

Beyond the winter storms

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Neighborhoods in Lincoln County and across Oregon continue to clean up after a series of hash snow, ice, and windstorms.

The vicious storms brought down thousands of trees across Lincoln County and across the state. Inland, downed trees and fallen powerlines killed 10 people in the Portland metro area. The storms closed school districts and disrupted businesses and left thousands without electricity.

Local State of Emergency declarations

The Lincoln City City Council adopted a State of Emergency declaration Jan. 17 following the storms.

“Making a disaster declaration gives the city an opportunity to obtain

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State of Emergencies declared in Lincoln City, Newport, county, state



Courtesy photo from Frank Covacevich

A rainbow between the storms stretches from the ocean inland at Coronado Shores as a sign of hope and better weather ahead.



Courtesy photo from LCPD

Police investigators suspect that this crash was caused by speed.

Speed suspected in local highway crash

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Lincoln City Police Department officers responded to a serious motor vehicle crash at approximately 8:25 p.m. Jan. 16, on S Highway 101 near S 51st Street.

Upon arrival, they found the two involved vehicles, a silver Subaru WRX and a black Toyota Sequoia SUV, had sustained extensive damage as a result of the collision.

The driver of the Subaru, identified as 20-year-old Trevor J. Norton of Siletz, was still in his vehicle and had sustained injuries in the crash,” according to LCPD Lt. Jeffrey Winn said. “The driver of the Toyota, identified as 45-year-old David P. Mizelle of Lincoln City, Oregon, was also still in his vehicle and had sustained injuries in the crash.”

Winn said North Lincoln Fire & Rescue and

Pacific West Ambulance quickly responded to the scene and began medical treatment of both drivers,

“Based on the subsequent investigation that included witness statements, officers learned the Subaru WRX was traveling southbound on S Highway 101 at a high rate of speed when the driver lost control and collided with the center island that divides northbound and southbound lanes of travel,” Winn said. “The Subaru reportedly went airborne and collided with the oncoming Toyota Sequoia. The impact also caused a portion of the Subaru’s windshield to be launched onto the air, and partly landing on the roof of a nearby house.”

Both drivers were transported to Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital for further medical treatment. The extent of their injuries was not immediately available. Highway 101 was blocked in both directions until about 9:30 p.m.

“Norton was arrested and cited and released at the hospital on charges of Reckless Driving and Reckless Endangering,” Winn said. “Other potential criminal charges are being investigated and will be submitted to the Lincoln County District Attorney’s Office for review.”

Winn said police did not find any indication at the time of the investigation that alcohol or drugs were involved in the crash.

According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) speeding-related fatalities increased 8 percent from 2020

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Hospitals move to overcome challenges

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Lesley Ogden, MD, CEO of Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital and Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital, is optimistic about 2024.

Ogden was scheduled to share her vision of medical services in the community during the Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce luncheon Jan. 23. Before the event, she agreed to give us her insight in the following one-on-one interview.

vices was on track to either break even or suffer small losses due to lower revenues and higher costs than normal, especially in quarter four. Samaritan has avoided losses previously by proactively controlling costs and enhancing revenues through a continuous improvement program in place since 2017. However, as our costs continue to escalate and revenues remain flat or decrease, it has become much more challenging.

Lincoln County Leader:



Lincoln County Leader: Could you give us a brief summary of your presentation, the highlights?

Lesley Ogden: I was asked to concentrate on access to care, especially how to make an appointment if you don’t have internet services; vaccination information, especially COVID-19, influenza, and the newly available RSV vaccine; and a hospital/medical update on new service lines, facilities, the rural family medicine residency, etc.

Lincoln County Leader: According to an OregonLive report last April, in 2022, most of Oregon’s hospital suffered significant financial losses in what officials called one of the worst years in three decades triggered by higher labor costs and longer patient stays. Did Samaritan’s Lincoln City and Newport hospitals see financial losses in 2022 and 2023, and if so, how much? If not, how did Samaritan avoid the losses?

Ogden: We don’t yet have year-end figures for 2023, but Samaritan Health Ser-

What is the average patient hospital stay at Samaritan’s Lincoln City and Newport hospitals and what is the target for 2024-2025?

Ogden: As of November 2023, the average length of stay at Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital is 4.7 days (identical to 2022) and at Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital it is 4.1 days (down from 4.3 in 2022).

As critical access hospitals, we are required to maintain an annual average length of stay of 96 hours (4 days) or less for acute care patients, but over the past four years it has become difficult to discharge patients within 96 hours. There are many reasons for this: lack of post-acute care bed availability, lack of bed availability at hospitals offering higher levels of care, and difficulty finding timely transport options due to workforce challenges.

However, as we start 2024, we are either holding stable or decreasing our lengths of

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Arrest follows stabbing, disturbance investigation

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Lincoln City Police have arrested a suspect involved in a disturbance and stabbing at the Lincoln City Outlet Mall property located at 1500 SE East Devils Lake Road.

The event occurred Jan. 19. The mall was closed at the time of the incident, so the safety of other customers and employees was not at risk.

“Due to all involved being juveniles, no names will be given,” a LCPD press release reads.

At about 8:10 p.m., Lincoln City Police officers responded to a disturbance that allegedly involved a stabbing at

the Outlet Mall. Upon arrival, officers located a male juvenile victim who had sustained cuts and stab wound injuries. The victim was transported by ambulance to Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital for treatment of his wounds. The suspect juvenile had fled the area prior to officers’ arrival.

Lincoln City Police detectives responded and began investigating. The suspect and another involved female juvenile was located nearby. The female juvenile also sustained injuries during the incident and was transported to the hospital for medical treatment.

Based on information learned during the in-

vestigation, detectives arrested the suspect male juvenile on charges of:

- **Assault in the First Degree**
- **Unlawful Use of a Weapon**
- **Reckless Endangering.**

The arrested juvenile was transported to the Linn/Benton Juvenile Detention Center where he is being held.

“The investigation is on-going and additional charges may be file,” the release states.

Anyone with information regarding the incident should call the Lincoln City Police Department at 541-994-3636 and ask for Detective John Goodman.

One arrested after vehicle crashes into building

SUBMITTED BY NEWPORT POLICE

Newport Police released the following details concerning a vehicle into a building:

On Jan. 15, at about 0145 hours Newport Police officers responded to a report of a vehicle that had crashed into the entrance of McKay’s Market located at 107 N Coast Highway.

Officers arrived on scene and contacted the driver of the involved vehicle, identified as Juan Jose Torres Juarez, 32-years-old of Newport. Officers interviewed Juarez who told them he had driven his vehicle into the building on purpose to get the attention of the police. Juarez told officers he needed somewhere to stay.



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While speaking with Juarez, officers observed signs of impairment and started a DUII investigation. Juarez was transported to the Lincoln County Jail to continue the DUII investigation. Officers determined the impairment was due to drugs

and requested a Drug Recognition Expert Officer to respond and furthered the investigation. Juarez subsequently failed the field sobriety test and he was logged at the Lincoln County Jail for DUII, Criminal Mischief in the 1st Degree and Reckless Driving.

McKay’s Market was closed at the time and there were no employees in the building. Damage to the building was limited to the south entrance exit area.

The Newport Police Department reminds our citizens to continue to report suspicious activities.

The Newport Police Tip Line is available at 541-574-5455, or Text-a-Tip at 541-270-1856 or tipline@newportpolice.net. If you have any information regarding this case, contact Officer Werner of the Newport Police Department at 541-574-3348.

Waldport rallies behind injured youth

MICHAEL HEINBACH
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Elizabeth Wonson reached out to the Lincoln County Leader last weekend to give a progress report on her son, 16-year-old Fokus Simmons, who was still in intensive care following a Jan. 11 two-vehicle accident on Highway 101 just north of the Yachats city center.

Without going into much detail, Wonson said her son, a Waldport High School sophomore, was in ICU at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Corvallis, where he’s being treated for a severe brain injury.

“You know, the brain is something we just don’t know a lot about,” Wonson said Sunday by phone. “We have high hopes, and he’s progressed to the point where they’ve taken his breathing tube out of his mouth and inserted it into his trachea.”

According to an Oregon State Patrol news release issued the following day, at about 5:15 p.m. Jan. 11, a South Lincoln Ambulance, responding to an emergency call with its emergency lights activated, attempted to turn left (southbound) on Highway 101 from the Yachats Rural Fire Protection District station at 2050 N Highway 101. OSP says a northbound Kia Soul, driven by Waldport 25-year-old Kelsey Rose Seibel with Simmons in the passenger seat, collided with the ambulance’s driver’s side.

Authorities pronounced Seibel, the mother of two pre-kindergarten age boys, dead at the scene. Simmons suffered “critical injuries,” was taken to Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital, and eventually transported to Corvallis for further care. Neither the driver nor passenger in the ambulance were injured in the accident, which resulted in a five-hour closure of Highway 101 for investigation.

Wonson said Sunday she’s still waiting for a final report on the collision from law enforcement, and is astounded by the depths in which the Waldport community rallied around Simmons, speaking of countless letters she’s received from students and school administrators in support.

“Oh my goodness, I don’t know if I have the words to use to describe how it’s been,” Wonson, a 1992 Waldport High School graduate, said “It’s so overwhelming how supportive this community is. It’s so much, and I’m so thankful to see the community come together like this.”

On Tuesday, Jan. 23, prior to the home basketball games against Reedsport at Irish Pavilion, the school helped raise money to aid in Simmons’ recovery by hosting a silent auction, desert auction, bake sale and more. All funds generated were donated to aid Simmons’ path toward recovery.

To make a donation to a GoFundMe campaign on Simmons’ behalf, visit [www. https://www.gofundme.com/f/fokus-simmons-recovery](https://www.gofundme.com/f/fokus-simmons-recovery). Donations are also being accepted via Venmo to @liz-wonson.

Donations to assist in funeral, memorial service and cremation costs for Seibel can be made by visiting <https://www.gofundme.com/f/in-memory-of-kelsey-rose-seibel>.

Seaside Police issue bogus bills alert



Courtesy photo from Seaside Police

All the fraudulent bills received are last generation 100s, dated 2006A.

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Local banking institutions have contacted the Seaside Police Department this week, reporting an influx of fraudulent \$100 bills being received by local businesses throughout the county.

While the bills appear authentic and pass a pen test, they will not pass through electronic validation devices, magnetic ink, or UV back-light tests.

How to tell these bills are fraudulent:

- All have a backplate number of “82.” This is located on the bottom right-hand corner of the back of the bill.
- Serial numbers will vary, but all start with “BB.”
- The “security strip” on the bill is not a strip but is lightly printed on the back of the bill, so it looks legitimate when holding it up to the light.
- All the fraudulent bills received are last generation 100s, dated 2006A. The paper on most of the bills is lighter colored than usual, likely due to them being washed.
- The portrait watermark of Benjamin Franklin is lightly printed on the back of the bill (pictured below within blue circle). You should not be able to see these features without light passing through.

Included below is an additional version of the fraudulent bills received.

If you have any information about the identity of a suspect(s) presenting fraudulent currency, contact your local law enforcement agency to make a report. Try to retain any security footage related to the incident.



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\$24.1M curb ramping project in Lincoln City

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The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is announcing several street and road projects for Lincoln City. “Whether you ride, walk or roll, we want to make U.S. Highway 101 in your community more accessible,” ODOT states in a release. “One of the ways we’re doing that is by rebuilding or installing Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) curb ramps in Lincoln City starting in mid-2024.”

Why are curb ramps important? ADA curb ramps make it easier for people to move between the sidewalk and road,” according to ODOT. “This can be helpful for those who have trouble stepping up and down high curbs,” ODOT states. “It’s also helpful for people using wheelchairs, strollers, walkers, hand carts and bicycles. These ramps make it easier for everyone to get around, whether they have a disability or not.” By making curb ramps accessible, they slope gently into the roadway, promoting safer travel between sidewalk and roadway, according to ODOT.

“We’re adding textured plates at the curb ramps, called truncated domes,” ODOT states. “These allow pedestrians to feel, see and hear where the crossing is located and the direction they should go to safely cross the street.” ODOT has provided an interactive map at its website illustrating the array in Lincoln City where the curb ramping will occur. The project design and construction cost is estimated to be \$24.1 million.

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- Construction noise.
- Shoulder and lane closures.
- Work to start in late summer
- Location from milepost 112.3 to 118 and milepost 121.42 to 125 on Highway 101.

Driver Alert

Pay attention in the work zone, slow down and move over – imagine this is where you work! Always drive safely, watch for construction signs and workers. Remember: fines double in all Oregon work zones, whether workers and signs are present or not. For more information, check out the curb ramping section on ODOT’s website.



Courtesy photo from ODOT
The curb ramping follows guidelines from the Americans with Disabilities Act.



Courtesy photo from ODOT
The Lincoln City Curb Ramping Project Map.

Newport issues Drinking Water Advisory update

On Jan. 15, 2024, the city of Newport issued a drinking water advisory/boil water notice to certain limited customers/service addresses in the Newport Water Distribution system, in a specific portion of Newport. Due to the loss of electrical power, and secondary backup power at a water pumping station in Newport, pressures fell below specification. Drinking water advisory/boil water notice was issued, in accordance with state requirements. Newport City staff began distributing the required paper physical postings/hand deliveries to those service addresses who were initially impacted by the drinking water advisory. Those customers/addresses who were impacted by the initial boil water notice:

West of Highway 101 NW 54th, NW 55th to Meander, Rocky Way to Lighthouse Drive
East Side of 101- NE 54th, Lucky Gap, NE 55th, 56 Court, and NE 57th Street
Longview Hills Private System
For those community members with an address outside of this select list, there was no impact to your water services. The city appreciates your patience while staff were working extended hours to resolve this issue, and many others, during the recent weather events. For more information, contact Newport Assistant City Manager Erik Glover at e.glover@newportoregon.gov



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LAW ENFORCEMENT TIP OF THE WEEK

Tie It Down

LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

The National Sheriffs' Association Traffic Safety Committee is working to raise awareness of the problem with unsecured loads.

Research by the AAA Foundation for Traffic Safety estimates that road debris played a role in more than 50,000 crashes each year in a four-year period. These resulted in over 9,800 injuries and approximately 125 deaths.

Thinking of making that annual or semi-annual trip to the dump?

Ridding your home of unwanted items and trash is a great way to keep it a healthy, safe, and clutter-free place.

Remember also, that we want to keep our environment and fellow motorists healthy and safe. So, take a moment to inspect your cargo. Are there any light, loose items that can scatter and become unsightly litter or pollution along the roadway? Or worse, unsecured larger items that may fall out and cause another drive to swerve or crash?

To be secured, loads should be:

- Tied down with rope, netting or straps
- Tied directly to the vehicle or trailer
- Covered entirely with a sturdy tarp or netting
- NOT overloaded
- Packed with lighter weight items at the bottom and evenly distributed to prevent them from sliding.

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Weather

Wednesday: Rain before 1 p.m., then showers. High near 52. Breezy, with a south southwest wind 14 to 18 mph, with gusts as high as 26 mph. Wednesday night: Low around 46.

Thursday: Rain, mainly before 4 p.m. High near 51. Thursday night: Rain, mainly after 10 p.m. Low around 44.

Friday: Rain. Cloudy, with a high near 51. Breezy. Friday

Past Weather

On the Coast					Rain	Low	High
January 16	.....	0.46	....	27.2	.....	51.7	
January 17	.....	1.22	....	47.6	.....	52.1	
January 18	.....	0.49	....	44.7	.....	53.0	
January 19	.....	0.00	....	43.0	.....	49.6	
January 20	.....	0.64	....	42.3	.....	52.3	
January 21	.....	0.55	....	49.6	.....	55.4	
January 22	.....	0.42	....	50.8	.....	54.2	
Total rainfall from Jan. 1					.....	10.37"	

Tides Tables

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration		High	Low
January 24		12:12 a.m. 7.1 10:44 a.m. 9.2	4:52 a.m. 4.2 5:54 p.m. -0.7
January 25		12:46 a.m. 7.3 11:26 a.m. 9.2	5:35 a.m. 3.9 6:30 p.m. -0.6
January 26		1:18 a.m. 7.4 12:05 p.m. 9.0	6:16 a.m. 3.7 113 7:02 p.m. -0.5
January 27		1:48 a.m. 7.5 12:43 p.m. 8.7	6:55 a.m. 3.5 107 7:33 p.m. -0.2
January 28		2:16 a.m. 7.6 1:20 p.m. 8.2	7:34 a.m. 3.3 8:02 p.m. 0.2
January 29		2:44 a.m. 7.7 1:59 p.m. 7.7	8:16 a.m. 3.1 8:30 p.m. 0.8
January 30		3:11 a.m. 7.8 2:41 p.m. 7.0	9:01 a.m. 2.9 8:57 p.m. 1.4
January 31		03:40 a.m. 7.9 3:31 p.m. 6.4	9:50 a.m. 2.7 9:25 p.m. 2.1
February 1		4:10 a.m. 8.0 4:33 p.m. 5.7	10:46 a.m. 2.5 9:56 p.m. 2.9

Sunrise/Sunset

Jan. 24	.....	7:44 a.m.	.....	5:12 p.m.
Jan. 25	.....	7:43 a.m.	.....	5:13 p.m.
Jan. 26	.....	7:42 a.m.	.....	5:15 p.m.
Jan. 27	.....	7:41 a.m.	.....	5:16 p.m.
Jan. 28	.....	7:40 a.m.	.....	5:18 p.m.
Jan. 29	.....	7:39 a.m.	.....	5:19 p.m.
Jan. 30	.....	7:38 a.m.	.....	5:20 p.m.
Jan. 31	.....	7:37 a.m.	.....	5:22 p.m.
Feb. 1	.....	7:36 a.m.	.....	5:23 p.m.
Feb. 2	.....	7:35 a.m.	.....	5:25 p.m.

Lottery

Friday, January, 19
Mega Millions
1 • 9 • 16 • 17 • 30 • PB-17 • x2

Saturday, January 20
Powerball
16 • 31 • 34 • 47 • 65 • PB-10 • x3

Saturday, January 20
Megabucks
7 • 15 • 20 • 21 • 24 • 46

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Oregon hunger soaring due to federal aid cuts

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While there are programs to help feed children and adults in Lincoln County, a new report highlights the increasing struggle statewide.

By the numbers
According to USDA food insecurity data - a way of measuring food hardship analyzed by Hunger Free America - across Oregon, 11.1 percent of residents, or 466 thousand people, lived in food insecure households from 2020-2022.

This includes 14.1 percent of children in the state (121,499), 8.9 percent of employed adults (182,836), and 6.6 percent of older Oregon residents (69,258).

Hunger Free America attributes the surge in

food insecurity to the expiration of the expanded Child Tax Credit and universal school meals. Many federal benefit increases have either gone away entirely, or are being ramped down, even as prices for food, rent, healthcare, and fuel continue to soar.

“Our report demonstrates child and adult hunger are serious problems in rural, urban, and suburban areas of all 50 states,” Hunger Free America CEO Joe Berg said. This report should be a jarring wake up call for federal, state, and local leaders.”

This year, Hunger Free America also compiled the most recent nonparticipation rates for SNAP, WIC, and school breakfast programs by state.

While in Oregon, num-

bers show everyone eligible for SNAP was able to receive it in 2018, WIC had a high nonparticipation rate, with 39 percent of eligible individuals in the state not receiving WIC in 2021. School breakfast also had a high nonparticipation rate, with 48 percent of children who receive school lunch in Oregon not receiving school breakfast during the 2021-2022 school year.

Effective federal public policies over the previous few years were spectacularly successful in stemming U.S. hunger, but as many of those policies have been reversed, hunger has again soared, according to Berg.

“At exactly the moment when so many Americans are in desperate need of relief, many of



Courtesy photo

Hunger Free America attributes the surge in food insecurity to the expiration of the expanded Child Tax Credit and universal school meals.

the federally funded benefits increases, such as the Child Tax Credit and universal school meals, have expired, due mostly to opposition from conservatives in Congress,” Berg said. “Just as no one should be surprised if drought increases when

water is taken away, no one should be shocked that when the government takes away food, as well as money to buy food, hunger rises. Our political leaders must act to raise wages and provide a strong safety net, so we can finally end U.S. hunger and ensure that all Americans have access to adequate, healthy food.”

Other findings from the report:

- 15.8 percent of children in the U.S. lived in food insecure households in the 2020-2022 time period. The states with the highest rates of food insecure children were Delaware (21.4 percent), Nebraska (21.0 percent), Texas (20.7 percent), Georgia (20.0 percent), Kentucky (19.7 percent), and Louisiana (19.7 percent).
- Nationally, 9.1 percent of employed adults in the U.S. lived in food insecure households during the three-year time period. The states with the highest rates of food insecurity among employed adults were Arkansas (13.7 percent), Texas (13.4 percent), Louisiana (12.5 percent), South Carolina (12.5 percent), and Oklahoma (12.4 percent).
- In the U.S., 7.6 percent

of older Americans, defined as people 60 years and older, lived in food insecure households. Louisiana had the highest rate of food insecurity among older Americans at 13.9 percent, followed by Mississippi (12.7 percent), District of Columbia (12.6 percent), West Virginia (11.0 percent), and Oklahoma (10.4 percent).

The states with the lowest rates of food insecurity were New Hampshire (6.1 percent), Minnesota (7.3 percent), Vermont (7.7 percent), Colorado (8.4 percent), and North Dakota (8.6 percent).

The report includes detailed public policy recommendations at the federal level, including passage of the HOPE Act of 2021, reauthorization of the Child Tax Credit, which raised millions of families out of poverty, and immediately fully funding the WIC program for pregnant women, infants, and children under five, including maintaining increased allotments for fruit and vegetable purchases.

See the full report, “Hunger is Political Choice,” at, <https://www.hungerfreeamerica.org/en-us/research/2023-annual-survey-report>

Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia ARE YOU AT RISK?

According to a new study by Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and the National Institute on Aging, men and women with hearing loss are much more likely to develop dementia and Alzheimer's disease. People with severe hearing loss, the study reports, were 5 times more likely to develop dementia than those with normal hearing.

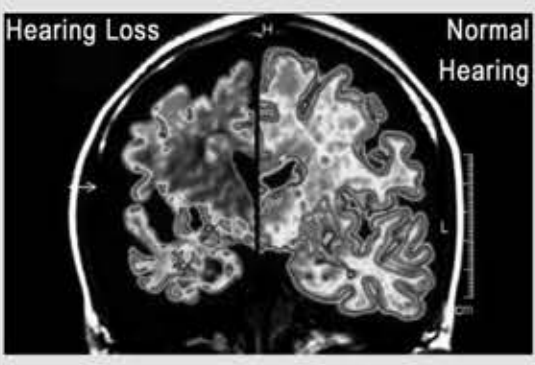
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☐ ☐ Do family or friends get frustrated when you ask them to repeat themselves?	

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Food assistance for winter storm victims



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Administered by ODHS, SNAP is a federal food assistance program.

STAFF REPORT

Oregonians who lost food purchased with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits due to the recent winter storms and power outages are encouraged to request replacement benefits from the Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS).

Households who receive SNAP who lost or disposed of food that was unsafe to eat due to these events can request that replacement benefits be issued for the cost of the lost food. The maximum amount that can be reimbursed is the normal monthly benefit for the household.

Replacement benefits must be requested within 10 calendar days of the food loss by: Calling (800) 699-9075 or email: Oregon.benefits@odhsoha.oregon.gov

Once approved, replacement benefits are

added to the households' existing Electronic Benefits Transfer (EBT) card.

Resources to help meet basic needs

Find a food pantry: foodfinder.oregonfoodbank.org

Learn about government programs and community resources for older adults and people with disabilities: Aging and Disability Resource Connection of Oregon at 1-855-673-2372 or www.adrcforegon.org.

Dial 2-1-1, or text your zip code to 898-211, www.211info.org

Oregonians in need can apply for benefits, including SNAP, child care, cash assistance and Medicaid. Learn more at benefits.oregon.gov.

For local resources in your area, such as food or shelter, please call 2-1-1 or reach out to the state's Aging and Disability Resource Connection (ADRC) at 1-855-ORE-ADRC or 1-855-673-2372.

THIS THING CALLED LIFE

Cleaning house

MICHELLE PIERSON YOUNG
Lincoln County Leader
Guest Column

As the year bursts into action, I've been evaluating how I enjoy doing business and what doesn't please me.

I found, as I looked over one of my business relationships, I was feeling ill used. I'd given, in my estimation, a great deal, and they were slow to pay, and one invoice, for a relatively small sum, hadn't been paid at all. Plus, I hadn't been thanked for some excellent "above and beyond" work they'd asked for. This is not a good combo for me.

Historically there has been a lot of good in our work together. It's been a profitable relationship on both sides. But things had taken a turn for the worse.

As I built up the steam to discuss the business relationship and decide if it was worth moving forward, I admit not only was I certain I was right, I teetered on the brink of self-righteousness. I think maybe I needed the extra, if unattractive, "oomph,"

to make the difficult phone call, to face the hard conversation. I needed to feel some- kinda-somethin', will myself to press send, and talk about things most of us find difficult to address.

Not only did I gather the energy to make the call, I made two. I had two "hard" conversations. The conversations were open and frank. I was happy, except when I discovered I was wrong. I had indeed, been paid. I couldn't help wondering what might have happened if I'd walked to the edge of my anger and rather than asking

for accountability, I'd made accusations.

When I discovered I'd spent months feeling angry about something about which I was mistaken, I was disappointed to be wrong and disappointed to have spent energy on something that didn't exist. But more than anything, I was relieved to know I asked for clarification. I asked for accountability only, and that is what I got. Our conversations ended in me thanking them for helping me understand, rather than needing to apologize and try to fix my new mistake.

I have spent far too much of my life imagining what was happening versus asking. I've spent years not making the hard phone calls, steeped in my self-righteous view of the circumstances. Not only am I over my initial embarrassment and disappointment, I'm excited to know how to address things. I'm looking forward to the moment when I notice something seems off, and I ask for clarification right then. I'm especially excited to know the next time something seems off in any of my relationships, I'll ask questions without thinking I'm "right" and I won't be fueling myself with righteousness, but with curiosity.

I'm cleaning my metaphorical house and as it turns out, when there's a mess, more times than not, I'm the one who made it. What a relief to know how powerful I am, what a pleasure to move forward in life with this key.

Michelle Pierson Young is a Lincoln City life coach. She may be reached at Michelleat-play.com.



How to contact government officials

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Citizens' message line:
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IN THE GARDEN

Gardening resolutions for the New Year

CHIP BUBL
Lincoln County Leader Guest Column

Gardens are all about change

Plants that you once loved have grown too big for their space and/or are self-seeding their offspring everywhere. Fruit trees that fail to set fruit, or die on their own, need to be removed. New vegetables come along that demand space where space is limited.

What won't you plant to make way for them? Compost, shovels, sweat, loppers, chain saws, and our energy and imagination will create the 2024 version of our gardens. Garden resolutions should be attainable. So here are some resolutions that are at once personal (at least some of them) and some more general for you to consider:

Weed early and often. Weeds compete directly with our garden plants for light. When you dig a new bed, care-

fully remove all perennial weeds. This can be done by covering the bed in the fall or winter with a heavy mulch of leaves or compost and black plastic, which you will later remove. Adding more compost and some quarter-ten gravel in perennial beds (the "Joy Creek technique") will get your new spaces off to a good start.

For vegetables, focus your weeding efforts on the first four weeks after you seed or transplant. That will get your vegetables growing. Winter weeding never hurts either and can reduce the volume of bedstraw and bittercress ("popweed") in the spring.

Grow flowers amongst your vegetables. This will improve predatory insect activity and furnish pollen and nectar for pollinators of all types. Best advice is to plant groups of the same flowers (3-4 feet wide) at scattered locations within your gar-

dening areas.

Here is a source for information on attracting pollinators: <https://xerces.org/publications/plant-lists/native-plants-for-pollinators-and-beneficial-insects-maritime-northwest> and here is a great one on attracting predators: <https://catalog.extension.oregonstate.edu/sites/catalog/files/project/pdf/pnw550.pdf>

Got food safety or food preservation questions?

Give us a call at 503-397-3462. You can also get your pressure gauge tested for free at the Extension office. Food Preservation recipes and fact sheets can be accessed online at: <https://extension.oregonstate.edu/food/preservation>

Important notes

Donate extra garden produce and/or money to the food bank, senior centers, or community meals programs. It always is greatly appreciated.

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offers its programs and materials equally to all people.

Free newsletter

The Oregon State University Extension office in Columbia County publishes a monthly newsletter about gardening and farming topics called County Living, written/edited by yours truly. All you need to do is ask for it and it will be mailed or emailed to you. Call 503-397-3462 to be put on the list. Alternatively, you can find it on the web at <http://extension.oregonstate.edu/columbia/> and click on newsletters.

Have questions?

If you have questions on any of these topics or other home garden and/or farm questions, please contact Chip Bubl, Oregon State University Extension office in St. Helens at 503-397-3462 or at chip.bubl@oregonstate.edu. To reach the OSU Extension Office in Lincoln County, call 541-574-6534.

VOICES OF THE COMMUNITY

Advocating more comprehensive policies

As a Lincoln County resident, I'm aware of the concerted efforts invested in disaster preparedness, encompassing storms, wildfires, earthquakes, flooding, and various potential crises affecting our region.

Numerous locations have secured grants for essential provisions like generators, food supplies, cots, blankets, and water. These sites, encompassing community colleges, schools, community centers, senior

centers, and churches, were intended to open when the community faced basic needs during emergencies such as warmth, shelter, and food.

Recently, our county encountered severe cold weather, an ice storm, and significant storm damage, leading to prolonged power outages and, in some cases, water loss. This occurred amid temperatures well below normal, reaching freezing levels in numerous areas.

Our community, particularly with its many seniors and low-income

families lacking resources like generators or portable heaters, struggled to sustain basic necessities—heat, lights, and water—during extended power outages. Families, including those with small children, sought assistance with heat, blankets, and water.

Despite power companies advising preparations for prolonged outages, my concern lies in understanding the criteria triggering the opening of public buildings funded through property taxes and grants for emergency services.

Regrettably, during

this crisis, no school or college opened its doors, even with functioning generators providing heat and water—crucial necessities for many in need. Although some churches opened warming shelters normally focused on the homeless, it was insufficient for the scale of this emergency.

I advocate for more comprehensive policies, suggesting triggers such as over 1,000 people experiencing extended power or water loss with freezing temperatures.

Misty Lambrecht
Siletz

CLARIFICATION

We want to make the following clarification In the Lincoln County Leader's Lincoln City's aggressive apartment buildup story in the Jan. 17 edition.

Parsons said that for the NE 25th Street project, Lincoln City invested \$4,093,204, including \$498,204 for land acquisition, \$880,000 in deferred system development charges (SDCs), and \$2,715,000 of pre-development and capital improvement costs.

Clarification: The \$2,715,000 pre-development and capital improvement costs for the NE 25th Street project include already incurred (\$197,000) pre-development costs as well as potential future capital investment costs, if needed, funded, and approved.

Lincoln City also invested \$735,281 in the Wecoma Place development, including \$326,071 in deferred SDCs and \$409,210 of pre-development and capital im-

provement costs.

Clarification: The \$409,210 of pre-development and capital improvement costs for Wecoma Place development are potential future investment costs, if needed, funded and approved. No pre-development costs were incurred for this project because the land was privately held prior to construction.

The Lincoln County Leader is happy to set the record straight.

Attempts to contact Redlinger prior to deadline were unsuccessful.

For more information, visit RedCrossBlood.org or call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

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\$10M for Oregon’s Electric Vehicle System

STAFF REPORT
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The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) is set to receive \$10 million to replace or repair electric vehicle (EV) chargers. The federal investments are designed to improve the reliability and accessibility of Oregon's charging infrastructure stem from the National Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (NEVI) Formula Program included in the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law. The funding has been announced by Oregon's U.S. Senators Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden, U.S. Representatives Earl Blumenauer (OR-03), Suzanne Bonamici (OR-01), Val Hoyle (D-04), and Andrea Salinas (OR-06). "Electric vehicles mean cleaner air, healthier communities, and a whole lot less climate pollution," Merkley said. "We know that gasoline and diesel vehi-

Funding to improve reliability, accessibility

cle emissions contribute greatly to climate chaos, but electric vehicles are not effective without accessible and working chargers. I am pleased this grant will supercharge ODOT's efforts to repair and improve electric vehicle charging infrastructure across the state as we continue to fight climate chaos." "We are at a critical juncture to do what we can to reverse climate change," Wyden said. "I am gratified that this improved infrastructure will help reduce the number of pollution-belching cars on our roads by providing cheap and easy 'fueling' options for Oregonians and visitors to the state." "If we don't make it easier for people to choose low-carbon transportation options, we will not meet our climate goals. It's as simple

as that," Blumenauer said. "Today's funding from the Biden-Harris Administration will further Oregon's leadership as we boldly charge into a more low-carbon, equitable future." "A robust and reliable electric vehicle charging network will ease the transition to EVs, which will reduce carbon emissions from our transportation system," Bonamici said. "This \$10 million investment from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law will help to repair and replace non-functioning EV chargers in Oregon and improve our existing infrastructure. I'm grateful to see this investment come to our state." "I'm pleased to announce this significant grant to repair and replace EV chargers in Oregon," Hoyle said. "This will improve the reliabil-

ity of our existing charging infrastructure and help promote environmentally-friendly travel, paving the way towards greener, more sustainable transportation options in our state." "We can't successfully transition to cleaner, greener transportation unless we make it more affordable for working families to choose those options," Salinas said. "This funding will help improve our state's electric vehicle charging infrastructure and help make switching to EVs not only a climate-friendly choice, but a wallet-friendly one, too. I applaud the Administration for this investment in Oregon's families and futures."

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Sudoku answers

"A reliable vehicle charging infrastructure is a key part of hitting Oregon's climate goals," Oregon Gov. Tina Kotek said. "This infusion of resources will support ODOT's work upgrading and expanding the number of publicly accessible chargers across our state. Thanks to the strong support of Senator Jeff Merkley and Senator Ron Wyden, Oregon is increasing access for all to EV charging." "EV charger reliability is critical to speed EV growth," ODOT Direc-

tor Kris Strickler said. "This important funding will help ODOT work with the private sector to fix and replace broken EV chargers with new, upgraded charging and expand the number of chargers at each site. "This will especially help EV drivers who may not have access to home charging and must completely rely on public charging to refuel their EVs. I'd like to thank Senator Wyden and Senator Merkley for their strong support of ODOT's grant application."

June Urben

10/14/1923 - 1/9/2024

June passed away after a long illness on January 9, 2024. She was a spunky, social, kind and very generous person with a wonderful sense of humor. Her goal was to reach 100 years which she did, with great fanfare. She is survived by a stepdaughter Carol Marshall and her husband Kevin, of Dallas, Oregon and grandson Brian

Regan and wife Wendy of Michigan. She was predeceased by Tom Regan, Barney Baldwin and Al Urben. We would like to extend our gratitude to the staff at Lakeview Assisted living in Lincoln City Oregon. They were amazing. She will be greatly missed.by many. There will be no funeral arrangements.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Jan. 26 Teen Center Special Program

Trivia open to all grades 7-12 from 3-5 p.m. Admission is free after teens fill out a registration form. The event will be held at the Teen Center inside the Lincoln City Community Center, 2150 NE Oar Place. For more information, call 541-994-2131. **Feb. 1 Heart Healthy Living Virtual Seminar** Get the new year off to a good start by attending a free online seminar, Learn About Heart Healthy Living, presented by Samaritan Health Services from noon to 1 p.m. Samaritan Heart Center Cardiology Fellow Aleksander Hansen will offer time-tested ways to keep your heart healthy, as well as the latest in the science of heart health. Registration is required. Learn more at samhealth.org/BeHealthy. **Feb. 4 Pancakes with a Cop** Breakfast from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. will feature guest servers from the Lincoln County Sheriff's

Office. Menu includes all-you-can-eat pancakes, sausage or ham, eggs, orange juice and hot beverages. In addition, there's a book and puzzle sale. Tips go to Shop with a Cop. \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 6-12 and kids under 6 eat free. Cash only. Gleneden Beach Community Hall, 110 Azalea Street. For more information, visit glenedenbeach.org. **Feb. 4 Panther Creek Community Breakfast** Panther Creek Monthly community breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. at the Panther Creek Senior and Community Center 655 Wayside Loop in Otis. All are welcome. Cost: \$8 for adults, \$4 for children under 12 For more information, email pcsacc@century-link.net

ONGOING

North Lincoln County Historical Museum Kid's Point of View. New permanent exhibit, Wednesday-Saturday 11 a.m. — 4 p.m. at North Lincoln County Histori-

cal Museum, 4907 SW Highway 101 in Lincoln City. **Cost:** Free. There are four sets of interactive flip boards placed throughout the museum, at kid height. Each panel has a historic photograph paired with quotes relating to artifacts in the museum, historical locations and businesses, and other memories of growing up in North Lincoln County. There are a total of 40 different stories, highlighting experiences and memories unique to being a kid in the 1890s – 1940s growing up in Rose Lodge, Taft, Nelscott, Siletz, and surrounding areas! We're particularly excited, because this is NLCHM's first exhibit which is entirely bilingual — Every story is told in both English and Spanish! Kid's Point of View is made possible by a generous donation from the Lincoln County Cultural Coalition. For more information, call 541-996-6698.

Patricia A. Darcy

June 17, 1946 - January 11th, 2024

Patricia A. Darcy, age 77, was born on June 17, 1946 in Pendleton, Oregon. She passed away at home with family by her side on January 11th, 2024. Patricia dedicated her life to working with native students. This is seen throughout her extensive work with Indian education programs across the United States to being a founding member of the Oregon Indian Education Association (OIEA). Although she had many memorable trips across the US and beyond, Japan and India were her favorites. Patricia would always say that her grandkids were "light of her life" and being a grammy was the best thing ever.



She will be dearly missed by her family & friends. Patricia was preceded in death by her parents, many family members and close friends. She is survived by her husband, Michael Darcy; children, Jason Woodside (Melani), Wendy Woodside, Tammi Williams, Brad Darcy (Stephanie) John Darcy; 5 grandchildren Kenna White (John), Haidyn Draper (Dylan), Ashley James (Christian), Nicole Darcy, Sarah Darcy, Charlie Williams and 2 sisters Ava Cole and Sandy Bebee. The memorial service will be held at 11am on January 24, 2024 at the Siletz Tribal Community Center in Siletz, Oregon.

Thomas “Tom” Glen Ryan

October 19, 1951 - December 27, 2023

Thomas “Tom” Glen Ryan went to be with our Lord on December 27th, 2023 at age 72. He passed away from a short battle of multiple myeloma in Corvallis, OR. Tom was born in Seattle on October 19, 1951 to Thomas and Lillian “Rae” Ryan and was a West Seattle boy. He grew up racing slot cars, riding his bike, fishing and camping with his family. Anyone who knew Tom, knew he loved cars! In his younger years, they used to go four wheeling in his GMC Jimmy, cruise around in his yellow Mustang, and later in life, frequently pursue Auto Trader for good deals, and if it was a sunny day, there was a good chance he was washing and detailing one of their cars or trucks. After graduating Edmonds High School in 1969, Tom joined the U.S. Navy Air and trained to pack parachutes and take care of the aircrew survival equipment. He did project transition at Divers Institute of Technology (DIT) in Ballard, Washington and graduated as a hard hat diver before honorable discharge from the Navy. He worked at Boeing Flight Test Center in Seattle packing parachutes and maintaining flight test equipment. After leaving Boeing, Tom sold Ford cars in West Seattle and Lynnwood, Washington, and Newport, Oregon.



PUD's unit for 659. He served as a volunteer for both Seal Rock and Reedsport Fire Departments. He also was a part of the volunteer Coast Guard Auxiliary for 20 years with both Umpqua and Yaquina Stations. After retirement, he was the president of their neighborhood Road District Committee for 8 years. As well as served on Seal Rock Water Department budget committee. He was involved in their local churches over the years (Reedsport Christian Church, Harbor Baptist Church in Winchester Bay, and Newport Christian Church) and was a deacon, sang in the choir, and volunteered at vacation bible school and children's church. He loved meeting and talking to people and he always had a story and a smile to share. Tom and Roseanna celebrated 50 years of marriage this past July and traveled to Crater Lake in May and then to the Rogue River in July. He was a proud and loving father to Gabe and Katie and a beloved Grampy to his five grandchildren, Natalie, Becca, Charlotte, Luke, and Emma. Tom is preceded in death by his father Thomas Clayton Ryan and mother Lillian “Rae” (Ryan) Johnson and stepfather Lynn Johnson. He is survived by his wife Roseanna Ryan, son Gabe Ryan (Mandy), daughter Katie Hill (Tucker), grandchildren Natalie, Charlotte, and Emma Hill, and Becca and Luke Ryan as well his sisters Cheryl Hamilton (Bruce), Pam Johnson, and Diane Hoeschele (Bill), brother-in-laws, sisters-in-laws and many nieces and nephews. He will be deeply missed by many. A memorial service is scheduled for 1:30 PM on January 27th at Newport Christian Church (809 SE Second St, Newport, OR 97365) with a coffee reception to follow and everyone who knew Tom is welcome to attend. In lieu of flowers donations may be given to your favorite charity. Online condolences, photos, and memories may be shared with family and friends at www.batemanpacificview.com

James Ivon Gwynn Sr “JIGS”

4-03-1953 - 1-11-2024

It is with a heavy heart that we announce the passing of James Ivon Gwynn Sr or “JIGS” as he was known to many in Lincoln County and beyond, from complications of COPD. Jim was the oldest of 4 children born to Donald C Gwynn and “Alice” Darlene Gwynn (Springer) on April 3rd 1953, while Don was away serving in the Korean war. From a young age Jim had a wild, rebellious and independent streak that would thankfully stick with him his entire 70 years on this earth. In the spring of 1970, Jim met and instantly fell in love with the love of his life Elaine Louise Baird. She was a girl from Central California and like nothing he had ever seen before. The spring spark between them started a love in these two that would last almost 53 years, as they married within the year. (February 5th 1971). Shortly after marriage, they moved to Anaheim California and in August they welcomed Paula Darlene Gwynn (Abdalla). After the birth of their daughter, they moved back to the Oregon coast and Jim found work in various mills from Reedsport to Toledo. In May of 1975, they brought home their second and last child James Ivon Gwynn Jr and settled in Siletz. Eventually Jim/JIGS started his lifelong career of driving log truck for JL Goodell and then LEEWAY logging.



After decades of hauling logs all over the Pacific Northwest, Jim finally retired to spend the rest of his days with Elaine working on their family genealogy and enjoying his kids and grandkids. Jim was preceded in death by his Mom and Dad and his oldest sister Brenda Price. He is survived by his wife Elaine, Daughter Paula Abdalla, son and Daughter-in-law James Gwynn Jr and Beckie, grandchildren Andy, Gabby and Rigo Garcia (Paula) and Derritt, Cora Gwynn and Kyle Smith (James), youngest sister Jana Gwynn and brother Michael and Debbie along with several nieces, nephews and cousins all over Lincoln County and beyond. The family will be planning a celebration of life in late spring or early summer this year.

STORMS

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assistance beyond our local resources,” Lincoln City spokesman Michael Phillips said. “This declaration will enable Lincoln City to receive financial assistance for our mitigation and recovery efforts so that there are no financial impacts to our current service levels or planned projects within our community.”

Phillips said the Oregon coast is no stranger to adverse weather and because of that, people need to be prepared for issues that may arise.

“Your home should be equipped with flashlights and batteries, as well as extra water and food that can be prepared without electricity,” he said. “If you must travel during these events, keep an emergency kit in your vehicle and be sure to include warm clothes. Most importantly, sign up for emergency alerts – this is the best way to stay informed with the most up-to-date information.”

The City of Newport declared a State of Emergency Jan. 13, due to impacts of the storm.

City and utility officials urged residents in portions of the city to prepare for extended outages triggered by the storms. The city and Pacific West Ambulance assisted Oceanview Assisted Living Center residents following the electricity outages, according to a release from the city of Newport. Newport Public Works crews removed downed trees and branches from the streets. Newport Police Department patrol officers identified problem areas.

Emergency winter shelters were set up in Newport and Lincoln City to offer housing and other services to those in need.

“This event remains one of the most impactful winter storms in recent memory for Newport,” Newport city officials said in an updated release. “City staff and contracted crews continue to put in long hours removing debris in various locations around the community, but un-



Courtesy photo from the City of Lincoln City

The Lincoln City City Council adopted a State of Emergency declaration Jan. 17 following harsh winter storms.

fortunately cannot be everywhere at once. The efforts to address cleanup will continue in the coming weeks.” The city also stated that due to the immense number of woody debris scattered around the community, city efforts are prioritized removing brush and trees, which impact the traveled portion of the roadway, or present a safety hazard. The city also requested community assistance in cleaning up from the storm.

“Thompson’s Sanitary Service will be accepting woody debris at no charge for residential customers through Saturday, Jan. 27,” the release stated. “Please utilize the free available drop off point at the Newport Transfer Station, located at 8096 NE Avery Street to cleanup woody storm debris from property/public rights of way which adjoin properties.”

COUNTYWIDE IMPACT

During and after the storms, a cooptative effort with community partners was established for an effective response, according to Lincoln County Public Information Officer Kenneth Lipp.

“In cooperation with our community partners, the county provided or aided with numerous services to those impacted by the storm, including expanded sheltering, transport for isolated vulnerable populations, cots and other supplies used in partnered municipal shelters, evacuation services, monitoring of known medically fragile individuals, medical oxygen supplies and

more,” he said.

As of press time, Lipp said the cost of providing such a cooperative response, and what went right and what needs to be improved, were not immediately available.

“The total number of felled trees is likely thou-

cost for the county cleanup.

“We appreciate our residents’ patience while crews work to complete the clean-up and simultaneously perform other maintenance work. We encourage residents to evaluate the impacts

“Making a disaster declaration gives the city an opportunity to obtain assistance beyond our local resources.”

— Michael Phillips, Lincoln City spokesman

sands, and hundreds in county rights-of-way,” Lipp said. “Approximately one-third of the county roads, or about 100 miles, were impacted by the storm. This does not include state highways or local access and private roads. Roads with lower traffic volumes and gravel roads will likely be impacted for the longest period.”

Lipp added that the northern and eastern areas of the county appear to have been hit the hardest hit by the storms and the overall county cleanup will likely take weeks.

“The cleanup for most high-volume and paved roads is expected to be completed by mid-February, while other roads may not be completely cleaned up until mid-summer,” he said. “While some debris is collected, much of it in the more rural areas is either left in place or pushed to the roadside. This is not only more cost-effective but can also provide for a more natural environment, although road conditions don’t always allow for this approach.”

Lipp could not provide an estimate of overall

of the storm and determine what may be the best ways to better prepare themselves for future events,” he said. “Community members should review the large number of planning and preparedness resources available on the Emergency Management website at <https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/790/Plan-Prepare>. Sign-up for Lincoln Alerts to receive the latest updates to your phone and email at <https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/789/Lincoln-Alerts>.

PROPERTY DAMAGE TAX ADJUSTMENTS

The Lincoln County Assessor and tax collector issued a release advising property owners of potential adjustments to property tax bills because of damage from the January winter storm.

“Property owners who experienced damage or destruction resulting in a loss of real market value can apply to have their property reassessed, which may result in an adjustment to property taxes owed or already paid,” the release stated.

Applications for reas-

essment and proration of taxes are available at this link: <https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/158/Damaged-Destroyed-Property>.

Property owners are encouraged to contact the Lincoln County Assessor’s Office and/or the Lincoln County Tax Collector’s Office for more information.

The Lincoln County Assessor’s Office can be reached by phone at 541-265-4102 or via email at assessorinfo@co.lincoln.or.us.

The Lincoln County Tax Collector’s Office can be reached by phone at 541-265-4139 or via email at taxinfo@co.lincoln.or.us.

STATE-WIDE EMERGENCY DECLARATION

Oregon Gov. Tina Kotek has declared a statewide emergency due to the severe ice storm that impacted counties across the state.

This declaration comes following an assessment of needs and subsequent requests from multiple counties as they enter the sixth day of severe impacts as a result of the storm. The declaration will support counties to respond and recover from damages because of the storm.

“Thousands of people across the state have been impacted by the storm, including power outages, lack of transportation, and an array of safety concerns that come with severe weather,” Kotek said. “The state has been working with counties as they assess needs, including critical federal resources that can be unlocked by a statewide emergency. I declared a state of emergency in Lane County on Tuesday, and now we are heeding the call from additional counties to escalate.”

Emergency response starts at the local level. As resources are exhausted, cities and counties turn to the state for additional support. Not all resources, such as those the state has been providing since the start of the storm, require a state emergency declaration.

The Oregon Department of Emergency

Management (OEM) and the Governor’s Office have been in frequent communication with impacted counties as they continuously assess their needs, anticipate emerging issues, problem-solve, and seek to fill gaps.

State emergency declarations are a critical tool that support counties getting access to federal resources they may be entitled to through the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) as well as other resources. Assets include, but are not limited to, federal infrastructure support for highways, telecommunications, and power system recovery, which responders can access more easily with a statewide emergency declaration.

Currently, Multnomah County, Lincoln County, Washington County, Hood River County, and the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians have declared a local state of emergency and have been receiving support from the state, including from OEM, the Oregon Department of Human Services (ODHS), the Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT).

In addition, ODHS announced this week that individuals who may have had to throw away food purchased with SNAP benefits due to a power outage or other damage from winter storms may be eligible to replace their benefits.

Customers may call 800-699-9075, email oregon.benefits@odhsoha.oregon.gov or provide a written request by mail to ONE Customer Service Center, PO Box 14015, Salem, OR 97309, within 10 days of the loss to inquire.

BUSINESS IMPACT

Several local businesses were impacted by the storm from power outages and challenges for employees to report to work. KOIN TV News reported that Portland metro independent restaurants and bars are requesting immediate aid from the State of Oregon to address financial loss brought on by the winter storms impact.

CRASH

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to 2021, with 12,330 people killed in 2021 speeding-related crashes.

In 2021, an estimated 10 percent of all police-reported traffic crashes were speeding-related. Twenty-eight percent of fatal crashes, 13 percent of injury crashes, and 9 percent of property-damage-only crashes in 2021 were speeding-related traffic crashes.

In 2021, there were 60,904 drivers involved in 39,508 fatal traffic crashes in which 42,939 people lost their lives. Eighteen percent of the drivers involved were speeding at the time of the crashes, and 29 percent of those killed were in speeding-related traffic crashes.

From 2012 to 2021, speeding-related fatalities increased by 19 percent, from 10,329 in 2012 to 12,330 in 2021.



KEY FINDINGS

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In 2021 there were 12,330 fatalities in speeding-related crashes, 29 percent of total traffic fatalities for the year and an increase of 8 percent from 11,428 in 2020, the highest since 2007.

There were an estimated 328,946 people injured (13 percent of total people injured) in speeding-related traffic crashes in 2021.

Thirty-five percent of male drivers and 21 percent of female drivers in the 15- to 20-year-old age group involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2021 were speeding, the highest among the age groups.

Among speeding drivers involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2021, there were 32 percent who did not have valid driver licenses at the time of the crashes, compared to 15 percent of non-speeding drivers.

In 2021 drivers who were speeding when involved in fatal traffic crashes had blood alcohol concentrations

(BACs) of .08 grams per deciliter (g/dL) or greater (37 percent versus 17 percent)—or even higher BACs of .15 g/dL or greater (25 percent versus 11 percent)—more frequently than those drivers who were not speeding.

Thirty-three percent

of motorcycle riders involved in fatal traffic crashes in 2021 were speeding, more than drivers of any other vehicle type.

In fatal traffic crashes in 2021 more than half (51 percent) of speeding drivers of passenger vehicles were unrestrained

at the time of crashes, compared to 23 percent of non-speeding passenger vehicle drivers.

In 2021, when roadway function class was known, 87 percent of speeding-related traffic fatalities occurred on non-interstate roadways.

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2023: ‘Hardest year in decades’ for Oregon craft breweries

STAFF REPORT
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U.S. beer shipments for 2023 are expected to be the lowest level this century, falling more than 5 percent, according to Beer Marketer’s Insights, a beer industry trade publication.

For nearly the first time this century, Oregon lost more breweries than new ones opened, according to the Oregon Brewers Guild.

“It’s a tough moment for Oregon’s craft brewers,” Oregon Brewers Guild President and Brewmaster at Portland-based Breakside Brewery, Ben Edwards, said. “Increased costs, changes in consumer preferences, and diminished on premise consumption all made 2023 an especially challenging year. Oregon consumers have a long history of supporting independent, local breweries, and breweries across the state need that support now more than ever - especially as we head into the start of the year.”

In the past few months, Oregon lost more than 20 breweries. According to a release from the Oregon Brewers Guild, 2023

was the first year in decades in which there were nearly as many craft brewery closures as openings, excluding the 2020 pandemic year.

“That’s in part because nationwide draft beer sales are



still nearly 30 percent down from before the pandemic, according to the

Oregon Beverage Alliance. That’s 2 million fewer barrels of beer being sold, which disproportionately impacts craft brewers who rely more heavily on draft sales to survive.”

“I’ve seen it in my own taproom. People are going out less, especially since COVID. There is a lot of competition when it comes to a customer choosing to drink your beer,

not just from other breweries, but many other beverage producers as well,” Oregon Brewers Guild Vice President and co-founder of Leikam Brewing, Sonia Marie Leikam said. “We need to rally together to weather this storm. So please support your favorite local brewery.”

Consumer tastes are shifting, more canned cocktails are on the market, cannabis is replacing drinking occasions and fewer young people are drink-

ing, the Guild’s release states. According to the National Institutes of Health’s annual Monitoring the Future survey, the 20-year trend of American teens drinking less continued into 2023. Most teens report they have never consumed alcohol. And in states with legal cannabis, alcohol sales have slowly declined. Edwards said beer is an essential part of Oregon’s identity and economy. Oregon is home to nearly 400 breweries, brewpubs and tap-

rooms generating more than \$8.7 billion in economic output, \$2.8 billion in wages, creating 50,000 jobs in the state.

About the Oregon Beverage Alliance

The Oregon Beverage Alliance is made up of local brewers, winemakers, cidermakers, distillers and their supply and hospitality partners creating hundreds of thousands of jobs.

To learn more, visit www.DontTaxMyDrink.org.

State’s nonfarm payroll rises after loss in November

STAFF REPORT
Country Media, Inc.

SALEM — In December, Oregon’s seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment rose by 3,900 jobs, following a revised loss of 5,900 jobs in November. December’s gains were largest in health care and social assistance (+2,300 jobs), construction (+1,500), and retail trade (+700). Losses were largest in financial activities (-700 jobs) and wholesale trade (-600).

Health care and social assistance continued to add many jobs in December. Each of its four components grew rapidly in the most recent month and

throughout last year. Social assistance added 1,200 jobs in December, adding 5,600 during 2023. Ambulatory health care services added 900 for the month and 5,600 for the year. Similarly, hospitals (+500 jobs in December) and nursing and residential care facilities (+600) continued to grow.

At 123,100 jobs in December, construction was at a record high. Residential building construction was particularly strong, adding 500 jobs in December, and 2,300 jobs in the past year.

Retail trade performed close to its normal seasonal pattern during the holiday shopping season of November

and December. But retail’s employment level was a little lower in December 2023 compared with the prior two years. It employed 207,900 in December 2023, which was about 2,300 jobs fewer than in both December 2022 and December 2021. \

Although leisure and hospitality gained 4,800 jobs, or 2.4 percent, in the past 12 months, the industry showed recent weakness by cutting 2,600 jobs between August and December.

Employment in financial activities peaked in July at 107,100 jobs but has trended downward since then, losing 3,100 jobs over the past five months. The industry now employs about the

same number as it did four years ago.

Oregon’s unemployment rate was 3.7 percent in December and 3.6 percent in November. December was the eighth consecutive month in which Oregon’s unemployment rate was between 3.4 and 3.7 percent. The U.S. unemployment rate was 3.7 percent in both November and December.

Next \Releases

The Oregon Employment Department plans to release the December county and metropolitan area unemployment rates on Tuesday, Jan. 23, and the next statewide unemployment rate and employment survey data for January on Tuesday, March 5.

Property fee cut from wildfire funding proposal

BY ALEX BAUMHARDT
Oregon Capital Chronicle
Lincoln County Leader Guest Article

A proposal that would charge each Oregon property owner \$10 a year to offset rising fees that timber and ranch landowners pay to the state for fire protection has gone through major changes in recent days.

A Jan. 12 draft of the wildfire funding proposal, sponsored by Sen Elizabeth Steiner, D-Portland, and a workgroup she convened last fall, no longer includes the prospect of a \$10 fee on Oregon’s 2 million property holders. Such a fee would have raised an estimated \$20 million a year, about 15% of the projected total cost for wildfire protection in 2024.

The shift came two days after reporting by the Capital Chronicle on the proposal and the first discussions of the plan by lawmakers during pre-session hearings.

The draft proposal still includes cuts to the per-acre fees that timber and ranch landowners pay to the Oregon Department of Forestry for fire protection, potentially saving them up to \$12 million per year. The proposal would create a new State Forestry De-



Courtesy photo

A controversial wildfire funding proposal has changed in recent days.

partment Large Wildfire Fund, but does not include details about where money for that would come from, only that it would be appropriated by the Legislature.

A copy of the Jan. 12 draft legislative concept, an early version of a legislative bill, was obtained by the Capital Chronicle on Monday after Steiner’s office and Tess Seger, director of communications for the Oregon Senate Democrats, declined to provide a copy.

“To avoid any confusion or misconceptions, we’re going to hold off on sharing the (legislative concept) until it is more finalized,” Seger said in an email.

She declined to confirm whether the draft was the most recent version of Steiner’s proposal. Steiner will present her wildfire funding proposal to the Legislature during the upcoming short session that begins Feb. 5.

Seger did confirm the \$10 fee is no longer part of Steiner’s proposal.

“In the past few days it became clear that there wasn’t going to be time during the 35-day session to pursue that aspect of the proposal,” Seger said in an email.

The Capital Chronicle first reported generally about Steiner’s wildfire funding pro-

posal Jan. 3, and on Jan. 10, it published an in-depth story on the plan, including the controversial makeup of the workgroup. Four of the 11 members are employed by industrial timber companies and an industry group. That industry group and one of the timber companies, Weyerhaeuser, donated to Steiner’s current campaign for state treasurer while the fire funding work group was meeting.

Steiner had initially sought to create more sustainable wildfire funding streams for the Oregon Department of Forestry, and to cut the per-acre fees east Oregon ranch and small timber

landowners pay. Some landowners have seen rates increase 40% following wildfire spending cuts from the Legislature in 2023. But the workgroup she convened appeared to be dominated by members employed by the timber industry.

Critics of Steiner’s proposal had said charging industrial timber landowners less while asking all Oregon property owners to pay \$10 more was regressive, and would shift wildfire protection costs from companies worth billions of dollars on to everyday Oregonians.

“Removing the inequitable \$10 fee is a step in the right direction, but that alone does not ‘save’ the work group’s proposal,” Jody Wiser, founder of the watchdog group Tax Fairness Oregon, said in an email. “It is a \$12 million tax break for owners of timber and grazing land.”

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PREP WRESTLING ROUNDUP

Boomers flex muscles in county

MICHAEL HEINBACH
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For the first time since the winter prep sports season began in mid November, the Toledo High School wrestling program, in the midst of a historically successful campaign, twice in a three-day span last week got the chance to strut its stuff on the competition mat within the friendly confines of its home school district. And the Boomers, known to many as “The Machine,” didn’t disappoint.

After muscling its way through Nestucca, Siletz Valley and Waldport on Jan. 18 at a 2A/1A-SD 1 meet in Siletz, the Toledo girls and boys teams combined to finish a close second to Lowell last Saturday at the revived Alsea Bay Classic on the mats at Irish Pavilion in Waldport.

Boasting a list of individual champions that included Mindy Blomstrom (130-pound girls), Quin Lewis (170 girls), Nic Kaufman (138 boys), Christian Retherford (144 boys), Ash Blomstrom (190 boys), and Cody Vance (215 boys), Toledo collected 171 points, just two shy of Lowell in a field of 11 scoring teams at the first Alsea bay Classic since 2019.

Also at Waldport, Louie Orona at 165 boys and Joshua Johnson at 175, claimed titles for Siletz Valley, which placed fifth as a team with 83 points; first-year wrestlers Katlyn Morton (girls 190) and Mia Dooley (140 girls), and Gabriel Dooley (175 boys) each posted runner-up finishes in leading host Waldport to 45 points and an eighth-place team finish; and Emiliano Sanchez’s third-place finish in the 120-pound boys division paced Taft to 31.5 points, good for ninth in the team standings.

And though all five Lincoln County School



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Toledo High School senior Ash Blomstrom, the two-time defending 190-pound 2A/1A state champion, takes Siletz Valley wrestler Steven Murphy to the mat Jan. 18 during an SD-1 meet in Siletz.

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Jackson Nightingale, Taft High School junior, drives for a layup Jan. 18 during the Tigers’ 80-45 victory over Jefferson in a 3A-3 PacWest Conference boys basketball game in Lincoln City. Photo courtesy of Lon French



PREP BOYS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Tigers peaking at right time
Cubs get rude OWC welcome

STAFF REPORT
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LINCOLN CITY — Prep basketball teams generally seek to improve incrementally during the winter in hopes of playing their best ball of the campaign during the regular season’s stretch run and on into the postseason. That appeared to be exactly how basketball season was playing out for the Taft High School boys leading up to their biggest

3A-3 PacWest Conference test of the year earlier this week.

The Tigers collected a pair of conference victories late last week in earning an 80-45 win at home Jan. 18 over Jefferson, and 76-66 win Jan. 20 at Scio. That set the stage for Taft’s game Tuesday night at home against eighth-ranked Dayton, where the Tigers could’ve assumed control of the top spot in the league

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PREP SWIMMING
ROUNDUP

NHS girls finish perfect regular season

Taft tops Seaside

STAFF REPORT
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The Newport High School girls swim team completed a perfect regular season Jan. 19 with its 498-454 victory in a dual meet against West Salem at the Newport Aquatic Center.

Cubs senior Layla Bretz won both the girls 100-yard butterfly and 500 freestyle, and anchored victorious 200-free-style and 400-free-style relays

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PREP GIRLS
BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Tigers rebound from 20T loss

Irish stay hot, Boomers post league win

STAFF REPORT
Country Media, Inc.

There’s likely no better way to brush off a double-overtime loss than to come back the following day to post a rock-solid, one-sided victory, just as the Taft High School girls basketball team did late last week.

After dropping a 72-67 decision in two overtimes Jan.

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Photo courtesy of Lon French

Taft High School sophomore guard Laney Lee drives the lane past Jefferson senior Tayiah Baxter on Jan. 18 in Lincoln City during a 3A-3 PacWest Conference girls basketball game. The league-leading Lions outlasted the Tigers 72-67 in double overtime.

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PREP SPORTS CALENDAR

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 24 High school girls basketball — Eddyville Charter at Riddle, 6 p.m. High school boys basketball — Eddyville Charter at Riddle, 7:30 p.m. High school wrestling — Toledo, Waldport at Vernonia, TBD.	Newport at Stayton, 7 p.m.; Santiam Christian at Taft, 7:30 p.m.; Mapleton at Eddyville Charter, 7 p.m. High school boys basketball — Newport at Stayton, 5:30 p.m.; Santiam Christian at Taft, 6 p.m.; Mapleton at Eddyville Charter, 5:30 p.m.	High School, 9 a.m.; Taft at Golden Yam Challenge, Yamhill-Carlton High School, 10 a.m.; Siletz Valley, Toledo, Waldport at Howell Invitational, Monroe High School, TBD.	Newport at Cascade, 5:30 p.m.; Taft at Sheridan, 6 p.m.; Toledo at Lowell, 7:30 p.m.; Eddyville Charter at McKenzie, 5:30 p.m.; Triangle Lake at Siletz Valley, 5:30 p.m.
THURSDAY, JAN. 25 High school girls basketball — East Linn Christian Academy at Toledo, 6 p.m.; Waldport at Oakland, 6 p.m.; Siletz Valley at Alsea, 7 p.m. High school boys basketball — East Linn Christian Academy at Toledo, 7:30 p.m.; Waldport at Oakland, 7:30 p.m.; Siletz Valley at Alsea, 5:30 p.m.	SATURDAY, JAN. 27 High school girls basketball — Bandon at Toledo, 2:30 p.m.; Waldport at Central Linn, 3 p.m. High school boys basketball — Bandon at Toledo, 4 p.m.; Waldport at Central Linn, 4:30 p.m. High school swimming — Taft at Blanchet Invitational, The Kroc Center, Salem, TBD. High school wrestling — Newport at Tod Surmon Classic, South Albany	MONDAY, JAN. 29 High school girls basketball — Illinois Valley at Waldport, 6 p.m. High school boys basketball — Illinois Valley at Waldport, 7:30 p.m.	WEDNESDAY, JAN. 31 High school wrestling — Siletz Valley, Toledo, Waldport at Willamina pre-district meet, TBD. • The above listings were current as of Monday morning, Jan. 22, according to schedules posted to www.OSAA.org and www.trackwrestling.com. Schedules are subject to change with little to no notice. Visit the Oregon School Activities Association or Trackwrestling online for the latest scheduling information.
FRIDAY, JAN. 26 High school girls basketball —		TUESDAY, JAN. 30 High school girls basketball — Newport at Cascade, 7 p.m.; Taft at Sheridan, 7:30 p.m.; Toledo at Lowell, 6 p.m.; Eddyville Charter at McKenzie, 7 p.m.; Triangle Lake at Siletz Valley, 7 p.m. High school boys basketball —	

GIRLS Continued from page 1 18 at home in Lincoln City to 3A-3 PacWest Conference-leading Jefferson, the Tigers traveled the next day to Scio, and rolled to a comfortable 64-30 victory. That left Taft at 4-2 in PacWest Conference games and 10-8 overall on the eve of its Tuesday night home game against Dayton. The Tigers follow that with a 7:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, home game against Santiam Christian, then hit the road Tuesday, Jan. 30, to play at league-foe Sheridan. Taft's lone home game remaining on its regular season	scheduled is a 7:30 p.m. league game Friday, Feb. 9, with Scio in both schools' regular season finale. ELSEWHERE: IRISH TAKE TWO The Irish scored back-to-back 2A-3 Valley Coast Conference victories to up their winning streak six games entering their Tuesday night conference home game against Reedsport. Waldport scored a 49-15 win Jan. 19 at Gold Beach and a 51-15 win the next day at Illinois Valley. Waldport was 5-2 in league, 9-5 overall at the start of the week, and after hosting Reedsport, plays league games Thursday, Jan. 25, at Oakland	and Saturday, Jan. 27, at Central Linn. On Monday, Jan. 29, the Irish play host to Illinois Valley. TOLEDO SPLITS After falling 60-30 on Jan. 19 at Monroe, the Boomers snapped a five-game losing streak with a 30-22 defeat of Gold Beach at Reedsport High School. The Boomers were 2-6, 4-11, prior to their Tuesday night league game at Oakridge. Toledo closes the week with a pair of home games — a 6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25 battle with East Linn Christian Academy, and a 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 27 game against Bandon. The Boom-	ers then return to the road for games Monday, Jan. 29, at Central Linn and Tuesday, Jan. 30, at Lowell. PHILOMATH 65, NEWPORT 25 At Philomath, the second-ranked Warriors downed the Cubs on Jan. 19 in their 4A-3 Oregon West Conference opener. Sophomore guard Shaylee Mason paced Newport in the loss with 12 points, while the Warriors received a game-high 17 points off the bench from Reagan Heiken. After playing host Tuesday to Sweet Home, the Cubs travel for conference games Friday, Jan. 26, at No. 6 Stayton, and	Tuesday, Jan. 30, at fourth-ranked Cascade. C.S. LEWIS ACADEMY 30, EDDYVILLE CHARTER 27 At Newberg, the Eagles suffered their first 1A-3 Mountain West League setback Jan. 20 in a narrow defeat. Eddyville Charter's scheduled Jan. 18 game at home against Siletz Valley was canceled. Eddyville Charter was 3-1, 5-6, entering its Tuesday night home game against league-foe Triangle Lake, then plays a nonconference contest today (Wednesday, Jan. 24) at Riddle before returning home at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, to face Mapleton.
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SWIMMING Continued from page 1 in leading the Newport during her final regular season home meet. Others stars for the Newport girls in their last regular season meet included Gwynn Postlewait, who won the 100 breaststroke and was second in the 50 freestyle, and Ruby Perucci who earned a win in the 100 backstroke and placed second in the 200 freestyle.	Eleyna Greenawald placed second in the 100 freestyle for the Cubs girls, and senior Pia Lihou added a runner-up result in the 200-individual medley. The Newport girls, who brought home a team championship from all nine events in which they swam this regular season, were bolstered by a roster that includes Pacie Young, Hana Parker, Claire Hurty, Brynn Hillebrand, Allison Pettett, Alondra Can-	pos-Balderas, Dominga Domingo, Audrey Menke-Baltazar and Mariam Kimberly. The Newport boys were paced by two-win efforts from seniors Ben Hurty and Sam Postlewait, and fell 504-448 to the 6A-level Titans, but didn't do so without a fight. Hurty won both the 200-individual medley and 100 backstroke, and Sam Postlewait added victories in the 50 and 100 freestyle. Ivan Far-	ias (200 freestyle), Clyde Bretz (100 butterfly), and Jahan Eibner (500 freestyle), each swam to second-place individual finishes for the Cubs boys. Newport plays host Friday and Saturday, Feb. 9 and 10, to the 4A/3A/2A/1A-SD 3 championships at the Newport Aquatic Center. ELSEWHERE: TAFT TOPS SEASIDE At Seaside, the Taft girls scored a 78-53 win	and the Tiger boys added a 101-62 victory in a dual meet Jan. 18 at the Seaside Aquatic Center. Allysa Moore was the lone multi-individual event winner for the Tiger girls, claiming victories in the 200-individual medley and the 100 breaststroke, while Ellie Nightingale (100 freestyle), Illeyna Moreno (100 butterfly) each won single individual events for Taft. The Tiger girls also posted wins in the 200- and	400-freestyle relays. Noah Serrato in the 200 freestyle, Nozomi Umenishi in the 200-individual medley, Miles Twigg in the 100 freestyle and Isaiah Wilson were individual event winners for the Taft boys, who swept the relay events with wins in the 200-medley, 200- and 400-freestyle races. Taft swims Saturday, Jan. 27, at the Last Chance Home Invitational, hosted by Blanchet Catholic in the Kroc Center in Salem.
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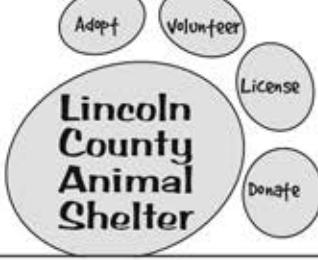
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In just her second career wrestling match, Waldport junior Katlyn Morton works her way toward earning a 30-second pin of Ashlynn Lann of Toledo Jan. 20 at the Alsea Bay Classic at Irish Pavilion in Waldport.

WRESTLING

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District high school wrestling programs are making positive strides this winter, many have their eyes on The Machine, which boasted a boys team coming off its best finish at the 2A/1A state meet last school year in earning a third-place team trophy.

Prior to its start, and with good reason, expectations for this campaign were set high in Toledo, which returned defending state champions Ash Blomstrom and Logan Gerding, as well as Kaufman and Kolby Coxen, each of whom placed second individually at state a year ago. Does that mean the Toledo wrestling program is where head coach Tony Blomstrom hoped it would be at this late point in the season?

“Absolutely, probably even further along,” he said. “The new wrestlers who have come into our program have really done a lot more than just bolstered our numbers, they’ve produced some valuable (team) points, they’ve stepped up and are starting to hit the podium themselves.”

And though Toledo senior standout Sterling Buckley didn’t take to the mats last week, and despite rare setbacks for Gerding at 132 and

Coxen at 285 at the Alsea Bay Classic — Gerding at 132 and Coxen at 285 each rallied to runner-up finishes — the Boomers have their sights set on the all-class OSAA state wrestling championships, scheduled for Feb. 22-24 at Portland’s Veterans Memorial Coliseum.

They’ll start their postseason push today (Wednesday, Jan. 24) at an SD-1 meet at Vernonia, followed by the Howell Invitational on Saturday, Jan. 27, at Monroe, before Toledo travels Wednesday, Jan. 31, to a pre-district meet at Willamina.

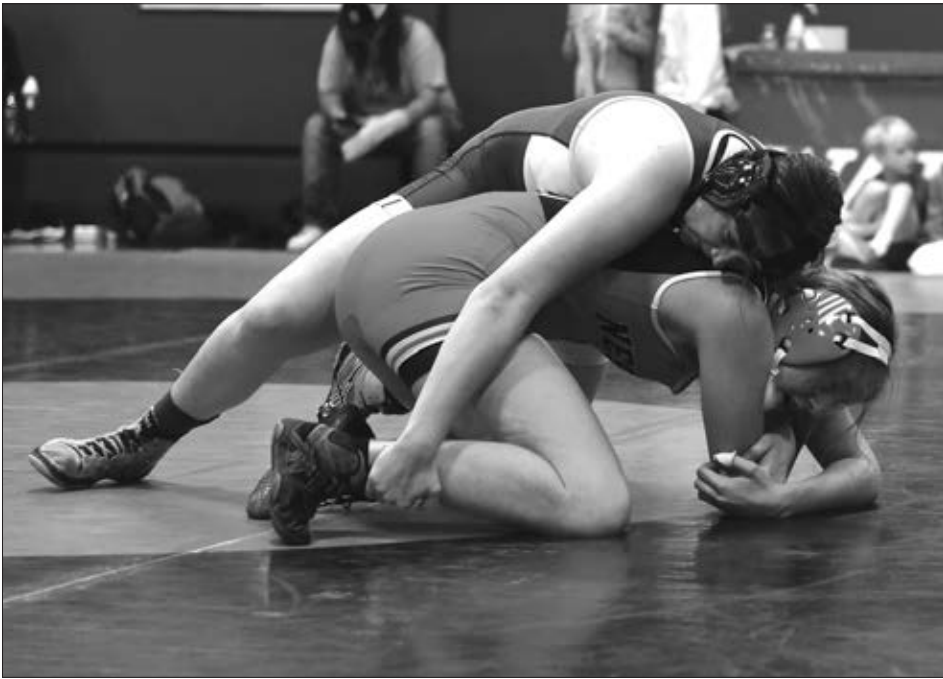
The 2A/1A-SD 1 district boys championships are scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 10, at Toledo, and the 4A/3A/2A/1A-SD 2 girls championship are Friday and Saturday, Feb. 16 and 17 at Cottage Grove.

ALSEA BAY CLASSIC

JAN. 20 AT IRISH PAVILION, WALDPOR

Team scores: Lowell 173, Toledo 171, Junction City 103, Oakridge 93.5, Siletz Valley 83, Jefferson 69, Knappa 60, Waldport 45, Taft 31.5, Central Linn 30, Reed-sport 29.

Siletz Valley placers — Dean Smith: fifth at 120 boys; Louie Orona: 165 boys champion; Joshua Johnson: 175



Reegan Peterson, from Toledo, forces the action during a wrestling match Jan. 18 in Siletz against Kerrin Higdon from Nestucca.

boys champion; Steven Murphy: fourth at 190 boys; Logan Thomas: fifth at 190 boys; Vincent Aviles: third at 289 boys; Sam Retherford: fourth at 285 boys.

Taft placers — Emiliano Sanchez: third at 120 boys; Braylen Evjen: sixth at 120 boys; Logan Lovell: fifth at 144 boys;

Toledo placers — Lucy Katori: third at 125 girls; Mindy Blomstrom: 130 girls champion; Quin Lewis: 170 girls champion; Reegan Peterson: second at 170 girls; Ashlynn Lann: third at 190 girls; Logan Gerding: second at 132 boys; Cade McGuire: sixth at 132 boys;

Nic Kaufman: 138 boys champion; Maddox Law: second at 138 boys; Andrew Esmilo: fifth at 138 boys; Christian Retherford: 144 boys champion; Carson Watson: third at 157 boys; Kaleb Silva: fourth at 165 boys; Ash Blomstrom: 190 boys champion; Cody Vance: 215 boys champion; Kolby Coxen: second at 285 boys.

Waldport placers — Mia Dooley: second at 140 girls; Kaitlyn Morton: second at 190 girls; Santino Valencia: sixth at 138 boys; Daniel Segaline: sixth at 144 boys; Gabriel Dooley: second at 175.

Complete results:

<http://tinyurl.com/yurxtmuk>.

ELSEWHERE:

HARRISBURG ALL-GIRLS MEET

At Harrisburg, Taft senior Yaneli Hermosillo-Carrasco won the 145-pound division, and Newport wrestlers Zoie Garcia and Camille Keck posted matching third-place individual finishes Jan. 20 at the all-female event.

Hermosillo-Carrasco claimed her title with a third-period pin of Lily Bishop of Sweet Home in the semifinals, then pinned Riley Paden from Cascade 48 seconds into the second period in the championship.

Also for Taft, which scored 51 points to tie for seventh of 10 scoring schools with Yamhill-Carlton, sophomore Olivia Hertz was third at 140, and Julia Towers placed fourth at 120.

Garcia was third at 125 and Keck earned bronze at 130 for the Cubs, who finished ninth in the team standings with 41 points. Newport also received fourth-place finishes from Isabella Stevenson at 145, Mysti Ferguson at 170, and Hannah Herrera-Galicia at 235.

HARRISBURG ALL-GIRLS MEET

JAN. 20 AT HARRISBURG HIGH SCHOOL

Team scores: Sweet Home 142, Harrisburg 88, Sutherlin 86, Siuslaw 79, Cascade 70, Woodburn 59.5, Taft 51, Yamhill-Carlton 51, Newport 41, Junction City 35.

Newport placers — Zoie Garcia: third at 125; Camille Keck: third at 130; Isabella Stevenson: fourth at 145; Mysti Ferguson: fourth at 170; Hannah Herrera-Galicia: fourth at 235.

Taft placers — Julia Towers: fourth at 120; Olivia Hertz: third at 140; Yaneli Hermosillo-Carrasco: 145-pound champion.

Complete results: <http://tinyurl.com/3uj5tezh>.

BOYS

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standings with a win. Taft entered that contest 5-1 in league, 11-8 overall, while the Pirates sat atop the PacWest standings at 5-0, 11-6.

Tigers junior guard Trenton Battle’s 14-point effort paced a quintet of double-digit scorers for Taft in its win over Jefferson. Steven Stahl and Jackson Nightingale each added 12 points for Taft and Kol Tolan and Kai Bayer each tallied 11. Stahl’s seven-point first quarter paced the Tigers to a 23-11 lead after eight minutes of play, and they never looked back.

Zack Hankins led Taft with 22 points in its road win at Scio, and Bayer tallied 17 as the Tigers pulled within a half game of first place in the PacWest standings.

The Tigers play a 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, home conference game in Lincoln City against

Santiam Christian, then take to the road Tuesday, Jan. 20, to play at Sheridan.

ELSEWHERE:

PHILOMATH 57, NEWPORT 33

At Philomath, the fifth-ranked Warriors gave Newport a not-so-friendly introduction to 4A-3 Oregon West Conference play Jan. 19 in snapping the Cubs’ six-game winning streak in Newport’s conference debut.

Newport began the night and its Oregon West Conference premiere under first-year head coach Will Burghardt on an 11-6 burst, but Philomath pulled ahead 13-11 late in the first quarter, and never trailed again. The Warriors, who received a game-high 20 points from Preston Kramer, 18 from Jacob Peters, and nine more from Logan Matthews to tally all but 10 of Philomath’s points.

Peters scored 14 in the first half, and paced a

12-0 run in the second quarter that gave the Warriors a little breathing room and a 34-18 halftime advantage.

Newport sophomore guard Aaidyn Bokuro’s nine points led the Cubs (0-1, 8-4), who sought to even their conference record Tuesday night at Spangler Court in Newport with a league game against Sweet Home. They then travel Friday, Jan. 26, to play at Stayton, then return to the road Tuesday, Jan. 30, for a conference clash at second-ranked Cascade.

MONROE 68, TOLEDO 52

At Toledo, the Boomers dropped their eighth straight last Friday in a 2A-3 Valley Coast Conference battle, and slipped to 0-8 in league games, 1-15 overall.

After it was scheduled Tuesday to play a league game at Oakridge, Toledo faces off at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 25, on its

home hardwood against East Linn Christian Academy, then meets Bandon at 4:30 pm. Saturday, Jan. 27, in Toledo before traveling to play Monday, Jan. 29 at Central Linn and Tuesday, Jan. 20, at Lowell.

WALDPOR FALLS TWICE

The road wasn’t kind last week to the Irish, who fell 53-37 on Jan. 19 at Gold Beach, and 55-34 the next day at Illinois Valley in a pair of 2A-3 Valley Coast Conference games.

Waldport (2-5, 6-10) was home Tuesday night to face Reedsport, then plays Thursday, Jan. 25, at No. 4 Oakland, and Saturday, Jan. 27 at Central Linn.

C.S. LEWIS ACADEMY 42, EDDYVILLE CHARTER 25

At Newberg, after their scheduled rivalry home game Jan. 18 against Siletz Valley was canceled



Photo courtesy of Lon French

Taft junior guard Trenton Battle sends a pass across the court Jan. 18 during the Tigers’ 3A-3 PacWest Conference defeat of Jefferson in Lincoln City.

due to broken pipe in the school, the Eagles dropped their second straight 1A-3 Mountain West League game last Saturday.

Eddyville Charter (1-3, 4-8) looked to get back into the win column Tuesday night at home against Triangle Lake, then travels today for a non-league contest at Riddle. At 5:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, the Eagles play a conference game at home against Mapleton, then travel Tuesday, Jan. 30, to take on McKenzie.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CUP 2023-02 Lincoln Palisades Phase VI
The Lincoln City Planning Commission will hold a public hearing to consider CUP 2023-02 on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. The public hearing will be held in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 801 SW Hwy 101, Lincoln City, Oregon. Persons who may be affected are invited to participate in the hearing and present written and/or oral testimony concerning the project. The hearings will be televised live on Channel 4. For rebroadcast times, please consult the Channel 4 guide on the hour. Citizens requesting to give testimony via Zoom or telephone must email planning@lincolncity.org no later than noon on the hearing day. The request must include the person's name and the screen name the person intends to use for the meeting. Instructions will be sent to the person requesting prior to the meeting. The Lincoln City Planning and Community Development Department received an application for a conditional use permit and modification application for Phase VI of the Lincoln Palisades project. The subject property is unaddressed and is identified as Assessor's Map 06-11-35-CD-00102-00. The applicants and property owners are Alpha Building Ventures, LLC. The applicable criteria governing this review are: Lincoln City Municipal Code (LCMC) Chapter 17.16 Single-Family Residential (R-1); Chapter 17.43 Open Space (OS) Zone; Section 17.76.050 Type III Procedure; and Section 17.77.060 Conditional Use Permit. A copy of the staff report will be available for inspection at no cost at least seven days prior to the hearing and will be provided at reasonable cost to individuals who request it. The complete file may be reviewed online at Land Use Cases | City of Lincoln City, OR by going to Conditional Use Permit, and then CUP 2023-02 Lincoln Palisades. The application, all documents and evidence submitted by or on behalf of the applicant, and applicable criteria are available for inspection at no cost and will be provided at reasonable cost upon request at Lincoln City Planning and Community Development, 801 SW Hwy 101. For additional information, please contact Richard Townsend, Director, at rtownsend@lincolncity.org or 541.996.1228. Failure of an issue to be raised in a hearing in person, or by letter/email, or failure to provide statements or evidence sufficient to afford the Planning Commission and/or City Council an opportunity to respond to the issue precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA). Please email your comments to rtownsend@lincolncity.org or mail to Lincoln City Planning and Community Development, PO Box 50, Lincoln City, Oregon 97367. The meeting location is accessible to persons with disabilities. A request for accommodations for persons with disabilities should be made at least 48 hours in advance of the meeting. To request information in an alternate format or other ADA assistance, please contact the City's ADA Coordinator, Kevin Mattias, at 541-996-1013 or kmattias@lincolncity.org. J24 40-24

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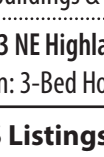
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OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, defendant(s). This is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand. For more details go to <http://www.oregon-sheriffssales.org/country/lincoln/> J24, J31, F7, F14

LCL 56-07 PUBLIC NOTICE

N53. The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office has in its possession the unclaimed personal property described below. If you have ownership interest in any of this unclaimed property you must file a claim with the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office (225 W Olive, Room 203, Newport, OR) within 30 days from the date of the publication of this notice or you will lose interest in this property; personal property to estates of: Angela Biggs. J24, J31, F7

LCL 55-24 CITY OF NEWPORT

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
The Newport City Council will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 5, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers to consider an appeal of an encroachment permit issued on December 21, 2023 (File No. 3-TEP-23) to install retaining walls on the north and south sides of the easement on the benefited property located at 1035 NE Lakewood Drive, (Lincoln County Assessor's Tax Map 15-11-33-CB, Tax Lot 6100). Further, the owner will replace the City's existing storm drain line where needed to provide seven feet of clearance from the new structures; install three, four inch PVC conduit for future utility extensions; and resurface the 15-foot wide roadway. The appellant asserts that the requirements of NMC 9.15.050 have not been satisfied as the encroachment does not contain adequate restrictions nor require that the retaining walls be maintained; the excavation of the easement road will move the road further onto the appellant's property with no drainage plan set forth; and the retaining wall on the appellant's property is more than 30" high and will require a fence on top of it that would, together with the retaining wall, block the appellant's existing use of the easement and benefited property. The applicable criteria per NMC Chapter 9.15.050(A); Criteria for Approval of an Encroachment Permit: (1) A minimum of three feet of clearance shall be maintained on all sides of fire hydrants; (2) Clearances to water meters shall be one foot behind and two feet from the sides measured from the outside edges of the box. The applicant shall pay for meter relocation if this standard cannot be met; (3) Clearances from manholes and underground pipelines such as city sewer lines, water lines, and storm drain lines shall be a minimum of 7 feet; (4) Clearances between underground utilities such as power, telephone, cable TV and natural landscape materials, or structures placed over those facilities shall be the distance required by the affected utilities. Conditions requested by the utility providers shall be considered for inclusion into the permit; (5) Proposed encroachments shall not prevent access to, cover, or block the flow of water to or into catch basins, ditches, or swales, and shall not otherwise alter the natural drainage patterns in a manner that adversely affects other property. Where drainage is involved, the city manager may set specific requirements; (6) Where the adjacent right-of-way has been fully improved to its planned dimension with associated curbs, sidewalks, utilities and street trees, an encroachment permit may be permitted between the property line and the back edge of sidewalk provided there is a one foot minimum clearance between the proposed encroachment and the back edge of the sidewalk and all other standards have been met; (7) Sufficient room for off-street parking and pedestrian travel shall be maintained and the encroachment shall not result in a loss of area needed for parking, vehicular maneuvering, or pedestrian travel; (8) It is determined that the requested encroachment is consistent with the current use of the unimproved public right-of-way, easement or public property. At this appeal hearing, the City Council will accept arguments from the appellant, applicant (if different from appellant), and comment from city staff. All arguments must be directed toward evidence in the record that is relevant to the criteria described above or other relevant criteria in the Newport Municipal Code. Failure to raise an issue with sufficient specificity to afford the city and the parties an opportunity to respond to the issue precludes an appeal based on that issue. Council members may ask questions of the participants and, after accepting testimony, will deliberate and render a decision. All materials relating to the encroachment permit and the appeal are available for inspection at no cost or copies may be purchased for reasonable cost at the Newport Community Development (Planning) Department, City Hall, 169 SW Coast Hwy, Newport, Oregon, 97365. Contact Derrick Tokos, Community Development Director, (541) 574-0828, d.tokos@newportoregon.gov (address above), J24 55-24

LCL 54-07 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN PROBATE ESTATE OF STEVEN MITCHELL SPINAK, DECEASED CASE No. 24PB00014

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
Notice is given pursuant to ORS 113.155 that Scott C. Spinak has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or their claims may be barred. Claims are to be presented at the address of the attorney for the personal representative, set forth below. All persons whose rights may be affected by this estate proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the Circuit Court, the personal representative, or Jeffrey C. Hollen, attorney for the personal representative. Date of first publication: January 24, 2024. Jeffrey C. Hollen, OSB #761757, Attorney for the Personal Representative, 541-574-1630 P.O. Box 1167, 615 SW Hubert Street, Suite A, Newport, OR 97365. Personal Representative, Scott C. Spinak, P.O. Box 2691, Santa Cruz, CA 95063, 808-228-2254. J24, J31, F7 54-07

SPECIAL AUCTION
February 1st 2:00 PM, 235 SW Dahl AVE, Waldport, OR. Vehicle in Lien. Auctioned as is with Lien title. Call for minimum bid and limited information about the vehicle. J17, J24 48-24

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
CIRCUIT COURT OF OREGON LINCOLN COUNTY Probate Department In the Matter of the Estate of HELEN ELIZABETH GEORGE, Deceased. CASE NO. 23PB10686 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
Notice is hereby given that Patricia George has been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the estate. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the personal representative at: Martin, Elliott & Snell, P.O. Box 575, Tualatin, Oregon 97062, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published this 17 day of January, 2024. Personal Representative: Patricia George, 81945 Avenida Dulce Indio, CA 92203. Attorney for Personal Representative: Susan E. Snell, OSB #853356, Martin, Elliott & Snell, P.C., P.O. Box 575, Tualatin, Oregon 97062. J17, J24, J31 47-31

STORAGE AUCTION
Devils Lake Storage 1645 SE East Devils Lake RD Lincoln City OR 97367, Unit #E201 Crystall Manley, January 19th 2024. Bid13.com Devils lake storage Unit #E201. J17, J24 46-24

PUBLIC AUCTION
Public Auction at Anchor Storage 628 Painter Lane, Depoe Bay OR 97341. Contact number is 541-921-9878. The following unit(s) will be sold at Public Auction on February 12, 2024 Beginning at 10:00am for non-payment of rent and other fees. Unit #A14 Sandra Crawford, Unit #C19 Cyndi Upton. J17, J24 49-24

STORAGE AUCTION
Devils Lake Storage 1645 SE East Devils Lake RD Lincoln City OR 97367, Unit #C32 Darlene Van Valin, January 19th 2024. Bid13.com Devils lake storage Unit #C32. J17, J24 45-24

LCL 52-31 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN In the Matter of the estate of SHIRLEY ANNE BALLOCH, Deceased. Case No. 23PB11134
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed persona representative. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the undersigned personal representative by and through their attorney at P Box 1987, Newport, OR 97365, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the lawyers for the personal representative, Traci P. McDowall. Dated and first published on January 17, 2024. Traci P. McDowall, OSB #184063, Attorney for Personal Representative. PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Josh Balloch, 331 Ne Fetzner St, Grants Pass, OR 97526, (503) 588-5868, LAWYER FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: Traci P. McDowall, OSB #184063, PO Box 1987, Newport, OR 97365, (541) 272-5500 traci@yaquinalaw.com. J17, J24, J31

PUBLIC MEETING
You are invited to attend Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation Districts Annual Meeting: WHEN: February 8, 2024 (Thursday) 6:00PM-9:00PM P E S E N T A T I O N : 2022/23 Annual Report and February Monthly Board Meeting WHERE: OSU Extension Service (1211 SE Bay Blvd. Newport, OR) and teleconference. Please contact Tyler Clouse (info@lincolnsocwd.org) or call the office 541-265-2631 for registration assistance. J17 J24 41-24



PUBLIC NOTICE

LCL 51-31 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN

PROBATE DEPARTMENT

In the Matter of the Estate of: FREDERICK THOMAS FORD, Deceased, No. 24PB00169 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the estate of All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present their claims, with proper vouchers, within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this notice, to the Personal Representative at the address below, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. DATED and first published: January 17, 2024. KRISTIN Kay FORD, Personal Representative c/o KULLA, RONNAU, SCHAUB & CHAMBERS, P.C. SCOTT J. SCHLAUB, OSB #893572, 2210 NE 22nd St. Lincoln City, OR 97367. ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: KULLA, RONNAU, SCHAUB & CHAMBERS, P.C. SCOTT J. SCHLAUB, OSB #893572, 2210 NE 22nd St. Lincoln City, OR 97367 Phone: (541) 996-2195 Fax: (541) 996-2770 E-mail: krsc@embargmail.com J17, J24, J31 51-31

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

JLF 23-128868 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE

A default has occurred under the terms of a trust deed made by Jill S. Baur, a married person and Ronald J. Baur, a married person whose address is 720 SE Bird Avenue, Waldport, OR 97394 as grantor to First American Title, as Trustee, in favor of Coldwell Banker Mortgage, as named Beneficiary, dated September 26, 2002, recorded October 1, 2002, in the mortgage records of Lincoln County, Oregon, in Book 459, at Page 2075, as Instrument/Reception/Recorder's Fee No. 6268099, "Nationstar Mortgage LLC is the present Beneficiary as defined by ORS 86.705(2), as covering the following described real property: Lot 10, Block 8, TOWNSHIP "13" ADDITION NO. 2, in the City of Waldport, County of Lincoln, State of Oregon, COMMONLY KNOWN AS: 720 SE Bird Avenue, Waldport, OR 97394. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and a notice of default has been recorded pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 86.752(3); the default for which the foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: Monthly payments in the sum of \$841.10, from January 1, 2023 plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$69.93, plus the sum of \$0.00 for advances, together with all costs, disbursements, and/or fees incurred or paid by the beneficiary and/or trustee, their employees, agents or assigns. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation that the trust deed secures immediately due and payable, said sum being the following, to-wit: \$37,983.61, together with accrued interest in the sum of \$2,335.39, through November 27, 2023; further interest thereon at the rate of 6.47% per annum from November 28, 2023, plus a Deferred Balance of \$6,206.68, plus prior accrued late charges in the amount of \$69.93, plus the sum of \$5,693.09 for advances, together with all costs, disbursements, and/or fees incurred or paid by the beneficiary and/or trustee, their employees, agents or assigns. WHEREFORE, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee will on April 16, 2024, at the hour of 1:00 PM PT, in accord with the standard time established by ORS 187.110, at the main entrance to the Lincoln County Courthouse located at 225 West Olive, in the City of Newport, OR, County of Lincoln, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor has or had power to convey at the time of the execution of said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the obligations secured thereby and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given to any person named in ORS 86.778 that the right exists, at any time that is more than five days before the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by paying to the beneficiary of the entire amount due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligations or trust deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and trust deed, together with trustee's fees and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by said ORS 86.778. Notice is fur-

CITY OF NEWPORT, OREGON

NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing on a proposed Supplemental Budget for the City of Newport, Oregon, for the fiscal year July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024, will be held in the City Council Chambers at 169 SW Coast Hwy, Newport, Oregon. The hearings will take place on January 29, 2024, at 6:00 PM. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the Supplemental Budget with interested persons. This notice reflects budgetary adjustments over 10% by fund. Note that budget adjustments under this threshold may be discussed at the Council meeting. A copy of the Supplemental Budget document may be inspected or obtained after January 24, 2024, at the City website www.newportoregon.gov and at 169 SW Coast Hwy, Newport, Oregon Finance Department Monday through Thursday between the hours of 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET CHANGES

Amounts Shown Are Revised Totals In Those Funds Being Modified

General Fund - 101						
Resource	Changes	Amount	Expenditure	Budget	Changes	Amount
Beginning fund balance	(176,231)	7,197,788	General Fund departments- Not Modified	9,145,593		9,145,593
			City Administration	4,538,422	50,995	4,589,417
Revenues	3,882	16,565,727	Library	1,358,170	3,882	1,362,052
Transfers In	21,864	247,987	Community Development	605,192	19,268	624,460
			Administrative Programs	1,028,783		1,028,783
			Interfund Loan	584,000		584,000
			Transfers Out	3,518,828	124,000	3,642,828
			Contingency	576,286	(248,630)	327,656
			Reserve and ending fund balance	2,806,713	(100,000)	2,706,713
Revised Total Resources	(150,485)	24,011,502	Revised Total Requirements	24,161,987	(150,485)	24,011,502

Comments: Transfer out \$3K from Contingency to the 711 Fund for boat launch signage. Receipt a \$2K Grant to Library from OCF for Charro Attire Exhibit. Transfer out \$21K from contingency thru the 711 fund then to the 405 fund for 50% of Frank Wade Court Resurface Proj #22-22024. Transfer in \$21,864 from Facilities Proj #21012 in order to close project. Recognize a Payment from EnvisionWare, Inc For \$1,762 to the Library for customer paid invoice and maintenance. Receipt \$120 in donations to the Library for materials and service fund. Reduce contingency by \$2,500 and apply those funds to community Development Prof Services for Geologic Permit Peer Review Fee. Transfer \$16,768 from contingency to Community Development to cover cost of cubicles and set up. Adust BFB and contingency by \$176,231 to reflect audited balances. Transfer \$50,995 from contingency to City Administration for an additional FTE Accounting Tech position in Finance. Transfer \$100K from Reserve to Project #25-23070 Oceanview Drive Slide in 402 Fund.

Public Parking Fund - 211					
Resource	Amount	Expenditure	Amount		
Beginning Fund Balance	(1,096)	(966)	Public Parking Programs	103,272	103,272
Revenues	-	606,800	Interfund Loan		
Transfers In			Transfer Out	275,000	275,000
			Contingency	228,658	(1,096) 227,562
			Reserve and Ending Fund Balance	-	-
Revised Total Resources	(1,096)	605,834	Revised Total Requirements	606,930	(1,096) 605,834

Comments: Adust BFB and contingency by (\$-1,096) to reflect audited balances.

Housing Fund - 212					
Resource	Amount	Expenditure	Amount		
Beginning Fund Balance	120,933	726,500	Housing program	956	956
Revenues	68,637		Oregon Housing & Com Svc	9,242	9,242
Transfers In			Contingency	664,006	120,933 784,939
Revised Total Resources	120,933	795,137	Revised Total Requirements	674,204	120,933 795,137

Comments: Adust BFB and contingency by \$55,813 and \$65,120 to reflect audited balances.

Room Tax Fund - 230					
Resource	Amount	Expenditure	Amount		
Beginning Fund Balance	56,386	3,087,686	Room Tax General	254,051	254,051
Revenues		3,652,454	Room Tax Programs	899,500	242,240 1,141,740
Transfers In		0	Transfers Out	3,229,072	24,000 3,253,072
			Contingency	115,230	32,386 147,616
			Reserve and Ending fund balances	2,185,901	(242,240) 1,943,661
Revised Total Resources	56,386	6,740,140	Revised Total Requirements	6,683,754	56,386 6,740,140

Comments: Transfer out \$3K from Contingency to the 711 Fund for boat launch signage. Transfer \$242,240 from Reserve to Discover Newport Program. Transfer out \$21K from contingency to fund Proj #22-22024 Pickleball courts. Adust BFB and contingency by \$56,386 to reflect audited balances.

Agate Beach Closure Fund - 254					
Resource	Amount	Expenditure	Amount		
Beginning Fund Balance	(17,478)	943,696	Agate Beach Closure	61,709	61,709
Revenues		27,500	Interfund Loan	225,000	- 225,000
Transfers In			Transfers Out	-	-
			Contingency	701,965	(17,478) 684,487
Revised Total Resources	(17,478)	971,196	Revised Total Requirements	988,674	(17,478) 971,196

Comments: Adust BFB and contingency by (\$17,478) to reflect audited balances.

Capital Projects - General - 402						
Resource	Changes	Amount	Project Name	Project #	Budget	Adjusted Budget
Beginning fund balance		6,005,076	Reserve and Ending Fund Balance		398,855	398,855
Revenues		2,731,052	Other Projects Not Adjusted		9,947,517	9,947,517
Transfers In	100,000	2,444,195	Note: Only adjusted projects are shown.			
Transfers In from URA		100,000				
			S9 Big Creek Bridge Abutment Repairs (17009)	17009	350,000	(147,000) 203,000
			Street Repair and Improvement Program (25-23010)	25-23010	446,397	(158,438) 287,959
			Oceanview Drive Slide and Storm Emergency Repair (25-23070)	25-23070		405,000 405,000
			Transfer Out		37,554	438 37,992
Revised Total Resources	100,000	11,280,323	Revised Total Requirements		11,180,323	100,000 11,280,323

Comments: Transfer \$438 from Proj #25-23010 to Proj#21019 in the 403 fund to cover project shortfall. Transfer \$147K from Proj #17009 and \$158K from Proj #25-23011 for emergency repair of slide with an additional \$100K transfer from General Fund Reserve for additional slide total of \$405K transfer into Project #25-23070.

Capital Projects - Proprietary - 403						
Resource	Changes	Amount	Project Name	Project #	Budget	Adjusted Budget
Beginning fund balance		5,968,579	Transfer Out		278,500	278,500
Revenues	30,000	14,281,559	Reserve and Ending Fund Balance		523,907	523,907
Transfers In	438	1,279,345	Other Projects Not Adjusted		20,687,371	20,687,371
			Note: Only adjusted projects are shown.			
			Water Capital Projects: 6210			
			\$16-SE Harney St Sidewalk from SE Moore Dr to Yaquina View Elementary	21019	9,267	438 9,705
			Drinking Water Protection Plan (28-23069)	28-23069		30,000 30,000
Revised Total Resources	30,438	21,529,483	Revised Total Requirements		21,499,045	30,438 21,529,483

Comments: Budget for a \$30K Grant for Proj #23069. Transfer in \$438 to Proj #21019 from Proj #25-23010 to cover shortfalls.

Capital Improvements - 405						
Resource	Changes	Amount	Expenditure	Project #	Budget	Adjusted Budget
Beginning Fund Balance	21,864	3,064,677	Transfer Out		69,838	91,702
Revenues	390,000	429,000	Reserve and Ending fund balances		110,476	110,476
Transfer In	42,000	3,701,579	Other Projects Not Adjusted		3,718,797	3,718,797
			Note: Only adjusted projects are shown.			
			FMS-PAC Expansion Project (20018)	20018	2,139,281	425,000 2,564,281
			PAC Chiller/Cooling Unit (21-23062)	21-23062	425,000	(425,000)
			PM10-Agate Beach Neighborhood and Dog Park Improvements (22-22022)	22-22022	260,000	390,000 650,000
			PMS-Resurfacing of Frank Wade Park Tennis Courts (22-22024)	22-22024	18,000	42,000 60,000
Revised Total Resources	453,864	7,195,256	Revised Total Requirements		6,741,392	453,864 7,195,256

Comments: Transfer \$425K from Proj #21-23062 PAC chiller to Proj #20018 PAC Expansion project. Transfer in \$42K from Facilities for Proj #22-22024. Increase Revenue by \$390K Grant for Proj #22-22022. Increase BFB by \$21.864 for Proj #21012 and transfer out \$21,864 back to General Fund.

ther given that reinstatement or payoff quotes requested pursuant to ORS 86.786 and ORS 86.789 must be timely communicated in a written request that complies with that statute, addressed to the trustee's "Reinstatement/Payoffs ORS 86.786" either by personal delivery or by first class, certified mail, return receipt requested, to the trustee's address shown below. Due to potential conflicts with federal law, persons having no record legal or equitable interest in the subject property will only receive information concerning the lender's estimated or actual bid. Lender bid information is also available at the trustee's website, www.logs.com/janeway law firm. In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Also, please be advised that pursuant to the terms stated on the Deed of Trust and Note, the beneficiary is allowed to conduct property inspections while property is in default. This shall serve as notice that the beneficiary shall be conducting property inspections on the said referenced property. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to

be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. The Fair Debt Collection Practice Act requires that we state the following: This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. If a discharge has been obtained by any party through bankruptcy proceedings; This shall not be construed to be an attempt to collect the outstanding indebtedness or hold you personally liable for the debt. Dated: 11-29-2023 JANEWAY LAW FIRM, LLC, Successor Trustee 1499 SE Tech Center Place, Suite 255, Vancouver, WA 98683 www.logs.com/janeway law firm Telephone: (360) 260-2253 Toll-free: 1-800-970-5647 JLF 23-128868 NPP0444900 To: NEWPORT NEWS TIMES 01/17/2024, 01/24/2024, 01/31/2024, 02/7/2024 44-07

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS Notice is hereby given that Kirk H. Strohmman Jr. has been appointed personal representative of the Estate of Colleen Merree Jordan, by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Lincoln County, Probate File No. 23PB10462. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby notified to present the same to the said personal representative, at the office of the personal representative at Strohmman Ford, LLC, 1400 Executive Parkway, Suite 300, Eugene, OR 97401 within four months from the date of the first publication of this notice or their claims may be barred. Date of the first publication of this notice is January 17, 2024. All persons whose rights may be affected by the pro-

ceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the Court or from the personal representative, Kirk Strohmman, Jr., Strohmman Ford, LLC, 1400 Executive Parkway, Suite 300, Eugene, OR 97401; Phone 541-345-4312, J17, J24, J31 42-31

NOTICE OF SALE T.S. No.: OR-23-960784-SW Order No.: 8784888 Reference is made to that certain deed made by, ANN FOOR as Grantor to WESTERN TITLE AND ESCROW COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS INC. ("MERS") AS NOMINEE FOR Reverse Mortgage Solutions Inc, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 12/24/2014, recorded 12/30/2014, in official records of LINCOLN County, Oregon in book/reel/volume No. fee/file/instrument/microfilm/reception number 2014-11430 and subsequently assigned or transferred by operation of law to Mortgage Assets Management, LLC covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, APN: R153956 Lot 25, Block 4, SEAGROVE, in Lincoln County, Oregon. Commonly known as: 100 SEAGROVE LOOP, LINCOLN CITY, OR 97367 Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes. The default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantors: BORROWER(S) FAILED TO PAY PROPERTY TAXES PRIOR TO THE DELINQUENCY DATE IN VIOLATION OF THE TERMS OF BORROWER(S) HOME EQUITY CONVERSION

MORTGAGE By this reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by said deed of trust immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to-wit: the sum of \$115,701.67 together with interest thereon at the rate of 5.0350 per annum; plus all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms of said deed of trust. Whereof, notice hereby is given that QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION, the undersigned trustee will on 4/23/2024 at the hour of 10:00 AM, Standard of Time, as established by section 187.110, Oregon Revised Statutes. At the south entrance to the Lincoln County Courthouse, located at 225 W Olive Street, Newport, OR 97365 County of LINCOLN, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by him of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in Section 86.778 of Oregon Revised Statutes has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (if applicable) and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the obligation or trust deed, at any

time prior to the sale date. For Sale Information Call: 916-939-0772 or Login to: www.nationwideposting.com 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. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until the Trustee's deed has been issued by QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION. If there are any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, that the trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Without limiting the trustee's dis-

claimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. TS No: OR-23-960784-SW Dated: 12/11/2023 Quality Loan Service Corporation, as Trustee Signature By: Jeff Stenman, President Trustee's Mailing Address: QUALITY LOAN SERVICE CORPORATION 108 1st Ave South, Suite 450, Seattle, WA 98104 Toll Free: (866) 925-0241 Trustee's Physical Address: Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio South San Diego, CA 92108 Toll Free: (866) 925-0241 IDS-Pub #0189924 1/17/2024 1/24/2024 1/31/2024 2/7/2024.

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN In the Matter of the Estate of Graef Fredrick Schrimpf, Deceased. Notice # 23PB08127. CASE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Holly Ann Ornelas and Michael Robert Ornelas have been appointed co-personal representatives of the Estate of Graef Fredrick Schrimpf. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative at P.O. Box 1270, Newport, OR, 97365, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceed-

ings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representatives, or from Macpherson, Gintner & Diaz, P.O. Box 1270, Newport, Oregon 97365. CO-PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES: Holly Ann Ornelas, 18479 Fleetwood Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94546 AND Michael Robert Ornelas, 18481 Fleetwood Avenue, Castro Valley, CA 94546. ATTORNEY: Corey G. Blake, OSB No. 051688 P.O. Box 1270 Newport, Oregon 97365 Telephone 541-265-8881 Fax No. 541-265-3571 Email Address: blake@mgdglaw.com J10, J17, J24 31-24

NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative of the ESTATE OF MARIE CUTLER COLE, DECEASED, Lincoln County, Oregon, Circuit Court Case No. 23PB08940. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present them, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the Personal Representative at 285 Highway 101/P.O. Box 700, Waldport, Oregon 97394-0700, or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by these proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the Personal Representative, or the attorney for the Personal Representative. DATED and first published: January 10, 2024. Louie M. Cole, Personal Representative, Law Office of Holly Anne Gibbons, LLC, Attorney for Personal Representative, P.O. Box 700, Waldport, OR 97394-0700. J10, J17, J24 30-24

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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps

MY TEACHER SAYS I SHOULD EXPRESS MYSELF THROUGH MY ARTWORK.

THIS ONE I CALL "CRAVING". I USED VIBRANT COLORS TO EXPRESS THIS EMOTION.

WOW, THE COLORS CLASH TOGETHER IN SUCH A MANNER TO PROJECT TRUE ANGST.

I WAS JUST HUNGRY FOR SOME MAC AND CHEESE WHEN I PAINTED IT.

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

WHAT DOES IT SAY?

I'M NOT SURE.

If you want to live, get out of this cave now!

THE SCRIBBLY LINES ARE WEIRD

BECAUSE OF THEIR INABILITY TO DECIPHER CURSIVE HANDWRITING, GEN Z EXPLORERS LIVE IN CONSTANT DANGER

The Spats

by Jeff Pickering

LAST NIGHT I ATE YEAST AND DRANK SHOE POLISH.

WHY DID YOU DO THAT??

SO I COULD RISE AND SHINE THIS MORNING.

TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

GET BACK IN BED, PUNKINHEAD

MOM SAYS STAY IN BED. YOU'VE GOT A COULD

BRING ME SOME JUICE

AND WILL YOU BRING ME A CARD TABLE

AND MY TRUCKS AND A RADIO

AND I NEED THE TV AND A SANDWICH

PLUG THAT IN OVER THERE

WOW! IT SURE IS TOUGH BEING SICK

OLIVE

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF

HEY! YOU'RE CHARON, RIGHT? WAIT UP!

I'M SO GLAD WE FOUND YOU!

MY NAME IS OLIVE OYL. I HAD AN ACCIDENT THAT LEFT ME WITH THE ABILITY TO SEE GHOSTS SO I HAVE MADE IT MY MISSION TO HELP THEM MOVE ON, BUT ON THIS ISLAND IT'S OVERWHELMING! A FEW OF THE SPIRITS MENTIONED YOU BEING WONDERFUL.

FIND AT LEAST SIX DIFFERENCES IN DETAILS BETWEEN PANELS.

Super Crossword

Answers

R	A	S	S	L	E	R	A	T	R	I	A	S	C	H	I	R	R	A			
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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: X equals C

GYN ZJT IFEMHDZ FJG RG GYN

ZTU IFJCQD'G GRMN GYN GHUN

GF GRCM GF LNFLCN. YN YRQ

GFF URDT LENKKHDZ XFDXNEDK.

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SCRAMBLERS

Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Grand

ELBON

Theft

THEIS

Escort

SHURE

Alter

NAMED

TODAY'S WORD

"Just because he resembles your _____, it doesn't mean he's guilty."

Dennis the Menace

COMPARISON SHOPPER

HEY, MR. WILSON!!!

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

HOW SHOULD I KNOW?

GO ASK YOUR MOTHER.

I DID.

THAT'S WHY I'M HERE.

HÄGAR

THE HORRIBLE

DIK BROWNE

SO TIED TODAY... I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO DESSERT AND A...

...NAP?

G-ZAW

WHAT'S THAT NOISE?

IT'S LATE AGAIN!

THIS IS THE THIRD NIGHT IN A ROW HONI'S BOYFRIEND HAS WOKEN US UP!

I'M GOING TO GRAB THAT INSTRUMENT AND SMASH IT INTO A MILLION PIECES!

YOU'RE BEING RIDICULOUS!

YOU'RE RIGHT! (SIGH)

I'LL HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO MAKE IT LOOK LIKE AN ACCIDENT!

Mort Walker's

beetle bailey

I'M BACK. WHERE'S MY SHOVEL?

BEETLE TOOK IT

LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE BEEN BUSY

THESE ARE MY GOOFING-OFF PROPS

Garfield

BARK!

SHH

BARK! BARK! BARK!

HUSH, OPIE!

BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK! BARK!

SHUT UP!

I TOLD YOU HE WOULDN'T CARE IF YOU SAID I WAS EATING HIS LUNCH

The Kitchen Wild

Emergency Preparedness & Albacore Tuna Sandwich

ALBACORE TUNA SANDWICH

Ingredients:

1, 7.5oz can albacore tuna
1/4 cup mayonnaise
1 Tbs. yellow mustard
1/2 Tbs. Worcestershire sauce
1/4 tsp. Johnny's seasoning Salt
1 finely chopped crunchy dill pickle

Directions:

Drain the tuna well.
Combine all ingredients in a small bowl and mix well.
Add tuna mixture to whole grain bread with lettuce and tomato for a nutritious and perfectly balanced meal.



BY KATIE WILEY

There are many reasons why it's important to have essential items in our homes or cars in case of an emergency, and if there's anything that last week's storm has shown us is that we may not be quite as prepared as we had hoped.

Sure, after the toilet paper shortage of 2020, many of us have learned to be a bit more prepared, but dealing with freezing temperatures and power outages can feel overwhelming and even frightening.

So, whether it's another storm with extended power outages, a new pandemic, or a natural disaster, shortages and power outages can and do happen, so it's important to be as prepared as possible because when we face these emergencies, it can feel very overwhelming in those heightened stress situations.

A good rule to remember is to have a stockpile of the essential items you'll need to survive for at least two to four weeks, or longer! This doesn't necessarily mean that you should go out and purchase your preparedness items all

in one day but it's worthwhile to stockpile these items over time, not only because finding everything we need during an emergency can be very expensive, but those necessary items can oftentimes be hard to come by.

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS ITEMS:

Flashlights — We do have plenty of flashlights on hand, but my family much prefers headlamps. They're bright and you're able to keep your hands free.

Batteries — You'll want to make sure you have the appropriate batteries for anything you'll need during an emergency outage.

Candles and tea lights — Not only are candles great to have on hand for light but they can also aid in cooking with a DIY cooktop! All you need is a muffin pan, tea lights, and a metal pot. Place a few tea lights in your muffin tin, place your pot directly on top and you have yourself an emergency cooktop. Candles can also help to add coziness and comfort when things might feel chaotic.

Matches/Lighters — If you choose

matches make sure they are in a water-proof container.

First Aid Kit — If possible, keep a backup of medications you may need during this time as well.

Cash — In the event that power goes out for an extended period of time, cash may be your only option when debit and credit card machines are down.

Portable cell phone charger — During our last power outage, keeping my phone charged in case of an emergency was my biggest stressor so portable chargers or solar chargers are great to have on hand. You can find these for around \$25 on Amazon.

Camping Propane Stove/Single Burner Propane Stove/Portable Bottletop Backpacking Stove with additional 16oz propane bottles — These will feel like a lifesaver when needing to heat food or water in an emergency but always remember to always use them in a well ventilated area.

Pet supplies — Keep at least three days worth of your pets' food, any meds, and litter box supplies on hand.

Hot Hands — These are inexpensive

and have a shelf life of three to four years.

Water — Store at least 1 gallon of water per person per day for 3 days for drinking and sanitation. Try to store a 2-week supply if possible.

Non-perishable foods — Keep nutritional value in mind when looking for non-perishable foods to have on hand. Canned tuna and salmon are great options because they have a long shelf life and are absolutely jam packed with protein and nutrients. Other canned goods such as canned vegetables, fruit, beans, soups, and chilis are great; as well as dried fruits, nuts, protein bars, pastas, and peanut butter. If you don't have a manual can opener, be sure to pick one up to have on hand with your canned goods.

During our most recent power outage, I quickly and easily whipped up some delicious and nutritious albacore tuna sandwiches for my family thanks to the stock of canned tuna I keep on hand. Just the peace of mind I have in knowing that I have an incredibly nutritious food available for my family in these high stress moments is priceless.

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You can select the seating and order as many meals as you like. You will also have the option of buying extra crabs with the purchase of your crab meal. Email Lion Kevin Yorks for more information at lionscrabfeed2024@gmail.com.

“We are very pleased to be offering the event as we have done for so many years,”

Lion Club Crab Feed Coordinator Kevin Yorks said. “We get great support from the community and lo-

cal businesses in Yachats, Waldport, and Newport. South Beach Fish Market cooks and cleans the best tasting local crab you have ever eaten.”

All proceeds from the annual Crab Feed fundraiser and the Yachats Lions Thrift Store makes giving back to this community possible.

“We support Lions community service projects including scholarships to graduating seniors, food pantries, school programs, Yachats Youth and Family Services, South Lincoln Resources, Yachats

Fire Department, and eyeglasses and exams for children and adults,” Yorks said.

With the motto “WE SERVE,” Yachats Lions Club is celebrating 73 years of service to Yachats and South Lincoln County.

Lions Club International is the world’s largest service club organization with a network of 1.3 million men and women in more than 200 countries and geographical locations.

“We serve where we live, as well as globally, and we have fun doing it,” a release from the club states.

50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

ELAINE AND ROBERT W. PETERSON



Robert W. Peterson and his wife Elaine celebrated their 50th anniversary Jan. 19, in Newport. They were married in the Oakland Temple of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints on Jan. 19, 1974.

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by 10 talented instructors from throughout the Pacific Northwest, and beyond.

Workshop instructors for the 2024 festival include:

Botanical Print and Natural Dye Artist Casey Newman, of Gresham

Eco Print and Natural Dye Artist Chris Bentley, of Corvallis

Mixed Media Artist Glenda Goodrich (“GG”) of Salem

Fiber Artist and Natural Colorist Iris Sullivan Daire, of Astoria

Book Artist Rose James, of Seal Rock

Collage and Mixed Media Artist Sandi Re-

inke, of Salem

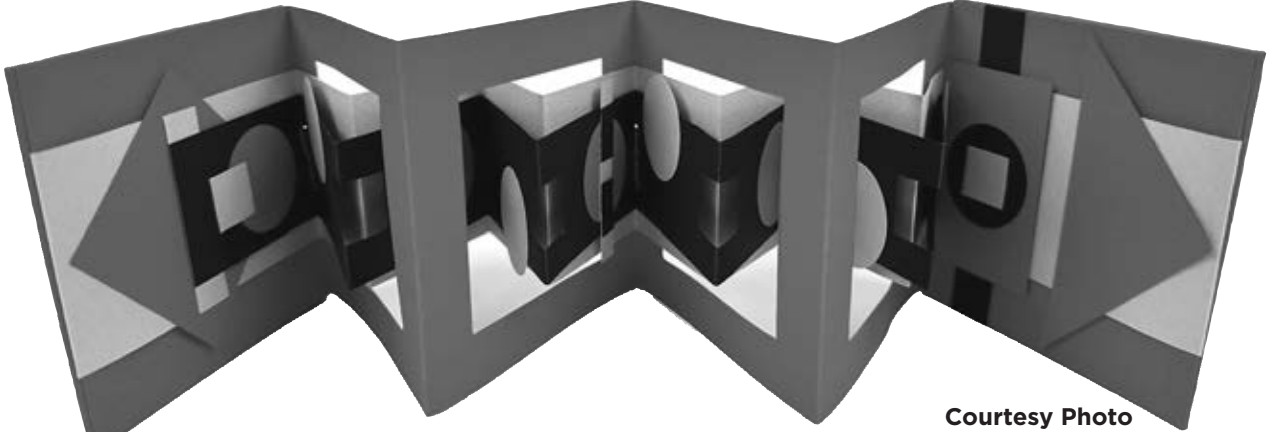
Book and Paper Artist Connie Stricks, of Fairbanks, Alaska

Book, Box, and Mixed Media Artist Margo Klass, also of Fairbanks

Book and Marbling Artist Pietro Accardi, of Gardnerville, Nevada

Book, Box, and Mixed Media Arist Randi Parkhurst, of Olympia, Washington

In addition to the learning opportunities the festival provides, participants also look forward to camaraderie and fellowship. In fact, many have now been attending for 20 years or more. Festival coordinator Sara Siggelkow is hoping to expand attendance in 2024.



“We are very fortunate to have a group of committed participants and instructors,” Siggelkow said. “However, this year we have worked hard to find workshops that will appeal to a wider swath, including those who may not have participated in a paper and book

arts festival previously.”

To view full workshop information and schedule, visit www.coastarts.org/npbaf and download the 2024 festival brochure. Those interested in attending are encouraged to bookmark the link visit immediately when reg-

istrations open, on January 27th at 9:00am, as, historically, most registrations happen within the first few hours, and popular workshops fill up quickly.

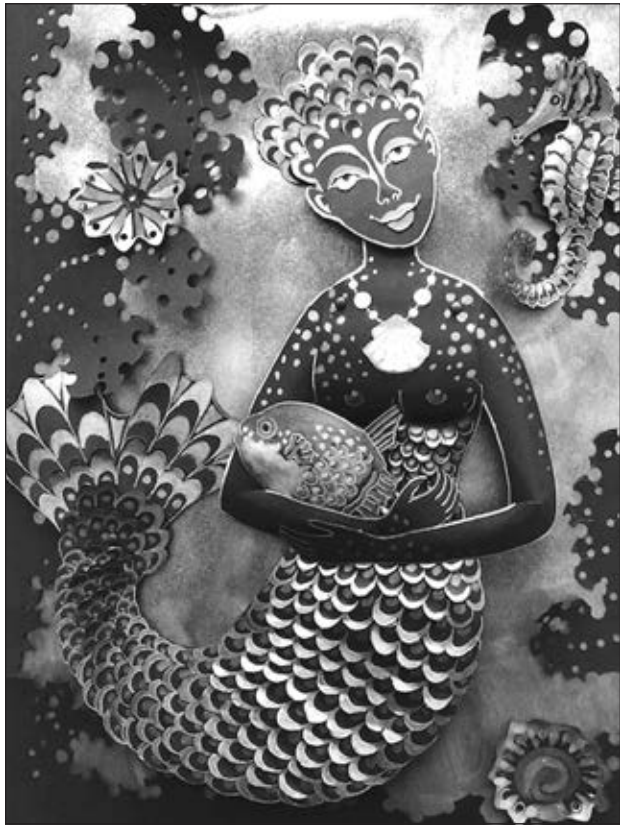
“The Newport Paper and Book Arts Festival is for everyone,” Siggelkow said. “Even if you

don’t consider yourself a paper or book artist – even if you’ve never taken an art class before – you’re welcome at the festival. We’re going to have a wonderful weekend!”

For more information, email Darcy@Coast-Arts.org

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One of the exhibit features.

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the manufacturing of fabrics and wall covering, she decided that she was ready to work independently. She created her own company and licensed her original designs in the U.S. and Europe.

During her 35 years as a designer, she had the opportunity to travel, researching design and overseeing the manufacturing of her work in Europe, India, Morocco, and Japan. In 2010, she returned to Oregon with her husband where she continued working from her Portland studio. Being in Oregon offered the opportunity to explore new creative directions and medium. She also began sharing her creative process and love of historic design thru lectures to students and professionals.

This body of work, including many articulat-

ed paper sculptures and vignettes were inspired by Webb Rebecchi’s love of fantasy and nature. As a traveler and textile designer, she is fascinated by Persian, Indian and Oriental motifs with their stylized, fantastic vision of nature. She also loves the idea of a posable animated character and the imagined world they might live in. These characters are prototypes for Susan’s further creative projects.

These characters and their environments will be on display through March 31 at the Fiber Arts Studio /Gallery in the Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Highway 101 in Lincoln City. Business hours are from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Wednesdays through Sundays.

For more information call 541-994-9994, head to www.lincolncity-culturalcenter.org, or become a friend on Facebook.

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Explore Lincoln City sets Explorience dates



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Discover Lincoln City’s Explorience program led by local experts. Not only will you enjoy a richer experience during your visit, you’ll also be eligible to get some “members only” benefits. Your treasure hunt begins with an orientation by a local guide at the SW 33rd Street beach access.

Our expert guides you along the beach helping you find and identify coastal treasures such as agates, fossils, shells, and minerals, explaining our unique coastal geology along the way. Beachcombing Exploriences last approximately one to two hours. This program is free, and registration is not required.

To get to the SW 33rd Street beach access from Highway 101, turn west on SW 35th Street, take a right at SW Anchor Ave, and the access will be on your left-hand side. Parking is available at SW 35th and SW 32nd streets.

Our Explorience program was created so you can add some local knowledge to the souvenirs you bring home from Lincoln City.

Topics range from clamming to bird watching to exploring tide pools, and more are added throughout the year. It’s a fun way to get a little extra out of each trip.

And speaking of extra, participants can become members of our club, making them eligible for monthly prize drawings and to possibly win our annual grand prize - a vacation package.

BEACHCOMBING EXPLORIENCES

Join our leading local rockhound on a trek along the beach where you’ll uncover all kinds of treasures. Find agates, gemstones, fossils and more... maybe even a glass float, part of the Finders Keepers program.

TIDE POOL EXPLORIENCES

Join our friends from Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition and the Hatfield Marine Science Center to explore fantastic coastal marine life and learn about colorful intertidal environments.

Crabbing Exploriences

Enjoy the bounty of Siletz Bay where Dungeness crab play. Toss a trap in the water right from the shore and see what you can catch for dinner.

CLAMMING EXPLORIENCES

As the tide recedes, the mudflats of Siletz Bay become exposed along with delicious Purple Varnish clams. Let our guide show you the tricks to tracking them down and bag your limit.

BIRD WATCHING EXPLORIENCES

Lincoln City is home to a vast array of bird species. Who better to tell us all about them and the environment

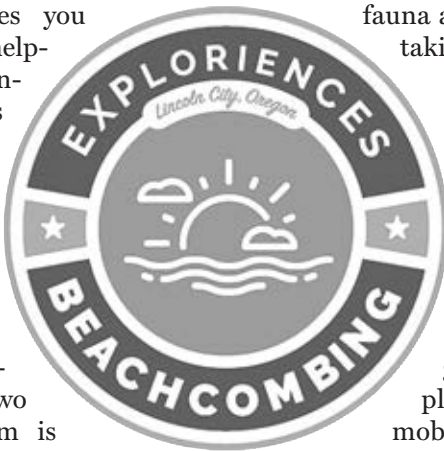
in which they live than the Lincoln City Audobon Society.

HIKING EXPLORIENCES

Experience lush coastal forests as you trek through Lincoln City’s open spaces. Bathe in the serenity of nature while exploring local flora and fauna and taking in breathtaking views.

Lincoln City Explorers Club

As if exploring Lincoln City with our local experts isn’t enough, those that complete five Lincoln City Exploriences are eligible to join the Explorers Club. Use our mobile passport to play.



ESSENTIAL BEACHCOMBING GEAR

Beachcombing is ideal during the winter. Plan on bringing:

- Warm rain jacket
- Sturdy outdoor shoes
- Gloves
- Reusable bag or container for collection

Weather conditions may impact our dates and times—when that is the case, please check back here and on the Explore Lincoln City Facebook page for changes.

Safety

Please be mindful as you beachcomb and practice beach safety. Always face the ocean, be wary of beach logs and debris, protect wildlife habitat, and keep small children and animals near you at all times. For more beach safety tips, visit the Oregon Parks and Recreation website.

INSTRUCTORS

Our Beachcombing Exploriences are sponsored by Rock Your World: Pacific NW Gem & Jewelry Gallery and local expert Laura Joki. Laura is GORP (Guide & Outfitters Recognized Professional) certified. When Laura is not out treasure hunting, she can be found at her shop, Rock Your World, in the Nelscott District of Lincoln City.

This shop is heaven for rockhounds and gemstone enthusiasts, featuring locally found fossils, gems, and rocks. Laura and her husband, Mike, craft handmade jewelry and gifts available to purchase.

There are many key beachcombing spots in Lincoln City, waiting for you to discover them.

To learn more about beachcombing locations and the treasures you can find, visit our Beachcombing page or call us at 541-996-1274. Have a detailed question about beachcombing? Contact Laura at 541-351-8423 or at ljoki@rockyourworldgems.com.

For more information, contact Explore Lincoln City at 541-996-1274 or visit ExploreLincolnCity.com.



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Feathers and Fronds: Exploring the Connection Between Birds and Kelp

The Audubon Society of Lincoln City and Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition invite all to a free, live webinar on birds and kelp from 6:30 to 8 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 29.

Join for a fun and informative evening learning how birds use the nearshore ocean environment. Underwater kelp forests growing along our shoreline are biologically rich habitats supporting abundant fish and invertebrates. Less well known is the use of these habitats by some species of birds. Benefits to birds continue even after kelp becomes dislodged and drifts at sea or washes ashore.

The guest speaker, Roy Lowe, will talk about birds one might see using kelp beds in Oregon and share his stunning photography.

Lowe is a Waldport resident. He was employed with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for more than 37 years and was Project Leader for the Oregon Coast National Wildlife Refuge Complex upon his retirement in 2015. In retirement, Lowe has volunteered for the Fish and Wildlife, the Paulson Institute, and the World Wildlife Fund-Hong Kong. His primary hobby is wildlife photography.

Register here for this free webinar: https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/xqi5cRK-MAO6EPcS4xEb-Hg.

Devils Lake Neighborhood Association announces Independence Day events



Courtesy photos

The neighborhood association’s annual Boat Parade is scheduled for the afternoon of July 4.

The Devils Lake Neighborhood Association (DLNA) is announcing the 10th annual Devils Lake Neighborhood Association Fireworks display.

The association is once again working with Western Fireworks which will come to Devils Lake and put on a spectacular show. Our show will be held on Friday, July 5 beginning at 9:30 p.m. lasting 20-30 minutes and include some very special displays.

This spectacular show will be launched off a barge centrally located on the lake. Please note that the display will not be visible from Regatta Park, but Brown Bear State Park and Sandpoint Park should prove to be good locations to enjoy the show.

This show provides the unique opportunity to be viewed while boating on Devils Lake. To maximize safety, a boat restriction zone will be established around the fireworks barge. No open flame candles, sparklers, or any other kind of fireworks should be used while operating a motorboat. Pets should never be brought to any fireworks display.

To make the weekend complete the DLNA will also be leading a Boat parade on Thursday, July 4 beginning in front of Regatta Park at 4 p.m. We ask residents to deck their boats with patriotic fare and gather at Regatta Park and take a lap around the lake to celebrate this great country.

We are gathering donations for this spectacular fireworks show. Please visit online with your interest in donating at any level, by following the donation link at <https://www.dlakeoregon.com/donations>.

About Devils Lake Neighborhood Association

The DLNA was organized February 14, 2014, as a Oregon 501(c)3 Non Profit Corporation. The Association represents the residents living on and around Devils Lake in the neighborhood generally defined by East and West Devils Lake and Highway 101 on each end.

The primary purpose of DLNA is to promote communication and education within the neighborhood relating to environmental, social and economic issues which may have an impact upon the life and character of the community.



The fireworks demonstration is set for the night of July 5 over Devils Lake.

2024 BEACHCOMBING EXPLORIENCES SCHEDULE	
Sunday, February 4, @ 12 p.m.	Saturday, March 16, @ 11 a.m.
Thursday, February 15, @ 9 p.m.	Thursday, March 28, @ 8 a.m.
Tuesday, February 20, @ 2 p.m.	Sunday, March 31, @ 10 a.m.
Friday, March 8, @ 3 p.m.	

Coast Moment



A view of the Yaquina Bay. See more Coast Moments at thenewsguard.com

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Sculpture exhibit at LCCC

The Fiber Arts Studio/ Gallery hosts a new exhibit by Susan Webb Rebecchi titled “Articulated Fantasy Sculpture.” Attend an opening reception at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 26, and a 3 p.m. artist talk. Webb Rebecchi grew up on the Oregon coast but spent her professional years as a textile designer in New York City. Her initial experience was as a designer and colorist in the studio of the French home furnishing company, Brunschwig and Fils. After 10 years working with museum documents and supervising



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Paper and Book Arts Festival
Registration opens January 27



Courtesy Photos

Registration for the 27th Newport Paper and Book Arts Festival (NPBAF), presented by Oregon Coast Council for the Arts and the Newport Visual Arts Center, opens at 9 a.m. Saturday, January 27, online, at www.coast-arts.org/npbaf. One of the largest festivals of its kind on the west coast – now in its 27th year – NPBAF celebrates papermaking and manipulation, surface design, book arts,

collage, and mixed media. The 2024 festival will take place April 11-13, in Newport and the surrounding communities, and feature twelve unique one and two day workshops led



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Courtesy photo

A previous Yachats Crab Feed.

Yachats Lion’s host annual Crab Feed

For more 30 years, the Yachats Lions Club has held an annual Crab Feed event in Yachats. The annual trek to Yachats to eat Dungeness crab is a tradition for families and groups from across Oregon, Washington, and beyond. The Yachats Lions will be serving crab meals with the option

to buy extra crabs. The meal will consist of one whole local Dungeness crab, coleslaw, baked beans, and homemade bread. The Yachats Lions’ Crab Feed will have three seatings this year on Saturday, Jan. 27. One eating at the Lions Hall at 4 p.m. One at the Yachats Commons at 12:30 p.m. and

the third seating at the Yachats Commons, 441 Highway 1010 N, at 4 p.m. The 4 p.m. seating at the Commons will be for groups of six or more with reserved tables. Crab meal tickets are available for sale online at <https://yachatslionclub.org/>.

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