Wednesday, January 1, 2025

**Lincoln County, Oregon** 

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# Child luring convictions lead to life in prison without chance of parole

JEREMY C. RUARK Lincoln County Leader

For the past two years, Lincoln City Police Department (LCPD) personnel have been aggressively pursuing child safety enforcement investigations.

The investigations have included LCPD officers conducting counter child-luring operations on social media.

The Lincoln County Leader has reported on several arrests following the investigations over the past several months. Recently it was announced that there have been convictions that have sent two Lincoln County residents to prison for life without parole.

Following LCPD investigations, arrests and court action, 31-year-old Ryan R. L. Braddock, of Lincoln City, received his sentence on Thursday, Dec. 19.

Braddock was arrested on Aug. 21, 2023, on two counts of luring a minor and two counts of online sexual corruption of a child in the second

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# Search warrant in cold case



At around at 7 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 27, law enforcement officers from Lincoln County agencies executed a search warrant at a residence in the 200 block of Northwest Seventh Street in Newport. The warrant is related to a cold case missing persons investigation, according to Newport Police Chief Jason Malloy. No further details were available as of Monday's press deadline, but Malloy said the case has been turned over to the Lincoln County Major Crime Team. A search of the residence was still underway when this photo was taken Friday. Check out the Lincoln County Leader website for further information as it is released. (Photo by Steve Card)

# Taking a look back at the year 2024



The year 2024 has officially come to a close, and before diving too far into 2025, the Lincoln County Leader took a look back at some of the stories making headlines over the previous 12 months.

Portions of some of the newspaper's 2024 front-page stories have been compiled here, month by month, along with a few of the photos that made the news.

Travis Tibbetts, standing, and Matt Hall, with the Newport Public Works Department, install a pay station at the Fall Street parking lot. It is one of 10 stations that will be located throughout the Bayfront. (Photo by Steve Card)

# JANUARY

YBC announces radio station closures

David Miller, Yaquina
Bay Communications coowner with his wife, Linda,
announced that on Monday,
Jan. 1, the company's radio
stations —KYTE 102.7 FM,
KNPT 1310 AM, KNCU 97.7
FM, KBCH 1400 AM, and
KCRF 96.7 FM — will cease
operations.

"We are not happy about this circumstance, but Oregon Coast Bank determined that they would not renew our loans," Miller wrote in the release. "With the pandemic, our only source of income, advertising, has been reduced by more than 50 percent. We also have not been able to obtain financing elsewhere, nor have we been able to find a buyer for the stations."

Move over News-Times, here comes The Leader

By the time the Wednesday, Jan. 10, edition of the News-Times comes before its loyal readers, staff will be hard at work producing the first edition of its successor, The Lincoln County Leader.

The last 12 months saw the News-Times undergo a succession of modifications, including changes to the paper's publication dates and the Sept. 1 sale of the News-Times from News Media Corporation of Rochelle, Illinois, to Salembased Country Media, Inc.

Now, the News-Times, established in 1882, is in the

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A complete renovation of the exterior of the Yaquina Bay Lighthouse in Newport will be done this year. The lighthouse will be closed to public access from now through June. (Photo by Steve Card)

# Yaquina Bay Lighthouse closes for exterior restoration work

State park still open to the public

STEVE CARD Lincoln County Leader

The Yaquina Bay Lighthouse in Newport is about to get a full exterior restoration, and as of today (Wednesday, Jan. 1) it is closed to the public and will remain closed until June. However, Yaquina Bay State Park will remain open during this time.

The lighthouse, built in 1871, is the only wooden lighthouse still intact on the Oregon coast, and it is the last example in

# In search of passing gray whales



It's that time of year again when gray whales are on their southward migration to the calving lagoons in Mexico. And for the past four decades, the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department has helped thousands of people spot the passing whales during Winter Whale Watch Week, which was held this year from Dec. 27 through Dec. 31. Volunteers were stationed at 15 sites along the coast from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. each day to help visitors spot the migrating whales. Pictured are people hoping to spot whales from the observation deck at the Yaquina Head Lighthouse. (Photos by Steve Card)

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#### Weather

Wednesday: High-49/Low-45 Thursday: High-53/Low-48

Friday: High-52/Low-45

Saturday: High-50/Low-44

Sunday: High-50/Low-45

Monday: High-51/Low-44

Tuesday: High-52/Low-43

Cloudy

#### **Past Weather**

On the Coast

	Rain	Low	Higl
December 24	0.41	47.6	60.0
December 25	1.69	51.4	58.9
December 26	1.91	54.4	59.2
December 27	0.91	53.6	60.2
December 28	0.56	53.5	61.0
December 29	0.31	53.1	64.0
December 30	0.04	59.5	64.4
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#### **Tides Tables**

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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	11:26 a.m
High	5:09 p.m
Low	10:56 p.m

	TUESDAY, JANUARY 7
High.	5:46 a.m
Low	12:39 p.m
High.	6:41 p.m
Low	11:48 p.m

#### **Sunrise/Sunset**

January 1 7:33 a.m4:38 p.	m
January 2 7:34 a.m4:37 p.	m
January 3 7:35 a.m4:37 p.	m
January 4 7:36 a.m4:37 p.	m
January 5 7:37 a.m4:36 p.	m
January 6 7:38 a.m4:36 p.	m
January 7 7:39 a.m4:36 p.	m

# Lottery

Friday, December 27 Mega Millions 3 • 7 • 37 • 49 • 55 • PB-6 • x3

Saturday, December 28 6 • 31 • 51 • 54 • 55 • PB-12 • x2

Saturday, December 28 Megabucks 8 • 18 • 21 • 27 • 28 • 31

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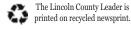
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# Thermal, infrared devices trigger poaching investigation, result in criminal charges

**JEREMY C. RUARK** Lincoln County Leader

Oregon State Police investigators have concluded a months-long investigation into poaching involving thermal devices.

Troopers served several search warrants and made multiple arrests during the investigation with more expected, according to a media release issued by OSP. Specific details about the suspects arrested had not been released as of press time.

"The use of infrared or thermal devices to hunt, locate, or scout wildlife provides a person with a significant unfair, unethical advantage over other unethical hunting behaviors as it completely voids the animal's natural ability to hide or conceal itself," OSP Captain Kyle Kennedy stated in the release.

Use of thermal and infrared devices is prohibited by law.

"Over the last two years, the Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division has received an increasing number of complaints regarding the unlawful use of infrared thermal imaging devices. commonly known as Forward Looking Infrared (FLIR), to hunt or scout for big game animals with several complaints originating in the Clackamas County area," the release states.

In the fall of 2024, fish and wildlife troopers began investigating several individuals who were reportedly using infrared technology to kill deer and elk. Some of the suspects shared a connection, while some were working individually, investigators state in the release.

The Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division executed search warrants Dec. 15 and Dec. 16, at nine residences in Clackamas County.

"As a result of this

investigation, 14 infrared thermal imaging devices, four deer, and one rifle were seized related to the use of FLIR devices for scouting and hunting wildlife," Kennedy said.

Criminal wildlife charges will be forwarded to the Clackamas County District Attorney's Office on 13 individuals for the use of infrared thermal imaging while scouting or hunting big game animals.

In connection to this investigation, OSP contacted three individuals while in the field hunting or scouting for wildlife who were criminally cited and released. In those cases, two infrared thermal imaging devices were seized.

"OSP works diligently to protect Oregon's wildlife by pursuing leads and investigating infrared thermal device and other wildlife poaching cases," Kennedy said, "This case highlights the Fish and Wildlife Division's ability to adapt to modern

poaching threats and effectively investigate and seek criminal prosecution of poachers."

Infrared technology gives advantage to those using it and can result in an increase in the number of animals taken off the landscape, according to Jason Kirchner, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) District Wildlife Biologist based in Newport.

"Thermal or infrared use is illegal in Oregon, gives an unfair advantage, and is not a fair chase," he said, "This illegal activity will increase harvest rates, reduce our game populations and hunting opportunities, and impact the public image of law-abiding hunters."

**ODFW** Wildlife Division Administrator Bernadette Graham-Hudson agrees.

"Hunting regulations are in place to level the playing field for all hunters and to maintain fair chase standards," she

said, "People who bypass the rules steal from legitimate hunters and all Oregonians who wish to experience our wildlife as they recreate in the outdoors."

The Oregon Hunters Association (OHA), a statewide organization invested in protecting Oregon's natural resources, backs the effort to curb unethical practices, according to state President Steve Hagan.

"OHA supports the vigorous enforcement of laws designed to protect wildlife, habitat, private property and hunter's rights," Hagan said.

Those with information regarding a wildlife and/ or habitat law violation or suspicious activity can call OSP dispatch directly at \*OSP (\*677) or 1-800-442-0776. Callers can remain anonymous, and a cash reward or preference point reward may be offered for information leading to a citation or arrest in a qualifying case.

# Samaritan implements birthing/pediatric unit restrictions

To protect patients and reduce the spread of respiratory viruses circulating in the local communities, Samaritan Health Services has put visitor restrictions in place in their birthing units and for pediatric patients.

Visitor restrictions for all birthing areas of Samaritan's five hospitals in Benton, Lincoln and Linn counties will include:

- No visitors under the age of 12.
- No visitors with fever or respiratory symptoms, such as cough or shortness of breath.
- Masking required for visitors and staff.

 Pediatric patients are allowed one support person (if applicable) and two visitors for the entire

• Obstetrics patients are allowed up to five visitors for the entire stay.

In addition, during times of high community spread, Samaritan strongly recommends

anyone coming into a hospital or clinic wear medical-grade face masks. Staff will be required to wear face masks during face-to-face contact with patients during these times.

These measures will stay in effect until rates of community spread of respiratory viruses drop

to a lower level. Signage at hospital and clinic entrances will notify patients and visitors of the current masking policy. There may be stronger restrictions noted with signs for entering specific sections of the hospital.

For more information, visit samhealth.org/ Visitors.



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#### closed along north coast Although the commercial Dungeness crab fishery along the central and southern Oregon coast opened on Dec. 19, crab-15 or Feb. 1. bing on the north coast from Cape Falcon to the Washington border will remain closed

Commercial crabbing remains

until at least Jan. 15. A third round of preseason testing in Long Beach, Washington, shows crab meat fill remains lower than required for commercial harvest.

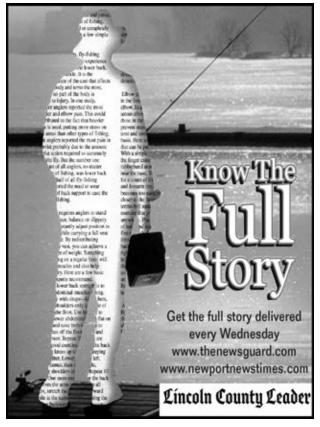
Based on this result not meeting Tri-State meat recovery criteria, and in consultation with Washington and California Departments of Fish and Wildlife, Tri-State fishery managers agreed to delay the season from Cape Falcon to Klipsan Beach, Washington, until at least Jan. 15. WDFW will

conduct another round of preseason meat fill testing to help inform whether this area will open Jan.

Oregon's commercial Dungeness crab fishery opened Dec. 16 from Cape Falcon to the California border. Despite rough ocean conditions this past week, more than 2.5 million pounds of crab were landed into Oregon ports in that area. Price at the docks averaged \$4.50 per pound, well above last season's total season average of \$3.79 per pound.

Weekly season opening updates will continue to be posted until the decision is made to open the north coast.

Check ODFW's website for more on Oregon's commercial Dungeness crab fishery.



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# Effluent pipeline leak in South Beach

A leak in a treated effluent wastewater pipeline at 2001 Southeast Marine Science Drive in the Newport's South Beach area has necessitated the diversion of treated wastewater from the city's wastewater treatment plant into Yaquina Bay. As if Sunday afternoon, Dec. 28, approximately 1,450 gallons per minute was currently entering the bay in two locations, from

Southeast Marine Science Drive and from Southeast Bay Boulevard.

Effluent wastewater is treated, chlorinated water. Contact with treated wastewater may still be a health hazard, and extra health and safety precautions are recommended for all users of Yaquina Bay at this time.

City of Newport officials are currently conducting sampling of the effluent wastewater and Yaquina Bay, and are working to secure a contractor for immediate repairs. The Department of Environmental Quality and the Oregon Emergency Response System have been notified. Signage is posted at the site

This leak does not pose risks to other Newport wastewater pipelines and systems. Updates will be provided as they become available.

# Christmas Day storm damage



Blustery weather hit the coast in the late afternoon on Christmas Day, resulting in damage from downed trees and branches that left a number of area residents without power for an extended period of time. A high gust sometime between 3 and 4 a.m. on Thursday, Dec. 26, knocked down this tree on Northwest Lee Avenue in Lincoln City, which severely damaged a car and also took out power lines across the street. Power crews along the coast were called out late on Christmas Day, and many worked through the night to restore power, although some homes were still left in the dark for much of the following day. (Courtesy photo by Ruth Marciano)

# Federal legislation introduced to decommission offshore, gas wells, pipelines and platforms

JEREMY C. RUARK Lincoln County Leader

U.S. Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley have introduced legislation that would address the growing threat of abandoned offshore oil and gas infrastructure to marine ecosystems and the environment.

According to a study by the U.S. Government Accountability Office, more than 2,700 wells and 500 platforms in the Gulf of Mexico are overdue for decommissioning. The same study found that the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement and the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, which are responsible for enforcing decommissioning deadlines, can't effectively enforce decommissioning obligations and financial assurance requirements.

Among the recommended steps Congress can take, according to the study to address the current backlog of overdue decommissioning requirements, is instituting new reporting requirements from the Interior Department to Congress on the status of decommissioning.

"Neglected oil wells off our coasts are a ticking time bomb that threaten our coastal communities and environment in Oregon and nationwide," Wyden said. "It's unacceptable that Big Oil has dodged responsibility to clean up drilling sites and pollution. This legislation will provide the data needed to hold Big Oil accountable and protect the public as well as our waterways and marine life."

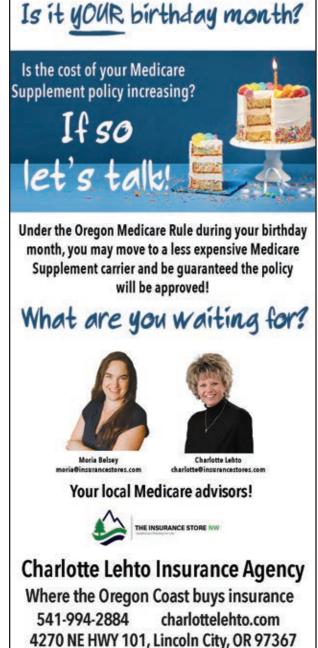
"Orphaned wells are an environmental catastrophe waiting to explode," Merkley said. "They pose the possibility of massive damage to the ocean by leaking oil and gas and must be addressed quickly."

The Plug Offshore Wells Act would direct the U.S. Department of the Interior to submit an annual public report to Congress on the status of decommissioning offshore oil and gas wells, platforms, and pipelines. It would also reduce financial burdens on taxpayers by increasing oversight of Big Oil companies and hold them accountable for the full terms of their offshore oil leases.

The Plug Offshore
Wells Act is supported by
the Center for Biological
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and the Surfrider
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In addition to Wyden and Merkley, the bill is co-sponsored in the by Senators Peter Welch (D-Vt.), and Ed Markey (D-Mass).

















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process of undertaking a rebranding. Country Media is combining the county's two newspapers — the News-Times and News Guard — into a single publication, and in doing so will revive the Lincoln County Leader, a paper published from 1893 to 1987 in multiple iterations.

# Ice storm thrashes

Area power providers resumed work at restoring power to thousands of Lincoln County customers Sunday, Jan. 14, the morning after an ice storm caused outages, downed numerous trees and slickened roadways throughout the area.

"Ice continues to accumulate and will continue to bring trees down, making it extremely dangerof the Water Resources Development Act, (WRDA), which was signed into law by President Joe Biden.

#### Newport voters will see gas tax proposal

It's official. The Newport City Council on Feb. 20 took action to place a measure on the May 21 ballot asking voters to approve an increase in the city's gas tax. Newport currently collects a gas tax of 3 cents per gallon from June through October, and 1 cent per gallon during the balance of the year. The proposal is to increase the gas tax to 5 cents per gallon year-round.

#### MARCH

#### Water main breaks at Beverly Beach

In the early morning hours on Wednesday, Feb. 28, a landslide took out a water main in the Beverly Beach area north



Taking part in the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Lincoln County Animal Shelter are: Sheriff Curtis Landers (left), Animal Shelter Manager Sara Wynveen, Friends of Lincoln County Animals President Emily DeHuff, Central Coast Humane Society Board President Barbara Perry, State Rep. David Gomberg, County Commissioner Claire Hall, Oregon Humane Society President Sharon Harmon, and County Commissioner Kaety Jacobson. (Photo by Steve Card)

shooter event should one occur locally.

#### **APRIL**



More than a hundred homes were without water last week when a landslide took out a water main on Northeast Beverly Drive north of Newport during the early morning hours of Feb. 28. Work crews were on scene the following morning to make repairs. (Photo by Steve Card)

ous for crews to work,"
Central Lincoln PUD
posted. "We've brought in
crews from our southern
areas, and they will continue to work on restoring
power to accessible areas
as long as it is safe to do
so."

# FEBRUARY

#### LCSO Sheriff Landers won't seek reelection

In a news release issued Wednesday, Jan. 31, Lincoln County Sheriff Curtis Landers announced he will not seek reelection in the May primary and will leave the position when his four-year term expires in January 2025.

"Serving in the sheriff's office for 36 years, and as sheriff for the past seven years has been an incredible journey, and I am grateful for the support and trust you've placed in me," Landers wrote. "After much consideration, it is the right time for our agency and for me personally."

# Local delegation headed to Washington, D.C.

Newport Mayor Jan Kaplan, City Councilor CM Hall, interim City Engineer Chris Beatty and State Rep. David Gomberg will travel to Washington, D.C., next month to work on the next steps in securing federal appropriations for Newport's Big Creek Dam Project.

More than a year ago, in December 2022, Congress approved \$60 million in federal money for the dam project as part

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Sudoku answers								

of Newport.

The water main is part of the Beverly Beach Water District system and is located along the shoulder of Northeast Beverly Drive, just south of Beverly Beach State Park.

Tim Gross, former
Newport Public Works
director, lives in the area
and serves on the Beverly
Beach Water District
Board of Directors. He
said he was notified of the
water outage around 3:30
a.m. on Feb. 28 and went
to investigate.

#### Wyden town hall draws demonstrators

Oregon's 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 17, listening and answering questions from those attending the event at the Lincoln City Cultural Center.

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 timbercutting policies, city housing issues, control of the U.S. border, and proposed offshore wind energy projects.

# Active shooter training scheduled at local schools

Lincoln City Police, Newport Police, Toledo Police, the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office, and Oregon State Police, will conduct active shooter response training exercises at Taft High School and Newport Middle School.

The specialized training March 26-28 is designed to better prepare officers to respond to an active

# Bornstein Seafoods closing Newport plant

Bornstein Seafoods has announced that it will be closing its plant on the Newport Bayfront on May 21 and will be laying off 50 workers.

Bornstein will also be closing its plant in Bellingham, Washington, laying off more than 70 employees at that site. Both the Newport and Bellingham operations will be consolidated into Bornstein Seafoods' sites in Astoria, where president and CEO Colin Bornstein said the company operates two facilities.

# Wolverine sightings believed to be connected

Recent sightings of a wolverine along the coast and in the Willamette Valley have been described as "very unusual," and officials with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife are attempting to determine if all the sightings are of the same animal.

Jason Kirchner, ODFW district wildlife biologist based in Newport, said, "We've had some (sightings) confirmed in Netarts, Nehalem, Newport, Florence and now Eugene. It's very unusual. They typically are in the mountains."

#### Massive electronic sign now welcomes visitors

A 50-foot tall electronic sign now welcomes visitors entering Lincoln City along north Highway 101.

The design of the sign began in April of 2023 and the sign went live last month, on March 13, when it was lit up for the first time.

"The tribe and the Chinook Winds executive management team have been working on the details for nearly a year to ensure the sign represents our vision of welcoming travelers to our beautiful community with up-to-date information," Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Tribal Chair Delores Pigsley said.

#### MAY

# Parking fees now active on Newport Bayfront

As of today (Wednesday, May 1), the city of Newport's new pay-to-park program on the Bayfront is up and running.

Newport Public Works employees were busy last week installing 10 new pay stations, along with new signage — regulatory signs, text-to-park signs, parking lot identification signs — to help inform motorists of the new system. There are around 240 signs in total, officials said.

The fee for parking will be in effect between 11 a.m. and 7 p.m., seven days a week, from May through October. From November through April, people will only be required to pay for parking from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Saturdays and Sundays.

# Contract awarded for new animal shelter

It has been a far longer process than most people expected, but a new Lincoln County Animal Shelter is another step closer to reality. The Lincoln County Board of Commissioners on Wednesday, May 8, awarded a bid for construction of the new

shelter, which will be located in Waldport.

# Preparing for a major disaster

In the largest event of its kind ever on the Oregon coast, a two-day exercise was held May 14 and 15 to introduce and train first responders and volunteers in the deployment of the newest Evacuation Assembly Point (EAP), housed at the Newport Municipal Airport.

The training was coordinated by the Oregon Department of Human Services' Office of Resilience and Emergency Management (OREM) in partnership with Lincoln County Emergency Management and a variety of other agencies. The purpose was to simulate an emergency, such as a Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquake and ensuing tsunami, where first responders had an opportunity to set up, test, and demobilize tents and other EAP equipment.

# JUNE

# Lincoln City improves beach access

The welcome mats are out, literally, in Lincoln City.

Explore Lincoln City (ELC), the city's tourism promotion department, has increased accessibility with two new mobility mat locations and a new color blindness accessibility program.

"We are delighted to

find new ways to welcome the diversity of visitors who choose Lincoln City as a destination," said ELC Director Kim Cooper Findling. "This summer season, we are expanding our beach accessibility options as well as piloting a new program to serve those with vision deficiency."

# Food drop exercise conducted at Devils Lake

Devils Lake in Lincoln City could be a key focal point during a disaster or emergency. The popular waterway was the site of an emergency exercise conducted by the Oregon Disaster Airlift Response Team (ODART) on Saturday, June 15. A similar exercise took place that day at the Newport Municipal Airport.

# Construction begins on Hatfield housing project

Construction is now underway on a 77-unit housing project to support students, staff, visiting scientists and others working and learning at Oregon State University's Hatfield Marine Science Center in Newport.

"We are excited to see this important project get underway," said Bob Cowen, the center's director and associate vice president for marine research and operations. "Housing is critical to the future of Hatfield Marine Science Center and its ability to support coastal

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Arson was determined to be the cause of an Aug. 12 fire that did extensive damage to Our Savior Lutheran Church, located at 38 N Bayview Road in Waldport. The hardest hit area was the pastor's office, and his personal books acquired over 40 years of ministry were destroyed in the fire. (Photo courtesy of the Seal Rock Fire District)

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and marine research and education opportunities."

#### JULY

#### Jenna Wallace takes over DA's office early

Jenna Wallace was appointed Lincoln County District Attorney at noon Friday, June 21.

"I am excited about this opportunity and proud of the trust Lincoln County voters placed in me during the election," Wallace said.

The new district attorney won the May primary and was set to take office Jan. 1. However, former District Attorney Lanee Danforth unexpectedly resigned, so Wallace is taking the big chair about six months early. She was already serving as the office's chief deputy district attorney, with responsibility for prosecuting cases and supervising other prosecutors.

#### **Brush fire forces** evacuations in Toledo

A brush fire that broke out alongside Sturdevant Road in Toledo Wednesday afternoon, July 10, resulted in the evacuation of several homes and responses from a number of fire districts and law enforcement agencies.

Toledo Fire Chief Larry Robeson said the fire posed an immediate threat to a number of homes in the area, and the call went out for assistance from any available fire agencies.

"Clearly there was (a threat to homes)," Robeson said. "There was a report early on that a garage was on fire, but I believe the fire was just licking against the garage. Western Cascade mill in

Toledo closing The lumber mill operated by Western Cascade Industries at 300 S Bay Road in Toledo is closing its doors this week.



A seaplane, with food donations aboard, makes its way to the Devils Lake dock in Lincoln City after landing on the water Saturday as part of an emergency training exercise. (Photo by Jeremy C. Ruark)

Walt Adams, the mill's general manager, said last week that mill employees were informed on July 22 that the mill would be closing at the end of July. Western Cascade employs more than 50 people at the site, Adams said.

#### **AUGUST**

#### **Beverly Beach State** Park welcomes back visitors

There were a lot of smiles at Beverly Beach State Park on Thursday, Aug. 1, as people flocked back to this popular campground north of Newport that has been closed for the past 11 months.

"We're excited to have visitors back in the park. It's one of the best parts of this job, and we have missed it," said Park Manager Burke Martin. "This is why we come to work."

Both the campground and day-use area were closed in September of last year, just after Labor Day weekend, for some upgrades and renovation work.

#### Wecoma Place increasing affordable housing

A celebration is planned for noon this Friday, Aug. 16, at Lincoln City's latest affordable housing complex, Wecoma Place, located at 2133 NE 29th

"The opening of this new affordable housing



The Port of Toledo's annual Wooden Boat Show didn't disappoint as a large crowd gathered to enjoy festivities during the two-day event. Always popular is the cardboard boat race, which even includes a prize for the most spectacular sinking. (Photo by Steve Card)

development marks a significant milestone for our community," Housing Authority of Lincoln County Executive Director Karen Rockwell said. "It not only provides safe and secure homes for many families, but also fosters a sense of hope and belonging. This initiative demonstrates our commitment to creating a more inclusive and supportive environment for all residents."

#### Missing child found in Yaquina Bay mud flats

The Lincoln County Sheriff's Office received an urgent call of concern from a South Beach family on Aug. 13 that was unable to locate their autistic 10-year-old son.

The family reported noticing their son was missing within three minutes and had looked for him briefly before calling for help. The Newport Police Department and Newport Fire Department responded to assist in attempting to locate the missing boy, while the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office Search and Rescue Team gathered to organize a broader search operation.

Approximately two

#### Suspect killed in Lincoln City standoff

An incident in Lincoln City involving shots fired from a converted bus ended with a standoff and a suspect being shot and killed.

The suspect made numerous threatening statements to police, and at 2:45 a.m., he began to shoot through windows from within a residence. For unknown reasons, a fire started inside, and as it spread, the suspect exited an upstairs window to the roof carrying a rifle. When he refused commands to drop the rifle, shots were fired, and the

will be a while yet before they can play on it.

# **OCTOBER**

#### Complaint filed against **County Commissioner Casey Miller**

An official complaint has been filed against Lincoln County Commissioner Casey Miller as a result of comments Miller made during his regular report at the county commission meeting held Sept. 18.

The name of the person who filed the complaint has not been made public, nor have specific details surrounding it. However, the compliant



The Oregon State Parks mascot, JR Beaver, greets visitors on the day of the reopening of Beverly Beach State Park, which had been closed for 11 months due to construction projects. (Photo by Steve Card)



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# Happy New Year from all of us



3891 NW Highway 101, Lincoln City • 541.994.9111 • 800.462.0197 • RealEstateLincolnCity.com ndependently Owned. All information is deemed reliable but not guaranteed and is subject to change hours after the boy went missing, an employee from the Oregon Coast Aquarium noticed a juvenile playing in the mud flats approximately 300 feet off Southeast 30th Street in the Yaquina Bay. A number of responders waded out into the mud flats to retrieve the boy and reunite him with his family.

# **SEPTEMBER**

#### Arson was cause of Waldport church fire

Investigators have determined that arson was the cause of an Aug. 12 fire that did extensive damage to Our Savior Lutheran Church in Waldport.

The fire was first noticed at around 6 a.m. that Monday morning. The church is located at 38 N Bayview Road, on the north side of Alsea Bay, and as such, it falls under the jurisdiction of the Seal Rock Fire District.

suspect fell from the roof to the ground below.

A two-day exercise to train first responders and volunteers in the deployment of the newest Evacuation Assembly Point (EAP), housed at the Newport Municipal Airport, was held on May 14 and 15. (Courtesy photo)

#### Osprey nest catches fire at Newport High School

There was some added excitement during the Newport High School girls varsity soccer game on Wednesday, Sept. 4, when an osprey nest atop one of the light pools at the athletic field caught fire around 8:30 p.m.

Because of the fire, the referees ended the game with about 12 minutes remaining.

#### Dozens volunteer on Waldport playground project

About three-dozen volunteers turned out over a three-day period last week to help assemble the new playground equipment at Southworth Park in Waldport. In just that short amount of time, the largest playground around emerged. Unfortunately for the young people who can now see it there, it

was filed shortly after Miller's lengthy report on Sept. 18, where he raised a number of issues, saying, "I believe that I and the community deserve answers to these questions."

#### Ground broken on new animal shelter

It was a milestone for many area residents when ground was finally broken on the new Lincoln County Animal Shelter on Wednesday, Oct. 9.

Public officials, pet lovers and a few of their four-legged friends gathered at the site of the new animal shelter on Southwest Dahl Avenue in Waldport. It consists of two acres located just south of the Waldport schools.

#### Big Creek Road bridge closed to vehicles

The city of Newport has closed its Big Creek

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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 (2000)

# COAST GUARD HAS SHIPS, STAFF, POWER READY FOR Y2K

The U.S. Coast Guard has been giving notice to mariners for some time to keep their eyes on Global Positioning System (GPS) equipment on New Year's Day, according to Boatswain's Mate First Class Kary Moss of Coast Guard Station Yaquina Bay.

"They've been doing a lot of testing of the GP for navigation aids to make sure they're Y2K ready," he said. Even so, he added, "there's a possibility that some may not function right, but we're not telling people not to go out."

#### GEOLOGIST URGES MOVING HIGHWAY 101 EAST

In the aftermath of two major landslides on U.S. Highway 101 in and around Lincoln County, along with numerous smaller earth movements caused by the storms that hit the coast in the last 30 days, local geologist Roger Hart has written state officials to urge consideration of moving Lincoln County's portion of the coastal highway inland.

#### **COUNTY IN STATE OF READINESS FOR Y2K**

Lincoln County commissioners Karen Gertula and Jean Cowan will spend New Year's Eve at the courthouse in Newport to be available for any problems that may arise.

Department heads will be available by cellphone or pager. "Command centers" will be set up at the courthouse. Computers have been updated, and a generator is tested and at the ready. Media will be advised by fax of any necessary information.

# STATE REMOVES LINCOLN CITY FLAG HOLDERS

True to their word, Oregon Department of Transportation workers removed four pedestrian safety flag holders from the intersection of U.S. Highway 101 and North 17th Street in Lincoln City on Thursday.

The flags were removed earlier in the day by Paw On the Sand owner Patty Morgan after she received a tip that ODOT was on its way.

Morgan is a member of the Oceanlake Merchants Association, a strong proponent of the "pedestrian visibility aids," or PVAs.

The legality of the bright orange crossing flags has become an item of contention between Lincoln City and ODOT.

# **50 YEARS AGO (1975)**

# GUNMEN HOLD UP LINCOLN CITY SAFEWAY STORE

Two male gunmen armed with .45 caliber pistols held up the Safeway store at Lincoln City Dec. 28, shortly before closing time at 9 p.m.

The gunmen locked two employees in the meat cooler, and a third, a woman who is five months pregnant, was locked in an upstairs room.

The gunmen took a large number of nonnegotiable checks and a small amount of cash from the safe, and fled the store. They are described as being from 17 to 24 years of age. They wore ski masks.

#### **ZONING NEARLY COMPLETE IN COUNTY**

Zoning was completed in nearly every area of Lincoln County before 1974 drew to a close.

County commissioners approved zoning maps for large areas of the county at a public hearing held Dec. 26. Only the North Beaver Creek area remains unzoned.

#### **UFO TURNS OUT TO BE ONE OF OURS**

Coastal residents in Oregon and Washington reported the sighting of a UFO to authorities Saturday night, only to find out that it was "one of ours."

A bright flash was reported over the coast Saturday shortly after 10 a.m. After searching the area, the Coast Guard called NASA and found out the flash was caused by a satellite that had entered the Earth's atmosphere and burned up.

# SLOT MACHINES DESTROYED BY STATE POLICE

State police officers destroyed the 11 slot machines that were taken from the Lincoln City Elks Lodge during a recent raid.

Some \$816 was removed from the machines and will be turned over to the county general fund. The lodge was found guilty in circuit court earlier on a gambling charge and sentenced.

# 75 YEARS AGO (1950)

# ROBBERS HELD IN JAIL IN LIEU OF \$15,000 BAIL

Two men charged with the \$1,000 armed robbery of Yaquina Bay rooms at 3:10 a.m. Dec. 21 were held today in local jails for the grand jury in lieu of \$15,000 bail each.

Police Chief Ed Tatom said the men took about \$700 in cash and \$300 worth of jewelry at the point of a gun

The alleged robbers locked the four women in the rooming house in a storeroom in the rear, then they ransacked the house.

# TAFT CENSUS COMPLETED; CITY POPULATION IS 498

The city of Taft, Lincoln County, has a population of 498, Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry announced Monday following the completion of a census of the recently incorporated city. Taft was incorporated Aug. 19, 1949.

The city, as a result of its incorporation, will participate in appointments of highway and liquor revenues on the basis of its population until the federal census is taken next year, Newbry said.

#### **NEW AUTOMOBILES SHOWN**

The new 1950 Buicks are being introduced and shown this week at Winde Buick company in Newport.

An innovation of the formal showing of the new automobile will be free orchids for ladies. Many advanced features, plus new models, are outstanding in the 1950 line of Buick, reports Jim Winde, and his entire staff will be on hand to explain and demonstrate these new features to the public during the showing.

# 100 YEARS AGO (1925)

# COYOTE CLUB WILL FIGHT EFFORT TO PROTECT BEARS

Earl Weltin of Eddyville informs us that there will be a meeting of all members of the Eddyville Coyote Club at Eddyville Saturday of this week. It seems that there is a move afoot to place a closed season on bear, and every small stock owner in the county is up in arms against such a move.

For the purpose of organizing against this proposed bear law and to arrange for the payment of bounties on the coyotes killed during the coming year is the purpose of this meeting.

# LOCAL POST OFFICE HANDLES GREAT GOBS OF CHRISTMAS MAIL

Last Wednesday was the biggest day ever experienced in the local post office so far as incoming mail is concerned.

The train was more than one hour late and carried a total of 68 bags of mail. This did not daunt the spirit of Postmaster Trommlitz and his force, consisting of himself, Miss Quinn, and Ray Jenkins.

# PACIFIC SPRUCE INSTALLS NEW MERCURY VAPOR LAMPS

C. Shirley, electrician, has been experimenting with mercury vapor lamps for use over the grading tables at the Pacific Spruce Mill. They are reported to be a great success, as the light is easy on the eyes and shadows are almost completely done away with by its use. The mill company is installing 21 of these large lamps at the present time at a cost of \$50 per lamp.

# Siletz Tribe regains ownership of Table Rock homelands

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians has announced the purchase of approximately 2,000 acres of privately-owned property within the original Table Rock Reserve in southern Oregon.

"This is a historic moment that reconnects the Siletz Tribe to its ancestors, history and treaties signed near Table Rock. It is a great honor to return this special land to Indian stewardship," said Delores Pigsley, chairman of the Siletz Tribe.

#### HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Siletz Tribe's history is inseparably linked to Table Rocks in southern Oregon. The 1853, the Table Rock Treaty was the first confederation of Oregon Tribes and the first treaty signed by any Indian tribe in the West to be ratified by the U.S.

Senate. By that act, the Table Rock Reserve on the north bank of the Rogue River became Oregon's first reservation.

Euro-American settlers and the American government often grouped together the bands and tribes of the Rogue River basin as "Rogue River Indians." Amid significant bloodshed, a treaty was negotiated and signed by Indian and American leaders on Sept. 10, 1853. The treaty ceded most of the aboriginal lands of the Takelma, Applegate River, Galice Creek and Shasta Tribes — encompassing the Upper Rogue River Valley. It reserved 100 square miles around Table Rock — just 4 percent of the tribes' homelands.

Under the treaty terms, the Table Rock Reserve would exist indefinitely until a president declared a "permanent" reservation. A year later in November 1854, two more treaties were signed that form the bedrock of the Siletz Confederation. On Nov. 15, the tribes and bands of the original Table Rock confederation agreed to confederate with other tribes who entered into treaties with the United States and were removed to Table Rock.

Days later, another treaty of confederation was signed by the Chasta, Scoton and Grave Creek Indians. This Chasta-Scoton treaty ceded lands of the mid-Rogue River basin and united the signatory bands, who agreed to remove to a specially assigned portion of the Table Rock reserve or "whatever reserve the President of the United States may at any time hereafter direct." These confederated tribes and bands resided upon the

Table Rock Reserve.

The treaty cessions failed to stop extermination attempts by settlers. In response to a massacre of more than 20 mostly Indian women and children camping near Table Rocks in October 1855, Chief John led a revolt of the Rogue River Indians at Table Rock, leaving the reserve and waging continued war against the United States

United States. In February 1856, the remaining Indians on the reserve were initially removed to the new Grand Ronde encampment. This "Trail of Tears" from Table Rock took 33 days, and seven Indians died along the way. Those who left the reserve and engaged the United States in hostilities were forced to surrender on July 2, 1856, and marched north up the Oregon coast.

By April 1857, the U.S.

government had removed most Rogue River Indians to the newly created 1.1 million-acre Siletz Reservation. A report to Congress by Inspector J. Ross Browne later explained that "the greater part of the Rogue Rivers were removed to the Siletz [Reservation] ..."

# TABLE ROCK PROPERTY

The Siletz Tribe's purchase from willing landowners encompasses the largest contiguous block of private land within the historic 1853 Table Rock Reserve. The Siletz property spans more than 2,000 acres of undeveloped land from the western cliffs of Lower Table Rock to the Rogue River, including the likely location where the 1853 treaty was signed.

For many years, the Siletz Tribe has continually consulted with the Bureau of Land Management, The Nature Conservancy and others regarding the stewardship of ancestral homelands around Table Rock. In 2007, Siletz Tribal member Agnes Baker Pilgrim returned the Sacred Salmon Ceremony to its home at the ancient Takelma site at Ti'lomikh Falls, downstream of the re-acquired Siletz property.

The Siletz Tribe plans to use the Table Rock property for cultural purposes as their ancestors did in the past.

"A Siletz ancestor who confederated at Table Rock, Tyee George, said, 'Let us go back to our homes and our hearts will be bright again like the sun," said Pigsley. "Our renewed presence on this land is a step toward fulfilling his wish. We are now coming home."

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degree. After a multi-day hearing, Lincoln County jurors found Braddock guilty of all four counts.

A similar case was resolved Wednesday, May 29, with the sentencing of 28-year-old Joseph R. Williams, of Toledo. He

also was sentenced to life in prison without parole in relation to a LCPD investigation.

Williams was arrested on Nov. 13, 2023, on charges of luring a minor, online sexual corruption of a minor in the first degree, attempted rape in the third degree, attempted sodomy in the third degree, and attempted sex abuse in the third degree.

After a multi-day hearing, Lincoln County jurors found Williams guilty on both charges brought to trial — luring a minor and online sexual corruption of a minor in the first degree.

Due to both having previous convictions on child sex related crimes, Braddock and Williams were each sentenced to life in prison without parole by Lincoln County Circuit Court Judge Amanda Benjamin.

"These investigations and prosecutions would not have been possible without the assistance and hard work of our fellow county agencies, specifically the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office and the

Lincoln County District Attorney's Office under District Attorney Jenna Wallace," LCPD Sgt. Torin Liden said.

Although the Lincoln City Police Department is unable to provide followup to every case that the agency posts a media release about, the seriousness of this case and its outcome is important to show the public, according to Liden.

"LCPD believes in making our community a safer place for all residents, especially children," Liden said. "LCPD encourages family members, parents, and friends to work with their children to monitor internet use and educate about the dangers of internet predators."

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#### FINANCIAL FREEDOM

# From retirement resolution to reality

Are you on track to build a strong retirement fund in 2025? If not, now is the time to take decisive action. Money management consistently ranks high among New Year's resolutions. A cornerstone of successful retirement planning is starting as soon as possible — now is the time!

Here are some tips on how to maximize your retirement savings efforts this year so you can increase your chances of achieving your financial goals.

#### **MAX OUT** CONTRIBUTIONS

• 401(k)/403(b)/457: These plans often include employer matching contributions essentially free money! Take full advantage of this valuable benefit by contributing at least enough to receive the full match. Consider contributing the maximum amount allowed

by your plan, especially if you're eligible for catch-up contributions (available to those who turn 50 and older this year).

• IRA: IRAs offer valuable tax advantages. Contributions to a traditional IRA may be tax deduct-

ible in the contribution year, with current income tax due at withdrawal. Withdrawals prior to age 59½ may result in a 10 percent IRS penalty tax in addition to current income tax. A Roth IRA offers the potential for tax-free withdrawals in retirement, which can be especially beneficial if you expect to be in a higher tax bracket later in life.

#### **REDUCE EXPENSES**

• Track spending: Track your spending closely. Identify and cut back on costly expenses like dining out, subscriptions, and entertainment. This can help free up more money for retirement savings.



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• Embrace an economical lifestyle: You can embrace an economical lifestyle by exploring more affordable alternatives for entertainment, travel,

Enjoy free or lowcost activities like

hiking, biking, visiting local parks, and attending community events. Consider traveling during the off-season or opting for road trips instead of expensive flights. Explore low-cost grocery stores, cook at home more often, and utilize public transportation or carpooling when possible.

#### STAY INFORMED

• Monitor your progress: If you overspend in an area, don't get discouraged. Regularly review your spending, identify the root cause of the overspending, and adjust your plan accordingly. These experiences are valuable learning opportunities that will help you refine your financial strategies.

#### • Stay updated:

Continuously learn about personal finance. Read books, listen to podcasts, or attend workshops to improve your financial knowledge and skill. This will help empower you to make informed decisions and achieve your long-term financial goals.

• Speak to a financial advisor: An advisor can help you create a personalized roadmap for your retirement; considering your income, expenses, risk tolerance, and financial goals. They can provide ongoing guidance and support, helping you navigate market changes and stay on track toward your retirement goals.

Staying motivated requires a deep understanding of your resolution's purpose. Why is saving for retirement important to you? Connecting with the "why" will help you overcome challenges and stay on track when things get tough.

Every dollar you save today is an investment in your future wellbeing. Years from now, you'll look back and appreciate the foresight and discipline you demonstrated this year. Your future self will thank you for prioritizing your retirement savings. Here's to the new year and your new retirement reality!

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# **YAQUINA**

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the state of the combined lighthouse and living quarters.

The Yaquina Bay Lighthouse served mariners for only a few short years before it was decommissioned in favor of the Yaquina Head Lighthouse in 1874.

The \$1.6 million project that will be done this year includes a complete rehabilitation of the exterior:

- Repair roof framing and chimneys
- Repair brick
- foundation • Repair lantern
- Repair siding, doors and windows
- Install new roof
- Complete exterior

"This restoration work will help protect and preserve the historic structure for future visitors to enjoy," said Brian McBeth, historic architecture project manager with the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, which manages the lighthouse.

#### **HISTORY OF** YAQUINA BAY **LIGHTHOUSE**

According to a website called the Oregon Encyclopedia, a project of the Oregon Historical Society, the Oregon Legislature petitioned the U.S. Senate in early 1869 for a lighthouse at the mouth of Yaquina Bay to guide traffic into the harbor at Newport, which at the time was one of the



The Yaquina Bay Lighthouse was constructed in 1871 but was only an active lighthouse for three years. It is pictured here in the late 1800s. (Photo courtesy of the Lincoln County Historical Society)

busiest harbors between San Francisco and Seattle.

The U.S. Lighthouse Board agreed that a lighthouse was necessary, but a controversy erupted over whether a lighthouse would be more appropriate on Yaquina Bay, to guide local boats, or on Yaquina Head, to focus on coastgoing maritime traffic.

Congress ended up appropriating funds for the Yaquina Bay Lighthouse, and the Lighthouse Board purchased 36 acres on the north side of Yaquina Bay for \$500. Construction began on May 1, 1871.

The lighthouse beacon, an oil lantern inside a fifth-order Fresnel lens, shone for the first time on Nov. 3, 1871, under the care of its first and only keeper, Charles H. Peirce.

In 1874, the Lighthouse Board reconsidered its earlier decision and decided to build a larger lighthouse on Yaquina Head to serve the growing maritime traffic on the central coast. Yaquina Bay Lighthouse was darkened for the last time on Oct. 1, 1874. The Lighthouse Board tried to sell the station in 1877, but the offer received was so low that the board decided to keep the structure. The building's outer sheathing was renewed in 1878 to prevent deterioration.

The lighthouse stood empty for 14 years, until the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers used it as a dwelling for John Polhemus, the engineer who directed the construction of the north jetty at Yaquina Bay from 1888 to 1896. The U.S. Lifesaving Service quartered a crew in the lighthouse beginning in 1906. When the newly formed U.S. Coast Guard took over the property in 1915, it built a steel observation tower, which still stands. The Coast Guard continued to use the lighthouse for crew quarters until 1933, when it was again abandoned.

The lengthy periods

of abandonment led to a literary history that gave the lighthouse a reputation for being haunted. In 1899, Lischen M. Miller (1858–1915), the sisterin-law of Oregon writer Joaquin Miller, published a fictional story, "The Haunted Lighthouse," in Pacific Monthly.

The lighthouse and 32 acres of land were transferred to the Oregon State Highway Commission in 1934 for a public park and were developed by the Civilian Conservation Corps for public use.

In 1946, the commission scheduled the lighthouse building for demolition. The Lincoln County Historical Society tried to save the lighthouse, but local tax measures to raise money for its restoration failed five times. As preparations were being made in 1951 to demolish the building, L.E. Warford, an Ohio industrialist raised in Oregon, spearheaded efforts to get national recognition for

The Yaquina Bay Lighthouse was scheduled for demolition when this photo was taken in the 1940s. However, it was eventually restored and continues to be a popular tourist attraction in Newport. (Photo courtesy of the **Lincoln County Historical Society)** 



the structure. The publicity had its effect, and in 1955 the Oregon Highway Commission leased the lighthouse to the Lincoln County Historical Society, which used it as a county museum for 18 years.

During the 1970s, the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, which managed the lighthouse, determined that it could be restored under the Historical Restoration Program. OPRD initiated a complete restoration and listed the lighthouse on the National Register of Historic Places in 1974. The fixed white light, visible for six miles, was lit on Dec. 7, 1996. Now managed by OPRD, the lighthouse is a U.S. Coast Guard privately maintained aid to navigation.

OPRD's mission includes protecting and

sharing historic structures like the Yaquina Bay Lighthouse for the enjoyment and education of current and future generations.

Each biennium, the department spends a portion of its project funds on historic restoration and maintenance. Upcoming projects include the Yaquina Bay Lighthouse, Cape Foulweather Gift Shop at Otter Crest and Hughes House at Cape Blanco State Park. The Cape Foulweather Gift Shop will be closed February through June of this year, with limited to no parking due to construction.

For more information about the lighthouse and any updates to closures, visit the park page at https://tinyurl. com/24r5nn2j

# **REVIEW**

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Road bridge to all vehicle traffic after an Oregon Department of Transportation inspection found the substructure of the bridge to be in "serious condition."

The bridge is located just before the entrance to the city's Big Creek Park.

# **NOVEMBER**

#### **Lincoln County reopens** winter shelter

Lincoln County reopened its Community Shelter and Resource Center to overnight guests Nov. 1, offering services seven nights a week through the end of April.

"The Community Shelter and Resource Center is a safe, welcoming and affirming place for all members of the community, including furry companions," a release from Lincoln County states.

There are two shelter locations this year, in Newport and Lincoln City. **Commercial crabbing** season delayed Commercial Dungeness

crabbers in Newport and along the entire Oregon coast will remain idle for at least a couple more weeks due to a delay in the opening of this year's

Oregon's commercial Dungeness crab season has been delayed coastwide until Dec. 16, according to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW).

Pre-season testing shows Dungeness crabs are too low in meat yield in some ocean areas and have elevated domoic acid in crab viscera (guts) in

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two areas on the south

#### Claire Hall declared winner

Claire Hall has been declared the official winner in the race for position 2 on the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. Hall, who has held that commission seat for the past 20 years, defeated challenger Rick Beasley by just 115 votes, the closest county commission race in recent history.

Of the total 26,169 votes cast in this race, Hall received 13,142 (50.22 percent) compared to Beasley's 13,027 (49.78 percent).

#### **FEMA** mandate draws crowd at county commission meeting

An estimated crowd of 100 or more people turned out for a public hearing at the Dec. 4 meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. They were there to voice concerns about a mandate from the Federal **Emergency Management** Agency (FEMA) that affects properties located within regulated

floodplain areas in the county.

### Memorial remembers fallen Toledo police officer

It has been a long time coming, but Gary LaVaughn Sumpter, a Toledo police officer who was killed in the line of duty more than a half century ago, is being publicly honored for his sacrifice.

A ceremony was held at Toledo City Hall on Tuesday, Dec. 10, to remember Sumpter and to dedicate a new highway sign that will be displayed in his memory.

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# Community chorus seeks new singers

Vocal Introductions to be held in Newport

Coastal Voices (CV), the premier community chorus on the central Oregon coast, begins the 2025 spring season by holding Vocal Introductions for new singers who wish to participate in a dynamic and welcoming choral group.

The Vocal Introductions will be on Tuesday, Jan. 7, and

Tuesday, Jan. 14, from 5:30 to 9 p.m., and on Saturday, Jan. 18, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, located at Southwest Ninth and Hurbert streets in Newport.

Rhodd Caldwell, CV artistic director, uses the 30-minute session to assess the vocal range and the musical background of each prospective member. "This is not an audition," explained Caldwell. "It

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Coastal Voices will be holding Vocal Introductions this month as it welcomes new singers for the spring season. The chorus is pictured performing during a concert in December. (Photo by Bob Christensen)



Contemporary quilted fabrications like this one by Susan Cronenwett, called "Evolution," will be on display in the Olive Street Gallery, which is located inside the Newport Performing Arts Center. (Courtesy photos)



This ceremonial basket cap, created by Chantele Rilatos, will be part of a display called "Woven Worlds", which opens Jan. 11 in the Runyan Gallery at the Newport Visual Arts Center.

# 'Fiber Fest' celebrates with exhibits, classes and demos

The Oregon Coast Council for the Arts announces an exciting new four-gallery exhibition coming to Nye Beach. "Fiber Fest" celebrates fiber arts and artists with exhibitions, demonstrations, and classes throughout two buildings and across four galleries from Jan. 11 to March 1. The event will take place at the Newport Visual Arts Center (VAC) and at the Olive Street Gallery, located inside the Newport Performing Arts Center (PAC).

"This area of the coast is home to so many artists

working with fibers," said Chasse Davidson, director of the VAC. "We've been talking about coordinating a collection of fiber-focused exhibits for some time now, and we're overjoyed to finally see it all come together — to bring Fiber Fest to our community."

In the VAC's Runyan Gallery, "Woven Worlds" will feature a variety of artistic expressions in the woven realm of fiber arts. Viewers will experience masterfully executed traditional woven works, such as tapestries by Vince Zettler, indigenous basketry by Bud Lane and Chantele Rilatos, traditional woven forms from traditional materials by John Skamser, and textile garments by Karen Gelbard. In the same gallery, viewers can explore abstract woven creations by Susan Jones and recycled fishing rope weavings by Rebecca Hooper.

From wearable fiber shawls, purses, and nature-inspired botanical prints, to contemporary assemblage creations, "Fiber Flair" — in the VAC's Upstairs Gallery — will be

a menagerie of creative possibilities using fiber. Jennifer Smith's nature prints and Bonnie Powell's assemblages share a vibrant flair, Marie-Lise Best's felted purses emphasize the utility of fiber, and Carol Shenk creates treasured fibrous compositions that attest to the connectedness people experience from the textiles that surround them in life.

Woven art by Abelina Pablo will be featured in the VAC's COVAS showcase — exquisite,

See 'FIBER FEST', page B3

# Seven Capes Bird Alliance offers January bird walks

Seven Capes Bird Alliance welcomes birders of all abilities to experience wintering waterfowl this month from Devils Lake to Yaquina Bay.

On Friday, Jan. 10, from 9 to 11 a.m., a bird walk will take place at Regatta Park and Devils Lake in Lincoln City.

Regatta Park, with its playground, picnic area, and lake access, is a favorite spot for local families. Less well known are the park's nature trails. This outing will start with a walk through the woods looking for songbirds, then check the lake for wintering waterfowl.

Those taking part will meet in the parking lot off Northeast 14th Street at Regatta Park in Lincoln City. This bird walk is sponsored by Lincoln City

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People can observe a variety of different birds during a walk at Lincoln City's Regatta Park on Friday, Jan. 10, and another on Newport's Yaquina Bay on Saturday, Jan. 11, held by the Seven Capes Bird Alliance. Pictured is a Northern Pintail. (Photo by Ruth Shelly)

# 'Timber & Tides' webinar series continues Jan. 8

Seven Capes Bird Alliance, alongside Mid-Willamette Bird Alliance, Coast Range Association, Sierra Club Oregon Chapter, and Wild Salmon Center, is excited to announce the second webinar in a series on the vital connections between coastal forests and marine ecosystems. This free, three-part series, "Timber & Tides," explores these interwoven environments and why their conservation is critical, now more than ever.

In the second webinar of the series, "Exploring the Salmon Habitat of Our Coastal Streams," Conrad Gowell will share his knowledge of Pacific Northwest coastal stream habitats. It will take place from 6 to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 8. Although the webinar is free, pre-registration is required. Register at www.sevencapes.org/timberandtides

Gowell will discuss how current and historic baselines of coastal stream environments have shifted, relaying stories that showcase the interconnectedness of aquatic ecosystems. His presentation will center on ideas that can contribute to the recovery of stream health, focusing on the active role humans can play in better managing aquatic resources.

Growing up in the diverse watersheds of Oregon, Gowell quickly developed a fascination for the aquatic world that has inspired him to act on behalf of wild fish and rivers throughout his life. His interests in ecology, evolution, and the environment led him to complete a degree in biology from the University of Puget Sound in 2012. Since then, he has worked with nonprofit organizations, academic institutions, sovereign nations, and fishery consultants aiming to advance science-based management of fish and restoration of watersheds throughout the Pacific Northwest.

As a biologist for the Wild Fish Conservancy, Gowell brings a policy and research background plus experience with habitat restoration and protection. He also brings a vision for better relationships between the different communities and cultures that depend on fish and rivers.

Gowell lives with his wife in McMinnville, and when not at work, he can be found foraging for wild foods or wandering in a Coast Range wild stream.

The final presentation in the Timber & Tides series, "Managing Our Forests for Bird Conservation," will be shared by Dr. Matthew Betts on Feb. 5, from 6 to 7:30 p.m. All webinars will be recorded and made available on Seven Capes Bird Alliance's website at www.sevencapes.org/timberandtides.

# The poetry of William Stafford | Toledo Library receives

Oregon poet William Stafford will be remembered during an event from 2 to 4 p.m. this Saturday, Jan. 4, at the Newport Public Library, located at 35 NW Nye St.

The Friends of William Stafford are honoring the 111th birthday of Oregon's former poet laureate, who died in 1993. Stafford was a poet, writer, teacher, a lifelong pacifist and a

World War II conscientious objector. His legacy lives on with his writings and birthday month celebrations around the globe.

Stafford explored the questions of how people can relate to the world and how they can best find their place in it. Most of his poems are brief and plain spoken. His poems are said to be accessible, often written in a

conversational manner. Stafford expressed this well when he said, "You don't need a lot of words when you know what you are talking about."

To honor Stafford's legacy, the public is invited to share a personal favorite Stafford poem or memory, or a poem of their own, and to learn more about this extraordinary Oregonian.



A group called Bad Reputation performs a variety of music at the Newport Performing Arts Center on Saturday, Jan. 11, beginning at 7:30 p.m. (Courtesy photo)

# Bad Reputation performs Jan. 11 at the PAC

The Oregon Coast Council for the Arts is pleased to welcome Bad Reputation to the Newport Performing Arts Center for a live concert event on Saturday, Jan. 11, at 7:30

Described as "a musical journey," Bad Reputation has earned an ironically good reputation for its pleasing and polished mix of rock, country-rock, rockabilly, dance, and pop music. With covers of hits from Adele, Kelly Clarkson, Carrie Underwood, Pat Benatar, Elle King, Taylor Swift, Gnarles Barkley, Mylie Cyrus, Pink, Gretchen

Wilson, Eddie Money, Blondie, AC/DC, Joan Jett, Bryan Adams, Led Zeppelin, and more, it's almost like having three bands in one — there's something for everyone.

While the five members of Bad Reputation have decades of experience - each having played in a variety of bands throughout their musical lives — it was the summer of 2023 when they began playing together, and they've been delighting crowds ever since. Singer Samantha Pace shows her vocal prowess from the very first song of the show, while the

energy of dueling guitarists Chris Ferrell and Louis Fanourakis truly fires up the crowd — with the assistance of an elite rhythm section helmed by Peter Dominowski on bass and Deby Fanourakis on drums.

Tickets for this onenight-only event are \$25 each when purchased in person at the Newport Performing Arts Center box office (777 W Olive St.) or by phone (541-265-2787). Online ticketing is also available (additional fee applies). To learn more or to reserve a seat, visit coastarts.org/ events/bad-reputation

# grant to boost digital literacy

The Toledo Public Library is among more than 100 public libraries nationwide awarded funding by the Public Library Association (PLA) to increase digital literacy using Digitallearn.org resources, powered by a generous \$2.7 million contribution from AT&T.

The PLA Digital Literacy Workshop Incentive and the new PLA Digital Navigator Workshop Incentive support public libraries in their work of improving basic digital skills among families and communities. The workshops will utilize DigitalLearn training materials, created in collaboration with AT&T, that are freely available to anyone through DigitalLearn.org and AT&T ScreenReady.

The Toledo Library's efforts will focus on reaching members of the community who want to learn how to navigate the digital world more effectively and safely.

"We are focusing on our

senior citizens, parents and their children, and the disability community," said Cindy Belleque, assistant director of the library. "We want people to have an 'I can do it' attitude toward computers and tech, instead of feeling lost in all the apps, programs and websites. We also want our parents to feel confident that their child is safe and knowledgeable online, so we will be offering three classes for parents and kids to attend together."

The library will use the funds to boost digital access for patrons from all walks of life, bring in trained facilitators, and offer incentives for participants.

PLA President Michael Lambert said, "PLA is proud to support public libraries in being at the forefront of boosting digital literacy skills and bridging the digital divide in their communities. With another year of PLA's sustained collaboration with AT&T, more learners

across the nation than ever before will get connected to vital digital literacy skills and technology resources at the library."

PLA's free training site, Digitallearn.org, helps community members build skills and confidence using technology. Toledo Public Library will help patrons utilize these resources in upcoming workshops that will be conducted starting in February and that will include workshops in Cybersecurity, Email and Internet Basics, Mobile Device Basics and more to meet the needs of diverse patrons.

Patrons are encouraged to stop in at the library and learn what it is all about. The Toledo Public library is located at 173 NW Seventh St. For more information, call 541-336-3132.

The Toledo Public Library strives to offer family programs, education and a safe, friendly environment for all ages and all people.

# **BIRD WALKS**

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Parks and Recreation.

On Saturday, Jan. 11, from 9 to 11 a.m., a bird walk will be held at the OSU Hatfield Marine Science Center Nature Trail and at the Yaquina Bay South Jetty

Yaquina Bay regularly hosts thousands of wintering waterfowl. After walking the trail, the group will drive to the south jetty as time permits. People should see Harlequin and other

diving ducks, loons, and other wintering birds. This trip offers short easy walks to viewing areas. Meet in the Hatfield Marine Science Center visitor center parking lot.

All Seven Capes Bird Alliance (SCBA) outings are free, family friendly, easy to moderately easy, and open to the public; no pre-registration or experience is required. Binoculars and guidebooks are provided. Outings are held rain or shine; dress appropriately for coastal weather and muddy trails. Be sure to

carry water. Look for the SCBA sign at the meeting site. For details and any cancellations, check the website (sevencapes. org) or Facebook (@ sevencapesbirds).

Seven Capes Bird Alliance was founded as the Audubon Society of Lincoln City in 2005. A nonprofit membership organization and chapter of the National Audubon Society, SCBA is active in education and advocacy for protection of birds, other wildlife, and their habitats in Lincoln and Tillamook counties.





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# Local whale researcher releases children's book

Young readers are encouraged to dive into a new whale adventure with an engaging children's book: "Koda and the Whales; a True Story."

Marine biologist, professor and whale researcher Carrie Newell, of Depoe Bay, recently released this educational story inspired by her whale-watching dogs and the majestic gray whales of the Oregon coast.

Written from the perspective of Koda, Newell's remarkable whale-finding dog, the story takes readers on an unforgettable journey. Koda, alongside her daughter Kilo, plays a crucial role in Newell's real-life whale-watching tours, sniffing out whale spouts in the wind and alerting passengers to their presence. In the book, Koda narrates the story and invites young readers to experience the excitement and wonder of discovering gray whales while learning about their

behaviors, habitat, and the unique summer resident population in Depoe Bay.

"Koda and the Whales; a True Story" is now available for online pre-order at oregonwhales.com, at Whale Bites Cafe, and during Whale Watching Season at the Whale, Sealife and Shark Museum in Depoe Bay. From April through October, readers can meet Carrie, Koda and Kilo the real-life inspirations behind the book - on a whale watching tour.

#### 'FIBER FEST' From Page B1

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beautiful, with vibrant color combinations that spark joy. She began weaving traditional Mayan textiles at a very young age, with skills passed down from both mother and grandmother, using Sedalina and colorful lana wool to create beautiful, unique pieces.

And at Olive Street Gallery, located inside the PAC, "Imagine It, Stitch It" will feature contemporary quilted fabrications by Janet Webster, Gloria Zirges, Susan Cronenwett, Linda MacKown, and Tina McCann. Curated by Janet Webster, this unique exhibit includes an array of quilted pieces, each vastly different in style, giving a contemporary twist to the traditional art form of quilting. Bold in both color and composition, some highlight a strong block line, while others blur and blend it completely.

An opening reception for all four exhibits will take place in both locations (VAC and PAC) on Saturday, Jan. 11, from 1 to 4 p.m. The reception, which is free to the public, will include artist introductions, light refreshments, and music by The Spruce Tips (at the VAC).

Beyond the exhibitions, Fiber Fest will also include opportunities for learning in the form of classes and demonstrations. These include visible mending classes led by Emy Daniels on Feb. 1 and 27, a fiber art design



This purse will be part of an exhibit called "Fiber Flair" showing in the Upstairs Gallery at the **Newport Visual Arts Center. (Courtesy photo)** 

and scaling-up class led by Vince Zettler on Feb. 15, an alterations class led by Marie-Lise Best on Feb. 18, and demonstrations by Abelina Pablo, Bonnie Powell, and Susan Jones on Jan. 18, 22, and Feb. 22 (respectively).

For more information on any of these exhibits or learning opportunities, go online at www.coastarts. org/fiber-fest

Exhibits at the VAC

are free to the public and can be viewed most Wednesdays through Sundays, from noon to 4 p.m., at 777 NW Beach Drive in Newport. Exhibits at Olive Street Gallery (at 777 W Olive St.) can be viewed during normal business hours and/or starting one hour before ticketed events. Note, the galleries will be closed Jan. 8-10 for exhibit installation.

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# **CHORUS**

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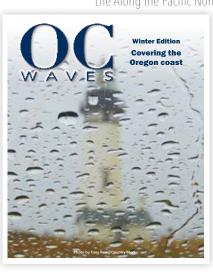
Beginning Tuesday, Jan. 21, CV will rehearse every Tuesday evening from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 227 NE 12th St., Newport. Caldwell has chosen "American Adventure: Best Foot Forward" as the theme for the May 2025 series of four concerts.

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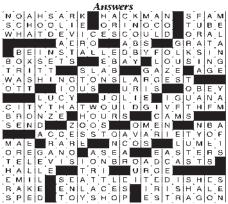
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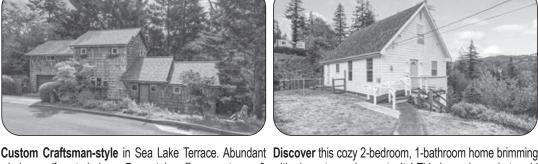


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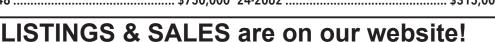
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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC
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The City of Newport
Planning Commission

Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 13, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall to review File No. 1-AX-24 / 4-Z-24, a request for anneyation. request for annexation, and zone designation submitted by South Beach Church (Tim Gross, Civil West Engineering, representa The Commission representative The Commission will make a recommendation to the City Council on this request, which will then hold a public hearing at a later date. Notice of that hearing will also be provided. The request is to (1) annex approximately 2.32 acres of real property (consisting of property currently identified as Tax Lot 300 of Assessor's Tax Map 11-11-20-AB) into the Newport city limits; Lot 300 of Assessor's Tax Map 11-11-20-AB) into the Newport city limits; (2) amend the City of Newport Zoning Map to an I-17 Light Industrial" zoning designation for the property consistent with the existing Newport Comprehensive Plan designation of Industrial; and (3) withdraw said territory from the Newterritory from the New-port Rural Fire Protection District, the Seal Rock

# **PUBLIC NOTICES** Water District, and the Lincoln County Library District. The applicable criteria for annexations

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criteria for annexations (as per Newport Municipal Code (NMC) Section 14.37.040) are that the required consents have been filed with the city; the territory to be annexed is within the acknowledged urban growth boundary (UGB); and the territory to be annexed is contiguous to the existing city limits.

the existing city limits. The criteria for Zone Map

The criteria for Zone Map Amendments (as per NMC Section 14.36.010) are that the proposed zoning is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan Map, furthers a public necessity, and promotes the general welfare. OAR 660-012-0060, the proposed zoning map change will not significantly affect existing or planned transportation facilities. Testimony and evidence must be directed toward the criteria described above or other criteria in the Newport

criteria in the Newport Comprehensive Plan and

its implementing ordi-nances that a person believes applies to the decision. Failure to raise an issue with sufficient

decision. Failure to raise an issue with sufficient specificity to afford the city and the parties an opportunity to respond to that issue precludes an appeal (including to the Land Use Board of Appeals) based on that issue. Testimony may be submitted in written or oral form. Oral and written testimony will be taken during the course of the public hearing. Letters to the Community Development (Planning) Department, City Hall, 169 SW Coast Hwy, Newport, OR 97365, must be received by 3:00 p.m. the day of the hearing or must be submitted to the Planning Commission in person during the hearing. The hearing will include a report by staff, testimony (both oral and written) from the applicant, those in favor or opposed to the application, and questions and deliberation by the Planning Commission. Pursuant to ORS 197.797 (6), any person prior to the conclusion of the initial public hearing may

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request a continuance of the public hearing or that the record be left open for at least seven days to present addition al evidence, arguments, or testimony regarding the application. The staff report may be reviewed or purchased for reasonable cost at the Newport Community Development (Planning) Department (address above) seven days prior to the hearing. The application mater als, applicable criteria, and other file materials ard other life materials are available for inspection at no cost or copies may be purchased for reasonable cost at this address. Contact Derrick Tokos, Com-Derrick lokos, Com-munity Development Director, (541) 574-0626; d.tokos@newportoregon. gov (address above). J1

# LCL25-0002 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE

OF SALE OF SALE
The obligations secured
by the trust deed
described in this notice
are in default and the
beneficiary has elected to
foreclose the trust deed
pursuant to ORS 86.705
through ORS 86.815. No trirough ORS 86.815. No action is currently pending to recover any part of the debt secured by the trust deed. The following information is given, pursuant to ORS 86.752 and ORS 86.771: 1. PARTIES: The parties to the and OHS 86.77: 1. PAH-TIES: The parties to the trust deed described in this notice are: Grantor: DUCK TAILS LLC; Trust-ee: FIRST AMERICAN TITLE COMPANY; Ben-eficiary: UNITED FUND-ING INVESTMENTS LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. 2. PROPERTY: The address PROPERTY: The address of the property covered by the trust deed is 18271 Harlan Road, Eddyville, Oregon, more particularly described as follows: The South half of the Southeast quarter of Section 1, Township 12 South, Range 9 West, Willamette Meridian, in the County of Lincoln and State of Oregon. Excepting therefrom any portion thereof lying within the right of way of Harlan Road. 3. DATE AND RECORDING REFERENCE OF THE TRUST

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, as Document 2023-02068. 4.

DEED SUBJECT OF THIS NOTICE: Dated April 3, 2023, recorded April

DEFAULTS: The defaults

for which foreclosure is made is grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: Entire balance due and pay-able April 15, 2024. 5. BALANCE OWING: The sums owing on the obligations secured by the trust deed are: The the trust deed are: The entire unpaid principal balance of One Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand and no/100 Dollars (\$1,250,000.00), together with interest thereon at the rate of twelve percent (12%) per annum from November 15, 2023 until paid; together with beneficiary's legal fees and costs incurred in enforcement of the in enforcement of the obligation. 6. ELECTION TO SELL: The beneficiary and the trustee, by reason of the defaults set out above have elected out above nave elected to sell the property to satisfy the obligations secured by the trust deed. A Notice of Default has been recorded pursuant to ORS 86.752(3) and the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligations secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable. 7. SALE: The property will be sold in the manner prescribed by law on Wednesday, March 5, 2025, at 2:00 P.M. in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 187.110, outside the front has declared all sums outside the front entrance of the Lincoln County Courthouse, 225 W. Olive Street, Newport, Lincoln County, Oregon. 8. RIGHT TO CURE DEFAULT UNDER DES 273°. Apr. parents ORS 86.778: Any person named in ORS 86.778 ORS 86.778: Any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right, at any time prior to five days before the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than the portion of the principal that would not be due had no default occurred) together with costs

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and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligations, including obligations, including trustee's and attorney's fees (not exceeding the amounts provided by ORS 86.778) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the note and trust deed. 9. Without limiting the trustee's disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methami

sold at a trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee's sale. THIS COMMUNICATION IS FROM A DEBT COLLECTOR AND IS AN ATTEMPT TO COLLECT A DEBT TO COLLECT A DEBT TO COLLECT A DEBT TO COLLECT A DEBT COLLECT AND ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. DATED: September 12, 2024 Willard L. Ransom, Trustee; OSB No. 031372, Sorenson, Ransom & Ferguson, LLP, 133 NW D Street, Grants Pass, OR 97526 wransom@roguevalley-law.com J1 J8 J15 J22 LCL25-0004 IN THE

# LCL25-0004 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE

OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN Probate Department In the Matter of the Estate of WARREN ALLAN GARDNER, Deceased. Case No.: 24PB06897 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Donna Milbourn has been appointed personal representative. All persons having claims against the estate are reguired to present them, required to present them. required to present them, with vouchers attached, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. Claims should be presented to the attorney for

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tive at: John Andon, 5 Centerpointe Drive, Suite 400, Lake Oswego, OR 97035. All persons whose rights may be affected rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the personal representative, or the attorney for the personal representative. Dated and first published on al representative. Dated and first published on January 1, 2025. /s/ John Andon, John Andon, OSB #050363, Attorney for Personal Representative. Personal Representative. tive. Personal Representative: Donna Milbourn, 4119 W. 40th Ave., Spokane, WA 99224, Phone: 509-624-4851. Attorney for Personal Representative: John Andon, OSB #050363, 5 Centerpointe Dr., Ste. 400, Lake Oswego, OR 97035, Phone: 971-888-4602.

# LCL25-0003 NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY FOR THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL

ASSESSMENT
FOR THE SPECIAL PURPOSE CRAFT HEAVY
WEATHER (SPC-HWX)
II ACQUISITION PROGRAM SUMMARY: The GRAM SUMMARY: The Coast Guard announces the availability of a Draft Environmental Assessment (EA) / Overseas Environmental Assessment (OEA) prepared for its proposal to acquire up to six, second generation SPC-HWX II, four in operation and training status, and two as Maintenance Relief Hulls. Each SPC-HWX II would have a service design life of 25 years. The Proposed Action would include vessel operations include vessel operations as well as training exercises to meet the Coast Guard's mission responsibilities in the proposed action area. The Proposed Action does not include emergen-Proposed Action does not include emergency response but would include training for SAR. Any USCG response during a SAR mission is considered an emergency and is not a part of the Proposed Action Like LCL24-3235 IN THE Proposed Action. Like the original SPC-HWX, the SPC-HWX II would service Coast Guard District 13 and the Pacific Northwest (PNW) from the following department.

the following deepwater ports: Station Grays Har-bor, Washington; Station Cape Disappointment, Cape Disappointine, Washington; Station Yaquina Bay, Oregon; and Station Coss Bay, Cape Disappointment, Washington; Station Yaquina Bay, Oregon; and Station Coos Bay, Oregon. DATES: Agencies and the public are encouraged to provide written comments on the Draft EA/OEA. The 30-day public comment period for the Draft EA/OEA ends on 30 January 2025. Comments must be submitted on or before this date to be considered. ADDRESS-ES: The Draft EA is available for review between 20 December 2024 and 30 January 2025 at the following public libraries: Ilwaco Timberland Library, 158 First Ave N, Ilwaco, WA 98624, (360)642-3908 Westport Timberland Library, 101 E Harms Dr, Westport, WA 98595, (360)268-0521 Newport Public Library, 35 NW Nes St

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PERSUENT TO ORS

**CHAPTER 819** Notice is hereby given that the following vehi-cle will be Sold, for cash cle will be Sold, for cash to the highest bidder, on 1/7/2025 The sale will be held at 10:00am by Power Motors 1422 N Coast Hwy, Newport, OR 2017 Chev Trax VIN = 3GNCJPSBXHL267637 Amount due on lien Amount due on lien \$2749.25 Reputed own-er(s) DINGMAN, TRAVIS ROYSL CREDIT UNION LCL24-3239 SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION
TO: EVAN WEEKLEY A
PETITION FOR GUARD
IANSHIP OF C.R.W

HAS BEEN FILED HAS BEEN FILED BY PETITIONERS, SONNY PARKER AND NADINE PARKER: IN THE DIS-TRICT COURT IN AND FOR BONNER COUNTY, IDAHO CASE NO. CV09-24-1354. A hearing has been scheduled on this matter at 11 a.m. Pacific Standard Time on January 27, 2025, the court may enter a judgment against you without further notice, unless prior to that time you have filed a written response in the proper form, includ-IDAHO CASE NO. CV09 the proper form, including the case number, ing the case number, and paid any required filing fee to the Clerk of the Court at 215 South First Avenue, Sandpoint, Idaho 83864, 208-265-Idaho 83864, 208-265-1432 and served a copy of your response on the Attorney for Petition-ers, Katherine Elsaesser of Elsaesser Anderson, Chtd., PO Box 369, 519 High Street, Priest River, ID 83856 208-448-2990. A copy of the Summons and Petition can be obtained by contacting obtained by contacting either the Clerk of the Court or the other party. Court or the other party. If you wish legal assistance, you should immediately retain an attorney to advise you in this matter. Date: 12/18/2024 1:45:48 PM, Bonner County District Court, By/s/Heather Ross, Deputy Clerk. D25 J1 J8

# CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR LINCOLN COUNTY

LINCOLN COUNTY
Juvenile Department In
the Matter of JD INGLE,
A Child. Case No.
24JU04549 PUBLISHED
SUMMONS TO: Melissa
Leanne Ingle, 1740 NW
Lincoln Way, Toledo, OR
97391 IN THE NAME OF
THE STATE OF OREGON: A petition has been
filed asking the court to
terminate your parental rights to the abovenamed child under ORS
419B.500, 419B.502,
419B.504, 419B.506
and/or 419B.508 for the
purpose of placing the and/or 419B.508 for the purpose of placing the child for adoption. YOU ARE REQUIRED TO PERSONALLY APPEAR before the Lincoln County Circuit Court, 225 W. Olive Street, Newport, OR 97365 on January 28, 2025 at 8:30 a.m. for a hearing on the allegations of the petition and to personpetition and to personally appear at any sub-sequent court-ordered hearing. YOU MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY in the courtroom on the date and at the time listdate and at the time listed above. An ATTORNEY MAY NOT ATTEND
THE HEARING IN YOUR
PLACE. THEREFORE,
YOU MUST APPEAR
EVEN IF YOUR ATTORNEY ALSO APPEARS. NEY ALSO APPEARS. This summons is published pursuant to the order of the circuit court judge of the above-entitled court, dated December 2, 2024. The order directs that this summons be published once each week for three consecutive weeks, making three publications in all, in a published newspain a published newspa-per of general circulation in Lincoln County. Date of first publication: Decem-ber 25, 2024 Date of

last publication: January 8, 2025 NOTICE READ

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T ANY SUBSEQUENT OURT-ORDERED HEARING, the court may proceed in your absence without further notice and TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS PARENTAL RIGHTS RIGHTS AND OBLIGA-TIONS (1) YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO BE REPRE-SENTED BY AN ATTOR-NEY IN THIS MATTER if you are currently represented by an attorney, CONTACT YOUR ATTORNEY IMMEDIATE.

LY UPON RECEIVING
THIS NOTICE. Your previous attorney may not be representing you in this matter. IF YOU WISH TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY, please retain one as soon as possible to represent as possible to represent you in this proceeding. If you need help finding an attorney, you may call the Oregon State Bar's Lawyer Referral Service at (503) 684-3763 or toll free in Oregon at (800) 452-7636. IF YOU CAN-NOT AFFORD TO HIRE AN ATTORNEY and you meet the state's financia guidelines, you are enti-tled to have an attorney appointed for you at stat expense. TO REQUES expense. TO REQUEST APPOINTMENT OF AN ATTORNEY TO REPRESENT YOU AT STATE EXPENSE, YOU MUST IMMEDIATELY CONTACT the Lincoln County Circuit Court at 225 W. Olive Street, Newport, OF treet, Newport, OF 7365, phone number 541) 265-4236, between the hours of 8:00 a.m the nours of 8:00 a.m and 5:00 p.m. for further information. IF YOU ARE REPRESENTED BY AN ATTORNEY, IT IS YOUF RESPONSIBILITY TO MESPONSIBILITY TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH YOUR ATTORNEY AND TO KEEP YOUR ATTORNEY AND TO KEEP YOUR WHEREABOUTS. (2) If you contest the petition. (2) If you contest the petition, the court will petition, the court will schedule a hearing on the allegations of the petition and order you to appear personally and may schedule other hearings related to the petition and order you to appear personally. If YOU ARE ORDERED TO APPEAR, YOU MUST APPEAR PERSONALLY IN THE COURTROOM IN THE UNLESS AN EXCEPTION IN ADVANCE under ORS 419B.918 to appear by other means including but not limited to, tele phonic or other electronic means. An attor tronic means nearing(s) in your place PETITIONER'S ATTOR Senior Assistant Attor Senior Assistant Attoiney General, Departmer of Justice, 1162 Counstreet NE, Salem, Ol 97301, Phone: (503) 9344400. ISSUED this 12td day of December Issued by: /s/ Michelle Branam, Michelle Branam, #032737, Senio

CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF LINCOLN Probate Department In the Matter of David Scot Kay, Deceased. No 24PB10852 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS Notice is hereby given pursuant to ORS 113.155 that the undersigned has

Assistant Attorney General. D25 J1 J8

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been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the estate. All persons having claims against the estate. craims against the estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the personal representative at: Bruce Kay, 124 SE Yaquina Kay, 124 SE Yaquina View Drive, Newport, OR 97365 or they may be barred. All persons whose right may be affected by the proceed-ings in this estate may obtain additional infor-

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to: Paul Andron, Lead
Systems Engineer, Boat
Acquisition Program
(CG-9325), Coast Guard
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, 2703 Martin Luther
King Ave, SE, Washington, DC 20593-7800, Or
Paul.T.Andron@uscg.mil

LCL24-3240

# Looking for the right fit? SALES EPRESENTATIVE

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sell digital and print advertising to businesses. You'll grow an established client list and attract new advertisers for the Lincoln County Leader and its associated publications, digital products, and events. **Responsibilities:** • Sell digital advertising solutions, social media products, newspaper ads, magazine ads, and event sponsorships.

• Receive regular training to stay updated on current advertising solutions.

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- Bring your high achievement and goal orientation to contribute to the success of the region's most trusted news media company.

Please send a letter of interest to: Frank Perea, fperea@countrymedia.net

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of the court, the person-al representative or the al representative of matterney for the personal representative. Date first published: December 25, 2024. /s/ Bruce Kay, Personal Representative. D25 J1 J8

# LCL24-3238 PUBLIC

You are invited to attend Lincoln Soil and Water Conservation Districts Annual Meeting: WHEN: January 9, 2024 (Thursday), 5:30PM - 6:30PM PRESENTATION: 2023/2024 Annual Pagest 2023/2024 Annual Report WHERE: OSU Extension Service (1211 SE Bay Blvd. Newport, OR) and teleconference. Please contact Tyler Clouse (info@lincolnswcd.org) or call the office 541-265-2631 for registration assistance and to RSVP. D25 J1

LCL24-3113 TRUSTEE'S NOTICE OF SALE OF SALE
T.S. Number: 202400018-OR Reference is made to that certain trust deed made by SAMUEL HAWKINS AND JACK-LYN HAWKINS, HUS-BAND AND WIFE as grantor, to Fidelity National Title Insurance Company. a California Company, a California corporation c/o Fidelity National Title Company National Title Collipain of Oregon as trustee, in favor of Strong Home Mortgage, LLC., AS LENDER MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. MEDS in constant TRATION SYS1EMS, INC., MERS is a separate corporation that is acting solely as a nominee for Lender and Lenders successors and assigns, as cessors and assigns, as beneficiary, dated 06/30/2021 recorded on 06/30/2021, in the Records of Lincoln County, Oregon, in book --- at page --- and/or as fee/ille/instrument/microfilm/reception No. 2021-08437, covering the following described real property situated in the above-mentioned county and state: APN: R378265 08-11-21-AD-14000-00 and state: APN: R378265
08-11-21-AD-14000-0
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Lots 5, 6 and 7, Blooc 10
County, Oregon. Commonly Known As: 60
SEAGROVE PLACE, LINCOLN CITY, OR 97367.
Both the beneficiary PHH
Mortgage Corporation
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PTS Foreclosure Services have elected to self vices have elected to sell the said real property to satisfy the obligations secured by said trust deed and a Notice of Default has been recordbelait has been recorded to ORS 86.752(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is the grantor's failure to pay when due the following sums: TOTAL TOHOWING SUMS: TOTAL
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you may be advised of the exact amount you will be required to pay. By reason of the default, the beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by said trust deed immedisaid trust deed infined-ately due and payable, said default being the fol-lowing: Installment of Principal and Interest plus impounds and/or advances which became due on 10/01/2022 plus ate charges, and all sub-sequent installments of principal, interest, bal-loon payments, plus impounds and/or advances and late and/or advances and late charges that become payable. Therefore, notice hereby is given that Premium Title Agency, Inc. DBA PTS Foreclosure Services the undersigned trustee will closure Services the undersigned trustee will on 2/4/2025 at the hour of 10:00 AM, Standard of Time, At the South Entrance to the Lincoln County Courthouse, 225 West Olive Street, Newport, OR 97365 as established by ORS187.110, in the County of Lincoln, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the said described real property which the grantor had or described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by grantor of the said trust deed, together with any interest which the grantor or his successors in interest acquired after the execution of said trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.778 has the right at any time prior to right, at any time prior to five (5) days before the date last set for sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the trust deed reinstated by payment to the bene-ficiary of the entire amount then due (other amount their due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the perfor-mance required under the obligation or trust deed, and in addition to paying the sums or ten-dering the performance necessary to cure the default, by paying all costs and expenses

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the Trustee's Deed Upon Sale has been issued by the Trustee. If any irregularities are discovered within 10 days of the date of this sale, the Trustee will rescind the sale, return the buyer's money return the buyer's money and take further action as necessary. If the sale is set aside for any reason, including if the Trustee is unable to convey title, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the monies paid to the Trustee. This shall be the Purchaser's sole and exclusive remedy. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse no further recourse against the Trustor, the Trustee, the Beneficiary, the Beneficiary's Agent, or the Beneficiary's Attorney. If you have previous-ly been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holder's rights against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative redit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit reporting agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligation. your credit obligation. Without limiting the Trust-ee's disclaimer of representation or warranties, Oregon law requires the Trustee to state in this notice that some residen-Irustee to state in this notice that some residential properties sold at a Trustee's sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential properties should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the Trustee's sale. NOTICE TO TENANTS: TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY HAVE CERTAIN PROTECTIONS AFFORDED TO THEM UNDER ORS 86.782 AND POSSIBLY UNDER FEDERAL LAW. ATTACHED TO THS NOTICE OF SALE, AND INCORPORATED HEREIN, IS A NOTICE TO TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT THE SUBJECT TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT TENANTS OF THE SUBJECT IN, IS A NOTICE TO TEN-ANTS OF THE SUBJECT REAL PROPERTY AND WHICH SETS FORTH CERTAIN REQUIRE-MENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH BY MENTS THAT MUST BE COMPLIED WITH BY ANY TENANT IN ORDER TO OBTAIN THE AFFORDED PROTECTION, AS REQUIRED UNDER ORS 86.771. Premium Title Agency, Inc. DBA PTS Foreclosure Services Premium Title Agency, Inc. DBA PTS Foreclosure Services, 7730 Market Center Ave Suite 100 El Paso. ter Ave Suite 100 El Paso, TX 79912 Trustee Phone number: (866) 960-8299. NOTICE TO RESIDEN-TIAL TENANTS The IIAL TENANTS The property in which you are living is in foreclosure. A foreclosure sale is scheduled for 02/04/2025. The date of this sale may be postponed. Unless the lender that is foreclosing on this property is poid on this property is paid before the sale date, the foreclosure will go through and someone new will own this property. After the sale, the new

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your landlord as provided in ORS 90.367. To do this, you must notify your landlord in writing that you want to subtract the amount of your security deposit or prepaid rent from your rent payment. You may do this only for the rent you owe your current landlord. If you do this, you must do so before the foreclosure sale. The business or individual who buys this property at the foreclosure sale is not responsible to you for any deposit or prepaid rent you paid to your landlord. ABOUT YOUR TENANCY AFTER vide you with contact information and notice are a bona fide tenant occupying and renting this property as a residential dwelling under legitimate rental agreement. The information ment. The information does not apply to you in you own this property of if you are not a bona fide residential tenant. If the foreclosure sale goes through, the new owner will have the right to require you to move out. require you to move out. Before the new owner can require you to move, the new owner must provide you with written notice that specifies the date by which you must THE FORECLOSURE SALE The new owner that buys this property at the foreclosure sale may date by which you must move out. If you do not leave before the move-out date, the new owner can have the sheriff remove you from the property after a court hearing. You will receive notice of the court hearing. PROTECTION FROM EVICTION IF YOU ARE A BONA FIDE TENANT OCCUPYING AND RENTING THIS PROPbe willing to allow you to stay as a tenant instead of requiring you to move out after 30 or 60 days. After the sale, you should receive a written notice informing you that sale took place and giving you the new owner's name the new owner's name and contact information. You should contact the new owner if you would like to stay. If the new owner accepts rent from BONA FIDE IENANI OCCUPYING AND RENTING THIS PROPERTY AS A RESIDENTIAL DWELLING, YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO CONTINUE LIVING IN THE PROPERTY AFTER THE FORECLOSURE SALE FOR: • 60 DAYS FROM THE DATE YOU ARE GIVEN A WRITTEN TERMINATION NOTICE, IF YOU HAVE A FIXED TERM LEASE: OR • AT LEAST 30 DAYS FROM THE DATE YOU ARE GIVEN A WRITTEN TERMINATION NOTICE, IF YOU HAVE A MONTHO-MONTH OR WEEKTO-WEEK RENTAL AGREEMENT. If the new you, signs a new residential rental agreement with you or does not notify you in writing within 30 days after the date of the foréclosure sale that you must move out, the new owner becomes your new landlord and must maintain the property.
Otherwise: • You do not owe rent; • The new owe rent; • The new owner is not your land-lord and is not responsible for maintaining the property on your behalf; and • You must move out by the date the new owner specifies in a notice to you. The new owner may offer to pay your moving expenses TO-MONTH OR WEEK-TO-WEEK RENTAL AGREEMENT. If the new owner wants to move in and use this property as a primary residence, the new owner can give you written notice and require you to move out after 30 days, even though you have fixed term lease with more than 30 days left. You must be providyour may other to pay your moving expenses and any other costs or amounts you and the new owner agree on in exchange for your agreement to leave the premises in less than 30 or 60 days. You should speak left. You must be provided with at least 30 days written notice after the foreclosure sale before you can be required to days. You should speak to a lawyer to fully understand your rights before making any decisions regarding your tenancy. IT IS UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO TRY TO FORCE YOU TO move. A bona fide tenant move. A bona fide tenant is a residential tenant who is not the borrower (property owner) or a child, spouse or parent of the borrower, and whose ANY PERSON TO TRY TO FORCE YOU TO LEAVE YOUR DWELL-ING UNIT WITHOUT FIRST GIVING YOU WRITTEN NOTICE AND GOING TO COURT TO EVICT YOU. FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR RIGHTS, YOU SHOULD CONSULT A LAWYER. If you believe you need legal assistance, contact the Oregon State Bar and ask for the lawyer referral service. Contact information for the Oregon State Bar is included with this notice. If you do not have enough money to pay a lawyer and are otherwise eligible, you may be able to receive legal assistance for free. Information about whom to contact for free legal assistance for free le rental agreement: • Is the result of an arm's-length transaction; • Requires the payment of rent that is not substantially less than fair market rent for the property, unless the rent is reduced or subsidized due to a federal, state or local subsidy; and • Was entered into prior to the date of the HETWEEN NOW AND THE FORECLOSURE SALE: RENT - YOU SHOULD CONTINUE TO PAY RENT TO YOUR LANDLORD UNTIL THE PROPERTY IS SOLD OR tion about whom to contact for free legal assistance is included with this notice. Oregon State Bar: (503) 684-3763; (800) 452-7636, Legal YOU DO NOT PAY RENT, YOU CAN BE EVICTED. BE SURE TO KEEP PROOF OF ANY PAYMENTS YOU MAKE. SECURITY DEPOSIT You may apply your security deposit and any rent you paid in advance against the current rent you owe assistance: ht gonlawhelp.org/ http://ore-

LCL24-3222 NOTICE TO INTERESTED

PERSONS. Notice is hereby given pursuant to ORS 113.155

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that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the ESTATE OF JUAN-ITA L. BLACKWOOD, Lincoln County Circuit Court Case Number 24BP003290 All persons Court Case Number 24PB09789 All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice. lication of this notice, as stated below, to the personal representative at PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365 or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain additional information from the records obtain additional infor-mation from the records of the court, the person-al representative or the attorney for the personal representative. Date first published: December 18, 2024. Craig M. Worcester Personal Representatives of the Fetate of lumits rersonal Representatives of the Estate of Juanita L. Blackwood. Gari Lynn Lovejoy, Attorney at Law, Attorney for Personal Representatives, PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365. D18 D25 J1 LCL24-3223 NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS.

Notice is hereby given pursuant to ORS 113.155 that the undersigned has that the undersigned has been appointed and has qualified as the personal representative of the ESTATE OF EMIL GUSTAFSON, Lincoln County Circuit Court Case Number 24PB05226. All persons having claims against the estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, within four months after the date of first publication of this first publication of this notice, as stated below, to the personal representative at PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365 or Newport OR 97365 or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings in this estate may obtain addi-tional information from the records of the court the records of the court. the records of the court, the personal representative or the attorney for the personal representative. Date first published: December 18, 2024. CheyAnnah Jensen and Lillian Gustafson Co-Personal Personal Person Lillian Gustafson Co-Personal Representatives of the Estate of Emil Gustafson. Gari Lynn Lovejoy, Attorney at Law, Attorney for Personal Representatives, PO Box 1768, Newport OR 97365. D18 D25 J1

LCL24-3231 INVITATION TO BID NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids for the construction of the New Yachats Library will be received from interested Contractors by: Submittal Recipient: Neal Morphis, Clark Submittal Locations of the Clark Submittal Subm Recipient: Neal Morphis, Clerk Submittal Location: Yachats City Hall, PO Box 345 / 501 Hwy 101. Yachats Oregon Submittal Deadline: 1:30 pm prevailing local time, on Thursday, 9 January, 2025. Immediately thereafter, (1:40pm) the Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud by the undersigned or designated representative. Additionally, in compliance **Public Notices** 

with ORS 279C.370, OAR 125-249-0360, and with

requirements specified in Section 00-20-00, Bid-

ders shall submit List of 1st-tier Subcontractors at: Submittal Recipient & Location: Same as stip-ulated above Submittal Deadline: Within 2 hours following Bid Submittal Deadline (not later than 3:30 pm) As soon as con-veniently, possible there. 3.30 pm) As soon as conveniently possible there-after, the Subcontractors Lists will be reviewed and considered as stip-ulated in Section 00-20-00. PROJECT DESCRIP-00. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: In general, the Project comprises The Demolition of the existing approximate 2,048 sq.ft., single story, wood frame existing Library structure. All salvage to Owner has been removed. Any items deemed as salvage becomes property of the Contractor. Construction of the new single story building totaling approxof the flew single story building totaling approximately 3448 sq. ft. of floor area, and built of standard wood frame construction as illustrated on the Further information is included in Section 01-11-00 information is included in Section 01-11-00 Summary of Work The Project is located: 560 West 7th Street, Yachats, Oregon 97498. TYPE OF BID: One proposal for the entire Project, including General, Mechanical, and Electrical Work is required. BIDDING DOCUMENTS: Prime Bidders, Subbidders, Subbidders and Vendors may obtain Bid Documents, and any Addenda as specified in Instructions to Bidders Section 00-20-00 Draw-Section 00-20-00 Drawings and Specifications, including Bidding and Agreement Documents may be obtained or examined at the following location: Yachats City Hall, 501 Hwy 101, Yachats, Oregon, Attn: Neal Morphis - City Clerk Cityclerk@yachatsmail.org PREQUALIFICATION: Pregualification of Bidorg PREQUALIFICATION:
Prequalification of Bidders will not be required, unless the City determines that it is necessary to evaluate the Bid(s). Bidder will then, upon request, submit Forms (in accordance with ORS 279C-430 State Statutes). to be received by City not more than 5 days after the request. RESPONSI-BLE BIDDERS: As stipulated in ORS 279B.110, Responsible Bidders shall: Have adequate resources, Have satisfactory performance records, Have satisfactory integrity record, Be legally qualified to contract with Owner, Have promptly supplied requested responsibility information. NON-RES-Bidders information. NON-RES IDENT BIDDERS: Ir IDENI BIDDERS: In accordance with ORS 279A-120, preference to Oregon residents will be given when awarding this Contract by adding to a non-resident's bid the same percentage, if any, given to the Bidder by the Bidder's home State. Accordingly, Bidders will be required to indicate on the Bid Form whether on the Bidder is an Oregon resident. CONTRACTOR'S REGISTRATION: Bids will not be considered, unless the Bidder is registered with

Responsible shall: Have

tractors Board in accordance with the laws of the State of Oregon.
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT the State of Oregon.
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY: This
Project will be governed
by all required Equal Employment Opportuni-ty requirements. Bidders will not be discriminated will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, ancestry, national origin, religion, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, age, medical condition, or disability in consideration for an award of any contract entered into pursuant to this invitation ASBES. this invitation. ASBESTOS ABATEMENT Asbestos Abatement Work will not be required on this Project. Copy of the Environmental Remethe Environmental Remediation Report is provided in the Bidding / Construction Documents, see Section 01-11-15 WAGE RATES: No Bid will be received or considered unless the Bid contains activement assuring the a statement assuring the Bidder's compliance with ORS 279C-800 through ORS 279C-870, State Statutes, which relate to payment of prevail-ing rates of wage. BID SECURITY: Bidders shall submit with their Bid Pro-posal a Bid Bond, Cer-tified Check, irrevocable Line of Credit issued by Line of Credit issued an Insured Institution as defined by ORS 706.008, or Bank Cashier's Check equal to 10% of the Base Bid including Additive Alternates, if any; which bind Bidder to enter the a Contract and to into a Contract and to furnish Performance & Payment Bonds, as required, within 10 working days after notifica-tion to acceptance of Proposal. Checks, if any, shall be made payable to Owner. DRUG TEST-ING: In accordance with ORS 279C-505(2) and with requirements speci-ORS 279C-505(2) and with requirements specified in Section 00-50-10, the Contractor's Subcontractors will be required to certify that they have and will maintain a Drug Testing Program for their Employees. OWNER'S RIGHT TO NEGOTIATE: In event that all Bids exceed the Owner's cost exceed the Owner's cost exceed the Owner's cost estimate, and in accordance with ORS 279C-340, the Owner may negotiate with the lowest responsive responsible Bidder prior to awarding the Contract, in order to solicit value engineering and other options to attempt to bring the Contract within the Owner's cost estimate. OWNer's cost estimate. OWN-ER'S RIGHT TO HOLD ER'S RIGHT TO HOLD BIDS: Prior to awarding the Contract, the Owner reserves the right to hold the Bids for 45 days following the Bid opening date for the purpose of reviewing the Bids and investigating Subbidders' qualifications. OWNER'S The Owner reserves the right to waive any informality and to reject any or all Bids when it is in the Owner's best interest to do so. BY INVITATION OF: City of Yachats By: Neal Morphis - Clerk BY ORDER OF: City of Yachats City Manager HTTPS://WWW.YACHATSOREGON.ORG/BIDS. ASPX?BIDID=22 The Owner reserves the

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BETWEEN NOW THE FORFOLO

# WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1

costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and trust deed, together with trustee's and attorney fees not exceeding the amounts provided by

the amounts provided by ORS 86.778.In constru-

ORS 86.778.In construing this notice the masculine gender includes the feminine and the neuter, the singular includes the plural, the word "grantor" includes any successor in interest to this grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation, the performance of which is secured by the trust deed, and the words "trustee" and "beneficiary" include their respective successors in interest, if any. Pursuant to Oregon Law, this sale will not be deemed final until

15th annual Peace Hike

you pay may be greater.

It will be necessary for you to contact the Trustee before the time you tender reinstatement or the payoff amount so that

The 15th annual Peace Hike takes place in Yachats, with events beginning at 9:30 a.m. and running until 1 p.m. Gather at the Yachats Commons, 441 Hwy 101 N. People will be on hand to provide guidance, maps, and answer any questions.

# SILETZ BAY SPLASH

Dive into 2025 at the Siletz Bay Splash. 10 a.m. Meet at the Taft Dock next to Mo's Restaurant, 860 SW 51st St., Lincoln City. Hot refreshments and bonfire provided afterward.

# **SUNSET HIKE IN YACHATS**

Enjoy a First Day Hike and watch the sunset in Yachats. 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Free, 1.5-mile round trip guided hike. Meet in the parking lot at 429 Ocean View Drive.

# THURSDAY, JAN. 2

**DAVID ROGERS AT THE DRIFT INN** David Rogers performs a variety of music, including original compositions, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at The Drift Inn, located at 124

Highway 101 N in Yachats. For information, call 541-547-4477.

# FRIDAY, JAN. 3

#### TEEN FRIDAY AT NEWPORT REC CENTER

Celebrate the start of the year with a Glow Party during Teen Friday at the Newport Recreation Center. Enjoy music, glow-in-thedark games, and activities under the blacklights. Admission free for Recreation Center members, and also included with a \$3 Youth Friday Drop-In Pass.

#### IAN SMITH AT THE DRIFT INN

Ian Smith performs classics beginning at 6 p.m. at The Drift Inn, located at 124 Highway 101 N in Yachats. For information, call 541-547-4477.

# SATURDAY, JAN. 4

#### **DRIFT INN FEATURES SHY SHY AND GARY**

Shy Shy and Gary perform from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at The Drift Inn, located at 124 Highway 101 N in Yachats. For information, call 541-547-4477.

REMEMBERING POET WILLIAM STAFFORD The Friends of William Stafford are honoring the 111th birthday of Oregon's former poet laureate from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Newport Public Library, 35 NW Nye St. Share a favorite Stafford poem or memory or a

# SUNDAY, JAN. 5

poem of your own.

# MONTHLY COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Enjoy breakfast at the Panther Creek Senior and Community Center, 655 N Wayside Loop, Otis. 8 to 11 a.m., \$8 for adults, \$4 for children under 12. Info: pcsacc@centurylink.net

PANCAKE BREAKFAST & PUZZLE SALE The Gleneden Beach Community Club, 110 Azalea St., will hold a pancake breakfast from 8 to 11 a.m. Adults, \$10; ages 6-12, \$6; ages 5 and under, free. There will also be a puzzle sale. Info: glenedenbeach.org

ARGENTINE TANGO Learn Argentine Tango at Newport Tango's weekly Sunday lesson and practice. 5 to 8 p.m., South Beach Community Center, 3024 SE Ferry Slip Road. Info: www.newportdancestango.com or

# newportdancestango@gmail.com

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

#### MONDAY, JAN. 6

#### LIVE MUSIC AT THE DRIFT INN

The Harlan Rivers Band performs from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at The Drift Inn, located at 124 Highway 101 N in Yachats. For information, call 541-547-4477.

# TUESDAY, JAN. 7

# REVEL'N AT THE DRIFT INN

Revel'n, featuring Evelyn Idzerda on guitar and vocals and Ron Snyder on vocals, guitar and mandolin, performs at 6 p.m. at The Drift Inn, located at 124 Highway 101 N in Yachats. For information, call 541-547-4477.

# WEDNESDAY, JAN. 8

the Construction Con-

TRIVIA NIGHT Enjoy Trivia Night from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Beachcrest Brewing, located in suite E5 at the Salishan Marketplace, 7755 Highway 101, Gleneden Beach. Free. Show off your knowledge for the chance to

# win prizes. Teams of up to six allowed.

'TIMBER & TIDES' WEBINAR SERIES "Exploring the Salmon Habitat of Our Coastal Streams," by Conrad Gowell, is part two of the "Timber & Tides" webinar series from 6 to 7:30 p.m. The webinar is free, but pre-registration is required at

# THURSDAY, JAN. 9

www.sevencapes.org/timberandtides

in Yachats. For information, call 541-547-4477.

KARL SMILEY AT THE DRIFT INN Award-winning songwriter Karl Smiley performs his own brand of guitar picking. 6 p.m. at The Drift Inn, located at 124 Highway 101 N

# FRIDAY, JAN. 10

#### **BIRD WALK IN LINCOLN CITY**

Seven Capes Bird Alliance offers a free bird walk from 9 to 11 a.m. at Regatta Park and Devils Lake in Lincoln City. No experience necessary. Meet in the Regatta Park parking lot off of Northeast 14th Street. Info: sevencapes.org

#### SATURDAY, JAN. 11

#### **BIRD WALK IN NEWPORT**

Seven Capes Bird Alliance offers a free bird walk from 9 to 11 a.m. at the OSU Hatfield Marine Science Center Nature Trail and at the Yaquina Bay South Jetty. No experience necessary. Meet in the Hatfield Marine Science Center visitor center parking lot. Info:

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

To submit an announcement for your event, email community@newportnewstimes.com. Space is limited, so submissions may be edited for length.

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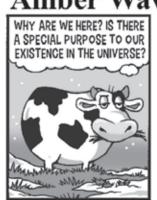
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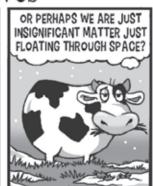
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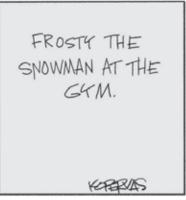




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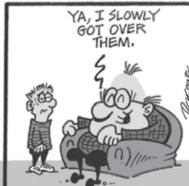


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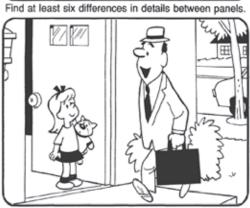












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Just Like Cats & Dogs

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: B equals L

MR M UZDZ NT RMBB LBB NGZYZ NZYN NXHZY UMNG CTC-LEMJME YTBXNMTCY, M'J JZEBLDZ "HLYZY BTLJZJ!"

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Then why do you need the money?"

# 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!

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SITHE
Noble
LARGE

Phony MASH

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TODAY'S WORD

**TRACK** 

**WORD LADDERS** 

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

**BLAND** 

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- 1. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of cake is named after a British queen?
- 2. TELEVISION: What is the name of the family dog on "The Simpsons"?
- 3. ANATOMY: How long does a human red blood cell exist? GENERAL KNOWLEDGE:
- Where is New Year's celebrated first each year?
- 5. ADVERTISING: Which company sponsors a 13-foot-long Weinermobile?
- 6. MEASUREMENTS: How many pints are in a quart?
- 7. MOVIES: What is the name of the dance performed in the "Rocky Horror Picture Show"?
- 8. BIOLOGY: What does the term ectothermic mean?
- 9. GEOGRAPHY: Which country has the longest coastline in the world?
- 10. LITERATURE: Who is the author of "The Canterbury Tales"?

- 1. Victoria Sponge Cake.
- 2. Santa's Little Helper.
- 3. About 120 days.
- 4. The island of Kiritimati in the Oceanic nation of Kiribati.
- 5. Oscar Mayer.
- 6. Two.
- 7. The Time Warp.
- 8. Coldblooded, when body temperature is regulated by the environment.
  - 9. Canada.
  - 10. Geoffrey Chaucer.

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> **SUSWER** CryptoQuip

**BLACK, BLAND** TRACK, CRACK, CLACK, **Answer** 

- MORD LADDER

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SCBAMBLERS

**SPORTS** 

# Taft Tigers tenacious on the mats

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For those who aren't aware, something exciting is happening with Taft High School's wrestling program this season. In addition to a new coach, the program is drawing more students to participate, and one of the big highlights has been the success of the formidable Towers sisters, who have been racking up wins all season.

Head Coach Hayden Stevens is new to teaching and coaching at Taft this year, and he said that working with the team this year has been "awesome." Drawing new kids to the program has been a highlight for Stevens, and he has enjoyed the challenge of bringing less experienced wrestlers up to speed.

"Over half of this team are freshmen athletes, and the majority have never wrestled prior to this year. Taft currently does not have a middle school program, which means we are coming in with far less experience than most teams," Stevens said. "As a coach, I have had to throw a lot at them to attempt to get our newer athletes up to speed, and the way this team has responded has been nothing short of amazing. I am so proud of the work these kids put in. I believe the ceiling for this team in years to come is very high.'

Stevens said that the team's work ethic has been a key factor in the team's improvement and success this season. Through the season's early stages, Stevens said he's been hearing positive things from coaches about improving participation in Taft wrestling based on the smaller turnouts the program would get in years past.

Wrestling has been on the rebound at Taft High School, and for the first time in three years, Taft will host a home wrestling meet on Jan. 12. Stevens said the event will be an excellent opportunity for the community to come out and support his burgeoning squads.

"This meet will not only be a great opportunity for our wrestlers to showcase their abilities and the hard work they have put in this year, but it will also give our future athletes a chance to see the high school wrestlers compete," Stevens said. "Our plan is to establish a club program this spring and get more of our younger



Julia and Janelle Towers with their medals after winning the Bill Hagerty Memorial Tournament at Nestucca on Dec. 21. (Photo Courtesy photo from the Taft High School Facebook page)

athletes in the area involved in the sport."

#### WINNING MENTALITY

While there is plenty to look forward to in the years to come for this young team, Taft senior Julia Towers has championship aspirations for her season and has been building to it for a while.

Julia qualified for the state championships her freshman year and continued to rise, placing second in the 110 lb weight division as a sophomore in 2023. Things wouldn't be so easy the following year. Due to injury, Julia could not compete at districts during her junior year and missed out on states. This journey has honed Julia's mindset this year.

"I have gone into this year with the mindset that I can win state. I have been working extra hard to accomplish this goal," Julia said. "It's all about mindset, and you can really do anything that you put your mind to. You just have to take all of your losses as wins and grow from them."

Something that has helped her reach more of her goals this season has been the help of new head coach, Hayden Stevens. Towers said he does a great job connecting with the team and "makes it really personal and enjoyable for everyone to be competing."

"Our coach stepped in this year and really brought the program back to life," Towers said. "We really needed that passionate, hyper energy to keep us motivated throughout the season."

This year, Julia has been back with a vengeance. One of the highlighting moments of the season so far was winning the Bill Hagerty Memorial Tournament at Nestucca on Dec. 21. Julia won the tournament wrestling in the 113 lb boys' division. Julia has been wrestling against the boys to try and strengthen her push for this year's state title.

After taking down the competition in Nestucca, Julia described what it felt like to take home the gold at the event.

"I felt an overwhelming sense of accomplishment because I've been wrestling guys for a few years now, and I've never placed first in a tournament, but I was really working towards that goal," Julia said. "Overall as a team,

I could not be more proud of the girls because every day in the mat room, we work so hard and we treat each other like family, so a win for them was like a win for everyone."

The Nestucca featured another Taft wrestler atop the podium, though. Julia's sparring partner throughout the season also won gold there: Janelle Towers, Julia's sister. Janelle won in the 125 lb. girls division, a win that she was excited to achieve.

Iron sharpens iron, and it seems that the Towers sisters practicing against each other is paying off. It started before they were even in the program together.

"Over my high school career, when she wasn't in high school, I would train with her and practice moves on her to better myself, also to make sure that she was ready for her freshman year," Julia said. "Honestly, seeing her succeed this year is the best thing that I can hope for, no matter if I win state or not."

Julia described Janelle as "extremely athletic and aggressive" and that she expects Janelle to "do phenomenal this year and in the years to come." For Janelle's part, having to wrestle one of the best in the state can be a challenge, especially when that wrestler is under the same roof as your sister. She said that practice can be challenging but has been rewarding.

"It can be fun at times, but she pushes me hard every day, and it can be a struggle. It is a lot of fun competing alongside Julia, we definitely bring out the best in each other," Janelle said.

Stevens has noticed how hard the two work as well. He said the Towers impact the program not just as teammates but as people, too.

"Those two are always here and always working hard. They definitely set the tone for what practice should look like and lead by example on and off the mat," Stevens said. "They are both such positive people and great teammates. It has been great seeing the hard work those two put in paying off these past few tournaments."

Janelle said the wrestling season has been "very positive" and has helped her mentally and made her feel happier. She also said it's been a "big highlight" to get more wins than losses. When asked what it was like to win gold next to her sister in Nestucca, Janelle said it was a special moment.

"It has been special to wrestle with my sister; with all she has accomplished, it feels good being known as a Towers," Janelle said.

For Julia, this season marks the end of her illustrious high school career, but there's still plenty to go. Success on the mat this season could also mean more opportunities beyond high school.

"So far, I'm feeling really good about the season; although my weight class has varied, there's always good competition wherever I go, and it's mentally and physically prepping me to give it my all at districts and hopefully state," Julia said. "I have looked into going to college for wrestling so doing well this season would really help that."

The Towers also performed well at the Junction City Girls Invitational on Dec. 28, with Julia winning in her weight class and Janelle taking home silver. We'll have to see what this season holds on the mats for the Tigers and the Towers.

# In the pool with the Newport Cubs

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The holiday break is wrapping up, and with the new year comes the resumption of the Newport High School swim season. Before the break, Newport competed in two meets to round out their December schedule: a Dual GSW Meet against West Salem and the Lebanon Invite.

NHS Swim Coach Shayna Swanson wanted her swimmers to get experience against some of the toughest competition in the state. The meet on Dec. 19 against West Salem was an opportunity for the 4A Cubs to compete against a larger program in 6A West Salem. Unfortunately for Newport, some athletes could not travel with the team due to injury and illness.

Even in the face of adversity, the Cubs could compete and hold their own. Individually, the Cubs were able to pick up 16 top 3 finishes, even going 1-2-3 in the Boys 200 Free and 1-2 in the Boys 500 free.

Senior Ben Hurty and sophomore Jahan Eibner were the only Cubs to take home a first-place finish in their events. Hurty won both of his races, while Eibner won one and took second in another. Also adding to the hardware were Hana Parker and Clyde Bretz, who earned 2nd place finishes in their two individual races.

Other Cubs who competed in the meet included Gigi Howard, Allie Pettett, Mariam Kimberly, Connor Brown, Ivan Farias, Ruby Perucci, Liberty Truehill, Ian Ruiz Ramirez, Alysia and Eleyna Greenwald, Chloe Potsma, Jonathan Lee and Brynn Hillebrand.

# THE TEAM SCORES WERE:

Girls
West Salem High School: 119
Newport High School: 48
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West Salem High School: 102 Newport High School: 61

# LEBANON INVITE

Only two days after their faceoff with West Salem, the swimming Cubs journeyed east for the Lebanon High School Invitational, at which 5A Lebanon hosted 4A Molalla, Sweet

Home, North Bend, and Newport High

There wasn't much between each of the teams at the meet, and in both the boy's and girls' divisions, there was less than a 30-point difference between the first and last-place teams. The boys team came out on top in Lebanon by a narrow three-point margin over Sweet Home, taking home first place at the meet with 75 points.

The full final team scores for the meet were:

Boys

Newport High School: 75 Sweet Home High School: 72 Lebanon High School: 56 Molalla High School: 51 North Bend High School: 50 Girls

Sweet Home High School: 80 Lebanon High School: 63 Molalla High School: 56 Newport High School: 52 North Bend High School: 52

In the Boys 400 Free Relay, the Cubs took home first-place honors thanks to the efforts of Hurty, Eibner, Connor Brown, and Clyde Bretz.

In the individual events, the boys also shined, racking up 12 individual top 3 placings. Hurty continued his perfect individual season, winning his two events and bringing his record to 8-0. Eibner also got a silver medal and was atop the podium for a Newport sweep in the Boys 500 Free that saw Eibner 1st, Ivan Farias 2nd, and Bretz in 3rd.

For the girls, Hana Parker again performed well, winning the 100 Butterfly and adding a 3rd place finish in another event. Though the team finished fourth of the five teams at the meet, they could just have easily finished second, as they were only nine points behind second-place Lebanon.

Other Newport swimmers taking part in the meet included Allie Pettett, Mariam Kimberly, Brown, Ian Ruiz Ramirez, Chloe Potsma, Giselle Bryan-Sanchez, Brynn Hillebrand, Jonathan Lee, Sam Smith, Peter Thompson, Gwynn Postlewait, and Marian Kimberly.

The Cubs will be back in the pool Jan. 4 when they attend the Sweet Home Invite.

