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Wyden town hall draws demonstrators

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Lincoln County Leader

Oregon U.S. Senator Ron Wyden will go back to Washington, D.C., remembering comments and questions from his latest Lincoln City town hall.

The senator spent a few hours Saturday afternoon, March 16, listening and answering questions from those attending the event at the Lincoln City Cultural Center.

OUTSIDE THE TOWN HALL

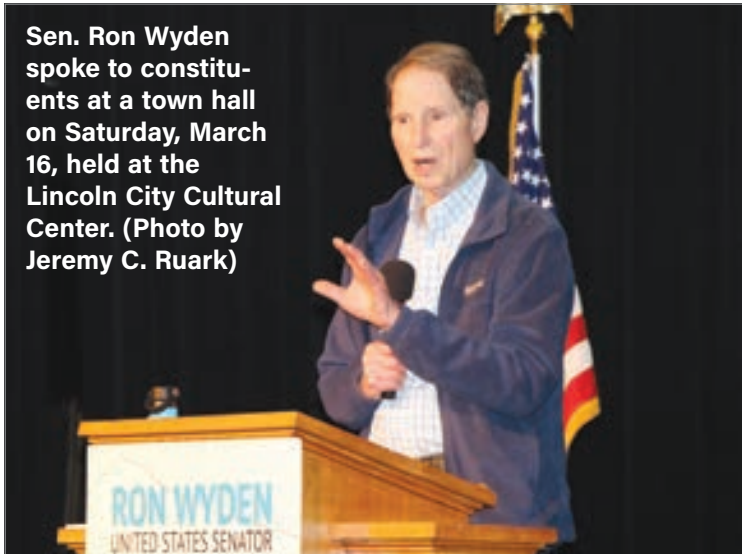
Before the noon time town hall, members of the Lincoln City-based Hilltop Patriots conducted a demonstration along the Highway 101 sidewalk in front of the Lincoln City Cultural Center. The demonstrators held signs and chanted their concerns, which include timber-cutting policies, city housing issues, control of the U.S. border, and proposed offshore wind energy projects.

The group's spokesperson, Marie McFarland, said they oppose the wind energy projects.

"They will affect our fisheries," she said. "Those windmills are all going to produce power that all goes to California, with the exception of 3 percent," she said. "Also, those windmills have to be



Members of the Hilltop Patriots held American flags and protest signs outside the U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden town hall held in Lincoln City on Saturday. (Photo by Jeremy C. Ruark)



Sen. Ron Wyden spoke to constituents at a town hall on Saturday, March 16, held at the Lincoln City Cultural Center. (Photo by Jeremy C. Ruark)



Prior to his Lincoln City town hall, Sen. Ron Wyden, toured the Hatfield Marine Science Center, NOAA Fisheries, and NOAA Marine Operations in Newport. (Courtesy photo)

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Gearing up for paid parking on Newport Bayfront

STEVE CARD
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Beginning in May, motorists who park on the Newport Bayfront will be charged a fee, the first pay-to-park program established by a city in Lincoln County.

The paid parking program will affect the entire Bayfront, although there will be some differences in certain regions. Newport Director of Community Development Derrick Tokos said for metered parking, "It's going to be \$1 an hour. There's some areas where it's meter only. There's other areas where it's meter unless you have a

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The new pay-to-park program on the Newport Bayfront will go into effect in May. This parking enforcement vehicle is equipped with a camera array that will scan license plates, alerting an officer if a parking fee has not been paid. (Photo by Steve Card)

Siletz man charged with killing his mother

STEVE CARD
Lincoln County Leader

A Siletz man has been charged with second-degree murder in connection with the death of his mother.

At around 9:30 p.m. March 11, the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office responded to the 400 block of East Logsden Road after receiving a report of a deceased woman at that location. When deputies arrived in the area, they located 79-year-old Judy D. Poe lying near a motor vehicle. She had died of apparent blunt force trauma to the head,

according to information released by the sheriff's office.

Deputies who responded to the scene encountered a man later identified as Robert Bruce Poe, 56, who was detained at the scene. The Lincoln County Major Crime Team was activated to investigate the death, as were members from the Oregon State Police Crime Lab.

Robert Poe was subsequently interviewed and arrested on charges of murder in the second degree and unlawful use of a weapon. He was

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Recruiting and retaining employees is challenge for some businesses

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The impact of Oregon's tight labor market can be seen in Lincoln, Tillamook, Columbia and Clatsop counties, which have an average of 4,700 job openings on any given day, according to Oregon Employment Department

Regional Economist Shaun Barrick.

Right after the COVID pandemic, the challenge, according to Barrick, was many businesses hiring at the same time.

"While there were many unemployed

workers, there was so much competition for those workers," he said. "What we've seen over the last two years is the number of vacant positions has gone down. The

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Business strategies have shifted since the COVID pandemic in an effort to gain and retain employees. (Courtesy photo)



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Protecting the Yakona Nature Preserve

Local conservation organizations Yakona Nature Preserve and McKenzie River Trust have partnered to permanently protect 430 acres on the Yaquina River estuary.

Founded by long-time Newport residents JoAnn and Bill Barton, Yakona Nature Preserve & Learning Center offers educational programming, community events, and guided access to the historic site. On Monday, March 11, the area was permanently protected through a conservation easement with local non-profit McKenzie River Trust, ensuring the site’s future remains focused on serving the community through conservation, education, and building cultural connections.

“We deeply value the opportunity to preserve this land, a small remnant of the spruce-dominated fog belt forests that once blanketed the Pacific Northwest coastline,” said JoAnn Barton, co-founder of the Yakona Nature Preserve. “We take great comfort in knowing McKenzie River Trust will ensure this vital but decimated ecosystem is

protected for all time. The McKenzie River Trust team, as new friends and collaborators, has our full trust as we work toward reaching our long-term goals of education, research, and restoration.”

Yakona Nature Preserve, established in 2018, is a living laboratory for natural and cultural history, sciences, and the arts. In 2022, the Yakona Learning Center became the public charity arm of the Yakona Nature preserve, providing administrative management, programmatic facilitation, and fundraising for the Preserve. Serving students from elementary to post-graduate ages, Yakona connected more than 1,700 individuals to the land through their programming in 2023 alone.

Yakona’s executive director, Natalie Schaefer, shares that “Yakona centers ‘students as scientists.’ We work with elementary teachers and their classrooms to engage students in climate science monitoring and data collection. At the high school level, students gain valuable job skills and science credits while participating in community science

and service-learning programs.” Education programs also serve post-secondary students who have access to the area for research.

“Part of the success of Yakona is the incredible landscape it is set in,” said Community Arts & Engagement Manager Rena Olson-Snyder. The area, which is closed to public access, boasts an impressive mix of spruce forests, estuaries, marshes, and sloughs. A learning center on-site provides year-round programming that promotes community connection and education regarding the preserve’s unique habitats, climate science, and history, including its namesake, the Yaqo’n Indians, who have lived on and tended Yaquina Estuary lands since time immemorial.

“Working with the Yakona team has been inspiring,” said Margaret Treadwell, central coast conservation program manager for McKenzie River Trust. “The peninsula, which was purchased and rehabilitated by JoAnn and Bill, provides an incredible example of intact coastal forests and tidal wetlands. The



The Yakona Nature Preserve consists of 430 acres on the Yaquina River estuary. It was founded by longtime Newport residents JoAnn and Bill Barton. (Courtesy photo)

founding of the nature preserve and learning center is such a gift to the Newport community and central coast region. Working in partnership with Yakona Nature Preserve to ensure the permanent protection of this special area furthers the missions of both our organizations on behalf of land, water, community, and a vibrant future for Oregon’s central coast.”

Despite its name, the McKenzie River Trust has worked on the Oregon

coast since 2004 but extended its service area north into Lincoln County in 2021, filling a gap in land protection resources left by the Central Coast Land Conservancy, which closed its doors due to impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The conservation easement preserves the site’s natural resources, including roughly 412 acres of forest, wetlands, and sloughs. These areas are managed under a forest management plan that promotes a

return to old growth conditions over the decades ahead.

Community members interested in visiting Yakona can find a range of programming on its website events page. Those looking to get more involved can support the efforts of Yakona Nature Preserve & Learning Center through volunteer opportunities and charitable giving. For more information about Yakona, contact rena@yakonaoregon.org.

Leaders seek federal disaster declaration

LYNNE TERRY
Oregon Capital Chronicle

In a rare show of unity, all eight members of Oregon’s congressional delegation have urged the White House to declare a major disaster in Oregon following the devastating January ice storm that killed 17 people and pummeled much of the state.

The appeal to President Joe Biden by both Democrats and Republicans follows a formal request earlier this week by Gov. Tina Kotek on behalf of the state and the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians.

If approved, the declaration would unleash recovery and relief funds from the Federal Emergency Management

Agency to the state, tribe, local governments and certain nonprofits in the 11 counties affected by the storm. Oregon’s Department of Emergency Management estimates the storm caused \$48 million in infrastructure damage and cost more than 1,350 businesses \$165 million in lost revenue and wages.

“The recent storm’s effects stretched from northwest Oregon, across the Portland metro area, into the Columbia River Gorge and down through the Willamette Valley. Effects of this storm have lasted from January 10, 2024 to January 22, 2024 – with temperatures remaining below freezing in several areas – and resulted in widespread damage,” wrote

U.S. Sens. Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden along with U.S. Reps. Earl Blumenauer, Suzanne Bonamici, Val Hoyle, Andrea Salinas, Lori Chavez-DeRemer and Cliff Bentz.

The storm downed trees that damaged or destroyed utility poles and lines, cutting power and internet service and damaging roadways and wastewater treatment plants. The storm also impeded emergency responders and forced elderly and medically vulnerable people to find shelter. At the height of the storm, nearly 240,000 people were without power, and some areas had no electricity for 13 days.

The storm required emergency services to whip into action, clearing

debris and providing other help while requiring longer-term work, such as restoring roads, bridges, water control facilities, buildings, utilities and parks and recreational facilities, Chris Crabb, spokeswoman for the Oregon Department of Emergency Management, told the Capital Chronicle.

Kotek said in her request that communities are still grappling with the storm’s impact.

“Many are still struggling to recover from severe damage to public infrastructure and property as a result of the storm, and I am resolved to ensure that Oregon can access FEMA resources that exist for this very purpose,” Kotek said.

The delegation

repeated that message.

“Given the impact these storms have had on both the physical and social infrastructure throughout Oregon, we urge you and your administration to ensure the state, local, and tribal governments have all the resources they need to help Oregonians recover from this deadly natural disaster,” the congressional members said.

All of the 17 fatalities were in the 11 counties that were affected: Benton, Clackamas, Coos, Hood River, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Multnomah, Tillamook, Sherman and Wasco counties.

Crabb declined to estimate how much Oregon might receive from FEMA. She said it reimburses costs and depends

on the applications.

“The goal is to meet the needs of those who apply for reimbursement,” Crabb said.

FEMA usually takes six weeks to respond, according to a news release. In the meantime, the Small Business Administration is offering low-interest loans for businesses affected by the storms. Applications are due by Nov. 8.

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Public input sought about drug costs

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The Oregon Prescription

Drug Affordability Board will have community forums across the state, including in Lincoln City,

during April and May to seek the public’s input about soaring costs of prescription drugs.

The board will use public comments on the costs of specific prescription drugs as a guide when working on the state’s first plan for establishing price limits on

prescription drug costs in Oregon.

Prescription costs can make it challenging for Oregonians to access the health care they need. A 2021 survey of more than 900 Oregonians found that one in four adults opted to either not fill a prescription, cut pills

in half or skip a dose because they couldn’t afford the medication.

Oregon lawmakers created the prescription drug affordability board through Senate Bill 844, which passed in 2021 and charged the board with making recommendations to lawmakers. In 2023, lawmakers passed Senate Bill 192, which directed the board to develop a plan with public input on establishing price limits.

“This will allow us to bring back a plan and pathway that will create public value for Oregonians and help address drug affordability in our state in the most meaningful and inclusive way possible,” Ralph Magrish, the board’s executive director, said in a statement.

Under the law, the board is required to submit the plan to legislators by Sept. 15 and include information such as the methodology for limiting costs, enforcement and impact on the state, health insurers,

hospitals, pharmacies and consumers.

The Lincoln City forum will take place from 6 to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, April 9, at the Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Highway 101.

There will also be two online-only forums from noon to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 8, and from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, May 14. For information about how to log in to those meetings, go to <https://dfr.oregon.gov/pdab/pages/index.aspx>

For more information, email pdab@dcbs.oregon.gov, or call 971-374-3724.

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆◆

SUDOKU

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

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

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Newport man arrested for attempted murder

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A Newport man has been arrested and charged with attempted murder in connection with an incident that took place in Astoria on March 7.

According to information released by the Astoria Police Department, emergency personnel were initially dispatched to a report of a man injured in a fall, but during medical treatment, it was discovered the victim's injuries were not the result of a fall.

The victim was identified as 23-year-old Tristan Dockins, of Newport, who was a crew member aboard the fishing vessel Tommy John, which was dry-docked at the Port of Astoria for emergency repairs.

Because of the severity of Dockins' wounds, the Astoria Police Department and the Clatsop County Major Crimes Team began investigating the incident as an attempted murder, and they identified 28-year-old Dylan

Xavier Campana, also of Newport, as a potential suspect. Both of the men worked aboard the fishing boat.

An Astoria police detective was eventually able to obtain information that led her to believe Campana was in Morro Bay, California. She contacted the Morro Bay Police Department, which was able to confirm Campana's location and, with assistance from the San Luis Obispo Regional SWAT Team, was able to take him into custody without incident.

Campana was arrested on charges of second-degree attempted murder, first- and second-degree assault, and unlawful use of a weapon. The investigation is ongoing, and additional charges may be filed at a later date.

The Astoria Police Department also later released information stating that 53-year-old Ryan Campana, captain of the Tommy John and father of Dylan Campana, had been arrested in Astoria on a charge of hindering prosecution.

Newport seeks proposals for child care

The Newport Parks and Recreation Department is offering an opportunity for a qualified and experienced, licensed child care, business entity, or nonprofit organization to lease the Newport Recreation Center's Child Center.

The goal of the child care facility within the recreation center is to create a year-round, welcoming, multi-use environment that provides high-quality, affordable, all-day care options for child care. The city is looking for a long-term

relationship with a child care service provider who cares for and educates youth of parents/guardians who live in or around Newport. The city wishes to privatize existing child care services, allowing the city the chance to enhance other recreation programs and offerings.

More information can be found online at www.newportoregon.gov/business/rfpbids.asp.

For questions or more information, contact Mike Cavanaugh at 541-574-5453 or m.cavanaugh@newportoregon.gov

Two arrested for selling fentanyl

On March 3, the Newport Police Department, assisted by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, served a narcotics-related search warrant at a residence at 140 NE 60th St. in Newport. Officers had received information that Andres Garcia Garcia, 39, and Amanda Houchens, 40, both of Newport, were selling drugs from this residence.

During the search, officers located evidence of drug use and sales. They found a commercial quantity of fentanyl, digital scales, packaging material, drug records, drug use

paraphernalia, and cash.

Both Garcia and Houchens were arrested on charges of delivery, possession and manufacturing of a controlled substance – fentanyl, and frequenting/maintaining a place where controlled substances are kept or used.

The incident remains under investigation. Anyone with information about this case is asked to contact Officer Cicerone of the Newport Police Department at 541-574-3348. The Newport Police Tip Line is available at 541-574-5455, or Text-a-Tip at 541-270-1856 or tipline@newportpolice.net.



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Weather

Wednesday: High-52/Low-48 Showers

Thursday: High-53/Low-46 AM Showers

Friday: High-54/Low-45 Light Rain

Saturday: High-50/Low-42 Rain

Sunday: High-49/Low-42 Showers

Monday: High-48/Low-42 Showers

Tuesday: High-50/Low-43 Showers

Past Weather

On the Coast

	Rain	Low	High
March 5.....	0.01	33.6	48.9
March 6.....	0.00	32.9	49.5
March 7.....	0.00	34.2	51.3
March 8.....	0.00	40.3	58.7
March 9.....	0.28	45.7	53.1
March 10.....	1.29	41.2	54.1
March 11.....	0.03	44.2	48.0
Total rainfall from Jan. 1.....	28.48"		

Tides Tables

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

Low.....	4:08 a.m.....	3.9
High.....	9:49 a.m.....	6.6
Low.....	4:52 p.m.....	0.4
High.....	11:44 p.m.....	6.1

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Low.....	5:03 a.m.....	3.3
High.....	10:45 a.m.....	6.7
Low.....	5:32 p.m.....	0.3

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

High.....	12:11 a.m.....	6.4
Low.....	5:45 a.m.....	2.6
High.....	11:31 a.m.....	6.8
Low.....	6:05 p.m.....	0.2

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

High.....	12:34 a.m.....	6.6
Low.....	6:22 a.m.....	2.0
High.....	12:11 p.m.....	6.9
Low.....	6:35 p.m.....	0.3

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

High.....	12:56 a.m.....	6.8
Low.....	6:55 a.m.....	1.4
High.....	12:49 p.m.....	6.8
Low.....	7:03 p.m.....	0.6

MONDAY, MARCH 25

High.....	1:18 a.m.....	7.0
Low.....	7:28 a.m.....	1.0
High.....	1:26 p.m.....	6.7
Low.....	7:29 p.m.....	0.9

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

High.....	1:39 a.m.....	7.2
Low.....	8:00 a.m.....	0.6
High.....	2:04 p.m.....	6.5
Low.....	7:55 p.m.....	1.4

Sunrise/Sunset

March 20.....	7:19 a.m.....	7:28 p.m.
March 21.....	7:17 a.m.....	7:29 p.m.
March 22.....	7:15 a.m.....	7:31 p.m.
March 23.....	7:14 a.m.....	7:32 p.m.
March 24.....	7:12 a.m.....	7:33 p.m.
March 25.....	7:10 a.m.....	7:34 p.m.
March 26.....	7:08 a.m.....	7:36 p.m.
March 27.....	7:06 a.m.....	7:37 p.m.

Lottery

Friday, March 15
Mega Millions
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Saturday, March 16
Powerball
12 • 23 • 44 • 57 • 61 • PB-5 • x2

Saturday, March 16
Megabucks
9 • 11 • 12 • 16 • 23 • 36

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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.

25 YEARS AGO (1999)

SUBMARINE IN SOUTH BEACH

A small, two-person submarine was brought to the Oregon State University Hatfield Marine Science Center in South Beach on Friday afternoon.

At one time, the submarine was used in underwater salvage operations. Most recently, however, it was on display at the Oregon Museum of Science and Industry in Portland.

Plans call for putting the sub on display on the grounds at the science center, near the center’s information kiosk.

MAN IN CUSTODY AFTER CHASE NEAR SCHOOL

A Portland man armed with a knife was arrested near Newport Middle School about 1 p.m. Thursday after allegedly trying to elude police in a stolen vehicle.

Patrick Sandige, 26, was taken into custody after losing control of the 1980 Datsun 280 Z he was driving.

It took the police about 30 minutes to find Sandige in the heavy brush after he fled from the vehicle, which had slid off the roadway.

TOLEDO CONSIDERS DONATION OF ONE SPOT LOCOMOTIVE

Toledo-area railroad buffs have asked the city to donate the rusting One Spot locomotive to them so they can refurbish it.

The locomotive, which spent its working lifetime in Lincoln County helping to haul wood products, currently sits behind a fence along Depot Slough.

Past attempts to get the locomotive running have failed. The latest proposal is to turn it over to the Yaquina Pacific Railroad Historical Society.

PACIFIC COMMUNITIES HOSPITAL INTERVIEWS FOUR GROUPS FOR AFFILIATION

The board of directors of the Pacific Communities Health District, which operates the Newport hospital and its clinics in Newport, Depoe Bay and Toledo, interviewed representatives with four Oregon Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs) this week.

They were Samaritan Health Services, Portland-based Legacy Health System, Portland-based Providence Health, and Eugene-based PeaceHealth.

The announcement of the HMO affiliation choice is expected next week.

50 YEARS AGO (1974)

'NO SERIOUS PROBLEMS' SEEN FOR BAY LNG PLANT

No serious problems are foreseen in the establishment of a Liquid Natural Gas (LNG) Plant on Yaquina Bay, a state study reported this week.

The study, made for Gov. Tom McCall, said a major spillage of LNG either in the new tank or on the ship carrying the LNG is “highly improbable.”

The study said, “There is a need to increase the natural gas supply available in Oregon. This project will provide a 15 percent increase. A similar increase cannot be made from the sources presently supplying Oregon.”

GAVEL STOLEN

The gavel was stolen from the circuit court room on

the third floor of the courthouse, Della Tolly, bailiff, reported to the sheriff’s office March 15.

STATE TO REVIEW WATER PROJECT

Lincoln County officials are meeting with state agency heads in Salem today to review the regional water plan recently completed by the HGE engineering firm.

Projects proposed for the first stage of the plan total nearly \$13 million, which does not include an impoundment facility on Big Rock Creek on the upper Siletz to serve the entire central county. The preliminary cost estimate for the Big Rock Creek impoundment is \$4.2 million.

BRIDGE BEING DISMANTLED

Dismantling of the old Siletz River Bridge at Kernville is underway this week.

The narrow bridge, built in the 1920s, has been a bottleneck on Highway 101 for many years. It has been replaced by a wide new span just west of the old one.

CLAMS DIED 'NATURALLY,' STUDY SAYS

Fish Commission biologists say that the death of soft-shell clams in the upper Yaquina Bay area early this month was due to natural causes, and not to pollution.

Several clam diggers had reported finding the dead clams, and a biologist inspected the area.

“These clams probably died of old age or from fresh-water some time ago,” said Dale Snow, shellfish biologist at the Fish Commission laboratory, Newport.

75 YEARS AGO (1949)

NATIONAL MAGAZINE PUBLISHES WOMAN'S FISH RECIPE

A recipe for quick baked fish submitted by a Newport woman, Mrs. Ed J. Eliason, will be published in the April issue of Better Homes and Gardens.

Only 10 are chosen each month from the hundreds submitted, “so it is apparent that recipe must really have something,” according to a news release from the national magazine.

OVER 15,000 TO BE LISTED IN DIRECTORY

Newport will have its first directories since 1939.

H. C. Prudhomme, Portland, of the Pacific Directory Service, has begun compilation of a book that will comprise between 200 and 300 pages and contain approximately 15,000 names of individuals and business firms of all of Lincoln County, as well as Newport.

NEW ROAD TO OPEN TO VALSETZ

A new road for Valsetz community residents to reach drier and lower ground was in the making today, but it will be headed for the coast instead of into the Willamette Valley.

Local individuals and lumber companies are working to recondition the little-used Rock Creek Road into the Siletz area. The work started three weeks ago when dissatisfaction grew over the impassibility of the road to Falls City to the east.

POLICE COMMISSION INSTRUCTED BY COUNCIL TO REORGANIZE FORCE

At the Toledo City Council meeting held March 7, a detailed discussion of the city police department situation resulted in the council instructing the police commission to revamp the department.

Various complaints regarding the city police, plus inefficiency in the department, prompted the council to take action.

Lack of proper and efficient cooperation with county and state law enforcement agencies was reported as one of the chief complaints reaching the council.

100 YEARS AGO (1924)

FIRE DESTROYS HOME WEDNESDAY EVENING

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Kuni, living on the Fred Romevedt dairy farm, is reported to have burned late Wednesday evening.

It was reported that the Kuni family was in bed at the time and that they barely escaped with their lives, all clothes being burned with the exception of the nightclothes.

Mr. and Mrs. Kuni have four small children.

FIREMEN TO HOLD SMOKER TOMORROW

The members of the Toledo Volunteer Fire Department will hold a public smoker tomorrow at the clubhouse, the old fair building, to which every man and woman in the community are invited, providing they have in their possession the sum of four bits, the price of admission.

Several boxing and wrestling matches will be staged with Marshal McBride as matchmaker and referee. Considerable preparation has been made for these matches, and they are going to be good, according to word brought to this office.

COUNCIL APPROVES PETITION FOR BOXING COMMISSION HERE

The Toledo City Council at its Monday meeting allowed the petition for a boxing commission here, which was presented by Don Avery, local promoter, and signed by over 100 freeholders of the city.

Mayor Van Cleve will approve the commission in the very near future. The commission will have control of all bouts put on and will see to it, according to the mayor, that all such bouts are conducted in a thoroughly sportsmanlike manner.

STATE SCORES VICTORY IN FIRST LIQUOR TRIAL

The state of Oregon scored a victory in the first of many liquor cases that are scheduled to come before Judge John C. Kendall of the circuit court now holding session here.

Tuesday afternoon, a jury returned a verdict of guilty against one W. A. Miltonberger of Yaquina, who was arrested during the liquor raids last September and charged with “maintaining a common nuisance.”

He was sentenced to serve 30 days in the county jail, and ordered to pay a \$100 fine.



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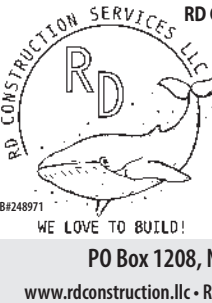
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VIEWPOINT

Mexico’s Saint Patrick’s Day & Britain’s Genocide

BY PAUL HAEDER

The history of Irish-American defenders of Mexico and the Catholic faith unfolded elegantly for me when I was living and working in El Paso and later in Mexico.

I have Irish roots, with family who ended up in Scotland and then Canada. That’s my Kirk side. While Ireland never held an allure for me, when I was there, including in Belfast, I dove into my history and realized how dirt poor and superstitious many of my brethren were.

But this? Every March 17 is celebrated with bagpipes and parades in Mexico! The irony of ironies is I even partied hearty in Chihuahua and Juarez on many a St. Patrick’s Day.

“Every St Patrick’s Day, the first toast that I make is in honor of the San Patricios,” says Martin Paredes, a Mexican writer based in the U.S. “A group of Irishmen came to the defense of Mexico, and many of them died in defense of Mexico. That has to be lauded as one of the greatest honors ever, because they were fighting for an adopted nation — and they died for an adopted nation.”

It is a complex story that goes back into the history of the Mexican-American War, for which most of my K-12 and college students have no knowledge.

Paredes has written extensively on the San Patricio Battalion; Smithsonian Magazine has featured this history. The San Patricio Battalion was a military unit composed mainly of Irish soldiers that were serving in the U.S. Army when the U.S. was invading Mexico. “These were U.S. soldiers that left U.S. lines and joined Mexican lines and fought for Mexico against the United States.” It was in a time when Texans were going after Mexicans and wanting that “independent state” to be annexed by the U.S. War drums precipitated pressing men into the military to go fight against Mexico. Irish were considered non-people, and anti-Catholicism was rampant in the U.S.

Genocide: The touchstone for Irish folk is Ireland’s Great “Potato” Famine, which generated a huge wave of immigrants arriving on U.S. soil. During the peak of Irish emigration, 1845-1852, nearly two million people — about a quarter of the population — emigrated to the United States.

Even this story is broken. According to economist Cormac O’ Grada, more than 26 million bushels of grain were exported from Ireland to England in 1845, a “famine” year. Even greater exports are documented. In the 1997 issue of History Ireland, by Christine Kinealy of the University of Liverpool, her research shows that nearly 4,000 vessels

carrying food left Ireland for ports in England during “Black ‘47” while 400,000 Irish men, women and children died of starvation.

The food was shipped from ports in some of the worst famine-stricken areas of Ireland, and British regiments guarded the ports and granaries to guarantee British merchants and absentee landlords their “free-market” profits.

During the famine, the British government “deliberately and systematically adopted reckless and wanton policies of official neglect that exacerbated the famine’s savagery and substantially increased its cruel death count.”

Viva Mexico: Irish deserters from the U.S. Army formed the core of the “Battalion of Foreigners,” which was renamed “Batallón de San Patricio.” Roman Catholic deserters from Germany and other European nations also joined, as did some foreign residents of Mexico City. There were also several African Americans who had escaped from slavery.

John Riley, a Galway-born soldier who was serving in the 5th U.S. Infantry Regiment, led this battalion. Under Riley, this elite artillery-unit-turned-infantry battalion fought with distinction in most of the major battles of the war until the Battle of Churubusco (Mexico City) on Aug. 20, 1847. The unit was overrun, dozens of the San Patricios were captured, and many were hanged on the spot.

My El Paso friend Tom Connolly showed me his San Patricio banner of green silk. On one side is a harp, surrounded by the Mexican coat of arms, with a scroll on which is painted, “Libertad por la Republica de Mexicana.” Under the harp, is the motto “Erin go Bragh.”

On the other side is a painting St. Patrick. In his left hand is a key and in his right a crook of staff resting upon a serpent. Underneath is the name San Patricio.

While in Mexico City years ago, I sought out the plaque bearing names of those San Patricios who died in battle, with an inscription of gratitude. They are considered martyrs who gave their lives during an unjust invasion. In Plaza San Jacinto stands a bust of Riley.

Even though Saint Pat’s Day has come and gone, read the novel, “A Ballad of Love and Glory,” by award-winning writer and memoirist Reyna Grande. It weaves a love story into the true tale of the San Patricios. Toast, drink a whiskey and listen to legendary Irish group, The Chieftains, and Ry Cooder on their album titled, “San Patricio.”

Paul Haeder is a novelist, journalist, educator and author of “Wide Open Eyes: Surfacing from Vietnam,” Cirque Press.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

VIOLATORS NEED TO BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE

On Feb. 13, a group of around 40 concerned neighbors gathered at the Siletz Public Library to expressed their concerns about a new neighbor who has chosen to turn their small community neighborhood, zoned residential, into a junkyard, accumulating over 70 vehicles, discharging fluids mere feet from a small creek that feeds into a tributary of the Siletz River, while slowly poisoning wells and plummeting property values.

At our meeting, we learned from the wonderful county code enforcement officer that the owner/co-owner of the property has been issued several citations for code violations in the past several years in various sites around in Lincoln County, not including a current code violation in the city of Siletz.

I was very happy to hear and read about the county commissioners’ decision to finally update the ordinance pertaining to nuisance violators. Violations of this order affect not only current

property values, but even more importantly, harm our children’s and Earth’s future. Putting some “teeth” to the violators will help immensely.

Sadly, after our “Save Our Waterways, Save Our Neighborhood” meeting in Siletz, the harassment and the intimidation tactics started, with the culprits showing up where our neighbors and friends worked. Our group will not back down. We have no choice, this is our home, with our many neighbors living on Camp 12 Loop for decades. Our children’s future is at stake.

We have been strengthened and mobilized, contacting every government agency and media outlet to be heard. We will continue to be diligent and keep an eye out for violators where they are masters at moving their junkyards to various locations, putting up tarps so the neighbors can’t see their slow destruction of our Earth, left only to suffer the impacts of their actions.

Our Camp 12 neighbors would like to thank the code enforcement officer who came to our last meeting. The Save

Our Waterways, Save Our Neighborhood group is meeting again on March 26 at the Siletz Library at 6 p.m. We would like to humbly invite all concerned citizens to attend and have invited county commissioners, the county council and the county planning director in hopes of answering any questions our wonderful citizens may have.

Shereen Mallek Rowland
Siletz

WALDPORT NEEDS TRANSITIONAL HOUSING

Our transitional housing project called Shalom House has a potential to become a reality for Waldport. Our work is to house folks who sincerely want to regain employment, housing, and to reconnect with family.

Our project needs a donated house. If you can bequeath a house to our project, then your support will be magnified over the years and you will be leaving a legacy of hope in a community that is in critical need of housing.

We all know that the cost of housing is soaring.

We know that building materials are very high. Availability of housing is tight. Waldport needs housing for workers, veterans, disabled persons, and single-parent families. Transitional housing can work here because of our awesome nonprofits, our food bank, our Samaritan Clinic, and our new mental health facility.

We thank our county commissioners for their leadership, as well as the County Homeless Task Force. We need strong support from the Waldport City Council and our mayor, Greg Holland. We can advance human services in south Lincoln County where the need is profound.

Please call me at 458-277-8810 or email me at wolverinewaldport@gmail.com My mailing address is PO Box 2002, Waldport, OR 97394.

Let’s make Lincoln County a better place for our people. Please consider donating your house to our cause. We would appreciate your kindness and compassion for those who will thrive on our program.

David Peltier
Waldport

LAW ENFORCEMENT TIP OF THE WEEK

SHARING THE ROAD: CYCLISTS AND MOTORISTS

Cycling has become more popular as a recreational activity and as alternative transportation. As the weather continues to get nicer and more cycling events come into season, expect to see more bicycles on the road and in shared community spaces. Both cyclists and motorists have a responsibility to follow traffic laws and to take additional precautions to keep everyone safe.

Bicycles on streets and highways are considered, by law, a vehicle, and are required to obey the rules of the road. This means they must follow the laws that apply to all vehicles and laws specific to cyclists. Weather, experience, and traffic can impact the safety of sharing the road. Using additional caution and patience can help keep our roads safer for everyone involved.

Motorists should remember these tips:

- When a cyclist has stopped and remains on their bicycle at an intersection or a traffic signal, they are to be treated as a vehicle

waiting for their turn to proceed.

- Be alert for small children on oversized bicycles. This may increase the likelihood for loss of control.

- When passing a cyclist, go around them like you would pass another vehicle and leave plenty of room.

- When you are preparing to make a right turn, watch for cyclists who may pull up alongside you. Remember to look over your shoulder to check your blind spots.

- When pulling away from the curb, merging, or preparing to turn, check for cyclists who may be trying to pass.

- When parked at the curb, check for cyclists before opening the vehicle door. It’s the driver’s responsibility not to open the vehicle door into traffic.

- Do not follow too closely behind cyclists.

- Remember cyclists are entitled to make left turns in the same manner as other vehicles.

- Be aware of roadway conditions that may affect a cyclist.

- Weather such as fog or rain impact motorists and cyclists alike. Use additional caution in hazardous areas and during

times of low visibility.

- Do not sound your horn unnecessarily. If you must use your horn, tap it quickly and lightly while you are still some distance away from the cyclist.

Cyclists should remember these tips while using streets and highways:

- Riding against the flow of traffic is illegal and increases your risk of injury and death.

- Cyclists are required to ride in bike lanes or paths when it is adjacent to the roadway with exceptions for right and left turns and to avoid hazards.

- In areas without bike lanes, cyclists are required to ride as close as practicable to the curb, however they may need to adjust to avoid grates, potholes, debris, gravel, sand, wet or slippery surfaces, rutted or grooved pavement and other hazards.

- Keep your hands on the handlebars except when making a hand signal.

- Keep your feet on the pedals.



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- Do not carry more people on the bicycle than it was designed for.

- Do not hold onto, attach yourself or

the bicycle to any other moving vehicle.

- Only ride side by side on the road with another cyclist when it does not impede other traffic.

- If there is not enough room to pass safely, ride single file.

- Ensure the bicycle is equipped with at least one white light to the front and a red light and or red reflector mounted on the rear of the bicycle.

- Wear reflective clothing or gear.

- Wear appropriate protective gear.

- Ensure the bicycle has effective brakes.

- Share your cycling plans with loved ones, include where you are going and when you are expected to return.

For more information and tips visit our website at www.lincolncountysheriff.net and like us on Facebook at Lincoln County Sheriff’s Office – Oregon.

New unemployment insurance benefits system goes live

STAFF REPORT
Country Media, Inc.

The Oregon Employment Department (OED) has launched what is being described as a brand new, easy-to-use online system for Unemployment Insurance (UI).

The new system, called Frances Online, offers features that will provide a better customer service experience for UI claimants, according to the OED, which states that the system is also mobile-friendly.

“Claimants will be able to do a lot more things online through self-serve features, instead of waiting for a letter in the mail or calling the UI Contact Center,” the ODE states in a release.

“With Frances Online, we’ll be able to serve Oregonians better, and get their benefits paid quicker,” OED Director David Gerstenfeld said. “We recognize that change can be

challenging, but once we’re up and running, we believe claimants will appreciate all the changes that are coming.”

The new website for the online benefits system can be found at frances.oregon.gov and also at unemployment.oregon.gov.

- NEW OR IMPROVED SELF-SERVE FEATURES:**
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- Live chat with UI staff;
 - File an appeal, request a waiver, or complete a payment plan application.
- If you have a current active claim or have applied, but your claim is still being processed, information about your claim will appear in your new Frances Online account once you have completed identity verification.
- If you have applied for and/or received Paid Leave benefits, you will use that Frances Online account for UI.
- ENHANCED FRAUD PROTECTION.**
- Some information will still have to come by mail, even if you select to get electronic communication. You must meet the deadlines in mailed letters, or your claim will be denied.
- Instead of your first payment arriving as a check, it will now arrive in the payment method you chose (debit card or direct deposit).
- WHAT’S STAYING THE SAME FOR UI CLAIMANTS**
- The UI Contact Center number is the same: 1-877-FILE-4-UI.
 - The automated Weekly Claim Line number is the same: 1-800-982-8920.
 - Customer service information, including unemployment and Frances Online guides, videos, and frequently asked questions, will still be available at unemployment.oregon.gov.
 - UI eligibility rules and program requirements (welcome process, job search, filing weekly claims, etc.) are the same.
 - If you have a current claim, your preferred payment method (direct deposit or debit card), will stay the same. You can update your preferences at any time.
- Frances Online is available only in English and Spanish right now. Call the UI Contact Center at 1-877-FILE-4-UI for help in other languages.
- Visit unemployment.oregon.gov/frances to learn about the new system, customer service impacts, new self-serve features.

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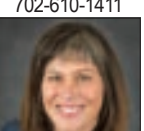
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New look for circuit court jury summons

As of this week, the Lincoln County Circuit Court began mailing out jury summons in a new format, according to Sally Bovett, the trial court administrator.

Bovett said the court is now sending prospective jurors postcards with instructions for accessing online information and resources, making jury service response and communication easier, faster, and more convenient. These postcards will replace the former paper brochures mailed in envelopes.

The postcards include the essential information jurors need to respond for service and communicate with the court. They direct potential jurors to a new online portal, Juror eResponse, where they can complete juror forms, opt-in for text or email notifications and reporting instructions, obtain an attendance slip for their service, and request deferral or excusals.

Prospective jurors who do not have access to the internet can complete a questionnaire when they report for jury service.

“The new approach provides more flexibility to update information online, gives potential jurors more options for contact, and saves on printing and postage,” Bovett said. “The Juror eResponse portal is part of the Oregon Judicial Department’s efforts to use technology to improve and expand court communication, accessibility, and engagement in innovative ways.”

For more information about Lincoln County Circuit Court jury service, visit our website at www.courts.oregon.gov/lincoln.

Scam alert: The courts will never contact people by phone, email or other means to ask for personal or financial information, demand money for failure to respond to jury service, or threaten them with arrest. Those are indications of a scam. If anyone has questions about contacts that claim to be from the court, look up the contact information for the local circuit court at www.courts.oregon.gov/courts and give them a call to report the contact.

City accepting nonprofit grant request applications

The city of Lincoln City is currently accepting applications from local nonprofit agencies for its 2024-25 fiscal year.

When preparing the city budget each year, city officials consider the financial needs of nonprofit organizations that foster community wellness.

Lincoln City recognizes the essential role of nonprofits. They serve the most vulnerable populations and in return strengthen our community. It is through the Nonprofit Grant Request Program that The city of Lincoln City is able to provide resources to these vital organizations, a release from the city states.

The application can be found on the city’s website at www.lincolncity.org/government/outside-agency-grants. The submission deadline is 5 p.m. on April 15.

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WYDEN

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closed down whenever the wind is over 45 miles an hour. In the ocean, it doesn't take much to exceed 45 miles an hour. We are definitely opposed to the windmills."

McFarland said her group is also worried about the U.S. border control issues.

"Lincoln City appears to be targeted with new apartment houses, and we have no idea who is moving into them," she said. "From everything we see, it is about diversity, equity and inclusion."

McFarland acknowledged that the city has a housing shortage. "But the people I am hearing from are not allowed to be part of these homes," she said, adding that the apartments were not approved by the city's planning commission. "The planning

commission had no say," she claimed. "The decisions came from the state and federal level."

McFarland said she believes the people moving into the new apartments are coming in from out of the country.

"The talk is that this city is for recreation and for visitors, but the fear is that we don't have the infrastructure. We don't have the jobs. We don't have a robust bus situation," she said. "And they don't have enough parking for those apartments."

Lincoln City Mayor Susan Wahlke, arriving to introduce Sen. Wyden during the town hall, disputed McFarland's statements about the new housing.

"We have a lack of housing in this community," Wahlke said. "There are a lot of people without housing. There are a lot of people doubled up in housing. I think we can probably fill those

apartments with the people who are here. There are organizations that are working to fill those apartments with people who need housing in this area. I disagree that these apartments are drawing people from out of the country"

INSIDE THE TOWN HALL

Inside the cultural center, Wahlke joined Lincoln City Cultural Center Director Niki Price at a table on stage at the center's performing arts room. Wyden appeared shortly after, waving to the audience, which had assembled for the town hall.

Following his introduction by Wahlke, Wyden took a variety of questions, carefully answering each person. The questions ranged from child tax credits and health care, district attorney prosecuting power, assistance for

veteran, the U.S. border control, and oil drilling along the Oregon coast.

"As long as I am a U.S. senator, you will not have oil drilling along the Oregon coast," Wyden stated.

During the town hall, Wyden listened intently to a statement from one woman who outlined her concern about the conflict in Gaza. During his response, Wyden said, "I think it is important now to think through how to proceed, humanitarian aide in, hostages out, and look to try to find the best way forward. There is so much horrible history here. So, we have a lot to do."

The woman responded saying she objected to Wyden's assessment of the situation and the United States' reaction to the conflict in Gaza. The woman then promptly began to leave the room.

"I object to that," she

said as she departed. "I stand for the Palestinians and for the Jews." As the woman left the town hall, the audience applauded. Shortly after, another audience member addressed his concerns about the Gaza conflict.

Wyden responded saying in part, "We have to find a way out." He added that he valued such town hall discussions. At the end of the Lincoln City meeting, Wyden thanked the audience for participating and said that such gatherings are rare in other parts of the world.

"We are fortunate," he said.

TIKTOK BAN REACTION

Following the town hall, Wyden responded to the Lincoln County Leader's inquiry about his take on the recent U.S. House vote to ban TikTok.

"There are national security issues here, but

there are other issues, including the First Amendment question, anti-trust issues, and an interest of the buying it, so there is a lot to look at," he said.

But when the Leader asked what his vote would be, Wyden responded, "We aren't even sure the Senate is going to vote on what was passed in the House," he said. "So, I am going to take my time in looking at it."

Before the Lincoln City town hall, Wyden, toured the Hatfield Marine Science Center, NOAA Fisheries, and NOAA Marine Operations receiving updates about the facilities' research and the vital roles each plays in the economy for Lincoln County and the entire Oregon coast.

Widen also conducted town halls in Polk, Tillamook, and Clatsop counties over the weekend.

SILETZ

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lodged at the Lincoln County Jail.

According to an affidavit of probable cause filed with the Lincoln County Circuit Court, the person who called in the report to authorities said Poe "was covered in blood and stating that he believed he accidentally killed his mom." He had

blood on his hands and clothing and was holding his mother's bloody purse, the report stated.

The woman's body was found near a 2004 Gold Chrysler PT Cruiser that appeared to be stuck in gravel. When deputies approached her body, they discovered she had a "large round stake which appeared to be the broken end of a garden tool protruding from her throat," court records

stated.

After he was advised of his rights, Poe reportedly told deputies "he believed his mom was a vampire who would poke him at night and cause him to wake up with blood on his sheets. He said he had to protect himself," the affidavit states.

Poe was scheduled to appear in court today (Wednesday) for a preliminary hearing.

MEETINGS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

Lincoln County Board of Commissioners: 10 a.m., commission meeting room, county courthouse, Newport. For info, go to www.co.lincoln.or.us.

Yachats City Council: 1 p.m., Yachats Commons.

Toledo City Council: 6 p.m., council chambers, city hall.

Oregon Coast Community College Board of Education: 6 p.m., North County Center, 3788 SE High School Drive, Lincoln City.

Newport Parking Advisory Committee: 6 p.m., council chambers, city hall.

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Newport Public Arts Committee: 8:30 a.m., council chambers, city hall.

MONDAY, MARCH 25

Lincoln City City Council: 5 p.m. executive session (closed to public), 6 p.m. regular session, council chambers, city hall.

Siletz City Council: 5:30 p.m., city hall.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

Depoe Bay Harbor Commission: 3:30 p.m., city hall.

Toledo City Council: 6 p.m., work session, council chambers, city hall,

DEATH NOTICES

JOHN SOLLERS

John Ford Sollers Jr., 81, of Lincoln Beach, Oregon, passed away on Dec. 16, 2023.

He was born on April

29, 1942 in Moscow, Idaho.

A celebration of life will be held from 1:30 to 3 p.m. this Saturday, March 23, in

the commons at Taft High School, 3780 SE Spy Glass Ridge Drive, Lincoln City.

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Donald Riddell

09/08/1945 - 02/17/2024

Donald Paul Riddell passed away February 17, 2024, on his annual trip to Lake Havasu City, Arizona.

He was born on September 8, 1945, in Pasadena, California to Joyce Follett Riddell. He attended Chino High School and after serving in the armed forces, he graduated from Cal Poly Pomona with a degree in Mathematics.

Don moved to the Oregon Coast in the early 1970s and has been an active member of this community ever since. Some of this greatest pride came from the work he did as owner of Riddell Sheet Metal. Throughout our community, he was most known for his integrity, kindness, stubbornness, and generosity.

His greatest joy in life came from his family. He was the most devoted father to

his daughter Claire Riddell, and a loving grandfather to his granddaughter, Adaline Jean Champagne-Riddell. They both brought immense pride and happiness into his life.

Don's memory will forever live on in the hearts of those who loved him. He will be deeply missed by his family, friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing him.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations to be made to KLCC Public Radio Foundation (<https://www.klcc.org/klcc-public-radio-foundation/>), in honor of Don's memory.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Friday, March 22 from 4:00-6:00 pm at the Yaquina Bay Yacht Club. All who wish to raise a glass in Don's memory are welcome to attend.

Jimmy L.C. Munsil

Aug. 27, 1932 - March 2, 2024

We are sad to announce the passing of Jimmy L.C. Munsil of McMinnville Oregon at the age of 91. Jimmy "Bud", passed away surrounded by his loved ones on March 2nd with congestive heart failure.

He was born August 27, 1932 to Lester and Mildred Munsil in Toledo, Oregon. Jimmy served as a Marine in the Korean war as a Staff Sargent, where he obtained the good conduct medal, National defense service medal, United Nations service medal, Korean service medal/1 star, and Korean PUC. After fulfilling his commitment with the Marines, Jimmy moved back to Toledo Oregon where he met the love of his life, Elaine. They were married and enjoyed 53 years of marriage together, before her passing November 7, 2008.

He enjoyed camping, panning for gold, snowbirding in AZ, hunting and planting amazing gardens. You might have even learned how to do the "Big Elk shuffle"

from him. Jimmy Served in his community as a lineman/manager for PUD for 45+ years. There wasn't a storm that was too big for him.

Jimmy's pride and joy was his family. Jimmy is survived by his 3 children, Charlotte Bent, Steven Munsil, and Jim Munsil, 7 grandchildren, Debra Zollinger, Jason Bent, Lewis Munsil, Luke Munsil, Cara Sawyer, Jolynn Munsil and Zack Munsil along with 9 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by, his parents Lester and Mildred Munsil, his wife Elaine Munsil, sister Melva Edwards, his daughter Debbie Munsil, and grandson Buddy Joe Munsil.

There will be a graveside service at 1:00pm Friday March 8th located at Riverside VFW Cemetery in Siletz, Oregon. Off of Logsdan Rd. All that knew and loved Jimmy "Bud" are welcome to attend. To leave condolences, visit www.macyangson.com.

James Henry Dunlap

March 26, 1936 - September 12, 2023

James Henry Dunlap at age 87, passed away suddenly.

James "Jim" was born on March 26, 1936 in Skowhegan, Maine to Denzil and Evelyn Dunlap. He attended and graduated from Skowhegan schools, and went on to college at the University of Maine in Orono, Maine. Graduated in 1958 with a degree in Agricultural Engineering. He served in the USAF, and was stationed in Germany for two years. In February of 1961, he married Annetta in Ecola, PA and they were married for 42 years.

For 35+ years he dedicated his professional life to the Department of Agriculture/Soil Conservation Service. During his service with the US Government, he worked in Maine, Pennsylvania, New Mexico, and Oregon. Retired in 1993 and moved to Newport, Oregon. Started and owned his own consulting business for eight years, then fully retired in 2001.

Jim volunteered at Lincoln County Soil and Water Conservation District, Lincoln County Food Share, and AARP Tax Aide. He was a member of the First Presbyterian

Church in Newport and volunteered many hours at the church.

He held memberships with National Association of Active and Retired Federal Employees (NARFE), American Society of Agricultural Engineer's, American Society of Civil Engineer's, National Society of Professional Engineers, Soil Conservation Society of America, and the Elks.

His favorite past times were spent gardening and fishing and he was a true Trailblazer fan. He also liked to camp and travel.

Jim was liked by many and was willing to lend a hand. He has been missed by family, friends, and neighbors.

Jim was predeceased by his wife Annetta and his son Craig. Jim is survived by his daughter Linda and his grandson Grayson.

A memorial - celebration of life service is planned for Jim in April.

Remembrances can be made to Habitat for Humanity, Lincoln County Food Share, Mercy Corps, and NW Medical Teams.

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number of jobs classified as difficult to fill has also come down. That rate has fallen to 61 percent. The rate was 72 percent at the height of the pandemic. But there is still a lot of competition for workers out there.”

According to Barrick, the largest number of job vacancies in northwest Oregon are in leisure and hospitality and in health care and social assistance.

WHAT’S CAUSING THE LABOR SHORTAGE?

Oregon Employment Department Regional Economist Brian Rooney says there are specific key factors that have led to the current job hiring and retaining challenges across the state.

“The problems include less in-migration across

the state,” Rooney said. “The U.S. Census Bureau shows the population dropping since the COVID pandemic, and now going very slowly. We’re also seeing a lot of baby-boomer retirements.”

Affordable housing also is an issue evolving in the tight labor market.

“People seeking work may also be seeking affordable housing to live here, so if housing costs are low, that can attract workers, if housing costs are high, that can cause workers to stay away,” Rooney said. “So, wages have to be enough to afford housing.”

IMPACT OF TIGHT MARKET

The impact of the tight job market has caused businesses to make structural changes, such as restaurants offering take-out service instead of in-business, sit-down service. Rooney said some

businesses have opted to apply high technology to become more efficient and less labor intensive, through mechanization in manufacturing, or using technology for services in retail sectors, in an effort to remain open.

The impact on customers often means inconvenience and longer waiting time for services, according to Rooney. Without the needed employees, often local businesses reduce hours and days that they are open.

“I have definitely heard of some businesses closing because they could not find adequate staff,” Barrick said. “But what we are seeing is the larger trend of more businesses opening then closing still in northwest Oregon. Especially since the pandemic. Some folks wanted to try something new. So, we are still seeing a lot of new business growth.”

SHIFTING STRATEGIES

To attract and sustain employees, many businesses are offering higher wages.

The average annual wage during the third quarter of 2022 was \$55,394, compared to the \$55,548 average annual wage in the third quarter of 2023, according to Rooney.

“Yes, pay is a big thing,” he said, adding that employers are also enhancing benefits. “If an employer can offer hybrid situations, employees allowed the opportunity to work from home, and also flexible working hours are good benefits that will attract more people.

“We have definitely seen wages increasing, especially in those entry level positions,” Barrick said. “The average wage last year was \$17.90. That’s up pretty

substantially from pre-pandemic level. So, what we are seeing is a lot more jobs paying more than \$20 an hour and less jobs that are paying less than that. Businesses are also developing other perks to entice new employees, including flexible work hours, additional vacation days and specialized training opportunities. If that doesn’t work, there has also been a lot of structure shifts.”

Barrick and Rooney said many businesses are simply shifting strategies to do more with less.

FINDING SOLUTIONS

Barrick said the state employment department has work source centers scattered throughout Oregon offering job connection services for those looking for work and to assist employers seeking staff. The department also offers on the job training

to help offset the cost of training the employers face. The employment department also offers clothing and equipment purchase assistance for new workers.

Rooney said there is a “light at the end of the tunnel.”

“We are seeing a little more in-migration over the past year compared to the COVID pandemic and the following couple of years,” he said. “So, we would expect that to continue. We would expect to see people moving around in Oregon going forward. If there are good jobs with good pay being offered, and if the cost of housing doesn’t continue to increase much, that can help also.”

For businesses seeking assistance in hiring and sustaining employees, or people seeking work, call the Oregon Employment Department at 503-947-1394.

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Other 2023 Oregon DOJ consumer protection efforts included both important policy and litigation accomplishments.

THE LEGISLATIVE FRONT

Rosenblum said she championed the long-awaited comprehensive consumer data privacy law, SB 619. Also known as the Oregon Consumer Privacy Act, it defines personal and biometric data broadly, protects consumer data rights holistically, and holds companies that have access to our data to high standards. To learn more about the specifics of the Oregon Consumer Privacy Act, read the legislative summary.

In addition, a companion law passed in 2023 requires data

brokers to register in order to do business in Oregon. HB 2052, requested by the attorney general, sheds new light on the \$232 billion data broker industry.

ON THE LEGAL FRONT

DOJ landed major settlements across technology, privacy, health and finance, according to Rosenblum. DOJ lawyers led a \$700 million national settlement with Google over Play Store misconduct. The state also reached a \$20 million national settlement with payment processor ACI over unauthorized mortgage payment withdrawals, and settlements for Oregon totaling \$1,418,275 regarding data breaches with the companies EyeMed, Blackbaud, and Inmediata.

“There will always be bad actors taking advantage of consumers, but fortunately,

DOJ will always be here to stand up for consumers, hold companies accountable, and advocate for stronger laws protecting Oregonians,” Rosenblum said.

RESOURCES

Download Oregon Department of Justice’s free materials on scam and fraud prevention: <https://www.doj.state.or.us/consumer-protection/sales-scams-fraud/more-scams-fraud-resources/>

Sign up for Oregon Department of Justice’s free Scam Alert Network: <https://www.doj.state.or.us/consumer-protection/scam-alert-network/>

If you have fallen victim to a fraud or scam, contact the Oregon Department of Justice online at www.oregonconsumer.gov or call the Attorney General’s Consumer Hotline at 1-877-877-9392.

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food truck, catering company, farmers market vendor, bakery, fast casual, or fine dining restaurant.

Additional small business classes coming to Lincoln County this fall include:

- Digital Marketing and Branding
 - Canva for Digital & Printed Design
 - Excel Level 1 & 2
 - QuickBooks Online Level 1 & 2
 - How to Wholesale Your Product
 - Inventory Management
 - Fundamentals of Equity Capital
 - Business Plan Basics
 - Creating an Elevator Pitch
 - Using AI for Web Development
 - Content Creation Lab
 - Leadership Tools for Remarkable Customer Service
- For details, including times,

prices, and registration, visit sbdc-workshops-spring-2024 or call 541-994-4166.

This spring, the SBDC’s powerful Small Business Management and Restaurant Small Business Management Program are drawing to a close, leading up to a lively graduation ceremony in June. Recruitment is underway now for participating businesses to join these programs for the next academic year, starting in the fall. If you would like to learn more, email kelliane.parker@oregoncoast.edu.

The Small Business Development Center at OCCC provides no-cost business advising to any business in Lincoln County, as well as to anyone even considering one day launching their own business. The SBDC routinely offers free and low-cost workshops and classes — find the complete class schedule, along with easy online registration for advising or workshops, at oregoncoast.edu/sbdc.



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Mo's to be featured on America's Best Restaurants

Local restaurant Mo's Seafood & Chowder will be hosting a visit from America's Best Restaurants (ABR) this month.

America's Best Restaurants, a national media and marketing company focusing on bringing attention to local, independently owned restaurants, will bring its ABR Roadshow to the restaurant on March 21. Popular dishes will be highlighted, along with an extensive on-camera interview with owner Celeste McEntee about the restaurant's special place in the community. The episode will be aired extensively on social media channels at a later date.

Mo's Seafood & Chowder began as "Freddy and Mo's" in 1942, and four years later, Mo, a single mother of two sons whose full name was Mohava, bought Freddy out as his health declined.

Over time, Mo's Seafood & Chowder began an ascent into the landscape of iconic eateries, adding more seafood dishes to the menu and gaining popularity among locals, tourists, and celebrities. They serve a wide array of pasta, seafood classics, appetizers, sandwiches and desserts in a tidy dining area with nautical and seafaring-decor.

The top seller at the restaurant is the New England-style clam chowder, of which the nine locations of Mo's sell more than 4,000 bowls a day. In 1999, the chowder was served at a Smithsonian Institution luncheon honoring "Best American Regional Foods."

Mo's signature dessert is the Marionberry Cobbler, which



Mo's Seafood & Chowder will be featured by America's Best Restaurants, a national media and marketing company focusing on bringing attention to local, independently owned restaurants. (Courtesy photo)

can be served with ice cream.

Notable patrons of the eatery included Senator Robert F. Kennedy and his wife, Ethel, while he was campaigning for president in 1968, and Paul Newman and Henry Fonda, who were filming "Sometimes A Great Nation" nearby in 1970.

There are nine Mo's Seafood & Chowder locations, eight along the coast of Oregon and one in the Portland International Airport. Filming of the Roadshow will take place at the Newport location.

The restaurant's finished episode premiere date will be announced on their Facebook page and will be featured on America's Best Restaurants' website at <https://americas-bestrestaurants.com/rests/>

oregon/mos-seafood-and-chowder.

Restaurants featured on the ABR Roadshow are found through customer nominations or by a restaurant applying to be featured at www.americas-bestrestaurants.com.

Oregon's top consumer complaints of 2023

STAFF REPORT
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Imposter scams and fraudulent entity is the number one consumer complaint received by the Oregon Department of Justice (DOJ) in 2023.

To mark National Consumer Protection Week, Oregon Attorney General Ellen Rosenblum released the DOJ list of 2023's top 10 consumer complaints.

The Attorney General's

Consumer Hotline fielded 11,631 phone calls and 9,076 written complaints, according to Rosenbaum. And for the fourth year in a row, auto sales and repairs, imposter scams and telecommunications took the top three spots.

"2023 was a huge year for protecting Oregon consumers," Rosenblum said. "Though our annual top 10 list may vary from year to year, our advice doesn't. To stay safe from fraud and scams, be wary of anything that

sounds too good to be true and take precautions to safeguard your personal data."

Rosenbaum said Oregon has one of the most robust consumer education and prevention programs in the country. To learn more, visit www.oregonconsumer.gov or call at 1-877-877-9392.

The top 10 consumer complaints of 2023 by category were:

- Imposter Scams/Fraudulent Entity (1,161 complaints)

- Auto Sales and Repairs (1,068 complaints)
- Telecommunications (1,007 complaints)
- Financial, Credit and Lending (696 complaints)
- Towing (301 complaints)
- Travel Services (251 complaints)
- Construction Contractors (239 complaints)
- Grocery, Food and Beverage (227 complaints)
- Manufacturing (221 complaints)

- Real Estate (210 complaints)

While fielding tens of thousands of calls, letters and emails, DOJ Consumer Protection helps the complainants recover money they are entitled to, according to Rosenbaum, who added that 2023 was a watershed year for restitution, surpassing the \$1 million mark for the first time. DOJ recovered \$1,147,151.31 for Oregon consumers who have filed complaints with the hotline.

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'Paint it Forward'



For the second year, Most Wanted Painters, of Newport, is offering a free repainting project in the local community. The recipient of the first repaint project last year, pictured above, was the Veterans of Foreign Wars building on Pioneer Mountain Loop outside of Toledo. Most Wanted Painters does this project as a way to "pay it forward" by painting the exterior of a home or building for a community homeowner or nonprofit agency. From now through the end of April, the company is accepting applications for this year's recipient. For program details and an application form, call Most Wanted Painters at 541-961-2969 or email Yvette@mostwantedpainters.com A committee will choose one recipient from among those nominated, to be announced in early May. (Courtesy photo)

SBDC presents spring lineup of small business courses

New term's workshops kick Off April 2

Spring brings anticipation of a fresh start, and small business owners can learn new skills through the lineup of workshops coming to Lincoln County this season from the Oregon Coast Community College Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

Headlining courses include a Small Business Makeover course, intended for existing businesses who are experiencing slowing sales or fewer customers; a class on Enhancing Accessibility for Small Businesses and Organizations; AI Tools for Small Businesses; and How to Make Money Feeding People — a workshop ideal for start-ups, whether a



The final phase of the Capital Campaign to renovate the Newport Performing Arts Center is nearing completion. The public is invited to help outfit new backstage spaces — and even add their own names to this beloved community building. (Courtesy photos)

Community members invited to add their names to Newport Performing Arts Center

As Oregon Coast Council for the Arts’ ambitious Capital Campaign to renovate the Newport Performing Arts Center nears completion, the public is invited to help outfit new backstage spaces — and even add their own names to this beloved community building.

When OCCA’s “Entertain the Future!” campaign to expand and refurbish the PAC began in 2014, no one imagined it would still be underway a decade later. But thanks to some unexpected obstacles (most notably a pandemic and the rising cost of materials), the plan had to be creatively modified — and the timeline extended — along the way. The first six phases of the campaign saw the expansion and renovation of the lobby and women’s restroom, new lighting

and sound equipment, signage and more. The seventh and final phase, which is now underway, not only includes upgrades to the David Ogden Stiers Studio Theatre, it also modifies backstage spaces to allow room for more performers — doubling the number of dressing rooms, adding an additional greenroom, and creating an 850-square-foot rehearsal space.

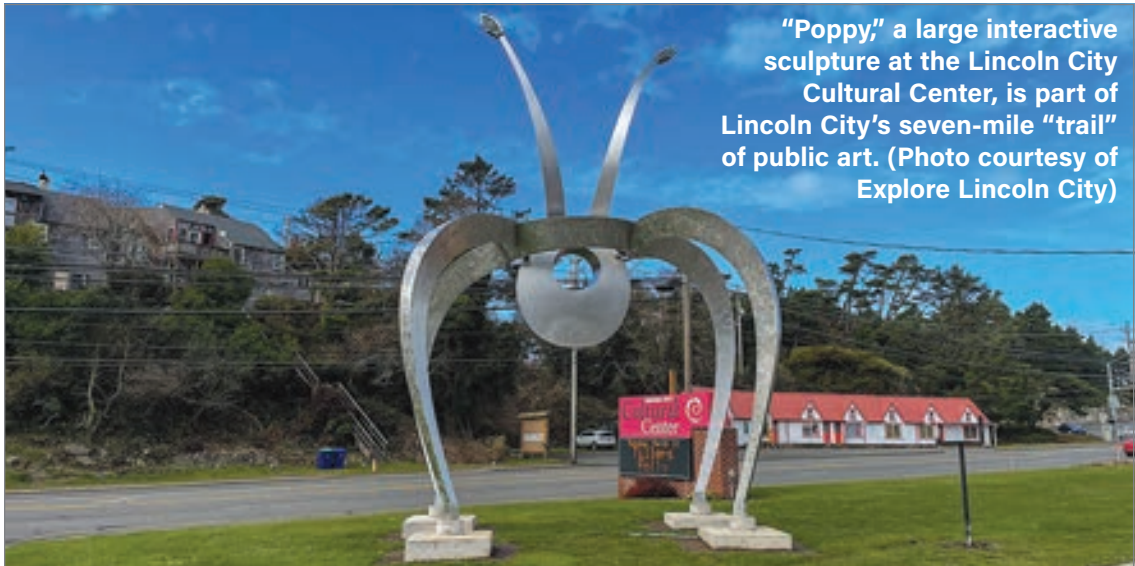
“We’re thrilled to have this final stage, this grand finale, underway,” said Jason Holland, OCCA’s executive director. “Demolition has begun, and construction is expected to be completed by August of this year. But that’s just half the story. Once these new spaces have been built, we’ll face our next task — outfitting them.”

From theater seats to appliances and everything in

between, the PAC’s new spaces will need more than just walls and floors to be ready for use by local and visiting performers. They’ll need to be furnished, equipped and outfitted for use, too. That’s where the OCCA is asking for the community to pitch in, and they’re offering some compelling acknowledgements for doing so.

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The Oregon Coast Council for the Arts’ “Entertain the Future!” campaign to expand and refurbish the PAC began in 2014, and due to COVID and the rising cost of materials, it continued out longer than anyone had imagined it would.



“Poppy,” a large interactive sculpture at the Lincoln City Cultural Center, is part of Lincoln City’s seven-mile “trail” of public art. (Photo courtesy of Explore Lincoln City)

Artventure awaits in Lincoln City

Calling all art lovers, Lincoln City is once again showcasing its seven-mile “trail” of public art with a free digital passport that includes an exciting addition of the new The Poetry Path located at the Lincoln City Cultural Center.

“We’re excited to continue highlighting Lincoln City’s incredible public art collection

with a year-round digital passport program that guides users along a fun and interactive experience throughout the city,” said Kim Cooper Findling, executive director of Explore Lincoln City. “We’re especially thrilled to debut The Poetry Path, which is a

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Spring Whale Watch Week begins this Saturday, March 23, and runs through Sunday, March 31. People are encouraged to watch for gray whales on their annual migration back to Alaska. (Courtesy photo)

Spring Whale Watch Week begins Saturday

Oregon State Parks will host Spring Whale Watch Week along the Oregon coast from this Saturday, March 23, through Sunday, March 31.

Trained volunteers will be stationed at 15 sites along the coast to help visitors spot

whales and their calves and answer questions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily, March 23-31. The sites are some of the best places to watch for whales on the Oregon coast.

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Newport Symphony season finale is March 23-24

The Newport Symphony Orchestra performs its 2023-24 season finale, Boléro and Symphonic Jazz, a musical journey through time, on March 23 and 24 at the Newport Performing Arts Center.

Covering a span of 300 years, selections will include a concerto by Vivaldi



all the way to a brand new premiere of a jazz flute suite commissioned for the event by the Newport Symphony.

Performances are Saturday March 23 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday March 24 at 2 p.m. Saturday’s performance has a pre-concert talk by Conductor Adam Flatt

at 6:45 p.m. Following each concert, the NSO features a special complementary “Wine Down,” featuring select wines from the Flying Dutchman Winery of Otter Rock plus an array of food items. Stay and mingle with Flatt, the guest artist and orchestra members.

The concert opens with Symphony No. 1 in G Major, composed in 1770s, by Joseph Boulogne Chevalier de Saint-Georges, a fascinating man born into slavery and later educated in Paris among the

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Flutist Kim Scott will be the guest artist when the Newport Symphony Orchestra performs its 2023-24 season finale, Boléro and Symphonic Jazz, on March 23 and 24. (Courtesy photo)

Newport gallery spotlights artists

The Yaquina Art Association Gallery in Newport’s Nye Beach District is currently spotlighting the work of artists Beverly Peterson and Graece Gabriel.

Peterson has been a member of Yaquina Art Association since moving to Newport in 2019, and the YAA Photographers (YAAP) group since 2022. Though always interested in art and design, she didn’t begin studies until later in life. Currently, she participates in YAA classes in watercolor, pastels, and drawing, and YAAP meetings and monthly competitions. She hopes others will connect with something in her pieces and see something new or unique to them. Her show includes photographs, watercolors, and pastels in her favorite subjects of birds, landscapes, and nature.

Gabriel’s fine art photography often features

local birds and seascapes with surprising intensity and vividness. This show has a variety of views of brown pelicans and crows. Gabriel lives in Otter Rock and finds many of her subjects close to her home here on the central Oregon coast.

The Yaquina Art Association Gallery is located at 789 NW

Beach Drive. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day. Interested in becoming a member of the Yaquina Art Association? They offer free classes in watercolor, pastel and acrylic. Visit the gallery for more information or go to www.yaquinaart.org. YAA has served 135 local artists for more than 76 years.



Artwork and photographs by Beverly Peterson are currently being featured at the Yaquina Art Association Gallery in Newport. Also featured is the work of artist Graece Gabriel. (Courtesy photo)

First ‘Get Lit’ presented at Pacific Maritime Heritage Center

SUSAN ELIZABETH PAINTER
Guest Article

An appreciative audience gathered in the Doerfler Family Theatre on the Newport Bayfront on a stormy Saturday afternoon the weekend of March 9 to hear from a fascinating group of writers. This first “Get Lit at the Pacific Maritime Heritage Center” event was the result of a collaboration between Susan Tissot, director of the center, and Newport writer and publisher Carla Perry. The debut literary day featured eight writers, each with a unique style and focus.

Dr. Candice Goucher, professor Emerita of History at Washington State University, described how a photo of her grandmother’s 1911 picnic led to her research and writing her book, “Picnics and Porcupines,” to be published later this year. The family picture inspired her exploration of the history and culture of the picnic in America with a special focus on Michigan’s Upper Peninsula.

Dr. Brian Tissot, whose blog moniker is “Dr. Abalone,” told how his journey from surfing and marine biology (studying the endangered abalone) led to writing “Songs of Thalassa.” The volume is the first in a science fiction trilogy, Songs of the Universe and winds Hawaiian surfing, spirituality and science into a fantasy future world.

Erin Litteken, the keynote speaker, described her great grandmother’s ordeals in Ukraine during World War II. She spoke in detail about the 20th century history and desperate struggles of the Ukraine people. Her two award-winning novels of historical fiction — “The Memory Keeper of Kyiv” and “Lost Daughters of Ukraine” — are especially relevant in backdrop to the ongoing crisis in Ukraine today.

Leanne Grabel, nominated as the next Poet Laureate of Oregon, performed several of her interactive poems, including “Old With Jokes.” She shared experiences from her work as an illustrator, spoken-word performer and special education teacher in the Portland area.

Freelance writer Kerry Newberry explained the process by which she and coauthor Danielle Centoni created their beautifully illustrated volume, “Oregon Wine + Food: The Cookbook.” It offers 80 wine-paired recipes that celebrate Oregon’s wine country and profiles the stories of 40 selected Oregon winemakers.

A member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, OSU Professor David G. Lewis shared his experiences and research into the histories of native people of Oregon and California. His work, particularly “Tribal Histories of the Willamette Valley,” from which he read, exposes a history of conquest,

broken treaties and yet enduring resilience among the indigenous citizens of this land.

Amy Leona Havin, a poet, essayist and arts journalist describes herself as an avid Amtrak rider. The stories she read revealed some of her experiences growing up in California, her affinity for Joan Didion and her poetic observations of the world around her.

Finally, Newport poet and literary icon Carla Perry joined her coauthor, Jess Bondy, in reading excerpts from their stories, “The Jew Girls Adventure Series.” The book, they explained, was a group project with Sara Lou Heimlich during the days of COVID imposed isolation. The three, who affectionately referred to themselves as the “Jew Girls,” wanted a way to laugh together during the pandemic. Around a dinner table, they combined ideas, characters and story lines to develop what became a raucous tale of sleuthing, shenanigans and romance confronting livability challenges in a small town on the central Oregon coast.

Maritime Heritage director Tissot coordinated a literary series before her move to Newport. In a chance meeting with Carla Perry during the holiday season, the two decided to bring the idea to the Pacific Maritime Heritage Center. Judging from its enthusiastic reception this year, the event is sure to be repeated in the future.

Adult Financial Literacy class at library

Tips on how to plan, communicate, and execute the smooth transfer of values and assets will be discussed during the final program on Adult Financial Literacy, which will be held on Wednesday, March 27, from 5 to 6 p.m. in the McEntee Meeting Room of the Newport Public Library, 35 NW Nye St.

Lori Ellingson, from Agate Financial Advisors, will present all the basic information to get people started. This free workshop, Savvy Generational Planning, will cover issues such as:

- What good and bad generational planning look like;
- Why communication between generations can be so hard;
- What it means to define family culture;
- How values, traditions, and models of behavior can be passed on;
- What it looks like to set family goals;
- The importance of teaching financial concepts to the next generation;
- How to successfully prepare heirs and executors;
- A four-step process to planning and executing the transfer of your values and assets.

For more information, visit www.newportlibrary.org or call 541-265-2153.

Sue Lick signs new book in Nye Beach

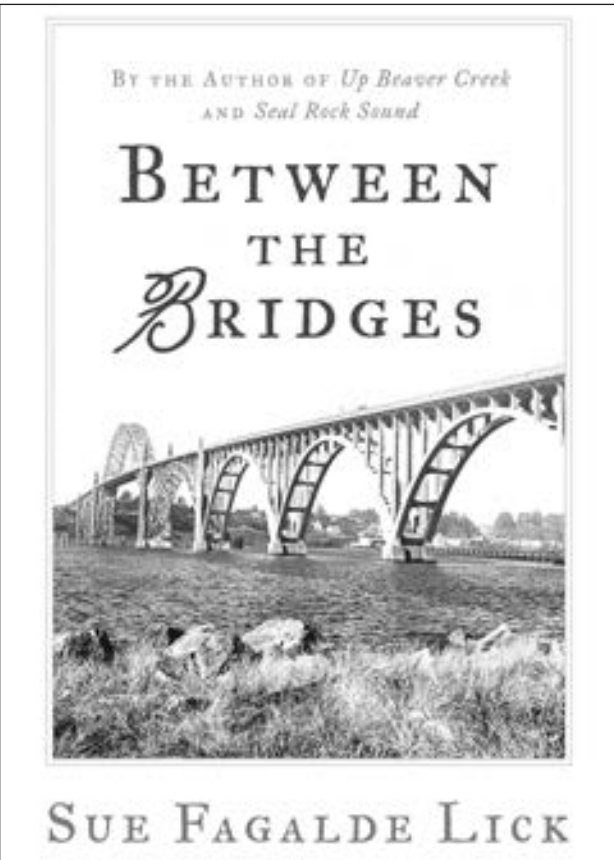


Sue Fagalde Lick

South Beach author Sue Fagalde Lick will sign copies of her new book, “Between the Bridges,” at the Nye Beach Book House on Saturday, March 23, from noon to 2 p.m. The Nye Beach Book House is located at 727 NW Third St. in Newport.

“Between the Bridges” is the third book in a series that also includes “Up Beaver Creek” and “Seal Rock Sound.”

“Between the Bridges” takes place in 2020. PD and her friends have already been through a lot, including a tsunami, but now they face COVID, wildfires, and other challenges that hit all too close to home. There’s a little romance, too. Local readers will recognize the settings where the action takes place, mostly in the area between the Yaquina Bay and Alsea Bay bridges, hence the title. People who live in South Beach, Beaver Creek and Seal Rock are all too aware that if the bridges



A new book, “Between the Bridges,” was recently released by South Beach author Sue Fagalde Lick. She will be signing copies of this book at the Nye Beach Book House this Saturday, March 23, from noon to 2 p.m. (Courtesy photo)

go down, they will be stranded and will need to depend on each other.

Lick will have copies of all three novels, along with her just-published poetry chapbook, “Blue Chip Stamp Guitar.” She has two more books coming out in 2024: another poetry book, “Dining Al Fresco with My Dog,” and a memoir, “No Way Out of This: Loving a Partner with Alzheimer’s.”

“This is an incredible year for me,” Lick said. “All of these books have been years in the making, but things all came together at once.”

She has previously published books on Portuguese Americans, childlessness, and life on the Oregon coast. For more information, visit www.suelick.com.

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On the roof, on the road, and on stage

About 25 years ago, Christina and I spent a marvelous two weeks in Tuscany, home of Italy’s great Chianti region; the Leaning Tower of Pisa and the birthplace of La Gioconda, better known to us as Mona Lisa. We flew into Florence’s modern international air terminal and immediately immersed ourselves in one of the world’s greatest centers of history, art and wine. Great memories of that trip flood back easily and frequently.

But I was taken aback by a recent article I read in a wine publication that I peruse regularly. The Florence Air Terminal is undergoing a dramatic remodel and expansion. Now, I’ve heard of ecologically friendly architecture, where green roofs have a layer of soil with plants growing on them, which is good insulation and releases good chemical emissions into the atmosphere. But I was both amused and amazed by the plans for a 16-acre vineyard starting from the connecting land and continuing up the slanted roof of the concourse and ending where the incoming planes unload their passengers under the eaves. A vineyard on the roof!

Christina and I have said often how we would love to return to Tuscany. Who knows, perhaps one day we can look forward to flying into Florence International with the stewardess serving us pretzels, peanuts and a glass of Fasten-Your-Seatbelts Sangiovese.

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Memories still linger of last month’s Newport Seafood and Wine Festival. I’m a great fan of road trips and visits to central and southern Oregon wineries that showed well in

our Commercial Wine Competition would make excellent destinations. Whether you are a tent-and-sleeping bag car camping road tripper or a devotee of B & Bs, I would like to suggest an itinerary that is heavy on visits to wineries that have won best of show at Newport in recent years.

Let us focus on Roseburg, home of Paul O’Brien Winery and its big, rich Malbec that took gold and was voted best of show this past month. As owner/winemaker Scott Kelly explained to me, their tasting room is in the historic old Hansen Chevrolet building just off the I-5 freeway in downtown Roseburg. From Newport, drive down the scenic coast past Florence (the Oregon city named after that Italian city that plans to put a vineyard on top of its airport) and then turn inland at Reedsport on Highway 38. This will take you along the Umpqua River and pastures where you will probably see herds of wild elk. About 40 miles later, you will arrive at the appropriately named town of Elkton.

Elkton is home of two wineries that won best of show for their excellent Pinot noirs: River’s Edge Winery in 2016 and Bradley Vineyards in 2018. I thought this was like lightning striking twice with these two Pinots coming from so close together in a region not normally known for this grape. See what you think, and be sure to tell the wineries that you are on a Newport best-of-show quest. They will appreciate it and may pour you a surprise. (Tell ‘em Joseph sent you).

From Elkton, take Highway 138 to I-5 and 36 miles later you will arrive at Roseburg and Paul



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O’Brien Winery. You might be able to follow up the O’Brien Malbec with a Rosé of Malbec from Season Cellars, also located in Roseburg, that was awarded gold at Newport this year. (You will need to call Season’s winemaker, Scott Henry, at 541-784-7832 for an appointment.)

Back on I-5 and a few miles south of Roseburg, you could next visit Spangler Vineyards on Highway 42 and add the 2020 best-of-show-winning Petite Verdot. Restaurant info and where to stay for the night is readily available at the tasting rooms on your road trip. Now that you have gotten this far south, I have one more winner to recommend, and then you should head for Ashland to see a production or two at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, whose season opened March 19 with Macbeth. (For that festival’s calendar and ticket info, go to osfashland.org/tickets). After Grants Pass, and before Medford, leave I-5 again at exit 43 and head for Jacksonville and its famous historical district, then on to Valley View Winery.

Although it was the 2000 Seafood and Wine Festival when Valley View Winery took best of show with their 1997 Anna Maria Syrah, we owe a lot to this winery for its loyalty and support of our festival over the years. Founded in 1972 by Frank and Ann Wisnovsky on the site of pioneer Peter Britt’s 1850s vineyard and now led by their sons, Mark and Michael, Valley View has attended all 47 festivals since Newport’s first in 1977. Go by and raise a glass in thanks.

Cheers!
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Learn to use a Cricut machine

Get ready to ignite your creativity and come home with a finished Mother’s Day project at a dynamic, hands-on Intro to Cricut class.

Join others at the Newport 60+ Activity Center at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, March 27, for this introductory, two-hour course designed for beginners who wish to discover the wonders of a Cricut cutting machine and learn to use it confidently.

With the guidance of experienced instructor Stacey Hall, participants will familiarize themselves with the setup, operation, and key features of the Cricut and gain valuable insights into using the Design Space software. They will learn to create simple designs, upload artwork, and witness the precision and versatility of the Cricut in action. From making custom greeting cards to personalized shirts, the possibilities are endless.

Those who have their own Cricut machine are asked bring it, and their laptop or tablet,

along. If not, people will use the Maker 3 at the 60+ Activity Center.

Classes are free for 60+ Activity Center members. A drop-in fee will be charged for non-members. Seating for each class is limited, so sign up now by going online to: www.newportoregon.gov/sc and click on the banner “Browse the catalog and register.” For additional information, call 541-265-9617, or stop by at 20 SE Second St., Newport.

Two ribbon-cutting ceremonies set for Saturday in Newport

The city of Newport invites people in the community to participate in ribbon-cutting ceremonies for two projects, the rehabilitation of the Ocean to Bay Trail and David’s Chair Program.

Both ribbon-cuttings will be held this Saturday, March 23.

The Ocean to Bay Trail Project ribbon-cutting will be at 1 p.m. at the Agate Beach State Recreation Site. To access the location, park in the Agate Beach State Recreation Site parking area (located off Northwest Oceanview Drive). The ceremony will be on the east side of the parking lot where the Ocean to Bay Trail kiosk is located.

The ribbon cutting for the David’s Chair Program will be held at 2 p.m. at Don and Ann Davis Park at 840 W Olive St.

For more information, contact Mike Cavanaugh at 541-574-5453 or m.cavanaugh@newportoregon.gov.



The Whale Watching Center in Depoe Bay will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. March 23-31. Visitors to the center can enjoy interactive whale exhibits and take in the panoramic ocean views. (Courtesy photos)



Trained volunteers will be stationed at 15 sites along the coast to help visitors spot whales and their calves and answer questions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. daily, March 23-31.

WHALE

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The spring event is three days longer than last year and might include better odds of seeing gray whales on their journey home from the calving lagoons in Mexico in light of a recent announcement from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

NOAA announced the end of an unusual mortality event, a significant die-off of the gray whale population that had affected the marine mammals since 2019.

“The latest counts indicate that the gray whale population has likely turned the corner and is beginning to recover. It’s a perfect time for people to see them as they swim north with new calves to feed,” said Michael Milstein, public affairs officer with NOAA Fisheries.

Researchers counted about 412 calves last year, which was almost double the number from the year before. That helped signal an end to the unusual mortality event and a likely turnaround in numbers as the species begins to rebound.

An estimated 14,500 gray whales are expected to swim past Oregon’s shores from late winter through June as part of their annual migration back to Alaska.

“Spring is a great time for whale watching because the gray whales are usually closer to shore on their return trip, typically around a mile or so out, and the weather can be better for viewing. But don’t forget your rain gear just in case,” said Park Ranger Peter McBride.

A map of volunteer-staffed sites is available online at <https://tinyurl.com/y4xsuvpx>

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All Whale Watch Week visitors are encouraged to dress for the weather, to bring binoculars and to follow beach safety guidelines such as remaining out of fenced areas, knowing the tide schedule and keeping an eye on the surf at all times. Go to <https://visittheoregoncoast.com/beach-safety/> for a list of safety tips.

For more information about coast parks and campgrounds, visit oregonstateparks.org.

Visitors are encouraged to share their photos and videos from Spring Whale Watch on social media using #OregonStateParks and #ORWhaleWatch24.

SYMPHONY

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Scott then performs her new work New Jazz Suite, an arrangement commissioned by the Newport Symphony. Scott is a classically trained crossover jazz flutist. Her albums consistently appear on Billboard’s Top Ten list of Smooth Jazz artists. The New Jazz Suite consists of three of her biggest hits arranged for flute solo, jazz combo and orchestra. Scott’s music captures the mellow vibe and refreshing groove of the Smooth Jazz genre that became mainstream in the 1970s and ’80s with Chuck Mangione, Al Jarreau, Spyro Gyro, and later Kenny G. The outer two movements of the suite, Shine! and Back Together Again, are filled with delightful and uplifting rhythms and improvisations that give a nice contrast to the expressive middle movement, a ballad, Right of Passage, which weaves the listener through relaxing, sultry lines that are supported by the orchestra’s rich harmonies and punctuation of its lilting rhythms.

The performance closes with the ever-popular piece, Boléro (1928), by Maurice Ravel. Ravel, a true master of orchestration, had such a keen knowledge of the capabilities of each instrument in the orchestra that he was able to take advantage of the colors and effects of various combinations of instruments, even adding the saxophone and celeste to use their specific timbres, in order to create a musical tour through the orchestra, as each instrument takes a turn at playing the melody. The work gradually and skillfully lays out a satisfying crescendo to an exciting, crowd-pleaser ending that assures that Boléro will continue to remain Ravel’s most beloved piece by audiences worldwide.

Tickets start at \$44.25 (\$15.50 for students) and are on sale at the Newport Performing Arts Center box office, by calling 541-265-2787 or online at NewportSymphony.org. The performance is in the Alice Silverman Theater at the PAC, 777 West Olive St.

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ARTVENTURE

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drivable and accessible surface etched with stanzas of poetry around the cultural center. Our hope is to add even more stops and continue expanding the arts so it can inspire and uplift our community.”

The Poetry Path is a result of the recent Lincoln City Cultural Plaza project activation and was written using input gathered at two public forums and funded by a grant from Oregon Humanities. The installation features the original community poem, “Why They Came,” written by Lincoln City poet John Fielder, etched into the sidewalk, alongside currents of colored aggregate rock. The 440-foot pathway is large enough to be driven on, handicapped accessible and was officially completed at the end of 2023.

Each work of public art in Lincoln City offers a story, which is shared with the digital passport year-round so participants can enjoy a choose-your-own-art adventure.

HERE’S HOW IT WORKS

- **Get the passport:** This mobile exclusive passport is a curated collection of local murals, mosaics, sculptures and more to explore during one’s Lincoln City visit. The passport link is here.
- **Receive the initial text message:**

The passport will be instantly delivered to one’s phone via text and email and is ready to use immediately. There is no app to download. The passport can be saved to the phone’s home screen for easy one-tap access.

- **Redeem:** When visiting an art location, participants simply check in using their phone’s built in GPS, which will record their visit to count towards earning prizes.

A FEW OF THE NEARLY 50 ART INSTALLATIONS INCLUDED IN THE LINCOLN CITY ART TRAIL INCLUDE:

- **Poppy** (large interactive sculpture you can put into motion) - Artist: Pete Beeman
- **Joe the Seal Lion** (sculpture painted by artists) – Artist: Justin Sparks
- **Ozzie, Louie & Finnigan** (sculpture mascots for the Community Center) Artist: Heidi Erickson
- **Lincoln on the Prairie** (namesake sculpture for Lincoln City) - Artist: Anne Hyatt Huntington
- **Octopus** (mural) - Artists: Goonie Wolfe and Anthony Ortega
- **Taft Arch** - Artist: Fire Mountain Forge
- **Vibrations** (installation and ground mural) - Artist: Crystal Meneses

For more information about Lincoln City’s Digital Art Trail Passport, go online at www.explorelincolncity.com/art-trail

PAC

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Donations of any size are accepted, and even small contributions are helpful and will be gratefully accepted. Those who would like an opportunity to add their name to the building have several options. For a donation of \$250, community members can “adopt” a chair in the David Ogden Stiers Studio Theatre. As a thank you, the donor’s name (or that of a loved one) will be displayed on that seat. Those who would prefer to sponsor a dressing station in one of the building’s six new dressing rooms can do so for a donation of \$500, with their name (or a name of their choosing) displayed.

Those wishing to make an even bigger impact are invited to name a space within the building, such as a dressing room or even the concessions booth. Those opportunities are limited, of course, and offered as a thank you for gifts ranging from \$7,500 to \$35,000. Several naming gifts are pending announcement, and others have already been announced, such as the aforementioned David Ogden Stiers Studio Theatre, the Ramona Martin Rehearsal Room, the Brookhyser Dressing Room, the Don & Ann Davis Scenic Workshop, and the Chris & Julia Carlson Box Office. However, many more naming opportunities remain.

Those interested in any of these opportunities, or who wish to make an unnamed donation, are encouraged to visit www.coastarts.org/capital-campaign

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LCL 46-10 CIVIL SUMMONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF AMERICA

Plaintiff, vs. NORA L. MAYLIN, Defendants. No. 23CV38806 CIVIL SUMMONS TO THE DEFENDANTS: Nora L. Maylin NOTICE TO DEFENDANT: READ THESE PAPERS CAREFULLY! A lawsuit has been started against you in the above-entitled Court by First National Bank of America, Plaintiff. Plaintiff's claim is stated in the written Complaint, a copy of which is on file at the Lincoln County Courthouse. You must "appear" in this case or the other side will win automatically. To "appear" you must file with the court a legal paper called a "motion" or "answer." The "motion"

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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. The object of the complaint is to foreclose a deed of trust dated October 19, 2016 and recorded as Document No. 2016-10139 given by Nora L. Maylin on property commonly known as 6750 NE Mason Avenue, Yachats, OR 97498 and legally described as: Beginning at a point on the North line of the Plat of SAN MARINE, said point being on the centerline of Third Street, now known as NE Mason Avenue; thence Northerly along the centerline of said Third Street, now known as NE Mason Avenue, if extended, 130 feet, more or less, to a point on the East-West quarter section line through Section 11, Township 14 South, Range 12 West of the Willamette Meridian, in Lincoln County, Oregon; thence Easterly along said quarter section line 120 feet, more or less, to a point on the Northerly prolongation of the East line of Lot 7, Block 12 of the Plat of SAN MARINE, if extended; thence Southerly along said line 135 feet, more or less, to the Northeast corner of said lot; thence Westerly along the North line of said Plat 120 feet to the Point of Beginning, in Lincoln County, Oregon. The complaint seeks to foreclose and terminate all interest of Nora L. Maylin and all other interests in the property. 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. The date of first publication of the sum-

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mons is March 20, 2024. If you are in the active military service of the United States, or believe that you may be entitled to protection of the SCRA, please contact our office. If you do not contact us, we will report to the court that we do not believe that you are protected under the SCRA. 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. Attorneys for Plaintiff, LOGS LEGAL GROUP LLP By: /s/ James A. Craft, James A. Craft #090146 [jcraft@logs.com] 1499 SE Tech Center Place, Suite 255, Vancouver, WA 98683 (360) 260-2253; Fax (360) 260-2285

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23-2131**REDUCED** - Yachats ..C1(R1)/.33ac \$495,000
23-262Newport.....R1, C1/.33ac \$209,000
23-2221Newport.....R1/.85ac..... \$199,500
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LCL 47-20 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN PROBATE DEPARTMENT ESTATE OF JACOB JOSOPH ROBERTS, DECEASED, CASE NO. 20PB09112 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS Notice is given pursuant to ORS 113.155 that XUIMEI (MARIE) ROBERTS has been appointed personal representative of the above estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them within four (4) months after the date of the first publication of this Notice, or their claims may be barred. Claims are to be presented at the address of the attorney for the personal representative, set forth below. All persons whose rights may be affected by this estate proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the Circuit Court, the personal representative or J.F. Ouder Kirk, attorney for the personal representative. Date of publication: March 20, 2024. J.F. Ouder Kirk, OSB #752903, Attorney for Personal Representative, Ouder Kirk & Hollen, PO Box 1167, 615 SW Hubert Street, Suite A, Newport, OR 97365, 541-574-1630/541-574-1638 fax. M20

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LCL 54-27 FORECLOSURE SALE at South Beach Mini Storage, 4822 S Coast Hwy, South Beach, OR 97366. Starting at 10:30am on 4/5/2024 for unit #D01 rented by Richard Moore.

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LOUIS NEUSCHAFER, DECEASED CASE NO. 24PB01232 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SHEILA M. SHERRETT HAS BEEN APPOINTED PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE. ALL PERSONS HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST THE ESTATE ARE REQUIRED TO PRESENT THEM, WITH VOUCHERS ATTACHED, TO PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, SHEILA M. SHERRETT, AT THE ADDRESS BELOW, WITHIN FOUR MONTHS AFTER THE DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE, OR THE CLAIMS MAY BE BARRED. ALL PERSONS WHOSE RIGHTS MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE PROCEEDINGS MAY OBTAIN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM THE RECORDS OF THE COURT, THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE, OR THE ATTORNEYS FOR THE PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE. ADDRESS FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE: C/- O ATTORNEY JOSHUA D. ZANTELLO, OSB #121562, ZANTELLO LAW GROUP, 2941 NW HIGHWAY 101, LINCOLN CITY OR 97367. DATED AND FIRST PUBLISHED: MARCH 20, 2024 /S/ JOSHUA D. ZANTELLO JOSHUA D. ZANTELLO, ATTORNEY FOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE. M20, M27, A3

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LCL 50-27 PURSUANT TO ORS CHAPTER 98B Notice is hereby given that the following vehicle will be sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 4/2/2024. The sale will be held at 10:00am by COAST TOWING INC, 110 NW 55TH ST, NEWPORT, OR 2013 ISU RE VIN-JALE5W165D 7900126, Amount due on lien \$350.00, reputed owner(s) > VICENTE Q VALDEZ GENERAL BUSINESS CRDT. M20 M27

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LCL 51-20 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING DEPOE BAY PLANNING COMMISSION Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 6:00 p.m. APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE COASTAL SHORELANDS OVERLAY ZONE CASE FILE #1-CS-PC- 24 APPLICANT: Owner - James G. Caldwell & JoLynn Campbell Agent - Mary Valeant/Valeant Architecture REQUEST: The applicant requests Coastal Shorelands Overlay Zone approval to construct an addition to an existing, single- family residence on SW Spindrift in the Little Whale Cove community APPLICABLE

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CRITERIA: Depoe Bay Zoning Ordinance a) Section 152.028: Residential Zone R-4 b) Section 152.039: Coastal Shorelands Overlay Zone C-S c) Section 152.042: Planned Development Zone P-D c) Section 152.058: Off-Street Parking and Off-Street Loading Requirements d) Section 152.074: Protection of Coastal Headlands, Areas of Exceptional Aesthetic Resources e) Sections 152.225 - 152.235: Development Guidelines LOCATION: The subject property is located at 515 SW Spindrift, and is further identified on Lincoln County Assessor's Map 09-11-18AA as Tax Lot 00500. APPLICATION MATERIALS: Application materials, documents and evidence submitted by or on behalf of the applicant are available for inspection at City Hall and can be obtained at cost. Documents or evidence submitted by the applicant after 20 days prior to the hearing constitutes grounds for a continuance of the hearing if any party requests such a continuance. Copies of the staff report for this case are also available for review and may be purchased at Depoe Bay City Hall, 570 SE Shell Avenue, seven days prior to the hearing. TESTIMONY: Testimony may be submitted in written or oral form. Oral testimony will be taken during the course of the public hearing. Failure to raise an issue in a hearing, either in person or in writing, or failure to provide statements/evidence sufficient to afford the Planning Commission an opportunity to respond to the issues precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals on that issue. The comment period for written testimony expires on Wednesday, April 17, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. Send letters to Depoe Bay

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City Hall or email planner@cityofdepobay.org. CONTACT: Kit Fox, AICP, City Planner (541) 765-2361 x15, planner@cityofdepobay.org TIME/ PLACE: Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 6:00 P.M., Depoe Bay City Hall, 570 SE Shell Avenue, Depoe Bay, OR 97341. Mail comments to P.O. Box 8, Depoe Bay, OR 97341. Depoe Bay City Hall is accessible to the disabled. If special accommodations are needed, please contact the City Recorder at (541) 765-2361 forty- eight hours in advance of the meeting so that appropriate assistance can be provided. APPS C-S/#1-CS-PC-24 CALDWELL/ NOTICE

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LCL 52-20 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING DEPOE BAY PLANNING COMMISSION Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 6:00 p.m. APPLICATION FOR MISCELLANEOUS REVIEW CASE FILE #1-MSC-PC-24 APPLICANT: Owners - Chad L. & Sandra J. Moeser Agent - Charissa Thornley/Adair Homes REQUEST: The applicant requests Miscellaneous Review of a wetland delineation for a new, single-family dwelling on SW Midden Reach in the Little Whale Cove community. APPLICABLE Depoe Bay Zoning Ordinance CRITERIA: a) Section 152.028: Residential Zone R-4 b) Section 152.042: Planned Development Zone P-D c) Section 152.058: Off-Street Parking and Off-Street Loading d) Section 152.072: Protection of Streams, Ponds, Wetlands, and Riparian Areas LOCATION: The subject property is located at 260 SW Midden Reach, and is further identified on Lincoln County Assessor's Map 09-11- 17BC as Tax Lot 05000. APPLICATION MATERIALS: Application

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Super Crossword

PHONY-BALONEY

ACROSS

1 Wearing nightclothes, for short

6 Meanie's look

11 In addition

15 Eyelid hair

19 Steel, e.g.

20 Ancient Greek region

21 Empty spaces

22 World's fair

23 Illegal detention

25 Columbus is its capital

26 British actor Guinness

27 "Mind your — business!"

28 High, round collar not folding over on itself

31 Without any variety

35 Ingest

36 Boston NBAer, for short

37 Paint job made to look like marble, wood, etc.

41 New Nintendo console of 2012

43 Big antlered beast

47 Opposite of dep., in an airport

48 Thin porridge

50 Saw against the main grain, as wood

52 Bit of money seized by a Secret Service agent

58 Ecol. monitor

59 Middays

60 Tiny arachnid

61 J. — Hoover

64 Like over-due birthday wishes

67 Bill & Ted went on one in a 1991 film

70 Wombs

71 Bible book after Prov.

74 Q-V linkup

75 "Spider-Man" director Sam

76 Wedlock not based on love

79 Cheer up

81 Burros, e.g.

82 — occasion (never)

83 Paris' river

84 Toronto-to-Montreal dir.

85 Prada or Fendi replica, maybe

91 "Beloved" novelist Toni

94 Buc, Bronco or Niner

95 Beatty of film

97 Cindy Brady player Susan

98 Former jets to the U.K.

101 Bit of non-needed body art

105 Sour plum

107 Stage star Hagen

109 Title for Kate Middleton

110 Component of a coated glass-bead bracelet, perhaps

117 Even score

118 Forum attire

119 In the past

120 Apt cry of disbelief for this puzzle

125 Coagulate

126 Rebuke from Caesar

127 Like a dweeb

128 About, before a date

129 At this place

130 Lather (up)

131 Gather up

132 Hoodwinked

DOWN

1 Global finance org.

2 Teacher's union, in brief

3 Old TV ministry inits.

4 2002 "Friday the 13th" sequel

5 Whole lotta

6 Knightly title

7 Bulblike base of a stem

8 — cat (two-base game)

9 Neighbor of Minn. and Ill.

10 Jewish potato pancake

11 Relative of a guinea pig

12 Lion portrayer Bert

13 Feature of Betty Boop's hair

14 "— Mic"

15 Crude sheds

16 Car shaft

17 Project detail, for short

18 Sell at a pawnshop

24 Opponent

29 "I taut I — a puddytat!"

30 Shade trees

31 Flip — coin

32 DEA worker

33 Irish money

34 Bring about

38 Some flawed garments: Abbr.

39 Add-on to the end of a wd.

40 Bit of a bray

42 Most polar

44 Sea nymph

45 Sovereign

46 Letter two before iota

49 VIP vehicle

51 Margarine

53 Deprives of weapons

54 "Sorry, too busy"

55 Bodily digit

56 Big striped cat, in French

57 A/C output qtys.

62 Landscape painter Asher Brown —

63 Like low-quality eggs

64 City transport

65 Alcohol in liquor

66 Landlords or landladies

67 Empty

68 Having protruding hearing organs

69 Yang go-with

72 Sings gently

73 U.S. pres., militarily

77 Inquires

78 "Continue" Architect Maya

83 Chiang Kai—

84 Broody rock genre

86 Investigate pryingly

87 Very loudly, in music

88 Miami loc.

89 Stud money

90 Old Storms and Trackers

92 Paraphrase

93 On Sunset Blvd., e.g.

96 Two, in Chile

99 Maintenance job on a car

100 Indy sponsor

102 Ballet outfit

103 Something very easy

104 Vegas casino

106 Some Siouan speakers

108 MetLife rival

110 Concern for a dermatologist

111 Concern for a dermatologist

112 Horror film lab assistant

113 Twice tetra-

114 "Psst" cousin

115 — avis

116 Some old Fords

121 The "S" of GPS: Abbr.

122 Hosp. zones

123 Ideal serve

124 Young fella

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Moments in time

- On April 1, 1988, a federal judge in Little Rock, Arkansas, dismissed a sexual harassment case against President Bill Clinton, stating it had no "genuine issues" worthy of a trial. Although Clinton had denied any wrongdoing, a unanimous ruling by the U.S. Supreme Court in May 1997 allowed the case to proceed, establishing a precedent permitting sitting presidents to be sued for personal conduct that allegedly occurred before they took office.
- On April 2, 1863, a bread riot occurred in the Confederate capital of Richmond, Virginia, when angry people demanded bread from a bakery wagon before wrecking nearby shops. The mob only dispersed after Confederate President Jefferson Davis made a personal plea and threatened to use force to break it up.
- On April 3, 1944, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled 8 to 1 that African Americans could not be barred from voting in the Texas Democratic primaries. The court stated that discrimination against Blacks violated the 15th Amendment and that political parties were not private associations.
- On April 4, 1802, American social reformer Dorothea Dix was born in Hampden, Maine. Dix founded a home for girls in Boston while she was still just a teenager and later passionately campaigned for humane conditions in jails and insane asylums.
- On April 5, 2008, actor Charlton Heston, who won an Oscar for his starring role in "Ben-Hur," died of Alzheimer's disease at his home in Beverly Hills. Heston notably played Michelangelo, El Cid, and other heroic figures in Hollywood movies of the 1950s and 1960s.
- On April 6, 1917, following a vote by Congress approving a declaration of war, the U.S. entered World War I in Europe. Four days earlier, President Woodrow Wilson cited Germany's violation of its pledge to suspend unrestricted submarine warfare in the North Atlantic and the Mediterranean, as well as its attempts to entice Mexico into an alliance against America, as his reasons for requesting the declaration.
- On April 7, 1712, a rebellion of 27 Black slaves took place in New York City, with nine whites shot as they attempted to put out a fire started by the slaves. The state militia was called out to capture the rebels, and 21 were

Amber Waves



Out on a Limb by Gary Kopervas



The Spats by Jeff Pickering



TIGER by BUD BLAKE



OLIVE



Just Like Cats & Dogs by Dave T. Phipps



CryptoQuip

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

Clue: F equals H

CFRM AEO VNLB SEMH EK

KJOKKA ZOLB KRNSFRXH EMSE

N SXNMHVEXS HFQV, Q IORHH

SFNS'H ZECM-JENZQMI.

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WORD LADDERS

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

CROWD

PROPS

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. LITERATURE: What is the name of the kingdom in "The Princess Bride"?

2. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: In British royalty, what is King Charles' family name?

3. TELEVISION: Which TV sitcom features Sheldon's catchphrase "Bazinga!"?

4. U.S. STATES: Which U.S. state is home to the Awatovi Ruins, a national historic landmark?

5. HISTORY: According to a WWII government slogan, what sinks ships?

6. GEOGRAPHY: What is the name of the small principality that lies between Spain and France?

7. ANATOMY: Which part of the brain controls hunger?

8. LANGUAGE: The Latin word "caput" refers to what part of the human anatomy?

9. SCIENCE: Which color has the longest wavelength in the visible spectrum?

10. FOOD & DRINK: What is the primary alcohol used in margaritas?

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- Answers
1. Florin.

2. Mountbatten-Windsor.

3. "The Big Bang Theory."

4. Arizona.

5. Loose lips.

6. Andorra.

7. Hypothalamus.

8. The head.

9. Red.

10. Tequila.

SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word

1. Crease 2. Debate; 3. Denial; 4. Cheat

ATHLETIC

WORD LADDER

Answer

CROWD, CROWN, CROWS, CROPS, DROPS, PROPS

CryptoQuip

answer

When you pack tons of fluffy duck feathers onto a transport ship, I guess that's down-loading.

SCRAMBLERS

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

Pleat

ERACES

Contest

BEATED

Rebuff

NAILED

Deceive

TEACH

TODAY'S WORD

"That's funny. Nobody else ever thought I was the _____ type."

The Kitchen Wild

Cockle Clam Bucatini with Rogue Newport Daze Ale Cream Sauce & Pea Tendrils

By KATIE WILEY

I recently saw on Facebook a post that said, “Not to be dramatic, but the sun coming out changed my life.” And although it was meant to be somewhat satirical, it was an exact description of how I felt about last week’s sunshine.

I may have even accomplished more in those few days than perhaps all of winter combined. OK, that might be a bit of a stretch, but you get my point — I was wildly productive. Which led me to wonder why? Why are we so much more productive and perhaps even more efficient with our time on warm and sunny days than we are during those dark and rainy ones? So I did a little digging to see if I could make sense of this, and the hormones melatonin and serotonin appear to be the answer.

Melatonin is a natural hormone that’s mainly produced by the pineal gland in our brain. It plays a role in managing our sleep-wake cycle and circadian rhythm, with the production and release of melatonin being stimulated by darkness. So there we have it, the lack of sunshine and dark, gray skies signal to the brain that it’s time to relax and wind down, resulting in fatigue and diminished motivation.

Whereas the presence of sunlight does the exact opposite. Exposure to sunlight releases the hormone serotonin, otherwise known as the happiness hormone or the feel-good hormone, and it can cause a person to feel more focused, emotionally stable, happier and calmer. Which is incredible on days like we’ve had recently, but what can we do to naturally boost that feel-good hormone on those gray Oregon coast days?

WAYS TO NATURALLY INCREASE SEROTONIN LEVELS INCLUDE:

1) Getting more sunlight — even if it’s cold, sitting in a sunny window for



10-30 minutes can be enough to stimulate the production of serotonin.

2) Eating more tryptophan-containing foods — Tryptophan is an essential amino acid found in high-protein foods such as poultry, beef, fish, shellfish, pumpkin seeds, nuts, and eggs.

3) Getting more exercise — only about 30 minutes of aerobic exercise such as walking, running, biking and swimming can significantly increase serotonin production in the body.

Last week’s stretch of feel-good weather also happened to coincide with

minus tides, resulting in the trifecta of serotonin boosting activities — exposure to sunshine, harvesting tryptophan-containing clams, and moving my body harvesting them. It’s no wonder I truly felt like the sun coming out changed my life because hormonally, it did!

Cockle Clam Bucatini with Rogue Newport Daze Ale Cream Sauce & Pea Tendrils

- Ingredients:**
- 1 limit cockle clams (20 clams), chopped
 - 3 garlic cloves, minced
 - 1/4 cup butter
 - 1 cup Rogue Newport Daze or your favorite ale
 - 1 cup chicken stock
 - 1 cup heavy cream
 - 2 Tbs flour
 - 1/4 cup reserved clam juice
 - 1 cup Parmesan cheese
 - Large handful of pea tendrils from Lil Swiss Farms
 - 1 box of bucatini pasta

- Directions:**
1. Cook bucatini pasta per package directions, drain and set aside.
 2. In a saucepan over medium heat, add butter and let it melt. Add minced garlic and whisk together to combine.
 3. Sprinkle the flour over the butter and garlic mixture. Whisk together and then slowly add the beer and heavy cream while whisking. Let sauce begin to boil, add chopped clams then reduce heat to low and allow it to simmer for 2-3 minutes.
 4. Add Parmesan cheese, salt and pepper and whisk together.
 5. Remove from heat then fold in pea tendrils and serve over bucatini pasta and enjoy!



Calendar of EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

BROOKLYN EXPERIMENT PERFORMS
The Tex Brooklyn Experiment, featuring Robert Rubin, Bill Stiffler and Morgen Silverhorn, performs at The Drift Inn, 124 Highway 101, Yachats. 6 p.m. No cover charge. Info: 541-547-4477.

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

TEA AND TALK AT VAC
Join the Coastal Arts Guild for Tea & Talk at 2 p.m. at the Newport Visual Arts Center, 777 NW Beach Drive. This month's event features artist Rose James, Pushpin People's Choice award winner and Paper Arts Festival teacher. She will talk about her artwork and upcoming "Easy-Breezy Junk Journal" class. For more information, call 541-574-3364.

ARGENTINE TANGO PRACTICE
Learn Argentine tango at Newport Tango's weekly Thursday practice. 6 to 8 p.m., South Beach Community Center, 3024 SE Ferry Slip Road, South Beach. Info: newportdancetango@gmail.com or www.newportdancetango.com

BIG BAND DANCE
Enjoy the sounds of the Big Band era with the Lincoln Pops from 7 to 9:30 p.m. at the Gleneden Beach Community Club, 110 Azalea St., Gleneden Beach. Admission: \$10 at the door. Refreshments available. Info: 503-949-8222 or on Facebook.

'A NIGHT IN THE THEATRE'
Theatre West, 3536 SE Highway 101, Lincoln City, presents "A Night in the Theatre." 7:30 p.m. Tickets: \$20 (adults), \$18 seniors (60 and over), and \$12 (under 12). For reservations, call 541-994-5663. Info: theatrewest.com

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

CAREER TECH EXPO
Oregon Coast Community College and the Lincoln County School District are partnering to showcase Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs in Lincoln County. Free. 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the OCCC Central County Campus, 400 SE College Way, Newport.

TEEN NIGHT IN LINCOLN CITY
Teen night at the Lincoln City Community Center, 540 NE Highway 101. 4 to 6:30 p.m. Take part in games, activities, socializing, snacks, arts and crafts and homework help. To learn more, call 541-994-9994.

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SATURDAY, MARCH 23

A MUSICAL JOURNEY
The Newport Symphony Orchestra performs Boléro and Symphonic Jazz, a musical journey through time. 7:30 p.m. with a 6:45 p.m. pre-concert talk. Newport Performing Arts Center, 777 Olive St. Tickets: www.coastarts.org, in person at the PAC box office, or call 541-265-2787.

FESTIVAL OF ILLUSIONS
Annual Festival of Illusions at the Lincoln City Cultural Center, 540 NE Highway 101, featuring magicians, concerts, workshops, photo opportunities and a mobile escape room. Full details at lincolncity-culturalcenter.org, or call 541-994-9994.

YACHATS ARTS AND CRAFTS FAIR
Multiple artists featured at the 52nd annual Yachats Arts and Crafts Fair, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Yachats Commons, 441 Highway 101 N. Paintings, sculptures, ceramics, jewelry, and more. Admission is free. Info: www.Yachats.org/events

SPRING WHALE WATCH
Oregon State Parks hosts Winter Whale Watch Week with trained volunteers available to help people spot whales at 15 sites along the Oregon coast. 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Learn more at orwhalewatch.org

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Newport Coach Taylor Plesha talks to his team during a timeout.



Newport junior Quinten Layton (#7) runs to third base during March 18 game in The Dalles.

Cubs travel to The Dalles, just fall short

By MIKE WEBER
For The Lincoln County Leader

The No. 11-ranked Newport High Cubs (2-1) had a great start to their OSAA Class 4A baseball schedule in winning their first two nonleague road games. The Cubs won 6-1 over the Seaside High Seagulls (2-1) in their March 13 season opener, followed by an 8-4 win over the Astoria High Fishermen (1-3) March 15. The Cubs then traveled on a long road trip to the Columbia Gorge to face The Dalles High Riverhawks (2-1) March 18 and they were seeking to get a third consecutive victory. The matchup consisted of two teams that were in the 2023 OSAA Class 4A state playoffs. The Cubs, guided by seventh-year Coach Taylor Plesha, had a good start with a 1-0 third inning lead. The Dalles responded by scoring nine runs over the next three innings to build a 9-1 fifth inning advantage. The Cubs fought back in the top of the seventh and scored three runs, but the rally fell a little short in a 9-4 loss to the Riverhawks at Quinton Street Ballpark in The Dalles. “It was a little too late, but I’m proud

of our guys because they always compete really hard,” said Plesha, who has guided Newport to the state playoffs seven straight years. “That’s just part of the process that helps us to improve by playing tough opponents on the road. They (Riverhawks) are a really good team and The Dalles Coach Pat Clark does a really good job and I have a lot of respect for their program.” Newport junior starting pitcher Ethan Bruns (three strikeouts, walk, four hits allowed) helped provide the Cubs with the early momentum after he pitched two scoreless innings. Bruns was tough as nails at the plate too with a solid hitting performance as he batted 3-for-4 with three singles. “I felt pretty happy about how well I was hitting,” said Bruns. “At the beginning of the game, I felt like we had a good chance to win. We ended up not winning, but that’s okay. I feel like we’re capable of winning the league title and then go to the state playoffs.” Newport took third place in the Oregon West Conference last year with a 9-6 mark and 17-9 overall. In a scoreless tie in the top of the third

inning, junior Quinten Layton drew a walk and then Bruns followed with a single. The duo then did some nifty baserunning on a double steal and Layton sprinted home on the play, putting the Cubs up 1-0. “We had a nice steal that helped us get the lead early in the game,” said Layton. “I feel like we’re going to go to the state playoffs again this year and I think we’ll win the league title too.” The No. 6-ranked Riverhawks responded by scoring three runs to take a 3-1 lead. The Riverhawks continued to display a solid offensive attack as they scored four runs in the fourth and two in the fifth, extending their lead to 9-1. Following a scoreless sixth inning, the Cubs came back in the seventh and they scored three runs, while loading the bases and having a chance to maybe even score again. The Riverhawks responded to the challenge as they stepped up their defense to slow the Cubs offense down and hang on for the win. “They (Riverhawks) are a team that we could very likely see again in the playoffs, so we’re really excited that we had the opportunity to play them,”

said Plesha. “We’ll build off of this and we’ll learn from our mistakes. Our guys competed on every single pitch and I was so proud that they did that all the way through the entire game.” The quartet of Cubs pitchers Bruns, Ryder Hockema, Rory Barber and Connor Mason combined for nine strikeouts, nine walks and seven hits allowed. The Cubs had a total of six hits and they were led offensively by Barber (1-for-3, RBI), Collin Fierro (1-for-3) and Tyler Mattson (1-for-3). “We were very excited to win our first two games and we had lots of young guys getting some good experience by playing some playoff teams from last season and we’re thankful that we won two out of three games,” said Plesha. The Cubs played their opening home game Wednesday against the defending state champion and No. 12-ranked Scappoose High Indians (2-1). They play their next contest Thursday at 4 p.m. on the road versus the No. 15-ranked Tillamook High Cheesemakers (1-1), followed by a March 25 4:30 p.m. home game against the No. 3-ranked Henley High Hornets (1-0).

Dive into SCUBA, mussel harvesting and more

The Oregon Coast Community College Community Education lineup has been released for the Spring 2024 term. The schedule features more than 50 classes and workshops, including a first-time workshop series from Yakona Nature Preserve and Lincoln Soil & Water Conservation District. Also on the schedule — for only the second time in 10 years — is SCUBA certification. The lineup features a choice of creative writing courses, a variety of hands-on art and music courses, as well as

returning favorites, like mussel harvesting — a class held on the beach that features not only instruction on how and where to harvest fresh mussels, but also one suggestion as to how to prepare them. Irish music enthusiasts can learn to play the pennywhistle, experience traditional Irish music, or enroll in Irish Dancing for Adults. Spring fitness classes are provided through Lincoln City Parks & Recreation, including Water Fitness, Gentle Yoga, and Strength and Balance. Newport Florist returns with

courses including Spring Wreath for Your Front Door, Basket of Living Bulbs, Succulent Garden Terrarium, and more. View the full schedule with dates and prices at oregoncoast.edu/community. Learn more and discover the full range of degree and certificate programs available at Oregon Coast Community College at oregoncoast.edu. Follow OCCC on TikTok, Instagram, and Facebook, @occcsharks. You can also join the OCCC Community on LinkedIn. Or, call the College at 541-867-8501.

Lincoln County Special Olympics Basketball Teams Bring Back Medals

Dozens of teams from Benton, Linn, Marion, Lincoln Counties competed Saturday in Turner, Oregon, for the five-on-five full-court, three-on-three half court and skills competition. For Lincoln county, Paul Haeder coached the 5x5 full court Hammerheads. Silver medals were gained for the competitors, with a

not-so-deep bench (two, but they were injured) against the deep Marion Wolverines. Also, the 3x3 Chasers coached by Eric and Donna Thorpe, landed the bronze for the half-court competition. Sills competitors coached by Jaime Wilanson hammered a gold (Michael Hourston), bronze (Michael Jeffocat), and fourth place (Elijah Mullen). On Sunday, in Beaverton, the Unified LC Orcas competed and were awarded a gold and best sportsmanship award. Go Lincoln County. The basketball celebration will continue in Depoe Bay, March 23. 11 am at the Polar Plunge! Contact Donna, 541-690-9176.

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Week of 3/18/2024 – 3/23/2024

Monday: 3/18/2024

Boys Golf @ Salishan 10:30 am

Girls Golf @ Langdon Farms GC 11:00 am

Tuesday: 3/19/2024

Varsity Baseball @ North Bend 4:00 pm

JV Baseball vs North Bend 4:00 pm

Varsity Softball vs North Bend 4:00 pm

JV Softball @ North Bend 4:00 pm

Wednesday: 3/20/2024

No Athletic Events Scheduled

Thursday: 3/21/2024

Varsity Baseball @ Boise 1:00 pm & 3:00 pm

HS Track & Field @ McMinnville HS 2:00 pm

Friday: 3/22/2024

Varsity Baseball @ Boise 1:00 pm

Varsity Softball vs Toledo 4:00 pm

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