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## Two earthquakes off Oregon, California Coast

## Oregon petition to ban hunting and fishing moves closer to ballot

**JEREMY C. RUARK**  
*Lincoln County Leader*

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) reports two earthquakes off the Oregon and California Coast.

The first quake reported as a 5.1 magnitude tremor occurred west of Gold Beach at 3:53 a.m. Wednesday, June 3. The second quake, a 5.1 magnitude tremor, occurred off the coast of Ferndale, California at 5:45 a.m.

The USGS said no tsunami threats were generated by the two



**The two below sea earthquakes were reported in a region off the Pacific Coast where similar tremors have occurred. (Courtesy from the USGS)**

earthquakes, which occurred in a region off the Pacific Coast where such tremors have been

common.

In May, the USGS also

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**MIA MALDONADO**  
*Oregon Capital Chronicle*

Petitioners hoping to ban fishing and hunting in Oregon have reached a milestone in their attempt to change state law.

Initiative Petition 28, led by Portland-based animal rights activists, aims to expand animal cruelty laws and criminalize injuring, breeding or killing animals except

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**An Oregon State University student researcher holds a hatchery juvenile spring Chinook salmon in Oregon. (Mia Maldonado / Oregon Capital Chronicle)**

# State park properties receive upgrades

**MIA MALDONADO**  
*Oregon Capital Chronicle*

From a refreshed historical gift shop to new showers at a popular North Coast camp site, several state park properties received upgrades just in time for summer visitors to enjoy.

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department manages more than 250 state parks, recreation areas, scenic viewpoints and other sites. In the face of budget constraints, the agency in the fall and again this spring implemented fees on more than 40 parks where it previously waived day-use parking fees. The fees help pay to maintain and operate amenities at those locations.

A handful of properties underwent less aesthetic, but essential upgrades such as dump site repairs and storm debris clearance. That includes Silver Falls State Park, where winter storms downed many large trees that agency staff are still clearing in parts of the property. Those upgrades, however, are key to keeping the state park system running smoothly, agency spokesperson Lauren Wirtis said.

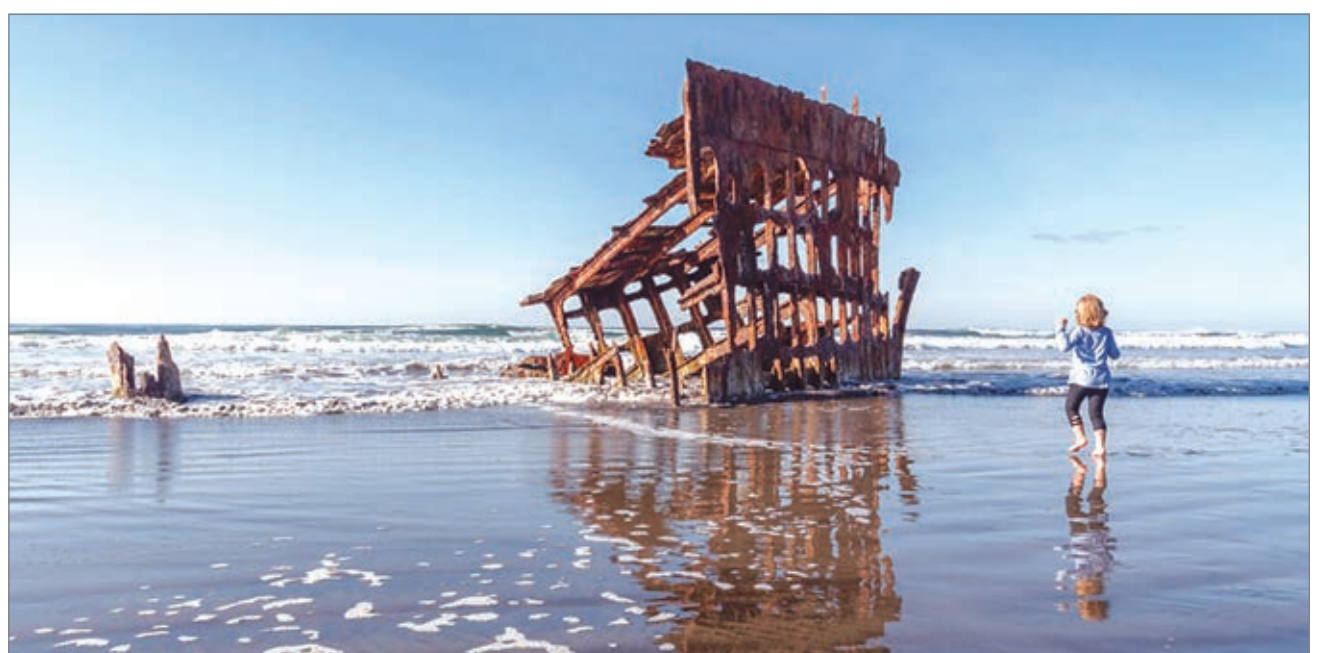
"All of this work provides a better experience for visitors, even though it isn't what ends up on Instagram," Wirtis said.

Some parks, however, did receive more glamorous,

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**The historic gift shop at Otter Crest located south of Depoe Bay is now open to the public following upgrades to the building so it can better withstand the ocean environment. (Courtesy from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department)**



## OSP braces for summer traffic challenges

**JEREMY C. RUARK**  
*Lincoln County Leader*

Law enforcement agencies in Lincoln County and across the state are bracing for the summer travel season.

The Lincoln County Leader reached out to Oregon State Police (OSP) Lt. Logan Denney to find out what type of driver behavior troopers

are seeing, and how the troopers are dealing with traffic challenges along the coast and inland in Oregon.

**Lincoln County Leader:** As we head into the summer travel season in Oregon, what is most concerning to you and OSP troopers about driver behavior?

**Lt. Logan Denney:** Summer marks the start of Oregon's annual travel season, when we welcome more visitors and see higher traffic volumes statewide. With increased travel and good weather, many people are eager to reach

their destinations. Our greatest concerns relate to the Fatal 5 SOLID behaviors, which are statistically linked to serious injury and fatal crashes: Speed, Occupant Safety, Lane Safety, Impaired Driving, and Distracted Driving.

**SPEED:** Please drive the speed limit and give yourself plenty of time. Check Oregon Trip Check for travel distances, congestion, and delays, especially in areas expecting heavy event or holiday traffic.

**OCCUPANT**

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**Oregon State Police report driver behaviors, which are statistically linked to serious injury and fatal crashes, include speed, occupant safety, lane safety, impaired driving, and distracted driving. (Courtesy from OSP)**



Weather

Wednesday: High-57/Low-47 Cloudy
Thursday: High-60/Low-48 AM Clouds/PM Sun
Friday: High-64/Low-51 Mostly Cloudy
Saturday: High-71/Low-55 AM Showers
Sunday: High-73/Low-56 Partly Cloudy
Monday: High-68/Low-54 Cloudy
Tuesday: High-65/Low-52 AM Showers

Past Weather

On the Coast
Rain Low High
02-Jun.....0 ..... 47.04 °F..... 63.45 °F
03-Jun.....0.04 ... 53.69 °F..... 59.02 °F
04-Jun.....0 ..... 49.66 °F..... 62.18 °F
05-Jun.....0 ..... 48.88 °F..... 62.06 °F
06-Jun.....0.23 ... 50.34 °F..... 61.02 °F
07-Jun.....0 ..... 46.99 °F..... 64.1 °F
08-Jun.....0.02 ... 52.3 °F..... 54.87 °F
Total rainfall from Jan. 1 .....25.15"

Tides Tables

Table with tide data for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday. Columns include time and tide height.

Sunrise/Sunset

Table with sunrise and sunset times for June 10 through June 18.

Lottery

Friday, June 5
Mega Millions
13 • 30 • 50 • 52 • 66 • PB-2
Saturday, June 6
Powerball
16 • 32 • 55 • 59 • 64 • PB-3 • x3
Saturday, June 6
Megabucks
10 • 11 • 18 • 28 • 40 • 42

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One person, one dog injured following house fire

Newport Fire Department crew members were dispatched to a report of a house on fire on the 300 block of NW 59th St. in Newport at 12:08 p.m. on Wednesday, June 3.

Upon arrival, the fire crew observed a heavy level of smoke coming from the building.

Fire crews initiated an exterior attack until a water supply could be established before fully extinguishing the fire. The fire was confined to the kitchen, however there was smoke damage throughout other areas of

the home, according to a release from the City of Newport.

"One occupant suffered minor injuries and was transported to a local hospital for evaluation. One dog was rescued and taken to a local veterinarian with injuries. One occupant received emergency housing assistance from the Red Cross," the release states.

Newport Fire Department received mutual aid response from Depoe Bay Fire District, Toledo Fire Department, Siletz Valley Fire District & Seal Rock Fire District.



The fire occurred in the 300 Block of NW 59th Street in Newport. (Courtesy from Newport Fire)

Pacific West Ambulance, the American Red Cross and Central Lincoln PUD provided assistance.

Newport Fire Department responded with one fire engine, two chief officers and three firefighters.

The cause of the fire was determined to be flammable liquids making contact with a hot motor, igniting the vapors, according to the release.

Newport Fire Department reminds the public to be very careful handling flammable liquids and keep them away from ignition sources.

BALLOT

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in cases of self-defense or for veterinary care, such as spaying, neutering or administering euthanasia.

On Friday, May 29, the group surpassed the required 117,000 signatures needed to qualify for the ballot — submitting more than 126,000 signatures to the Oregon Secretary of State's Office.

The office must verify those signatures using statistical sampling procedures before the petition can officially make it to the November ballot. If those signatures are valid, the new signatures bring the state closer to outlawing methods essential to some of its key

industries. It's likely some signatures will be rejected, but petitioners can still submit signatures until July 2. Petition circulators generally aim to gather about 150% of the required signatures to account for invalid or duplicate signatures.

Initiative Petition 28 faces significant opposition across the aisle

Activities such as lawful hunting, fishing, wildlife management, scientific or agricultural research, pest control and slaughtering livestock are exempt from animal cruelty laws.

Initiative Petition 28 aims to remove those exemptions.

"The reason we are seeking to prohibit these activities is not to be

punitive towards anyone currently involved with the injuring, killing, or breeding of animals, but rather to be protective of the needs of the animals and to codify their right to life and bodily autonomy in law," the petition campaign website reads.

Criminalizing those practices would have significant repercussions on key industries such as Oregon's beef industry, which brought in \$127 million worth in exports in 2023, the fishing industry, which generated \$517 million in household income and supported 10,300 jobs in 2025, and for research at public universities that bring in billions across the state.

Major industry groups such as the Oregon Farm Bureau, the Oregon Hunter's Association, the Sportsmen's Alliance and the Oregon Cattlemen's Association all have expressed strong

opposition to the petition.

And if it passed, there would be less money for wildlife management because it would eliminate fishing and hunting licenses.

Many Democrats and Republicans alike have denounced this initiative, including the gubernatorial candidates running in November.

Christine Drazan, a Republican Canby state senator, called the petition an attack by Gov. Tina Kotek's allies against the state economy.

"Banning hunting, fishing, and basic animal husbandry would kill thousands of jobs and threaten our food supply at a time when we can least afford it," Drazan said in a post to X.

Kotek, however, also opposes the petition. "I know tribal leaders, family farmers and ranchers and Oregonians across the state who care

deeply about protecting our land, waters and wildlife," Kotek said in a campaign video posted to social media. "This petition does nothing to help that, and it risks criminalizing common agricultural practices that are critical to Oregon's economy."

If passed, the petition would create a transition fund to help people train for new jobs if they've lost their livelihood because of it.

The petitioners have the right to try to pursue this ban under Oregon's initiative petition process, a process citizens may follow to create their own law without needing sponsorship from a state lawmaker.

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QUAKES

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reported a swarm of small tremors off the Oregon Coast, including a magnitude 4.1 earthquake west of Coos Bay occurred at approximately 2:43 p.m. Wednesday, May 12, a 1.6 magnitude quake west of Florence on May 10, a 1.7 magnitude quake west of Agate Beach, a 1.6 magnitude quake west of Waldport, and a 1.6 magnitude quake west of Garibaldi on May 7.

No tsunami alerts were issued, and no damage was reported from the small quakes in May.

Earthquakes come from four different sources: crustal, subduction zone, intraplate, and volcanoes, according to the Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI). The most common are crustal earthquakes, which occur along faults, or breaks in the earth's crust, at shallow depths of 6-12 miles (10-20 km) below the surface.

Sudoku puzzle and answers. The puzzle is a 9x9 grid with numbers 1-9. Below the grid is the text 'Sudoku answers'.

# Woman dies from cliff fall at Devil's Punchbowl

**JEREMY C. RUARK**  
Lincoln County Leader

First responders are again urging visitors to the Oregon Coast to be aware of the dangers along the beach cliffs.

The advisory follows the death of a woman at the Devil's Punchbowl State Natural Area.

A Depoe Bay Fire District crew was dispatched to a reported fall at Devil's Punchbowl State Natural Area at approximately 12:25 p.m. June 3.

A female victim had fallen onto the rocks below, requiring an immediate and coordinated emergency response.

"Upon arrival, first-responding units were directed to the victim's location on the rocks below the park's iconic collapsed sea cave," Depoe Bay Fire states in a release. "Crews quickly assessed the situation to determine the safest and most effective course of action. Recognizing the victim had sustained critical injuries, firefighters

rappelled down to her and initiated advanced life support care."

Due to the severity of the victim's condition and the challenging terrain, the Lincoln County Technical Rescue Team and a United States Coast Guard (USCG) air asset were requested to the scene. Following further evaluation, it was determined that a helicopter hoist extraction was the safest and quickest method to evacuate the victim.

The USCG helicopter arrived on scene and, once the victim was stabilized, she was successfully hoisted off the rocks. The helicopter then landed in the parking lot of Devil's Punchbowl State Park, where two firefighter/paramedics accompanied the victim providing critical care while in flight to a trauma center in the Willamette Valley.

The Depoe Bay Fire District extends its appreciation to all assisting agencies whose swift coordination and professionalism contributed to a successful rescue



**First responders on the scene of the cliff fall at Devil's Punchbowl. (Courtesy from Depoe Bay Fire)**

operation.

"Despite the incredible effort of all involved, the victim succumbed to her injuries after arriving at the hospital," the release states. "Our thoughts are with the victim and her loved ones in this very difficult time."

The name of the woman and where she was from was not immediately available.

The Depoe Bay Fire District urges the public to be aware of the dangers of navigating Oregon's coastal cliffs.

"When visiting these

areas, we ask that you use extreme caution avoid being too close to the safety barriers and do not enter areas that are fenced off. This is for your safety and ours," the release states.

North Lincoln Fire & Rescue, Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, Oregon State Police, Pacific West Ambulance, Oregon State Parks, Lincoln County Technical Rescue Team, and the United States Coast assisted Depoe Bay Fire at the scene.

On May 25, another hiking rescue was conducted.

This time, North Lincoln Fire & Rescue (NLFR) responded to a report of an injured female near Roads End Point, just south of God's Thumb at approximately 2 p.m.

Upon arrival, responders located the patient approximately halfway down the cliff face in difficult terrain. Due to the location and complexity of the rescue, additional resources were requested, including a United States Coast Guard helicopter and the Lincoln County Technical Rescue Team.

Fire crews were able

to safely access the patient, who sustained non-life-threatening injuries. Personnel stabilized the patient and prepared her for aerial extraction. A Coast Guard helicopter crew from Newport arrived on scene and successfully hoisted the patient from the cliff area before transporting her to a local hospital for further evaluation and treatment.

North Lincoln Fire & Rescue urges hikers and visitors to stay on designated trails while exploring coastal areas.

"Venturing off established trails can quickly lead to dangerous situations requiring complex rescue operations that place rescuers at risk and create unnecessary costs to taxpayers," the post states. "Coastal cliffs and terrain in the Roads End and God's Thumb areas can be unstable and hazardous, especially near steep drop-offs."

There have been several other cliff rescues in the same central Oregon Coast area over the past few years.

## Land, Water Conservation Fund Grant rules public comment, hearing

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) is seeking public comment and will hold a hearing on proposed updates to the Land and Water Conservation Fund grant rules.

The federally funded grant program, administered by OPRD, provides financial assistance to local governments, federally recognized tribes, and state agencies for the acquisition and development of outdoor recreation areas.

Under the proposed update, OPRD will institute a biennial grant funding schedule: at least one year of each biennium will feature a competitive grant round open to eligible applicants, while the alternate year all available funds will be dedicated solely to OPRD for eligible state park projects.

By alternating the

funding focus each year, OPRD will be able to maintain a robust and efficient grant program while also supporting critical state park initiatives. The revised approach is informed by program administration experience over multiple grant cycles and a need for greater flexibility in managing funding allocations. It also enhances OPRD's ability to plan and implement projects that best serve public outdoor recreation interests.

### How to submit comments

Public comments on the proposed rule changes will be accepted until July 9, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. You can submit written comments on the rule making web page, by email to public.committee@opr.d.oregon.gov or by mail to:

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department

Attn: Katie Gauthier  
725 Summer St. NE,  
Suite C  
Salem, OR 97301

A virtual public hearing will be held on July 6, 2026 at 3:00 p.m. to allow members of the public to provide testimony. Join the hearing via Zoom. See the link with this story at the Lincoln County leader website.

### What's next

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

For more information, visit the *Land and Water Conservation Fund rule making web page*. See the link with this story at the *Lincoln County Leader website*.

## Lincoln City announces City Council election procedures

Three Council seats from Wards 1, 2 and 3, and the Mayor are up for election on November 3, with terms beginning January 1, 2027.

To be eligible for an elected City Council position, a person must be a qualified elector within the meaning of the state Constitution and have resided in the ward they seek to represent for six months (February 26, 2026) immediately preceding the last day available for filing for election or appointment, and must continue to reside in the ward throughout his or her term of office. "City" means all areas included in the corporate limits as of the date of the election.

The candidate information and forms can be obtained from the City Recorder at City Hall, 801 SW Hwy 101, 3rd Floor, Lincoln City, OR 97367. For more information, please contact the City Recorder at 541-996-1203 or cityrecorder@lincolncity.org. It is preferred to schedule an appointment.

The first day for applications to be accepted was June 3, 2026. Last day to have all paperwork completed is August 19, 2026.

City of Lincoln City

### 2026 City Council Election Instructions Positions Open for Election

The following positions have terms expiring on December 31, 2026, and will appear on the November 3, 2026, General Election ballot:

- Mayor (currently held by Susan Wahlke)
- City Council – Ward 1 (currently held by Nicole Petersen)
- City Council – Ward 2 (currently held by Marci Baker)
- City Council – Ward 3 (currently held by Rick Mark)

### Qualifications for Holding Office

To be eligible to run for a City Council position, a candidate must:

- Be at least 18 years of age
- Be a registered voter
- Have resided within the ward they seek to represent as of February 26, 2026

### How to Get Started

Collect and File Initial Paperwork (Make an appointment with the City Recorder by calling 541-996-1203 or emailing: cityrecorder@lincolncity.org)

Complete the following form:

- Filing of Candidacy for Nonpartisan

### Nomination (SEL 101)

Once submitted and approved, you will receive:

- Petition for Nonpartisan Nomination Signature Sheet (SEL 121)

Important: Do NOT collect signatures until you receive approval from the City Elections Official.

Submit Forms To:

**By Mail:**  
Jamie Young, City Elections Official  
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Please make an appointment by calling 541-996-1203 or email: cityrecorder@lincolncity.org The Administration Office 3rd Floor of City Hall at 801 SW Highway 101 in Lincoln City.

## Annual AARP Award honors community leaders

AARP Oregon is accepting nominations for its 2026 Andrus Award for Community Service, honoring inspiring volunteers age 50 and older across the state who use their experience, talent, and skills to make a difference in their communities.

At a time when communities across Oregon are relying more than ever on volunteers, the award highlights individuals whose service creates lasting impact. The award includes a \$1,000 donation to a nonprofit of the recipient's choice—and an additional \$1,000 donation designated by the nominator. Nominations are open through August 15.

The Andrus Award for Community Service is named after the founder of AARP, Dr. Ethel Percy Andrus and is AARP's most prestigious and visible state volunteer award. It recognizes individuals

who share their experiences and skills to enrich their communities in ways that reflect AARP's purpose, vision, and commitment to volunteer service, and that inspire others to volunteer.

Last year, AARP recognized 49 outstanding individuals and couples from around the country, including AARP Oregon's 2025 winner, Elaine Friesen-Strang. Friesen-Strang was honored for more than a decade of transformative volunteer leadership with AARP Oregon and for advancing age-friendly, livable communities across the state. As a former State Volunteer President, she helped shape AARP Oregon's strategic direction, launched initiatives, and mentored other volunteer leaders.

"Across Oregon, volunteers 50+ are stepping up in powerful ways to strengthen


their communities," said Bandana Shrestha. "We encourage Oregonians to help us shine a light on these unsung heroes."

Nominations will be evaluated by AARP Oregon based on how the volunteer's work has improved the community, reflected AARP's vision and mission, and inspired other volunteers. The award recipient will be announced in early fall. Visit AARP Andrus Award for Community Service for further information about eligibility and a nomination form.


### About AARP Oregon

AARP Oregon is a non-profit and non-partisan organization dedicated to empowering people aged 50 and older to choose how they live as they age. With a strong presence in the state, AARP Oregon advocates for policies that improve the lives of older adults and their families. Learn more at: [aarp.org/or](http://aarp.org/or)


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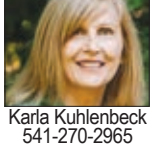
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# LCSD makes administrative appointments

Lincoln County School District is pleased to announce several administrative appointments for the 2026-27 school year.

Sara Kennedy has been named principal of Waldport Middle/High School. Kennedy joins LCSD from Innovation Spokane

Schools, where she served as superintendent. She brings 20 years of experience in education, having served as a teacher, instructional coach, principal, and superintendent.

Throughout her career, Kennedy has focused on supporting student success, empowering

educators, and building positive school communities where students and staff can thrive. She and her husband, Christian, intentionally chose Waldport as their new home, fulfilling a long-time dream of living on the Oregon Coast.

"I believe that strong

relationships are the foundation of a great school," Kennedy said. "I am incredibly excited to join the Waldport community and look forward to partnering with students, families, staff, and community members to help every student thrive."

Ashley Freschi will

serve as the principal of Oceanlake Elementary School. Freschi has worked for LCSD for 10 years and most recently as assistant principal at Oceanlake.

Norma Thompson has been named assistant principal at Taft 7-12. Thompson has been a

teacher at the district since 2022.

Jennifer Fortmeyer will move into the Taft Elementary assistant principal position. She currently is a special education teacher at Waldport Middle/High School and has worked for the district for 10 years.

## TRAFFIC

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**SAFETY:** Always wear your seatbelt and ensure children are secured in approved car seats or appropriate passenger safety devices.

**LANE SAFETY:** Two lane corridors see a high number of dangerous passing attempts, especially during heavy traffic. These preventable actions can contribute to fatal or serious injury crashes. Following too closely also reduces reaction time and increases crash risk.

**IMPAIRED DRIVING:** For festivities and holidays, plan ahead for a sober ride home. There is no excuse

to drive while impaired. Remember: If you feel different, you drive differently. Fatigue or drowsiness also reduces focus. Take breaks or switch drivers if needed.

**DISTRACTED DRIVING:** Never drive distracted, especially with a cell phone (ORS 811.507). Hand your phone to a passenger and keep your attention on the road. Watching entertainment on in car screens or other devices while driving is also illegal (ORS 815.240).

**Lincoln County Leader:** Are speeds along our state highways increasing and if so, why is that, and what are the higher speed ranges?

**Denney:** Speed limits

remain the same as covered in ORS 811.111 and ORS 811.100. For speed related crash trends, we refer you to ODOT's statewide crash data.

Speeding increases crash severity by reducing reaction time, increasing the likelihood of losing control, and high impact momentum, all of which can be deadly or cause significant property damage.

**Lincoln County Leader:** As a driver, I have noted that often, other drivers tailgate and, in some cases, drive quite close to other vehicles at high rates of speed. Are your troopers also noticing that type of driver behavior?

**Denney:** Yes. Following Too Closely (ORS 811.485) is a common violation, especially among drivers who are rushing or speeding. The statute reads: Drives a motor vehicle so as to follow another vehicle more closely than is reasonable and prudent, having due regard for the speed of the vehicles and the traffic upon, and condition of, the highway.

This is a Class B violation with a presumptive fine of \$265.

**Lincoln County Leader:** Are you also seeing more road rage incidents? If so, why is that?

**Denney:** Aggressive driving is more common during periods of high traffic and congestion. We encourage drivers to be patient, plan ahead, and understand that

slower traffic is often unavoidable.

If you have a vehicle hazard, move over or out of the lane of travel to avoid blocking traffic lanes and providing safe passage in the active travel lanes.

**Lincoln County Leader:** Are there any specific locations that troopers are finding the higher speeds, and what is OSP doing to enforce the speed limits in those areas?

**Denney:** We encourage all motorists to obey posted speeds on interstates, highways, secondary roads, and city streets across Oregon. When traveling through a new or unfamiliar area, always check posted speed limits and drive with care.

**Lincoln County Leader:** What is the recommendation to drivers about avoiding confrontations that could lead to road rage?

**Denney:** For non-emergency driving complaints, call \*OSP (\*677). For crimes in progress, call 911 to reach the appropriate dispatch center.

Drive with patience and awareness. Every driver is headed somewhere, and following speed limits and traffic flows accordingly helps safeguard our roadways.

If an aggressive driver is following or tailgating you, move to the far right lane, pull over, or take the next exit. If you feel unsafe, contact law enforcement.

**Lincoln County Leader:** What are the presumptive fines for road rage, for speeding, for tailgating, and for reckless driving?

**Denney:** Fines can range from \$100 to more than \$1,000, depending

on the violation and circumstances. Relevant laws include:

- ORS 811.135 – Careless Driving
- ORS 811.100 – Violation of Basic Rule (Speed)
- ORS 811.111 – Exceeding Speed Limit
- ORS 811.485 – Following Too Closely
- ORS 811.370 – Failure to Drive Within Lane

Reckless Driving (ORS 811.140) is a crime and may result in arrest, a vehicle tow, and a required court appearance.

**Lincoln County Leader:** Would you say that a key driving defense is the need to anticipate other motorists' actions to stay safe?

**Denney:** We will refer you to ODOT DMV's Driver Handbook on safe and responsible driving.

The following is a link to the DVM Driver Handbook at: <https://www.oregon.gov/odot/forms/dmv/37.pdf>

The handbook offers the following:

### Safe & Responsible Driving

The key to being a safe and responsible driver is to be aware of your surroundings at all times and to be alert for potentially dangerous situations.

### Defensive Driving

Know how to adjust your driving to allow for problems with your vehicle, the type of road surface, poor weather, heavy traffic, poor lighting, and your own physical, mental, and emotional condition.

You must be able to see what is to the front, sides, and rear of your vehicle. Do not load or equip your vehicle in any way that blocks what you can see. Placing stickers or other

objects on your vehicle's windows can limit your view of the road.

You will constantly make decisions every mile that you drive. A defensive driver is always aware of their surroundings and possible escape routes.

In a publisher interview in March with the Lincoln County Leader, Lincoln City Police Department (LCPD) Patrol Sgt. Erik Anderson said his agency expects more alcohol related crimes such as disorderly conduct, impaired driving and associated crashes, as well as simply a higher volume of calls due to the doubling of the population during the summer tourist season.

"On peak summer days we often see Highway 101 come to a near-standstill," Anderson said. "Within the Police Department we try to respond to any crashes or road hazards as expeditiously as possible to get the roads cleared and keep traffic moving."

Anderson added that the LCDP is thankful for and rely on the agency's partners, including the Lincoln City Public Works Department, North Lincoln Fire & Rescue, Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, ODOT, Pacific Power, and others for their support.

"On these days we all just take a deep breath, do our best to remember that tourism drives our local economy, and try to practice extra patience," Anderson said. "We recommend that drivers plan extra time to reach their destinations and do their best to drive defensively. Expect people from out of the area to make mistakes and not be a familiar with local traffic patterns. Drivers should give each other an extra helping of grace and not take these slights personally."



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## Margaret Parker Juenke

July 28, 1928 - May 4, 2026

Margaret Parker Juenke, who died May 4, 2026, at the age of 97, lived a life of remarkable service, intellect, and devotion—to her profession, to her community, and above all to her family.

Born July 28, 1928, in Merced, California, she was the daughter of Alice Byrne Gerow and Ashley Stephens Parker, Jr., and the granddaughter of Ashley Stephens Parker, M.D., an early Merced physician who helped establish the community's first general hospital.

Margaret graduated from Sequoia High School in Redwood City, California, in 1946 and from Fresno State College, now California State University, Fresno, in 1950. Her academic distinction and student leadership were recognized early: she was chosen as one of only two student speakers at her college commencement, and in 2010 she was honored during the university's Centennial Celebration as one of its outstanding students of the past 100 years.

She went on to earn a General Secondary credential from California State University, Fresno, a Speech Pathology credential from California State University, Northridge, and a Master of Science in Speech/Language Pathology from Western Oregon University.

On September 29, 1951, she married David Juenke, a college classmate, at her family's church in Merced. They shared 63 years of marriage before his death in 2014.

In 1967, the family moved from southern California to Lincoln City, a community Margaret described as one of the finest beach towns along the Oregon Coast. Together, Margaret and David owned four coastal weekly newspapers from 1967 and 1980: The News Guard in Lincoln City, the Tillamook Headlight Herald, the Seaside Signal, and the Ilwaco Tribune in southwest Washington.

Margaret began her professional career in 1968 with the Lincoln County School District



as a specialist in speech and language disorders. From 1975 to 1986, she served as Resource Teacher for the district's north area, helping coordinate special education services. In 1978, the district nominated her for Oregon Teacher of the Year.

In retirement, her commitment to public service only deepened. She served as a president of Kelawani/Kiwanis, a trustee of Neskowin Valley School, a three-year member of Lincoln County's Citizen Review Board, board member of the Cascade Head Music Festival, and a longtime member of the Congregational Church of Lincoln City.

From 2004-2014, Margaret was an officer and grant writer for the Lincoln City Cultural Center. In 2015, she and Elizabeth Black received the Oregon Governor's Volunteer Award for lifetime achievement.

Additionally, Margaret served 18 years on the board of the North Lincoln Hospital District. She was the founding president of the North Lincoln Hospital Foundation in 1984-85 and received the Robert Terrill Award in 1989.

Margaret held a steady, admired presence in the lives of her children, grandchildren, and many friends. She will be remembered for her intelligence, generosity, deep conversations, positive outlook and enduring dedication to the people and institutions she loved.

She is survived by her daughter, Adrienne Greene; her sons, David and Michael (Suzanne Kiefer Dietrich); six grandchildren, David, Chris, Jonah, Alex, Maggie, and Nick; and four great-grandchildren, Sophie, Davin, Ceana, and Jayla. A memorial service will be held at the Congregational Church of Lincoln City on Friday, June 12, at 3 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, gifts may be made to the Congregational Church of Lincoln City, the Lincoln City Cultural Center, or Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital's Mary Decker Scholarship Fund.

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 685 NE Broadway St.,  
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 follow about 11:00am.  
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 June 14 at 10:00am at  
 Yachats Community  
 Presbyterian Church, 360  
 W. 7th St., Yachats, during  
 regular service, with meal  
 to follow.

## Elijah McGaughey

11/8/2022- 3/25/2026

Elijah Ray McGaughey was born on November 8, 2022, and passed away on March 25, 2026, after bravely facing a congenital heart condition.

Elijah was the most resilient, brave, and bright little boy. Though his time here was far too short, he filled every moment with love, strength, and joy. He loved fiercely and touched the hearts of everyone who had the blessing of knowing him.

His smile could light up



a room, and his spirit left a lasting mark on all who crossed his path. Elijah will be deeply missed by his loving parents, brothers, family, and all who loved him.

We love you forever, little guy. Until we meet again. God speed our little itys Bitsy fighter.

A celebration of Elijah's life will be held on June 20, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. at Sunny Ridge Venue in Toledo, Oregon.

## Investing in people is clear path forward for Oregon Gov. Kotek's 'Prosperity Council'

MARY KING

Oregon Capital Chronicle

Rather than recycle the big business lobby's permanent agenda to beef up its bottom line, Oregon Gov. Tina Kotek's Prosperity Council recommendations should follow the evidence. Prosperity comes from public investments in people and their capacities, especially in education from early childhood through apprenticeships and higher education.

A highly skilled, adaptable labor force attracts and grows businesses, supports innovation and raises incomes for everyone. Investing in people is much more effective than even the best targeted business subsidies or tax breaks — and most aren't well targeted. Although Oregon faces challenges beyond our control, we have a lot going for us. Now we need to pull together to invest in ourselves and our children.

Prosperity — economic development — is best measured by income per person and child poverty.

More income per person, especially in the middle and bottom of the income distribution, means higher standards of living, better support for local businesses, more tax revenue and less need for social services. Low child poverty is the strongest predictor of low future poverty rates.

States with the most educated populations posted the highest per person income growth over the last 50 years. Businesses look for a skilled, productive labor force. Asked about a possible California tax on billionaires, Nvidia CEO Jensen Huang said "We work in Silicon Valley because that's where the talent pool is"... The company's ability to hire qualified employees is typically the biggest factor in deciding where the company establishes a presence.'

Our educational system needs strengthening, from early childhood through higher education. Oregon's serious underfunding of schools and local governments stems from property tax

limits in the 90s. Oregon ranks 40th in the World Population Review's assessment of public school quality. We're 41st in U.S. News and World Report's ranking. That perception matters, for families and businesses.

The biggest bang for the education buck is early childhood. Economic returns to state-level universal Pre-K are three times as high as the best targeted business subsidies, according to economic development expert Timothy Bartik. Parents' incomes rise from working more or gaining more education or training. Teachers paid living wages are more stable, building expertise and raising preschool quality while spending more locally. Kids do better in school and earn more as adults.

By contrast, Bartik shows that at least three-quarters of firms given financial incentives by state or local governments would have located where they did without them. Study after study by economists shows that state and local taxes have

little impact on business location.

Nor do affluent households move for lower taxes. The number of high-income households in Multnomah County has grown steadily over the past decade, especially at the top. Census data show three times as many households with incomes over \$500,000 in 2024 as in 2019!

Researcher Cristobal Young analyzed decades of IRS data on everyone with incomes of \$1 million or more. Only in the early COVID years did millionaires move to lower tax areas. In-person business networks weren't functioning, and they could work from home in places with low infection rates. Starting in 2023, they began to move back, closer to their colleagues and contacts.

We should focus on attracting young professionals, the high-income households of the future. They're far more mobile than older and wealthier households, open to attractive communities in which to settle. As well as good job opportunities,

they want strong schools, affordable housing, outdoor recreation and cultural offerings. Portland and Oregon have a lot to offer, and can work to improve our schools and housing affordability

We're struggling with forces beyond our control. Federal headwinds include extreme, erratic tariff policies, big cuts in agencies and scientific grants, harsh immigration tactics, and war on Iran. Nike and Intel both made strategic stumbles. COVID sped up the switch from downtown to working and shopping from home — and studying from home, in the case of Portland State.

On the plus side, we have gorgeous geography and fantastic outdoor recreation. Our food, music and cultural scenes have rapidly become more interesting, varied and sophisticated. Our economy is more broadly based, with solid roots in growing sectors.

Where we lag is in public investment, especially in education from early childhood through apprenticeships and

universities, but also in the full range of housing needs and health care. The federal government is failing us as an economic partner. We'll have to depend on ourselves for the foreseeable future. Fortunately, we have abundant local resources that most states lack.

Mary King is a professor emerita of economics at Portland State University. She was the Working Families Party's nominee for Oregon treasurer in 2024 and a past president of PSU's faculty union.

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## Oregon primary ballot measures were more than a local issue

RANDY STAPILUS

Oregon Capital Chronicle

What Oregon voters are thinking right now can sometimes be derived from the top-level election results.

But those opinions are often subject to misinterpretation, another way of saying: Don't be too quick to draw conclusions. Results from lower-level sections of the ballots can be as useful. Dozens of local ballot issues were on the May primary election ballot (the secretary of state's office has a convenient rundown of them on its website), in which voters got to speak directly on a range of subjects.

As an expression of attitude, the massive statewide shutdown of the state transportation funding plan — for example — isn't all Oregon voters had to say on the subjects of taxes, public services and attitudes toward government.

Consider the high-profile indicator question cutting across a bunch of issues and ideologies: Whether people (or how many of them) in Oregon would like to break off and join more conservative and Republican Idaho instead.

Over the last decade or so, a long string of eastern Oregon counties passed ballot issues in favor of Greater Idaho. These ballot issues tended variously either to discuss the split or actually try to push the local jurisdiction to leave Oregon and join the state of Idaho, which politically was closer to their preferences.

For many reasons, this never has been within the range of the realistic, but it does serve as a measure of dissatisfaction. Douglas and Josephine counties voters, who live a very

long distance from Boise, have flatly rejected the idea, but most eastern Oregon counties have approved it.

Wallowa County, which borders Idaho, in 2020 turned thumbs down by a margin of 41 votes, but then in 2023 by seven votes approved it. This year it was back on the ballot in the form of a measure aimed at eliminating the requirement that county commissioners engage in Greater Idaho discussions. This time the result was not close at all: 60.7% of the voters favored calling off the whole idea.

Is the greater Idaho bubble leaking air? There's now some concrete reason to think so.

Another recent political trend, in many places nationally at least, has been diminished support

for educational and cultural funding, but Portland voters seem to run in the other direction. Multnomah County's Measure 26-261, which sought to renew a 2021 levy backing the Oregon Historical Society (based in downtown Portland), passed overwhelmingly, with 62.6% of the vote. Eugene voters acted similarly on a library ballot measure.

Okay, that's Portland and Eugene (and Veneta and Scappoose). But over in Baker County, library district patrons opted with a 70.3% vote, to renew a five-year local option tax to benefit the library.

A bigger deal happened in Grant County, where 58.6% of the voters chose (Measure 12-97) to create a new Grant County library district, along with taxing authority for it. The

library had been run out of county government, and county officials had talked about zeroing-out the library budget due to a budget deficit. The Oregon Arts Watch group noted, "With the tax district generating stable, dedicated funding for the library, advocates hope the library will be able to be open more hours and that programs cut in the past will be reinstated, including youth programs, community outreach, and a bookmobile."

Funding for law enforcement, too, got some help in places where that hasn't always been a given.

True, Clackamas County voters decisively (with more than 60% in opposition) rejected Measure 3-633, a proposed five-year local option levy to provide

funding for the sheriff's office. The sheriff's office released a statement saying, "Without this dedicated funding source, the level of Sheriff's Office services our community has come to rely on will change significantly. Patrol staffing, jail operations, investigations, and other critical public safety services will all be impacted. And Sutherlin city voters did opt to repeal a public safety fee."

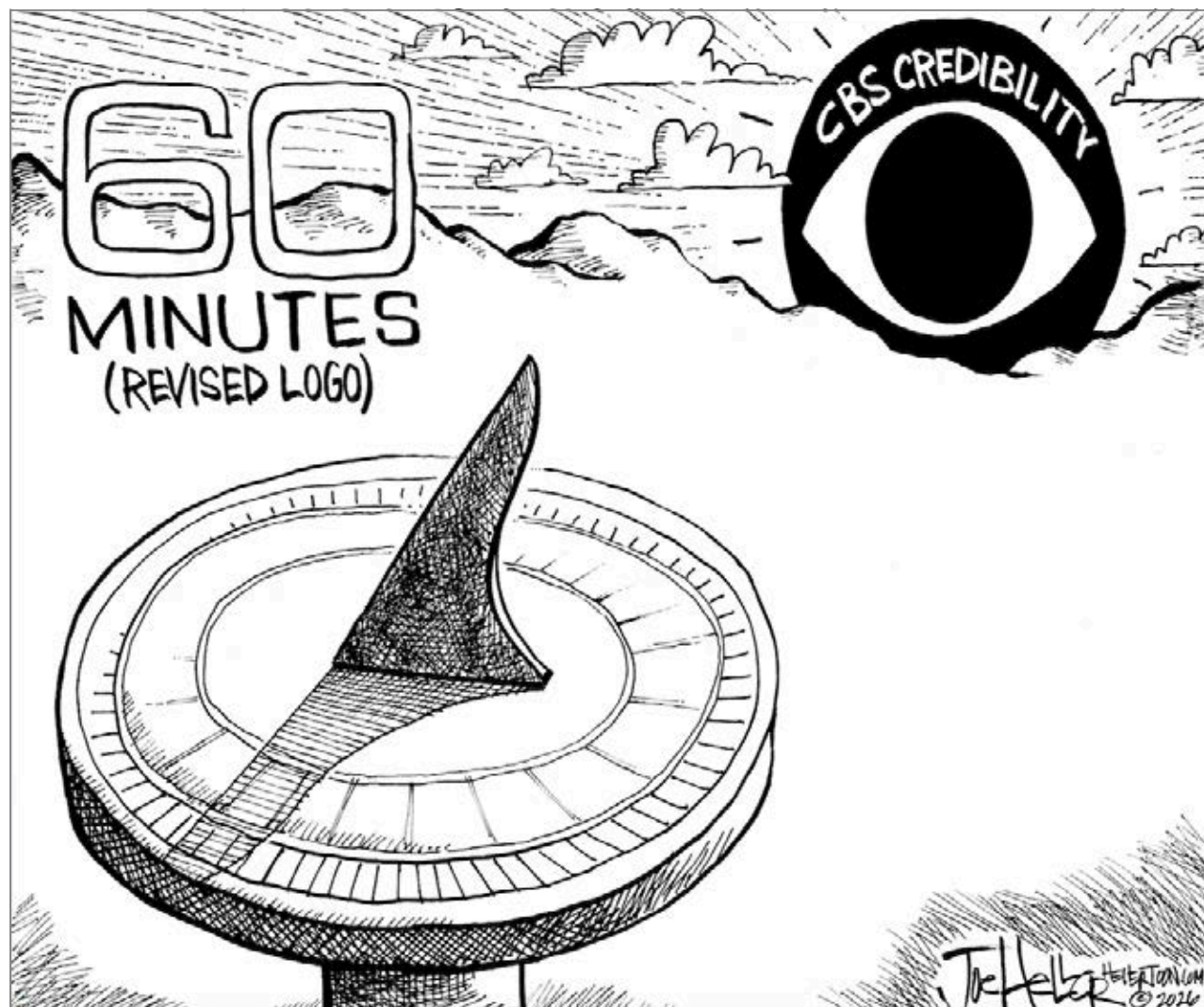
But beyond that, law enforcement did well around the state. North Bend voters by 49 votes favored (in Measure 6-228) a police safety property tax increase. At Port Orford, 58.7% of voters decide to establish a clear five-year property tax levy to replace a more complicated system involving a monthly "public safety fee."

Voters turned down a five-year fire safety levy in Vernonia but passed one in Warrenton (61.0% favorable).

The message is, don't judge the intent of voters in a whole state by a single vote. There's actually more sophistication than such an approach would suggest.

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### QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Good people were silenced because they stood up for our audience."

Scott Pelley

### ONLINE POLL

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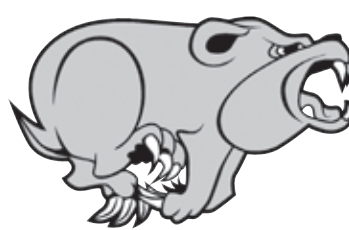
- 82.1% Yes, always
- 12.8% Once in a While
- 5.1% Not often

#### NEW POLL

How often do take a walk in your neighborhood?

- Daily
- Weekly
- Not often

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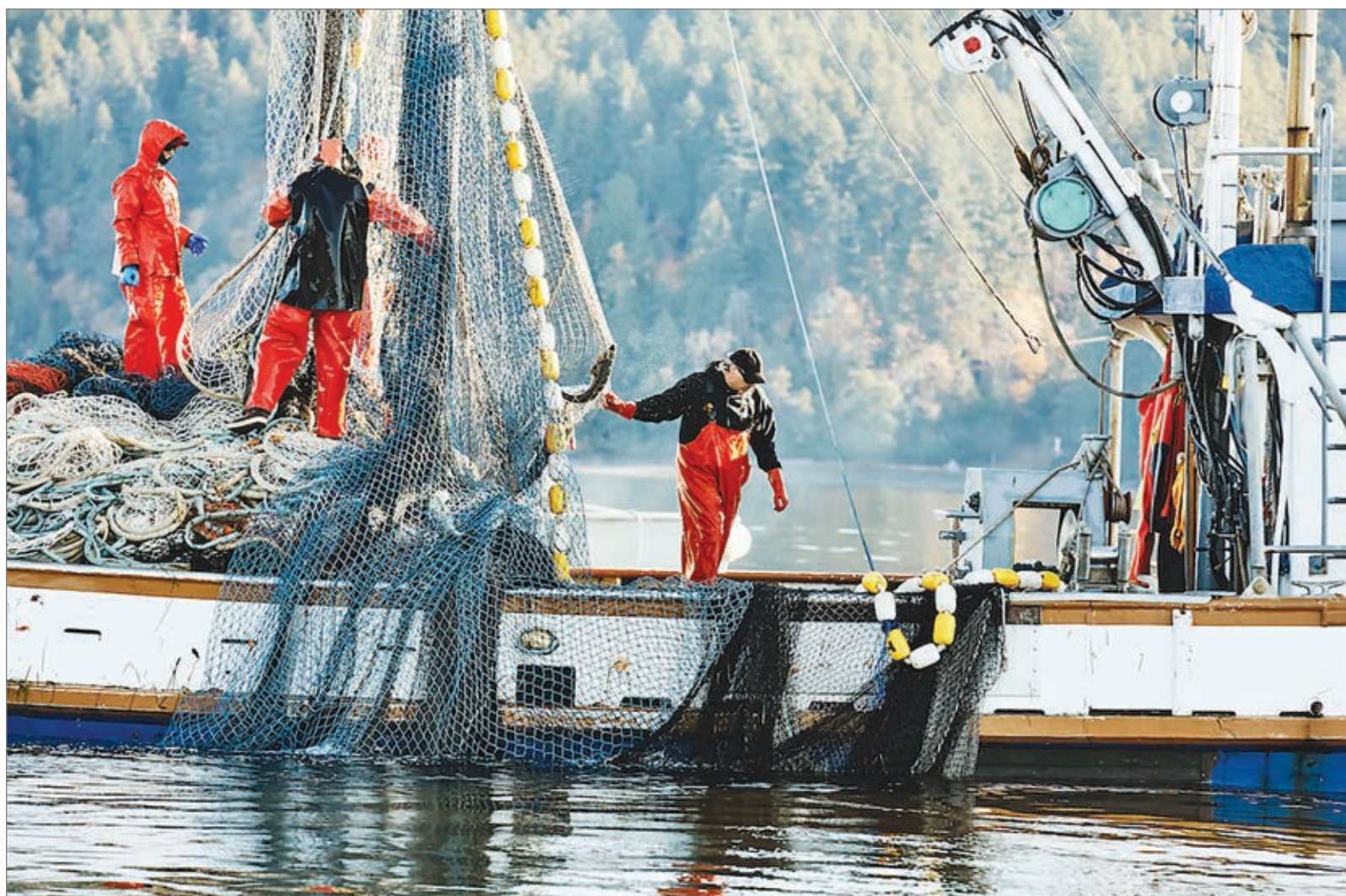
## Legislation to protect U.S. fishers introduced in Congress

U.S. Senators Jeff Merkley (D-OR) and Roger Wicker (R-MS) have announced a new bipartisan bill to target a loophole that illegal fishers exploit to gain an unfair advantage over folks adhering to responsible fisheries management in the United States and worldwide.

The Protecting U.S. Fishers from Illegal Foreign Flags Act would hold bad actors accountable for swapping out their vessel's flag—known as a flag of convenience—when a vessel is registered in a country different from the owner's home country. Flags of convenience, which are often issued by countries with weak oversight practices, can allow foreign vessels to avoid environmental and labor standards in international waters, while enabling illegal fishers to flood the market with low-cost, difficult-to-trace seafood.

"The United States is the world's largest seafood-importing country, and we have both the purchasing power and the responsibility to tackle illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing," Merkley said. "Flags of convenience enable IUU fishing by allowing vessels to dodge oversight, further exposing American consumers to illegally caught seafood and driving down prices for sustainable domestic products. Our bipartisan bill is a win-win—protecting U.S. fishers that play by the rules while also promoting sustainable fisheries management across the globe."

"Illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing puts the United States seafood industry at a competitive disadvantage.



The bipartisan bill targets a loophole that illegal fishers exploit to gain an unfair advantage over folks adhering to responsible fisheries management in the United States and worldwide. (Metro Creative Connection)

Our maritime laws are built to protect fishermen and improve environmental and labor standards, but many bad actors use the flag of convenience to exploit gaps in those laws. Closing this loophole benefits fishermen, consumers, and the fishing industry," Wicker said.

The bipartisan Protecting U.S. Fishers from Illegal Foreign Flags Act is endorsed by the Oregon Trawl Commission, Oceana, Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), and Southern Shrimp Alliance.

"The United States has some of the most responsibly managed fisheries in the world, and Oregon's commercial seafood

industry is proud to help supply healthy, sustainable seafood to American consumers," Oregon Trawl Commission Executive Director Yelena Nowak said. "This bill is an important step toward ensuring that seafood tied to illegal, unreported, and unregulated fishing does not benefit from access to the U.S. market, while helping level the playing field for U.S. fishermen and processors. The Oregon Trawl Commission commends Senator Merkley and Senator Wicker for their leadership in advancing bipartisan legislation to strengthen accountability for IUU fishing and the countries that enable it."

"Oceana applauds this bipartisan bill that

addresses flags of convenience that create cover for some of the worst abuses on our oceans, allowing vessels engaged in illegal fishing and labor exploitation to evade scrutiny and accountability," Oceana's Senior Director of Global Transparency Maisie Pigeon said. "If we want to promote sustainable fisheries, protect habitat and wildlife, and keep illegally caught seafood out of the U.S. market, we need to hold flag states accountable and this bill would do just that. Congress should pass this commonsense bill to hold foreign countries accountable for actions at sea and help level the playing field for U.S. fishers and seafood

producers that follow the rules."

"Illegal fishing and labor abuses at sea persist when bad actors can hide behind lax foreign flags to evade basic oversight," Natural Resources Defense Council Senior Attorney Molly Masterton said. "The Protecting U.S. Fishers from Illegal Foreign Flags Act updates NOAA's enforcement tools to shed a light on flags of convenience, helping to level the playing field for US fishermen who play by the rules and helping to secure a healthier future for our shared ocean."

"Because IUU fishing continues to play a significant role in the production of feed for foreign aquaculture, American

shrimpers are among the hundreds of thousands of law-abiding commercial fishermen harmed by vessels operating under flags of convenience," Southern Shrimp Alliance Director Blake Price said. "Senator Merkley's and Senator Wicker's Protecting U.S. Fishers from Illegal Foreign Flags Act of 2026 provides the federal government with an important tool to meaningfully counter the negligence of some of our foreign trading partners and is strongly supported by the Southern Shrimp Alliance and the U.S. shrimp industry."

Full text of the bill can be found with this story at the Lincoln County Leader website.

## New consumer protection law in Oregon

Oregonians now have a new layer of consumer protection in financial loans.

A new law that took effect June 5, House Bill (HR) 4116 (2026), closes a loophole that allowed internet lenders to charge interest rates in excess of Oregon's limit of 36 percent for consumer finance loans, according to the Oregon Division of Financial Regulation (DFR).

Consumer finance loans are unsecured small dollar loans with a term of 60 days or more.

Since 2007, consumer finance loans in Oregon have been limited to a 36 percent interest rate. This limit is intended to protect Oregonians from predatory lending practices.

However, in recent years, some lenders have sought to take advantage of a provision in federal law called the Depository Institutions Deregulation and Monetary Control Act of 1980 (DIDMCA) enabling state-chartered banks from other states to export their home state's interest rate to Oregon,

according to the DFR release.

By partnering with a bank chartered in a state that allows higher interest rates, some lenders have charged Oregonians interest in some cases in excess of 100 percent APR. Since 2020, DFR found evidence of more than 31,000 loans totaling at least \$61 million with interest rates that exceed Oregon's cap.



Department of Consumer and Business Services

In a recent enforcement action, DFR was successful in securing a settlement that required a lender to pay restitution of \$900,000 for charging interest that exceeded the cap. However, the option to export other states' interest rates still left Oregon consumers vulnerable to these practices, the release states.

DIDMCA allows states

to opt out of permitting banks chartered in other states from importing another state's interest rate. HB 4116, signed into law by Gov. Kotek on April 7, exercises Oregon's opt-out right under federal law. The law also clarifies the applicability of Oregon law to internet-based lending and makes other technical updates. Now, lenders can no longer take advantage of DIDMCA interest rate exportation to evade Oregon's interest rate caps.

"Oregon consumers

should know that if they are charged interest in excess of 36 percent for a consumer finance loan, it is likely in violation of the law," the DFR officials said. "We would strongly encourage any consumers to contact the Oregon Division of Financial Regulation for information, assistance, and, if needed, regulatory action to ensure compliance."

DFR consumer advocates can be reached at 888-877-4894 (toll-free) or [dfr.financialservice@dcbs.oregon.gov](mailto:dfr.financialservice@dcbs.oregon.gov).

## PARKS

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noticeable upgrades. Here's a look at those spots.

### HISTORIC GIFT SHOP AT OTTER CREST

The state parks department has completed its renovations at its nearly 90-year-old cliffside gift shop next to the Otter Crest Scenic Viewpoint south of Depoe Bay.

The state parks department in 2013 purchased the gift shop, which was built in 1937 to capitalize on the then-new U.S. Route 101 along the Coast. The gift shop is on the National Register of Historic Places for its contributions to early tourism along the Oregon Coast and for its role helping

U.S. Coast Guard operations during World War II.

Prior to the renovations, Wirtis said the building had significant structural deficiencies from use over the years and exposure to the salt air. The agency installed a new roof, windows and siding with materials meant to withstand the ocean environment, along with repairing the foundation and walls. The interior was also altered to improve accessibility.

### NEW SHOWERS AT NEHALEM BAY STATE PARK

Campers at Nehalem Bay State Park located 15 miles south of Cannon Beach, can enjoy a brand new shower building and restrooms this summer.

The state parks department

completed the project in the fall. The agency also repaved the park entrance road and added more electrical capacity to its RV sites.

The campground is open year-round, and it's located just a sand dune away from the beach. It has a horse camp, an airport camp and 16 yurts — most of which are pet-friendly.

### NEW RESTROOMS AND PAVING AT FORT STEVENS

Oregon's largest public campground, situated near Astoria, also has its fair share of upgrades.

Fort Stevens State Park, a former military base used to guard the mouth of the Columbia River between the Civil War and World War II, underwent renovations

to upgrade water, electrical and wastewater utilities in several campground loops, and to replace a campground restroom and shower building built in 1955.

The state parks department also updated its paving and added accessibility features for people with disabilities.

The 4,300-acre Fort Stevens State Park has more camping sites than any other state park, and it features a freshwater lake, trails, wildlife viewing and a shipwreck site.

While most state parks will be open this summer, at least one park, Cape Lookout State Park, will be closed beginning July 6 for renovations to protect against coastal erosion. Other park closures are subject to weather conditions. For example, Collier Memorial

State Park in Klamath County closed its logging museum following a storm on May 27 that shut off power and resulted in several downed trees.

Oregon residents were able to visit state parks without having to pay a day-use fee on June 6 as the agency celebrated State Parks Day.

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Mallard and ducklings. (Courtesy photo from Ruth Shelly)



## Seven Capes Bird Walks

### SEVEN CAPES BIRD ALLIANCE

Seven Capes Bird Alliance welcomes residents and visitor alike to enjoy birding in the summer sun!

#### Friday, June 12

Join us from 9 to 11 a.m. Friday, June 12, at Hostetler Park and Devils Lake Campground for a walk through diverse habitats along the D River, crossing a hidden boardwalk through unique wetlands, then on through the campgrounds to Devils Lake.

We'll start at the river looking for herons and a Mallard

or Canada Goose family. As we walk across the boardwalk, we'll listen for songbirds such as chickadees and kinglets. At the lake, we'll hope to observe Osprey fishing, while swallows fly overhead and dip in the water.

Meet at NE 1st Street parking area on the east side of Highway 101 in Lincoln City.

This event is sponsored by Lincoln City Parks and Recreation

#### Saturday, June 13

Join us from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday, June 13, at the

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# Special Finders Keepers Glass Float drop

The Marie Lamfrom Charitable Foundation (MLCF) is once again collaborating with Explore Lincoln City (ELC) to bring a philanthropic dimension to ELC's popular Finders Keepers program, this time with a focus on the people behind the mission.

In recognition of the tireless work of Oregon's nonprofit professionals, MLCF is directing this year's grants towards opportunities for rest, recreation, and community.

In honor of what would have been Marie Lamfrom's 130th birthday, MLCF will once again fund a Finders Keepers "Special Drop" consisting of 130 limited-edition glass floats placed along Lincoln City's seven-mile stretch of beach through June 12.

Each float is uniquely marked and linked to a nonprofit organization that has been selected to participate in this year's birthday celebration. When a float is found and reported, MLCF will make a donation to the corresponding organization to support staff wellness initiatives such as a restorative coastal retreat, team appreciation gathering, or other meaningful moment of rest and connection.

In total, MLCF will contribute more than \$130,000 to participating organizations. These specialty floats are in addition to the 3,000+ glass treasures that are hidden along Lincoln City's beach every year, from Roads End in the north to Siletz Bay in the south. When someone finds a float, it's theirs to keep.

"Nonprofit sector research

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Above, In honor of what would have been Marie Lamfrom's 130th birthday, MLCF will once again fund a Finders Keepers "Special Drop" consisting of 130 limited-edition glass floats placed along Lincoln City's seven-mile stretch of beach through June 12. (Courtesy photos) Right, Marie Lamfrom.



This bird-oriented happy hour is open to everyone and starts at 3 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month in The Attic at Salishan Coastal lodge. (Courtesy photo from Ruth Shelly)

## Perch & Pour Birding Happy Hour

### SEVEN CAPES BIRD ALLIANCE

Seven Capes Bird Alliance has teamed up with Salishan Coastal Lodge to host "Perch & Pour" on Wednesday, June 17.

This bird-oriented

happy hour is open to everyone and starts at 3 p.m. on the third Wednesday of every month in The Attic.

Salishan opens The Attic an hour early for birders of all levels to gather in conversation

and sip on a craft cocktail or non-alcoholic beverage in a cozy setting. In addition to sharing recent bird sightings, this month's discussion will focus on identifying

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ODOT demonstrates bicycling safely along Whiskey Creek Road with Three Capes View in the background. (Courtesy from ODOT)

## ODOT unveils new Oregon Coast bike map and safety campaign

Just in time for Oregon's busy spring and summer travel season, the Oregon Department of Transportation has released a newly

redesigned Oregon Coast Bicycle Route map alongside a new safety awareness campaign reminding drivers how to safely share the road with

people riding bicycles.

This is the first major refresh of the map in a decade and a reminder to

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# POUR

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those confusing LBBs, or Little Brown Birds.

In addition to beverages, The Attic presents a farm-to-fork dinner menu crafted from sustainably sourced ingredients. Perch & Pour participants are welcome to stay when The Attic opens to the public at 4 p.m. And don't miss out on live music every Wednesday

from 5–7 p.m.—come for the birds, stay for the tunes!

Salishan Coastal Lodge is easily accessible at 7760 US-101 in Gleneden Beach. Join us to share your latest bird sightings and stories!\_

Seven Capes Bird Alliance (sevencapes.org) was founded as Audubon Society of Lincoln City in 2005. A nonprofit membership organization and chapter of the National Audubon Society, Seven

Capes is active in education and advocacy for protection of birds, other wildlife, and their habitats in Lincoln and Tillamook Counties.

With over 200 acres of all-season activity, Salishan Coastal Lodge (salishan.com) invites visitors and coastal residents alike to recalibrate among hospitality, holistic wellness, coast-to-table dining, and empowering eco-adventures infused with nature.

# BIRD

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Beaver Creek State Natural Area Loop Trail as we walk a portion of the four-mile loop trail using the service road access off South Beaver Creek Road.

We'll stroll through the woods looking for nesting birds including warblers and swallows, and listening for marsh birds like Sora and Virginia Rail. If time

allows, we will continue to the viewpoint.

Meet at the wayside on S. Beaver Creek Road.

All Seven Capes Bird Alliance outings are free, family-friendly, and easy to moderately easy. Extreme low tides promise excellent exploration, but wear rubber boots or water shoes to wade in. Dress for the weather; we go rain or shine. Dogs are not allowed. Be sure to carry water. Group size

is limited, and pre-registration is required (see sevencapes.org/calendar/tidepoolwalk2026).

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# Tips and Clicks: Professional Essentials

**BOB GIBSON**  
Lincoln County Leader Guest Column



**Renowned jazz bassist, Ron Carter. (Courtesy photo from Bob Gibson)**

In the last column I discussed the challenges and opportunities of my recent photography visit to New Orleans.

I was there to photograph a couple of music festivals. Today I am sharing a photograph I made at the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Festival. This is the renowned jazz bassist, Ron Carter. Aside from the opportunity to photograph this jazz legend, his set of music was magical.

Back to the photography. My first challenge was to establish a good background. There were distractions to the left and right of Mr. Carter. The solution was to wait for an opportunity to get this angle.

Getting the proper exposure and a reasonably sharp image can be complicated when photographing a performance. I need to use the available light as strobes are not allowed. Fortunately, the current digital cameras allow for high ISO's. I normally use 3200. I use a long lens, 200mm. So, camera motion can be an issue. I needed a high shutter speed. I used aperture priority to let the camera's computer carry the heavy load of calculating the correct exposure. I selected 2.8 for my aperture. Left alone, the camera would select a shutter speed that would

result in an image that is too bright. So, I used exposure compensation to underexpose by 1.3 stops. The result was a shutter speed of 1/800. This gave me a good exposure and compensated for camera motion.

The takeaway from this is the importance of using the three legs of exposure, ISO, aperture and shutter speed. Our cameras have incredibly powerful computers. Using these resources with an eye that is sensitive to composition will give us successful images.

Until next time, make some photographs!

*Bob Gibson is a Lincoln County photographer. He may be reached at The Photography Studio, 4846 SE Highway 101, in Lincoln City.*

# BIKE

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travelers about a 40-year-old law many people may not know, according to ODOT Bicycle and Pedestrian Program Manager Ian Davidson.

"This map invites people on bicycles to experience Oregon's stunning coastal landscape while providing essential information for a safe and enjoyable trip," Davidson said. "Paper maps remain timeless for riders planning and enjoying their rides on the coast."

**Get a free copy of the new map**

- Join us on Thursday, June 11 at 12:30 p.m. at the 55th anniversary celebration event of the "Bike Bill" at the Oregon State Capitol State Park in Salem and pick up a free copy of the new map. The public is invited to attend.
- Save on gas, take POINT or Amtrak

Cascades to the event. It costs \$5 to book your bike on the train, and you can also bring your bike on POINT for free, but space is limited.

The Oregon Coast Bicycle Route is one of the most popular long-distance cycling routes in the United States, attracting local, national and international visitors each year. The new map provides route guidance, tourism information, and important travel resources for cyclists navigating the coast, where cellular and internet service can often be unreliable.

**Can't make it to the event?**

People living in Oregon can pre-order a copy of the map by emailing their mailing address to: pedbikepublications@odot.oregon.gov.

**Bicycle Safety Month**

To complement the map and recognize National Bicycle Safety Month, ODOT launched a public awareness campaign

focused on educating people driving and bicycling to stay safe on the roads. The main message: People on bicycles may use the full lane. Slow down, be patient and give extra space.

"Generally, most people bicycling stay as far right as safe or practical. But people on bicycles may use the full lane, to avoid obstacles, narrow roads and drop-off shoulders," ODOT Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program Manager Heidi Manlove said. "While driving, be patient and only pass a bicycle when it's safe."

ODOT's safety campaign includes billboard messaging along major travel corridors and popular coastal routes to help educate travelers about safely sharing the road. With more people expected on coastal highways and scenic roads in the coming months, ODOT is encouraging people to travel safely and understand Oregon's

bicycle laws.

**How to safely drive around a person riding a bicycle**

- Be patient and hold back for a safe place to pass that provides plenty of space.
- Once it's clear, move fully into the next lane.
- As you pass, keep your speed at 5 miles below the speed limit.
- Wait until you see the person bicycling in your rearview mirror before moving back into your lane.
- Remember: Oregon law allows drivers to cross a double-yellow line to safely pass a person on a bicycle when it is clear and safe to do so.

**Safety tips for people riding bicycles**

- Use a white front light and red rear light, even during the day.
- Wear bright or reflective clothing to help drivers see you.
- Ride in the same direction as traffic.
- Obey all traffic signs,

signals, and lane markings.

- Use hand signals so others can anticipate your moves.
- Ride in a straight, predictable line.
- Be careful in intersections — slow down, check for turning vehicles.
- Wear a properly fitted helmet every ride.
- Assume drivers may not see you.
- Be ready for sudden movements—especially around driveways, parking lots and bus stops.

**Safety tips for people driving in cars**

- People riding bicycles have the same rights and responsibilities as drivers and may occupy a full lane when needed.
- Maintain a safe passing distance—give extra space to pass— if possible, move into the adjacent lane to create additional buffer.
- Constantly look ahead, check mirrors, and monitor blind

spots—especially before turning or changing lanes.

- Watch for people riding bicycles at intersections and before opening doors, so you avoid "dooring" incidents.
- Use your turn signals well in advance so people riding can anticipate your actions.
- Never park or drive in bike lanes and always check them before crossing.
- Slow down and yield to people on bicycles, especially when turning—the person traveling straight usually will have the right-of-way.
- Be particularly alert at intersections since many serious crashes occur there.
- Children are unpredictable—expect sudden moves, especially in residential areas, near schools and driveways.
- Avoid honking at people riding bicycles; sudden noises can startle them and cause crashes.

# FLOATS

From Page B1

shows us that burnout and workforce shortages are real challenges facing organizations across the country. However, even small investments in staff wellbeing can have a lasting impact on the teams and communities they serve," Marie Lamfrom's

granddaughter and MLCF Co-Founder Sally Bany said. "Marie found real joy and restoration at the Oregon Coast, and this year we wanted to pass that gift forward to the people who show up every day for Oregon's communities. We hope this year's program creates an authentic moment of restoration for the teams behind the work."

This year's specialty floats, which are mostly green and white, bear a unique sticker identifying them as part of the MLCF special drop. They are the only floats with these stickers, making them easy to distinguish from the other glass floats hidden along Lincoln City's beach areas. While other floats may be discovered during a beach hunt, any float bearing this special label is definitively part of the 2026 initiative.

The floats are being handcrafted by artists at Lincoln City Glass Center and Alder House, and

hidden by ELC's team of "Float Fairies" from June 1 through June 12. Finders are encouraged to report their discoveries through July 31.

In 2026, all 42 participating organizations were selected by MLCF staff. These Oregon-based nonprofits were carefully curated through established relationships and ongoing conversations about the opportunities and challenges their teams are navigating. Each participating organization will receive a grant of \$1,000 to \$15,000, regardless of whether their

assigned float is found by July 31.

"Year after year, Finders Keepers is one of our most beloved programs here in Lincoln City," Explore Lincoln City Director Kim Cooper Findling said. "We're delighted to be partnering with the Marie Lamfrom Charitable Foundation for the third year in a row. This year's focus on nonprofit team wellness adds a meaningful new dimension to the program, honoring the people who make Oregon's communities stronger."

Sally Bany's grandmother, Marie Lamfrom, served as a nurse in World War I, escaped Nazi Germany with her family to live in Portland, Ore., and quickly became a champion for young people, especially the Girl Scouts. She served as a troop leader at Shriners Hospital for Children and later, at Providence Hospital. MLCF was granted additional funds after the passing of Marie's daughter and Sally's mother, Columbia Sportswear Chairman Gert Boyle in 2019.

The Foundation continues to support nonprofit organizations focusing on education and mentorship, arts and creativity, and health and wellness, with the majority of funds benefiting programs based in

Oregon.

The Marie Lamfrom birthday celebration occurs annually between the spring and fall, with the Marie Lamfrom Charitable Foundation Board of Trustees directing the celebration's annual focus. Prior celebrations have supported women in STEM, healthcare workers, summer youth programs, and nonprofit employees.

More information about the 2026 program can be found at: <http://www.marielamfrom.org/birthday>

A link to the basic rules and additional information about the Finders Keepers program can be found with this story at the Lincoln County Leader web site.

**About the Marie Lamfrom Charitable Foundation**

The Marie Lamfrom Charitable Foundation was established by Dave and Sally Bany in 1998 to support nonprofit organizations throughout Oregon and Washington. The Foundation now focuses on nonprofit programs that support education and mentorship, arts and creativity and health and wellness. The Foundation was named for Sally's grandmother, Marie Lamfrom.

*For more information, please visit marielamfrom.org.*

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### SUDOKU

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Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers.

The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once.

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In Tillamook. 971-977-9350</p>	<p><b>999</b> PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p><b>LCL26-304 SELF STORAGE PUBLIC SALE</b> Safe-Lock Storage 3639 SE Ash St. South Beach, Oregon 97366 Saturday, 6/27/2026 @ 10:00am. B15 - Andrew Tierney. Sale Subject to Cancellation. Safe-Lock Storage reserves the Right to refuse any and all bids. 6/10/26 6/17/26</p> <p><b>LCL26-286 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS.</b> Notice is hereby given pursuant to ORS 113.155 that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the ESTATE OF STEPHEN AYERS LOVEJOY, Lincoln County Circuit Court Case Number 25PB07753. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the personal representative at PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365 or they 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</p>	<p><b>999</b> PUBLIC NOTICES</p> <p>representative. Date published: JUNE 10, 2026. Thomas Brian Lovejoy, Personal Representative of the Estate of Stephen Ayers Lovejoy, Gari Lynn Lovejoy, Attorney at Law, Attorney for Personal Representative, PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365. 6/10/26</p> <p><b>LCL26-285 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS.</b> Notice is hereby given pursuant to ORS 113.155 that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the ESTATE OF IRVIN W. MCCLAIN, Lincoln County Circuit Court Case Number 25PB07753. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the personal representative at PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365 or they 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. Date published: JUNE 10, 2026. Shelia</p>
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**Why NRRFPD?**

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- Deferred Compensation Match
- Paid Specialty Training & Certifications
- Progressive All-Hazards Department
- Train alongside highly motivated firefighters in a culture focused on readiness, professionalism, and operational excellence

**Requirements:**

- District Application
- CPAT (within the last year)
- NTN FireTEAM Test (within the last year)

**Application Deadline:**  
June 24, 2026, at 5:00 PM

**For complete job information and application materials:**  
**Jeremy.Neel@nrfpdor.gov**

Train Hard. Stay Ready.  
Serve the Oregon Coast.  
Nestucca Rural Fire Protection District

## PACIFIC CITY JOINT WATER-SANITARY AUTHORITY OPEN POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT

### WATER/WASTEWATER OPERATOR-IN-TRAINING

PCJWSA currently has a job opening for the position of Operator-in-Training. The successful applicant will become part of a team providing water and wastewater services to residents of Pacific City/Woods, Oregon.

This is a full-time, hourly position with a monthly salary range of \$3,890 - \$5,188 DOE plus excellent benefits. Application forms and additional information about benefits, job duties, and minimum qualifications for this position are available online at [www.pcjwsa.com](http://www.pcjwsa.com).

Send completed application and resume to PCJWSA, PO Box 520, Pacific City, OR 97135 or email to [rdeloe@pcjwsa.com](mailto:rdeloe@pcjwsa.com). Position open until filled.

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**NEW LISTING**

**Country Garden Retreat** just 1mi. from coast. Privacy, open skies, & room to create your dream. Established landscaping, raised garden beds, greenhouse, and gazebo ready for restoration. Detached 1,080sf garage/shop w/electricity, metal roof, and wood stove. Dedicated RV parking includes water & power hookups.  
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Additional land listings for residential, commercial, and multi-use available throughout the county. Call for more information.

26-1487. NEW ..Waldport / Forest & Slough ViewR-1/13.47ac... \$325,000  
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26-1489. NEW ..Waldport / Forest & Bay ViewR-2/118ac... \$139,000  
26-58.....REDUCED ..South Beach / Forest ViewRR-5 /10.37ac...\$249,000  
25-4015...Seal Rock / Ocean View.....R-1/0.55ac.....\$79,900  
26-679 ...Newport / Central.....R-4/0.1ac.....\$185,000

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McLain, Personal Representatives of the Estate of Irvin W. McLain, Gari Lynn Lovejoy, Attorney at Law, Attorney for Personal Representative, PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365. 6/10/26

LCL26-291 A REGULAR MEETING

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OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF CENTRAL LINCOLN PUD will be held at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 440 Fir Avenue Reedsport, Oregon. In addition to regular business, an Executive Session will be held in

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accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(e), (f) and (h) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by governing body to negotiate real property transactions, to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection and to consult with counsel concerning the

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legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed. To review the meeting agenda, please go to cpud.org. Customers interested in attending the meeting virtually can email info@cpud.org to make a request. 6/10/26

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LCL26-292 ON JUNE 23RD 2026 AT 11 AM, a public sale will be held at Ideal Storage 235 Dahl Ave Waldport, OR. 97394: Amy Gresham-WB010. Minimum bid \$50.00, cash only. On June 25th 2026 at 11 AM, a public sale will be held at Ideal Storage 5441 W Hwy 20 Toledo, OR. 97391: Travis Simpson-T094: Emily Braderick-T0517: Mandy Amador-T063. Minimum bid \$50.00, cash only. 6/10/26 6/17/26

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Port of Toledo Sewer Connection Expansion Project Shipyard Wash-down Slab General Notice Port of Toledo (Owner) is requesting Bids for the construction of the following project: Port of Toledo Sewer Connection Expansion Project - Shipyard Wash-down Slab Bids for the construction of the Project will be received at Port of Toledo located at 496 NE Hwy 20, Unit 1, Toledo, OR 97391 until Wednesday, July 8, 2026, at 2:00 PM local time. Bids may also be mailed or emailed to the following address: Debbie Scacco, Port Manager Port of Toledo 496 NE Hwy 20, Unit 1 PO BOX 428 Toledo, OR, 97391. If mailed, please send to both the following: debbie.scacco@portoftoledo.org dnicholson@civilwest.net The envelope shall plainly identify (1) the Project name, (2) the Bidder name, and (3) the Bidders contractor's license number. For emailed bids, please combine all documents into a single pdf file attached to your email. Bidders shall be responsible for calling the Port of Toledo at (541) 336-5207 before the proposal deadline to confirm the bid was received. Scanned documents attached to the email shall include the Bid Form (C-410) and all forms identified in Article 2.01 of the bid Form. A scanned copy of the fully executed bid bond is acceptable for bid submission. Bids and all associated documents must be received

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by the Port of Toledo at 2:00 PM. At that time the Bids received will be publicly opened and read. The work on this project is for public work. A brief description of the scope of work is provided below: Construction of approximately 45,000 square-foot concrete washdown slab for boat maintenance work including site grading, formwork, and rebar. Obtaining the Bidding Documents Information for the Project can be found at the following designated website: https://www.civilwest.com/bidding Bidding Documents may be viewed at no cost from the designated website. Please refer to eBid Project #10228073. Documents may be downloaded for \$22.00.

FORM LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-298

A public meeting of the Siletz Valley Rural Fire Protection District will be held on June 16, 2026 at 6:00 pm at 149 W Buford Ave. Siletz, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 as approved by the Siletz Valley Rural Fire Protection District Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at 149 W. Buford Ave. Siletz, Oregon, between the hours of 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year. If different, the major changes and their effect on the budget are:

Contact: David Lapof, Fire Chief Telephone: 541-444-2043 Email: dlapof@siletzfire.com

Table with 4 columns: Resource, Amount, Adopted Budget 2025-2026, Approved Budget Next Year 2026-2027. Rows include Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital, Fees, Licenses, Permits, Fines, Assessments & Other Service, Federal, State & all Other Grants, Gifts, Allocations & Donations, Revenue from Bonds and Other Debt, Interfund Transfers / Internal Service Reimbursements, All Other Resources Except Current Year Property Taxes, Current Year Property Taxes Estimated to be Received, Total Resources.

Table with 4 columns: Resource, Amount, Adopted Budget 2025-2026, Approved Budget Next Year 2026-2027. Rows include Personnel Services, Materials and Services, Capital Outlay, Debt Service, Interfund Transfers, Contingencies, Special Payments, Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure, Total Requirements.

Table with 4 columns: Name of Organizational Unit or Program, FTE for that unit or program, Amount, FTE. Rows include Personnel Services, Not Allocated to Organizational Unit or Program, Total Requirements.

Table with 4 columns: Resource, Rate or Amount Imposed 2024-2025, Rate or Amount Imposed This Year 2025-2026, Rate or Amount Approved Next Year 2026-2027. Rows include Permanent Rate Levy, Local Option Levy, Levy for General Obligation Bonds.

Table with 2 columns: LONG TERM DEBT, Estimated Debt Outstanding on July 1, 2026, Estimated Debt Authorized, But Not Incurred on July 1, 2026. Rows include General Obligation Bonds, Other Bonds, Other Borrowings, Total.

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-309

A public meeting of the LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS will be held on June 17, 2026 at 10:00 am virtually. The meeting will be livestreamed on the County website. Public comment can be submitted prior to the meeting by emailing boocool@lincoln.or.us or by calling 541-265-4100 prior to 12:00 PM on 6/16/2025. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the LINCOLN COUNTY budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 as approved by the LINCOLN COUNTY Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at 225 West Olive Street, Room 110, between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. or online at the County website. This budget is for an annual budget period and was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year.

Contact: Lennon Pierce Telephone: 541-265-0364 Email: lpierce@co.lincoln.or.us

Table with 4 columns: Resource, Amount, Adopted Budget This Year 2025-2026, Approved Budget Next Year 2026-2027. Rows include Beginning Fund Balance/Net Working Capital, Fees, Licenses, Permits, Fines, Assessments & Other Service Charges, Federal, State & all Other Grants, Gifts, Allocations & Donations, Revenue from Bonds and Other Debt, Interfund Transfers / Internal Service Reimbursements, All Other Resources Except Current Year Property Taxes, Current Year Property Taxes Estimated to be Received, Total Resources.

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Table with 4 columns: Name of Organizational Unit or Program, FTE for that unit or program, Amount, FTE. Rows include General Government, County Central Services, Public Safety, Community Services, Health & Human Services, Not Allocated to Organizational Unit or Program, Total Requirements.

Table with 4 columns: Resource, Rate or Amount Imposed 2024-2025, Rate or Amount Imposed This Year 2025-2026, Rate or Amount Approved Next Year 2026-2027. Rows include Permanent Rate Levy, Local Option Levy, Levy for General Obligation Bonds.

Table with 2 columns: LONG TERM DEBT, Estimated Debt Outstanding on July 1, 2026, Estimated Debt Authorized, But Not Incurred on July 1, 2026. Rows include General Obligation Bonds, Other Bonds, Other Borrowings, Total.

FORM OR-LB-SBH Notice of Supplemental Budget Hearing LCL26-308 Oregon Department of Revenue

Use for supplemental budget proposing a change in any fund's expenditures by more than 10 percent.

A public hearing on a proposed supplemental budget for Lincoln County, Oregon, for the current fiscal year, will be held at 225 W Olive St Room 110 Newport OR

The hearing will take place on Wednesday, June 17, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the supplemental budget with interested persons.

A copy of the supplemental budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after June 12, 2026 at 225 W Olive St Room 110 Newport OR 97365 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Table with 4 columns: Resource, Amount, Expenditure increase, Amount. Rows include Interest Revenue, Transfer Revenue, Revised Total Fund Resources, Revised Total Fund Requirements.

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The Transit department in the Capital Projects fund will be transferring the balance, plus interest, back to the Transit fund.

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FORM OR-LB-SBH Notice of Supplemental Budget Hearing LCL26-305 Oregon Department of Revenue

Use for supplemental budget proposing a change in any fund's expenditures by more than 10 percent.

A public hearing on a proposed supplemental budget for Lincoln County, Oregon, for the current fiscal year, will be held at 225 W Olive St Room 110 Newport OR 97365 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

The hearing will take place on Wednesday, June 17th, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. The purpose of the hearing is to discuss the supplemental budget with interested persons.

A copy of the supplemental budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after June 12th, 2026 at 225 W Olive St Room 110 Newport OR 97365 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

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Explanation of changes: Motor Vehicle Purchase, and Houselessness structures/project expenses.

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Prospective Bidders are urged to register with the designated website as a plan holder, even if Bidding Documents are obtained from a plan room or source other than the designated website in either electronic or paper format.

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The Bidding Documents from the Issuing Office as described below. Partial sets of Bidding Documents will not be available from the Issuing Office.

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contract award, refer to the instructions to Bidders that are included in the Bidding Documents. The Port of Toledo encourages disadvantaged, minority, and women-owned consultant firms to respond.

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1-971-254-1254, followed by Conference ID: 856 048 271#. Agenda: Call to Order, Additions or Change to Agenda, Approval of Minutes from May 19, 2026, Invitation for Citizen Comments, Hospital Update/Foundation Update, Financial Reports, Legal Counsel Report, Construction/Facilities/Water Resiliency Update, Board Items, Adjourn. 6/10/26

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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: June 10, 2026.

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AND DEVISEES OF WAUNETA F. KNAPP also known as JUANITA KNAPP, also known as JUANITA CORDOVA, deceased; and ALL OTHER PERSONS OR PARTIES UNKNOWN CLAIMING ANY RIGHT, TITLE, ESTATE, LIEN, OR INTEREST IN THE REAL PROPERTY DESCRIBED HEREIN.

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will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the Complaint. This action concerns title to real property located in Lincoln County, Oregon, commonly referred to as the Knapp Parcel, identified as Map & Tax Lot 11-11-32-D0-01400-00.

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port. OR 97365 6/10/26 6/17/26 6/24/26 7/1/26 LCL26-301 THE LINCOLN COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION will hold a public hearing on Monday, July 6, 2026, at 7:00 p.m., to consider an amendment to the Lincoln County Code (LCC), Chapter One, that amends sections of LCC 1.1115, Definitions, and sections of LCC 1.2005 through 1.2320, Flood Hazard Management, and adds a proposed section 1.2330, pertaining to the use of a habitat assessment in demonstrating conformance with applicable no net loss standards in coastal special flood hazard areas. To comply with ORS 192.610-192.690 (Oregon Public Meeting Law) as amended, and the procedures within Lincoln County Code, Chapter 1, this hearing will be conducted both in person and through an online platform. The hearing will be livestreamed on Lincoln County's Agendas

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-306. A public meeting of the LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS will be held on June 17, 2026 at 10:00 am virtually. The meeting will be livestreamed on the County website. Public comment can be submitted prior to the meeting by emailing booc@co.lincoln.or.us or by calling 541-265-4100 prior to 12:00 PM on 6/16/2025.

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-310. A public meeting of the LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS will be held on June 17, 2026 at 10:00 am virtually. The meeting will be livestreamed on the County website. Public comment can be submitted prior to the meeting by emailing booc@co.lincoln.or.us or by calling 541-265-4100 prior to 12:00 PM on 6/16/2025.

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-312. A public meeting of the LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS will be held on June 17, 2026 at 10:00 am virtually. The meeting will be livestreamed on the County website. Public comment can be submitted prior to the meeting by emailing booc@co.lincoln.or.us or by calling 541-265-4100 prior to 12:00 PM on 6/16/2026.

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-311. A public meeting of the LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS will be held on June 17, 2026 at 10:00 am virtually. The meeting will be livestreamed on the County website. Public comment can be submitted prior to the meeting by emailing booc@co.lincoln.or.us or by calling 541-265-4100 prior to 12:00 PM on 6/16/2025.

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-306. FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES. TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS. Actual Amount 2024-2025, Adopted Budget This Year 2025-2026, Approved Budget Next Year 2026-2027. Personnel Services, Materials and Services, Capital Outlay, Debt Service, Interfund Transfers, Contingencies, Special Payments, Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure.

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-311. FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES. TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS. Actual Amount 2024-2025, Adopted Budget This Year 2025-2026, Approved Budget Next Year 2026-2027. Personnel Services, Materials and Services, Capital Outlay, Debt Service, Interfund Transfers, Contingencies, Special Payments, Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure.

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-312. FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES. TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS. Actual Amount 2024-2025, Adopted Budget This Year 2025-2026, Approved Budget Next Year 2026-2027. Personnel Services, Materials and Services, Capital Outlay, Debt Service, Interfund Transfers, Contingencies, Special Payments, Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure.

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-311. FINANCIAL SUMMARY - RESOURCES. TOTAL OF ALL FUNDS. Actual Amount 2024-2025, Adopted Budget This Year 2025-2026, Approved Budget Next Year 2026-2027. Personnel Services, Materials and Services, Capital Outlay, Debt Service, Interfund Transfers, Contingencies, Special Payments, Unappropriated Ending Balance and Reserved for Future Expenditure.

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Meetings page, and a link to the livestream can be found at this website: https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/129/Agendas-Minutes. This meeting can be attended in person at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Board of Commissioners's Conference Room, 225 W Olive Street, Newport, Oregon, 97365, or virtually (electronically) through Zoom Webinar, which requires attendee registration at this website: https://us06web.zoom.us/join/register/WN\_8k-821M3HSOW6Oss-Tf8uU5Q. Testimony on this matter can be submitted in written or oral form. Oral testimony will be taken during the public hearing. The Chair reserves the right to limit the time allowed for oral testimony. The Planning Commission chair may limit the time allowed for oral testimony. Therefore, parties are strongly encouraged to submit detailed testimony in writing in advance of the hearing. Written testimony can be submitted in advance of the hearing by emailing to landuse@co.lincoln.or.us, or by US Mail to Lincoln County Department of Planning and Development, Second Street Annex, Attn: Planning Case File 01-TA-26, 210 SW Second Street, Newport, OR, 97365. A copy of the proposed amendments can be found at https://www.co.lincoln.or.us/1299/01-TA-26-Filed-Hazard-Management-Code, or may be physically reviewed at the Lincoln County Department of Planning and Development, 210 SW 2nd Street, Newport, Oregon, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Fridays, excluding major holidays. For more information on the code amendments, contact Onno Husing, Planning Director, by phone at 541-265-4192, or by email at ohusing@co.lincoln.or.us. For special physical language or other accommodations necessary to attend this meeting, please contact the Kenneth Lipp, Public Information Officer at 541-265-4100 or dial 7-1-1 Relay Service and include an e-mail address as soon as possible, but at least 48 hours before the meeting. 6/10/26

LCL26-303 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

Notice is hereby given that John L. Rea has been appointed

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sonal representative for the Estate of George M. Schoonover, by the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Lincoln County Case File No. 26PB04383. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby notified to present them to the personal representative, at the office of the personal representative's attorney at 1200 Executive Parkway, Suite 100, Eugene, OR 97401, within four months from the date of publication of this notice or their claims may be barred. Date of publication of this notice is June 10, 2026. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the personal representative's attorney, Zach C. Wojcik-Sykes, Strohman Ford, LLC, 1200 Executive Parkway, Suite 100, Eugene, OR 97401; Phone 541-345-4312. 6/10/26

LCL26-272 PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED BANK MERGER

Notice is hereby given that Oregon Coast Bank, Newport, Oregon, and Connect Community Bank, Raymond, Washington, have filed a merger application with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC). Under the terms of the proposed transaction, Connect Community Bank will be merged into Oregon Coast Bank, with Oregon Coast Bank as the resulting institution. The main office of Oregon Coast Bank will remain at 909 SE Bay Blvd, Newport, OR, 97365. Oregon Coast Bank intends to continue operating all offices of both banks. Any person wishing to comment on this application may file his or her comments in writing with the regional director of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation at the appropriate FDIC office (25 Jessie Street at Ecker Square Ste 1800, San Francisco CA 94105) not later than June 19th, 2026. The non-confidential portion of this application are on file at the appropriate FDIC office and are available for public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the application file will be made available upon request. Date of Publication: 5/20/2026 Acquiring Institution: Oregon Coast Bank 6/3/26 6/10/26

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LCL26-265 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN In the Matter of the Estate of JOSEPH MASON BLAGG, Deceased. Case No. 24PB08706 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT JODI OSANTOWSKI has been appointed as the personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached, to the personal representative at The Law Offices of Matthew Ryan Corrinet - 2210 NW Bayshore Loop - Waldport, Oregon 97394, 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 attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published on: May 27, 2026 Jodi Osantowski Personal Representative Matthew Corrinet (OSB #231683) (CN #347151) The Law Offices of Matthew Ryan Corrinet 2210 NW Bayshore Loop Waldport, Oregon 97394 Phone: (541) 270-1574 5/27/26 6/3/26 6/10/26

LCL26-241 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS NO.: 26-78099

Reference is made to that certain Deed of Trust (hereinafter referred as the Trust Deed) made by ROBERT W EDWARDS as Grantor to FIDELITY NATIONAL TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc. ("MERS"), as designated nominee for VILLAGE CAPITAL & INVESTMENT LLC, beneficiary of the security instrument, its successors and assigns, as Beneficiary, dated 9/7/2024, recorded 9/19/2024, as Instrument No. 2024-06540, in mortgage records of Lincoln County, Oregon covering the following described real property situated in said County and State, to-wit: LOT 25, NEOLHA POINT TOWNHOMES, IN THE CITY OF NEWPORT, LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF FILED ON JANUARY 16, 2007 IN PLAT BOOK 18, PAGE 7, LINCOLN COUNTY PLAT RECORDS. The

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street address or other common designation, if any for the real property described above is purported to be: 475 SE 35TH ST UNIT E25, SOUTH BEACH, OREGON 97366 AKA 475 SE 35TH ST UNIT #E-25, NEWPORT, OR 97365 The Tax Assessor's Account ID for the Real Property is purported to be: R522703 / 11-11-17-DA-04600-00 Both the beneficiary and the trustee, ZBS Law, LLP have elected to foreclose the above referenced Trust Deed and sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and a Notice of Default and Election to Sell has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). All right, title, and interest in the said described property which the grantors had, or had power to convey, at the time of execution of the Trust Deed, together with any interest the grantors or their successors in interest acquired after execution of the Trust Deed shall be sold at public auction to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and the expenses of sale, including the compensation of the trustee as provided by law, and the reasonable fees of trustee's attorneys. The default for which the foreclosure is made is: The monthly installment of principal and interest which became due on 8/1/2025 late charges, and all subsequent monthly installments of principal and interest. You are responsible to pay all payments and charges due under the terms and conditions of the loan documents which come due subsequent to the date of this notice, including, but not limited to, foreclosure trustee fees and costs, advances and late charges. Furthermore, as a condition to bring your account in good standing, you must provide the undersigned with written proof that you are not in default on any senior encumbrance and provide proof of insurance. Nothing in this notice should be construed as a waiver of any fees owing to the beneficiary under the deed of trust, pursuant to the terms and provisions of the loan documents. The amount required to cure the default in payments to date is calculated as follows: From: 8/1/2025 Total of past due payments: \$21,305.43 Late Charges: \$757.12 Addi-

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tional charges (Taxes, Insurance, Corporate Advances, Other Fees); \$2,400.50 Trustee's Fees and Costs: \$888.00 Total necessary to cure: \$25,351.05 Please note the amounts stated herein are subject to confirmation and review and are likely to change during the next 30 days. Please contact the successor trustee ZBS Law, LLP to obtain a "reinstatement" or "payoff" quote prior to remitting funds. By reason of said default the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the Trust Deed due and payable. The amount required to discharge this lien in its entirety to date is: \$351,282.63 Said sale shall be held at the hour of 10:00 AM on 8/14/2026 in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 86.778 and pursuant to ORS 86.771(7) shall occur at the following designated place: At the front entrance to the Lincoln County Courthouse located at 225 West Olive, in the City of Newport, OR 97365 Other than as shown of record, neither the said beneficiary nor the said trustee have any actual notice of any person having or claiming to have any lien upon or interest in the

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real property hereinabove described subsequent to the interest of the trustee in the Trust Deed, or of any successor(s) in interest to the grantors or of any lessee or other person in possession of or occupying the property, except: NONE Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation(s) of the Trust Deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and Trust Deed, together with the trustee's and attorney's fees not exceeding the amounts provided by ORS 86.778. The mailing address of the trustee is: ZBS Law, LLP 5 Centerville Dr., Suite 400 Lake

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Oswego, OR 97035 (503) 946-6558 In construing this notice, the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other persons owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by said trust deed, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamine, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. IMPORTANT NOTICE: Starting March 1, 2026, Federal Law may prohibit ZBS Law from issuing a Trustee's Deed Upon Sale in connection with this trustee's sale until information about the winning bidder is reported to the U.S. Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement

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Network. See 31 CFR § 1031.320 (https://www.ecfr.gov/current/title-31/subtitle-B/chapter-X/part-1031/subpart-C/section-1031.320). If this trustee's sale qualifies as a "reportable transfer" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(b), and you, as buyer, qualify as a "transferee entity" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(1) or "transferee trust" under 31 CFR § 1031.320(e)(2), you will be obligated to provide information about the Beneficial Owner(s) of the transferee to ZBS Law or ZBS Law's designated representative. If you qualify as an exempt transferee or trust under 31 CFR § 1031.320(f)(1)-(11), you may be required to provide evidence of the exemption supported by a declaration under penalty of perjury. If the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale cannot be issued due to a qualified transferee's failure or inability to provide the necessary reporting information, the qualified transferee will be responsible for all fees and costs to re-notice the trustee's sale. Dated: 3/31/2026. ZBS Law, LLP By: Amber L. Labrecque, Esq., OSB#094593 ZBS Law, LLP Authorized to sign on behalf of the trustee EPP 47408 Pub Dates 05/20, 05/27, 06/03, 06/10/2026

FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-300

A public meeting of the Port of Toledo will be held on June 23, 2026 at 6 pm at 496 NE Hwy 20, Unit 1, Toledo, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 as approved by the Port of Toledo Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at the Port of Toledo's office, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. or online at www.portoftoledo.org. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that

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FORM OR-LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-299

A public meeting of the LOST CREEK PARK SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT will be held on June 16, 2026 at 6:00 pm at 171 SE 126th Dr., South Beach, Oregon. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 as approved by the LOST CREEK PARK SPECIAL ROAD DISTRICT Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained by email request to lostcreek265@gmail.com, after June 12, 2026. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as the preceding year. If hereon, the major changes and their effect on the budget are:

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Table with columns: STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACTIVITIES AND SOURCES OF FINANCING, Rate or Amount Imposed 2024-2025, Rate or Amount Imposed This Year 2025-26, Rate or Amount Approved Next Year 2026-27. Rows include: STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN ACTIVITIES AND SOURCES OF FINANCING, PROPERTY TAX LEVIES, Permanent Rate Levy (rate limit 0.2345 per \$1,000), Local Option Levy, Levy for General Obligation Bonds.

Table with columns: STATEMENT OF INDEBTEDNESS, LONG TERM DEBT, Estimated Debt Outstanding on July 1, Estimated Debt Authorized, But Not Incurred on July 1, Other Borrowings. Rows include: LONG TERM DEBT, General Obligation Bonds, Other Bonds, Other Borrowings, Total.

FORM LB-1 NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING LCL26-290

A public meeting of the Salshan Sanitary District will be held on June 16, 2026 at 3 pm via videoconference. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2026 as approved by the Salshan Sanitary District Budget Committee. A summary of the budget is presented below. A copy of the budget may be inspected or obtained at our website, or by email request. This budget is for an annual budget period. This budget was prepared on a basis of accounting that is the same as used the preceding year. To allow ample public participation, this meeting will be held via teleconference.

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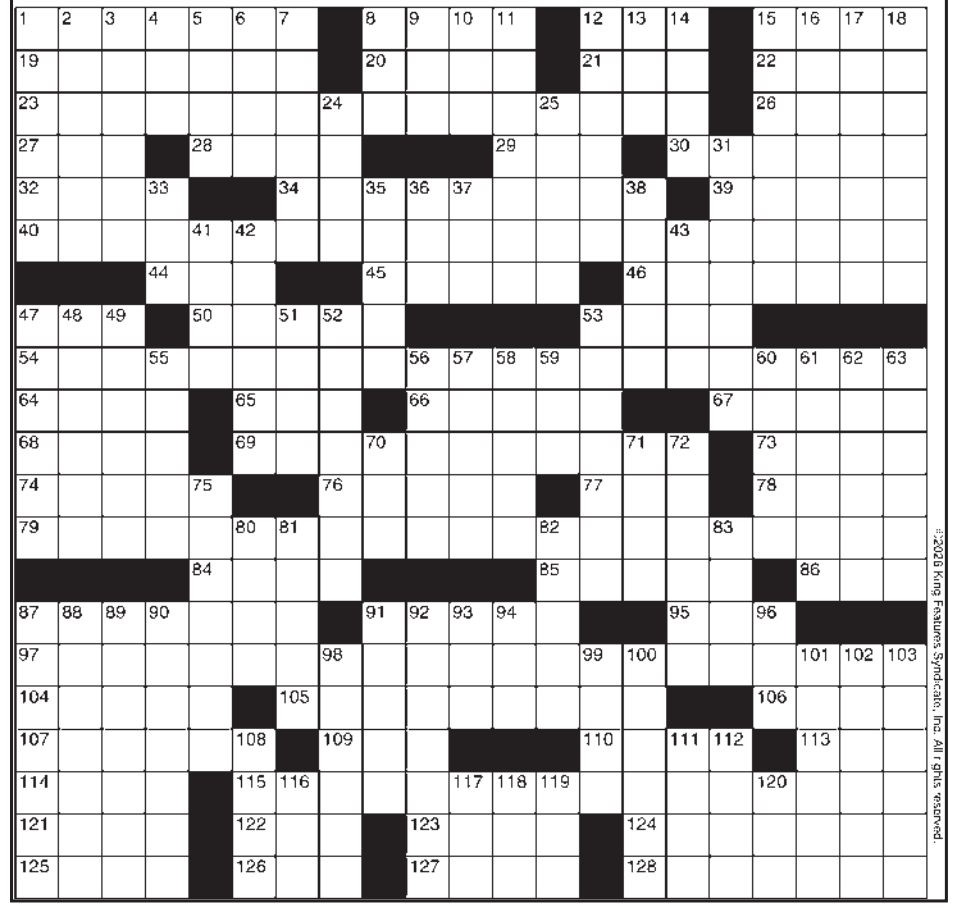
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FLAVOR NOT TO SAVOR Super Crossword

Crossword puzzle grid with clues: ACROSS 1 Film blooper compilation, 8 Illinois and Iowa's trees, 12 "Bali" —, 15 Bushy hair-do, for short, 19 "Stephen," in Paris, 20 Cookie often twisted apart, 21 Boat mover, 22 Engrossed, 23 Start of a riddle, 26 Concerning 27 Mil. title, 28 Lysol target, 29 D.C. insider, 30 Contribute one's share, 32 Kitchen pests, 34 Starts litigation "first time", 39 Stop on —, 40 Riddle, part 2, 44 "Misérables", 45 Taking way too much, in brief, 46 Loud weather events, for short, 47 Inner city, informally, 50 Leopard markings, 53 "Eso —" (Paul Anka song), 54 Riddle, part 3, 54 Cave effect, 65 Bovine beast, 66 Celebrity astrologer, 67 Ormit, as a vowel, 68 College head in Paris, 69 Acrobats' springy apparatuses, 73 3/15, e.g., 74 Map book, 76 Artist Dufy or film director, 77 Critical hosp. area, 78 Lock lips, 79 Riddle, part 4, 84 Tiny charged things, 85 "It wouldn't first time", 86 Poppa, 87 Intraparty rifts, 91 Vast South American plain, 95 Football coach, Parseghian, for short, 97 End of the riddle, 104 Awaken, 105 Arizona waterway with the Roosevelt Dam, 106 Vikings' tale, perhaps, 107 Novelist Hemingway, 109 Original "King Kong" studio, 110 Cast forth, 113 Moose's kin, 114 Art gallery in London, 115 Riddle's answer, 121 Drummer Burke or pitcher Labine, 122 Iraq export, 123 Full of zeal, 124 Before now, 125 The lady's, 126 Norm: Abbr., 127 Sort, 128 Lutz or axel performers, DOWN 1 Showy trinket, 2 Wisdom deity, 3 Behemoths, 4 On Soc., 5 Prefix with skeleton, 6 Writer Blyton, 7 Made the first move, 8 "Impressive!" purpose of, 9 Consist of, 10 Pub barrel, 11 "The meal is ready!", 12 "— at the Moon" (1951 Hank Williams song), 13 Partner of 8-Down, 14 — -Z ('80s Camaro), 15 "Yep, alas", 16 More hoarse, 17 Ideal condition, 18 High-minded sorts?, 24 Duet plus one, 25 Juvenile, 31 Must exist, 33 Longtime NBC show inits., 35 Unconfined, 36 '77 Sunset Strip' actor Byrnes, 37 Biol. or anat., 38 Schleppe, 41 Composer/pianist John, 42 Facet, 43 Actress Rae of "Vengeance", 47 Employed for the, 48 Head for very quickly, 49 So as to be 50% less, 51 — about (around), 52 Hinders, 53 Detective Phil Fish's wife on "Fish", 55 Achieved victory in, 56 Sitting on — the world, 57 Love, in Paris, 58 "ER" actor Eric La —, 59 Prefix with cycle or state, 60 "This pleases me!", 61 Cleaned a little, with "up", 62 Texas or Ukraine city, 63 Owned (up) hideous, 70 Actress West, 71 Genuine, in Germany, 72 Of a similar kind to, 75 Rustling sounds, 80 Place to live, 81 Tech. schools, 82 Channel for hoops fans, 83 Zeus' wife for the, 87 Elongate, 88 Hymn with harmonies, 89 Poltergeist, sandwich., 90 "Evidently ..." for short, 91 Oompah band music, 92 Coin-op cafeteria, 93 Bus, bigwig, 94 Letter after upslon, 96 Reactions to cute babies, 98 Maude's partner in a 1971 film, 99 Intrusive plant, 100 Military forces, 101 Edmund Spensers "The — Queene", 102 More hideous, 103 Los Angeles hoops team, 108 "Terrible" time for tots, 111 Writer Dinesen, 112 Reid of "Sharknado", 116 #1 song, e.g., 117 Climbing vine, 118 Pointer, 119 Lofty poem, 120 Diner.



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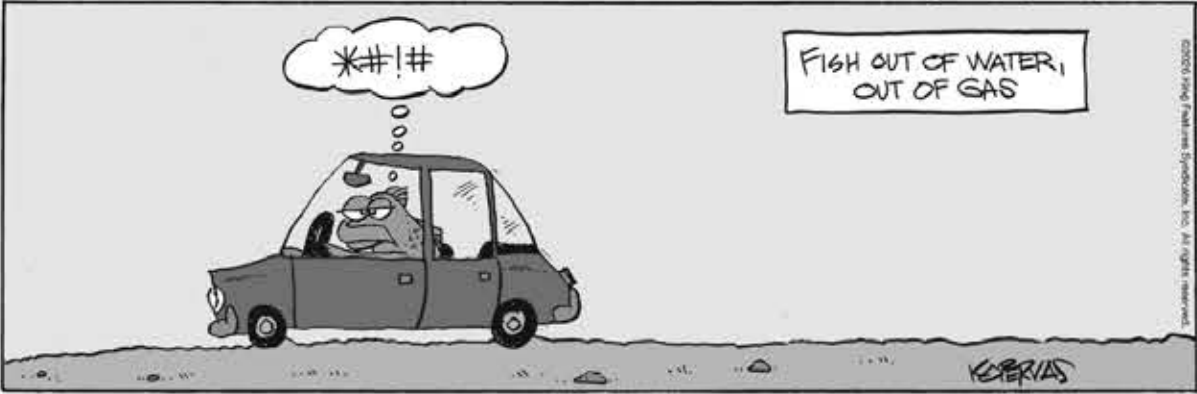
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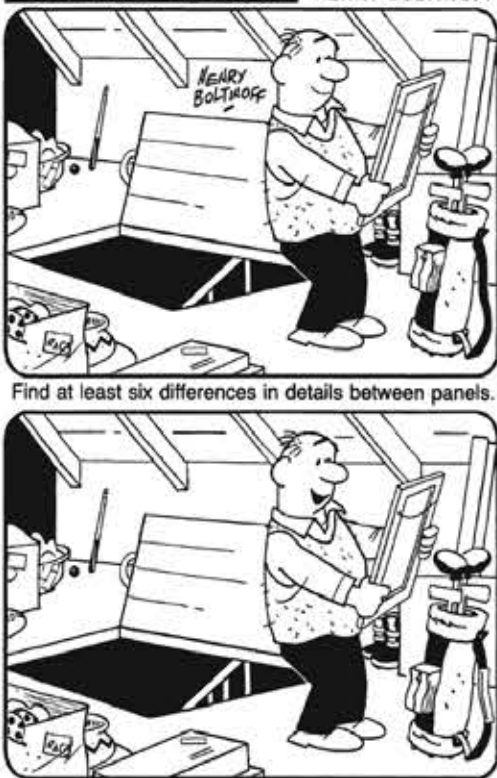
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Find at least six differences in details between panels.

Just Like Cats & Dogs

by Dave T. Phipps



### 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: H equals Y

M UBNRQ ICVJYMPRH PBJ  
VCIBFFCPQ JOYJ JYMRBV JB  
YPHBPC CRZC. OC QMQP'J  
ZNMJ FC UCRR.

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### CryptoQuote

AXYDLBAAXR is LONGFELLOW

One letter stands for another. In this sample, A is used for the three L's, X for the two O's, etc. Single letters, apostrophes, the length and formation of the words are all hints. Each week the code letters are different.

PEBH GDR EQAB LODIBH XEB  
PDNM, YX NBYFHL DABN GDR.  
PEBH YX YL RHLODIBH, GDR  
NBYFH DABN YX.  
- QNQSYPQH ONDABNS

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### Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- TELEVISION: Who is the long-time host of the reality show "Survivor"?
- MOVIES: What is the song playing when the lead characters dance the twist in "Pulp Fiction"?
- U.S. STATES: The first president, George Washington, was born in which colony that would later become a state?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which South American country controls Easter Island?
- MYTHOLOGY: To which mythological character is the Parthenon dedicated?
- LITERATURE: Which war is the background for Anthony Doerr's novel "All the Light We Cannot See"?
- MATH: What is the sum of the first five prime numbers?
- INVENTORS: Which inventor developed more than 300 products from peanuts?
- MUSIC: Who won Album of the Year at the 2026 Grammys?
- HISTORY: In what year did U.S. women earn the right to open credit cards in their own names?

#### Answers

- Jeff Probst.
- "You Never Can Tell," Chuck Berry.
- Virginia.
- Chile.
- The Greek goddess Athena.
- World War II.
- 28 (2 + 3 + 5 + 7 + 11).
- George Washington Carver.
- Bad Bunny.
- 1974.

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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!

Part MOULDE  
Perform CANTE  
Keen AGREE  
Lift SHOTI

TODAY'S WORD

When you have spoken the word, it reigns over you. When it is unspoken, you reign over it. — Arabian Proverb

I would certainly not recommend that tailor to anyone else. He didn't suit me well.

CryptoQuip answer

SCRAMBLERS solution  
1. Module; 2. Enact  
3. Eager; 4. Hoist  
Today's Word  
AUDITOR



"Our slow waiter is moonlighting, during the day he's an \_\_\_\_\_!"

# Taft's magical baseball season comes to a close

**WILL LOHRE**

*Lincoln County Leader*

It wasn't the ending the Tigers wanted, but there's no denying that Taft's second-place finish on the baseball diamond this season was still the best season in school history.

The Tigers finished the season with a total record of 28-2, with just their second loss of the season coming against South Umpqua/Days Creek in the final of the 2026 OSAA 3A Baseball State Championship

on June 6. The Tigers lost 5-1, with the decisive inning coming in the fourth when the Lancers scored four runs, breaking a 1-1 deadlock.

The game was played at PK Park in Eugene, the same ballpark where the Oregon Ducks play home games. The Tigers outthit the Lancers 4-2, but the four-run fourth allowed South Umpqua to pull away beyond the Tigers' claws.

In his final game for Taft, senior superstar and future Duck Zack Hankins started on the

mound for the Tigers, finishing the game with eight strikeouts, while walking four batters and giving up four earned runs.

Offensively, Hankins had a double, scored one run, had two steals, and had a walk.

The Tigers and Lancers were scoreless through the first two innings, and then traded runs in the third. Lonnie West batted in the lone Tigers' run, and his double sent Hankins home in the bottom of the third inning.

In the fourth inning, the Lancers notched their only two hits of

the game, but they ended up being the difference, putting South Umpqua/Days Creek up 5-1.

After that point, the Tigers would register two more singles, but they couldn't get the critical connection that would have gotten them back in the game. Freshman Rudy Vasquez led the charge for the Lancers on the mound. He pitched all seven innings, striking out 10 batters. Six of those strikeouts came in the final three innings of the game to put the Tigers on ice.

Despite the loss, this season has been one for the books for Taft. They set the program's best record in league play (13-1) and overall (28-2). It was also the team's first-ever trip to the state finals.

While the program will certainly miss seniors Zack Hankins and Logan Lovell next year, those two players leave a heck of a legacy. With the majority of the team being sophomores and freshmen, there's still plenty of potential for the coming seasons.

# Newport Unified program brings people together

**WILL LOHRE**

*Lincoln County Leader*

Did you know that Newport High School is a Nationally Recognized Special Olympics Unified Champion School?

A National Banner Unified Champion School is a school recognized by Special Olympics for demonstrating an exceptional commitment to inclusion, and, thanks to the tireless work of the staff, community, and students, Newport is proud to be one.

Violet Brown is wrapping up her 18th year as a Special Education Teacher in the Lincoln County School District, and she brings approved training to the classroom for teaching assistants, based on students' needs. She is the STEP Transition Program teacher at Newport High School, and Brown's role is to develop a program that supports each student's individual transition goals.

"We focus on helping students build the skills needed to move from high school into independent adulthood by age 21 with guidance from the Oregon Department of Education," Brown said. "The STEP Transition Program is designed to give students meaningful real-world experiences that help prepare them for greater independence, employment opportunities, healthy living, and active participation in their communities after they leave the school system."

Brown has helped Newport become a Unified Champion School (UCS) and said achieving that was the result of collaboration among many members of the Cub community, and that many people are committed to bringing everything together.

"It takes a great team of staff members, students, and community partners to be a Unified Champion School. Building and sustaining successful Unified activities at Newport High School requires a variety of people with different skills, talents, and perspectives working together toward the same goal of inclusion," Brown said. "From organizing events and supporting students to promoting leadership, communication, teamwork, and school spirit, every team member plays an important role in helping Unified activities continue to grow and create meaningful opportunities for all students."

In 2017, NHS applied and was recognized as an Oregon Unified Champion School, and it became a Nationally Recognized Unified Champion School from 2019 to the present.

In Oregon, a Unified Champion School must implement three core components—Unified Sports, Inclusive Youth Leadership, and Whole-School Engagement—to promote social inclusion for students with and without intellectual disabilities. To attain that status, schools must partner with Special Olympics Oregon to create an inclusive environment and meet specific, student-driven standards.

To earn its National Banner Recognition, Newport had to meet 10 key standards. Those standards, as explained by Brown, include:

- **Unified Sports (2 Seasons):** Offer inclusive sports or fitness programs at least twice during the school year.
- **Active Participation & Competition:** Ensure consistent participation throughout the season with regular competition.
- **Trained Coaches:** Have an adult coach for each sport who has completed specialized training.
- **Inclusion Focus:** Ensure a roughly equal number of students with and without intellectual disabilities (Unified Pair) are involved.
- **Inclusive Youth Leadership:** Students with and without disabilities work

together to lead advocacy, awareness, and school-wide inclusion activities.

- **School-Wide Engagement:** Implement school-wide initiatives and campaigns that promote inclusion, ensuring the entire school community is involved.
- **Sustainability Plan:** Demonstrate that the program is sustainable, with a plan to maintain activities in the future.
- **Official Recognition:** The program must be formally recognized within the school, similar to other activities/athletics.
- **Evaluation and Reporting:** Meet all 10 standards and complete evaluation metrics for the specific academic year.

## **Inclusion and opportunity!**

Newport High School Unified Club Advisor Zoey Tingler shared that the Unified Club continues to grow, providing opportunities for all students to participate in leadership roles. The mission of the club is to create more Unified activities that provide inclusive spaces where students can lead, connect, and participate together.

The opportunities are open to any students attending Newport High School, and some of the Unified activities include Unified Club, Inclusive Character Leadership, Inclusive Leadership Class, Unified Movie, and the Unified Basketball Team. Brown said these opportunities allow students to help plan, organize, and carry out inclusive school events and activities.

"Unified Movie has taken place for over a decade, collaborating with Leadership students, Character Leadership students, and Unified Strength Training students. This would not be possible without Adam Scarberry, Mark Moore, Melissa Wiese, and Micheal Bradley," Brown said. "None of these activities would be possible without the support of our administrators. Supported by Jon Zagel and Reyna Mattson."

The Unified Basketball team brings together students with and without intellectual disabilities to play basketball. The squad promotes social inclusion through shared sports training and competition experiences that help build friendships, teamwork, understanding, and a sense of connection.

Jill Sellers, who served as the Unified Basketball coach from 2014–2015 through 2025–2026, offered insight into what it meant to be part of the experience.

"Coaching the basketball team has always been so uplifting because I've never had a year that something amazing didn't happen," Sellers said. "Watching the change in both the athletes and the partners always gave me hope for what could be."

Each year, Newport High School also hosts a Unified Basketball Tournament where spectators can expect an atmosphere filled with encouragement, teamwork, and sportsmanship. Teams and fans cheer one another on throughout the day, creating a positive and memorable experience for everyone involved.

One of the special days of the year for students involved with Unified at NHS is the annual Unified Beach Day Program. The idea sprouted from a conversation between Brown and Ollie Richardson, a Newport teacher, Oregon Outdoors teacher, and surf instructor.

Brown and Richardson discussed potential collaboration between some of Richardson's surfing students and members of the Special Education program, and from there things really took off.

"It's a combination of collaborating with the general ed population and the ECEL (Education for Community Employment and Life) Program here, and the Special Ed population, and integrating these students into the same opportunities the general ed kids get,"

Richardson said. "So I select assistant surf instructors from my general ed class and partner them with the Unified students, and they're one-on-one in the ocean teaching them how to surf, and then myself and Kirk Tice are there as an added layer of protection and safety."

Brown said the idea came about at a staff retreat in Bend in 2012, and "the rest is history." Since then, the program has grown each year, with the only interruption coming when the whole world shut down during the COVID-19 pandemic.

There are typically about 12 total surfers participating, including 6 athletes and 6 surfing partners. Instructors Kirk Tice and Richardson assist with surfing experience and are in the water supporting students, while approximately 20 participants take part in beach and sand activities.

"During the 2024–2025 school year, we expanded the program by adding organized sand activities and bringing in a second surf instructor, Kirk Tice. As the program has grown beyond surfing alone, it has evolved from Unified Surfing into Unified Beach Day for the 2026–2027 school year," Brown said.

One of the community partners who helps make the event possible is Dan Hasselschwert, owner of Ossie's Surf Shop. Hasselschwert is a longtime community partner who has worked with the program for over a decade.

This year's beach day was in early May, and with some time in the water and fun in the sand, there were plenty of highlights for the whole crew.

"There truly was an activity for every student who attended. Participants enjoyed campfires, roasting hot dogs, making s'mores, building sand castles, rock hunting, kite flying, water play, and surfing. The entire day reflected why we continue to host this event year after year: there was something meaningful and enjoyable for everyone," Brown said. "This year's event was simply amazing, and we could not have asked for a better outcome for the entire day. From shuttling participants on the bus trip to and from Ossie's Surf Shop, to hearing everyone excitedly singing on the ride there, and then experiencing the occasional silence on the ride home as students were completely exhausted from the day's activities — it was the perfect reminder of what a successful day looks like."

Richardson echoed much of Brown's sentiment. Going back to when the event was focused solely on surfing, Richardson recalls that many of the students described feeling free and that their "brains were at ease."

Richardson and Tice are certified through the National Surf Schools Instructor Association, as well as other certifications that qualify them to do these types of events with special education and general education students. While it is undoubtedly fun for the students to experience the ocean, Richardson said it's also a great opportunity to educate kids on coastal safety.

Getting out in the water or spending time on the beach with their friends has a profound impact on these kids.

"It's life-changing. These students will remember that day for the rest of their lives. It was a highlight not just for their school year, but their whole life," Richardson said.

For Richardson, one of the most special and fun parts of the day was seeing the six students in wetsuits get to enjoy the wonder of the ocean and surfing.

"All six of those kids had the biggest smiles on their faces, and you could see the sparkle in their eyes. You could see the excitement," Richardson said. "It's exhilarating, it's scary, and really exciting and fun and enjoyable all at the same

time. I see all these kids in the classroom, and then seeing them out there, it's a different level of excitement and joy that they experience."

For those kids who didn't want to test their sea legs on a surfboard, getting to spend some time in the sand and enjoy an experience they usually wouldn't have was special. Richardson said that "everyone feels equal when their on the beach."

Brown said that Unified Beach Day provides opportunities that "only the Oregon Coast can offer."

"There is a unique calmness about being at the beach, and for many of our students, the experience brings connection, confidence, relaxation, and joy in a way that is difficult to replicate anywhere else," Brown said.

## **Hearing from the students**

The students all had thoughts about their time at the beach and communicated in a variety of ways.

E'liza enjoyed the campfire surrounded by the wooden logs. It was something new added this year. Mr. Tice set it up and it was a nice little place to sit on the logs.

Alexavier said he "would like to go surfing again," and that "it was so much fun." Nick liked walking on the beach. Brian "liked roasting the hot dogs on the campfire." Aaliyah stated that "she felt free."

Using his Augmentative and Alternative Communication, Vinny found the button for "happy," and Joshua said it was "a lot of fun." Payten said the beach was "good."

The three assistant surf instructors, Silas, Araya, and Zane, each reported positive experiences with their surfing partners. The experience of teaching the students and spending time in the water with them was meaningful to each of them.

For the students, their time in the surf and the sands will be something they'll carry with them for the rest of their lives.

## **A program for everyone**

Brown wants the community to know that Unified activities are about much more than sports or events.

"They help students develop communication skills, teamwork, empathy, problem-solving, and confidence while forging lasting friendships among students of all abilities," Brown said. "Unified programs encourage students to recognize one another's strengths and create an environment where differences are respected and celebrated."

Part of the faculty's focus at Newport High School is to give students opportunities to participate in leadership roles, community volunteering, recreational activities, school spirit events, and peer partnerships that will help prepare them for life beyond high school. Brown said one of the benefits of participating in Unified activities is that students become stronger self-advocates, more involved in school culture, and more connected to their community.

And that doesn't just stop with the students; Unified activities also create opportunities for families and community members to become involved and support inclusive experiences for kids. Whether through attending events, volunteering, partnering with activities, or cheering students on, community support plays a major role in the success of these programs, Brown said.

"The goal of Unified programming at Newport High School is to ensure that every student feels seen, valued, included, and capable of contributing to their school and community in meaningful ways," Brown said.

Students and families with questions about Unified Club or the Unified Basketball Team are encouraged to contact Zoey Tingler at Newport High School.