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Remember: Election Day with important local measures is November 2. Register to vote by October 12 and ballots will be mailed out on October 13.

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Devils Lake was quiet on Thursday evening. The National Weather Service forecasted two to three inches of rainfall on Friday through the weekend, including thunderstorms. As a result there was a partial lifting of the fire ban for recreational fires.

Council hears proposal for dog park location

By Amber Deyo

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The Lincoln City Parks and Recreation Department **Director Jeanne Sprague** gave an update to the city council about their collaborative efforts with other city departments including public works, planning and the ADA office to finally have a dog park in the city. At this point, they have selected a potential site and received a bid on the fence. Sprague reminded the

council that they did not See **DOG PARK**, Page 2



A map provided to the council indicated this area by the Community Center was the proposed location for a dog park, citing amenities like parking and water already existing.

COVID-19: County sees decrease in positivity rate

According to the Lincoln County Public Health Department, as of 10 a.m. on Friday, September 17, there were 25 new COVID-19 cases reported Thursday for a total of 380 cases so far in September. There were no new hospitalizations and 16 people have been admitted to hospitals during September. There was only one COVID-19 patient in a local hospital and none in the intensive care unit.

Florence Pourtal, Deputy Director of Public Health updated the Lincoln County Commissioners on Wednesday and said she was "cautiously optimistic" in reference to seeing a decrease in the positivity rate in the week prior, although school has just started.

"Unvaccinated individuals are driving the epidemic," she said. "When you look at the breakthrough cases since January, only 12 percent of all of the cases in Lincoln County that have been reported since then, have been amongst the vaccinated. So really, really getting vaccinated, is the best action."

Pourtal said that at 78.8 percent, Lincoln County was fourth in the state as far as the percentage of the population who is vaccinated.

She said that still, the best way to prevent transmission of this virus is wearing a mask in public settings, limiting social gatherings and maintaining physical distance, and if you're sick, stay home as much as possible.

Scientists looking for answers to climate impact along coast

By DAVID RUPKALVIS Country Media

As the ocean changes due to climate change, the pressure is on scientists and others to find a way to determine how the ocean will adapt and if people can help protect it.

During a discussion with the Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition last week, Mark Carr, a professor of marine ecology in the Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology at the University of California Santa Cruz, said the challenge is immense.

"In my humble opinion, climate change is the greatest challenge in our current time," Carr said. "It manifests itself in many ways."

Carr said as the ocean

warms up, especially near the coast, there are clear changes in currents, sea levels, acidity as well as temperature and precipitation.

To prepare for a changing coastal ocean, scientists like Carr must be prepared.

"How can we best prepare coastal marine life and human communities for the impact," he said.

When looking at a species in the coastal ocean, Carr said there are three questions that must be answered. First, the likelihood of exposure. Second, sensitivity to change and finally, adaptive capacity.

"Those three factors ultimately determine the vulnerability of a particular species," Carr said.

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FILE PHOTO

As climate change impacts the environment, the coastal region of Oregon and California is likely to see more change.



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What's Going Down in Tiger Town?

By Kyle Rebic

As the sun came up on their last year at Taft High, Class of 2022 students were both sad for the end of their high school years and ecstatic about what their future may hold. This annual tradition had our Seniors gathered on the football field at 6:45 a.m. with donated Dutch Bros hot chocolate in hand as they watched the sunrise on their last year at Taft High.

Once in class, Taft students watched the long-awaited Welcome Back assembly which included the introduction of Student Council members, Administration, and some pep form the cheer team.

ASB rolled out the reintroduction of Spirit Points which students can earn by participating in various school activities and practicing positive behaviors. The rewards for the most spirited class include things like extended lunches and prize raffles.

Finally, Students joyfully lined up to get their pictures taken, ready to show off their best smiles and favorite outfits. Students and staff alike are rejoicing in our first full week together, and we can't wait for what the year has in store for us.



This week Class of 2022 Seniors had their first-class event together in the form of a Senior Sunrise.

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Clean-up project invites all to volunteer

Join the Roads End Improvement Association (REIA) for the Roads End Fall SOLVE Beach and Neighborhood Cleanup from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Help protect what brought you to Lincoln City and enjoy a morning walk at the same time.

You can sign up in advance through SOLVE at https://www.solveoregon. org/opportunity/a0C1I-00000QFmTHUA1 or sign up the day of the event at NW 50th and Jetty; Roads End State Park; or 73rd and Logan Road. Bring your own bucket, bags, and gloves or pick-up supplies when you check in. Help keep our ocean, beach, and neighborhood clean.

SOLVE's annual Beach & Riverside Cleanup is in partnership with the Oregon Lottery, where community members across the state will be hosting nearly 100 volunteer projects along Oregon's beaches, parks, and neighborhoods SOLVE encourages any Oregonian who wants to join the collective cleanup and restoration effort to sign up. SOLVE's Beach & Riverside Cleanup began in 1984 as a coastwide beach cleanup event. In 2010, SOLVE expanded the event to become statewide.



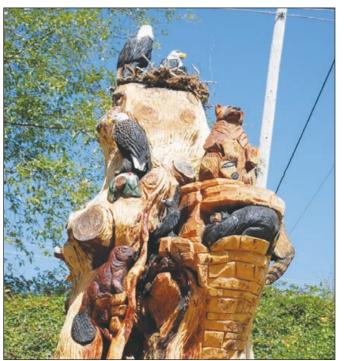
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The Roads End Improvement Association hosts three beach and neighborhood clean-ups a year. The Conservancy's International Coastal Cleanup Day, on September 18, National Public Lands Day, on September 25, and World Rivers Day, on September 26. In the 2012 report

Stemming the Tide, the Ocean Conservancy estimated that 80 percent of the world's marine plastic originates from inland sources. No matter which Beach & Riverside Cleanup project a volunteer chooses to participate in, they will be helping keep Oregon's waterways clean, from source to sea.

Families, friends, neighbors, and businesses are all welcome to attend the Beach & Riverside Cleanup. Projects are occurring along the coast from Astoria to Brookings, and inland from Portland to Ashland, with many places in between. Each volunteer project will provide the necessary tools and instruction

to get the job done. /olunteers are encour



LC Parks and Rec kicks off 'Name the **Chainsaw Art' contest**

If you haven't taken a look at the new Chainsaw Wildlife Art Sculpture at the corner of NE West Devils Lake Rd and Hwy 101, you

have to check it out.

contest.

sion from City Council.

The winner of this contest will receive one free annual membership to the Lincoln City Community Center. If you have a name idea, Lincoln City Parks and please contact LoRee LaFon, Recreation is asking for your LC Parks & Recreation Amhelp to name this new piece bassador at llafon@lincolncof art by holding a 'naming' ity.org for an application, call 541.994.2131 or stop by All entries will be reviewed the Community Center or by the Lincoln City Parks and City Hall and pick one up. Recreation Board and City

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next is Saturday, Sept. 25 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Since the Beach & River-

side Cleanup's inception,

volunteers have removed

and marine debris from

ticipating Beach & River-

neighborhoods.

side Cleanup projects will take place on September 25, some will take place the weekend before, starting on 1.8 million pounds of litter September 18, through the Oregon's natural areas and weekend after, ending on October 3. This timeframe While most of the parallows volunteers to participate during the Ocean

aged to bring reusable work gloves and bags or buckets to cut back on the number of disposable items used. Community members

who would like to learn more about the Beach & Riverside Cleanup and register should visit solveoregon.org.

Dog Park _____

have a designated budget for a dog park, but that didn't prevent the departments from planning for it.

While they looked at several sites throughout the city, they found the community center to be the most beneficial location.

The location has ample parking, water sources for both dogs and humans and restrooms available with the community center is open.

"So with that in mind. we're putting together a budget and with these departments working together, we already have a quote for the fencing at the community center which will be around \$18,000," Sprague said. "We're also looking at other amenities.'

As far as the final budget, they are exploring whether to fundraise publicly or to put it in as a budgetary request for fiscal year 2023.

Management, with final deci-

"We've had quite a few projects on hold so I was going to work and see if we can possibly squeeze this out of our existing budget so there's no delay in building it, but we can also go out and look for donations," city manager Lila Bradley said.

Councilor Riley Hoagland asked who would determine whether it would be publicly funded or if they would ask for donations.

"I think there would be a lot of people who would be

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wanting to make donations or sponsorships or rotating sponsorship," he said. "I would love to see the city involve the public more often because I think you'll find that there's a lot more support. People can put some money towards it or their name to it and you'll get a lot more involvement."

Councilor Rick Mark said he thinks there's demand for two or three dog parks in the city and if you've got the public involved, you might find that you could get funding for more than one in the future.

"I'm all for moving ahead as quickly as possible on this," Mark said.

Sprague said the staff are looking at sponsorship opportunities. One example mentioned was being able to put a name on a little bone on the fence.

She also mentioned that there was an informal group who has raised funds for this

"This has been an issue since before I was even on council, and it just seems, in the grand scheme of things, a small thing," **Councilor Mitch Parsons** said. "Price wise, it's just an easy thing to do for our community. I would love to see us just get it done."



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Skinner hired on again as Director of Planning

By Amber Devo

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The election to fill the vacancy in city council ward 1 will be on September 21, and now, the council will need to fill another vacancy in ward 2, left by Anne Marie Skinner, who has been hired as the city's Director of Planning and Community Development.

Skinner grew up in Idaho and her father was a licensed land surveyor who owned his own business. She said she'd go out with her dad and that's where she gained and interest and learned. After she graduated from college in Utah, she started working for her father as a planner.

"I worked for him and then another engineering company before I went to work for the City of Caldwell, Idaho," she said. "I was there for almost eight years, until 2013 And that's when I moved to Oregon."

She wanted to move out of Idaho, and she looked for a place with less sun, more rain and more clouds. Initially, she was in the Portland Metro where she worked for Washington County as a planner for almost a year and then moved back into a position in the private sector.

Not wanting to retire in that area, she and her husband started looking for a place on the Oregon Coast and eventually purchased a lot in Lincoln City and built their home. At that same time, the senior planner position opened in Lincoln City.

She was hired as the senior planner and when the director left, she was promoted. During that time, she worked on fine tuning the ordinances, which have now all been adopted.



Anne Marie Skinner

But her previous employer kept asking her to come back, and on the fourth time, she agreed. That was also influenced by her desire to be on city council. She took the job, ran for council and won the election.

"I loved being on city council," she said.

With 24 years of experience in planning under her belt, she continued to watch the planning department and the "tumultuous" year since she left. When the position officially came open again last month, she applied.

"I just thought, the planning department really, really needs me and I think they need me more than City Council does," she said. "I applied and was selected. So here I am."

She said she has already started work-

ing on design review standards and the sign ordinance, which will all have to go to the council to be adopted. Her more immediate goals will include looking at the processes in the department and, if needed, streamline them and put standard operating procedures into place. She said the applications need to be revised and updated to be more user friendly and more self-explanatory.

"The average person isn't a planner and doesn't work with this stuff all the time. They look at the code and it's all Greek,' she said. "It's my goal to make it as easy and smooth as possible for everyone to help get development, and if someone wants to build a house, let's make it as easy as possible, and take out as many road roadblocks as I can.

In the long term, the comprehensive plan needs work, she said.

"I believe my predecessor, attempted to do some things with the Comprehensive Plan, which needs to be updated," she said. "But the most important thing about the comprehensive plan is complying with the goal number one of the state land use planning goals and goal number one is citizen involvement."

With the need for citizen input, they will need some public workshops and possibly surveys. She said getting input while meetings are all still being held on Zoom would be difficult.

"My plan with the comprehensive plan is to hold off for a few months and see what happens with the pandemic," she said. If it continues into next year, then I'm going to have to do public workshops via zoom. It's not ideal at all, but I know that there are citizens anxious for it to get going and provide their comments, so I don't want to put them off too long."

Once the comprehensive plan gets updated, she said there will likely be portions of the zoning ordinance that will also have to be updated to match the new goals that are in the comprehensive plan.

"It's kind of like the foundation and the structure of the house, and then the zoning ordinance is all the guts and the finish and the wiring and the plumbing," she said. "So all the ordinances come from the comprehensive plan ... all the goals that are in the comprehensive plan. Those aren't rules, those are goals. And then the zoning ordinance develops the rules that will put those goals into effect."

September is Suicide Prevention Month

Suicidal thoughts or actions are a sign of extreme distress and should not be ignored. Get help as soon as possible.

If you're in crisis, there are options available to help you cope. You can call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline at any time to speak to someone and get support.

For confidential support available 24/7 for everyone in the U.S., call 1-800-273-8255. You may also call the Lincoln County Crisis Hotline for a crisis intervention confidential referral 24 hours a day at 1-866-266-0288 or for hearing impaired call 1-877-493-6469.

Warning signs that someone may be at immediate risk for attempting suicide include:

 Talking about wanting to die or wanting to kill themselves

· Talking about feeling empty or hopeless or having no reason to live

• Talking about feeling trapped or feeling that there are no solutions

- Feeling unbearable emotional or physical pain
- Talking about being a burden to others
- Withdrawing from family and friends
- Giving away important possessions
- · Saying goodbye to friends and family
- · Putting affairs in order, such as making a will
- · Taking great risks that could lead to death, such as driv-

ing extremely fast

· Talking or thinking about death often

Other serious warning signs that someone may be at risk for attempting suicide include:

· Displaying extreme mood swings, suddenly changing from very sad to very calm or happy

 Making a plan or looking for ways to kill themselves, such as searching for lethal methods online, stockpiling pills, or buying a gun

- Talking about feeling great guilt or shame
- Using alcohol or drugs more often
- Acting anxious or agitated
- · Changing eating or sleeping habits
- Showing rage or talking about seeking revenge

If you know someone in crisis, call the National Suicide Prevention Lifeline (Lifeline) at 1-800-273-TALK (8255), or text the Crisis Text Line (text HELLO to 741741).

Both services are free and available 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All calls are confidential.

Contact social media outlets directly if you are concerned about a friend's social media updates or dial 911 in an emergency.

To learn more about treatment options, call the Lincoln County Behavioral Health Department at (541) 265-4179. Your life is important.

Sheriff's tip of the week: Plan for your animals in disasters

Now is the time to plan how you will evacuate with your pet, what supplies they need, and where they will be able to shelter. Planning now for your pets and livestock, will help your family evacuate quickly and safely if needed and reduce your stress in an emergency. **Plan for Pets**

- Take animals with you if you need to evacuate. Only as a last resort should animals be left behind.
- Create a plan with neighbors, friends, or relatives to evacuate your pet if you are not able to do so.
- Animals may run away or hide during an emergency. If your area is in a level one or higher evacuation warning, put your pet's collar or harness on and keep them in a secure room. Doing this will allow you to grab them quickly if you need to evacuate.
- Many emergency shelters cannot accept animals. Before disaster strikes, find out which hotels/shelters allow animals.
- · Be sure ID tags are on collars and consider a microchip. • Keep your pets' vaccinations and ID tags up to date.

St. Peter the Fisherman Lutheran Church to host **Oktoberfest Dinner**

St. Peter the Fisherman Lutheran Church at Southwest 14th and Highway 101 are hosting their Oktoberfest Dinner on Saturday, October 2 from 3 to 7 p.m.

The menu includes sausage and kraut, baked potato, "German Potato Salad," Waldorf Salad, oatmeal cake roll and beverages. Adults and \$10, and children age six and under are \$6. All proceeds go toward their mission projects. For more information call 541-994-8793.

Incredible Infants online class series begins Oct. 6

Helping to provide encouragement and education, the Incredible Infants class series helps parents discover many possibilities for working with their child through the first year, even in the midst of challenges and frustrations.

The 10-week series takes place every Wednesday beginning Oct. 6, from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Participants must have access to an internet device with camera and microphone and will receive a Zoom link and password at time of registration.

Incredible INFANTs key topics include:

- · Forming connections with other families that have new babies.
- · Learning to respond to your unique baby.
- Parental self-care.
- Helping your baby grow a healthy brain through play.
- Addressing family routines and structures.

For information and to register, send an email to hernanj@linnbenton. edu or call 541-497-4358. The class is sponsored by Parenting Success Network and Samaritan Health Services.

Samaritan Medical Supplies open by appointment only

Because of ongoing COVID-19 restrictions, Samaritan Medical Supplies offices located in Newport, Lebanon and Corvallis will continue to remain open by appointment only Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Samaritan Medical Supplies will still offer scheduled appointments with respiratory therapists for new positive airway pressure (PAP) set ups, PAP repairs and exchanges, and mask fittings. They also will continue to deliver home medical equipment such as oxygen, nebulizer compressors, suction units, hospital beds, trapezes, patient lifts, pressure reducing air mattresses, wheelchairs, knee scooters,

bedside commodes and walkers.

Moving forward, they will no longer carry retail items in the stores. Retail items are those that are not billable to insurance. They will also no longer carry PAP supplies, ostomy supplies, incontinence supplies, suction supplies, nebulizer supplies, blood pressure monitors, breast pumps or oxygen cannulas and tubing in the stores. These supplies and equipment can be shipped direct to patients' homes when ordered.

The medical supply office located at Samaritan Athletic Medicine, on the Oregon State University campus in Corvallis, will continue to offer orthot-

ic fitting services for all prefabricated and custom orthoses (bracing), as well as diabetic shoe fittings. They are open by appointment only Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This location also has a full array of retail items available for purchase related to athletic medicine needs.

Samaritan Medical Supplies in Newport recently relocated, moving from its building just west of Samaritan Pacific Communities Hospital to its new location at 2035 N. Coast Highway.

For all customer service, billing and supplies reordering questions, call 800-753-6030.

Keep a copy of these documents in your family's Go Bag.

- Prepare a pet emergency kit with leashes, collars, portable carriers, water, food, medications, sanitation materials, immunization records, first-aid kit, and photos to prove ownership.
- Don't leave pets in vehicles, tethered, or crated without you.
- If you have to leave your animals at home, keep them inside a secure area. Leave at least a 10-day supply of dry food and water. Put signs on windows and doors indicating the number and type of animals inside and your contact information.
- Be aware that your pet's behavior may change after a crisis, becoming more aggressive or self-protective.

Plan for Livestock

- If your area is in a level 2 or higher evacuation warning, evacuate with your livestock now. Prepare your livestock for transport and evacuate the area. This will give you more time to safely secure your animals and get trailers or other equipment on the road before it is too late.
- Post emergency contact numbers on barns and/or pasture fences.
- Write your phone number on your stock with a permanent marker if you have to release them.
- Have a supply of feed at a separate location.
- Involve family and neighbors in an evacuation plan.
- Make a kit with leads, halters, first aid, quieting hoods, water, photos and a copy of your ownership papers.

More Resources for Pet and Livestock Emergency Planning:

- FEMA Webinar (Sept. 17th at 10 a.m.): Pet Preparedness with Livestock & Large Animals
- Lincoln County Emergency Management Recorded Webinar: Animals: Pets and Livestock Preparedness - Wildfire Presentations 2021
- Ready.gov: Prepare Your Pets for Disasters

Red Cross: Pet Disaster Preparedness For more info and tips, visit lincolncountysheriff.net and like them on Facebook at Lincoln County Sheriff's Office – Oregon.



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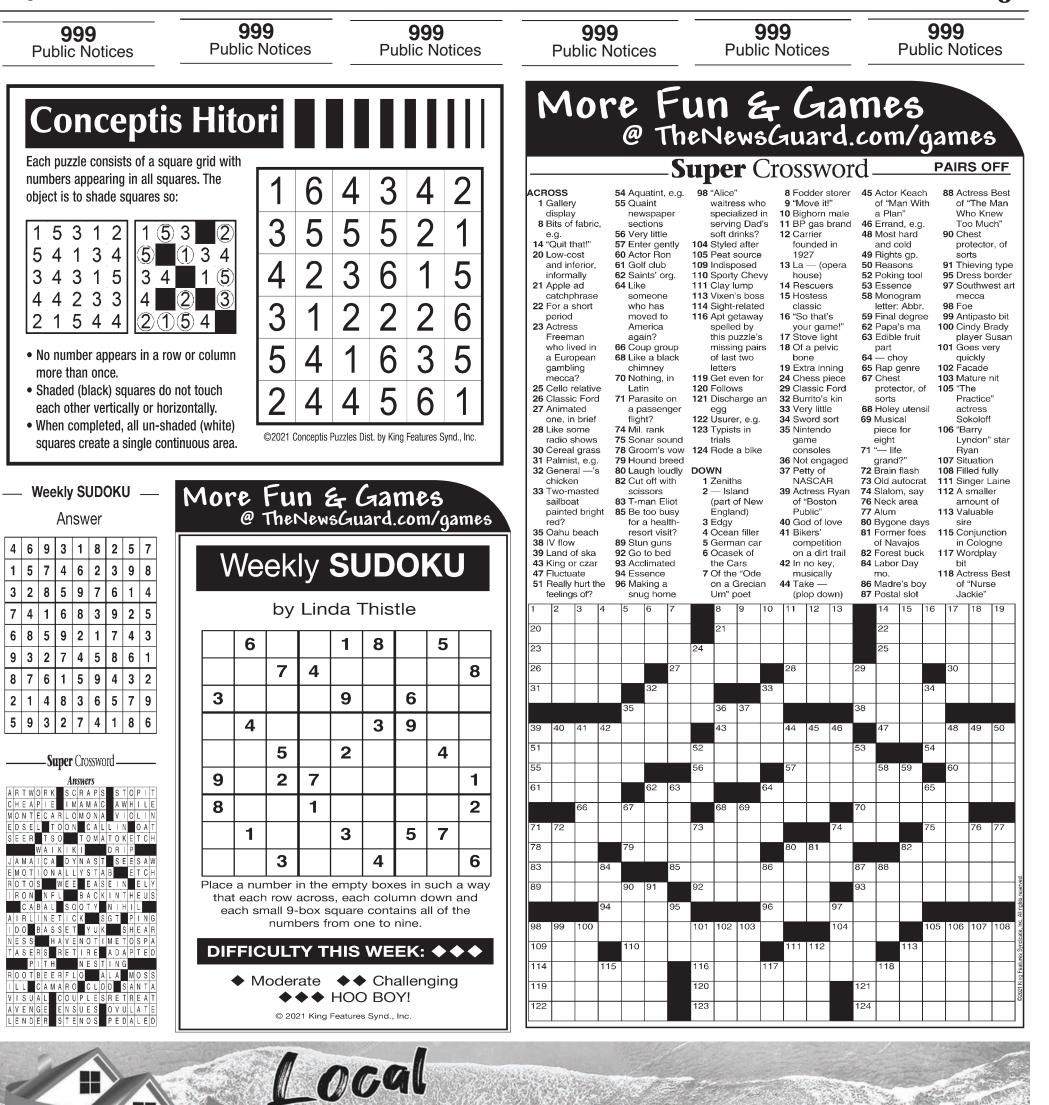
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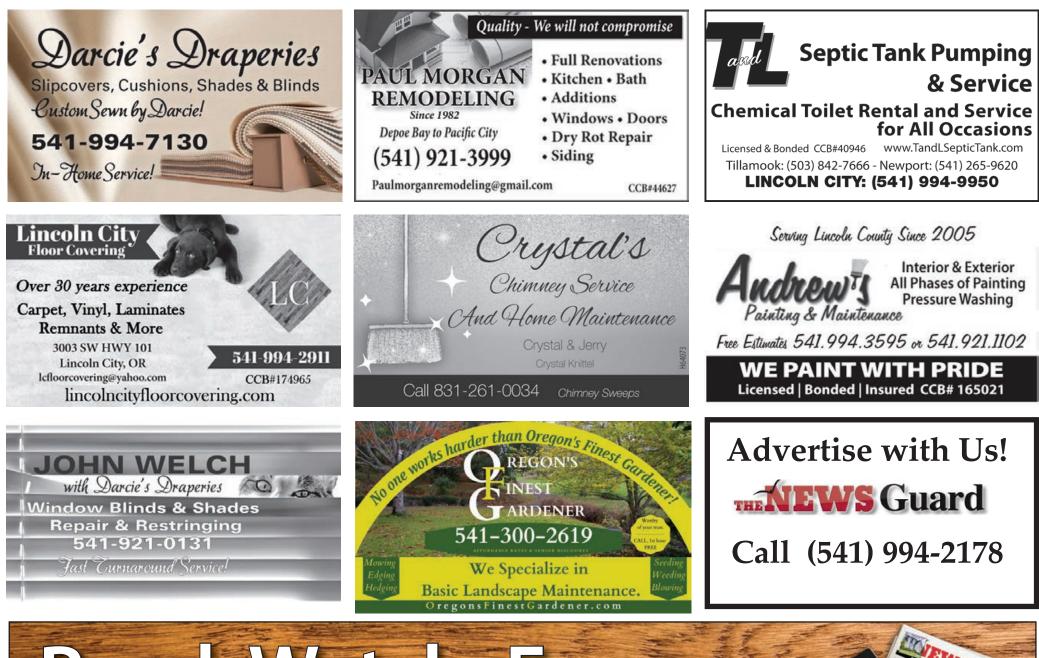
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ONLINE POLL

This week's question

Do you think the city should solicit donations or sponsorships for dog parks?

> **Yes**

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Last week's question

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Spirit Mountain Community Fund selects Hatfield Fellow

Riding In set for eight-month term in Senator Merkley's D.C. Office

Grand Ronde, OR – The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and the Spirit Mountain Community Fund are pleased to announce Samuel Riding In as the 2021/22 Hatfield Fellow. Riding In grew up in Apache, Oklahoma and is a member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

Riding In is a graduate of Haskell Indian Nations University in Kansas where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in Indigenous & American Indian Studies. He holds a certification in behavioral health and most recently worked as a case worker/ behavioral health technician at Lutheran Indian Ministries, a nonprofit organization in Kansas. He is passionate about mental health issues, Indian education and economic development for tribal communities.

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde established the Mark O. Hatfield Fellowship in 1998 as a living tribute to Senator Hatfield to honor his accomplishments as the Governor of Oregon and United States Senator. Each year, the Spirit Mountain Community Fund sponsors a highly motivated Native American to serve as the Hatfield Fellow and intern in an Oregon congressional office, enhancing the mutual understanding between leadership in Washington, D.C., and Indian Country.

Riding In is the 22nd Native American to serve as a Hatfield Fellow. He will begin his fellowship in November with a month-long orienta-



tion at the American Political Science Association (APSA) in Washington, D.C. Following orientation, he will assume his congressional placement in Senator Jeff Merkley's office. This is the Senator's second time to host a Hatfield Fellow.

"I really look forward to the opportunity to be a part of the American political system, gaining first-hand experience from our leaders in Washington, and using my educational background in ways I had previously never foreseen for myself," said Riding In. "I look forward to the opportunity to network with other fellows and staff members. Ultimately, I hope to be a part of something that is bigger than myself, with lasting positive impacts for a multitude of people who live and breathe on this land. I want to learn as much as I can throughout the course of the fellowship and I want to be a useful member of Senator Merkley's team."

"Senator Hatfield not only played an enor-

mous role in making Oregon what it is today, but did so with unwavering principle and a distinctive, gracious diplomacy that helped to inspire so many Oregonians-including myself-to devote their lives to public service," said Senator Merkley. "One of the many ways the Oregon delegation works together to honor his many accomplishments is by continuing to build a strong partnership with tribal communities through the Hatfield Fellowship program. I always look forward to hosting Hatfield Fellows, and am especially excited to welcome Sam Riding In to team Merkley, where he will bring an impressive background and an admirable passion for helping others. Especially at a time when tribal communities are facing unique challenges due to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is more critical than ever for Congress and Tribal Governments to work together, and I look forward to seeing the important work Sam accomplishes on Capitol Hill this year."

"I wanted to serve as the Hatfield Fellow because historically, Native people have been left out of many conversations and legislation that ultimately affects our livelihoods as sovereign nations. Our people have overcome immense obstacles in order to keep our culture and sovereignty as distinct Tribal Nations intact, and I believe it is imperative we create a sustainable future for the survival of our political autonomy,' said Riding In. "My professional goal is to ensure our next generation of people are equipped with the knowledge to succeed and carry on our culture."

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Civic pride in decline

Dear Editor:

One of the strengths which made my decision to retire in Oregon was the cleanliness of the highways. My thought was, "If the roads are relatively trash free, the local government and the departments responsible must care.'

I've lived here for seven years, and COVID notwithstanding, I have seen a decline in the cleanliness in Lincoln County. Travel from Lincoln City to Yachats, and you will see trash bags, empty gallon containers, dog poop bags, and other discarded debris strewn along the highway. Go into Newport and drivers are greeted by abandoned shopping carts and cardboard that isn't used for the makeshift homeless camps

off the highway.

I'm told the extra revenue tourists bring into our areas is a huge benefit and vital to our economy, and over the years, I've seen the number of tourists who flock to the coast grow exponentially. I wonder what impression, if any, this garbage has on those tourist as they enter Lincoln City, Newport, or just take a leisurely drive along the coast has. I'm sure it would be the same impression you would have if you walked up to someone's porch and saw this waste scattered on their yard.

I realize our resources are stretched and, in some cases, almost non-existent. COVID has been catastrophic to our workforce and the need to reorganize departments and prioritize duties is a challenge. Some areas of concern are low priority but what will happen to this garbage when the rain comes? The fact this trash is ignored and just left on the side of the road, in my opinion, shows a lack of civic pride each of you should display. Take charge and do what you can to polish our coastline.

Another topic: the free RV camp site along 101 near Moolack Beach. Drive about 1/4 mile from Beverly Beach State Park, and you'll see numerous RVs parked along a stretch of land on the west side of the highway (the trash here is aberrant and an example of the lack of respect human beings have for our area).

I've driven though this area, and, for safety reasons, did not take pictures of what I saw. But I witnessed campfires, people drinking, and a couple fornicating in their Subaru. Like Highway 101, this area also had trash strewn to and fro. I drove away wondering how many in this area were using illegal drugs.

These freeloaders are basically stealing from our county by camping for free. If you calculate the cost to camp an RV at our state parks

(\$34) times the number of RVs (at least 18), the state is losing about \$614 for one night. I saw many of the same RVs parked two, three days in a row. Over the summer, that adds to thousands of dollars our county desperately needs.

I fear for the public areas along our coast and within The City of Newport and Lincoln City, especially once HB 3115 takes effect in July 2023. What will become of our county then? I'm for sharing with others the beauty our coastline has to offer, and as a taxpayer, I can claim ownership of our county. But unfortunately, I cannot claim if with the pride I used to have when I moved here seven years ago.

Honestly, I'm contemplating selling my house while the market is hot and taking my pension to another state. Respectfully,

Phillip Pico Gleneden Beach

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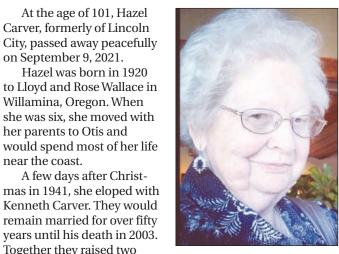
stocked with her home-

canned foods, and her

fried razor clams.

near the coast.

Hazel L Carver, 1920 ~ 2021



knitting needles were always busy. For many years she was an avid golfer, even winning a few tournaments.

The couple lived in Lincoln City for many years, where they were involved in their church and the local community. When Ken retired, they bought an RV and traveled from Mexico to Alaska.

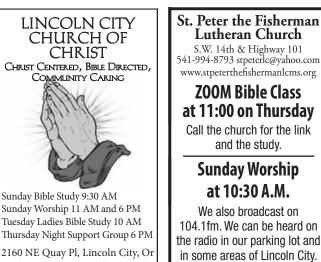
They eventually moved to Linn County to be closer to their children. After Ken died, she started a new chapter of her life, making friends at a retirement community in Albany, where she was active until just a few months before her death.

She will be greatly missed by her family: daughters Janice (Rick) Bauman, Cherie (Larry) Holverson, grandchildren Chris Holverson, Kelli King, Jeff Holverson, Craig Evans, and Kami Horton, along with greatgrandchildren and greatgreat-grandchildren.

A private graveside service will be held with family.

DEATH NOTICE

Donald Wayne Kaiser, 83, of Lincoln City, Oregon, passed away on Aug. 28, 2021. No services will be held at this time



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Florence Wine & Chowder Trails to return in February

An artful, flavorful Florence tradition is moving from October to February.

The Florence Wine & Chowder Trails, and Great Glass Float Giveaway, a large community-wide tasting and treasure hunt with attendees from all over the west coast, is getting a seasonal makeover.

To warm up peoples' palates on Presidents' Day weekend, the 2021 event will move to February 18 to 20, 2022.

On the menu? Clam, crab, and other seafood chowders by local experts and a variety of Oregon wines direct from the wineries. Organizers expect approximately a dozen or more samples of each.

Saturday will feature wine tasting at several indoor venues in and around Old Town. Sunday will feature chowder tasting at restaurants and galleries in, or a centralized location near, Historic Old Town Florence. Chowder tasters can get a ballot to vote for the region's best chowder.

The gorgeous glass floats will be on display all weekend around town. Searchers can get a passport and map to approximately three dozen sites to find the artful objects, "hidden" in plain sight, and get the merchant's stamp. Passports will be available online at FlorenceChamber. com and at the Visitors Center. All the glass floats will be given away Sunday afternoon in Old Town.

"February is actually a fabulous time to visit Florence for this kind of event," said Florence Area Chamber of Commerce president/CEO

Bettina Hannigan. "Hotel rooms will be more affordable than summer or fall and restaurants will likely have recovered from their summer shortages of food, supplies, and staff. They'll be really eager to serve our visitors."

"Getting around town to all the sites is quick and easy," she explained. "Several wineries and chowder competitors will likely be in one central location, others right next door to each other. Locals all know that our weather is often better than the forecasters say and much milder in February than what our neighbors in the Willamette Valley or Central Oregon get. For example, our two excellent golf courses are immediately playable after our occasional rains because they are built on sand and drain quickly, so add that to your to-do list for the long weekend. And if it's not perfect weather, then you may be visiting during one of our epic storms and there are a lot of awesome stormwatching locations just north of town where you can take your chowder and enjoy the action."

"Times and locations are still being finalized but we wanted to get the word out early so people can plan early to get their rooms and make their plans," she added.

For more details as they develop visit FlorenceChamber.com, sign-up for their newsletter at FlorenceChamber.com under the Visit tab, watch their Facebook page at Florence Oregon Coast, or call 541-997-3128.

New license plate recognizes Cultural Trust's 20th anniversary

A new license plate design that celebrates Oregon and the diversity of its culture will debut Oct. 1 in recognition of the Oregon Cultural Trust's 20th Anniversary. The artwork is called Celebrate Oregon!

The artwork for the license plate, created by Liza Burns of Eugene, will also be installed as full-scale murals at the Eugene, Medford, Portland and Redmond airports through a partnership with GreenCars.com, a learning and marketplace destination for sustainable transportation. In addition, a 38-foot outdoor banner will be installed at the Northwest Film Center at the Portland Art Museum.

"The new design, built on a panorama of Oregon geography, reflects and respects the diversity of our culture at a time we need it most," said Cultural Trust Board Chair Niki Price. "Cultural expression is how our communities define themselves how they live their everyday lives, their traditions, their heritage, their creativity, their celebrations, their values and how they connect with one another. Our culture is the glue that can bind us together as Oregonians."

"Oregonians value sustainability and embrace green energy," said Tina Miller, Chief Financial Officer of Lithia Motors and GreenCars spokesperson. "Our partnership with the Oregon Cultural Trust, and sponsorship of these magnificent murals, is our way of bringing this important part of Oregon culture into the picture."

Celebrate Oregon! is a vibrant tapestry of Oregon geography into which are woven 127 symbols representing different aspects of our collective arts, heritage, history and cultural practices. It is the result of a year-long, inclusive process that



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began with a group of statewide nominators sharing the creative brief with artists and designers.

A total of 36 artists submitted statements of interest and work samples. A diverse jury evaluated the submissions and recommended 20 artists be invited to submit preliminary concepts in exchange for a \$250 honorarium. An expanded jury evaluated the concepts based on criteria derived from the creative brief and unanimously recommended Burns' design to the Cultural Trust Board of Directors, which unanimously approved it in October. Burns met with several content experts, identified through the Governor's Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, to finalize symbols included in the design.

"We knew that reflecting the breadth of Oregon culture, and how it brings us together, in one design was an extremely ambitious goal," said Cultural Trust Executive Director Brian Rogers. "Liza's creation does that and so much more. It captures the spirit of Oregon and

also serves as an educational tool for exploring our diversity. We are incredibly proud and excited to share it with Oregonians."

The license plate artwork will be accompanied by an interactive visual key that explains each of the symbols and how they connect to Oregon culture, accessed via a QR code. The key will aid the design discovery while informing Oregonians about the breadth of cultures we as a people represent.

Events celebrating the unveiling of the murals are scheduled for Sept. 21 at Rogue Valley International-Medford Airport in partnership with the Medford Arts Commission; Oct. 15 at FlyRedmond; Oct. 28 at Eugene Airport; and mid-November at Portland International Airport. The artwork will also be available as a poster and a limited-edition print.

The new license plate will be available beginning Oct. 1 on the Oregon DMV website, at DMV field offices and at car dealerships across the state, including Lithia's 32 franchise dealerships.

Climate From page 1

To prepare for the changes, Carr and a team created a climate vulnerability assessment. The assessment is not easy, but is could be effective.

"Climate change impacts are really complicated," Carr said. "They have lots of feedback to the system that most of the vulnerability assessments don't capture."

The goals of the assessment plan created by Carr and his team are to identify vulnerabilities and adaptive capacities, empower communities for mitigation and adaptation to climate impact and avoid unintended consequences. After creating a framework for the assessment, Carr and his team at Cal Santa Cruz tested it by looking back a few years. They looked back at the devastation of the red sea urchin fishery. That event was brought on by two events, a marine heat wave from 2014 to 2016 from California to Washington at the same

time that sea star wasting disease began eliminating most of the sea stars from the ocean.

The heat wave played a role by killing large portions of the kelp forest, which is the primary food source for urchins. Sea stars, the main predator of urchins, were eliminated at the same time. The result is red urchins were forced to move to deeper water and purple urchins, which reproduce faster, began to take over. When looking at the assessment, Carr said they look at four areas - the resource of interest, in this case the red sea urchins, the ecological community, human users and the overall human community. "It's important to recognize each one of these domains impacts the other domains, either directly or indirectly," Carr said. "Each of these feedbacks interact with the resource domain. Climate impacts are likely to impact all the domains."

With the red sea urchins, the loss of kelp and a predator to control the purple urchins impacted the red sea urchins. As a result, the purple urchins reproduced rapidly, leading to greater loss of the kelp forest as the urchins ate. The human users, or the people who fished for and processed the urchins lost work, and the greater community suffered when there were no urchins to eat.

The impact was felt eatest from Port Orford into Northern California, where the water temperature climbed 2 degrees.



"That marine heat wave is thought to be one of the largest marine heat waves in the world," Carr said. "In the absence of food and the absence of predators, the purple sea urchin just went crazy. They came out and fed on all the algae."

Interestingly, the warmer water itself did little to hurt the red sea urchin, but the impacts down the line did.

'The sensitivity of the red urchin to the heat was minimal," Carr said. "Rather, indirect ecological interaction in the kelp field impacted the urchin."

Carr said the impact is being felt five year later be-

A marine heat wave followed by the loss of sea stars led to purple urchins reproducing in record numbers, putting further strain on the kelp forests from California to Washington.

cause the kelp forests have not fully recovered. "As soon as the kelp

recovers from the heat wave, the red urchin will be back," Carr said. "The marine heat wave only impacted the Northern California fishery. The Southern California fishery was not impacted."

Carr said the people who fish for urchins had minimal impact as well because they were able to find other work. However, the processors did struggle.

Carr said going back and looking at a past event will help scientists prepare for a future one.

"If we have another heat wave, you could ask what's going that going to do to the Port Orford fishery," Carr said. "You could adjust this to get some answers. It requires local experience. It requires the knowledge of people in that system."

Another question that can be answered is how long the impact will last. And it could be longer than expected.

"To this day, we're only now starting to see more of the kelp recover," Carr said. "The prognosis of Northern California is pretty bleak. You need to change the urchin population in order

for the kelp to recover." There is good news and bad news when looking at the 2014-16 heat wave.

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"How often are we going to see the event," Carr asked. "That will be a big key as to recovery. If we start seeing more heat waves that could shift the system."

Phillip Johnson, the executive director of Oregon Shores, said Carr's presentation is one of a series of events Oregon Shores is doing in 2021 as part of a celebration of its 50th anniversary.

Johnson said. "Anything that



"We potentially address

any conservation issue along the Oregon coast," does threaten the Oregon coast, we do care about deeply."

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