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Multiple fires reported last week, **A4**



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Port signs MOU to bring shipping facility to Coos Bay

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
The World

Hundreds of high-paying jobs could soon be coming to Coos Bay after the Port of Coos Bay signed a memorandum of understanding with a Missouri company to build a shipping container facility at the port.

The MOU with NorthPoint Development is the first step in a multi-year process that could

lead to 250 permanent jobs at the facility that will be built to hold and ship up to 1 million, 40-foot containers every year.

"It's huge," said Margaret Barber, director of external affairs and business development at the port. "It's absolutely huge. We're ecstatic."

Barber said a different company approached the port about building a similar facility in the early 2000s, but

that plan fell through when the economy collapsed.

She said the port of Coos Bay is an ideal location for a facility.

"We're really well located on the West Coast," she said. "We're by open water, and we have the rail facility."

The rail line is the key to the plans, and NorthPoint plans to bring ships loaded with containers into Coos Bay. The containers will be offloaded at the facility

and shipped by rail to the rest of the state and region. The port purchased the rail line in 2009 and has been making improvements to it since. Barber said the port received two federal grants that will allow it to do more work to prepare the rail line. The rail spur on the North Spit will be extended to the project site and infrastructure improvements throughout the line will be completed to accommodate double

stack container movements.

It is anticipated that construction of the facility will support approximately 500 short-term construction jobs and up to 250 permanent, full-time family wage jobs.

Barber said a lot of work went into getting this far in the plan, pointing to work Congressman Peter DeFazio has done to make improvements to the jetty in

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By David Rupkalvis/The World

Seventh graders practice opening their lockers while getting the opportunity to visit the new Marshfield Junior High before school opens

Students get first look at Marshfield Junior High

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
The World

After more than a year of construction work, students got their first look at the brand-new Marshfield Junior High last week.

One week before school was scheduled to open, the first students began wandering the halls, finding classrooms and checking on their lockers as the

school opened to let students and parents see the finished product.

Well ... almost finished.

Even with classes starting a week away, there was still some final work going on inside.

The gymnasium, which will host PE classes and volleyball and basketball games, still had some of the final floor to be put in place.

But even with workers still

on site, the school was ready for students.

Principal Floyd Montiel greeted the students as they arrived, suggesting they find their classrooms and lockers, and urging students to ensure the know how to open their lockers before the first day of school.

Montiel and the school staff then got out of the way and let students and parents wander

around at their own pace.

The new school was made possible by the Coos Bay BEST Bond, which was approved by voters in 2017 for \$59.9 million.

The new junior high is three levels, with the first level mostly for offices, the gym and cafeteria. The second and third floors are where students will spend most of

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Nearly one-third of total COVID cases came in August

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The recent surge in COVID-19 has put Coos County in uncharted territory.

In August, the county recorded 1,077 cases, easily the largest month since the pandemic hit locally in April 2020.

"Nearly 32 percent of all our cases came in August," said Dr. Eric Gleason, assistant director of Coos Health & Wellness. "1,077 cases, which is nearly a third of all our cases. It's kind of easy to say we did so much damage to our community."

As of Thursday, Coos County has reported 3,506 COVID cases since the pandemic began. There were 602 active cases, with another 170 people being monitored. Twenty-five people were hospitalized in the county, and 55 people have died since getting the virus.

"As of right now, it's overwhelming our healthcare community, both locally and nationally," Gleason said.

For the last week, Coos Health & Wellness has been hosting a COVID testing clinic with Bay Area Hospital. The free tests are available from 8 a.m. to noon weekdays at the hospital. The clinic is using Binax rapid tests get results almost immediately.

The Binax test has had some controversy because it has a high number of false negatives, where people who have COVID test negative.

"If you test positive with Binax, you are positive," Gleason said. "If you're sick and you test negative, you might want to get a PCR test. Usually if you test positive, you are positive. We have a fairly high false negative rate, but if you test positive, you are positive."

Gleason said if someone tests negative but has symptoms, they should ask their primary care provider for a PCR test, which takes longer but is more reliable. The Oregon Health Authority does offer PCR testing at the hospital from noon to 6 p.m. Thursdays. Gleason said if you have symptoms, you should act as if you have the virus regardless of test results.

"I think it's better to err on the side of caution," he said.

Over the last month, the number of children getting COVID has also climbed, with 171 people under age 19 getting COVID. With school starting, Gleason said that number is likely to rise.

"I think it's fair to be concerned we're going to have higher rates of COVID cases

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Photo by David Rupkalvis/The World

The Coos Bay Public Library needs extensive repairs due to water damage from a leaking roof and leaking windows. The city council agreed to move forward with a plan to replace the roof and repair the damage.

Council agrees to replace roof at Coos Bay library

By **DAVID RUPKALVIS**
The World

The Coos Bay City Council agreed to spend up to \$800,000 to keep the existing Coos Bay Public Library open while moving forward with a plan to build a new library at John Topits Park.

In a work session, the council formed a consensus to allow the city to accept bids to replace

the roof at the library and repair rot due to water entering the building. City Manager Rodger Craddock said the cost was a lot more than he anticipated due to the extensive problems.

"I think where we're at today, it's a common belief among staff if we go out in May for a vote, the voters approve the bond, we're probably looking at a good five years before we can actu-

ally move into a facility, so we need to make our current library last five years," Craddock said. "Our problem is the library is in disrepair. There's at least two rooms we cannot use right now. According to our librarian, only one room doesn't leak or have a water feature. So we need to do something to slow down the degradation of that building. If we don't, we could run out of time

before the five years is there."

Craddock said city staff looked a lot of options for the library while waiting on a new building, such as renting a different facility or even buying a building that could be used short-term. But he said nothing is available that would meet the city's needs.

"If you were to purchase a

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Photo gallery: Picking blackberries near home
Photo gallery: Freshwater paradise in Coos Bay

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Community Calendar of Events

Don't Miss

Editor's Note: Due to rising COVID-19 cases, several community events have been cancelled. In the last week, the Blackberry Arts Festival, Cranberry Festival and Bay Area Fun Festival have all be cancelled. We are doing our best to keep only active events in these listings, but in a time when things are changing fast, events could be cancelled at the last minute.

What: Coos Bay Farmers Market
When: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. every Wednesday
Where: Central Avenue, downtown Coos Bay
You Should Know: Dozens of vendors will sell a variety of wares ranging from fresh produce and plants to homemade soaps and clothes. Food trucks and other food items will also be available. The farmers market runs through October 27.

What: Storytime at Mingus Park
When: 11 a.m. each Wednesday
Where: Mingus Park Amphitheater
You Should Know: Babies, toddlers, preschoolers, parents and caregivers can enjoy rhymes, songs, movement and stories at an all ages interactive storytime. The program is part of the Coos Bay Library's efforts to support early literacy throughout the community. Masks are required for anyone over the age of 5 and social distancing is required consistent with current statewide COVID guidelines.

What: First Tuesday Talks
When: 6:30 p.m., September 7
Where: Coos History Museum
You Should Know: Eric Clough will discuss Bicycle Power: Past, Present and Future. Join Clough as he explores the history of the bicycle, the present condition of bicycle culture here in the Coos, and advocacy for the possibilities of a deeper reliance on pedal power locally. The miraculous invention of the bicycle goes back to early 19th century and local historical records can be found from the early 20th century.

What: Community Yoga with Kelli
When: 6 p.m., September 8
Where: Virtually via Zoom. Register at <https://is.gd/bNva2A>
You Should Know: Coos Bay Public Library, in partnership with yoga instructor, Kelli Bosak, will co-host Community Yoga. Kelli has been practicing yoga and mindfulness for over 15 years. She has taught as a yoga Instructor in community health centers, schools and jails for adults and families with all levels of experience and abilities over the last 7 years.

What: Birding at the Millicoma Marsh Trail
When: 10 a.m.-noon, September 8



Florence Festival of Books
When: September 17-18
Where: Florence Events Center
You Should Know: It's time, after an unexpected year off, to attend one of the most popular book fairs in the state. On Saturday, the public has the chance to meet with 50 plus authors and several publishers, including such popular authors as Melody Carlson, Bob Welch, and William Sullivan. This book fair is held September 18, at the Florence Events Center between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Where: Participants will meet in the parking lot directly behind Millicoma Middle School on 4th Avenue in Coos Bay.
You Should Know: The public is invited to enjoy great views of the bay and one of the best birding spots in Coos County. Interpreter and binoculars provided. Attendees are encouraged to dress for the weather. The event is free; however, registration is required, and the event is limited to six participants.
Information: Visit www.southsloughestuary.org

What: Unlimited Book Club
When: 6 p.m., September 9
Where: Virtually via Zoom. Register at <https://is.gd/dzviPh>
You Should Know: The Unlimited Book Club is a joint venture of Coos History Museum, Coos Bay Public Library and North Bend Public Library. It was formed to encourage awareness and foster community discussions on equity, diversity and inclusion through reading and thoughtful conversation. The club meets every second Thursday of the month.

What: Rods N Rhodies Car Show
When: September 10-11
Where: Old-town Florence
You Should Know: Rods N Rhodies' main event takes place Saturday from 9

a.m. to 4 p.m. on Bay Street. The event also includes a classic Saturday night cruise in and around Old Town, a poker walk and raffles with lots of prizes and awards for the exhibitors.

What: Estuary Paddle Trip
When: September 11, 1 to 4 p.m.; September 15, 8 to 11 a.m.; and September 24, 1 to 4 p.m.
Where: Meet at the South Slough Visitors Center located five miles south of Charleston on 7-Devils Road.
You Should Know: Experience the rich cultural and natural history of the South Slough on a trail that flows with the tide. During the two-mile paddle, experienced guides will show you areas of the reserve rarely seen by visitors. Bring your own kayak or canoe, PFD and paddle, or rent a sit-on-top kayaks, PFD and paddle. The paddle trip is free however kayak rentals are \$20 each. The event is free; however, registration is required and the event is limited to six participants.

What: Nature Hike
When: 1-4 p.m., September 17
Where: South Slough Reserve
You Should Know: A guided walk in the woods will help reveal the flora and fauna on some of South Slough's most popular trails. The trail itself is a two-mile

loop that is well-maintained and relatively level. Attendees are encouraged to dress for the weather, wear sturdy shoes, and bring plenty of snacks. The event is free; however, registration is required and the event is limited to six participants.
Information: Visit www.southsloughestuary.org

What: 13th annual Golf for Health Classic
When: September 18
Where: Bandon Crossings Golf Course
You Should Know: The Southern Coos Health Foundation will host the Golf for Health Classic. Each year, golfers and their families come to Bandon Crossings for a weekend of golf and fun – all in support of providing the best health care on the southern Oregon coast. To register a team, sign up as a sponsor or donate silent auction items, visit <https://southerncoos.org/bandongolfgclassic>

What: Prefontaine Memorial Run
When: September 18
Where: Corner of 4th and Anderson in downtown Coos Bay
You Should Know: The 41st annual run will kick off with a high school cross country team competition at 9:45 followed by a 10K run at 10:05 a.m. Entry fee is \$35 if registered by September 15, \$45 after that date. Children under 18 can register for \$15.
Information: To register, visit www.prefontaine.run

What: Spanglish at library
When: 10:30-11:30 a.m., September 18
Where: Coos Bay Public Library
You Should Know: Spanglish is for those who wish to practice their Spanish conversational skills and help other learners in a friendly setting. Attendees will have the opportunity to converse in Spanish as a group for one hour in a casual, informal environment. This is not a class, but there will be ideas for conversational topics. Beginners are welcome.

What: Birding in Charleston
When: 10-11:30 a.m. September 21
Where: Meet at Charleston Visitors Center
You Should Know: Adventurous bird enthusiasts can explore the shores of Charleston in search of winged wildlife. Interpreter and binoculars provided. Attendees are encouraged to dress for the weather. Registered participants will meet at the Charleston Visitors Center. The event is free; however, registration is required, and the event is limited to six participants.
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their time, with classrooms filling the purple and gold halls.

Located right next to Marshfield High School, the new junior high will provide a safe school with state-of-the art technology for seventh and eighth graders.

Seventh graders were scheduled to attend classes for the first time Tuesday, with eighth graders coming in Wednesday. The two grades will be together for the first time Thursday.



By David Rupkalvis/The World

Left: While same classrooms are still being worked on, many teachers have theirs ready for the first day of school. Right: The gymnasium at Marshfield Junior High is still being worked on as the school year nears.

Firefighters busy with multiple fires

Coos Forest Protect Association firefighters were busy with fires last week. Dry conditions and human activity led to multiple fires.

Local fire agencies were busy night and day with initial attack and responded to seven through Wednesday. With no rain in the forecast, firefighters need the public help to prevent fires from starting. All the recent fires have been human caused. Fuel conditions are very dry, and fires are being resistant to control efforts.

Fire danger is high right now, so follow all fire prevention guidelines and restrictions.

For information on fire prevention closures and restrictions, you can find CFPA on the web at www.coosfpa.net, call the closure line at (541) 267-1789 or follow them on Facebook and Twitter.



Local firefighters from the Coos Forest Protection Association responded to seven fires early last week.

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Cribbins reappointed to EPA’s Local Government Advisory Committee

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Michael S. Regan has appointed 34 new members to EPA’s Local Government Advisory Committee. Among those asked to serve in this important advisory role for the federal agency is Coos County Commissioner Melissa Cribbins.

Commissioner Cribbins is one of the 39-members of EPA’s LGAC.

EPA’s LGAC includes representatives from 30 different

states, Tribal nations, and U.S. territories, representing a diverse cross-section of cities, counties, towns, and communities across the United States.

“The work that EPA does impacts local governments every day,” said Commissioner Cribbins. “I applied for reappointment to the LGAC to bring the voice and perspective of rural and coastal areas to the EPA process. I am so pleased to be reappointed, and I am looking forward to working with such an

accomplished group.”

“This diverse, highly qualified group of local leaders will bring new voices and ideas to EPA’s work,” said EPA Administrator Michael S. Regan. “EPA is counting on their input and collaboration to help achieve our mission in every zip code. From tackling climate change to advancing environmental justice, we need local partners at the table to address our most pressing environmental challenges.”

Chartered in 1993 under the

Federal Advisory Committee Act, the Local Government Advisory Committee provides independent policy advice to the EPA Administrator on a broad range of issues affecting local governments.

The Small Community Advisory Subcommittee was established by EPA in 1996 to advise the administrator on environmental issues.

EPA received more than 150 nominations following a solicitation in March 2021.



Melissa Cribbins

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Coos Bay as well as funding to improve the rail line.

“I applaud the Port of Coos Bay and NorthPoint for partnering on the North Spit project,” said DeFazio. “This project will create hundreds of good-paying jobs on Oregon’s coast, which will boost Coos Bay’s local economy and provide needed support to rebuild the economic base for the region.”

“I recently secured \$32 million in the 2022 funding bill to support maintenance and improvements of the Coos Bay North Jetty. The more than \$50 million I worked to obtain for the purchase and rehabilitation of the Coos Bay rail line also helped to make this possible. As chair of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, I will continue to do everything within my power to support Oregon’s ports so that they remain competitive and continue to support our coastal economy.”

Barber said the project is in its early stages. With the MOU in place, the port and NorthPoint will finalize a contract by the end of the year. Once that is done, Barber said it will take at least two years to get the required permits and another two to three years for construction. It is estimated it will cost up to \$1 billion for the project to be completed, the vast majority being paid by NorthPoint.

“With the recent closure of the Georgia Pacific Mill and other recent job loss in southwestern Oregon, the port sees this as an opportunity to rebuild the eco-

nomic base for the region,” said John Burns, port CEO. “This is a project that has the potential to diversify the region’s economy and create employment opportunities both for the existing workforce and for future generations.”

According to the Oregon Employment Department, Coos County has lost approximately 1,160 payroll jobs from the first quarter of 2020 to the first quarter of 2021.

The project also has the potential to play a big role in reducing greenhouse gas emissions in Oregon by eliminating the need to move almost all materials via truck. It could also ease congestion at ports along the West Coast.

Congestion at major west coast ports has continued to worsen for decades, creating bottle-

necks that slow the movement of goods and increase greenhouse gas emissions. NorthPoint views the Coos Bay harbor as an opportunity to create an environmentally conscious, state-of-the-art gateway which will alleviate congestion throughout the west coast and improve the movement of goods in and out of the United States and international markets.

“The Coos Bay Harbor offers an innovative solution to an ever-growing global challenge,” said Chad Meyer, president and founding partner of NorthPoint. “We have an opportunity to enhance the economy of the region while improving the logistics system as a whole.”

The new terminal will promote expedited turn time and eliminate anchoring for maritime vessels,

a shipping option greatly needed in the marketplace. As of August 29, the ports of L.A. and Long Beach had 47 vessels anchored offshore waiting to berth. Anchored vessels add significant costs in shipping, delays in product delivery and increased greenhouse gas emissions.

“From an environmental perspective, rail is a lot better,” Barber said. “There’s up to 70% less greenhouse gases moving by rail. The beauty of what NorthPoint is looking to do is they want to build a state-of-the-art facility.”

That would include moving material with electric trucks, rather than diesel.

Barber said the facility would be located on a 200-acre parcel just off the North Spit. NorthPoint is

currently negotiating with the property owner about buying the land.

The port also continues to work with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and other regulatory agencies on the channel modification project. This project will deepen and widen the federally authorized channel from 37 feet to 45 feet and widen it from 300 feet to 450 feet.

Deepening and widening the channel is necessary for the port to remain competitive in the global marketplace as ocean carriers continue to utilize larger ships, a trend that has continued for well over a half century.

“This is huge,” Barber said. “These are going to be jobs that are high-paying jobs. It will have a huge impact here.”

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In the Matter of Beverly Anna Arbogast, Deceased.
Case No. 21PB06984
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Renee Marie West has been appointed personal representative of the ESTATE of Beverly Anna Arbogast. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with vouchers attached to: Pacific Northwest Probate, LLC, 8865 SW Center Street Tigard, OR 97223, within four months after the date of first publication of this notice, or the claims may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court or the personal representative.
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Renee Marie West
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NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS
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/s/Kimberly Sperling Fitzgerald, Personal Representative
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GUEST COLUMNS

Workers and families are fighting for paid time to care

By CAROL JOYNER

When I was just turning 40, with two young children and a full-time job, my mother was diagnosed with Alzheimer’s. I had never seen her sick a day in my life. She was my rock and the center of our large, rowdy and loving family. I had no idea what the future would hold for her, or us. But I learned quickly about the human cost of policies that do not protect and support workers when it became clear I had to step up as the primary caregiver. My four siblings did not have reliable paid leave benefits. Doctor visits, stage transitions, a multitude of crises — all of it required my attention. My siblings supported as much as they could, but nothing takes the place of having time dedicated for caregiving.

The thing about Alzheimer’s and other terminal diseases is that you’re not likely to take off for the entire period of the illness — my mom was sick for 11 years — but these are also chronic conditions requiring intermittent periods of leave. Devastating crises like involuntary hospitalizations, injuries due to falls, and the periodic shift in levels of care all require full attention from caregivers. My mother’s anxiety level was calmed by familiar faces, family memories and constant reassurance that she was safe and loved. And then there’s the intense coordination with various paid caregivers — indispensable to her health and well-being — and ours.

Six years into my mother’s illness, my dad was diagnosed with cancer and required a year of intense chemotherapy, radiation and recovery. By then they had moved closer to me and my husband and I managed their care in two different facilities. I often felt I would break in half! Imagine if you don’t have a big family, a partner and friends to help out. Imagine if you don’t have paid leave.

Tragically, too many can imagine the worst.

Every day I was reminded that my situation is not typical. It’s reprehensible that people still have to make the impossible choice between caring for their loved ones and putting food on the table. These are the consequences when our nation lacks the right to fundamental paid family and medical leave for all. COVID has exacerbated a horrible reality. We cannot “build back better” without investing

in care.

Right now in the U.S., paid leave and quality childcare are not accessible to most workers and families. Only 21% of workers have access to paid family leave through their employers. Only 40% have access to an employer-provided medical leave. Childcare funding only reaches one in seven eligible children.

To make real change, members of Congress must make real investments in our communities. If we don’t get it right this time, we will not fully recover and make the proper reset that our country needs. The amount allocated in budget reconciliation needs to be sufficient to ensure that:

- No family spends more than 7% of their income on childcare and that many families can access care at no cost.

- Childcare providers are paid a living wage.

- Comprehensive paid family and medical leave that includes 12 weeks of affordable leave is readily available and covers the main reasons for care.

- The paid leave program that gets enacted has a progressive wage replacement so workers earning lower wages can take the leave and still pay their bills. It must recognize and value all families and it must have a right to return to your job (otherwise it’s not really paid leave).

I would need to write a book to demonstrate all the ways my life has been touched by caregiving. I worked for a union-sponsored childcare fund while my children were themselves in childcare centers. I witnessed the devotion of home health care workers, nursing home and hospital staff during my parents’ care, and my job wrapped their arms around me with paid time off. It has been one continuous care journey.

My parents lived long, full lives until they got sick. I cherish my days as their caregiver and the memories make me smile, cry and sometimes cringe. I am a better person for having cared for them but here’s the rub: I had paid leave and lots of support. When Congress votes on the reconciliation package, I hope they too are thinking about those they’ve cared for, or those who have cared for them. Those are the moments that define our humanity and the care policies Congress passes must honor that.

Carol Joyner is director of Labor Project for Working families at Family Values@Work.



GUEST COLUMNS

A Word, Please: A weird little word

By JUNE CASAGRANDE

I don’t get “got.” It’s a weird little word. Very weird. It has some odd properties and more than its fair share of controversies.

“I’ve got a lot of friends” is a good example. It’s a shortened way to say, “I have got a lot of friends,” which is a longer way to say, “I have a lot of friends.” Weird. You could argue that “got” is unnecessary here. Or you could argue that it brings something unique to the table, doubling down on the idea of having friends. It adds oomph. You would be right either way.

But dig into the grammar and things get even weirder. The “have” in “I have got,” or its contracted form “’ve,” turns basic grammar on its head.

Normally, we use “have” plus a participle like “eaten” or “known” to put events in the past. “No dinner for me, thanks. I’ve eaten.” “I have known him for years.”

But “I have got a lot of friends” does not put the event in the past. The “have,” whether contracted or not, isn’t working as an auxiliary verb the way it is in “I have eaten” to suggest past action. Instead, “I’ve got a lot of friends” is solidly in the present, just like “I have a lot of friends.”

This dynamic is so unusual that it gets special mention in

Merriam-Webster’s dictionary, which notes that sometimes when “got” means “have,” it’s present tense even though it’s not structured like present tense. In other words, “got” gets its own grammar rules.

There’s also the issue of “got” vs. “gotten.” Which should you use: “I have gotten used to waking up early” or “I have got used to waking up early”? The answer probably won’t surprise you: Both are correct. “Got” and “gotten” are both past participles of “get.” Take your pick. But if you think “I have got” sounds more British than “I have gotten,” you’re not alone. A number of language experts have argued that the shorter “got” is more popular in the U.K. than it is in the U.S.

Remember that verbs have a present-tense form, a past-tense form and a past participle, which is the one that works with “have.” Only the past participle offers you a choice of “got” or “gotten.” In the simple past tense, “got” is your only option: Kelly got married yesterday, not Kelly gotten married yesterday.

Another weird use for “got” is illustrated in “You’ve got to try the ribeye.” Here, it means “must,” but only because it’s teamed up with “to.” So “got to” means “have to,” which means “must.” Weird. “Got” can also stand in for

“be” to create passive voice. Passive voice takes an active sentence like “The boss fired Joe” and flips it around like this: “Joe was fired by the boss.” Often passive form drops the doer of the action altogether and just leaves you with a sentence like “Joe was fired.”

Normally, to create the passive voice you use a form of the verb “be” combined with a passive participle like “fired.” Joe was fired. It’s a simple formula that really has just one exception: Sometimes “got” can take the place of “be.” Joe was fired. Joe got fired. So this is another role of “got”: an auxiliary verb in some passive voice constructions.

Weirdest yet, for all the trouble it causes, “got” isn’t a full-fledged word worthy of its own dictionary entry. To learn about its many uses and quirks, you have to look up the base form of the verb — present tense “get.” Only under the dictionary entry for “get” can you sift through the verb’s two dozen different definitions plus another two dozen phrasal verb forms including “get by,” “get it” and “get away with” and get a full picture of just how weird “got” is.

— June Casagrande is the author of “The Joy of Syntax: A Simple Guide to All the Grammar You Know You Should Know.” She can be reached at JuneTCN@aol.com.

Letters to the Editor

Wake up America

No words can express just how hurt my heart is for those that have been left behind... Those who believed in the American Dream and wanted to help preserve and advance the basic American way of life... Truth is... Our Government surrendered to the Taliban, to the very enemy we have been fighting for the past 20 years! How many lives have been lost... and how many more will die that we left behind?

I feel ashamed for our country... for the unfathomable sorrow and disappointment of our citizens and allies left behind to fend for themselves against the tyranny that they are now surrounded by. Folks... you are about to see the media exploit the horrific events, the blood, the dismemberment, the opening of bellies and living people dragging their entrails through the city streets while onlookers cheer and throw feces at them.

The unimaginable shall become commonplace before our very eyes. If you can think of the most hideous and cruel treatment of a human... then times that by 1,000... you still wouldn’t be close to what’s in the near future of those “we” left behind. A future where being beheaded would be considered kind and appreciative.

Wake up America.

R. Doyle
Roseburg

The meeting was hostile

I see several people writing their opinion on the meeting held at the Owen Building. Some are claiming the group was not hostile. Please go to the site and watch the meeting. If you don’t think the meeting was a mess and the group hostile, I’ll buy you a free one way ticket to Southern California.

LG Seghner
Coos Bay

All wrong

Sheriff Zanni’s declaration to not uphold the state mask mandate (no state vaccine mandate ex-

ists) using the Nuremburg Code as his guide - “... no one should be forced to take measures such as wearing a mask or getting a vaccine,” is spurious reasoning at best. The Nuremburg Code was born out of the Nazi experimentations on people against their will. If you consult reputable sources, such as fullfact.org you will find a proper explanation of the Code, how it is used, and how it is misused, as Mr. Zanni has done. To quote Dr. Julian Sheather of the British Medical Association, “Drawing a link between this final roll out of these vaccines and what the Nazi doctors were doing is morally grotesque.”

The thought that wearing a mask is somehow an experimentation on humans is, well, really out there. Think about operating rooms for the last hundred years. Masking works for inhibiting the spread of disease. For this pandemic, we will not get past it without using all the tools at our disposal. The vaccine without the other measures won’t do it.

There are people who should not get the vaccine for medical or age class reasons. The rest of the population who refuse to be vaccinated are the ones the virus is working through now, and the variant can transmit through all, vaccinated or not. What the anti-vaccination and anti-maskers are doing is helping the virus and ultimately possibly killing their neighbors if not themselves.

I would guess most of us know of someone personally who has died from Covid or is suffering long-haul symptoms.

I know of no one who has been harmed by wearing a mask, quite the contrary. The only experimentation going on against peoples’ will may be the one by Zanni and his ilk ignoring the science and facts to push some twisted form of personal rights at the expense of others’ health.

Another quote comes to mind here, by Albert Einstein: “Two things are infinite: the universe and human stupidity; and I’m not sure about the universe.”

Jamie Fereday
Coos Bay

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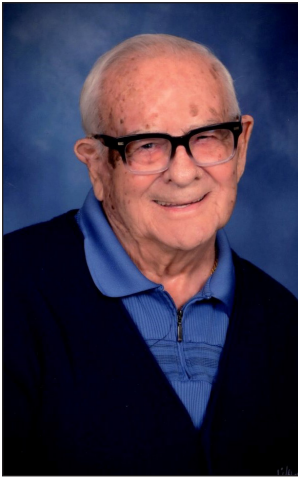
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OBITUARIES

Eldon “LaVerne” Edwards

July 22, 1929 – August 24, 2021



Eldon “LaVerne” Edwards, 92, of Cottage Grove, Oregon passed away of natural causes August 24, 2021. LaVerne was born July 22, 1929 in Elm Springs, South Dakota to parents Eldon and Goldie (Johnston) Edwards. He graduated from Corvallis High School in 1947 then he attended 1 year at Oregon State University. LaVerne met Norma Lea Wallace in 1947

and they married June 10, 1949 in Albany, Oregon. He did many things throughout his career working for Blue Bell Potato Chip Co. where he was promoted to supervisor and transferred to North Bend, Oregon and later purchased that areas franchise. Most notably he was an owner and broker for E L Edwards Realty and Property Management in North Bend. He retired in 1996. LaVerne liked golfing, hunting, fishing, water skiing and boating in his younger years. He was an avid OSU and U of O football fan and loved to watch the games. LaVerne and Norma enjoyed traveling all over the United States, Canada and Mexico in their RV. They purchased property in Yuma, Arizona and started spending their winters there. He was past president of North Bend, Oregon Chamber of

Commerce and Kiwanis, and was an active member and past officer of the Oregon Fleetwood and PNW Avion Travelcade clubs and was a member of the Nazarene Church in Eugene, and North Bend. He is survived by his loving wife, Norma of 72 years; son, Terry (Linda Vehrs) Edwards of Coos Bay, OR; daughter, Janie (David Yancey) Edwards of Corvallis, OR; daughter, Linda (Gary) Sather of Yuma, AZ; daughter in law, Debbie Edwards of Newport, OR; 4 grandchildren, Amy, Jennifer, Joshua, Kayla; and 1 great-grandson, Eldon. LaVerne is preceded in death by his son, Steven Edwards. There will be a memorial service at Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, 123 South Seventh Street, Cottage Grove, Oregon on September 9, 2021 at 2:00pm.

Making sure kids are prepared for school in Coos Bay

When Erlette Upshaw, executive director for Coos Elderly Services, and Dolly England, OHA Community Engagement program manager, were talking, Dolly mentioned that it would be cool to do a back-to-school initiative in Coos Bay. Dolly mentioned the comics, Beating Covid, that Northwest Disability Support had created to educate children and adults about COVID-19. Upshaw placed an order for 4,000 comics in English and another 1,000 in Spanish. But what to do with the comics? “Ding, ding, ding!” said Upshaw. “Backpacks.” Upshaw got to work and ordered 4,000 backpacks from Amazon because the order was too big for their usual swag company. Then she started gathering supplies. “I was ordering school supplies, cleaning out whatever our local Walmart had and our local Staples,” said Upshaw. “So, I think I made maybe three or four trips in like two months to get

supplies. Each time I went in there it was like they knew my name.” And people wanted to help. A couple of churches, individuals and a doctor’s office all donated money to support the event. Another group volunteered to co-sponsor their next event. Volunteers from the church stuffed the backpacks two Wednesdays in a row. “I was in Walmart a couple of times getting all the supplies, and I should have gotten pictures of that,” said Upshaw. “That was hilarious. Just hilarious. I had three shopping carts, and Walmart had one of those big carts with shelves on them and it was full. They were wheeling it around and putting things on it. “Walmart gave us a discount, but while I was there a couple of times people came up asking what I was doing, and they would hand me money because they wanted to donate.” On Aug. 28, they were ready to hold the backpack giveaway at the mall. They had determined it should be a drive-through

event since there was a COVID-19 surge in Coos Bay. The event was set to start at 9 a.m. and several volunteers started setting up cones at 7:30. One family was so enthusiastic that they were already waiting. “And that gentleman says, ‘well while I’m waiting, I might as well help you guys unload,’” said Upshaw. “So that community member got out and was helping us unload. And I’d say before 8 o’clock we already had like six other cars parked behind him waiting in line.” During the event, families also got to eat free hot dogs and chips from a local food cart, and they received free tickets for popcorn and beverages at a local arcade. To make sure the remaining backpacks get put to good use, they will be offered to smaller schools in local churches and surrounding communities in Coos County. Some will be held back for another event over the winter break.

DEAR ABBY By Abigail Van Buren

SHOPLIFTING SISTER SHOWS NO REMORSE FOR ACTIONS

DEAR ABBY: I’m a 28-year-old mother of two. My teenaged adopted sister steals makeup from stores. It sometimes happens when we are together, but I never catch her doing it. She has told me she feels no remorse about stealing the items. My parents and I have lectured her time after time. She’s now claiming her friends give her makeup they don’t like. I’m exasperated because she just doesn’t seem to get it. Would it be wrong of me to tip off the security guard on our next shopping trip? I want her to learn a lesson before it’s too late. Yet, it could result in juvenile detention and a financial burden on my parents. I love my sister, but I’m worried her habit may lead to an unfortunate adulthood. She has had counseling in the past for numerous issues, but she either lies to her therapist or just sits quietly and says nothing. Please help me, Abby. -- STICKY FINGERS DEAR STICKY FINGERS: If you do what you are contemplating and your sister finds out you were the person who turned her in, she will never forgive you for it. I agree that the girl has serious problems. That’s why I’m advising you to tell your parents what has been going on and let them handle it. While my inclination would be to give her a dose of tough love, it would be better if it comes from your parents, because they are responsible for her. DEAR ABBY: We didn’t ask them to, but my parents recently retired and moved from Virginia to Georgia to be close to our family after our son -- their

first grandchild -- was born. The move down here was a huge undertaking for them. It included selling their home in Virginia and building a new one here in Georgia with the assumption that in their old age they would never have to move again. The problem is, my husband and I are considering a move to a different state to pursue career opportunities for the betterment of our family. I feel awful because it will mean my parents may have to move again. We currently live in a location where they don’t know many people, so I don’t think they will want to stay after we leave. How should we bring up the topic of our potential move and discuss it with them? -- MOVING IN THE SOUTH DEAR MOVING: If the opportunities are better elsewhere, then that’s where you should go. This should not have been a deep, dark secret. Tell your parents you are considering another move so they can make plans of their own. They may want to move to a location near you, back to Virginia where their friends are or to a retirement community, where they can form new friendships and won’t be entirely dependent upon you and your husband for social contact, as they apparently were when they moved to Georgia. Dear Abby is written by Abigail Van Buren, also known as Jeanne Phillips, and was founded by her mother, Pauline Phillips. Contact Dear Abby at www.DearAbby.com or P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, CA 90069.

DEATH NOTICES

Boyd “Rusty” Armstrong, age 67, of North Bend passed away August 25, 2021, in Coos Bay. Arrangements under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, 541 267-4216. Barbara Giddy, age 80, of North Bend passed away August 29, 2021, in Coos Bay. Arrangements under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, 541 267-4216. Sharon Allen, age 82, of Coos Bay passed away August 28, 2021, in Coos Bay. Arrangements under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, 541 267-4216.

Richard Goergen, age 80, of North Bend passed away August 29, 2021, in Coos Bay. Arrangements under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, 541 267-4216. John R. McKinley, Jr., age 74, of Langlois passed away August 21, 2021, in Coos Bay. Arrangements under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, 541 267-4216. Judy Krutsinger, age 73, of Reedsport passed away August 19, 2021, in Coos Bay. Arrangements under the direction of Nelson’s Bay Area Mortuary, 405 Elrod Ave., Coos Bay, 541 267-4216

Merkley, Wyden announce \$1.6 million in firefighter assistance funds

Oregon’s U.S. Senators Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden today announced that over \$1.6 million in firefighter assistance funding is coming to Oregon. “I am deeply grateful for the courage and expertise of our firefighters, whose tireless commitment to protecting our communities has saved lives and livelihoods,” said Merkley. “It’s our responsibility to make sure they have all of the tools and support they need to keep up their impressive work. I’m fully committed to doing everything I can to continue securing those resources, and to tackle the root causes of our increasingly catastrophic wildfires.” “The firefighters who

put in long hours for days on end risking their lives to keep Oregonians and our homes safe deserve every ounce of our support,” Wyden said. “I’m glad these FEMA resources are heading to communities throughout Oregon, and I’ll keep battling for additional aid both to assist firefighters across our state and to reduce wildfire risk.” The investments are being allocated under the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program. Roughly \$502,700 of the funds are headed to Klamath Falls to help cover the cost of vehicles. \$268,500 is going to Seaside to support operations and safety at the Hamlet Rural Fire

Protection District. The Lane Fire Authority will receive \$250,000 to purchase vehicles for firefighting efforts in Veneta. Roughly \$232,000 is headed to Salem to support operations and safety through the Public Safety Standards and Training organization. \$200,000 and roughly \$160,900 in funds will go to the Dayton Fire District and the city of Warrenton, respectively, to cover costs associated with operations and safety. In addition, Jacksonville’s Applegate Valley Rural Fire Protection District 9 will receive approximately \$15,700 to invest in operations and safety projects.

Oregon expands P-EBT program

The State of Oregon received approval from the federal government to expand the Pandemic EBT program and provide an additional \$167 million in food assistance to approximately 430,000 children in Oregon. Oregon was previously approved to provide approximately \$424 million in food benefits to children in Oregon. Combined with the summer expansion of the program, Oregon will provide approximately \$591 million in food assistance to children from July through October. P-EBT provides food benefits to families whose children were eligible for free or reduced priced meals at school or day-care, but did not have access to these free meals because of COVID-19 closures. Children currently receiving P-EBT benefits for the 2020 - 2021 school year will automatically receive an additional \$389 per child in food assistance that will be received as two payments in September and October. Eligibility for additional P-EBT food assistance Students eligible to receive P-EBT benefits for the 2020 - 2021 school year will receive additional P-EBT food assistance for the summer of 2021. There is no need to apply. Children age six or younger whose families participate in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program will receive P-EBT food assistance for the summer of 2021. There

is no need to apply. If your child has not applied and been approved for free or reduced price meals at school, you can still receive P-EBT food assistance for the summer if you apply online at the Oregon Department of Education website by September 4. Two ways children receive P-EBT food assistance There are two ways children receive benefits: If the child’s household currently participates in SNAP or TANF, their P-EBT benefits will be deposited into the household’s EBT account. Children who already have a P-EBT card will continue to receive food assistance on their current card. Children new to the P-EBT program whose household does not participate in SNAP or TANF will receive a P-EBT card in the mail at the address on file with their school. P-EBT cards look different than the Oregon Trail EBT cards issued to SNAP households. Visit pebt.oregon.gov for more information about the P-EBT program. P-EBT does not replace any child nutrition program already offered and families are encouraged to continue to participate in meal programs in their communities. P-EBT is separate from SNAP benefits including emergency allotments that are also being issued due to the impact of COVID-19. P-EBT benefits are not considered in a public charge test.

COVID

From A1 in that population once school is in full swing,”

Gleason said. “Once you put them all back together, we anticipate we’ll see more cases.” While cases among

children are likely to rise, the younger population remains the safest from the worst of the disease. Even with the new cases, as of Thursday, no one under 18 has been hospitalized during the pandemic in Coos County. Gleason said while the Delta variant has proven to be more dangerous and more deadly, it also mirrors earlier variants that eventually go away. Areas where the variant hit first have seen cases recede after lengthy struggles.

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Top-ranked Pirates beat defending champs

By **JOHN GUNTHER**
For The World

Marshfield entered the football season as the No. 1 team in the Class 4A coaches poll and looked like it in a 35-20 win over visiting Mazama on Friday at Pete Susick Stadium that wasn't as close as the score suggested.

"The team played with a good competitive spirit," Marshfield coach John Lemmons said. "I was very proud of the fight in the boys and the execution on offense and defense for the most part."

After a slow start, the Pirates jumped in front 14-0 at halftime with two scores in the final five minutes of the first half and led 21-0 and 35-7 before defending state champion Mazama made the final score more respectable.

Marshfield quarterback Dom Montiel had an 8-yard scoring pass to Mason Pederson and a 7-yard TD run late in the first half. Montiel added a 13-yard TD pass to Pierce Davidson in the third quarter before Mazama got its first score on a 9-yard run by Tyson Van Gastel.

But the Pirates asserted control with TD passes of 32 yards to Davidson and 36 yards to DJ Daugherty. Zeke Heaton added two fourth-quarter touchdown runs for Mazama to make the final score more respectable.

Kicker Jonah Putman converted the final three extra points after missing the first for Marshfield. Montiel followed that with a conversion pass to Daugherty after the second score.

Montiel completed 18 of 29 passes on the night, with two interceptions, passing for 334 total yards. Davidson was on the receiving end of five of those passes for 164 yards, while Ezra Waterman was the team leader both in receptions (six for 89 yards) and rushing (8 carries for 50 yards). Montiel rushed for 46 yards.

"Ezra Waterman was a gladiator again on offense and defense," Lemmons said. "He is very tough and all heart."

"Hayden Murphy played tenacious both ways on our line helping us have the best rushing night in a long time. Dom Montiel made some great throws as

well as adding an element of QB run threat to our offense."

Marshfield did have four turnovers, which was somewhat concerning but not necessarily untypical of a first game.

"We did some things really well, but as to be expected there were many first-game mistakes," Lemmons said.

"I could go on and on about all the positives. The boys played as a team and I am very proud of them."

He also noted the atmosphere with a good crowd for the opener.

"The crowd and atmosphere was very positive," he said.

Marshfield is scheduled for a Thursday night game this week, at North Valley, and will next be home Sept. 17 for the rivalry game with North Bend.

Crater blanks North Bend in football opener

North Bend's football season opened with a setback Saturday to athletic Crater, 31-0 at Marshfield's Pete Susick Stadium.

The Bulldogs are playing their

"Ezra Waterman was a gladiator again on offense and defense. "He is very tough and all heart. Hayden Murphy played tenacious both ways on our line helping us have the best rushing night in a long time. Dom Montiel made some great throws as well as adding an element of QB run threat to our offense."

John Lemmons
Marshfield coach

home games at Marshfield while they wait for a turf installation project to be completed at Vic Adams Field.

On Saturday, North Bend wasn't able to punch the ball into the end zone and Crater took advantage of a few opportunities to build a lead and then added to it.

The Comets got their first score on a snap over the head of North Bend's punter for a safety midway through the first quarter. Late in the quarter, North Bend's best drive of the day ended when Crater's Caden Lasater intercepted a pass by North Bend's Cole Hansen at the Comets' 10-yard

line and returned it 90 yards for a score.

The Bulldogs have replaced many of their skill position and line players this year after being hit hard by graduation. Hansen, a sophomore, and senior Craig Edera split time at quarterback in Saturday's game.

After Crater got the lead, the Comets stretched it with a trio of touchdown passes from Shane Wood, the first to tight end Kayden Gardner in the second and third quarters covering 30 and 15 yards and the last a 20-yard pass to Lasater on the opening play of the fourth quarter.

Football: Tigers open with shutout against Sheridan

Bandon's football team showed its defensive prowess, starting the season with a 32-0 win at Sheridan on Friday.

"Defensively, we were solid," said Bandon assistant Jordan Sammons. "We have a talented group of returners along with guys stepping up in new positions."

"The main thing was we had 11 guys flying to the ball every play and our defense isn't afraid to be physical. Whether it's our starters or guys who are part of the rotation, we have guys capable of making some solid plays on the defensive end and they did it all night."

Bandon got off to a solid start on offense, with Reef Berry connecting with Cooper Lang for a score, Lang having a rushing touchdown and Berry scoring on a run as time expired to give the Tigers an 18-0 lead at the break.

In the second half, Denver Blackwell fell on a ball that Eli Freitag fumbled at the end of a run near the goal line for a score and then Blackwell caught a touchdown pass from Berry for the final score.

"It was a good first game for us," Sammons said. "We executed fairly well at time, but definitely have some things we need to clean up."

He said first-game jitters and players in new positions led to several miscues, including a number of turnovers within Sheridan's 30-yard line.

"That's definitely an area that we have to get better in so we can finish those drives," Sammons said.

The Tigers host Central Linn on Friday in their final preseason game.

RED DEVILS TOP OAKLAND

Coquille overcame a tough challenge from Oakland to win its season opener 20-12 on Friday, behind three long rushing touchdowns by Gunner Yates.

The senior speedster had the only score of the first half on a 62-yard run in the first quarter, with fullback Brock Willis adding the conversion run.

Oakland scored in the third on a 14-yard run by Jayden Henry, but Yates responded with a 58-yard run.

The Oakers pulled within two points again in the fourth quarter on a 35-yard run by Henry, but again failed to convert the extra point and Yates rounded out the scoring with a 50-yard scamper.

"This was a real battle," Coquille coach David Thomason said. "Oakland is a top 2A team this year and they came to play. "There was a lot of hard hitting on both sides. I'm sure it was a great game to watch — it was a bit nerve-wracking to coach."

Thomason added that while Yates had the touchdowns, Willis had a number of strong runs.

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Jordan Sammons
Bandon assistant coach

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David Thomason
Coquille coach

converting several first downs to keep the Red Devils in possession.

Yates also had several key stops on defense, but the entire squad played well, Thomason said.

"I really couldn't be prouder of our guys," he said. "The (offensive) and (defensive) lines played great, too."

Coquille is home again Friday against Creswell before opening league play at Lakeview.

POWERS ROLLS TO OPENING WIN

The Cruisers celebrated their return to fielding their own football team with a 39-6 win over the combined Butte Falls-Prospect squad on Friday.

The Cruisers haven't had their own team the past two seasons, with the Cruisers having cooperative agreements with North Bend in 2019-20 and Myrtle Point in 2020-21.

Now they have seven freshmen to go with a few veterans.

"We have an excited bunch of young boys playing football in Powers," said Matt Shorb, who is coaching the team with Kayne

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Matt Shorb
Powers coach

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Friday's opener was tied until late in the first half, when the Cruisers scored on a pass from Rene' Sears to Charlie Shorb.

The Cruisers led 13-0 when Prospect got its lone score in the third, but then things shifted in the favor of Powers. Sears returned the ensuing kickoff for a touchdown and then Prospect fumbled the next kickoff, with Braden Bushnell recovering the fumble. Sears connected with Talon Blanton on a touchdown and the Cruisers were in control the rest of the way.

While the majority of the roster is freshmen, both Michael Pedrick and Alex Mahmoud are juniors who played each of the past two years, first with North Bend and then Myrtle Point. Charlie Shorb is a sophomore who also played with Myrtle Point last year.

"We're not all inexperienced," Matt Shorb said. "We have a little balance."

The best news, though, is Powers finally has a number of male athletes in the school after the enrollment was low the past few years.

"It's boding well for the future," Matt Shorb said. "The guys are working hard and they're young and it's going to be a fun group."

The Cruisers visit Elkton on Friday for their second game.

BRAVE, BOBCATS FALL

Reedsport, which is again in the same Class 2A league with Coquille and Bandon this year, came up short in its opener Friday, falling 26-8 at Monroe.

The Brave have tough tests the next two weeks against Class 3A schools Amity (on the road) and Douglas (at home) as they get ready for the league season.

Myrtle Point, meanwhile, lost its eight-man opener to Waldport 42-28 on Friday.

The Bobcats and Irish both are part of the Sunset Conference with Coquille, Reedsport and Bandon in other sports, but play the eight-man format in football.

Myrtle Point is at Bonanza this week.

Bulldogs win again in volleyball

School hasn't officially started yet, but North Bend's volleyball team already has two Midwestern League wins — both on the road.

The Bulldogs traveled to the Rogue Valley on Thursday and swept Eagle Point, winning 25-17, 25-20, 25-18.

Earlier, North Bend also beat Churchill to open the season.

"We got off to a slow start again, but turned things around quickly," coach Summer Sawyer said. "We had a lot of unforced errors early in set 1 but got things back on track."

North Bend got an offensive lift from Bridget Gould and Mya Massey, who had 13 and nine kills, respectively.

"It feels pretty good to be 2-0 in league," Sawyer said.

North Bend steps out of league play Tuesday for the annual rivalry game with Marshfield at the Pirate Palace before

jumping back into league play Thursday at home against Crater.

PIRATES WIN TWO

Marshfield won its first two official matches of the season at home Thursday, sweeping Brookings-Harbor and South Umpqua.

Paige MacDuff and Tatum Montiel had 12 kills each in the 25-11, 25-14, 25-12 win over Brookings-Harbor.

Ava Ainsworth had a team-best four aces, Gracie Peach had 17 assists and Kate Miles had eight digs.

The Pirates topped South Umpqua 25-13, 25-8, 25-23.

MacDuff had 12 kills and Montiel 11. Montiel and Miles had four aces each and Bonner three. Peach and Ainsworth had eight digs each and combined for 27 assists (14 by Ainsworth).

Sports Schedule

Tuesday, Sept. 7

High School Volleyball — Nonleague: North Bend at Marshfield, 6:30 p.m. Sunset Conference: Toledo at Reedsport, 6 p.m.; Myrtle Point at Bandon, 6 p.m.

High School Cross Country — Myrtle Point at Crusader Invitational, Medford, 4 p.m.

High School Girls Soccer — Illinois Valley at Coquille, 4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 8

High School Volleyball — Sunset Conference: Coquille at Waldport, 6 p.m. Skyline League: Camas Valley at Pacific, 6 p.m. nonleague: Marshfield at North Valley, 6:45 p.m.

Men's College Soccer — Rogue at SWOCC, 4 p.m.

Women's College Soccer — Rogue at SWOCC, 1:30 p.m. College Volleyball — SWOCC at Rogue, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 9

High School Football — Nonleague: Marshfield at North Valley, 7 p.m.

High School Volleyball — Midwestern League: Crater at North Bend, 6:45 p.m. Sunset Conference: Reedsport at Myrtle

Point, 6 p.m.; Toledo at Coquille, 6 p.m.; Gold Beach at Bandon, 6 p.m. Skyline League: Camas Valley at Pacific, 6 p.m.

High School Cross Country — Reedsport at Acorn Gully Chase, Oakland, TBA.

High School Boys Soccer — Crescent Valley vs. North Bend at SWOCC, 6 p.m.; Marshfield vs. Stayton at Cottage Grove, 5 p.m.

High School Girls Soccer — Coquille at Marshfield, 6:30 p.m.; North Bend at Crescent Valley, 6 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 10

High School Football — Midwestern League: North Bend at Ashland, 7 p.m. Class 1A District 3: Powers at Elkton, 4 p.m. Nonleague: Creswell at Coquille, 7 p.m.; Central Linn at Bandon, 7 p.m.; Reedsport at Amity, 7 p.m.; Myrtle Point at Bonanza, 7 p.m.

High School Volleyball — Nonleague: Powers at Bandon, 1 p.m.; Powers vs. Central Linn at Bandon, 2:30 p.m.; Central Linn at Bandon, 4 p.m.

High School Cross Country — North Bend, Marshfield at Country Fair Invitational, Elmiara, 3:30 p.m.

College Volleyball — SWOCC at Bellevue Crossover, TBA.

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TUESDAY

ACROSS

1 Say in fun

5 IRS employee

8 Attention getter

12 Earthenware jar

13 Wheel part

14 Tooth problem

15 Rare mineral

17 Layer

18 Time of the mammals

20 Spanish gold

21 Whale's diet

24 Colorado tree

26 Keep greedily

27 Leave the ship

31 The Bard's river

33 Linoleum protector

34 Rochester's Jane

38 Despot who fiddled

39 House addition

40 Hold up well

41 Fishing boats

44 Beat the field

45 Cut

48 Bride's walk

50 Tex- — cuisine

51 Twine

55 Hertz rival

57 Forest creatures

61 Ms. Horne

62 "Gross!"

63 Inspired verse

64 Construction toy

65 Fuel

66 Soft mud

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1 Run for fitness

2 Bullfight cheer

3 SAS competitor

4 Three-legged stand

5 Gator kin

6 Fir cousin

7 Word of assent

8 Snow boot

9 Reporter's coup

10 Stock holding

11 Wyoming range

16 Snitched

19 Auditory organ

21 Mongol ruler

22 Wander

23 Russian epic hero

25 Misrepresent

28 Jug

29 Exotic island

30 Shaft

32 Head gestures

35 Somber evergreens

36 Complain bitterly

37 Fish-eating flyer

42 Unwitty comebacks

43 Glass ingredient

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58 Common oath (2 wds.)

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MY LIFE HAS BEEN SO MUCH BETTER SINCE I STARTED MAKING UP MY OWN DATA FOR EVERYTHING.

HOW MUCH BETTER?

27.4% BETTER.

WOW! I SHOULD TRY THAT.

YOU'LL LOVE IT.

CLASSIC PEANUTS

THE REASON I'M HERE IS I HAVE A MESSAGE FOR YOU.

MY LITTLE SISTER WASN'T FEELING WELL SO SHE DIDN'T GO TO SCHOOL TODAY...AS YOU KNOW...YOU BEING THE SCHOOL

ANYWAY, THAT'S THE MESSAGE. I HOPE I HAVEN'T BOTHERED YOU OR ANYTHING...I'LL PROBABLY SEE YOU TOMORROW...

I'LL BE HERE

FRANK AND ERNEST

WHAT'S THAT?

"DONKEY YOTE"--- THE MULE OF LA MANCHA.

ACROSS

1 — Clayton Powell Jr.

5 Hotel entrance

10 Parts with

12 Like most letters

13 Hit the sack

14 Spuds

15 Inventor's spark

16 Teachers' org.

18 Buzz

19 Own up to

21 Not even once

25 Email status

29 Romance, in Venice

30 Laid off from work

32 Rock climber's aid

33 Feminine principle, to Jung

34 Home turnover

37 High school subject

38 Mopes

40 Round veggie

43 Narrow inlet

44 Low voice

48 Weak, as an excuse

50 Harley competitor

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53 Hardy or Cromwell

54 First sign

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I NEED THAT.

YOU CERTAINLY DO.

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BOOM.

CLASSIC PEANUTS

DID YOU TELL THE SCHOOL I WAS SICK TODAY, BIG BROTHER?

YES I TOLD YOUR TEACHER YOU WEREN'T FEELING WELL

WHO CARES ABOUT MY TEACHER? YOU GO BACK THERE AND TELL THE SCHOOL WHERE I WAS TODAY!

I FEEL LIKE A FOOL STANDING HERE TALKING TO A BUILDING.

THIS IS NOT THE BIGGEST THRILL OF MY LIFE, EITHER, KID!

FRANK AND ERNEST

WELCOME TO KINDERGARTEN

APPARENTLY I DIDN'T LEARN ENOUGH TODAY. I HAVE TO COME BACK TOMORROW.

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This week in Coos County history: August 9-11

100 YEARS – 1921

100 pheasants to be sent here

State game commission will furnish birds here Will probably be released at Fairview and near Bridge as conditions are favorable

Game Warden F.A. McDaniels yesterday received a telegram from Gene Simpson, superintendent of the state game commission farm near Corvallis, saying he had 100 China pheasants which he could send to Coos county if the sportsmen here would arrange to have them released in favorable sections and see that they are given proper protection.

Mr. McDaniel took the matter up with a number of sportsmen here and practically all of them favored the Fairview and Bridge sections for releasing the birds in. Mr. McDaniel wired Mr. Simpson to forward the birds to Myrtle Point and he would arrange to have them distributed from there. The birds, which were hatched on the state game farm, are pretty well developed, so that they will be able to take care of themselves.

In the past, some pheasants have been released on the lower Coquille and on Coos river, but they have not propogated as rapidly as they should have. Lack of grain fields is thought to have been the cause.

There is more open territory and more grain in the Bridge and Fairview sections and the ranchers in the latter district have promised to keep close watch to see that no pot hunters kill the birds.

The Golden Cream place is closed up

City Marshall shuts up soft drink house Found man in charge with half bottle of moonshine; proprietor is now in jail

The soft drink place known as the Golden Cream, located at 371 North Front street, was closed today by Marshal Carter. The propriety, Henry Karicas, is now in jail on a charge of selling liquor and the place was being conducted by F. Miller.

Today the marshal went into the place and found Miller with a bottle half filled with moonshine in the back of the place and about to take a drink. The Marshal seized the liquor and placed Miller under arrest. He gave bond

for a hearing later.

Urge building of Coos River road

Coos Bay delegation attend the county court Want contract let so work can start on first stretch of highway this year

A delegation from Coos Bay visited the county court yesterday to urge the letting of the contract from Eastside to Catching Inlet on the new Coos River road. Among those who appeared were A.E. Adelsperger, W.J. Conrad, John C. Kendall, E.W. Sullivan and Anson Rogers.

It was urged that sentiment was greatly in favor of the road and that it was the desire that it be put through as soon as possible. The county court was urged to let the contract at once and not defer the matter so the first stretch of the road to Catching Inlet could be started this year and if possible some of the road on the river started.

50 YEARS – 1971

Enrollment totals vary

Coos schools

Eastside Elementary School may have to hang out the “no vacancy” sign as its first day enrollment swelled by 13 percent over last year as the total Coos Bay District 9 first day registration stood at 5,920, up only 20 from last year.

Other school districts in Coos County showed a varied pattern with North Bend reporting a general increase as did Bandon. Myrtle Point and Powers reported drops in total registration while Coquille figures were still incomplete at press time. All areas anticipate additional enrollment this week.

Marshfield High School enrolled 1,765 by today, up from 1,763, although total enrollment is expected to hit 2,015 at the peak as later arrivals sign up.

Enrollment in North Bend District 13 schools was set unofficially at 3,359 (up about 25 over last year) with most schools reporting gains.

Myrtle Point to gain new bank

MYRTLE POINT — A second bank will be in operation in Myrtle Point “hopefully by the first of next year,” according to Mel Zumwalt, manager.

Zumwalt, who has 18 years banking experience and served as assistant manager previously for another Coos County bank, is one of eight persons organizing the new “Bank of Myrtle Point.”

He said stock sales are under way for the new bank and land is being cleared for a one-story modern building on the corner of Spruce and Maple.

Bank organizers have approval from the Oregon superintendent of banks to proceed with their plans and are awaiting only final approval of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp., Zumwalt said. The bank will not be directly affiliated with any other banks, but will deal with other banks, he said.

SWO employment above estimates

Employment in Southwestern Oregon for August showed a better-than-expected rise, according to Edward J. Konka, manager fo the State Employment Office in Coos Bay.

Consumer optimism, back to school shopping, and more tourists contributed to an improved month in retail trade, but longshoring was almost at a standstill due to the longshore strike, Konka said.

The employment service manager noted that only four ships with cargo bound for the military was loaded in the port of Coos Bay and all other ships in the port are awaiting settlement of the strike.

Service business was up over August of last year, Konka said. One service businessman in the area said there is more use of services by families, which aids the businesses as commercial use of motel and restaurant facilities is curtailed. Konka said more commercial travelers are expected to be in the South Coast area when the long-shore strike is settled.

20 YEARS – 2001

South Coast schools show enrollment losses

While some Oregon school districts are expecting to see an increase in students, student enrollment on the South Coast continues to decline.

According to a press release form the Oregon Department of Education Tuesday afternoon, the state is expecting 579,000 students this fall. That is about 3,000 more students this school year, due largely to an increasing number of Hispanic students. Since the 1991-92 school year, Hispanic enrollment has increased an average of 11.5 percent annually.

For the South Coast the picture is not as rosy. North Bend’s Director of Curriculum and Instruction Jim Moyer said the district’s preliminary student enrollment figures are lower than last year’s numbers. North Bend had a total enrollment of 2,484 students as of Sept. 30, 2000. This year, Moyer said the district is expecting that figure to be about 2,400 students.

Coos Bay School District’s preliminary student enrollment was also down about 55 students Tuesday.

That figure could fluctuate because the district didn’t have the student enrollment for Marshfield High School. Tuesday was freshman orientation and upperclassmen don’t return to school until today.

Port OKs plan for new airport terminal

Short-term projects: Commissioners reach agreement on contract to fill runway wetlands

From the immediate future to 20 years out, the needs of the North Bend Municipal Airport were quickly wrapped up in one session Wednesday when the Oregon International Port of Coos Bay addressed four items that will shape the airport for decades.

Faced with three options for relocating a small and what is expected to become an outdated existing terminal, the commissioners’ vision for the airport began to take solid shape after a siting plan for a new terminal was approved. The commissioners reached consensus agreement to follow an Airport Advisory Committee recommendation to tear down an old hangar on the northern side of the airport and rebuild a 16,000 square-foot terminal on the site.

In addition to the building, the plan includes provision for expanding parking and siting a new air traffic control tower. It is expected that the proposal will allow business operations there to expand by 100 percent.

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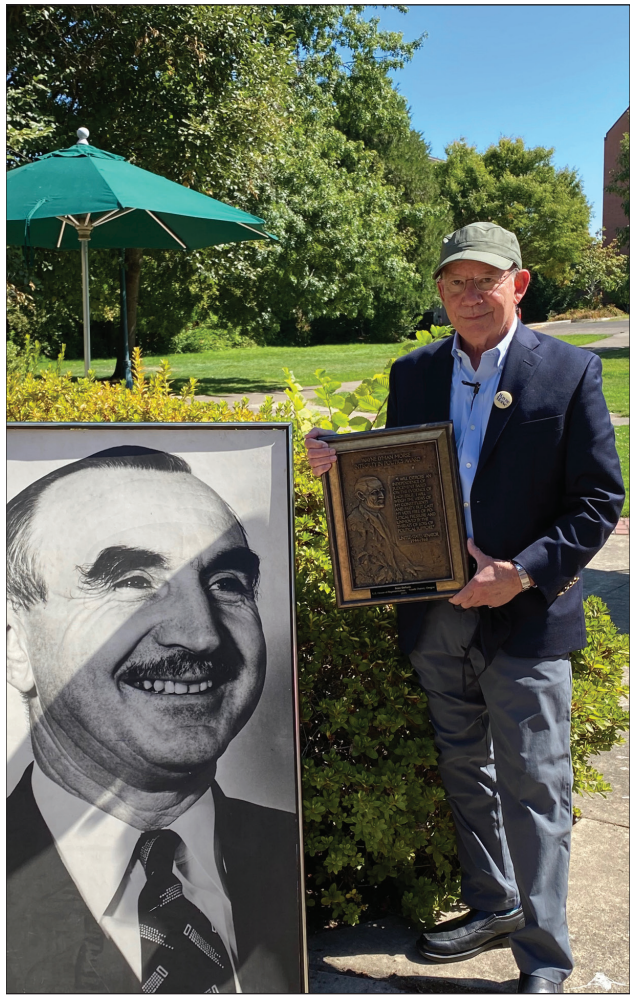
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Congressman DeFazio honored with Wayne More Historical Park Corporation Integrity in Politics Award



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Congressman Peter DeFazio was recently honored as the 10th recipient of the Wayne More Historical Park Corporation Integrity in Politics Award.

Merkley, colleagues urge Biden Administration to curb plastic pollution at national parks

Oregon’s U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley — the chairman of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee that funds the U.S. Department of the Interior and the National Park Service — is leading an effort today to push the Biden administration to take crucial steps to curb plastic pollution at America’s national parks.

The senators were joined in their requests by over 300 environmental and environmental justice organizations and businesses, who wrote to Secretary Haaland

last month to call for the elimination of single-use plastics in National Parks. The letter is the latest from Merkley in a years-long fight to tackle the plastic pollution crisis. Earlier this year, Merkley led the Senate introduction of the Break Free from Plastic Pollution Act—the most comprehensive plan ever introduced in Congress to address the plastic pollution crisis that is poisoning our air, water, and land, and disproportionately impacting communities.

Library

From A1 building for temporary use, I don’t think you’d get the voters to approve the bond,” Craddock said. The city manager said he used an emergency provision to ask for quotes on replacing the roof. He said he expected two bids, each that came in higher than expected. “It’s more than replacing the roof,” he explained. “You’re going to have roof rot. You have 25 window leaks. If we’re going to make the building last, we’re going to have to invest a little.” Craddock said the city was under a time constraint if it wanted to get the work done before the rainy season, so he asked the council to form a consensus

giving staff the authority to move ahead. Funding for the roof would come from the Urban Renewal Agency. The city has \$3.1 million in the URA, which is enough to cover the repairs as well as other projects planned this year. While the city council had questions, all the members present agreed something had to be done.

Without the fix, the library would likely be forced to close before a new facility was available. “I don’t think we have a choice,” Councilor Rob Miles said. “We can’t leave the library where it’s at. It’s not fair to staff or patrons.” With the council in agreement, Craddock said city staff would pick a proposal and bring it to council for formal approval.

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The board of directors of Waterfall Community Health Center joined employees and supporters during the grand opening of the Genoa Healthcare pharmacy.

New pharmacy in Waterfall Community Health Center to serve patients with barriers to care

A unique on-site pharmacy specializing in a hands-on approach to delivering pharmacy care for people with complex, chronic health conditions held its grand opening within Waterfall Community Health Center in North Bend on Wednesday, joined by the center’s leadership and board of directors.

The new Genoa Healthcare pharmacy will serve individuals receiving services at Waterfall Community Health Center, a federally qualified health

center with multiple locations in Coos County. The mission of Waterfall Community Health Center is to provide access to quality, integrated health services that meet the needs of individuals with barriers to care on the Southern Oregon Coast.

The on-site pharmacy ensures patients have convenient access to necessary medications and education about their prescriptions. Genoa’s integrated pharmacy model helps patients stay on their medications at a rate of

more than 90%, compared to about 50% with a traditional approach. A study published in a peer-reviewed journal found that this type of integrated pharmacy also reduces emergency room visits and hospitalizations, which significantly reduces the total cost of care.

“Our new on-site pharmacy is part of our integrated healthcare model and patient-

centered care,” said Andrea Trenner, CEO of Waterfall Community Health Center. “Our patients have busy lives and anything we may do to serve them better is our top priority”.

Waterfall Community Health Center and Genoa Healthcare leaders were joined by the center’s board of directors at the grand opening event. The board is in full support of

adding services to enrich the patient experience and fulfill the center’s mission of promoting quality healthcare.

“We are looking forward to the beginning of a great partnership with Waterfall in North Bend and providing exemplary pharmacy services to the community,” said Katie Lozano, Genoa’s director of operations for Oregon. “Experience shows that

having a pharmacy onsite and a pharmacist as part of the care team improves outcomes for patients. This means the people we serve are more likely to stay on their medication plans and stay healthier.”

More information on Genoa Healthcare’s new pharmacy in Waterfall Community Health Center can be found at <https://www.wfall.org/>.

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