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Felisha Howell sharing her Royalty and regalia with families of students at the Jan. 13 Cultural and Literary event.

## Native Roots Hold Strong

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### Taft 7-12 celebrates Native American culture at Cultural and Literacy events

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Native American culture is strong in Lincoln City. And Taft 7-12 Indian Education Specialist Desiree Clausing is making sure students don't forget that.

Born and raised in Lincoln City and a graduate of Taft High School in 2001, Clausing said there hasn't been a full-time Indian Education Specialist in their schools in many years. As a descendant of the Blackfeet Tribe of Montana, she knows how important Native American studies

are for our youth, which is why she has taken on this job that takes time, effort for minimal pay.

"This position has a lot of responsibility and pays as a fast food franchise," Clausing said. "The reason I've taken this job on is because it was on my heart to help our youth... Our future."

This Indian Education Program not only keeps Native studies alive but it also provides students with extra support in graduation success, according to Clausing. It does not limit students to personal tutoring, but also provides extra resources

for scholarships and obtaining school supplies.

Clausing is also president of the Native Student Association (NSA), which is a club open to all students that provides relationship growth and positive outlets in the community by finding ways to help inside and outside the Taft schools, all while still keeping the Native American culture alive.

"I am pleased to announce our Indian Education Program and NSA club is running strong," Clausing said.

Every other month, the program and club hosts a Cultural and Literacy night, open to everyone, which the community can learn about the wide variety of Native American cultures around us.

"Our first event (in November) was gifted with drummers, song and dance, a

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Lincoln County Commissioner Claire Hall

### County Commissioner Hall files for reelection

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Lincoln County Commissioner Claire Hall has filed to run for re-election.

Hall, the senior member of the board of commissioners, was first elected in 2004 and has been re-elected three times.

"When I first ran for this job, I said it was the county's responsibility to make our communities safer, healthier and more prosperous, and I continue to make those goals my priority," Hall said. "I'm running on a record of solid achievements, as well as a vision to carry the county into the future."

Hall cited her leadership on housing and homeless issues on the local and state levels, which helped fund construction of a 110-unit apartment complex opening later this summer in Newport, a 21-unit complex in Yachats and nearly tripled funding for emergency housing assistance statewide.

Commissioner Hall is a member of the Oregon Housing Stability Council, the main state body setting housing policy and advising the Oregon Housing and Community Services Department.

During her more than 15 years in office, Hall has represented the county on a number of regional, state and national boards and committees.

"I was proud to be president of the Oregon Association of Counties in 2017," Hall said. "AOC is an organization that represents elected officials across the political spectrum, and I appreciated their vote of confidence in my fairness and even-handedness."

Hall says she will continue to improve services for people with mental illness and substance abuse issues who are involved in the criminal justice system.

"We know the present approach doesn't work—it's clogging the justice system with people who would do better in treatment and not helping them toward recovery," she said.

A three-year, \$745,000 federal grant

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### Local crabber finds passion at sea

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Spending days out at sea collecting Dungeness crab sounds a bit daunting for most people. But for Lincoln City commercial crabber Tony Latino Jr., it's a lifestyle he's quickly taken a liking to.

Son of Tony Latino Sr., the owner of Tony's Top Shop in Lincoln City, Jr. has been working for his Dad but has always had an interest in commercial crabbing. Drawn to a life at sea, and not to mention a wealthy bounty for a good catch, Latino had the opportunity to get his sea legs and join a crew for this year's crabbing season.

"My best friend Tyger Pear-



COURTESY PHOTO/TONY LATINO - KPCC PHOTOGRAPHY

Local commercial crabber Tony Latino Jr. found time to snap this photo of the rough ocean waters during a trip at sea.

son works on the Cape Cleare boat as well as a few other close high school friends, who work down here," Latino said about how he got started. "I heard how much money I could make, so after walking the docks for a month and having my buddy Tyger ask around, him and his Captain met my boat the Tauny Ann and got me a deck hand job."

For the past three weeks, Latino has been adjusting to the long days and nights at sea aboard the 63-foot crab boat. Recently, he just returned from a 27-hour trip that was followed by cleaning the boat, offloading the crab and

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# Gov. Brown announces judicial, district attorney appointments in Lincoln County

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Oregon Governor Kate Brown announced today that she will appoint Marcia L. Buckley to the Lincoln County Circuit Court and Jonathan H. Cable to the position of District Attorney of Lincoln County.

Additionally, Jacqueline S. Kamins has been named to the Oregon Court of Appeals and Brendan J. Kane to the Linn County Circuit Court. All four appointments are effective immediately.

“I am proud to elevate this group of talented attorneys to posts in courthouses around our state,” Governor Brown said.



Gov. Kate Brown

“These individuals bring experience from all corners of the legal profession: some have been prosecutors, others defense attorneys. They have litigated everything from family disputes to landlord-tenant cases, and will be well suited to administer equal justice under our laws.”

Marcia L. Buckley is an attorney in private practice who focuses on domestic relations cases. She fills a vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Paulette Sanders.

Buckley earlier worked in the Lincoln County District Attorney’s Office, where she served as the Chief Deputy District Attorney.

She began her career in Portland enforcing child support judgments.

Buckley completed both undergraduate studies and law school at Lewis & Clark. She is currently president of the Lincoln County Bar Association and a member of the Oregon State Bar Disciplinary Board. She has also been a board member of the Lincoln County Foundation and the Newport Rotary International Club and she has coached the mock trial team at Newport High School.

Jonathan H. Cable is a criminal defense attorney in Newport. He fills a vacancy created by the

resignation of District Attorney Michelle Branam.

Previously, for nine years, Cable was a prosecutor in the Lincoln County District Attorney’s Office. He earlier worked as a prosecutor in Ohio, where he began his career.

Cable is a graduate of the University of Toledo College of Law and Kent State University. He serves as a board member of Lincoln County Defenders and on the Uniform Criminal Jury Instruction Committee of the Oregon State Bar.

In 2011, Cable received the Lincoln County Law Enforcement Recognition Award.

# Family of 10-year-old battling cancer asks for community support

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10-year-old Kane of Lincoln City just finished his last round of chemotherapy to treat an inoperable tumor on his pituitary gland. But in just a few weeks, Kane begins radiation treatment, and his family is asking for the community’s help.

Just before his 10th birthday, Kane was diagnosed with brain cancer. He has a tumor on his pituitary gland that was deemed inoperable. His family has been right by his side every step of the way, but as the medical bills pile up and Kane nears the start of his six-week journey with radiation, his family is facing eviction from their home.

“Not only are they fighting for their son’s life, but now they must fight to find a new home and with so little to work with because they’ve already exhausted most their



COURTESY PHOTO

To help her family, Katharine Smith created a GoFundMe account. Her goal is to raise \$7,000 to help the family get into a new home or find a motorhome to live in.

funds on just the beginning of this journey,” said Katharine Smith, Kane’s aunt. “We hear of these stories all the time. Our children become sick, and as parents, we drop everything to help them

heal, keep them comfortable, and fight for them.

“Everything is sacrificed, physically, emotionally, mentally, financially and we start to wear down and feel beaten to the ground, and it

gets harder to fight, but we still do it. But this is where we can all help, help take some of the load off so they can stand a little taller, and keep fighting!”

To help her family, Smith

created a GoFundMe account. Her goal is to raise \$7,000 to help the family get into a new home or find a motorhome to live in.

“Anything helps at this point,” Smith said. “This is a

young boy who loves school, loves his family and friends and loves life, so let’s help them fight for it!”

The GoFundMe page can be found at <https://bit.ly/2RkT7dv>.



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## Zero down for something around town!

Thinking rural? The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) offers a loan program that is attractive for first-time homebuyers of residences in designated rural areas. Options include loans with little or no down payment and lower interest rates.

Income limits (determined by location) are also a consideration, and the home must be owner-occupied.

Don’t be confused by the term “rural.” Rural areas and home types vary. Many homes that qualify for this program are in traditional developments. Be sure to ask for details about designated rural areas.

- Facts:**
- No down payment is required (though limitations apply).
  - Interest rates are lower.
  - There are no lot size restrictions
  - USDA loans are limited to homes within designated rural areas.
  - 100% financing and seller can pay 6% of the sale price towards borrowers closing cost and pre-paid items (borrower comes in with little to no out of pocket money).
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Native

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meal together and beading,” Clausing said. “To finish the gathering we ended our event with a friendship dance where all gathered together in a Round dance.”

The group held their second event on Jan. 13 with nearly double the attendance from the first event. Over 60 people gathered and enjoyed a meal provided by sponsors, they learned about the Royalty court in the Siletz tribe and Vietnam Royalty with Grand Ronde tribe.

Those in attendance did a family art activity with crate paper and glue creating and sharing pictures.

“We pointed out that our pictures were all different



COURTESY PHOTO

**Student Divine Matthews and member of NSA working on an art project.**

and reflect how we are all different,” Clausing said. “This time opened a moment for students to share,

grow confidence and their social speaking skills.” The event closes with the reading of a book strength-

ening knowledge related to Native American Culture.

“Every tribe is unique in its own way... To bring light to this strengthens our awareness in Native American Culture,” Clausing said. “For instance, I am a descendent of the Blackfeet tribe of Montana. Our beliefs vary from other tribes but still connect spiritually amongst our land.”

Clausing thanked sponsors Figaros, Gallucci’s Pizza, Safeway and Barrens book grant for all they donated to make the event possible. The next event will be held March 16 and May 18 both are from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Taft 7-12.

**Community Working Together**

In the future, Clausing hopes the Cultural events will continue to grow and expand even beyond the Lincoln City community. She wants the events to be family oriented, community inclusive and centered on Native American activities.

“Being able to provide another avenue to support learning and education is a gift in its own,” Clausing said. “I’ve already had a great impact on lives in our schools with being able to provide services.”

Clausing also noted the support she has received from businesses such as Chinook Winds, who has been a sponsor of the Indian Education Program and recently brought back ‘The Sharing Tree’ program. The Sharing Tree is a program that supports local families, especially addressing needs youth in the community. They provide warm coats, clothes, toys and books to those in need.

Another goal of the NSA

and Indian Education Program is to limit the impact of bullying in schools by bridging the gap between people with different cultures and beliefs.

“By bringing these kinds of events and having our program fully succeeding in our community will bring understanding of culture,” Clausing said. “It’s in the unknowing that can bring negativity. Bringing in the knowing and understanding will make a circle complete with relation.”

So far, the program and club has received great support from the community as a whole, but Clausing said they are going to need even more support if they want to make a lasting difference.

“In order for this to be possible I am going to need our entire community’s support, this is not a one person job,” she said. “It’s not going to be easy but it’s well worth the reward if we can all come together to make this possible.”

Crab

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cleaning out the tanks. He understands it’s not for everyone, but he feels he’s cut out for the job.

“I wanted to do it for the challenge, not many people can do it and we had two guys quit first couple days out,” Latino said. “Being a crabber is an elite crew, not many people get respect down here until you put time in and show you’re tough enough to be around.”

But it hasn’t all been fun for Latino... it’s hard work. He said the first three days on the ocean he faced tough water conditions,

sleepless nights and a fast paced working environment. But eventually, Latino started to find certain serenity at sea.

“I had no idea what I got myself into working two days straight on the water... It was the hardest challenge of my life,” Latino said. “But I found I like working all through the night time to the morning. I’m on the dark ocean and it’s peaceful.”

In addition to the calmness he’s found in the ocean, Latino has also formed camaraderie with his fellow crewmates and other fisherman in his short time as a crabber.

“I really enjoy being around the docks and talking to all the other people on the boats and hearing the stories,” Latino said.

Along with his passion for crabbing, Latino has also had a passion for photography. He has taken his photography skills aboard his crab boat and will often take a quick moment to document an average day at sea. This resulted in the stunning photo of the rough ocean waves crashing over the side of their boat.

“I like to take all kinds of pictures all the time just because I like remembering good times,” Latino

said. “The first three times I went out (to sea) it was pretty rough like you see in the photo.”

Although he’s still new to the commercial crabbing business, Latino said he’s found a joy for the work he’s doing and plans to do it every year. And as long as he’s living in the Lincoln City area, he should be able to do it quite easily.

“It’s only three months long and it makes enough money to where I can live here and I should take advantage of the opportunity,” Latino said. “Many people live in the city or inland and never have an opportunity to do this.”

Hall

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to help launch expanded services was the first major accomplishment in this effort.

“But even more important is the new culture of cooperation we’ve created between justice, health, hospital, private treatment providers and community agencies,” Hall said. “This will be the foundation for new collaborations for years

to come.

“I’m proud of my ability to bring people together to find solutions to some of our most significant problems. It’s difficult work, and things don’t happen overnight, but seeing us build a stronger community together is very satisfying.”

Hall is a native Oregonian and has lived in Lincoln County since 1987. She worked in print and broadcast journalism before being elected to county office.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Jan. 22

**Giving back to First Responders** – Breakfast 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., Dinner 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lincoln City Cultural Center. Lincoln City First Responders are requested to attend Lincoln City’s first community Thank You for Your Service breakfast and lunch. Door prizes from the community will be drawn. Sponsored by Phill’s Smok/N/Grill.

**Resident Show & Tell** – 5:30 p.m. in the Boyden Studio at the Sitka Center for Art and Ecology. This is a great opportunity to visit Sitka, meet the residents and to find out more about our Residency Program, which runs from October to mid-May. Free and open to the public. For more information call 541-994-5485 or visit SitkaCenter.org.

Jan. 24

**Coffee with the Mayor** – 9 a.m. at My Petite Sweet. Join in at one of the gatherings at local coffee spots and hear what is happening in Lincoln City.

Jan 24-25

**Comedy on the Coast Live** – 8 p.m. at Chinook Winds Casino. Ages 21 and over. \$15. Headliner Tom McTigue is joined by Michael Palascak with Melissa Shoshahi hosting. For more information call 888-624-6228 or visit ChinookWinds-Casino.com.

**Nekked Bonz Dance Klub Live** – 8 p.m. to 12 a.m.

at Chinook’s Seafood Grill. For more information call 888-624-6228 or visit ChinookWindsCasino.com

Jan. 25

**Lincoln City Elks Dinner** – 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the IOOF Hall, 1350 SE Oar St. The Lincoln City Elks will be serving spaghetti, salad, garlic bread and dessert dinner for \$7. All proceeds will go to the Elks Grand Lodge project to repair and upgrade the Pearl Harbor Memorial.

**Taft Culinary Program Fundraiser** – 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Lincoln City Culinary Center. \$40. The students will demonstrate some of the delicious food they are preparing, and they will be your servers for this special event as well. We will also have several items to raffle. Join us for this fun class and join us to help a great program. For more information call 541-557-1125 or visit CulinaryCenterLincolnCity.com.

**Bret Lucich Live** – 7 p.m. at Beachcrest Brewing Company. All ages are welcome. No cover charge. Shake off your blues and be enter-

tained by musician Bret Lucich. Bret can do it all, play a multitude of instruments and his vocal abilities allow him to do great impersonations. For more information call 541-234-4013 or visit BeachcrestBrewing.com.

**John Reischman and the Jaybirds Live** – 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Lincoln City Cultural Center. 7 - 9 PM. Tickets \$10 - \$25. John Reischman and the Jaybirds fashion a stylish, elegant take on bluegrass that is at once innovative and unadorned, sophisticated

and stripped-down, happily old-fashioned, yet unself-consciously new. For more information visit LincolnCity-CulturalCenter.org or call 541-994-9994.

**Nick Sexton Live** – 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Black Squid Beer House. 21 and over. Enjoy live music and great beer. Dog friendly. BYOF= Bring Your Own Food. For more information visit BlackSquidBeerHouse.com.

Jan. 29

**Coffee with the Mayor** – 9 a.m. at 60s Café. Join

in at one of the gatherings at local coffee spots and hear what is happening in Lincoln City.

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**Over Eaters Anonymous Meetings**

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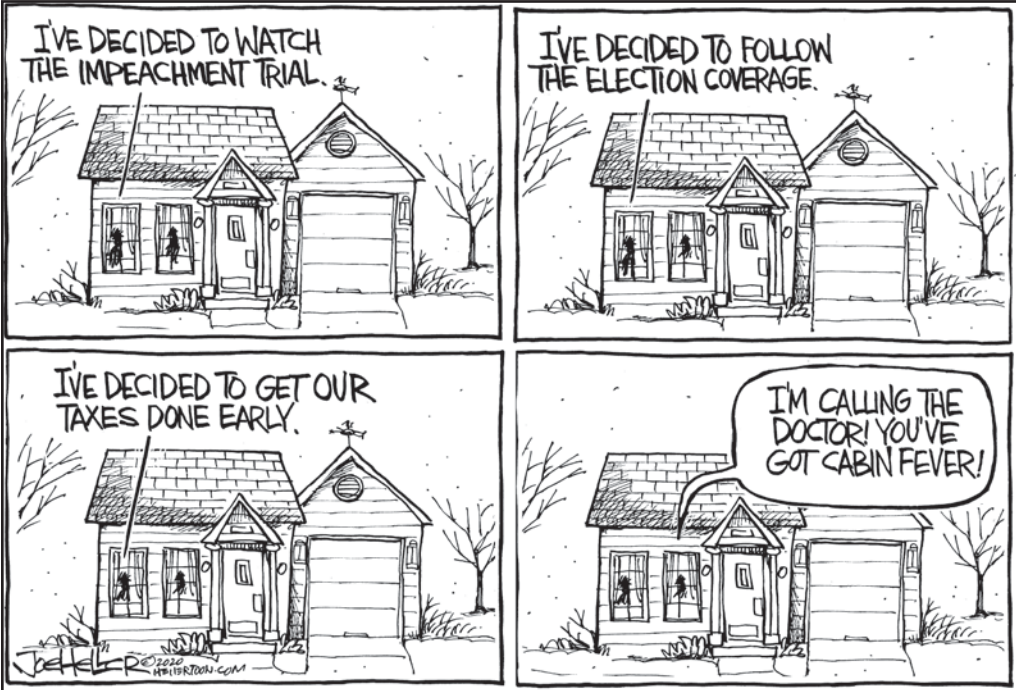
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SNAP: Oregon sues Trump Administration

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Oregon has joined fifteen states and New York City in a lawsuit to stop the Trump administration from eliminating food assistance for nearly 700,000 Americans.

According to a release from Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum, the lawsuit challenges a United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) rule that would limit states' ability to extend food stamp benefits in places where jobs are scarce. The coalition of state attorneys general is urging the court to declare the rule unlawful and issue an injunction to prevent it from going into effect on April 1,

2020.

"The food stamp program (known as "SNAP") has helped vulnerable Oregonians for over 40 years," Rosenblum said. "It is hard to fathom why the federal government wants to punish thousands of adults in some of the most employment-impacted areas of our state—people who may not be able to find jobs—by taking away their access to food."

More than 21,000 Oregonians who currently receive benefits could lose them beginning April 1, under the Trump Administration's plan.

While the federal government pays the full cost of SNAP benefits, it shares the

costs of administering the program on a 50/50 basis with the states, which operate the program. Congress amended SNAP in 1996 to introduce a three-month time limit on SNAP benefits for unemployed individuals aged 18 to 49 who are not disabled or raising children. Congress believed that states were best positioned to assess whether local economic conditions and labor markets provided reasonable employment opportunities. The law allows a waiver of the three-month limit for areas where data is presented by the state demonstrating that the area lacks sufficient jobs.

In a declaration filed with the lawsuit, the Direc-

tor of the Self Sufficiency Program for the Oregon Department of Human Services, Daniel Haun, explained that as of November 2019, Oregon had 347,941 households, for a total of 586,781 Oregonians, who receive SNAP benefits statewide. Of these individuals, 21,886 Oregonians are potentially affected if this rule goes into effect. Their average food benefit ranges from \$166-\$186 per month.

Over the last 24 years, Congress has maintained the criteria for states to obtain waivers, and allowed states to carry over unused exemptions. It has reauthorized the statute four times without limiting states' discretion. Shortly after President Trump signed the 2018 Farm Bill into law, USDA issued a proposed rule announcing these changes. The USDA received more than 100,000 comments—the majority expressing strong opposition from a

broad range of stakeholders. Regardless, USDA issued the final rule.

In the lawsuit, the states argue that the new rule:

- Contradicts statutory language and Congress's intent for the food-stamp program
- Raises healthcare and homelessness costs while lowering economic activity in the states
- Amends the law for arbitrary and capricious reasons
- Violates federal rule-making process

In addition to Oregon, New York (lead) and Washington D.C. (lead), the participating states include California, Connecticut, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Virginia, along with the City of New York.

The lawsuit was filed in United States District Court for the District of Columbia.

VOICES OF THE COMMUNITY

How dare me

I might sound like a broken record when I keep repeating and repeating my alarm concerning our Climate Emergency and the need for deliberate, swift, powerful and sustained action on the part of every governmental body top to bottom as well as every individual left to right.

However, I must first hold myself accountable before my friends, family and the rest of the world; accountable to the dire conditions of my deteriorating and dying Earth. How much more do I need to know before I do something about what has already happened and continues to happen more forcefully day after burning, flooding and devastating day?

How is it that I can hold and kiss my three year old granddaughter and tell her "I love you", while not doing everything humanly possible to stop what will either eventually kill her or make her life unthinkably miserable?

Why is it that I'm not willing to step up to the plate and sacrifice some, if not all, of my presumed entitlements? Like my care-less consumption, thoughtless travel, over eating, wasting, endless diversions, addic-

tion to corporate news cycles that render me angry, helpless and brain-dead. How come I have become complacent, inept and comfortable in the face of my dying Earth instead of active in my participatory democracy in order to make things better?

There really is no excuse for continuing my self-indulgent ways except that I don't care enough to change and update myself to accommodate what is being asked of me presently by what I am destroying presently.

So after four decades of steadily rising global warming, with nearly yearly heat breaking records; and most recently with the burning of nine million Australian acres and one thousand koalas, I say unless I am going to do whatever it takes to stop the madness and destruction of my egocentric and capitalistic ways, how dare me continue business as usual.

To learn more about what you might do as well contact 350 Oregon Central Coast. Org and complete the contact form – thank you.

Bill Kucha,  
Depoe Bay

IN MEMORY



In Loving Memory

Marjorie (Margie) Vaterlaus

May 21, 1928 – Dec. 27, 2019

Gordon Vaterlaus

Mar. 11, 1931 – Jan. 18, 2019

We wish to announce the passing of our parents, Gordon and Margie Vaterlaus, of Lincoln City, Oregon.

Gordon was born in Douglas, Wyoming, to Leslie and Ruth Vaterlaus. Margie was born in Reseda, California, to Carl and Gladys Cooper.

Gordon served in the Navy Seabees from 1950 to 1954, and received his training at the Naval Construction Battalion Center in Port Hueneme, Calif., where he met Margie while roller skating one evening. They married on April 28, 1951, after knowing each other only two months. They were together 68 years.

Gordon was a skilled carpenter and Margie an exemplary homemaker who loved looking after her family. In retirement, they enjoyed traveling the United States and spending time in Arizona and Mexico. They lived in Gleneden Beach, Ore. from 1998 to 2017, when they moved to Lakeview Assisted Living in Lincoln City.

They are survived by their children Karen Leedom, Kathy Bingham, Eric Vaterlaus and Gary Vaterlaus, seven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

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# Tip of the Week: Elk and deer winter migration


The Central Oregon Coast is experiencing its seasonal cold weather.

Although the weather slows down our daily commute, we are not nearly as affected as wildlife, specifically elk and deer.

Natural food sources are lean in the upper elevations in the coast range during the winter as snow falls, covering the ground. This time of year, with snow accumulation in the coast range and freezing temperatures periodically down to sea level, elk and deer may move to even lower elevations to find adequate food.

### Sheriff's Tips

**Curtis Landers**  
Lincoln County Sheriff



These additional movements often mean that the animals are crossing major roads both day and night which creates hazards to motorists. The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office would like motorists and spectators to be mindful of the animal movements. If you see one deer cross in front of you,

chances are there is another one behind.

Please take into account that the animals are often stressed due to additional migration in search of food. When spectating please keep a minimum distance of 100 yards from wildlife. If the animals begin to move from your presence, don't follow them. Oregon Revised Statute 498.006 does protect the chasing or harassing of wildlife.

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## Lincoln City man with three previous DUII convictions caught drinking and driving

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On Jan. 10, at approximately 1:33 p.m. Oregon State Police (OSP) was dispatched to a report of a maroon minivan swerving all over the roadway on Highway 18 near milepost 12.

The minivan was driven by Corey Allen Quakenbush, 34, of Lincoln City and had received a second driving complaint near the intersection of Slick Rock Creek Road, Otis and Highway 18. According to OSP, the vehicle was seen crossing the centerline,



**Corey Allen Quakenbush**

bloodshot and glassy. He appeared to be highly confused and lethargic.

Eskridge identified Quaken-

bush and found his Oregon license to be suspended/revoked due to three previous DUII convictions within the last ten years, resulting in a felony charge. Quakenbush was also found to be on felony probation in Lincoln County for DUII with no alcohol conditions.

"The driver stepped from the vehicle on his own accord and was unsteady on his feet," Eskridge said. "When asked if he would conduct (Standardized Field Sobriety Test) he refused."

An empty alcoholic seltzer water was found sitting next to the driver's seat upon inspection. Quakenbush was taken into custody for DUII and Felony Driving While Suspended.

Quakenbush was transported to the Lincoln City Police Department where he was asked to take a breath test, which he refused.

"The driver later provided a breath test, which showed a blood alcohol level of 0.23 percent by weight," Eskridge said.

He was transported to the Lincoln County Jail where he was lodged on the DUII and Felony Driving While Suspended charges.

## Police Blotter

The police blotter relates as reported by the Lincoln City Police. All individuals the public record of incidents



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**LINCOLN CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**MONDAY, JANUARY 13**

11:47 p.m. Assist on Arrest, 1777 NW 44th St. Marylin Childs, born 7/1/86, was arrested on multiple FTA warrants for Larceny and transported to Lincoln County Jail.

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 14**

10:06 a.m. Abandoned Auto, SW 50th St./SW 800 Blk., Old Hershey Lot. Lincoln City Towing responded for a vehicle removal of a

1985 Ford.

11:53 a.m. Crash, SW 32nd St./Hwy 101. Two-vehicle crash at location. Driver and passenger of Cadillac transported to hospital by ambulance.

11:45 a.m. Assault, 3780 SE Spyglass Ridge Rd. Juvenile transported to Juvenile Department after a report of an assault.

3:44 p.m. Trespass, 660 SE Hwy 101, Posh Wash. Caller reported that a subject refused to leave the property and has been previously trespassed. Officer responded, advised subject had left. At 4:48 p.m., Patrick Henry Alexander Martin, born 8/4/85, was taken into custody for trespass, also charged with Theft. Martin was transported to Lincoln

County Jail.

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15**

8:30 a.m. Fraud, 1631 NW Hwy 101. Caller reported male and female at location attempting to exchange a counterfeit \$100 bill.

10:57 a.m. Theft, 4649 SW Hwy 101, Rusty Truck. Caller reported the theft of bar stools from a storage area. Jonathan James Davis Anderson, born 12/23/82, was cited and released for Theft II.

1:21 p.m. Fraud, 1332 NW 19th St. Caller reported their social security number had been compromised. \$5,500 loan opened in Dallas, Texas with caller's information.

7:54 p.m. Hazard Tow,

NE 35th St. Caller reported a vehicle parked "wonky" at the dead end. Car Care Tow was called for a hazard tow.

9:55 p.m. Trespass, 2166 NE Hwy 101, Oceanlake Coin Laundry. Caller reported several males were loitering in the Laundromat and he wanted them to move along. Kelly E. Helms, born 3/29/69, had a misdemeanor warrant out of Lincoln County charging PV-Harassment. Helms was taken into custody and transported to Lincoln County Jail. A second subject was advised that he was permanently trespassed from the location.

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 16**

9:12 a.m. Graffiti, 2164 NE Hwy 101, Oceanlake Laundry. Report of painted graffiti on side of the building.

11:46 a.m. Assist on Arrest, 4794 SE Hwy 101, Sports and Imports. Trevor A. Westphal, born 8/13/71, taken into custody for failing to register, transported to Lincoln County Jail.

2:53 p.m. Traffic Crash, 2004 NW 36th St., TLC Credit Union. Vehicle off the roadway, down embankment and into building. Vehicle towed by Car Care, Pacific Power responded for possible damage to some wires and boxes.

3:01 p.m. Abandoned Auto, 2000 Blk SE Lee Ave. 2005 Ford Focus towed by Lincoln City Towing as abandoned.

3:51 p.m. Trespass, SW 49th St./Hwy 101. Nathan Cane Opprud, born 11/12/79, taken into custody after violating an exclusion order for City Parks. Opprud transported to Lincoln County Jail.


4:20 p.m. Theft, 2010 NW 33rd St. Victim reported \$700 was taken out of his account.

10:53 p.m. Assist on Arrest/Warrant Arrest, 1604 NE Hwy 101. Owner of vehicle parked behind Old Oregon contacted. Misdemeanor warrant confirmed out of Marion County for Dangerous Drugs. Natasha Colleen Leggett, born 12/18/87, was taken into custody and transported to Lincoln County Jail.

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SPORTS

Tigers split a pair of games

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The Taft 7-12 boys and girls basketball teams played a couple of competitive games last week that resulted in a win and a loss for each team.

On Jan. 17, Taft kicked off their league schedule with a home matchup with coastal foe Warrenton. The boys started the night with a high energy, physical first half of basketball that resulted in a 28-20 lead for the visiting Warriors at the break.

In the third quarter, Warrenton began to turn

up their defensive intensity by holding Taft to just six points while scoring 12 to lead 40-26. Tempers flared early in the fourth as both teams went after each other physically and vocally. Despite the tense atmosphere and trailing by double digits, Taft's Eli DeMello sparked an offensive run for Taft midway through the fourth, but fouls and made free throws kept Warrenton ahead for good, as they would win 55-39.

In the nightcap, the Lady Tigers came out of the gates ready and took a lead in the first quarter. Warrenton

would bounce back however, outscoring Taft in the second quarter to take a 20-15 lead at halftime.

The Warriors found more offense in the third from the hot shooting Kenzie Ramsey, who made several three pointers. But Taft would score 10 points in the third to cut the Warrenton lead to 29-25.

In the fourth, Taft's Emma Coulter began to find her rhythm. Coulter along with Autumn Ellis knocked down several shots to put the Lady Tigers ahead late in the game. Up three points, Taft locked down the War-

riors on the final possession to earn a 39-36 victory.

**Colton**

The following day (Jan. 18) Taft traveled to Colton for a non-league game. The boys faced a winless Viking and were able to easily take care of business in a 66-58 win. The victory snapped a four game losing skid and brings Taft's record to 3-8 overall.

The girls faced a much tougher test against the Lady Vikings. Trailing late in the game with the ball, Taft passed the ball around and found an open Autumn Ellis



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**Senior Autumn Ellis shoots a couple of free throws in Taft's win over Warrenton on Jan. 17.**

around the three-point arc who made the shot to give the Tigers a one-point lead. With just a few ticks on the clock, the Vikings threw up a prayer from half court that missed and found a Colton player under the basket, who laid it up as time expired. Colton would end up winning 45-44, which puts Taft's record at 8-6 overall.

Taft boys take first at Tillamook Cheese Relays

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The Taft 7-12 boys swim team found themselves in a familiar spot this past weekend at the Cheese Relays in Tillamook: atop the podium.

For the past couple of years, the Tiger boys have claimed first place at the relay only event, and this year was no exception. The Jan. 18 event featured six teams, mostly from the 4A classification.



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**The Taft 7-12 boys team placed first at the Cheese Relays while the girls team placed fourth with just eight swimmers.**

had eight able to go and a couple were under the weather, so we were limited in what they could do," Parker said. "As a result we could not enter two girls relays, which affected final scores."

For the boys however, they had plenty of swimmers. The Tigers even had enough to compete in two 'exhibition' relays, which allowed Taft to gain valuable experience against other top-notch swimmers. Overall, Taft had five relay teams take first place.

Dylan Barrera won the boys 400-yard freestyle. Then Cortes, Jose Segura, Angel Moreno and Mugen Evenson placed first in the boys 400-yard medley. Segura, Barrera, Moreno and Logan Meyer won the boys 200-yard fly and Cortes, Segura, Moreno and Michael Young won the boys 200-yard back stroke. Finally, Meyer, Segura, Evenson and Ayden Woodard won the boys 200-yard breaststroke race.

Taft also had five second place finishes and one third and fourth place finish to round out their efforts.

Although the girls team was unable to get a first place finish, they were in the top three in each relay event. The Lady Tigers had four second place marks, starting with the girls 400-yard freestyle, swam by Isabelle Serrato and Napy Meyer. The girls 400-yard medley placed second with Serrato, Lesley Lagunes, Bryanna Paget and Sammy Halferty. Then Serrato, Paget, Lagunes and Kealy Boyd placed second in the girls 200-yard backstroke. Finally, Halferty, Serrato, Meyer and Paget were second in the girls 200-yard breaststroke.

This week Taft will be at Seaside on Jan. 22 for a three-team meet with Seaside/Warrenton and Tillamook. Wednesday's meet is scheduled to start at 4 p.m.

Answers for Last Week's Puzzle


Super Crossword

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