given pursuant ORS 86.740 and 86.750, and of any other person claiming by, through, or under such person(s), and their respective claiming by, through, or under such person(s), and their respective assigns and successors in interest. 13. Notice Regarding Potential Hazards. (This following notice is required for notices of sale sent on or after January 1, 2015): Without limiting the trustee 's disclaimer or 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 methampheta-mines, 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. 14. IMPORTANT NOTICE TO TENANTS: Tenants of the subject real property have certain protections afforded to them under ORS 86.782 and possibly under federal law. SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE: George L. Derr PO. Box 2159 Eugene, OR 97402 George L. Derr P.O. Box 2159 Eugene, OR 97402 Tel: (541) 915-8494 Fmail: george@gderrlaw

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Cottage Grove wrestlers shine in Grants Pass



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Jeffrey Conklin atop the podium with his trophy after winning the 138-pound title at the Grants Pass Winter Kickoff tournament.

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The Lions have been making moves on the mats this wrestling season, and since the first meet on Dec. 3, Cottage Grove has had a packed schedule, competing in five meets during the first 20 days of December.

Most recently, the Lions headed to Grants Pass for the Winter Kickoff tournament. It was a packed field at the event, with more than 40 teams in attendance, including teams from all over Oregon and even California.

Cottage Grove competed across the JV, boys, and girls divisions and proved their grit and competitive spirit, finishing with solid team scores and seeing

plenty of Lions placing in their weight classes. The girls team finished 20th of the 41 teams in the field, with 55.5 points. The boys varsity squad placed 10th out of 43, scoring 81.5 points with three placements. Finally, the JV team showed how bright the future of Cottage Grove wrestling will be, placing 6th out of 42 teams, powered by five podium placements.

Jeffrey Conklin was the Lion who earned champion status for the varsity wrestling team, winning five bouts to take the 138-pound title. Conklin entered as the 1-seed and proved why he was the favorite, winning each of his matches in dominant fashion. Across

all his matchups, he outscored opponents 17-4 and won each by fall. The final was against Grants Pass' Gavin Wise, and Conklin was up 6-1 before he pinned Wise 1:50 into the match. Conklin's performance earned him a spot atop the podium in a field that had 32 wrestlers.

Also placing for the Lions were Michael Hoye and Raphael LaCount. Both wrestlers placed fifth. Wrestling at 105 pounds, Hoye went 4-2. LaCount went 2-2 in the 113-pound weight class, clinching a podium spot with a win over Corning Union's Andrew Rodriguez.

For the girls, Boston Kent put together the top performance for the Lions,



Courtesy photo from the Cottage Grove Wrestling Facebook page

Boston Kent, center, wrestled her way to third place in the 135-pound division, finishing with a 5-1 record.

earning a third-place finish in the 135-pound weight class. Kent advanced to the quarterfinals after beating Madeline Gonsalves in the second round, but ended up falling to Philomath's Makinzey Harrington in the quarterfinals. Refusing to give up, Kent proceeded to win her next four matches, fighting through the consolation bracket to earn thirdplace in a 32-wrestler field. Kent finished the tournament 5-1, each victory coming by way of fall.

Along with Kent, Taylor Blank, and Alexsis Woody also placed. Blank wrestled in seven bouts, a grueling schedule, and went 5-2 wrestling at 130 pounds. For her trouble, she earned 5th place! Woody wrestled

six matches and went 3-3, placing 6th in the 130pound weight class.

The JV team also had its share of standout performances, as five wrestlers earned top-six finishes in their weight classes. Mario Langele earned the highest spot on the podium, taking 3rd in the 126-pound division off the back of a 3-1 record. The lone loss came in the semifinals, but it was avenged with an 11-7 decision in the third-place match.

Easton Horner wrestled his way to a fourth-place finish at 106 pounds, going 2-2. Caleb Bruner added a fifth-place finish in the 215-pound weight class, winning four out of five matchups, his one loss coming in the quarterfinals. Finally, Ivan Finn and Jericho Chapman were the final placement earners, each finishing sixth. Finn went 3-2 in the 138-pound weight class, and Chapman mirrored that record (3-2) in the 175-pound division.

It was an impressive display by the Lions, and will no doubt give the team and coaches plenty of confidence as they head into the new year. The next time Cottage Grove will be in action will be at the Phil Smith Memorial Invitational on Jan. 2 and Jan. 3 in Junction City.

Follow match results at osaa.org and see CGHS sports features online at cgsentinel.com and in the Wednesday print editions of The Sentinel.

WINNERS

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STAFF REPORT

A holiday window display contest at local businesses in Cottage Grove's Historic Downtown District showed creativity, inspiration, and passion.

The Cottage Grove Art Walk's 10-day-long window decorating contest ended on Dec. 12. Art Walk Organizer Michele Rose said it was a great success. There were 150+ people who cast their votes in the People's Choice Award.

Local artists and downtown friends served as the judges: Michele Rose, Peter Dumbleton, Tina Martinson, Lisa Scott, Julianne Sickler, Tara Sue Hughart, Georgia Haskell, Lilly and Tallulah.

Rose enthusiastically noted that more businesses participated than in the past. The purpose of the contest was to spread holiday cheer and draw people downtown to support hard-hit road construction impacted businesses.

"It was really hard for the judges to select just one for the Second and Third Place awards, so we ended up with two ties," Rose said. "We (Art Walk Organizers) want to especially thank to our judges, all the businesses the Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Georgia Haskell – and of course the more than 150 people who took the time to cast their votes. We are already looking forward to next year's contest!"

First Place \$100 Award

The Bank Building, 609 E Main St.

Second Place \$75 Award

The Flower Basket and Gift Boutique, 119 S. 6th St.

Tattoo Nouvelle, 321 E. Main St.

Third Place \$50 Award

Goodbar Books, 811 E. Main St.

Cottage Grove Art Collective at the Opal Center, 513 E. Main St.

People's Choice \$75 Award

Rosebud Consignment Shop, 814 E. Main St.



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Third Place (tie): Cottage Grove Art Collective at Opal Center for Arts and Education, 513 E. Main Street.



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Third Place (tie) Goodbar Books, 811 E. Main Street.



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People's Choice Award: Rosebud Consignments 814 E. Main Street.





