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The Plaza is about expanding our city's capacity for arts, culture, fun and education

Dorcas Holzapfel, Lincoln City Cultural Center Board President



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The Cultural Central Plaza celebration included a ribbon cutting. See more photos with this story at thenewsguard.com.

Community gathers to celebrate new Cultural Center Plaza

JEREMY C. RUARK Country Media, Inc.

or the past eight months, drivers on U.S. Highway 101 in central Lincoln City have been the curious audience for a creative work in progress, a steadily progressing construction site that wrapped around the historic Delake School at 540 NE Highway 101.

The project is the long-awaited Lincoln City Cultural Plaza, an exterior improvement designed to provide accessibility and safety along with public art, lovely landscaping and inviting gathering spaces, according to Lincoln City Cultural center

The non-profit Lincoln City Cultural Center administrators and board members held a community celebration Nov. 18.

The Activation Party schedule featured two ribbon cuttings, Land Acknowledgment Wind Wall live music and dance, scavenger hunt, a community art project and a barbecue lunch, courtesy of event sponsor NW Natural.

Three of the Plaza's new permanent installations were dedicated, the Lincoln City Rotary's "Music in the Parks" instruments were played for the first time, and the sponsored pavers and Audubon "Bird Bricks" were dedicated.

Society members sponsored 47 pavers in order to dedicate them to native bird species. The Society has created an official "Bird Bricks" brochure that features thumbnail photos of all the species listed on the club's sponsored pavers.

Those who gathered at the Nov. 18 celebration also listened to the first reading of "Why They Came," the original poem that handicapped accessible. will be engraved into the new Poetry Path.

'We're so thankful for the members, volunteers, donors and is built upon community support, supporters who made the Cultural Plaza possible for our nonprofit organization," Lincoln City Cultural Center Board President Dorcas Holzapfel said. "The Plaza is about expanding our city's capacity for arts, culture, fun and education."

While the project has reached an important stage of "substantial completion," several elements are still in progress, acbirthdays and plenty of inside jokes, cording to Price. The Kiwanis Outdoor Art Classroom and the



Jeremy C. Ruark / Country Media, Inc. Community members stroll along the new pebble-enhanced Poetry Path.

are scheduled for completion by the end of the year.

'We're looking forward to dedicating those spaces as well. Stay tuned, Lincoln City. This Plaza will always be a work in progress, I think. Changing and growing along with the people who use it," Price said.

The Cultural Center's entry on the east side of the building is described as he broad and inviting and

'This welcoming pedestrian area quite literally, because it's the home of more than 450 personalized pavers and three sponsored benches," Price said. "Here you'll find the names of loved ones, special experiences, through a project that raised more

than \$75,000 from 2019 to 2023."

At the northwest corner of the Plaza visitors will find a circular seat wall surrounding three large musical instruments that will be open every day of the year, fully accessible and free to the public.

This installation was conceived and funded by the members of the Rotary Club of Lincoln City as its second "Music in the Parks" donation to the community. Made by Freenotes Harmony Park of Telluride, Colo., the instruments are made of anodized aluminum and have been mounted in-ground. They are:

Swirl – A pentatonic instrument that delivers resonating sounds, with a bright tonal quality. Its range is alto/soprano, with C Major on the

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Jeremy C. Ruark / Country Media, Inc. Lincoln County School District Superintendent Majalise Tolan left, and Taft Middle/ High School Principal Nick Lupo and Rotary Club members, assemble holiday wreaths during the Nov. 18 project. See more photos with this story at thenewsguard.com.

Volunteers continue traditions

Holiday wreaths, meals help local people in need

JEREMY C. RUARK Nov. 18 and Nov. 19 Country Media, Inc.

Lincoln City Rotary Club members have launched their annual holiday wreath sales by rolling up their shelves and carefully piecing together hundreds of Christmas wreaths.

The Rotarians held assembly projects outside the sports stadium field house at Taft Middle/High School

to prepare the wreaths. The Rotary Club has sponsored the wreath project for more than 30 years. It purchases the wreaths from a regional tree farm and assembles them with red bows for the holidays. The Rotarians sell the wreaths to the public to support the club's community service projects.

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Judge rules Measure 114 unconstitutional

BEN BOTKIN

Oregon Chronicle News Guard Guest Article

Oregon's voter-approved gun law that would require permits and a safety course violates the state constitution, a Harney County Circuit Court judge ruled on Tues-

day. The ruling is a setback for gun safety advocates who backed Measure 114 in response to gun violence and mass shoot-

ings and convinced Oregon voters to pass it in 2022. Gun rights groups challenged the state law in federal court as well as Harney County Circuit Court.

The law has not gone into effect with the litigation pending. The ruling effectively means Measure 114 will not become a reality, unless Judge Robert Raschio's decision is overturned in a higher court.

Oregon Attorney

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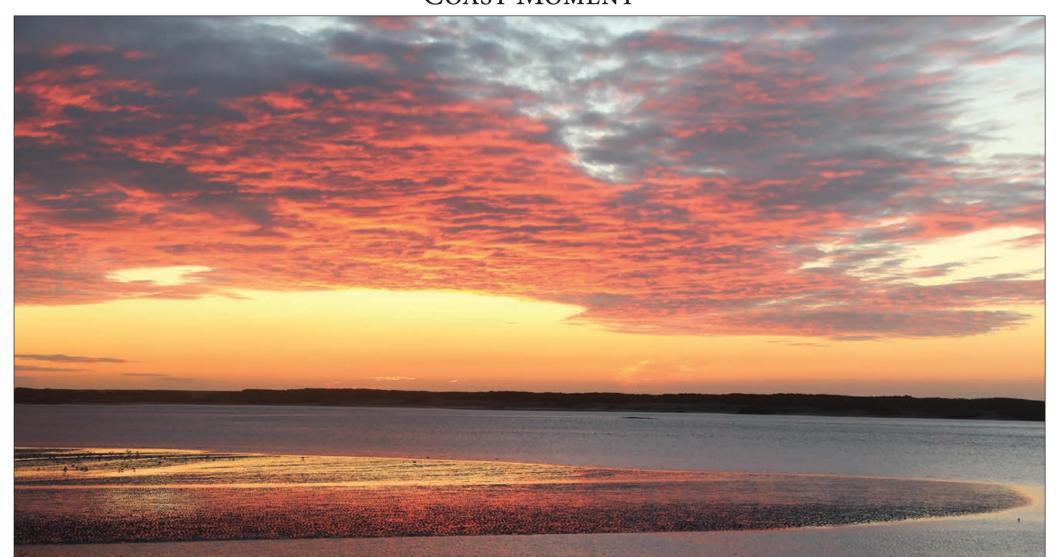


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COAST MOMENT



Jeremy C. Ruark/Country Media, Inc.

A blaze of color during a fall sunset at Siletz Bay in Lincoln City. See more Coast Moments at thenewsguard.com.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Nov. 30 Sitka Talks

Join us via Zoom for a free, online Resident Talk at 4 p.m. Six artists and scientists living and working in residence at Sitka will give brief 10-minute-long presentations. This season, from October to April, over 50 artists and scientists will be in residence at the Sitka Center for Art and Ecology. To register, visit www.sitkacenter.org/

Nov. 30 Game Night

6:30 p.m. at the Gleneden Beach Community Club, 110 Azalea Street in Glenenden Beach. Bring your favorite games or play one available at the club. Bring a partner, or challenge someone attending. If you're hungry, bring snacks and/or your own beverage. Free mahjong lesson this month.

Dec. 2 Holiday Bazaar

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Coronado Shores Beach Club, 255 Shore Drive in Gleneden Beach. Paintings, baked goods, crochet items, crafts from Peru, jewelry, fused glass, greeting cards, afghans, barn quilts, wooden pens, pottery, wreaths, resin art, wood paintings, repurposed parts created into robots, lavender items, and homemade tamales

Dec. 3 Pancake Breakfast, Bake Sale

Menu includes all-you-can-eat pancakes; scrambled eggs, sausage or ham, orange juice and assorted hot beverages to be served at the Gleneden Beach Community Hall, 110 Azalea St. from 8-11 a.m. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids ages 6-12, and kiddos under 6 eat free. Cash only. Bake sale includes assorted holiday goodies. For more details, visit glenedenbeach.org.

Dec. 9 Garden Club Holiday Sale

The Seal Rock Garden Club is celebrating its 75th anniversary offering coastal residents hand-crafted holiday decorations at its Holiday Greens Sale from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The sale features green wreaths and swags of various sizes made from locally sourced greens, small live decorated trees and tabletop arrangements, all handmade and decorated by club members. It will be held in Seal Rock at the clubhouse, adjacent to the Seal Rock Fire Station, on the east side of Highway 101, 10377 Rand Street. An array of 10 garden-themed items, including a handcrafted garden bench, will be offered at a silent auction. A live decorated tree in a lovely bluest/green ceramic pot with battery-powered lights will be raffled off. Raffle tickets cost \$1 each or six for \$5. You need not be present to win. Refreshments will be free for shoppers. A portion of the sale proceeds are donated to local projects to aid youth and women. For more information, text Marilyn, at 801-635-5001 or email at mlkid123@yahoo.com

On Going

Enjoy Singing? The Lincolnaires, an informal singing group, meets every Tuesday from 10 a.m.to 11 a.m. at the Senior Center and is looking for more voices. Come and join us! For more information, contact Karen Nichols 541-669-1147.

Veterans Free Homemade Soup and Sandwich offered twice monthly from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. on the second and fourth

Wednesdays at the Lincoln City B.P.O. Elks # 1886 located at 1350 S.E. Oar Avenue in Lincoln City.

Lincoln City Senior Center Events

Dementia Caregiver Support Group meets at 10 a.m. 1st and 3rd Thursdays.

Tai Chi 8:15 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. No membership required. Donation to instructor suggest-

Folk Music Circle to begin meeting Thursdays at 5:30 p.m. beginning in April. Weekly Walk on LCCC track. No charge or membership

required. 10:30 a.m. Mondays.

Chair Yoga 11:30 a.m. Mondays. No membership required. Donation to instructor suggested.

Central Coast Word Surfers

Writing group 1 to 3 p.m. every second Saturday of the month. Free. Driftwood Public Library, 801 SE Highway 101 in Lincoln City

Lincoln County Genealogical Society

Regular meeting first Saturday of each month from 10-10:45 a.m. Programs begin at 11 am. We host a kaffeeklatsch before our meeting from 9:30 am -10 a.m. All are welcome to attend. Call 503-302-8892, or visit LCGSOregon.org.

If you have a community event coming up, send brief details with the date, time, location and contact phone/email to jruark@countrymedia.net.

Florencia' live broadcast coming to the Newport Performing Arts Center

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Inspired by the magical realism of Gabriel García Márquez, Daniel Catán's Florencia en el Amazonas tells enchanting story of a Brazilian opera diva who returns to her homeland to perform at the legendary opera house of Manaus—and to search for her lost lover, who

has vanished into the jungle. At 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 9, Florencia will be broadcast live from the Metropolitan Opera stage in New York to the big screen at Newport Performing Arts Center, presented by Oregon Coast Council for the Arts.

The story

A riverboat wends its way along the Amazon River. On board is renowned vocalist

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Florencia Grimaldi, who has no Ailyn Pérez, who grew up embarked on a desperate, clandestine mission in search of her long-lost, butterfly-hunting lover, Cristóbal. Also on board are a middle-aged couple who bicker incessantly, the writer of Florencia's biography, and a mysterious figure who somehow seems to know everyone on board. Through storms, losses, a man overboard, and the threat of cholera, a mysterious journey unfolds.

Poignant and evocative, Florencia's long-awaited Metropolitan Opera premiere marks the first Spanish-language opera at the Met in nearly 100 years. It's also the first opera at the Met by a Mexican composer, Catán, whose librettist, Marcela Fuentes-Berain, also hails from Mexico City.

Mexican American sopra-

in Chicago the daughter of Mexican immigrants, stars in the title role, trading in the usual operatic Italian and French for the Spanish she speaks fluently.

The set designer for Mary Zimmerman's visual feast of a production is the Havana-born, Buenos Aires-reared Riccardo Hernández, in his Met debut. A distinguished ensemble of artists portrays the diva's fellow travelers, including soprano Gabriella Reyes, bass-baritone Greer Grimsley, baritone Mattia Ol-

ivieri and tenor Mario Chang. This live transmission is part of the Met's award-winning "Live in HD" series, bringing world class opera to screens across the globe. Audiences are invited to experience this deliciously mysterious opera with better-than-front-row angles and glorious sound.

The production is sung in Spanish, with English subtitles, and will be broadcast live from the Met stage to the Alice Silverman Theatre. Run time is about 2 hours 15 mins, with one intermission.

Tickets range from \$15.50 \$25.75 when purchased at the Newport Performing Arts Center box office, at 777 W Olive Street or by phone. Online ticketing is also available. An additional fee applies.

To learn more, call 541-265-2782 or visit coastarts. org/events/met-florencia

The Met

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Florencia Grimaldi, who has embarked on a desperate, clandestine mission in search of her long-lost, butterfly-hunting lover, Cristóbal.

grandeur, and excitement of world-class opera, broadcast from the Metropolitan Opera stage directly to Newport Performing Arts Center's big

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SHERIFF'S TIPS OF THE WEEK

Use precautions when heating your home

LINCOLN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

While the temperature outside is cooling down, you may be heating your home to keep yourself comfortable through the stormy months ahead.

Before you turn the heat up, turn on the generator, or start a fire in the fire-

start a fire in the r place, it is important to take precautions and practice regular maintenance to prevent accidents.

S m o k e Alarms and CO2 Detectors

Install smoke alarms on the ceiling of every room and in areas such as hallways.

Install carbon monoxide detectors 5 feet or higher outside each bedroom or sleeping area and in attached garages.

Every level of the home should have a smoke detector and carbon monoxide detector.

Smoke alarms should be at least 10 feet away from the stove to reduce false alarms.

Carbon monoxide detectors should be at least 15 feet away from gas-burning fireplaces, stoves, or other gas-burning appliances to reduce false alarms.

Test alarms at least once a month or more frequently if indicated by the user manual.

Replace the unit at least every 10 years or sooner if recommended by the manufacturer.

Ensure alarms and detectors are loud enough to wake you. Plan and practice your evacuation routes and meeting points with your entire household, including pets.

Fireplace and Stove Safe-

Keep your fireplace clean and well-maintained. Regularly inspect and clean the chimney to remove any buildup or debris.

Use a metal fireplace sheriff.net

Remembrance

Making Bank

COUNTY screen or glass doors to prevent sparks and embers from escaping.

Keep flammable materials away from the fireplace.

Never leave the fire unattended. Remember to extinguish the fire completely before leaving the room or going to bed.

pets away from the
hot surfaces of
your fireplace
or stove to
prevent
burns or
accidental

fires.

Keep children and

Electric Heater and Space Heater Safety

Keep flammable materials at least three feet away from heaters.

Place heaters on a level, secure surface. Keep pets and children away from space heaters to prevent burns or tipping over the unit.

Never leave your heater unattended. Always turn it off when you leave the room or go to sleep.

Ensure your heater is in good condition. If there are frayed cords or other signs of wear, replace the unit.

Do not use extension cords or power strips/surge protectors with your space heater. Plug heaters directly into an electrical outlet to help avoid electrical fires.

Generator Safety

Generators should always be placed outdoors in a well-ventilated area. Keep them away from doors, windows, and vents to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning.

Follow the manufacturer's guidelines. Never overload the generator with too many devices.

Keep fuel stored safely and away from ignition sources. Never refuel the generator while it's running.

For more information and tips visit www.lincolncounty-shariff not

DANGER

Sign of the times

Child luring investigation nets two arrests

JEREMY C. RUARK Country Media, Inc.

Two local men have been arrested in the latest Lincoln City Police Department (LCPD) online child luring investigations.

During the investigations, officers posing as underage children on various online social media platforms were contacted by adult men who offered to meet up with a person they believed to be a minor for sex or used online communications to solicit a child to engage in sexual contact or sexually explicit conduct.

Lincoln City, Nov. 9 after he arrived at an undisclosed public location to meet with a minor for sex, according to LCPD Lt. Jeffrey Winn. "Cotter had been chatting

Officers arrested 56-year-

old Scott Anthony Cotter of

"Cotter had been chatting on social media with undercover officers and during 44

The Lincoln City Police want to encourage parents to monitor their children's social media activity and discuss with them the possible dangers of communicating with strangers online.

Lt. Jeffrey Winn



conversations had sent graphic messages depicting various sexual acts along with sending nude photos of himself," Winn said. "Cotter stated he wanted to meet up with the persons he believed to be minors for the purpose of engaging in sexual acts."

Cotter was taken into custody by LCPD officers and subsequently transported to the Lincoln County Jail where he was lodged on criminal charges including, three counts of Luring a Minor, one count of Online Sexual Corruption of a Child in the first degree, two counts of

sent Online Sexual Corruption of a Child in the second degree, along and Display Child Sexual tos of Conduct.

On Nov. 13, 28-year-old Joseph Ray Williams of Otis, was arrested after he arrived at an undisclosed public location to meet up with a minor for sex, according to LCPD investigators.

"Williams had recently

begun chatting online with an undercover officer posing as a minor female," Winn said. "During the course of the online conversations, he sent sexually graphic messages and nude photos of himself.

Williams made arrangements to meet and pick up the fictitious minor female for the purpose of engaging in sexual acts in his car."

Williams was taken into custody by Lincoln City Police subsequently transported to the Lincoln County Jail where he was lodged on criminal charges, including Luring a Minor, Online Sexual Corruption of a Child in the first degree, attempted Sexual Abuse III, attempted Rape III, and attempted Sodomy III.

"The Lincoln City Police want to encourage parents to monitor their children's social media activity and discuss with them the possible dangers of communicating with strangers online," Winn said. "These investigations are conducted in an effort to reduce criminal activity and to further enhance the safety of our community."

Three-vehicle crash leads to DUII arrest

STEVE CARD

Country Media, Inc.

Details are emerging about a traffic crash along Highway 101 that closed the roadway north of Newport for approximately three hours.

The three-car crash on Wednesday, Nov. 15, resulted in several people being transported to area hospitals, and one of the drivers being arrested for driving under the influence of intoxicants.

At around 12:30 p.m., an Oregon State Police trooper responded to the report of a crash on Highway 101 near milepost 133, on the south side of Cape Foulweather.

According to the OSP report, the crash occurred when the driver of black 2022 Ford Mustang traveling north began passing northbound traffic in the southbound lane. The southbound driver of red 2009 Toyota Prius swerved

to miss the oncoming Mustang but was unable to avoid a head-on collision. After this initial crash, the driver of blue 2015 Toyota Prius, following the red Prius, struck the rear of the red Prius, pushing it over the northbound shoulder and sending it 75 feet down the embankment, where it struck a tree.

The driver of the red Prius, an 82-year-old woman from Lincoln City, was transported to Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital in Newport with injuries, including light lacerations, bruising and difficulty breathing. The driver and passengers of the blue Prius were uninjured, according to the OSP report.

The female driver of the Mustang, identified as Jay Lynn Kruse, 58, of Beaver, was transported to Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital in Lincoln City, as was a rearseat passenger in the Mustang

who suffered a broken collarbone. A front-seat passenger in the Mustang was transported to Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital in Newport with non-life threatening injuries.

The first law enforcement officer arriving on the crash scene was Deputy Bruce Maguire, with the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office. He described seeing people lying in the road, later learning they had gotten themselves out of the vehicles and then laid down because of injuries. According to the OSP report, Kruse was still in the Mustang and smelled strongly of alcohol. The trooper contacted the driver of the red Prius, who was still in the vehicle down the embankment, and she was extricated and carried uphill by emergency response personnel.

According to a probable cause affidavit later filed with

the Lincoln County Circuit Court, Maguire informed the on-scene state trooper that the passengers in the Mustang told him Kruse had been drinking and that they were fighting prior to the crash.

The state trooper followed the ambulance carrying the driver of the Mustang and continued an investigation at the hospital. It was later determined that Kruse had a blood-alcohol content of 0.17 percent, more than double the legal limit.

Kruse was later released from the hospital and was arrested on three counts of third-degree assault, driving under the influence of intoxicants, reckless driving, three counts of recklessly endangering another person, and second-degree criminal mischief.

A preliminary court hearing on the case was scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 22.

Two die in Highway 26 head-on collision

Investigation impacts traffic

STAFF REPORT Country Media, Inc. Details have been released by Oregon State Police (OSP) following a fatal traffic crash in Tillamook

On Saturday, Nov. 18 at 5:12 a.m., the OSP troopers responded to a two-vehicle crash on Highway 26, near milepost 33.

The preliminary investigation indicated a westbound Kia Optima, operated by 23-year-old Isaiah Rasheid Edlin of Hillsboro, crossed the center line and struck head-on an eastbound Toyota Corolla, operated by 77-yearold Carole Ann Klages of Warrenton.

OSP investigators said that a witness reported the Kia had been observed traveling at high speeds and making unsafe passes prior to the crash. The witness did not observe the crash itself.

The operator of the Kia

(Edlin) was declared deceased at the scene. The operator of the Toyota (Klages) was declared deceased at the scene, according to OSP.

The highway was impacted for approximately six hours during the on-scene investigation

vestigation.

The Washington County
Sheriff's Office, Banks Fire,
and the Oregon Department
of Transportation assisted
OSP with the investigation.







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Angels Ball, Festival of Trees tickets on sale now

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Practice those dance steps and plan your party attire for the Angels Ball and Festival of Trees happening Dec. 2.

The main fundraiser for Angel's Anonymous, The Festival of Trees, will begin on Nov. 29 and conclude with the Angels Ball on Dec. 2 at Chinook Winds Casino Re-

Angels Anonymous, with the help of generous donors, is able to ensure that many members of our local community meet their immediate and basic needs when hard times hit. The need is great and members of the community can help ease the suffering of those less fortunate.

People and businesses are asked to sponsor one of the trees at the Festival of Trees and watch it raise money at the live auction on the night of

Those businesses who choose to sponsor monetarily will receive recognition on our website and in the auction program.

The cost for a space and a tree to decorate provided by Angels Anonymous is \$100. If you provide your own tree, the cost is \$50.

The whole family is welcome to the free public viewing on Nov. 29 through Dec. 1, noon -8 p.m. and Dec. 2, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Santa and Mrs. Clause will arrive to make a pre-Christmas appearance for photos and Christmas requests on Dec. 1 from 5-8 p.m.

This year's ball will feature food, the auction of decorated Christmas trees, a 50/50 raffle, and holiday wreaths in a silent auction along with a wide variety of other items.

Top off the evening enjoying ive music from Collective Nation. Their set includes modern hits from Bruno Mars, Beyonce, DNCE, Maroon 5 and more.

Doors open at 5 p.m. Call to dinner at 6:30 p.m. Music and dancing from 8:30 p.m. to 11 p.m. Formal wear is not required but encouraged.

Tickets to the ball are \$125 per person or a table of eight for \$1,000. Tickets can be purchased at Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce at 4039 NW Logan Road, or online at, https://www. angels-anonymous-lc.org/

For more information or sponsorship packets call Phil Robertson at 541-921-7359, or e-mail phillylphil@msn. com, or Roger Robertson at 541-996-7474, or email allways@charter.net. Packets are available at the Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce 4039 NW Logan Road in Lincoln City.



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Specially decorated holiday trees at a previous Festival of Trees.

Lincoln City woman recalls marching in the Macy's Parade

JEREMY C. RUARK Country Media, Inc.

It is a tradition for local families, watching the live television coverage of the

annual Macy's Thanksgiving Parade. Day The three-hour parade is held in Manhattan, New York. An Oregon

Coast resident

has fond mem-

ories of her

participating in

time actually

DelVecchio

the parade in the late 1950s. Alex Del Vecchio, now a Lincoln City resident, was a member of the St. Cath-

erine Academy Marching

Band from Bronx, New York, which annually took part in the holiday celebration.

"I remember just the excitement of being in the parade and the thousands of people who were lining the street we were marching along making beautiful music," she said.

In the parade, Alex played the glockenspiel, which is a percussion instrument consisting of pitched aluminum or steel bars arranged in a keyboard layout.

The band marched from the beginning to the end of the parade route.

'It was several miles," she said. "We went mostly slowly and there were people on both sides of the street. It was a very big thing!"

The 2023 parade traveled 2.5 miles down Central Park West in Manhattan and included 21 large balloons, 11 marching bands, 18 performers, seven performance groups and 29 clown crews.

Del Vecchio not only marched with her school band in the late 1950s Thanksgiving parade, but they also participated in the St. Patrick's Day Parade in New York.

Each year Del Vecchio travels back to New York, not to march, but to be a spectator of the Thanksgiving Parade.

"My brother's family is in New York, so we go the night before Thanksgiving and stay at a hotel and get up in the morning to watch the parade," she said.

She had the following

advice for young people that History might have an opportunity to

"Do it! Just enjoy it and know that it will be with you for the rest of your life," Del Vecchio said.

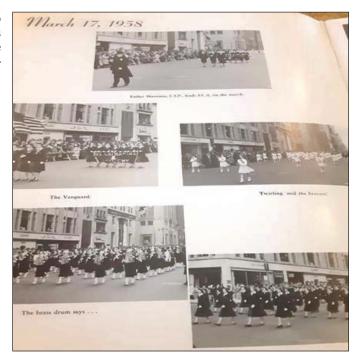
march in such an event.

The Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade is an annual parade in New York City presented by the U.S.-based department store chain Macy's. The Parade first took place in 1924, tying it for the second-oldest Thanksgiving parade in the United States with America's Thanksgiving Parade in Detroit, according to Wikipedia.



Alex Del Vecchio's school band marching in the 1958 Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade.

Courtesy photo Photos of Del Vecchio's 1958 yearbook showing the marching band at the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade.





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Setting the stage for retirement

JULIA CARLSON

News Guard Guest Column

Retirement is a major life transition! With so much to do and see, it's important to make sure your finances are in order so you can live the retirement lifestyle you want. Whether you're just starting to plan for retirement or you're already retired, here is a checklist to help you reach your goals.



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1. Review

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your income help you de-Julia termine Carlson

how much money you will have coming in each month. Your income sources may include Social Security, pensions, retirement savings and investment income.

2. Calculate your retirement expenses.

Calculating your retirement expenses will help you determine how much money you need to withdraw from your retirement savings each month. Remember, health care costs can be a significant expense in retirement. Be sure to factor in Medicare premiums, prescription drugs, and long-term care insurance

3. Develop a distribution strategy.

Developing a distribution strategy will help you determine how much money you need to withdraw from your retirement savings each month to cover your expenses. A common distribution strategy is to withdraw 4 percent of your retirement savings each year. However, this is just a general guideline, and you may need to adjust your withindividual circumstances.

When you withdraw mon-

ey from your retirement account, it's important to know how to make your withdrawals as tax efficient as possible. An example might be to withdraw money from your taxable accounts and your tax-deferred accounts to create an overall smaller tax burden.

4. Create an estate plan. Creating an estate plan will help ensure that your financial assets are distributed according to your wishes and appointed to people you trust to carry out those wishes. Estate planning documents can include a will, trust, power of attorney, and advance health

directives Retirement can be a wonderful time of life, and we hope this checklist makes your retirement planning less complex. If you need help, it's a good idea to work with a financial advisor. They can help you develop a retirement plan for your lifestyle. By setting the stage, you can ensure that you have the financial plan you need to enjoy your retirement years.

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THIS THING CALLED LIFE

What a beautiful blessing - I'll take it

MICHELLE PIERSON YOUNG

News Guard Guest Column

In a little village in Guatemala called Chichicastenango, I attempted to take a photo of a beautiful woman whose hands were stained purple from the dyes she



Michelle Young

would have asked permission, in halting Spanish, if I'd had any cash at all, which I knew she would ask for. Instead,

worked with.

I got a shifty looking photo and very clear communication from my subject to back the hell off. I was in my 30's. It was thrilling.

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News Guard Guest Article

Shana McConville Rad-

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itously I did not die. I travel very differently on this end of experience.

The thing that makes travel the most exciting for me is the requirement I use my senses. When I go out of my home base at all, but especially when I go to far distant places, I cannot live on autopilot. I can't order the same foods from the same places, nor use the same roads when I travel. All roads are new.

One of the most important elements of travel is when we are unsure of whether we turn left or right, we're uncertain of local customs, we have to learn a new way of travel. The element is that we no longer live where we KNOW.

What magic when we discover a new food or custom that pleases us or even makes us giggle. Even adding one, simple ingredient into the stew of our lives can change

It's true we are changed by every moment, every interaction. When we invite that change by traveling and learning new people and ways, we can change for the better. The beauty of this sort of powerful travel magic is that we needn't even leave our cozy chairs at home to do so.

My delight in travel did not end when I was neither delighted to travel (sometimes too much is too much) nor were we, as a species, advised to do so.

There have been many long months when I neither had the interest nor the energy to leave my healing home. But when my mind longed for travel, I read new books, watched the BBC (yes, it's a very specific recommendation because just the accent makes you hear things differently) and traveled in my own ways.

Travel, the physical kind, we all agree is enriching. But leatplay.com.

the truth is, with all that is available to us today, we can travel in our minds almost anywhere, almost any time. If you plan a trip but don't plan to go on it, studies show you boost your dopamine (that's the feel good chemical your brain makes). Bonus points you're significantly more likely to actually take that trip.

I hope you're off to far away places if that's your cup of tea. If you're the kind of person or you have the kind of circumstances that keep you closer to home, I hope you travel to new ways of seeing and being and enjoying the world.

Take a little trip, take a little trip, take a little trip and

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

VOICES OF THE COMMUNITY

Thank you

This is an appropriate time of the year to send best wishes and say thank you to the many people on the frontlines of emergency response who serve our county's residents and visitors throughout the

To all the firefighters who respond whenever and wherever needed to take care of the people and the property in our county.

To everyone who helps our local ground and air ambulance crews respond to the many calls for medical aid and emergency transport.

To all the law enforcement agencies - from county, city, state and others - that protect and serve all of us, often at their own peril.

To the invisible but ever munities Hospital

present emergency dispatchers who answer the 9-1-1 calls for assistance and coordinate response by the appropriate helping agencies.

All of these special people work together with our hospital emergency department staff in Lincoln City and Newport to provide care to the sick and injured. So, on behalf of hospital administration, staff and volunteers at both hospitals, I send this this heartfelt appreciation to each one of you who helps make this possible.

Lesley Ogden, MD, CEO

Hospital and Samaritan Pacific Com-

Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation will join Gov. Tina Kotek's administration

Samaritan North Lincoln

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fice," said Kotek spokesperson Anca Matica in an email. "The governor's top priority for the tribal affairs director is to foster positive relationships with Oregon's tribal nations through meaningful and transparent consultation.'

McConville Radford will earn \$10,023 per month as a director, which differs from an adviser in "classification and internal structure," according to Matica.

In a news release last Thursday announcing the appointment, Kotek said she chose McConville Radford for her "extensive experience in tribal matters, policies and government-to-government relations."

McConville Radford said in the same release she'd work to foster collaboration and cooperation between the sovereign governments of the nine Oregon-based tribes and the federal and state govern-

Radford to be first director of tribal affairs

"I will promote and practice transparent and integrous policy design and implementation by centering true collaboration through curiosity, empathy, candor, and reciprocity," she said.

Kathryn Brigham, chair of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation board, said the board was pleased Kotek had chosen a member of the tribe for the position.

"We look forward to working with the governor's office to see not only the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation move forward and progress in the coming years, but all nine sovereign tribes in Oregon," Brigham said. "We believe that Shana can help with that endeavor."

Before becoming deputy director of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, McConville Radford worked with a number of state leaders, federal agencies and tribal governments. In 2010, she was a Mark O. Hatfield Congressional Fellow, serving as tribal legislative liaison and advisor to Oregon's U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden, a Democrat. She was a former superintendent of the Flathead Agency of the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Montana, working closely with the Confederated Salish

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ONLINE POLL

This week Will you be spending more or less for gifts this Christmas season?

Last week's results How will you spend **Thanksgiving 2023?**

More Less

Home with family 54% **Visiting relatives 16%** Alone 30%

The Oregon Office of Economic Analysis (OEA) has released corrected numbers for the December 2023 economic and revenue fore-

OEA released the December 2023 Economic and Revenue Forecast on Wednesday, November 15, which indicated an increase in Insurance Taxes relative to the previous September 2023 forecast. The previously published forecast overstated General Fund revenues by \$117.7 million. Following

additional research, the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services (DCBS) informed OEA that recent tax audit activity would reduce their Insurance Tax collections by \$68 million, not increase them as DCBS previously indicated. This change results in a net reduction of \$136 million relative to the published numbers.

When OEA updated the

Insurance Tax numbers to reflect this change, the office found that the outlook was also being incorrectly adjusted for previous legislation. As those impacts are now being realized in actual tax collections, a separate adjustment is no longer needed in the outlook. By not removing the adjustment, OEA understated Insurance Taxes by \$18.3 million.

Combined, the previously published forecast overstated General Fund revenues by \$117.7 million. The corrected numbers are as follows:

Total Net General Fund revenues in the current 2023-25 biennium are \$25.6 billion, an increase of \$217.7 million in the corrected December forecast compared to the September forecast.

The estimated ending balance now stands at \$1.09 billion, a corrected \$655 million above the Close of Session forecast

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ontaminated WanaBana applesauce impacting children

STAFF REPORT Country Media, Inc.

State and local health officials have identified multiple children in Oregon with elevated blood lead levels after they ate certain pouches of applesauce called WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Purée.

The elevated blood lead reports follow a safety and recall alert from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in late October warning parents and caregivers against buying or feeding the product to young children.

As of Nov. 15, local public health investigators have found a total of six cases of elevated blood lead levels in children who ate WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Purée.

The children live in Lake, Lincoln, Multnomah and Washington counties. Some of the families learned about the FDA alert through local news and online media reports that prompted parents and caregivers to report possible exposure to health care providers.

WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Purée is distributed nationwide through retailers including Dollar Tree, Amazon and other online stores. Additionally, since the FDA alert Oct. 28, two other brands of applesauce products sold at Schnucks and Weis Markets have become subject to the recall, though they are not available in Oregon.

A collaborative investigation by state and local partners, FDA's Coordinated Outbreak Response & Evaluation (CORE) Network, and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is ongoing.

WanaBana has

WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Purée pouches regardless of their expiration dates, some people may have bought the product before the recall announcement. Families should check their homes and throw away any pouches they find.

"While lead is toxic for all people regardless of age, small children are especially at risk because they're still growing and developing," Oregon Health Authority's Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program Coordinator Ryan Barker said. "Continued exposure over time can permanently damage their central nervous system, which may result in long-term health problems, such as learning disorders, impaired speech and brain damage.'

Signs of lead poisoning are not always easy to see and can be mistaken for other illnesses. Without a blood test, lead poisoning may go undiagnosed, especially since affected children often don't look or act sick.

Possible signs of lead exposure and symptoms in children include:

Tiredness or loss of ener-

Hyperactivity. Reduced attention span. Irritability or crankiness. Poor appetite. Weight loss. Trouble sleeping.

Aches or pains in stomach. Parents and caregivers concerned about a child's exposure to WanaBana Apple Cinnamon Fruit Purée should contact their health care provider to request a blood test.

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CDC's Testing Children for Lead Poisoning

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Oregon Health Authority's Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program

More information about blood testing and lead can be found on links with this story at thenewsguard.com



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Samaritan Health announces new COO

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Marty Cahill, MBA, FACHE, CEO of Samari-Lebanon Community Hospital, has been named to the newly created position of Chief Operating Officer

– Hospitals for Samaritan Health Services.

In this role, Cahill will



vices system. Cahill "Marty's

experience leading two different Samaritan hospitals, his 15-year history within the organization and his vision for the future of Samaritan hospitals was compelling," Samaritan Health Services CEO Doug Boysen said. "I'm looking forward to working with Marty in this new way as we continue to

chart our course forward." At Samaritan, Cahill has served as CEO of Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital and Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital, and shepherded the development of the Administrative Fellowship program and the Samaritan Health Sciences campus. During Cahill's health care career, he has twice served as Regent for the American port.

College of Healthcare Executives, received the ACHE Distinguished Service Award and been recognized as Business Leader of the Year by the Leb-

anon Chamber of Commerce. "It is an honor to be selected for this work — to help streamline our operations across the system and leverage the best practices of our individual hospitals — to make our system even stronger in support of our mission," Cahill said. "In this role, I'll be working with our hospital leadership to drive high reli-

ability and quality care." Cahill began his new role

on Monday, Nov. 20. Wendie Wunderwald, RN, has been appointed as CEO for Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital. Wunderwald has more than 39 years of service at Samaritan Health Services, most recently as vice president of Patient Care Services at the Lebanon Hospital. Under her leadership, the hospital became the first critical access hospital in the U.S. to win the Beacon award from the American Association of

Critical Care Nurses. "We have an incredible team of dedicated clinicians, caregivers and support staff here at Samaritan Lebanon Community Hospital," Wunderwald said. "It is an honor to be able to transition to this new role in Samaritan."

Samaritan operates hospitals in Lincoln City and New-

THE RIGHT REASONS

It's refreshing to come across a company that simply does things for the right reasons. Sweet Haven Rentals in Lincoln City certainly fits that description. Founded in 2018, Sweet Haven is everything a locally-owned, community-focused business should be, which is quite different from the business models of the mega online rental giants that have become so controversial in recent years.

Alanna Miel and Adam Creighton are the founders of Sweet Haven and the company is a reflection of their backgrounds and convictions. Miel, whose friends always refer to her by her last name, grew up in tiny Days Creek, which is about 11 miles up the South Umpqua from Canyonville. After graduating from Lewis & Clark College she worked with non-profit organizations, rising to a senior position at International Medical Corps, where she arranged funding for health projects and refugee programs in six African countries.

As a young Rotary Exchange Student in Finland, Miel had vowed to experience all seven continents, a goal she has now easily achieved, having traveled to 65 countries and Antarctica. The fact that someone with such a diverse background chose to plant roots and raise her family in Lincoln City is certainly a tribute to the area.

Adam, who also grew up in a small town (Paradise, CA), graduated from Humboldt State University and he too began his career serving non-profit organizations. As a well-respected grant writer, Adam eventually crossed paths with Miel and the couple began a philanthropic romance. How did he learn that Miel was as serious about the relationship as he was? "I got a call from her twin asking what are your intentions for my sister? Because she's already booked the honeymoon.

While she was based in Washington, D.C., Miel had dabbled in rental management as a "side gig", owning and managing three properties. When she and her sister received an inheritance, they decided to build two cabins as investments in an area they loved from their childhood - Olivia Beach in Lincoln City. The cabins became part of the rental pool of a large management company, but bookings were few and far between. So Miel decided to manage the cabin's bookings herself and eventually got very proficient at it.

"When our neighbors learned how financially successful Miel had made the cabins, they asked her if she would manage their properties," remembers Adam. "That's essentially how Sweet Haven began. We started with two clients and one housekeeper. I was the handyman.'

Neighbors do talk and when others in Olivia Beach got wind of how well Sweet Haven was managing properties they asked to be included. These days the company employs more than a dozen people and Sweet Haven's steadily growing roster includes twenty properties.

Short-term rentals have long been a contentious issue in popular vacation destinations. But here's an example in which a community seems to have gotten it right. Olivia Beach, where almost all of Sweet Haven's rentals are located, was designated a Vacation Rental Zone after the area was developed. As a result, homeowners (who in most cases built their homes to sometimes be rented) do not feel infringed upon and the entire community enjoys the economic benefits of attracting a steady stream of visitors.

"If you want to party, our properties are not for you," explains Miel. "But if you want to find a great spot near the beach for a family vacation, Olivia Beach is heaven. We live just minutes away ourselves and we designed the Sweet Haven rental process to prescreen guests so that they behave in a manner compatible with our neighbors.'

"We care about the homes we manage," points out Adam. "When the fires threatened near Lincoln City, we shot interior videos of each home so that our owners would have a record of their furnishings for insurance purposes. We also baked cookies and delivered them to our guests along with flashlights and board games. You don't get that kind of service with the out-of-town rental giants.

Although Sweet Haven markets their properties through the major online channels (like VRBO and Airbnb), most guests prefer to book through Sweet Haven's own website, so they can be assured of the lowest prices. That site, sweethaven.co, is extremely well-designed, user-friendly and shows extensive photos of every property.

"We built philanthropy into our business plan, that's who we are," adds Miel. "Sweet Haven contributes generously to local charities and when musicians come to perform at the Lincoln City Cultural Center, we host them at our properties and pay the homeowners out of our pockets." Miel serves on the HOA and Adam is on the board of the North Lincoln Hospital Foundation.

In the future, Miel and Adam hope to be involved in the important effort to bring more affordable workforce housing to the area. Their grant writing backgrounds should prove helpful. They also know that they can count on their bank, Oregon Coast Bank, and their local branch manager, Jedd Fly, who recently financed Sweet Haven's first commercial building acquisition. "To give you an idea how committed Jedd is to his customers, he called us to answer a question on a Saturday during one of his children's birthday parties," remembers Adam. "We still kid him about that."



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Child care program faces potential \$123 million shortfall

GRANT SYRINGERR Oregon Capital Chronicle News Guard Guest Article

A record number of Oregon families signed up for child care subsidies this year when eligibility was broadly expanded, but that has led to a budget shortfall that could reach \$123 million.

Department of Early Learning and Care officials told a legislative committee last week that they stopped taking applications Nov. 4 for the state's Employment Related Day Care program, which helps low-income families pay for child care. The pause in applications came months after the Legislature broadened eligibility to more families and increased benefits – but it didn't allocate enough money to pay for them, forcing the agency to create a waitlist.

That's frustrated recipients and child care advocates whose lobbying efforts failed to increase the program's funding during this year's legislative session.

The subsidy program pays for the bulk of child care costs for low-income families earning less than 200% of the federal poverty line, which is about \$3,300 for a family of two. Families receiving the benefit only pay a monthly copay, which vary by income. The average was \$10 in Au-

Budget impact

The budget deficit means the waitlist for subsidized care will probably remain in place indefinitely, barring a major investment by the Legislature in the 2024 session. Even if the program doesn't grow beyond its current caseload of 15,600 families - which is unlikely – funding is \$38 million

short. That figure excludes \$13 million in federal funding the agency expects to receive.

That expected funding gap would spike to \$123 million if the caseload grows by 2% per month, according to a presentation by state early learning director Alyssa Chatterjee and two of her aides.

Some lawmakers on the interim education subcommittee expressed concern about the budget shortfall. They also affirmed that assistance for day care is critical for families and employers in Oregon, where child care costs many families 20% of their income – if it is available at all.

In June, lawmakers appropriated about \$113 million less for the program than what the Department of Early Learning and Care had requested. Gov. Tina Kotek, for whom early learning is a priority, called on lawmakers last month to commit at least \$50 million more.

It's unclear how much funding the early learning agency will ask for during the 2024 session, which kicks off in February. Kate Gonsalves, a department spokesperson, said analysts are "still working to finalize what that number will

Dana Hepper, director of policy and advocacy at Children's Institute, told the Capital Chronicle that Employment Related Day Care is "ready to grow" but needs support from lawmakers.

"That is not a sustainable strategy. And we know what to do. We know we have a program that works," she said.

Deficit driven by caseload

During the presentation, Chatterjee told lawmakers that

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The annual Christmas Basket Toy and Food Drive is here once again.

The large plastic barrels have been placed at businesses around Lincoln City to collect donated new unwrapped toys and non-perishable food items to fill the Christmas baskets.

Each year North Lincoln Fire & Rescue, the Eagles and Les Schwab help between 1,200 and 1,500 people.

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Grocery Outlet Walgreens Safeway **Lakeview Senior Living** Dorchester **Ace North Community Center** Samaritan building C NLFR Station 14 **Lincoln City Gifts Lincoln City City Hall**

For more information and to fill out an application go to NLFR.org. New, unwrapped toys for children 3-month to 17-years-old are needed.

State utility issues customer fraud alert

STAFF REPORT

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Heading into the holiday season, Pacific Power is encouraging customers to be vigilant about fraudulent communications from scammers posing as utility representatives.

This activity tends to increase during this time of year, according to the utility's administrators.

Customers can protect themselves from these types of schemes by being aware of the following facts:

Scammers will often tell you that your service is scheduled to be interrupted in the next 30-60 minutes.

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Fact: Pacific Power does not ask customers to make

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net) where they can pay bills and review statements

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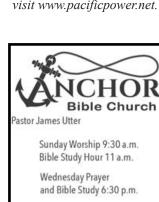
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NG23-577 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for the County of Lincoln Case No. 23PB09048 In the Matter of the Estate of Barbara Ann Meade, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that Barbara Ann Meade died May 14, 2023, and that by order of the above-entitled Court, the undersigned has been appointed Personal Representative. All persons having claims against the Es-

tate are required to present

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FOR RCF TRINA PETERSON; THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND TERRY LAIWA AKA MI-TERRY LAIWA AKA MIKE T. LAIWA AKA MIKE LAI-WA; OCCUPANTS OF THE PROPERTY, Defendants. To: THE UNKNOWN HEIRS AND DEVISEES OF MICHAEL TERRY LAIWA AKA MICHAEL T. LAIWA MIKE TERRY LAIWA AKA MIKE T. LAIWA AKA MIKE LAIWA. You are hereby defend the Complaint filed entitled cause within thirty upon you, and in case of representative. All lief demanded in the Complaint. NOTICE TO DE-FENDANT: READ THESE **PAPERS** CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "ap-"motion" or "answer." The "motion" or "answer" (or "reply") must be given to the court clerk or adminthe required filing fee. It REPRESENTATIVE: on the plaintiff. If you have published on November 14,

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an attorney immediately. If

attorney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) four months after the date 684-3763 or toll-free in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. If you are a veteran of the armed forces, assistance may be available from a county veterans' service officer or community action agency. Contact information for a local county veterans' service officer and community action agency may be obtained by calling the 2-1-1 information service. Additionally, contact information for a service officer appointed under ORS 408.410 for the county in which you live and contact information for a community action agency that serves your area can be found by visiting the following link: https://- www.oregon.gov/ odva/services/pages/ county-services.aspx and selecting your county. You can also access a list of Veterans Services for all Oregon counties by visiting the following link: https:// www.oregon.gov/odva/ Services/Pages/All-Services-Statewide.aspx. The relief sought in the Complaint is the foreclosure of the property located at 431 NE Alder St, Yachats, OR 97498. Date of First Publication: 11/14/2023 McCarthy & Holthus, LLP John Thomas OSB No. 024691 Grace Chu OSB No. 220848 _ Michael Scott OSB No. 973947 920 SW 3rd Ave, 1st Floor Portland, OR 97204 Phone: (971) 201-3200 Fax: (971) gchu@mccar-201-3202 thyholthus.com Of Attorneys for Plaintiff IDSPub 11/14/2023 #0189298 11/28/2023 11/21/2023

NG23-574 IN THE CIR-CUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR AKA MICHAEL LAIWA AKA THE COUNTY OF LIN-COLN In the Matter of the Estate of: HEATHER LYNN LAWN, Deceased. Case required to appear and No. 23PB08433 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERagainst you in the above SONS NOTICE IS HERE-BY GIVEN that ROGER (30) days from the date of RAYMOND LINDER has service of this summons been appointed personal your failure to do so, for sons having claims against want thereof, Plaintiff will the estate are required to apply to the court for the re- present them, with vouchers attached, to Personal Representative, ROGER RAYMOND LINDER, at the address below, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be pear" you must file with the barred. All persons whose court a legal paper called a rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the court, the personal representative, or istrator within 30 days of the attorneys for the perthe date of first publication sonal representative. ADspecified herein along with DRESS FOR PERSONAL must be in proper form and Attorney Joshua D. Zanhave proof of service on the tello, OSB #121562, Zanplaintiff's attorney or, if the tello Law Group, 2941 NW plaintiff does not have an Highway 101, Lincoln City, attorney, proof of service OR 97367. DATED and first

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and Kootenai Tribes. She also spent several years as health and human services tribal liaison for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs.

McConville Radford lived

in Warm Springs until fifth to improve census counts grade before her family returned to Umatilla, according to an article in Spilyay Tymoo (Coyote News).

In 2020, she worked with the U.S. Census Bureau as a tribal and congressional lead

from tribal nations in Oregon and Idaho.

She holds a master's degree in international law and international relations from the University of New South Wales in Kensington, Australia, and a bachelor's degree in political science from Portland State University.

"Governor Kotek's trust in me underscores her respect and commitment in strengthening, addressing, and understanding the distinctive needs and the unique political relationship with Oregon's Tribal nations," McConville Radford said in the news release.

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budgeting for the program has been difficult because it's been impossible to project how many families would apply for subsidies under the expanded eligibility rules. She said she expected clarity to emerge in the coming months.

Hepper noted that the agency's original budget request this year may have covered the current demand had it been approved.

'They might have gotten it kind of right back then," she said.

Oregon has offered Employment Related Day Care subsidies for decades, but the program's advocates long considered the program broken because it saddled recipients with exorbitantly high co-pays. In 2021, lawmakers reacting to the COVID-19 child-care crisis extended the program to serve more categories of low-income families. Students became eligible, as did families with an open child welfare case, families receiving federal assistance and survivors of domestic vi-

olence. Most of those changes

went into effect this year, and more are planned.

The legislation also beefed up the subsidy by reducing families' copays, which were some of the priciest in the country. The copay for an average family of three with one child in care was about \$520 per month in 2019, according to a report by the National Women's Law Center. Now, depending on monthly income, a family of that size can pay no more than about \$110 per month.

To drive down co-pays and make the subsidy more useful

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for families, the state relied on about \$97 million of federal American Rescue Plan Act funding. But the last of that funding will be spent within the year, Chatterjee told the Capital Chronicle last month, creating a funding "gap."

Applications for subsidies spiked in June, just after state lawmakers committed much less funding than what the agency and advocates had asked for. That month, about 11,500 families participated in the program; by October, more than 15,600 families did. However, thousands of accepted families are still waiting to connect with a child care provider who accepts the subsidy. "I'm also not surprised

that we grew so quickly," Rep. Emily McIntire, R-Eagle Point, said during the presentation. "This is something that our state has been begging for, that is long overdue.' McLain reassured Chat-

terjee that Employment Related Day Care is "not the first program to have a waitlist." She noted that the state's two grant programs for electric vehicle purchases were quickly sapped this year and closed to new applications.

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Attorney for Personal Representative.

TRUSTEE'S NG23-576 NOTICE OF SALE Reference is made to a certain trust deed ("Trust Deed") made, executed and delivered by Wendie Mary Rose Reyes, as grantor, to Western Title and Escrow, as trustee, in favor of Point of View Investments LLC 42.424% Undivided Interest, Paulette Postell 42.424% Undivided Interest, Randy and Jennifer Witherspoon 15.152% Undivided Interest, as beneficiary, dated March 4, 2020, and recorded on March 6, 2020, as Recording No. 2020-02454, in the mortgage records of Lincoln County, Oregon. The beneficial interest held by Jennifer Witherspoon has been assigned to Randy Witherspoon who now holds a 15.152% undivided interest as beneficiary under the trust deed. The Trust Deed covers the following described real property ("Property") situated in said county and state, to-wit: Lot 4, Block 3, SHORE PINE HILLS, 1ST ADDITION, in the City of Newport, County of Lincoln and State of Oregon, according to the official plat thereof recorded August 31, 1981 in Plat Book 13, page 43, Plat Records. There are defaults by the grantor or other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the Trust Deed, with respect to provisions therein which authorize sale in the event of default of such provision; the defaults for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: Arrearage in the sum of \$43,670.50 as of August 22, 2023, plus additional payments, property expenditures, taxes, liens, assessments, insurance, late fees, attorney's and trustee's fees and costs, and interest due at the time of reinstatement or sale. By reason of said defaults, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligations secured by said Trust Deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following, to- wit: Payoff in the sum of \$43,670.50 as of August 22, 2023, plus taxes, liens, assessments, property expenditures, insurance, accruing interest, late fees, attorney's and trustee's fees and costs incurred by beneficiary or its assigns. WHEREFORE, notice hereby is given that

the undersigned trustee will

on January 23, 2024, at the

hour of 11:00 a.m., in ac-

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expenses of sale, includ-

ing a reasonable charge

by the trustee. Notice is

further given that any per-

son named in ORS 86.778

has the right, at any time

prior to five days before the

date last set for the sale,

to have this foreclosure

proceeding dismissed and

the Trust Deed reinstated

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no default occurred) and

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Trust Deed, and the words

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TENANTS, attached hereto

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time established by ORS rated herein by reference. which is secured by the of said trust deed, to satisfy the Purchaser's sole and 187.110, at the following [Exhibit A, NOTICE TO place: Main Entrance of RESIDENTIAL TENANTS, the Lincoln County Court- is not published pursuhouse, 225 West Olive ant to ORS 86.774(2)(b).] Street, Newport, Oregon, THIS IS A COMMUNICAsell at public auction to the TION FROM A DEBT COLhighest bidder for cash the LECTOR. DATED: August interest in the above-de- 22, 2023. /s/ Eleanor A. scribed Property, which the DuBay, Eleanor A. DuBay, grantor had or had power OSB #073755 Authorized to convey at the time of the By: Tomasi Bragar DuBay execution by grantor of the PC, Successor Trustee, said Trust Deed, together 121 SW Morrison, Suite with any interest which the 1850, Portland, OR 97204, grantor or grantor's suc- Phone: 503-894-9900; fax: cessors in interest acquired 971-544-7236. after the execution of the Trust Deed, to satisfy the obligations thereby se-NG23-558 cured and the costs and

TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE T.S. No.: OR-23-961646- SW Reference is made to that certain deed made by, BRI-AN RUTH AND NICOLE R. RUTH as Grantor to FIRST AMERICAN TITLE INSUR-ANCE COMPANY, as trustee, in favor of BANK OF AMERICA, N.A., as Beneficiary, dated 11/8/2006, recorded 11/13/2006, in official records of LINCOLN County, Oregon in book/ reel/volume No. and/or as fee/file/instrument/micronumber film/reception 200617194 and subsequently assigned or transferred by operation of law to Banc of America Funding Corporation Mortgage Pass- Through Certificates, Series 2007-2. U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee covering the following described real property situated in said County, and State. APN: R87415 10-11-08-AB- 02300-00 LOTS 11 AND 12, BLOCK 2, BEV-ERLY BEACH, IN THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN AND STATE OF OREGON. Commonly known as: 11528 NORTHEAST AV-ERY STREET, NEWPORT, OR 97365 The undersigned hereby certifies that based upon business records there are no known written assignments of the trust deed by the trustee or by the beneficiary, except as recorded in the records of the county or counties in which the above described real property is situated. Further, no action has been instituted to recover the debt, or any part thereof, now remaining secured by the trust deed, or, if such action has been instituted, such action has been dismissed except as permitted by ORS 86.752(7). Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and notice has been recorded pursuant to Section 86.752(3) of Oregon Revised Statutes.

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A race of perseverance

Rescued turtle returned to the sea



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Pumpkin washed ashore at Horsfall Campground in Coos County and was reported by a private citizen. She was initially treated at the Oregon Coast Aquarium and released back into the ocean by SeaWorld San Diego rescue teams following a year of recovery and rehabilitation.

stunned status.

Stranded sea turtle found near Coos Bay released a year later

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he tides had taken a turn for the worst for the sea turtle dubbed "Pumpkin" in October, 2022.

The endangered Olive Ridley sea turtle washed.

The endangered Olive Ridley sea turtle washed ashore at Horsfall Campground in Coos County. The sea turtle was found to be cold stunned – a condition that can render them incapable of eating or navigating.

"Sea turtles can forage the open ocean off Oregon's shores without issue during the summer—but if they don't turn south before the weather changes, they risk getting caught in cold currents and winter storms," said Courtney Klug, communications and marketing specialist with the Oregon Coast Aquarium.

"As such, Oregon sees a marked increase in sea turtle strandings between fall and spring," she said.

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Many view sea turtles as magical, charismatic creatures — and they are. They play a vital role

they are. They play a vital role in supporting ocean health by maintaining sea grass beds and transporting nutrients to nesting dunes.

Courtney Klug, Oregon Coast Aquarium Over the course of a year, a collaboration between caring professionals would turn Pumpkin the sea turtle's stranding situation into a survival story.

Those involved in the rescue of the endangered sea turtle say it was a series of key pieces that came together to make the rehabilitation a success.

"The citizen who first reported the animal did so quickly, and stayed nearby to observe the animal and help responders find it in a timely manner," said Klug.

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife responded to the initial stranding. They secured the sea turtle and transferred it to Florence, where they met staff from the Oregon Coast Aquarium

"From there, our dedicated team of aquarists sprang into action," Klug said.

The Oregon Coast Aquarium in Newport is one of three wildlife rehabilitation facilities in the Pacific Northwest, and the only one in Oregon, authorized by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to provide specialized care to en-

dangered marine life, like sea otters and sea turtles.

Aquarium staff determined newly-dubbed Pumpkin was a sub-adult female. Lethargic and cold-stunned, she required round-the-clock monitoring and treatment.

Cold-stunned turtles present a unique challenge, aquarium representatives said. To avoid shocking the animal, their body temperature must be raised slowly.

Pumpkin arrived at the Oregon Coast Aquarium with a body temperature just below 60 degrees Fahrenheit. She was transferred to increasingly warm water baths, raising her body temperature five degrees per day until it reached a 75 degree temperature.

At the same time aquarium staff were providing care – they were also coordinating with other wildlife facilities to establish long-term rehabilitation and release plans.

"Sea turtles are often stabilized at the aquarium and then transferred to facilities such as SeaWorld San Diego, who can provide prolonged care and arrange to release turtles to the warm waters off the coast of California," Klug said

After receiving confirmation that SeaWorld San Diego staff were prepared to take in Pumpkin, a flight plan unfolded.

The transport to San Diego was made possible by Turtles Fly Too, a non-profit organization that coordinates and facilitates the use of general aviation to transport endangered species and critical response teams, while educating communities on marine life conservation.

Volunteer pilot Peter Lewis, dubbed the "Turtle Flier," flew a Socata TBM 700 Turboprop from Newport to Santa Barbara, Calif.

"The turtle, nestled in a custom-made stretcher and crate, was loaded onto the plane, and they departed for San Diego," aquarium representative Klug said.

In the following months, the SeaWorld Rescue team helped Pumpkin build up the strength to swim on her own, getting her to a healthy weight and activity level.

About a year after her rescue, Pumpkin was success-

fully returned to the ocean.

"This crucial success is made possible thanks to col-

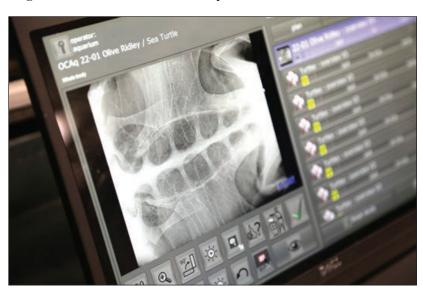
laborative efforts," Klug said.

The Oregon Coast Aquarium, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Turtles Fly Too, and SeaWorld



Courtesy photo from the Oregon Coast Aquarium

Oregon Coast Aquarium staff check Pumpkin the sea turtle's temperature. When a stranded turtle is brought to OCAq, staff provide immediate care while coordinating with other wildlife facilities to establish long-term rehabilitation and release plans.



Courtesy photo from the Oregon Coast Aquarium Upon intake staff followed protocol to assess and determine Pumpkin's needs. Her temperature and lethargic behavior confirmed her cold-



Courtesy photo from Kyle Williams / SeaWorld Rescue

The Olive Ridley sea turtle is an endangered species. The crucial rescue and rehabilitation of Pumpkin was made possible thanks to the collaborative efforts of OCAq, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Turtles Fly Too, and SeaWorld San Diego and Rescue.

San Diego and Rescue worked together to support the turtle through every phase of its recovery, Klug said.

"The Oregon Coast Aquarium is committed to Oregon's marine wildlife and will continue these efforts with the belief that even one saved animal can help species recovery," the aquarium representative said.

All seven remaining sea turtle species are at risk of extinction due to

threats like habitat loss, pollution, and entanglement.
"By doing everything in our power to care for and return injured and stranded turtles to the ocean, we can help support species' survival," Klug

"Many view sea turtles as magical, charismatic creatures—and they are. They play a vital role in supporting ocean health by maintaining sea grass beds and transporting nutrients to nesting dunes," Klug said.

If you find a sea turtle on the beach, do not attempt to move the animal. Placing it back in the water increases its risk of injury and delays potential rescue efforts. Instead, immediately contact the Oregon State Police Tipline at 800-452-7888 or the Marine Mammal Stranding Network (MMSN) in Oregon, Washington, and California at 1-866-767-6114.

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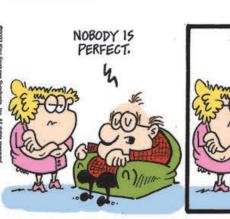
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Amber Waves by Dave T. Phipps THAT'S A STRETCH. HOW ABOUT WE STICK TO THE LAST 2 HOURS. GERALD, HONEY, GO AHEAD AND TELL SANTA WELL, LITTLE BOY... HAVE YOU BEEN GOOD ALL YEAR LONG? LET HIM KNOW IF YOU'VE BEEN GOOD. WHAT YOU WANT.

Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas GO GAIL TELLS ME HER MOTHER HAS TO MOVE IN WITH US FOR SIX MONTHS SO THE PLANS FOR MY WEBAS MAN CAVE ARE ON HOLD... HERE'S THE KICKER ...



















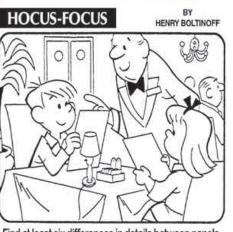


















Just Like Cats & Dogs

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: K equals L

M DHFKUW'O OBMWV HS OBA WGZA HS G SGZMKMGI NGQMD DBAZMDGK QFNQOGWDA. M BGU GW AKAZAWOGK NKHDV.

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TODAY'S WORD

Super Crossword

99 Acom trees 100 "Incredible!" 102 D-Max pickup 49 Des Moines native 51 Cry to a lifesaver maker 104 Tips, as a hat 106 Wd. often

12 Bandleader Lawrence 16 NBA's Erving, familiarly 19 Totally alter 20 Visibly sulky 21 Pack of yaks 22 Coastal inlet 23 Monumental 24 Of very hilly regions regions 25 Liveliness 27 Betray by 65 Gibson liquor 66 1847 Herman

ACROSS

1 Dubya or JFK 5 Horse riders 12 Bandleader

snitching 29 Possible answer to "Who is?" 32 Lupe of "Mexical

"Mexican Spitfire" 33 With 73- and 117-Across, notable fact about this puzzle's solution 37 Anticen-37 Antigen-attacking

lymphocyte 39 Abbr. ending a math proof 40 Suffix with form 41 Deer relative 42 Surgical tool 44 Put a levy on 47 Smidge

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127 134 138 lifesaver
53 Move in spasms
56 "American Pie" actor — William Scott
58 Visibly awed
60 Tailless cat
61 Pop's Grande
63 The Beatles'
"Eleanor —" 106 Wd. often ending in "-ly" 107 Rho-tau link 109 Western treaty inits. 111 U.S. spy gp. 112 Former Pan Am rival

"Eleanor

Melville nove

67 Big name in utility knives 68 Atty.'s title 69 18-wheeler 71 Div. of a hoops game 73 See

73 See
33-Across
80 Mine, in Italy
81 ROY G.—
82 Albuquerqueto-Denver dir.
83 Chef's hat
85 Travel by foot
89 Cable inits,
for old films
91 Reverend
Jackson
93 Tweak
94 Ending for
buck

buck 95 "EI —"

(nickname of a drug lord) 97 Drink heartily

138 Log splitter 139 "— Out of My League"
140 Basic nature
141 "That's clear"

121 Part of a

ship's hull 123 Cartoon hits 125 Cool, man 126 Some Native Americans the Bible 15 Roguish behavior Americana
127 Gettling a
laugh of out
129 Cool guy on
"Happy Days"
133 Years, in Italy
134 Traffic snafl
135 Lawn digger
136 Popular place
for a piercing
137 Give a test to
138 Los solither

31 Plant

2 Put new concrete on 3 Revised copy 4 Cholesterol-

4 Cholesterol-lowering drug 5 Funny Carrey 6 Artist Yoko 7 'Be quiett' 8 Univ. about 50 miles west of Topeka 9 Coating with glossy varnish 10 Yang partner 11 Office scribe 12 Interlaced 12 Interlaced

13 ls 14 Third bk. of

behavior
16 Group of
precision
marchers
17 Ceremony
18 "Run This
Town" rapper
28 Laugh
syllable from a Stooge
31 Plant —

(claim some territory, maybe) 34 Writer Mario

38 Solidifies 43 "Seminar," for "Marines,"

for "Marines,"
e.g.: Abbr.
45 River in Italy
46 "Kisses and
hugs" symbol
47 Glide in a rink
48 Glaring
50 "That's the—

87 Small amount, as of sales 88 Jazz saxophonist Dave 90 Injure greatly 92 People crushing things 93 Stick on 96 Biblical song 98 Points of convergence Jaguars, on scoreboards 54 The "E" of convergence 101 Prizes highly 103 Animals: Suffix 105 Kismet 108 Wolf down

110 Suppress 112 Pre-liftoff 62 Linguist Chomsky expression
113 Hot dog
114 Judicial
inquest
116 Book divs.
118 Lauder of
cosmetics
119 Cereal
utensil 64 Mark over a short vowel
68 Pliocene, e.g.
70 Big name in
infomercial

knives
72 Eligible for
Soc. Sec.
74 Class for an Eng. major 75 Little jewel 76 Sam of golf 77 Judo halls 78 Blue hue 79 Walrus tooth 84 Aliens, briefly

utensil 120 Basra citizen 121 Mexico's — California

122 Huge-screen film format 124 In-favor votes 128 "Stupid me!" 130 Partakes of 131 "Grimm" airer 132 Wye follower



Weekly **SUDOKU**

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by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆

♦ Moderate
♦ Challenging ♦ ♦ ♦ HOO BOY!

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WORD LADDERS

Can you go from SPARES to GLADES in 6 words? Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

SPARES

GLADES

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Answers Super Crossword.



the captain in "The Love Boat"? 2. MOVIES: What is E.T.'s favorite

candy in "E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial"? 3. FOOD & DRINK: What is Hungary's national spice?

4. ADVERTISING: Which company's mascot is Elsie the Cow?

5. PSYCHOLOGY: What fear is represented in the condition called plutopho-

6. GAMES: How many pawns are on a chessboard?

7. SCIENCE: What is the name of the giant land mass that is believed to have existed on Earth 200 million years ago? 8. GEOGRAPHY: Which of the Great

Lakes is southernmost? 9. LANGUAGE: What is an octothor-

10. LITERATURE: Where are the nov-

els "The Adventures of Tom Sawyer" and "Adventures of Huckleberry Finn" set? © 2023 King Features Synd., Inc.

> 9. A hashtag or pound sign. 8. Lake Erie. 7. Pangea. 6. 16, eight pawns for each player. 5. Fear of wealth 4. Borden Dairy Company. 3. Paprika. 2. Reese's Pieces.

1. Capt. Merrill Stubing.

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Answers

CHAIR

Today's Word 3. Antic; 4. Image 1. Horde 2. Trace; uoimios

SCRAMBLERS

SLIDES, GLIDES, GLADES SPARES, SPICES, SLICES, Answer

WORD LADDER

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Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

an elemental block. chemical substance. I had name of a familiar basic I couldn't think of the

answer CryptoQuip

Plaza -

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left and A Minor on the right. Contrabass Chimes -Seven vertical chimes, 4 inches wide and 7 to 9 feet tall, to be played with one of two mallets. Its range is bass/

tenor tuned to the key of C Major. Imbarimba – Combining elements of two classic African instruments, the marimba (a resonated xylophone) and the kalimba (thumb piano), with fiberglass elements that mimic the marimba's wood tones. Its range is alto/sopra-

and A Minor on the right. Taft High School Music Teacher Cory Francis said having the music feature in the plaza is a "cool experience" for the school students and the community.

no, with C Major on the left

"It's great to have the percussion instruments out in the community where people can play them anytime," he said. "It means music being in more than just the school building. It's now out in the community as well."

The official "first play" activation was provided by students from the Taft 7-12 band program, with remarks by Rotary president Nick Lupo, Rotarian Estle Harlan and state Sen. Dick Anderson, and a ribbon cutting hosted by the Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce.

The Poetry Path

One of the most visible elements of the Cultural Plaza, the Poetry Path is a unifying public art installation that combines form and function as it traverses the west and north sides of the Plaza de-

The path is embedded with swaths of colorful aggregate that embrace the words of an original community poem, "Why They Came.'

This meandering path was designed by the landscape architects at Shapiro Didway, led by Cultural Plaza design project manager Jessel Champoux. A central element of the design from the beginning, the path is a drive-able walkway that provides ADA-compliant access for people as well as convenient loading for outdoor event vendors. The addition of aggregate, including a central band of chips that will glow in the dark, was a collaboration between Shapiro Didway and the concrete specialists at Cascade Civil Corp.

Long-time Lincoln City resident Jay Roelof and his wife walked the new Poetry Path during the Plaza celebration.

"I am terribly impressed with this stream-effect that they've put down," he said. "It just completes the whole coastal feeling that the Cultural center has tried to encompass. That flow. It is striking.'

"Why They Came" was the product of a collaborative process led by John Fiedler, a local poet and a teacher at St. James Santiago School. Fiedler and 25 community members gathered at the Driftwood Public Library in July 2023, exploring the history, culture, languages and shared experiences of the people who live in what is now Lincoln City. Workshop



Jeremy C. Ruark / Country Media, Inc. Taft High School Music Teacher Cory Francis and two

school students play the new Plaza music instruments during the celebration. See more photos with this story at thenewsguard.com.

participants generated ideas za will provide, "a more weland phrases that were recorded by Fiedler and incorporated into the final poem.

Sandblasted in letters that are 2 inches tall, the poem begins at the south end of the Plaza and can be read (from left to right) as the viewer is facing west.

The Poetry Path was funded by The Roundhouse Foundation, The Marie Lamfrom Charitable Foundation, the Estate of Lloyd and Marlene Ankeny, Explore Lincoln City Community Partnership Fund, and the members of the Lincoln City Cultural Center. The writing process was supported by a public program grant from Oregon Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Lincoln City Mayor Susan Wahlke said the new placoming 'face' to the Cultural Center.'

"It will also make the space more usable," she said. "The Cultural Plaza project has retained the historic elements of the former Delake School. Like many members of our community, I have great memories in the building, I am happy that much of the history remains."

Former Lincoln City Mayor Dick Anderson, now State Senator, said the plaza project is a significant complement for the city.

"It just finishes off what I view as a visual art, plus it speaks to the caring of the community, with all citizens recognizing the added value this brings to the community, Anderson said. '















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Holiday

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"We've always down this for scholarships (for local school students) and now we have expanded it beyond scholarships to about 10 other youth programs, Lincoln City Rotary Club representative Estle Harlan said. "We give out annual \$17,000."

To purchase a wreath, or to find out more about the Lincoln City Rotary visit, www.lincolncityrotary.org.

Meal Donations

The holiday spirit could also be seen inside Taft Middle/High School Nov. 21, as school staff, volunteers and Chinook Winds Casino employees assembled Thanksgiving meals to be delivered to local needy families.

"We work with our HELP program to determine a list of families that would benefit from a Thanksgiving Dinner. They all get a full dinner and a pie," Taft Middle/High School Principal Nick Lupo said. "Over the years, Taft Girls Basketball, HELP Program, Taft Associated Student Body Leadership, Lincoln City Police Department, and Franz Bakery, and so many others have all helped."

Lupo said the community service tradition began about 10 years ago.

"Our school district was off for the whole week of Thanksgiving," he said. "Majalise Tolan was the principal,



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Volunteers and Taft/Middle High School staff prepare Thanksgiving meals for local families. See more photos with this story at thenewsguard.com.

and I was the principal of the elementary school. We partnered with Siletz Tribe and had multiple donors over the years. We ran a student camp during the week and ended the week with a dinner. In the beginning, it was a combination of Taft Elementary School and Taft 7-12. We did it to help serve our community."

Over the years the district shifted to having school on Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving week.

"Our HELP program and the school has partnered with Chinook Winds for the past seven-plus years. Chinook Winds contributes the Thanksgiving meal. Taft provides stuffing, and pumpkin pie. We then serve out portions for over 50-75 families."

According to Lupo, with the assistance of Chinook Winds, the HELP program coordinators, school staff and volunteers, the donated meals project has made a positive difference in the community.

"I would say 10 years at about 250 meals served each year. That would be about 2,500 meals. \$10 to \$20 a meal do about \$25,000 to

\$50.000," he said. "Honestly, the biggest thanks goes to Chinook Winds who has kept this project going by providing the turkey, potatoes, gravy, veggie and rolls."

'It is a tradition that North County families have food at this time. These meals are going to specific families that the school knows have that need," Chinook Winds Casino's Heather Hatton said. "Our team has been cooking all day. It's just amazing."

Volunteers delivered the meals to the local families following the assembly project at the school.

Guns_

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General Ellen Rosenblum promised to appeal the case.

"The Harney County judge's ruling is wrong," Rosenblum said in a statement. "Worse, it needlessly puts Oregonians' lives at risk. The state will file an appeal and we believe we will pre-

The Gun Owners Foundation and Gun Owners of America, Inc., both based in Virginia, were plaintiffs in the original complaint filed in Harney County, but they voluntarily dropped out at the end of May. Harney County residents Joseph Arnold and Cliff Asmussen are plaintiffs in the case, giving it standing to be filed in the conservative eastern Oregon county.

The judge, Raschio, decided the case based upon the law's application to the state constitution, not the U.S. Constitution and Second Amendment rights.

During a six-day trial in September, Raschio heard from experts about firearms and Oregon history, including the lives of Oregonians in 1857 when the state constitution was adopted with the provision that people shall have the right to bear arms for their defense. Raschio referenced Oregon's frontier history to justify his ruling.

"The court finds the (voters) of 1857 did not seek to restrain access to the best firearms with the highest functionality possible they could procure," the judge wrote in the 44-page ruling, which notes the state constitution was adopted in an era when pioneers "engaged in forceable removal of the Indigenous tribes of Oregon" and wanted the best weapons

possible. The law also would ban large-capacity magazines with more than 10 rounds which can lead to widespread carnage in a mass shooting.

The judge found the ban it." on large-capacity magazines "does not enhance public safety" enough to justify the infringement of the right to bear arms.

In an alert to its members, the Oregon Firearms Federation praised the ruling and the judge, saying Raschio "took a brave stand in the face of a full frontal assault on gun rights by Oregon's establishment leftists."

But the gun rights organization warned that more legal battles lie ahead.

Jess Marks, executive director of the Oregon Alliance for Gun Safety, expects that

"Every day that Measure 114 is held up in court, Oregon lives are put at risk," Marks said in a statement. "We expect that the state of Oregon will appeal this misguided ruling and that a higher court will see fit to allow this voter-approved law to go into effect. Lives depend on

Every year, hundreds Oregonians die from gun violence, suicides or accidental shootings. In 2022, 803 Oregonians visited hospital emergency rooms with firearm-related injuries, according to Oregon Health Authority data. In 2021, 670 people in Oregon died from firearms, according to federal data.

In the federal lawsuit, the U.S. District Court ruled that Measure 114 is constitutional, upholding the law. Gun rights organizations have appealed the federal ruling to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

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