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Passengers rescued from whale watching vessel



The rescue operation took place in the coastal bar near Newport. (Courtesy from Coast Guard Station Yaquina Bay)

The Coast Guard rescued a whale watching vessel with 49 passengers aboard after it became disabled in the coastal bar near Newport, Wednesday, Sept. 17.

The captain of the 62-foot Discovery sent out a ‘mayday’ call to the Coast Guard after the vessel began producing excessive smoke and lost propulsion while in between the Yaquina Bay jetties at approximately 12:45 p.m.

Watchstanders at Coast Guard Sector Columbia River immediately dispatched two boat crews from Station Yaquina Bay aboard 47-foot motor life boats. They arrived on scene within eight minutes of the initial distress call, according to a release from the Coast Guard.

Once on scene, the rescue crews placed the Discovery into a side tow. They transited

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A United States Coast Guard helicopter from North Bend arrived at approximately 4:10 p.m. and attempted to lower a Coast Guard member to the well. (Courtesy photo from Yachats Rural Fire Protection District)

Man perishes in Oregon Coast well

Yachats Rural Fire Protection District, Central Oregon Coast Fire and Rescue, Seal Rock Fire, and the Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office were dispatched to Thor’s Well at 3:36 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 16, for a person who had fallen into the water and appeared to be drowning.

Responding units requested response from the United States Coast Guard, Oregon State Police, and the Lincoln County Technical Rescue Team. The first arriving units were met with conflicting reports from bystanders about whether or not the subject was still in the water, though units were quickly able to determine that the subject was in the water in Thor’s Well.

Due to wave conditions, and the nature of the well, personnel on the ground were unable to perform any recovery efforts.

A United States Coast Guard helicopter from North Bend arrived at approximately 4:10 p.m. After two unsuccessful attempts, the USCG rescue swimmer was able to recover the deceased subject. Units began leaving the scene at 5:09 p.m.

The events leading up to the subject falling into the water are unclear, but one bystander reported believing that the subject had been getting too close to the edge of the well.

The identity of the victim was not immediately available.

Yachats Rural Fire Protection District offered condolences to the family of the deceased.



Hiking up into the headlands at Lincoln City continues to be an increasing tourist activity. (Courtesy photos)

Tourism attractions stretching beyond the beach

JEREMY C. RUARK
Lincoln County Leader

As Lincoln County transitions from summer to fall and winter, local businesses are hopeful that surge of tourism will keep pace.

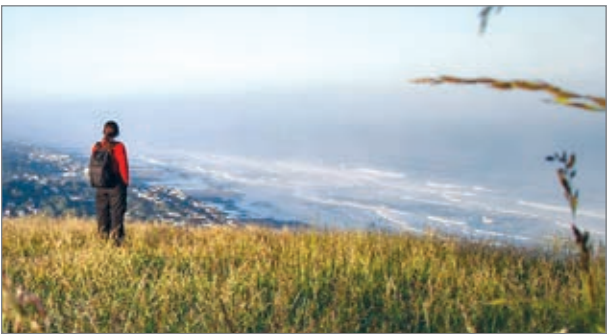
In the following conversation, Lincoln City Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Lori

Arce-Torres shares insight into the 2025 summer tourist season.

Lincoln County Leader: Compared to previous summers, how was the 2025 summer tourist season?

Lori Arce-Torres: Explore Lincoln City will have the true percentages

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The Knoll and its viewpoints at Lincoln City have become a popular tourism attraction.

Fall, winter skies offer new views of the Oregon Coast

JEREMY C. RUARK
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As Oregon Coast cities embrace new options to increase tourism, the city of Lincoln City is looking to the night skies as one resource.

During her annual State of the City address in March of this year, Lincoln City Mayor Susan Wahlke stated that for too many people, the night sky has become a forgotten wonder, washed out by the glow of artificial lights.

“With 80% of Americans unable to see the Milky Way from

home, dark sky tourism is surging as people seek escapes from urban light pollution,” she said. “Lincoln City has the chance to become one of these destinations. With the vast, light-free expanse of the ocean beside us, we already have a head start—but to truly maximize our dark sky potential, we must take steps to reduce light pollution within the city itself.”

Wahlke said reducing light pollution brings countless benefits,

including protecting nocturnal wildlife, reducing

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Lincoln City officials are offering the city’s night skies as an option for visitors to view the natural beauty of the Oregon Coast and as a new way to boost tourism. See more photos with this story at the Lincoln County Leader website. (Courtesy photo from Explore Lincoln City)



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‘TO SEE FOR MYSELF’

State Rep. Gomberg reflects on Israel visit

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Two Oregon legislators have returned from a trip to Israel.

Rep. David Gomberg, D-Otis and Rep. Emily McIntire, R-Eagle Point joined a bipartisan delegation of 250 legislators from across the U.S. for the trip.

The visit comes as the Israeli military begins its ground invasion of Gaza City this past week, pushing troops into the war-torn city after nearly two years of raids and bombardment. It also coincides with Oregon’s junior U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley introducing legislation calling for the U.S. to formally recognize a Palestinian state, according to an Oregon Capital Chronicle report published before the trip

In his return to Oregon, Gomberg wrote of his experience in his latest newsletter stating that he made the journey to Israel seeking a better understanding of the truth.

“This trip came during a time of profound conflict, crisis, and uncertainty,” Gomberg wrote.

“Before I agreed to participate, I made clear to the organizers that my attendance did not constitute an endorsement of Prime Minister Netanyahu’s government,”

he stated. “I am troubled, as are many of you, by the October 7 attacks and Israel’s continuing response to them.”

In an interview with the Oregon Capital Chronicle while in Israel last week, Gomberg said the week had been emotional, full of sleepless nights, and that he was still processing what he had seen.

He said the group of lawmakers had the opportunity to ask Netanyahu and Israeli President Izaac Herzog questions and visit the music festival site where Hamas militants raided an Israeli community near the Gaza Strip, killing and kidnapping dozens in a surprise attack on Oct. 7, 2023.

At the same time, he said he heard bombs going off in Gaza a mile and a half away.

“I’m not here to support what’s going on,” he said. “I’m here to better understand what’s going on. I know Oregonians have strong opinions about this, so they deserve to have legislators who care about the facts and care about the people. Getting an opportunity to go to the places where this sad conflict began is very distressing.”

Gomberg, who is Jewish, said he understands if constituents and legislative colleagues are upset by his visit to Israel.



“Everywhere I went in Israel, I saw pictures of the hostages.” State Rep. David Gomberg (Courtesy photos from David Gomberg)

Outside of the itinerary organized by the Israeli government, he said he and other lawmakers have met with local Israelis who believe the country is guilty of genocide in Gaza.

“Certainly, the government of Israel has an agenda, but that doesn’t mean it’s my agenda or the agenda of all the legislators that are here,” he said. “I think it’s time for this conflict to end, and I’m trying to better understand why it’s continuing.”

Israel hosted Rep. Gomberg, Rep. McIntire, and the other U.S. legislators on a trip Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu described as the largest-ever bipartisan delegation of American lawmakers to visit. The Consulate General of Israel, calling the trip “50 States, One Israel,” is covering the lawmakers’

cost of air travel, lodging, ground transportation and meals between Sept. 13 and Sept. 18, according to the Oregon Capital Chronicle report.

See the full Oregon Capital Chronicle story here: <https://oregoncapital-chronicle.com/2025/09/18/two-oregon-lawmakers-go-on-israel-sponsored-trip-as-country-invades-gaza-city/>

“What I saw on the Gaza border will remain with me for the rest of my life,” Gomberg writes in his newsletter. “Nearby, I could hear the bombing in Gaza. I’m sure there are equally harrowing scenes there.”

Since returning home, Gomberg said he has received several emails – mostly from outside of the district – advocating that he should have just stayed home.

“I always appreciate succinct feedback. But



State Rep. David Gomberg plants a tree before departing Israel.

avoiding difficult situations is not how I’ve ever approached my role as a legislator. I’m not going to treat this problem any differently. I am here to gather perspectives, learn all I can, and try to act based on the best available information I can find. I owe it to my constituents who have asked me to better understand this conflict, and I am not going to ignore opportunities to gather more information when I can,” Gomberg said. “I’d rather put in the legwork and establish relations with the people I disagree with so I can actually make a difference

through dialogue. And as I said before, I don’t spend taxpayer dollars on these missions.”

Before Gomberg and the other state legislators left Israel, each state was encouraged to plant a tree. Gomberg said he responded to a reporter’s question about what the tree planting meant to him.

“People who plant trees think of the future,” Gomberg replied. “I plant it today and think of a time in the future when Arab and Jewish children can sit in the shade of this tree in peace and friendship.”



Visitors use the site at their own risk and must comply with posted rules. (Courtesy photo)

Olalla Reservoir to remain closed

The Olalla Reservoir will not be opening October 1, 2025, as originally planned. While logging operations are nearly complete, the declining water levels in the Reservoir have made the surrounding slopes too steep for recreational visitors to safely navigate.

The entrance to the Georgia-Pacific company-owned reservoir will

be locked and barricaded, with signs posted saying the reservoir is closed. It will reopen to the public after Georgia-Pacific determines that conditions have improved. Georgia-Pacific security contractors will patrol the reservoir, and trespassers will be reported to law enforcement.

Although the reservoir was created to provide water necessary for

production at the Toledo mill, Georgia-Pacific allows the public to use it for daytime recreation. Visitors use the site at their own risk and must comply with posted rules, including no hunting, littering or gas-powered boat motors.

For questions, contact Georgia-Pacific Toledo Mill Public Affairs Manager Andrea Formo, at 541-270-0504.

RESCUE

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eastbound and returned to the pier where they were met by the Newport Fire Department and Pacific West Ambulance. The vessel was moored at 1:30 p.m.

All passengers and crew disembarked to allow fire fighters to assess the vessel. There were no medical concerns and there was no fire aboard the vessel. By 2 p.m., all responding crews stood down.

“Our crews at Station Yaquina Bay had a great response to this call,” Coast Guard Petty Officer 1st Class Nathan Kapsar said. “Our communications watchstander received the ‘mayday’ call, immediately activated the SAR alarm, and we were on scene in under 10 minutes. We launched two boats due to the number of passengers on board and the severity of the incident. We were able to quickly get the Discovery back to her moorage where we were met by our local fire and EMS counterparts.

This rescue highlights the importance of our interagency relationships. Station members train for incidents such as this, and we’re glad that we were able to get everyone back safely.”

A coastal bar is a navigational hazard formed where river currents meet the ocean. Sand and sediment from the river build

up at its mouth, creating a shallow, underwater barrier. The interaction of these opposing currents and the ocean swell creates turbulent and unpredictable water conditions. Waves and strong currents can capsize a boat if it is not handled correctly, especially when caught broadside to the waves, according to the release.



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Small businesses, private nonprofits offered financial relief from Oregon drought

The U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) has announced the availability of low interest federal disaster loans to small businesses and private nonprofit (PNP) organizations in Oregon to offset economic losses caused by drought beginning June 17.

The declaration covers the Oregon counties of Benton, Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Tillamook, Washington and Yamhill, as well as the Washington counties of Clark, Cowlitz, Pacific and Wahkiakum.

Under this declaration, SBA's Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) program is available to small businesses, small agricultural cooperatives, nurseries, and PNPs including faith-based organizations with financial losses directly related to the disaster. The SBA



is unable to provide disaster loans to agricultural producers, farmers, or ranchers, except for small aquaculture enterprises.

EIDLs are available for working capital needs caused by the disaster and are available even if the business or PNP did not suffer any physical damage. The loans may be used to pay fixed debts, payroll, accounts payable and other bills not paid due to the disaster.

"Through a declaration by the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, SBA provides critical financial assistance to help communities recover," SBA Office of Disaster Recovery and Resilience Associate Administrator Chris Stallings said. "We're pleased to offer loans to small businesses and private nonprofits impacted by these disasters."

The loan amount can be up to \$2 million with interest rates as low as 4% for small businesses and 3.625% for PNPs with terms up to 30 years. Interest does not accrue, and payments are not due until 12 months after the date of the first loan disbursement. The SBA sets loan amounts and terms based on each applicant's financial condition.

To apply online, visit sba.gov/disaster. Applicants may also call SBA's Customer Service Center at (800) 659-2955 or email disastercustomerservice@sba.gov for more information on SBA disaster assistance. For people who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, please dial 7-1-1 to access telecommunications relay services.

Submit completed loan applications to SBA no later than April 13, 2026.

LETTERS

HIS KILLING WAS WRONG

The murder of Charlie Kirk is a tragedy. I take no joy in this senseless act of gun violence. While I strongly disagreed with Kirk's methods—his use of logical fallacies, rapid-fire speech, and rhetorical dominance to build a radical following—his killing was wrong.

The way to confront flawed or dangerous ideas is not with bullets, but with stronger ideas: well-developed positions, supported by evidence, and delivered with clarity and conviction. At times, satire or hyperbole can expose the weaknesses of an opponent's logic, but never violence.

When voices are silenced by force, it often backfires. Instead of defeating the ideas, violence elevates the victim to martyrdom, giving their message more reach and sympathy than it might otherwise have had.

This is no different from the heartbreaking loss of children in school shootings such as the tragedy at Annunciation School in Minneapolis. Every act of gun violence tears at the fabric of our country. Every victim,

regardless of ideology or circumstance, is a human life cut short.

We must reject violence as a political tool and recommit ourselves to the harder, braver work: persuasion, debate, and mutual recognition of our shared humanity. Gun violence is a tragedy for every victim, and a tragedy for us all.

Sincerely
Kärin Olson
Waldport

CONCERNED LINCOLN COUNTY RESIDENT

I am writing as the President of NAMI Lincoln County, former Vice President of COHO, and as a concerned Lincoln County resident.

I have met with Claire on and off over the years. She was the only Lincoln County commissioner to ever attend the Lincoln County Mental Health Advisory Committee in the 4 years I was a member of that body. She was the only County Commissioner to attend any of the activities provided for mental health consumers by Community Options for Healthy Outings (COHO) while it was operating.

While Lincoln County

Behavioral Health Services has suffered from staffing turnover and changes, Claire has been a constant. She has always been a voice and an advocate for those with no voices and a consistent presence for those of us seeking to improve the lives of the neediest of our communities. She is a voice for positive change.

I do not know the details of the issues behind the petition for recall, but I do know people. Anyone who has spent the time and commitment to remediating the systemic changes needed to provide parity and equality of services for the most at-risk members of our community as Claire Hall has done, deserves commendation, not recall.

Someone has stated that Claire has served long enough and it is time for new blood. In a time when services to the marginalized are being cut and more people are falling through the cracks; we need to retain the best advocates we can find to promote the good of the whole county. Claire is one of those people.

Marcia R. Newberry
Lincoln County

COMMENTARY

Hunger is a policy choice, made to feed insatiable greed

TYLER MAC

Oregon Capital Chronicle

"Our situation is very difficult," Marisela testified in Salem earlier this year. A worker at a tree nursery in Forest Grove, she told lawmakers that working 12 or even 14 hours a day "is still not enough to cover basic needs, including food for the whole family."

Marisela is not alone. More than two in five Oregonians struggle to afford their basic needs. Food pantries across the state received 2.5 million visits last year, according to the Oregon Food Bank, a 31% increase from the previous year.

September is Hunger Action Month. It's a time when Americans come together to raise awareness about the hunger in our communities, and to take actions to ensure all of us can put food on the table. This year, that task is made all the more difficult by the actions and inaction of federal and state lawmakers alike. Still, the fact remains that in a prosperous state in one of history's richest nations, hunger is a policy choice.

Our nation knows how to reduce hunger; we've done it before. Beginning

as an effort to redistribute surplus food during the Great Depression, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program has evolved into a foundational safety net program for nearly 42 million Americans.

The success of the Black Panther Party's free breakfast program led to the creation of the National School Breakfast program in 1975, which today ensures some 15 million kids start their school days with a meal. During the pandemic, the expanded Child Tax Credit cut child poverty in half while improving the ability of families to put more nutritious meals on the table. In short, we need not look far for policies that reduce hunger.

Regrettably, the 2025 Oregon legislature passed up an opportunity to take meaningful action against hunger. It failed to advance Food for All

Oregonians, a policy that would have expanded food assistance to children and elderly Oregonians barred from government assistance because of their immigration status. A bill expanding school meals to all Oregon children also stalled.

But the Oregon legislature's failure pales in comparison to the wrecking ball that is the budget enacted by the Republican-controlled Congress. The Republican budget bill showers the wealthy with trillions in new and extended tax cuts, paid for in part by substantial cuts to federal food assistance programs like the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. Congressional Republicans — including Oregon Rep. Cliff Bentz — chose to take food away from those who need it to feed the insatiable greed of the wealthy.

While proponents of

the federal reconciliation package tout the tax cuts it provides to families as significant, the numbers belie their claims. In Oregon, the average family in the poorest 20 percent of households will see about a \$70 tax benefit from the Republican budget bill for the entire year: far too little to feed a family for a month. And that is before taking into account the impacts from reduced SNAP benefits or higher grocery prices resulting from the Trump administration's tariff policies.

Meanwhile, the average member of the top 1% — the richest one out of every 100 Oregonians — will see nearly \$43,000 in tax benefits, more than what many families in Oregon make in a year.

No doubt, the destructive bill passed by Congress reinforces the need for leadership at the state level.

First and foremost is

ensuring Oregon has the revenue needed to preserve federal food assistance. The Republican budget makes significant cuts to SNAP, including shifting part of the cost of providing food assistance onto states beginning in 2028. The Governor's office estimates the SNAP cuts in the budget bill could require Oregon to find nearly \$3 billion over the next several budget periods in order to continue supporting those struggling to get by. Oregon lawmakers must begin the work now to ensure the state has the revenue needed to pay that bill.

Still, keeping our SNAP program afloat will not fix the fact that so many of our neighbors were already struggling to keep food on the table. Lawmakers must work to eliminate hunger altogether.

That means advancing a broad worker power agenda that ensures all

Oregonians have a say in the workplace, and that they can support their families with a good-paying job. It means creating a new safety net that functions as an income floor, ensuring everyone can meet their basic needs, paid for by taxing the rich and big corporations.

There is much to do, and no time to waste.

Tyler Mac Innis is a policy analyst at the Oregon Center for Public Policy. <https://oregoncapital-chronicle.com/2025/09/16/hunger-is-a-policy-choice-made-to-feed-insatiable-greed/>

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ONLINE POLL

Previous Poll:
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38%..... Daily
25%..... Weekly
0%..... Monthly
37%..... Not often

New Poll: What do like best about the transition into the fall season?

- Fall colors
- Cooler weather
- Pumpkin pie



GOODNIGHT SUNDANCE

SKIES

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energy consumption, improving public health, and boosting the local economy by attracting visitors who value the night sky.

“There are no designated dark sky locations on the Oregon Coast so far,” she stated. “We are taking steps toward a darker, star-filled sky — evaluating street lighting, exploring partnerships, reviewing ordinances, and engaging the community.” Wahlke said.

This year, Lincoln City launched an effort to pursue Dark Skies Certification.

Central Oregon Coast Friends of the Night Sky in collaboration with Community Days, Explore Lincoln City, and Lincoln City Parks and Recreation hosted the first “Dark Skies Over Devils Lake” from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday, April 24 at Regatta Park, NE 14th Street in Lincoln City, to mark International Dark Sky Week.

The event is a global celebration of the night. The Dark Skies movement advocates for the reduction of light pollution through responsible outdoor lighting practices. Its goals include preserving the natural night sky, minimizing the ecological impact of

artificial lighting, and promoting energy efficiency.

“We’ve been engaged in phase one of this effort, which has consisted of a feasibility study, public education, and outreach to determine interest from the community and stakeholders in pursuing certification,” Explore Lincoln City Director Kim Findling Cooper said. Explore Lincoln City is the city’s tourism department.

“We’ve encountered so much enthusiasm and interest in the idea of protecting our night skies and reducing light pollution in Lincoln City,” Findling Cooper said. “Once people understand the many good reasons to eliminate excess light and how uncomplicated it is to do so, they are quick to get on board. Did you know all it takes to make lights dark sky friendly is to fully shield them, and that shielding is already required in Lincoln City code?”

A lighting inventory of the city revealed that while Lincoln City is relatively darker than many similar sized cities on the Oregon Coast and is therefore well suited for dark sky certification. There’s room for improvement in the city’s lighting, in terms of adding shielding and reducing overly bright lights and “light trespass” – lights that shine into neighboring properties or open spaces like beaches and parks,

according to Findling Cooper.

“If the City does pursue certification, it will take a group effort—the City, businesses and residents. The benefits are many, and include human and wildlife health, economic advantages through energy savings and tourism boosts, and cultural heritage and a sense of place,” Findling Cooper explained. “As we head into fall and winter – terrific stargazing seasons, and maybe some Aurora Borealis? – we’re excited to continue to inspire people to enjoy the magic of the night sky.”

THE PATH TO DARK SKY CERTIFICATION

“Dark Sky Certification offers numerous benefits for communities, tourism destinations, and individual property owners. IDA Dark Sky Place certifications attract more visitors, provide public education about dark skies, bring economic benefits to surrounding communities, according to the Travel Oregon Dark Skies Toolkit

To achieve a “Dark Sky” certification in Oregon a community must:

- Demonstrate exceptional night sky quality by implementing a robust outdoor lighting ordinance with minimal light pollution.
- Conduct sky quality measurements to

document darkness.

- Actively engage in public outreach and education about light pollution.
- Show strong community support for dark sky preservation.
- Adhere to the standards set by the International Dark Sky Association (IDA) through their “International Dark Sky Places” program.

In 2024, the Lincoln City City Council directed Explore Lincoln City to investigate reducing light pollution on beaches, and the city manager asked staff to explore Dark Sky certification. City officials noted that Lincoln City has less light pollution compared to other similar-sized cities on the Oregon Coast, such as Astoria, Seaside, Newport, and Coos Bay.

Findling Cooper added that there is no deadline for certification.

“Public engagement will be on-going throughout the project. We should be completing Phase One of the project by the end of the year,” she said,

Current efforts include researching certification and potential contractor support, reviewing ordinances for improvements, conducting community outreach and education, evaluating and inventorying city lighting, and partnering for programming and events.

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According to the Explore Lincoln City website, current stewardship efforts focus on reducing light pollution, preserving nocturnal wildlife habitats, and minimizing the harmful impacts on ecosystems. Lincoln City aims to protect the night sky as a natural resource and facilitate sustainability and stewardship education.

ECONOMIC ADVANTAGES

Dark sky stewardship brings economic advantages by attracting more tourists interested in stargazing and dark sky experiences, thereby increasing local economic activity through dark sky tourism. This initiative can potentially boost property values, create opportunities for new visitor experiences, and reduce energy consumption, the website states.

One study found that for every \$1 spent on dark sky-friendly lighting, there was a return on investment of \$1.93 through increased tourism, demonstrating the significant potential of this

certification, according to Dark Sky International.

Preserving dark skies means protecting wildlife, promoting human health and allowing all to experience the awe of a night sky full of stars. Lincoln City is committed to stewarding dark skies with responsible lighting practices that safeguard the environment, promote tourism and foster a stronger, healthier community, according to the Explore Lincoln City website.

“Dark skies hold immense importance for various facets of our world. They are crucial for human health, fostering a connection to nature and supporting balanced circadian rhythms. The impact on wildlife is equally significant, as natural behaviors such as health, navigation, hunting, and breeding depend on the darkness of night. Furthermore, dark skies play a vital role in our culture, providing a sense of our place in the universe, offering perspective, and serving as a source of inspiration. They also contribute to our heritage, enabling storytelling, placemaking, mythology, and tradition,” the website states.

Follow developments online at the Lincoln County Leader website and in the Wednesday print editions of The Leader.

TOURISM

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of tourism dollars spent this summer; however, we have seen a steady influx of tourism traffic at the Chamber office.

Summer 2025 seemed steady overall, and we saw strong visitor numbers on holiday weekends, during special events, and even strong traffic during the week. Some businesses reported being up, particularly those that focused on family-friendly activities and unique experiences, while others noted a slight dip due to the higher travel costs for visitors.

Lincoln County Leader: What were the economic drivers this past summer that impacted tourism in Lincoln City?

Arce-Torres: Local businesses feel that there were several economic factors that shaped Lincoln City’s 2025 summer tourism season. Gas prices and the rising cost of lodging and dining influenced how long visitors stayed and how much they spent once they were here. They also saw the impact

of inflation on family budgets, which led some travelers to shorten their vacations or choose day-trips over longer stays including more affordable activities, which bodes well for a day spent at the beach. Our beautiful weather drew consistent traffic for visitors escaping the heat of the valley. We also spoke with many visitors about outdoor recreation such as beach activities, hiking, and kayaking, as these remain cost-friendly options that helps to stretch vacation funds a bit farther.

Lincoln County Leader: What do you expect to see with tourism as we move into fall and winter in Lincoln City and why?

Arce-Torres: Fall in Lincoln City offers some of the best weather we see all year, not to mention the incredible salmon fishing which is a major draw for anglers. The Salmon River, Siletz River, and nearby coastal waterways boast some of the best fishing in the state. While visitor numbers naturally taper off compared to summer, the off-season brings a different type of traveler, often the ones traveling in their motorhomes who



The Knoll stretches from the beach to the northeast at Lincoln City offering popular hiking trails. (Courtesy photo)

are looking for a quieter pace, and the dramatic beauty of the Oregon Coast. These visitors tend to stay longer and are more engaged with our shops and restaurants.

Lincoln County Leader: What activities and what sites, beyond the beach, are helping to fuel tourism in Lincoln City?

Arce-Torres: When I’m traveling outside the area I talk to different people along the way. They often ask where I live and when I tell them I live in Lincoln City, I frequently hear, “I LOVE Lincoln City! You’re so lucky you get to live there.” I agree, and then ask what they like most about Lincoln City. Their

answer is usually beach related, but also the many activities in the area such as the spectacular hikes like the Drift Creek Falls Hike, kayaking on Devil’s Lake, and the new Schooner Creek Discovery Park, which is the first inclusive and accessible public playground on the Oregon Coast. Recently, I spoke with a woman who told me she has a disabled son, and they were lucky enough to visit the Schooner Creek Discover Park. She was grateful to have such a wonderful place to take her son where he could comfortably play and feel a much-needed sense of normalcy.

Lincoln City is very lucky to have Jeanne Sprague, Director of Lincoln City Parks & Recreation along with the Friends of Lincoln City Parks and Explore Lincoln City who all have the vision to make Lincoln City a welcoming place that supports those with disabilities and mobility needs.

We’ve taken multiple calls at the Chamber from visitors who have a loved one with a last dying wish to get out

onto the beach one last time. They want to feel the wind on their face and the sand on their toes, so thank goodness we have the Beach Wheelchairs and Mobi Mats that are critical to help make this happen.

We should all feel proud that Lincoln City is paving the way to providing inclusive and accessible opportunities for all. Together, we are building a community where everyone has a chance to thrive.

The Leader also checked in with Explore Lincoln City Director Kim Cooper Findling who tracks the specific summer tourism numbers.

Lincoln County Leader: Compared to previous summers, at this point what are the numbers showing?

Kim Cooper Findling: Lincoln City occupancy rates year-to-date show an increase for 2025 over 2024. January through mid-September 2024 was at 62% average occupancy, while January through mid-September 2025 hit 65% average occupancy. The three nights of Fourth of July weekend were the same year-over-year, at 73% occupancy for both 2024 and 2025.

The peak visitor weekends for the summer, in late July and mid-August, hit 83% occupancy, up a couple of percentage points over last year. This is great news and demonstrates the steady strength of tourism in Lincoln City.

Lincoln County Leader: What is the “average” tourist spending in Lincoln City, for what, and has that increased or decreased over the last few years?

Cooper Findling: Annual visitor direct spending in Lincoln County is \$600M, with approximately a third of that occurring in Lincoln City. Each Lincoln City visitor spent an average of \$218.26 per trip in 2025 (that’s an average of every human who comes through town, even on a short day

trip), with the majority of expenditures going toward accommodations, dining and nightlife, as well as grocery and department store purchases.

While visitation is strong, we are seeing a dip in visitor spending this year. Year-over-year, visitor spending in 2025 saw a 1.76% decrease compared to 2024. By contrast, 2024 recorded a 4.77% increase over 2023.

Lincoln County Leader: Is there a specific demographic that we’re seeing, and where are they coming from?


Cooper Findling: Lincoln City’s primary visitor demographics are empty nesters and young families, primarily from the Willamette Valley (Eugene to Portland and surrounds). We also see significant visitation from Washington state, including Seattle, Yakima and Spokane, as well as the greater Boise, Idaho area.

Lincoln County Leader: What are Lincoln City’s tourism economic drivers, and have they shifted over the years?


Cooper Findling: Visitors come to Lincoln City for food and dining, shopping, and outdoor recreation, primarily on our magnificent beaches. Chinook Winds Casino Resort is also a significant draw. The desire to immerse in outdoor spaces, whether this region’s many trails, forests, bays, beaches and rivers, has only increased in recent years.

Visitors want to have an authentic experience here, whether that means learning from a local guide on a hike in Oregon’s only Biosphere region, taking part in a glass blowing experience or eating local seafood.


The Lincoln County Leader has also reached out to the Newport Chamber of Commerce for insight into the summer tourism activity and what we might expect this fall and winter. Look for reports in future print editions of The Leader.




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Sudoku answers

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This Week in

HISTORY

LINCOLN COUNTY LEADER STAFF

This is a brief look back at what made the news in Lincoln County during this week in history.

100 YEARS AGO (1925)

SHERIFF’S DEPUTIES MAKE BIG LIQUOR FIND AT NEWPORT

68 Pint Bottles and Two Gallon Jogs of Moon shine Found In Room at Abbey Hotel; Owner Pleads Guilty; Given Stiff Sentence.

Deputy Sheriffs Jess Daniel and Roy Plank captured 68 pints and two-gallon jugs of Moonshine in room 19 of the Abbey Hotel at Newport Saturday morning and arrested one Cleveland (Dugan) Baker as the owner of same. At the time the officers made the raid Baker was occupying the bed in the same room with the liquor. He was arraigned before Judge J.W. Parrish Saturday afternoon where he entered a plea of guilty to a charge of “possession.” The judge sentenced him to pay a fine of \$500 and serve a sentence of six months in the county jail.

EDDYVILLE INVITES CITIZENS OF COUNTY TO MEETING SATURDAY

Big Picnic and Get-To-Gether Celebration; Musical Program and “Old-Timers” Ball Game to Be Featured.

Toledo citizens and those from all other communities in the county are invited by the Eddyville Community Club to join with them, day after tomorrow, Saturday, in a big picnic and get-to-gather celebration. An excellent program is arranged with such local folks as Miss Verne Ross, Mrs. Ruth Beck, Bert Geer, and Jess Daniel on the lineup.

WATER RENTS MUST BE PAID BEFORE 15TH OF EACH MONTH

Many Delinquencies Reported at Monday Council Meeting; C.K. Crosno Resigns; Wyatt S. Peek Elected.

There are 81 different families in the city of Toledo whose water rent has not been paid yet this month, according to a report made by City Clerk R.R. Miller at the Monday meeting of the city council. This number is far in excess of the usual number. However, there is only one or two who are more than one month in arrears.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

At a meeting held Friday 18 boys promised to turn out for football. No definite positions have been decided for the players, accord to G.H. Patton, coach. The arrangement of the players for the time being is Roy Warren and Morris Johnson, ends; John Iler and F. Wilcox, tackles; Richard York and Ray Warren guards; Jack McElwain,

center; Max Miller and Cecil Wilcox, quarterbacks.

75 YEARS AGO (1950)

CITY STUDIES ITS TRAFFIC PROBLEMS

The city has requested the state highway commission to send engineers to Toledo to study its traffic problems, particularly on Route 20, and to make recommendations to improve safety on streets here.

TOLEDO MAN DISAPPEARS

Al Schlag Vanishes on Trip Home; Officers Have No Clues in Mystery

County and state officers found themselves this week with a mystery on their hands as baffling as any that might be found in the pages of a detective novel. It concerned the unexplained disappearance of Al Schlag, well known Toledo building contractor, who vanished into thin air while driving from Eugene to Toledo Saturday.

CITY FIREMEN ROOF NEW HALL

Volunteer firemen were keeping an eye on the thunderheads rolling up in the West and working feverishly Wednesday to complete the roof of their recreation hall, located back of city hall. Once the roof to the 32 x 28 building is on, the organization can finish the interior of the hall at their leisure.

OPENING OF BIDS DELAYED TO OCT. 10

A call for bids for the construction of the Waldport grade school and an addition to the Yachats school, originally set for Tuesday, Oct. 3, has been advanced to Tuesday, October 10. The change was made on the recommendation of the architect who declared that contractors interested in bidding would not have time to compile the necessary data.

FOUR FROM COUNTY GO INTO SERVICES

Army recruiting officers, stationed at city hall, Toledo, announced this week that enlistments in the air corps had been closed, although it is possible for young men to still select seven branches of the service. Navy enlistments have also been closed temporarily.

50 YEARS AGO (1975)

CONDITIONAL OKAY GIVEN TO POLICE PROJECTS

Funding for two projects that would boost Lincoln City’s law enforcement picture was given a conditional okay by the Oregon Law Enforcement Council last week. The condition is that the district trim \$33,590 off its proposed project budget. The district is composed of Linn, Benton and Lincoln Counties.

PLANNING ISSUES HIGHLIGHT MEET

Land use planning took center stage for the Lincoln City Council Tuesday as the city panel passed two planning commission recommendations and approved a zoning ordinance amendment. One of the recommendations was for a door-to-door census of the city to be conducted by Portland State University. City Manager Jack Greene said the project will cost between \$2,200 and \$2,500.

NEW LAMPS INSTALLED BY CITY

A small section of Lincoln City is a little brighter due to three new lamps. The sodium lamps, located in the Oceanlake area, are being used on a trial basis. Accord g to City Manager Jack Greene, these lamps use a much power as the white lamps but give more light to motorists.

LEVIES SHOW INCREASE IN ALL AREAS

Property owners in north Lincoln County are going to witness high tax rates this year despite the fact many local districts did not increase their levies. New tax rates were released this week from the office of Lincoln County Assessor Jim Johnson. These rates are figured on approved budgets from each taxing district.

NEW ELECTION SYSTEM ARRIVES FOR LINCOLN COUNTY

Paper ballots will soon be a thing of the past in Lincoln County as computer punch cards take their place. Computer Election Systems recently delivered a computerized ballot counter to the office of County Clerk Alberta Bryant and some 170 “Votomatic” vote recorders will soon follow.

25 YEARS AGO (2000)

NEW DIRECTOR TAKE OVER CHAMBER HELM

It didn’t take the Lincoln City

Chamber of Commerce long to find a new executive director. Ginny Whiffen was introduced to the membership Sept. 15 luncheon, and she was in her office making plans Sept. 18. “We’re excited to have Ginny on board,” said Sam Melsheimer of Devils Lake Roack, the chamber president. “She brings a wealth of information and experience in areas that the chamber needs,” he said.

ELECTION ISSUES SURFACE AT SEPT. 12 DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

Two issues of the November election took center stage with the Lincoln County School District Board, Tuesday, Sept. 12. Judy Doty, director of financial services reported that state Measure 8, 88 and 91, if passed would have devastating effects on all school districts in the state. Board member Doug Hunt said he was disappointed the board has not taken a public stance in opposition to all three measures.

SEN. GEORGE’S TOWN HALL MEETING RAISES QUESTION ABOUT SCHOOL FUNDING

Whether or not Lincoln County schools are adequately funded was one of the questions debated last Tuesday at Lincoln City City Hall. State Sen. Gary George was on hand, along with Sen. Tom Hartung, chair of the state education committee, on which George also serves.

CAPE KIWANDA DEVELOPMENT APPROVED WITH MODIFICATIONS

A contentious proposed development in Pacific City may end up smaller than originally planned, if a buyer can be found to purchase the land and preserve it as open space. In response to public concern for one of the most scenic areas on the Oregon Coast, applicants for the development of phases 2 and 3 of a three-phased project at Cape Kiwanda have entered into a contractual agreement with the Trust for Public Lands.

Ricky P. Nelson

1956 - 2025

Ricky P. Nelson, 69, of Toledo, Oregon, passed away peacefully on August 20, 2025, surrounded by loved ones. Born in Ketchikan, Alaska, the third of eight children to Roy and Mary Nelson, Ricky spent most of his life in Toledo and the surrounding communities.



an experience he loved to recount.

He is survived by his siblings Laura (Jim), Margaret (Doug), Ralph (Teresa), Ron, Renee (Stan), Tomie, and Stefani; his brother-in-love, Todd; many nieces and nephews; and lifelong friends Wayne and Steve. He was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Randle Nelson, and

his nephew Robert Griffiths.

An open-house Celebration of Life will be held on October 11, 2025, from 1-5 p.m. at his home in Toledo. Come share a good laugh, a good story, or a good cry. All are welcome. For questions, please contact Jamie at 541-270-4515.

DEATH NOTICES

ROY “DEAN” HILL, SR. OF SILETZ

Born October 3, 1933, Passed September 9, 2025. Atonement Lutheran Church, Newport, September 27, 2025, 1 pm

Dwight Coleman Reed

January 7, 1953 - September 6, 2025

Dwight Coleman Reed was born January 7th, 1953, and died September 6th, 2025. He had been having health issues for the last eight months and died peacefully at his daughter’s side in Newport.

He is survived by his daughter, Noelle Reed (Newport); granddaughter, Shanice Roselle (Eugene); great-granddaughters, Sahalie and Summer (Eugene); sisters, Shirley Randell (Colorado), Marilyn Harmon and her husband, Jim Harmon (California), and Peggy Reed (Colorado); four nieces (Colorado and California); cousin, Judy Luther (Dallas); and many other extended family members.

Dwight was born in Paonia, Colorado. He grew up in Englewood, Colorado, and graduated from Englewood High School. He moved to Newport in 1974 and quickly knew he never wanted to leave this community. He worked at Barrelhead Supply for 10 years in the 1980s. He then worked at the old Newport hospital, rebuilding and remodeling parts of it. At the age of 46, he became an electrician and worked at Aboveboard Electric for 20 years. He enjoyed being an electrician and



worked at many homes and businesses in the community.

Family and friends were the center of Dwight’s life; he cherished each and every moment with them. His big smile, warm heart, kindness, and friendly nature made him fun to be around, and his creativity shone through in all he did. Dwight was a talented home builder, who loved creating and constructing with his hands. He also had a passion for photography, especially capturing candid moments with family and

friends, along with the beauty of the Oregon coast and the Yaquina Bay Bridge. Dwight loved history and stories; he enjoyed sharing his enthusiasm, interests, and projects with those around him. Dwight will be deeply missed and forever held in people’s hearts and souls, and his spirit will live on in all who knew him.

A celebration of life will be held at the Pacific Maritime Heritage Center, 333 SE Bay Blvd, Newport, on October 4th, from 12-3 PM in the multipurpose room. Please join family, friends, and all who knew him to share stories, memories, and laughter. Dwight, you are gone too soon!

Charles Albert Martineau

April 8, 1946-August 30, 2025

He was almost always called Chuck and sometimes was known as Chuckie in his youth.

Chuck was born in Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin to Chester & Laura (Johnson) Martineau. When he was 3, the family moved to Alma, Wisconsin. 1950 the family moved to Ladysmith, Wisconsin where he resided until beginning his working career. He started working at Garmisch near Cable, Wisconsin, a tourist resort that operates year-round. After several years, he moved to Eau Claire, Wisconsin and worked for Shopko. He met his future wife there (Amy McGinnis) and they were married. They resided in Eau Claire for some time before moving to Arcadia, Wisconsin where he worked for Ashley Furniture. Chuck retired and then moved to New Auburn, Wisconsin until 2005 when he moved to Newport, Oregon and close to Amy’s family, where he has resided for the last 20 years. During that time in Newport, Chuck and Amy divorced but remained friends.

Chuck loved the outdoors and nature, and in his youth spent a lot of time at the family cottage in Chetek, Wisconsin. At the cottage, he was always trying to get his mom to play backgammon.

Chuck was fiercely independent and enjoyed hanging out with friends, visiting his favorite shops during his daily walks and always having a joke or two to share whomever he might encounter. He was always interested in exploring and learning more about anything that piqued his interest. And almost every day he would go to the Newport Café for coffee,



breakfast, etc. After he quit driving, he would walk to and from the cafe, a distance of almost two miles each way.

Chuck died of natural causes early that Saturday morning and his wishes were to be cremated, with burial in Wisconsin next to his parents. Burial will take place next summer.

Chuck is survived by his older brother John (St Louis, MO), David (Kris) Martineau of Chippewa Falls, WI, Bruce (Kristen) Martineau of Maple Grove, MN, and former wife, Amy. He was preceded in death by his parents, sister-in-law Lee, brother Tom (in infancy) and Amy’s parents.

A special thank you to Cris McGinnis (Amy’s sister) for her long-time friendship and support of Chuck, both during and after his divorce from Amy. Also, special thanks to all those who checked on Chuck daily, gave him rides after he quit driving and watched over him. He was truly blessed by those who knew them.

Oregon in historic dry period

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Nearly 80% of the Northwest is in a drought this summer, with more than half in a severe or extreme drought, according to a July analysis and September data from the U.S. Drought Monitor at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

That’s due in large part to a lack of spring rain. Between April and August, Oregon had its fourth-driest period since record keeping began in 1895, according to Larry O’Neill, Oregon’s state climatologist and an associate professor at Oregon State University’s College of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences.

“We got about half of our usual precipitation during that time,” he said.

Despite a wet winter and solid snowpack filling water reservoirs, “spring precipitation is quite important for a lot of the state, and especially for wildfire danger and for agricultural livestock production,” O’Neill said.

For most of Oregon and the Northwest, the spring and summer drought are characterized as short-term, but for some parts

of the state, such as in Wallowa, Umatilla and parts of Baker counties, drought has been ongoing for more than a year.

Oregon Gov. Tina Kotek has since July declared a drought emergency in Union and Baker counties, as well as Coos, Douglas, Lincoln, Morrow and Wheeler counties.

Such declarations allow the state’s Office of Emergency Management and the Agriculture and Water Resources departments to assist the counties by expediting review processes and reducing fees for emergency permits to draw more water or temporarily transfer a water right.

Streamflows in some Oregon rivers in the northwest and west of the state along the Coast Range reached record lows this summer. Across the Northwest, more than 50% of streamflow sites where NOAA measures levels are below normal, according to the NOAA scientists. O’Neill said scientists are keeping a close eye on the Siletz, Nehalem, Alsea and Chetco rivers in Oregon that rely heavily on spring rain for their flows, and which have measured low.

Across the West

Extreme drought is currently



Oregon farms struggle through a prolonged drought. (Photo courtesy of Yadira Lopez/ Malheur Enterprise)

most prevalent in western Washington, northern Idaho, and western Montana and is widespread in Idaho and Washington, according to the scientists at NOAA.

In April, the Washington Department of Ecology issued a drought emergency for the Yakima Basin. By June 5, the department had issued a drought emergency for 19 watersheds covering much of the north and central parts of the state.

The situation across the west is “perilous” according to the NOAA scientists, because it was compounded by mega droughts in the early 2000s and in the early 2020s. But conditions in

the Northwest at least are not nearly as bad as they were in 2021.

“Current drought coverage and intensity pales in comparison to peak drought conditions in the early 2020s,” analysts wrote.

In July 2021, nearly 60% of the West was in an extreme or exceptional drought. About 13% of the Northwest today is currently in extreme or exceptional drought.

NOAA’s Climate Prediction Center currently forecasts equal chances of above and below precipitation for the winter in the Northwest, with a slight favorability that it could be

above normal.

“We’re crossing our fingers, hoping for the rain to come,” O’Neill said.

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Transportation vote postponed once again in special session

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The Oregon Senate will once again delay its vote on a major transportation bill until Sept. 29.

Senators were supposed to meet Wednesday at the state Capitol in Salem to vote on the bill, which would raise \$4.3 billion over the next 10 years, but at 8:20 p.m. Tuesday, Oregon Senate President Rob Wagner, D-Lake Oswego, announced in an email that the chamber would postpone the vote because a key Democrat remains hospitalized.

Raising taxes requires support from 18 of 30 senators. Democrats hold 18 seats. That means all Democrats need to be present if Republicans remain united against the transportation bill.

Sen. Chris Gorsek, D-Gresham, underwent back surgery in August and was recovering from complications of that surgery, the Oregon Capital Chronicle previously reported. Members of Gorsek’s medical team sent a letter to Wagner this week



Sen. Chris Gorsek, D-Gresham, at the Oregon Legislature on Feb. 12, 2024. (Photo by Jordan Gale / Oregon Capital Chronicle)

saying it would be unsafe for Gorsek to leave the hospital by Wednesday.

“The stop-gap transportation bill before the Senate is important for all Oregonians who rely on our roads and the maintenance workers whose jobs are at risk,” Wagner said in a statement. “At the same time, we are not going to do anything that would put the health of our colleague at risk. The Senate will provide Sen. Gorsek with the time he needs to regain his health and be present for the vote on transportation policy he was instrumental in creating.”

Gov. Tina Kotek has delayed Oregon Department of Transportation layoffs twice since lawmakers failed to compromise on a transportation bill during the regular six-month legislative session. Originally slated to happen in July, then Sept. 15, agency layoffs are now set to take effect on Oct. 15.

Oregon Senate Majority Leader Kayse Jama, D-Portland, said he looks forward to Gorsek’s return.

“The Democratic caucus is a team, and we will eagerly welcome back Senator Gorsek

when his continued recovery allows him to return to the chamber,” he said. “As soon as that happens, Senate Democrats will take the action we’ve worked toward together for more than a year: shoring up funding for our roads, bridges, and public transit.”

Senate Republican Leader Bruce Starr, R-Dundee, in a statement wished Gorsek a full recovery, but said Kotek could have prevented the situation if she had worked with Republicans on a bipartisan transportation package.

“Now, we find ourselves stuck in a never-ending special session because the Governor refused to build consensus and insisted on ramming through a tax hike that working Oregonians are pleading for us to stop,” Starr said. “Whenever this vote takes place, our caucus remains united in rejecting this tax hike, leaving no doubt about who is advocating for Oregon families — and who is not.”

Republicans during the regular legislative session proposed an alternative package that avoided tax hikes and instead

would have redirected funding from climate initiatives, public transit and passenger rail services, bicycle programs and payroll tax allocations. It had no way of generating new revenue for ODOT aside from using money from the state’s Emergency Board, a legislative group that allocates money in emergencies.

The transportation bill senators will consider in the special session would raise the gas tax by 6 cents, increase vehicle title and registration fees and temporarily raise a statewide payroll tax for transit from 0.1% to 0.2%.

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FINANCIAL FREEDOM

Distribution Planning: Turning Savings into Retirement Income

Most of us spend decades working hard and building our savings.

This phase is often called the accumulation stage, or the time when you’re growing wealth through consistent contributions, investment growth, and compounding returns. But once retirement arrives, the game changes. The focus shifts from building your nest egg to carefully managing how you withdraw and distribute those savings to create an income stream that lasts throughout your life.

This is the distribution stage, and it comes with its own unique challenges and opportunities.

The Shift from Accumulation to Distribution

During accumulation, your primary goals are saving, investing for growth, and protecting against risks that could derail

your progress. Success is generally measured by how large your accounts grow over time.

But retirement flips the script. Instead of simply asking, “How much can I grow my portfolio?”, you now need to answer questions like:

- How do I turn my savings into monthly income?
- Which accounts should I draw from first to manage taxes?
- How do I protect my income against inflation, market volatility, and longevity risk?

Without a thoughtful distribution plan, retirees risk running out of money too soon or conversely, underspending and missing out on enjoying the lifestyle they worked hard to create.

Key Elements of a Great Retirement Income Plan

A strong distribution plan balances your need for income today with the goal of preserving wealth for the future. Here are the critical components:

1. Withdrawal Strategy

Which accounts you draw



Julia Carlson

from—and in what order—can have a significant impact on how long your money lasts. A smart withdrawal strategy coordinates taxable accounts, tax-deferred accounts (like IRAs and 401(k)s), and tax-advantaged accounts (like Roth IRAs) to minimize taxes over time. For many retirees, blending withdrawals from multiple account types creates the most efficient outcome.

2. Income Floor and Flexibility

Your plan should establish an “income floor”—a reliable stream that covers essential living expenses, often using Social Security, pensions, or other income such as real estate, etc. From there, flexible withdrawals from investments can fund lifestyle and discretionary spending. This combination helps you establish consistent income so you can enjoying your time freedom in retirement.

3. Tax Planning

Taxes don’t stop when you

retire, they just look different. Strategic Roth conversions, managing Required Minimum Distributions (RMDs), and carefully timing Social Security benefits can significantly reduce your lifetime tax bill. A well-designed distribution plan looks beyond one year at a time and maps out strategies that consider taxes over decades.

4. Risk and Market Protection

Even in retirement, market downturns happen. A thoughtful income plan considers how to weather volatility, whether that’s keeping cash reserves, using a “bucket strategy” for investments, or maintaining a balanced portfolio that can handle both growth and stability needs.

5. Longevity and Legacy Planning

Finally, distribution planning should account for longevity, seeking to create an income that lasts as long as you need it. It also integrates estate and legacy planning, making sure your wealth transfers smoothly to loved ones or causes you care about.

Final Thoughts

Distribution planning is about more than withdrawing money, it’s about having confidence in your ability to live your ideal retirement lifestyle. With the right strategy, you can enjoy retirement knowing your income is reliable, your taxes are managed, and your lifestyle is sustainable. If you need help preparing for retirement, let’s talk. We’re a team of financial advisors committed to caring deeply for you and your financial life.

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The Newport Symphony Orchestra. (Courtesy photo)

Newport Symphony opens new season

The Newport Symphony Orchestra is excited to start the season off with a powerful program in tribute to one of the greatest composers of all time, Ludwig van Beethoven.

The two performances scheduled are for 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 28, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, at the Newport Performing Arts Center, 777 W. Olive Street in Newport. Tickets are \$45-\$70 for regular seating. Students \$10 with ID.

The performances include:
Repertoire: Gabriela Lena Frank: Elegía Andina



Adam Flatt



Ben Kim

Ludwig van Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 5 “The Emperor”
Jake Runestad: A Silence Haunts Me
Ludwig van Beethoven: Choral Fantasy in C Minor
The concert begins with living composer, Gabriela Lena Frank’s work, Elegía Andina. Frank grew up with neurosensory high-moderate/near-profound hearing loss, but in spite of this challenge, Frank has become an incredible force in the world of music. This piece is dedicated to her older brother

Marcos and explores what it means to be from different ethnical persuasions through traditional Peruvian musical elements.

We continue with Oregon’s own world class pianist, Ben Kim, returning to the NSO stage to perform Beethoven’s aptly nicknamed “The Emperor” concerto. This masterwork has a sad asterisk alongside the grand title. Piano Concerto No. 5 was the first of Beethoven’s piano concerti

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In Oregon, the Elakha Alliance will collaborate with local partners - the Oregon Zoo, Oregon Coast Aquarium, Fullerton Winery and Tasting Room, Artsea Craftsea, and 7 Devils Brewery - to host in-person events that connect communities to sea otter conservation. (Courtesy photo)

Oregon’s Sea Otter Awareness Week: Celebrate, Learn, and Take Action

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The Elakha Alliance, an Oregon non-profit working to restore sea otters to the Oregon coast, invites the public to celebrate Sea Otter Awareness Week (SOAW) Sept. 21–27.

SOAW is facilitated by a coalition of organizations

including Sea Otter Savvy, Defenders of Wildlife, the Monterey Bay Aquarium, California Department of Parks and Recreation, and the Elakha Alliance, all working together to inspire deeper awareness of these unique marine mammals, their ecological importance, and the

challenges they face.

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Rosenblum and Sano to present collaborative music, art performance at LCCC



Courtesy photos

The Lincoln City Cultural Center will host a special performance at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 25, featuring internationally recognized jazz pianist and accordionist Ben Rosenblum and Japanese visual artist Yoko Sano.

The husband-and-wife duo will present a collaborative program in which Rosenblum’s music and Sano’s live painting interact and evolve together in real time.

The project, described as a “genre-bending collaboration,” has been performed at venues across the United States and Japan. Each performance is unique, as Rosenblum’s improvisations inspire Sano’s brushwork, while her artistic choices,

in turn, influence the music being created.

Rosenblum has toured extensively in more than 25 countries, performing in settings ranging from Carnegie Hall to international jazz festivals. He has appeared with artists such as Rickie Lee Jones, Catherine Russell, Ephrat Asherie Dance, and Kiran Ahluwalia, and has shared stages with jazz luminaries Bobby Watson, Sean Jones, and Warren Wolf. In 2020, his sextet, the Nebula Project, was recognized in the Jazz Times readers’ poll as runner-up in the Best New Artist category.

Sano, who studied traditional

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‘You Can Be Ready! – Emergency and Disaster Preparation’

Newport Public Library is hosting an emergency and disaster preparation program titled “You Can Be Ready!” presented by the Library’s Jan Eastman on Wednesday, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. Oct.1, in the McEntee Meeting Room of the Newport Public Library, located at 35 NW Nye Street in

Newport.

“You Can Be Ready!” provides information and resources on learning how and why a person should be prepared for an emergency or disaster. The program will discuss types of disaster response, survival priorities, how to create a “Go Bag,” and steps

to put together a plan to help attendees survive both large-scale disasters and household emergencies.

Although not covering the scientific mechanics of a disaster or why it occurs, the “You Can Be Ready!” program will

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Adam Flatt, conductor

Ben Kim, piano

Willamette Master Chorus,

Dr. Paul Klemme, director

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Chinook Winds Celebrates double milestone: 30 Years of growth and a remarkable career

In June 2025, Chinook Winds Casino Resort marked an incredible milestone: 30 years of growth, community, and transformation. But behind the scenes, another momentous occasion quietly took place, Barbara John, celebrated her 30-year anniversary with the organization.

Barbara John began her career in June of 1995, starting as a Change Attendant in the Slot department when Chinook Winds operated under a tent with just 250 machines.

Today, she is part of the department’s management team, helping to oversee more than 900 machines, most of which are now multi-denomination.

“Barb has been part of every chapter of Chinook Winds’ history. She continues to play a vital role in her department” Chinook Winds General Manager Samantha McDonald said. “Her dedication, knowledge, and positive attitude have made a lasting impact—not just on our team, but on our guests and the broader Chinook Winds community.”

When reflecting on her career, Barb John said one of the most meaningful parts has been the



relationships she’s built—with both coworkers and guests.

“I challenge myself to make people smile,” she said. “Sometimes all it takes is a small conversation to turn someone’s day around.”

Barb even met her husband while working at Chinook Winds—both deeply committed to the mission and values of Chinook Winds Casino and The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.

Barbara John, who most notably has never called in sick to work over the span of 30 years according to her attendance, has witnessed Chinook Winds evolve from a small tent to the casino everyone has grown to know and love today.

“Barb has achieved something truly remarkable—30 years of dedication, leadership, and heart at the same casino,” Chinook Winds Director of Operations Chad McCormick said. “Her passion and enthusiasm continue to inspire me every single day. Barb embodies the very best of work ethic and commitment. We are incredibly fortunate to have her on our team, bringing unmatched skill, experience, and compassion to everything she does.”

About Chinook Winds Casino Resort

Chinook Winds Casino Resort, owned and operated by the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians, offers Las Vegas-style gaming, an 18-hole golf course, headline entertainment from some of the industry’s most legendary stars, three full-service restaurants, an arcade and childcare, and a 243-room oceanfront hotel. Chinook Winds Casino Resort is located on the beach in Lincoln City, Oregon and is owned and operated by the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians.

For more information, please visit www.chinookwindscasino.com or call 1-888-CHINOOK (244-6665).



The annual festival engages the community, young and old, with various events to help support the school’s mission and programs. (Courtesy photo)

Neskowin Valley School’s 44th Annual Harvest Festival

The Neskowin Valley School (NVS) will host its 44th Annual Harvest Festival from 11:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 4 at NVS, 10005 Slab Creek Road in Neskowin.

This beloved community tradition will once again bring together families, friends, and neighbors for a day of fun, music, and celebration. Enjoy live local music, artisan vendors, raffle prizes, a cider press, kids’ activities, and more. This vibrant fall gathering not only celebrates the season but also raises vital funds to support NVS’s mission and programs.

For more than 50 years, Neskowin Valley School has provided students with small class sizes, multi-age classrooms, hands-on experiential learning, and a strong connection to the natural environment of the Oregon Coast. This year’s Harvest Festival also marks the launch of our Fall Giving Campaign—Seeds Today, Roots

Tomorrow, Growth for Generations.

With community support, NVS continues to grow and innovate:

Updated curriculum reflecting our values of rigorous, creative, and non-traditional academics.

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When children feel safe, supported, and inspired, their potential is limitless. At NVS, students are encouraged to explore their interests, share their creativity, and grow in confidence—just walk through our halls and you’ll see their art, science, and project-based work proudly displayed.

We invite you to be part of this exciting chapter in our school’s story by joining us at the Harvest Festival!

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Local vendors are a cherished part of the Harvest Festival, offering unique handmade goods and treasures for our guests to enjoy. If your business would like to become a vendor or sponsor, please contact Kelsey Leatherman, Board Chair. Sponsorship provides visibility to thousands of social media viewers and hundreds of attendees—all while making a lasting impact on the lives of NVS students.

We can’t wait to celebrate with you—see you at the festival!

For more information, call 503-392-3124 or email info@neskowinvalleyschool.com

Submitted by Kelsey Leatherman, Board Chair and the NVS Team

SYMPHONY

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that he did not premiere himself, due to his hearing deteriorating significantly. Amazingly, Beethoven was still able to compose a remarkable work that has changed the landscape of all the concertos that followed.

Jake Runestad’s A Silence Haunts Me is a moving exploration of Beethoven’s deafness. Pianist Ben Kim and

the Willamette Master Chorus led by Dr. Paul Klemme, join the Newport Symphony for this transformative music set to a poem by Runestad’s friend, Todd Boss. This text explores Beethoven’s mindset about his growing deafness while using some of the maestro’s famous musical motifs.

The program closes with The Willamette Master Chorus, Ben Kim and the NSO joining forces once again to present Beethoven’s Choral

Fantasy in C Minor. On the night of December 22, 1808, Beethoven was giving the Viennese premiere of Symphony No. 5, Symphony No. 6, and his Piano Concerto No. 4, with him as the soloist. In a gesture typical of the day, Beethoven decided at the last minute to compose another work as a grand finale for the evening, and the result was the Choral Fantasy.

For more information, contact 458-868-9155, or visit newportsymphony.org

SEA OTTER

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in-person events that connect communities to sea otter conservation.

This year’s theme, “Anchored in Hope,”provides a metaphor for optimism, stability, and security in a challenging world.

Oregon’s 2025 Sea Otter Awareness Week activities (see www.elakhaalliance.org/events for details):

6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Sept 24. Sea Otter Sip and Paint Night at Fullerton Wines in Portland.

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sept 25. Sea Otter Sip and Paint Night at Fullerton Winery in Corvallis.

7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday Sept 25. Sea Otter Sip and Paint Night at 7 Devils Brewery inn Coos Bay.

6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Sept 26. Artsea Craftsea Sea Otter Paint Night Benefiting Elakha Alliance in Newport.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept 27. Sea Otter Viewing Station and Education at Oregon Coast Aquarium in Newport.

Sea otters, once plentiful on the Oregon coast, were hunted nearly to extinction for their lush furs by the early 1900s. A few surviving animals in California and Alaska enabled the population of sea otters to rebound in some places. However, they remain absent in their former habitats on the Oregon and northern California coasts, a stretch of nearly 800 miles.

The Elakha Alliance’s mission is to make Oregon’s marine and coastal ecosystems and communities more robust and resilient by restoring a healthy population of

sea otters to the Oregon coast. Feasibility studies completed in 2022 by the Elakha Alliance and the US Fish and Wildlife Service found that there would be ecological and economic benefits from returning sea otters to the region due to their importance in protecting kelp forests which are critical habitat for many marine species, including fish caught in commercial and recreational harvest.

Additional studies indicate that the return of sea otters would provide economic benefits to Oregon coast communities, including boosts to travel and tourism industries.

To learn more, visit OregonSeaOtters.org or follow @ElakhaAlliance on Instagram.



Courtesy photos

LCCC

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Japanese painting and later became a certified instructor with the Japan Pastel Nagomi Art Association, has exhibited her work internationally and sold hundreds of pieces. Since relocating to New York, she has expanded her practice to include multimedia work and design projects for musicians. Her live collaborations with Rosenblum allow her to transform sound into visual form, offering

audiences a rare synthesis of the two art forms.

EVENT DETAILS

Ben Rosenblum & Yoko Sano: A Live Collaboration of Music and Art

Thursday, Sept. 25, 2025, 7 p.m.

Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Hwy 101, Lincoln City, OR

Tickets available at <https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?show=290659>

For more information, call 541-994-9994 or visit www.lincolncity-cultural-center.org.

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Dark & Stormy Nights at Driftwood Public Library

Driftwood Public Library is delighted to announce the schedule of authors for its annual Dark & Stormy Night series.

This will be the 22nd year in which the library invites genre authors to speak in Lincoln City. The series takes place at the library at 4:30 Thursday afternoons in October, beginning October 2.

Twenty-two years ago, Driftwood teamed with the late Marcy Taylor to bring Northwest mystery writers to the Oregon coast. That first year was so successful that the series has continued every October, with only one break while the library was closed for its renovation in the Autumn and early Winter of 2009. The series has expanded to include writers from other genres, including science fiction, fantasy, romance, and horror, sometimes all mashed together!

Keith Rosson is returning to open this year's series on October 2. Keith is the author of the novels *The Devil by Name*, *Fever House*, *Smoke City*, *Road Seven*, and *The Mercy of the Tide* as well as the Shirley Jackson



Keith Rosson



Neena Viel

Award-winning story collection *Folk Songs for Trauma Surgeons*. His most recent book is *Coffin Moon*, an action-packed and gritty take on vampires set in Oregon during the 1970s. It was released earlier this month. He lives in Portland.

The series continues October 9th with a visit from Gabriel Urza. Gabriel is the author of the novel *All*



Gabriel Urza

That Followed, which was a New York Times Editor's Choice in 2015, a Publishers Weekly "Best of Summer" selection, a Booklist Best Crime Fiction Debut, and garnered starred reviews from Kirkus and Publisher's Weekly. He is also the author of the novellas *The Last Supper* and *The White Death: An Illusion*, which was an Oregon Book Award finalist. His creative nonfiction has appeared in the New York Times, Salon, Slate, Politico, Travel + Leisure, and other publications. His most recent book is the thriller *The Silver State*, which was released this summer. Gabriel is a professor of creative writing in the Portland State

University Master of Fine Arts program. He is also a former public defender and a licensed attorney.

On October 16, we're delighted to welcome Neena Viel. Neena is a horror writer who lives in a cabin in the Washingtonian woods with her husband. She grew up between Newburgh, New York and Jonesboro, Arkansas. She holds a Master's in Public Service from the University of Arkansas Clinton School of Public Service and a Bachelor's in Communication Studies from Arkansas State University. Her debut novel *Listen to Your Sister* was released this past winter and has garnered comparisons to Jordan



Don Henwood

Peele and Grady Hendrix.

Our series will wrap up on October 23 when Don Henwood visits us. Born under the shadows of Mt. Hood and raised to love the pristine rivers in Oregon, Don started writing stories when he was ten years old. Some of his stories were formed sitting next to campfires and told to glowing faces. Don is the author of a 4-book series of Sherlock Holmes tales that began with *The Anatomy of Sherlock Holmes* in 2017. The most recent entry, *Letters from Jack*, was published in 2022. He has also written a satirical tribute of Kurt Vonnegut titled *Kilmore Trout*, and the books *Oz: An Otter's Tale* and *Greyda the Great*

and *Other Tails: A Cat's Tale*. Don live here on the Central Coast of Oregon.

All events in the Dark & Stormy Night series are free to the public and made possible by ongoing generous support from The Driftwood Library Foundation and Looking Glass Inn, Pelican Shores Inn, and Shearwater Inn.

Questions about the series may be directed to Ken Hobson at Driftwood Public Library: 541-996-1242 or khobson@lincolncity.org.

Driftwood Public Library is located at 801 SW HWY 101 in Lincoln City on the 2nd floor of the City Hall building, across the street from Burger King and adjacent to McKay's Market.

Tide of music to kick off the 25/26 Celtic Music Series at the LCCC

Imagine three master musicians stepping on stage, instruments in hand, and beginning a musical conversation that flows like a river. Each melody twists and turns, swelling with improvisation, anchored by tradition, and never quite the same twice. That's the magic of Kalos, a trio described as fearless, inventive, and deeply rooted in Celtic music's maritime soul.

At 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 28, KALOS will kick off the 2025-2026 Celtic Music season at the Lincoln City Cultural Center for a night of music that promises to be as alive and unpredictable as the Oregon Coast weather

Ryan McKasson (fiddle, viola), Eric McDonald (guitar, mandolin, lead vocals), and Jeremiah McLane (accordion, piano, vocals) formed Kalos in 2016, recording their first album *Harbour and later Headland*. Since 2019, they have toured internationally, carrying their sound—equal parts bold, delicate, and mischievous—across borders and generations. Together, they span three generations, three cities, and two countries. What unites them is a willingness to let tradition breathe.

Their repertoire dives deep into maritime culture: Irish dance tunes, Scottish laments, French bourrées, and original works that explore shorelines, seafarers, and the eternal push-and-pull between land and water. Their albums reference

ports and peninsulas, places where stories and music cross paths, where songs drift from one culture to another. In concert, they embrace that sense of flux. As they often say, they never play a tune the same way twice.

The Musicians Behind the Sound

Ryan McKasson became the youngest-ever U.S. National Scottish Fiddle Champion at 17. He studied viola at USC, toured widely, and recorded with artists like Hanneke Cassel and Alasdair Fraser. Known for his expressive bowing and rich tone, McKasson brings both precision and abandon to the stage.

Eric McDonald grew up in Boston's fertile acoustic scene and honed his skills at Berklee. A commanding accompanist and a gifted vocalist, he's admired for his ability to make centuries-old ballads feel contemporary. His guitar and mandolin add rhythmic fire and melodic lift to Kalos' sound.

Jeremiah McLane was raised in New England with strong Scottish roots. He trained in classical piano before veering into jazz, blues, gamelan, and minimalism, eventually falling for the accordion. A prolific composer and bandleader, McLane's curiosity has carried him through dozens of recordings and across multiple musical worlds.

Together, they are more than the sum of their parts. Reviewers have praised their "seamless musical conversation" and "fearless approach



KALOS (Courtesy photo)

to tradition." Audiences remark on their chemistry: the knowing smiles exchanged mid-tune, the way one musician will suddenly step into the foreground only to yield to another in a kind of musical dance. It's a performance style that feels less like a concert and more like an adventure

unfolding in real time.

A River, Not a Museum
Kalos rejects the idea that Celtic music belongs behind glass, preserved and unchanging. Instead, they see it as a living river—fed by countless tributaries, carrying history forward, but always flowing into the present. Their live shows revel

in this fluidity: a waltz may slide into a jig, a traditional ballad may swell with unexpected harmonies, a tune may stretch into improvisation that feels almost jazz-like before snapping back into danceable form.

It's no surprise that the trio has been described as both scholarly and

playful. They respect the tradition, but they refuse to be confined by it. In their hands, music is a conversation—sometimes gentle, sometimes heated, always compelling.

EVENT DETAILS

Who: Kalos (McKasson, McDonald & McLane)

When: Sunday, Sept. 28, 2025, at 7 p.m.

Where: Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Hwy 101, Lincoln City, OR

Tickets: Available now at <https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?show=289720>

Admission: \$37-\$42 for adults, \$34-\$39 seniors and \$20-\$30 students

Season packages for 5-9 shows save 15-25%

The concert is part of the LCCC's Celtic Music Series available here: <https://app.arts-people.com/index.php?subscription=lccc>

DISASTER

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demonstrate that the best way to survive even the most minor emergency is to Be Ready!

Presenter Newport Library Specialist Jan Eastman has compiled almost 20 years of following the trends of emergency preparedness

through the Citizen Emergency Response Team (CERT) program. She has been a Ham Radio operator for almost 15 years, and a supporter of Red Cross programing through the years.

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by given that the two-year period for the redemption of real properties included in the 2023 delinquent tax lien foreclosure proceedings instituted by Lincoln County, Oregon on September 13, 2023 in the circuit court of the State of Oregon for Lincoln County, suit No. 23CV37211 and included in the judgment entered therein on October 18, 2023, will expire on October 18, 2025. All properties ordered sold under the judgment, unless redeemed on or before October 18, 2025, will be deemed to Lincoln County, Oregon, immediately upon expiration of the period of redemption, and every right and interest of any person in such properties will be forfeited forever to Lincoln County, Oregon. Jayne Welch, Tax Collector, Lincoln County, Oregon 9/24/25 10/1/25

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LCL25-510 NOTICE OF LAND USE PUBLIC

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PUBLIC NOTICES

HEARINGS. The following request will be reviewed by the City of Toledo Planning Commission at a public hearing on October 8, 2025, and by the Toledo City Council on November 5, 2025. The Planning Commission meeting on October 8, 2025 will begin at 6:30 pm and the City Council meeting on November 5, 2025 will begin at 6:00 pm. Both meetings will be held at Toledo City Hall Council Chambers at 206 N Main Street, Toledo, Oregon. Any comments you wish to make will be appreciated. Please contact Contract Planner Justin Peterson at (541) 336-2247 extension 2130 for further information. In-Person and Virtual Meeting: The meetings will be held in-person with an option for attendance through the Zoom video meeting platform. Call (541) 336-2247 ext. 2130 or e-mail planning@cityoftoledo.org to receive the meeting login information. City File #AX-1-25/RZ-1-25 are applications by the City of Toledo to annex approximately 9 acres into the City limits and to rezone the property from the Lincoln County zone designation of R-1 to the City designation of Public Lands (P-L) Zone. The subject property is located within the Toledo Urban Growth Boundary (UGB). The property is located at SE Ammon Road, identified as Lincoln County Assessor's Map 11-10-16 CB Tax Lot 2000 and adjacent public right-of-way, commonly known as 2054 SE Ammon Road, and is the site of the City's Ammon Road Water Storage Tank. Decision Criteria: ORS 222.111 (1)-(4), ORS 222.125, Toledo Municipal Code Section 17.80.050, and the 2023 Toledo Comprehensive Land Use Plan. Oregon law requires that testimony and evidence

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25-2107 / South Beach.....\$729,000

NEW LISTING

Shared Ownership Condo provides 4 weeks of stay per year, on rotating schedule. 1BD, 2BA unit features ocean view, & easy access to owner parking. The Inn also offers golf cart concierge service. Low HOA fees, great amenities, & private beach access.
25-2076 / Otter Rock.....\$9,000

NEW LISTING

2816sf Home on 12+acres Featuring garden areas, shop spaces, canning kitchen separate from the new main kitchen, 2 wells, plus views that will take our breath away. The peace & quiet, and wildlife & serenity this property offers is hard to find.
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Clean & Comfortable, 2BD, 1BA home on .44 acre parcel. Detached 2-car garage. Recent improvements: new tub/shower, windows, appliances & more. Quiet wooded setting w/nearby beach access. Close to Waldport services & amenities.
25-2101 / Waldport.....\$197,000

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2 Bedroom Condo completely renovated & unrestricted w/authority for full time occupancy. Upgrades: new flooring, cabinets, counters, appliances, tile shower & more. Fully furnished & Move-in ready. Mo. dues include utilities, insurance, & ext. maintenance.
25-2069 / Newport.....\$510,000

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25-409 / Newport.....\$269,900

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city of Newport, Oregon, the defendant's interest will be sold, subject to redemption, in the real property commonly known as: 1091 SE 1st St, Lincoln City, OR 971367. The court case number is 24CV25050. O'BRIEN & COMPANY, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company, Plaintiff vs. CV THE HAVEN AT D RIVER, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company, Defendant AT THE COMMONS, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company; CV THE JACKSON, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company; CV THE ROXY, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company; CV 9 NORTH LLC, a Washington limited liability company; CV THE VINTAGE, LLC, a Washington limited liability company; CV THE CHARLES, LLC, a Montana limited liability company; CV THE PALACE, LLC, an Oregon limited liability company; VPMC I, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company; JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national bank; and RAYBORN'S PLUMBING, INC., an Oregon corporation, Defendants. This is a public auction to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check, in hand. For more details, go to <http://www.oregonsheriffssales.org/county/lincoln/>

LCL25-501 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS.
Pursuant to District Public Contracting Rule (District Rule) 137-048-0220, Depoe Bay Fire District (District) is conducting a formal selection process to submit proposals to provide design and construction oversight for the seismic retrofit of the District's Depoe Bay Fire Station 23 - Otter Rock Seismic Rehabilitation Project ("Project" or "Station Project"). The anticipated contract or contracts will include: all design work; site anal-

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ysis; solicitation of and award to a contractor (potentially a CM/CO) moving coordination/assistance; construction oversight; and procurement of all necessary government permits. The full Request for Proposals may be obtained from, and questions posed to: Tom Jackson, Fire Chief, Depoe Bay Fire District Fire Station 22 6445 Gleneden Beach Loop, Gleneden Beach, OR 97388 (541) 764-2202 tlackson@depoe-bayfire.com. Proposals will be received by the District until closing, 5:00 p.m. on October 1, 2025. Responses received after this time will be rejected as non-responsive. Proposers shall submit proposals in a sealed opaque envelope, plainly marked "Request for Proposals for Architectural/Engineering Services for Depoe Bay Fire District Station 23 emdash Otter Rock Seismic Rehabilitation Project" to Fire Chief Tom Jackson at the above address. Faxed and emailed proposals will be rejected as non-responsive. DEPOE BAY FIRE DISTRICT ARCHITECTURAL/ENGINEERING SERVICES RFP 9/17/25 9/24/25 10/1/25 10/8/25 10/15/25

LCL25-503 SELF-STORAGE PUBLIC SALE

On Tuesday 9/30/25 ending at 12:05pm an auction will be held online at StorageTreasures.com by Safe & Sound Storage 833 NE 3rd Street Newport, OR 97365 for units B9-Nicholas Yelm E2-Tip Edwards. 9/17/25 9/24/25

LCL25-504 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 819.

Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 9/30/2025. The sale will be held at 10:00am by ROWLEY'S TOWING 4822 S COAST HWY S. BEACH, OR. 2017 HD SOF MC VIN = IHDJ5919HBC037823 Amount due on lien \$5545.00. Reputed owner(s) > TED RAY MCGINNIS, EAGLE-MARK SAVINGS BANK 9/17/25 9/24/25

LCL25-507 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN.

Case No. 25CV17232. COMPLAINT (Suit to Remove Cloud). Sharron Brown, Personal Representative of the Estate of LaVern C. Selvog, Plaintiff v. The beneficiaries and heirs of H. Royal Selvog: Roy Selvog, Sharron G. Brown, Michael Hans Selvog, Larretta (Fletcher) Mullin, James H. Fleischer, Felicity Simko, Eric Simko. Also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, lien, or interest in the property described in the complaint. Herein, Defendants. Plaintiff is the personal representative of the Estate of LaVern Selvog, appointed in Lincoln County Case No. 21PB05553, which includes real property in Lincoln County, Oregon, known by its

street address as 808 SE Gaither Way, Toledo, OR 97391 and legally described as follows: Beginning at a point that is 325.0 feet South and 16.51 feet East of the center of Section 17, T 11 S, R 10 W, W. M., in Lincoln County, Oregon, running thence North 0° 16' West, 65.0 feet; thence North 89° 44' East, 65.0 feet, thence South 0° 16' East 65.0 feet; thence South 89° 44' West, 65.0 feet to the point of beginning. Said property known as 808 Gaitherway, Toledo, Lincoln County, Oregon. Due to defects in filing, Unknown respondents could claim some interest adverse to Plaintiff's in the real property described in this notice. IN THE NAME OF THE STATE OF OREGON: You are hereby required to appear and defend the complaint filed against you in the above-entitled cause within 30 days from the date of first publication. The motion or answer or reply must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days of the date of first publication specified herein along with the required filing fee. If you fail to appear and defend, the plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded in the complaint. NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal document called a "motion" or "answer." The "motion" or "answer" must be given to the court clerk or administrator within 30 days along with the required filing fee. It must be in proper form and have proof of service on the plaintiff's attorney or, if the plaintiff does not have an attorney, proof of service on the plaintiff. If you have questions, you should see an attorney immediately. If you need help in finding an attorney, you may contact the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service online at www.oregonstatebar.org or by calling 503-684-3763 (in the Portland metropolitan area) or toll-free elsewhere in Oregon at 800-452-7636. Date of first publication: September 17, 2025 9/17/25. 9/24/25 10/1/25 10/8/25 10/15/25

LCL25-513 TS NO: 138698-OR APN: R157930 // 13-11-16-BC-00500-00

NOTICE OF DEFAULT AND FORECLOSURE SALE WHEREAS, on 7/18/2009, a certain Mortgage Deed of Trust was executed by DANIEL J. O'MALLEY, UNMARRIED as trustor in favor of BANK OF AMERICA N.A. A NATIONAL BANKING ASSOCIATION as beneficiary, and was recorded on 7/23/2009, as Instrument No. 2009-08648, in the Office of the Recorder of Lincoln County, Oregon; and WHEREAS, the Mortgage Deed of Trust was insured by the United States Secretary of

Housing and Urban Development (the Secretary) pursuant to the National Housing Act for the purpose of providing single family house; and WHEREAS, the beneficial interest in the Mortgage Deed of Trust is now owned by the Secretary, pursuant to an assignment dated 6/23/2020, recorded on 12/2/2020, as instrument number 2020-12934, in the office of Lincoln County, Oregon; and WHEREAS, a default has been made in the covenants and conditions of the Mortgage Deed of Trust in that the payment due upon the death of the borrower(s) was not made and remains wholly unpaid as of the date of this notice, and no payment has been made sufficient to restore the loan to currency; and WHEREAS, the entire amount delinquent as of 9/11/2025 is \$237,873.08; and WHEREAS, by virtue of this default, the Secretary has declared the entire amount of the indebtedness secured by the Mortgage Deed of Trust to be immediately due and payable; NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to powers vested in me by the Single Family Mortgage Foreclosure Act of 1994, 12 U.S.C. 3751 et seq., by 24 CFR part 27, subpart B, and by the Secretary's designation of me as Foreclosure Commissioner, SEE ATTACHED, notice is hereby given that on 10/21/2025 at 10:00 AM local time, all real and personal property at or used in connection with the following described premises ("Property") will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder: Legal Description: THAT PART OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN IN LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING ON THE LINE BETWEEN GOVERNMENT LOTS 1 AND 2 IN SAID SECTION 16, SOUTH 2.13 CHAINS AND SOUTH 88° 19' 1/2" EAST, 177.9 FEET FROM THE FRACTIONAL MEANDER CORNER BETWEEN SECTIONS 16 AND 17, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, ON THE NORTH SHORE OF ALSEA BAY; THENCE SOUTH 88° 19' 1/2" EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID GOVERNMENT LOT 2, 637.1 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE BAILEY TRACT AS DESCRIBED IN DEED RECORDED AUGUST 15, 1961 IN BOOK 218, PAGE 265, DEED RECORDS; THENCE SOUTH 2° 16' WEST, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID BAILEY TRACT, 265 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE BAILEY TRACT, 173 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE EAST 200 FEET; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY 175 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT THAT IS 260 FEET EAST

OF THE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE WEST 260 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. EXCEPTING THEREFROM ANY PORTION LYING WITHIN THE SPRUCE PRODUCTION RAILROAD. FURTHER EXCEPTING THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PORTION OF SAID TRACT, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: COMMENCING AT THE NORTH-EAST CORNER OF U.S. LOT 2, SECTION 16, T 13 S, R 11 W, W.M., AS INDICATED ON LINCOLN COUNTY SURVEY NO. 15,242 BY RUSSELL JOHNSON; THENCE NORTH 87° 45' 03" WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID U.S. LOT 2, A DISTANCE OF 427.85 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 02° 50' 30" WEST TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED TRACT OF LAND, A DISTANCE OF 265.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90° 00' 00" EAST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID TRACT, A DISTANCE OF 260.00 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 21° 38' 51" WEST ALONG THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID TRACT TO THE SOUTHEAST CORNER THEREOF, A DISTANCE OF 185.90 FEET; THENCE NORTH 15° 42' 09" EAST TO THE NORTH LINE OF SAID TRACT, A DISTANCE OF 179.49 FEET; THENCE NORTH 90° 00' 00" EAST, ALONG SAID NORTH LINE, A DISTANCE OF 20.00 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING. MORE A C C U R A T E L Y DESCRIBED AS THAT PART OF SECTION 16, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN IN LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING ON THE LINE BETWEEN GOVERNMENT LOTS 1 AND 2 IN SAID SECTION 16, SOUTH 2.13 CHAINS AND SOUTH 88° 19' 1/2" EAST, 177.9 FEET FROM THE FRACTIONAL MEANDER CORNER BETWEEN SECTIONS 16 AND 17, TOWNSHIP 13 SOUTH, RANGE 11 WEST OF THE WILLAMETTE MERIDIAN, ON THE NORTH SHORE OF ALSEA BAY; THENCE SOUTH 88° 19' 1/2" EAST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID GOVERNMENT LOT 2, 637.1 FEET TO THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF THE BAILEY TRACT AS DESCRIBED IN DEED RECORDED AUGUST 15, 1961 IN BOOK 218, PAGE 265, DEED RECORDS; THENCE SOUTH 2° 16' WEST, ALONG THE EAST LINE OF SAID BAILEY TRACT, 265 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE CONTINUING SOUTHERLY ALONG THE EAST LINE OF THE BAILEY TRACT, 173 FEET TO A POINT; THENCE EAST 200 FEET; THENCE NORTHEASTERLY 175 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO A POINT THAT IS 260 FEET EAST

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may determine for good cause shown, time being of the essence. This amount, like the bid deposits, must be delivered in the form of a certified or cashier's check. If the Secretary is the highest bidder, he need not pay the bid amount in cash. The successful bidder will pay all conveying fees, all real estate and other taxes that are due on or after the delivery date of the remainder of the payment and all other costs associated with the transfer of title. At the conclusion of the sale, the deposits of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned to them. The Secretary may grant an extension of time within which to deliver the remainder of the payment. All extensions will be for 15 day increments for a fee of \$500.00, paid in advance. The extension fee shall be in the form of a certified or cashier's check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due. If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the cash deposit or, at the election of the Foreclosure Commissioner after consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder. There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant. The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed. The amount that must be paid if the Mortgage Deed of Trust is to

be reinstated prior to the scheduled sale is based on the nature of the breach, this loan is not subject to reinstatement. A total payoff is required to cancel the foreclosure sale or the breach must be otherwise cured. A description of the default is as follows: FAILURE TO PAY THE PRINCIPAL BALANCE AND ANY OUTSTANDING FEES, COSTS, AND INTEREST WHICH BECAME ALL DUE AND PAYABLE BASED UPON THE DEATH OF ALL MORTGAGORS. Tender of pay-

ment by certified or cashier's check or application for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below. Date: September 11, 2025 CLEAR RECON CORP Foreclosure Commissioner By: Hamsa Uchi Title: Foreclosure Supervisor 1915 NE Stucki Avenue, Suite 400 Hillsboro, OR 97006 Phone: (858) 750-7777 Fax No: (858) 412-2705 9/24/25 10/1/25 10/8/25 10/15/25

LCL25-512 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE TS NO.: 110308-OR LOAN NO.: *****808V

Reference is made to that certain trust deed (the "Deed of Trust") executed by LADEAN LEE SWENSON, as Grantor, to CLEAR RECON CORP as Trustee, in favor of MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC., AS DESIGNATED NOMINEE FOR GUILD MORTGAGE COMPANY, LLC, BENEFICIARY OF THE SECURITY INSTRUMENT, ITS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, as Beneficiary, dated 12/14/2021, recorded 12/20/2021, as Instrument No. 2021-15878, in the Official Records of Lincoln County, Oregon, which covers the following described real property situated in Lincoln County, Oregon: LOT 76, BLOCK 11, BAYSHORE DIVISION NO. 3, AS RECORDED IN BOOK 9, PAGE 54, OF PLAT RECORDS FOR LINCOLN COUNTY, OREGON. APN: R220334/ 13-12-13-DD-10300-00 Commonly known as: 1314 NW PARKER AVENUE E. PORTLAND, OR 97394. The current beneficiary is: GUILD MORTGAGE COMPANY LLC. Both the beneficiary and the trustee have elected to sell the above-described real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Deed of Trust and notice has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to pay when due, the following sums:

Delinquent Payments:	No.	Amount	Total:
Dates:			
10/1/2022 – 12/1/2022	3	\$1,404.63	\$4,213.89
1/1/2023 – 12/1/2023	12	\$1,477.42	\$17,729.04
1/1/2024 – 12/1/2024	12	\$1,500.48	\$18,005.76
1/1/2025 – 8/1/2025	8	\$1,449.07	\$11,592.56
Late Charges:			\$1,844.21
Beneficiary Advances:			\$870.00
Total Required to Reinstate:			\$54,255.46
TOTAL REQUIRED TO PAYOFF:			\$314,914.82

By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all obligations secured by the Deed of Trust immediately due and payable, including the principal sum of \$267,701.53 together with interest thereon at the rate of 3 % per annum, from 9/1/2022 until paid, plus all accrued late charges, and all trustee's fees, foreclosure costs, and any sums advanced by the beneficiary pursuant to the terms and conditions of the Deed of Trust Whereof, notice hereby is given that the undersigned trustee, CLEAR RECON CORP, whose address is 1915 NE Stucki Avenue, Suite 400, Hillsboro, OR 97006, will on 10/1/2026, at the hour of 1:00 PM, standard time, as established by ORS 187.110, At the Public Entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 225 West Olive Street, Newport, OR 97365, sell at public auction to the highest bidder in the form of cash equivalent (certified funds or cashier's check) the interest in the above-described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time it executed the Deed of Trust, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of the Deed of Trust, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right to have the foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Deed of Trust reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than the portion of principal that would not then be due had no default occurred), together with the costs, trustee's and attorneys' fees, and curing any other default complained of in the Notice of Default by tendering the performance required under the Deed of Trust at any time not later than five days before the date last set for sale. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. 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 the Deed of Trust, the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Dated: 8/29/2025 CLEAR RECON CORP 1915 NE Stucki Avenue, Suite 400 Hillsboro, OR 97006 Phone: 858-750-7777 866-931-0036 Jessica Lopez, Authorized Signatory of Trustee 9/24/25 10/1/25 10/8/25 10/15/25

Calendar of Events

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From 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. at 305 NW Coast Street in Newport.

LINCOLN CITY / DEPOE BAY CRIBBAGE CLUB

Meets 3 pm every Wednesday at Pioneer Joe Coffee in the Salishan Marketplace, 7775 N Coast Hwy, Gleneden Beach. \$9 entry, 6 games. Forget the rest, come play with the best. Info: Jack Shumate, 541-574-7668.

SEPTEMBER 25

GAME NIGHT: FIVE CROWNS

6-8 p.m. Learn to play Five Crowns card game or choose other board, dice or card games. Gleneden Beach Community Hall, 110 Azalea St. FMI, visit glenedenbeach.org.

SEPTEMBER 27

NEWPORT FARMERS MARKET

The Newport Farmers Market is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. across from Newport City Hall, on the corner of Highway 101 and Angle Street. Learn more at www.newportfarmersmarket.org or find them on Facebook.

ARTISAN FAIRE

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Weather permitting at the Salishan Marketplace, 7755 N Highway 1010, in Gleneden Beach. Experience local Oregonian vendors featuring unique gift ideas and one-of-a-kind crafts and handmade goods at the Artisan Faire. Faire runs through Oct. 25.

NESKOWIN FARMERS MARKET

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Proposals For All Meadow in Neskowin. At this outdoor market you can find fresh produce, pastured meats, local eggs and cheese, artisan bread, pastries, original crafts, and more. Proposals for All Meadow is on the east side of Highway 101 at the corner of Summit Lane, across from the Neskowin Beach Wayside.

TAFT HALL SATURDAY MARKET

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Taft Hall, 1206 SE 48th Place in Lincoln City. Come join Knothead Pretzels and other local vendors for this indoor Saturday market.

BLING YOUR PUMPKIN

10am-noon. Bring a pumpkin or gourd and bling it up for the fall holidays. All embellishing supplies included in the \$5 per person fee. Lots of samples for inspiration. Children welcome when accompanied by an adult. Note that this isn't a carving event. Snacks provided. Gleneden Beach Community Hall, 110 Azalea St. FMI, visit glenedenbeach.org.

SEPTEMBER 28

LINCOLN CITY SUNDAY MARKET

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Highway 101. At this outdoor market, all items are handmade or homegrown by the seller. Market days are weather permitting. Visit LincolnCitySundayMarket.org or call 541-9949994 for more details.

6TH ANNUAL NEWPORT CHAMBER GOLF CLASSIC AT AGATE BEACH GOLF COURSE

This golf event will be a nine-hole tournament, attracting a wide range of community leaders and local participants. Registration at 9:30 a.m. with a four-person Scramble Shotgun start at 11 a.m. All proceeds raised will directly benefit the Newport Chamber's initiatives to continue providing professional assistance, programs, resources and advocacy to our Chamber businesses and community. For more information, call the Chamber office at 541-265-8801 or email info@newportchamber.org.

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SEPTEMBER 29

THE TEX BROOKLYN EXPERIMENT

The Drift Inn, beginning at 6:30 pm. Enjoy the happy musical antics of Tex and Silverhorn. Special guests may join in. Hwy 101 Yachats.

SEPTEMBER 30

OREGON COAST LEARNING INSTITUTE

Two 70 MINUTE INFORMATIVE LECTURES IN A RELAXED ATMOSPHERE 9:30 to 12:30 The Chapel by the Sea church building, 2125 SE Lee Avenue, Lincoln City, Or. Check web site OCLI.US for program information.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

To submit an announcement for your event, email lcleditor@countrymedia.net. Space is limited, so submissions may be edited for length.

OCTOBER 8

LINCOLN CITY / DEPOE BAY CRIBBAGE CLUB

Meets 3 pm every Wednesday at Pioneer Joe Coffee in the Salishan Marketplace, 7775 N Coast Hwy, Gleneden Beach. \$9 entry, 6 games. Forget the rest, come play with the best. Info: Jack Shumate, 541-574-7668.

OCTOBER 3

ARTISAN FAIRE

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Weather permitting at the Salishan Marketplace, 7755 N Highway 1010, in Gleneden Beach. Experience local Oregonian vendors featuring unique gift ideas and one-of-a-kind crafts and handmade goods at the Artisan Faire. Faire runs through Oct. 25.

OCTOBER 4

2025 OREGON COAST JAZZ PARTY

Performances at the Newport Performing Arts Center 777 W Olive Street in Newport. Enjoy a lively, marvelously music-focused weekend of live jazz in an idyllic coastal location filled with charm, shopping, local brews, and fresh seafood.

TAFT HALL SATURDAY MARKET

From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Taft Hall, 1206 SE 48th Place in Lincoln City. Come join Knothead Pretzels and other local vendors for this indoor Saturday market.

NEWPORT FARMERS MARKET

The Newport Farmers Market is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. across from Newport City Hall, on the corner of Highway 101 and Angle Street. Learn more at www.newportfarmersmarket.org or find them on Facebook.

2025 CLAMMING EXPLORIENCE

Meet the guide at 4 p.m. at the pavilion at the end of SW 51st Street in the Historic Taft District of Lincoln City. Enjoy a brief orientation followed by clamming on Siletz Bay! The exploriences are free and no registration is required.

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LINCOLN CITY SUNDAY MARKET

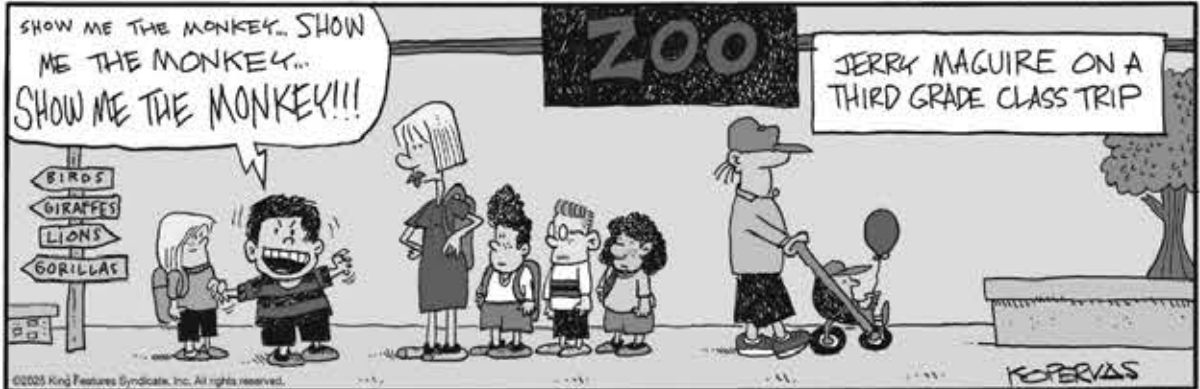
From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Highway 101. At this outdoor market, all items are handmade or homegrown by the seller. Market days are weather permitting. Visit LincolnCitySundayMarket.org or call 541-9949994 for more details.

Amber Waves



Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas



The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



TIGER

by BUD BLAKE

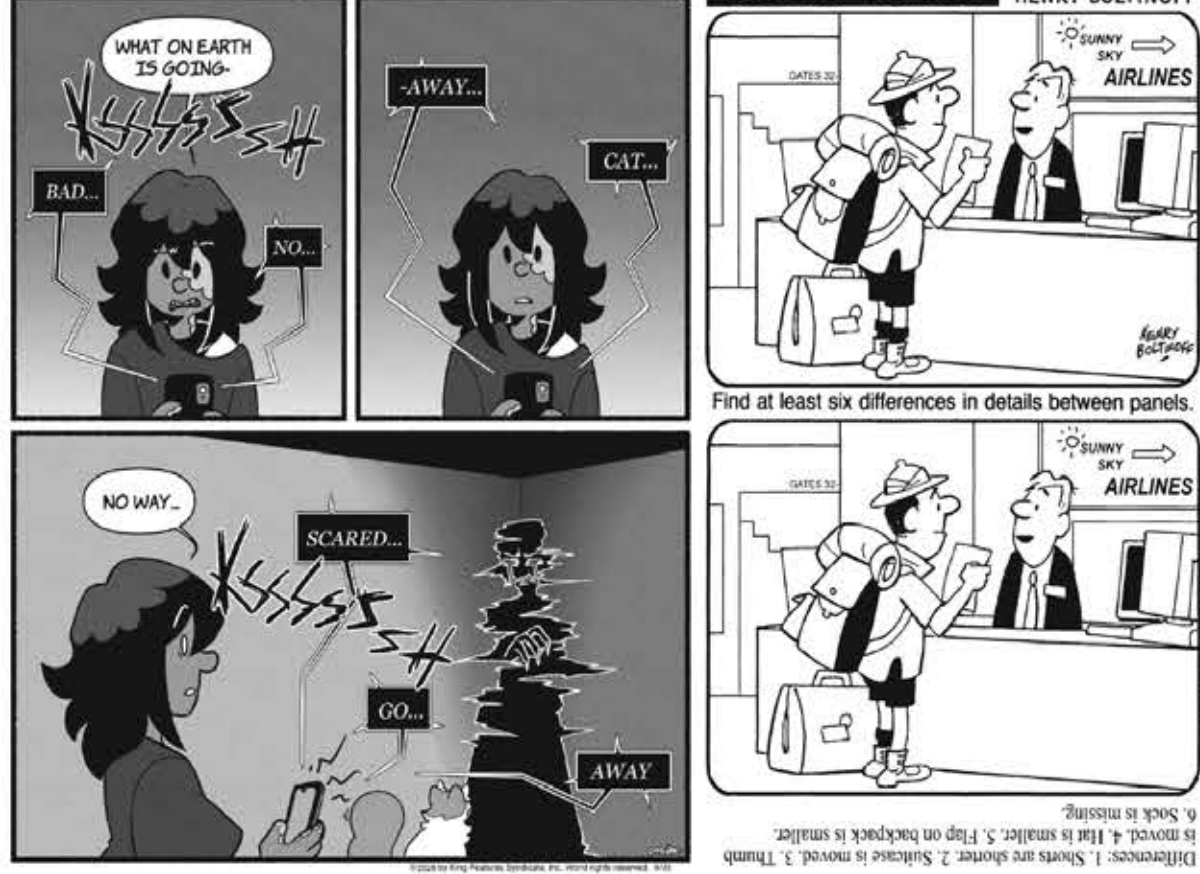


OLIVE

By Emi Burdge

HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



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.

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? Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1.GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: The children’s novel “Black Beauty” is about what kind of animal?
2. MOVIES: Which actor narrates the 1980s film “Stand by Me”?
3. GEOGRAPHY: Which world city is home to Saint Basil’s Cathedral?
4. U.S. CITIES: Which major U.S. city sits on top of a working salt mine that has been operating since 1910?
5. LITERATURE: What is the name of the country where “The Hunger Games” takes place?
6. MATH: How many sides does a trapezoid have?
7. ASTRONOMY: How long does it take for light from the Sun to reach Earth?
8. ANIMAL KINGDOM: How many legs does a lobster have?
9. TELEVISION: Which TV drama always begins with a meeting and the warning, “Let’s be careful out there”?
10. LANGUAGE: How many letters are in the English alphabet?

Answers

1. A horse.
2. Richard Dreyfuss.
3. Moscow, Russia.
4. Detroit, Michigan.
5. Panem.
6. Four.
7. 8 minutes, 20 seconds.
8. 10.
9. “Hill Street Blues.”
10. 26.

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Because my lobe-attached jewelry falls off all the time, I always just wear an earring aid.

answer

CryptoQuip

— Bono
to hammer it into shape.
and it's waiting for you
malleable than you think
The world is more

answer

CryptoQuote

LISTENING

Today's Word

3. Novice; 4. Demise

1. Mutant; 2. Tingle;

solution

SCRAMBLERS

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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!

Abnormal	TANTUM			
Itch	GENTIL			
Amateur	COVINE			
End	MEIDES			

TODAY'S WORD

“You got a notice for jury duty? I can't picture you spending two weeks just

”

Kicking around with the Cubs and Tigers

WILL LOHRE*Lincoln County Leader*

It's soccer season, and with October quickly approaching, Taft and Newport are already amid or are preparing for the games that will ultimately decide whether they make the playoffs this season.

With league play just getting underway, a lot could happen between now and when the playoffs start in late October, but we can always check what the trends are during the young season. Let's check on how the boys and girls programs for the Cubs and Tigers have gotten off the block.

NEWPORT GIRLS

Ahead of the Sept. 22 non-league matchup against Marshfield, the Cubs had gone 2-1 in their first three games and were ranked #7 in OSAA's 4A rankings. The result of the Sept. 22 matchup against the Pirates is not known at the time of press.

The Cubs won their first game of the season when they welcomed North Bend to Newport with a strong statement in the first game of the year. Coming off a campaign that saw them finish with a 10-6 record, the Cubs got their first win of the season at the first opportunity, beating North Bend 3-2 on Sept. 8. Next up, the Cubs hosted Tillamook on Sept. 16. Newport proved stingy on defense, keeping a clean sheet en route to a 2-0 win.



Taft's goalkeeper Lila Mangold booting the ball against Tillamook. (Courtesy photo from Lon French)

The third game of the season against Gladstone, however, offered a different challenge altogether. Newport traveled to play the Gladiators on Sept. 18 and ended up losing 5-0, the first defeat of the season. Gladstone has proven to be a formidable opponent for Newport in the past, so getting them in the preseason was a good way to gauge how the Cubs stack up.

Newport is no stranger to the playoffs; the girls team has made it to at least the first round in every season since sports returned after COVID. The Cubs kick off league play on Sept. 25 at home against North Marion/St. Paul.

TAFT GIRLS

Coming off a season that saw the Tigers finish 4-10, improvement is the name of the game. Head Coach Justin James said ahead of the season that this is

one of the most talented groups he's had, but the results haven't quite materialized yet.

The Tigers are 1-3 so far, with a couple of defeats to strong programs. The win came against Gervais/Kennedy on Sept. 9, when the Tigers bested the Cougars 2-0 to end preseason on a high note.

The first matchup of league play was against Amity, the #5 team in OSAA's 3A/2A/1A rankings. Hosting the Warriors, Taft lost 8-0. The Tigers will next be in action against Rainier/Clatskanie/Knapa in a non-league matchup on Sept. 25.

The result of the Tigers' game against Sheridan/Willamina on Sept. 23 is not known at the time of press.

NEWPORT BOYS

After losing the opening game of the non-league season to Catlin Gable 7-0 on Sept. 2,

the Cubs have roared to life. Newport earned its first win of the season against North Bend. In an away clash, the Cubs took home the victory with a 2-1 margin, rebounding well after the lopsided first game.

There wasn't much time for the Cubs to get their paws wet, though. League play for the 4A-3 Oregon West Conference kicked off on Sept. 16, meaning Newport only got two actual preseason games in addition to its jamboree matchups.

Going away to match up with the Tillamook Cheesemakers, Newport came out on top, winning a tight 1-0 game. Newport were state champions in 2023, and will hope to make it back to the playoffs after losing out in the play-in last season.

Playing in the top-heavy Oregon West Conference, Stayton and Philomath each look like contenders to take the league title, but Newport will hope to be in the mix as well. Ahead of Newport's Sept. 22 game against Marshfield, the Cubs were ranked #5 in the state. The result of that game against Marshfield is not known at the time of press.

The next time they are in action will be against North Marion on Sept. 25.

TAFT BOYS

Rounding out our check-in is the Taft boys soccer team. The Tigers had a full preseason docket, playing five non-league matchups before going two-footed into league play.

Taft has had the whole gamut of results, from big wins, hard losses, and even a draw. After losing 1-6 to Tillamook in the opening game on Sept. 2, the Tigers regrouped and put on dominant displays in their next two matches. Taft beat Western Christian/Amity 5-0 on Sept. 3 and then took care of business against Gervais on Sept. 9, winning 3-0.

On Sept. 11, the Tigers lost a 2-0 battle against Corbett on home turf, and then followed up that game with a 2-2 stalemate with Central Linn on Sept. 16 away from home. It was a bit of a whirlwind, playing five games in 14 days, but it paid off when the chips were down, as Taft saw immediate success in league play.

Playing in the first league game of the season against Nestucca on Sept. 18, the Tigers got the ball rolling, beating the Bobcats 1-0. Competing in 3A/2A/1A-SD2 Special District 2, the Tigers will have a chance to face off against each of their league opponents before the end of the season. After finishing last season 1-10-3, the Tigers have shown immense improvement, as evidenced by their 3-2-1 record. The result of the Sept. 23 league contest against Delphian is not known at the time of press.

If Taft keeps up this pace, it may be able to earn a league playoff berth for the first time since 2022. They next play against Portland Christian in a non-league game on Sept. 27.

Newport Cubs football continuing to fight

WILL LOHRE*Lincoln County Leader*

The Newport Cubs may be 0-3 to start the football season, but Head Coach Mark Moore and his team are continuing to fight on the field despite facing adversity.

The Cubs have yet to play a home game, and the trips to North Marion and Dayton each were a challenge. When Newport took on North Marion Sept. 12, the Cubs lost a heart-breaker, missing out on victory by just one point in a 23-24 game.

The first half was a shootout, with the Cubs and Huskies trading touchdowns, entering the break tied up 21-21. The second half was a gritty fight, and unfortunately, injuries piled up for both teams.

"We ended up having an injury to a key player that didn't allow him to come out for the second half," Moore said. "We weren't able to kind

of get above that. But we held them scoreless for the most part. A game of field position, and we just went back and forth."

Though the third quarter didn't produce any points on the board, the Cubs finally broke the deadlock in the fourth quarter when they got a safety. Newport then had a precious two-point lead. But the final twist of the tale was a last-minute field goal after "a few key mistakes" by Newport.

"They drove the field with very little time, got it down to, I think, the five or six yard line, and then they kicked a field goal and won by one," Moore said. "It was a heart-breaker because I really wanted that win for the kids and the coaches. It was a doable game, a winnable game, but we gave them too many opportunities, and they took advantage of it."

Despite the loss, Moore said the offense played a great game, racking up 400 yards of



offense.

Sophomore Andre Cato was at the center of the Cubs' production on the ground, rushing for 184 yards on 30 carries.

"That kid is a workhorse. He ran downhill, carrying two or three kids, so yeah, he was a real workhorse for us," Moore said.

After the last gasp defeat to North Marion, Moore credited his assistant coaches for their help in getting the team in a position to win against the Huskies. Coach Jakob Fulbright has been orchestrating the defensive game plans for Newport, and Moore said he has the team "on point."

Moore also shouted out Offensive Coordinator Eddie Townsend for adjusting from the loss against Philomath to deliver a good offensive game against North Marion.

"All my coaches are great, but those two, I want to particularly give a little mention to because they're working their tails off," Moore said.

In the third game of the season, Newport traveled to take on perennial powerhouse Dayton in the first league game of the year. Moore said taking on the Pirates was going to be a rugged mountain to climb, made harder by missing personnel.

"I knew it was going to be a big lift, but when you lose three starters and numerous substitutes, it makes it way more difficult," Moore said.

The Pirates have proven fearsome this season, beating their first two opponents, Elmira and Warrenton, by a combined score of 68-6. Playing under

the lights at Dayton, Newport found themselves on the wrong side of a 42-0 scoreline. As was the focus before the game, Moore wants his team to continue to hone the fundamentals of tackling and putting themselves in good positions to make an impact.

"The takeaways are we need to stay low and keep driving our feet," Moore said. "The positives were that we have faced one of the best teams in our division and weathered the storm with no major injuries!!"

Newport will hope to get its whole team back healthy for the upcoming matchups with Blanchet Catholic on Sept. 26 and Amity on Oct. 3. Moore said the Cubs are "ready to go to work and prepare for Blanchet."

See game results at osaa.org and watch for high school sports features at the Lincoln County leader website and in the Wednesday print editions of The Leader.

Tigers bounce back for big win against Blanchet Catholic

WILL LOHRE*Lincoln County Leader*

After a frustrating 6-20 loss to Sisters on Sept. 12, the Taft Tigers rebounded in roaring fashion, clawing the Blanchet Catholic defense to shreds in a 42-0 win.

Head Coach Jacob Tolan said the team was able to bounce back thanks to a great week of practice. The Tiger coaching staff honed in on fixing the mistakes that went wrong against the Outlaws, polishing up some key areas to ensure the same missteps didn't reappear against the Cavaliers.

After having three turnovers against the Outlaws, the Tigers were stingier with the ball, giving up just one turnover on an interception. Senior quarterback Kol Tolan put up a strong showing in the air and

on the ground, putting up 108 passing yards for three touchdowns, and running for 130 yards with two touchdowns. Many of Tolan's throws went to fellow senior Zack Hankins, who pulled in four catches for 74 yards, but he also found the endzone, registering three touchdowns.

Taft was ferocious, punching through holes in the trenches, and senior running back Riley Gilbreath rumbled for 137 yards on 18 carries. While Gilbreath and Tolan ate up yards on the ground, it wouldn't have been possible without the tireless work of the offensive line.

"Our offensive line did a great job all night blocking and opening up great running lanes for both Riley and Kol," Jacob Tolan said.

Alejandro Hernandez, Logan Burt, and Logan Lovell offered

the Tigers plenty of leverage and force to get downhill against the Cavaliers. Even with the gaudy scoring numbers, the game was also dominated by the Taft defense.

Taft had nine tackles resulting in a loss of yards for Blanchet, as well as a recovered fumble, and a sack from Connor Velasquez, assisted by Hernandez. The success against Blanchet Catholic's offense stemmed from careful preparation leading up to the matchup.

"The defensive focus this past week was understanding alignment and assignment to Blanchet's formations and just having the kids focus on doing their jobs," Tolan said.

When asked whether it felt good to hold the opposition scoreless, Tolan simply replied, "Yes, it is always nice to keep the shutout."

With the matchup against

Blanchet marking the first league game of the season, beating a Special District 2 opponent was a nice way to kick off the portion of the season that will dictate the playoff race.

"Confidence and momentum are both very important when working with high school players, and we hope to carry both into our next game vs Dayton," Tolan said.

The Pirates have been a strong side this year, blowing away each of their first three opponents in Warrenton, Elmira, and Newport. Zooming out, a look at the early-season OSAA rankings has Dayton at #13 with a 3-0 record, while Taft sits just a few places higher at #10, despite being 2-1.

With both squads riding high off the back of 42-0 wins, this matchup promises to be a tone

setter in the early weeks of Special District 2 action. For Tolan and the Tigers, it's about keeping composed on offense and trying to keep Dayton contained on defense.

"Offensively, we are looking to execute our offense and minimize self-inflicted mistakes. Defensively, this will be no easy task, but we will do our best to put our players in a position to make plays," Tolan said. "We anticipate this to be a great game."

The game will be a home game at Taft High School on Sept. 26, and the Tigers will be hoping to have the community behind them as they fend off the Pirates under the lights.

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